

The Pastor's Musings

Dear Family in the Lord,

Happy Feast Day! Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus, traditionally known by the Latin for "Body of Christ" – Corpus Christi! This feast dates back to the 13th century. Since the institution of the Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood at the Last Supper occurred on Holy Thursday, part of the Paschal Triduum is surrounded by the somber atmosphere that leads into the Agony in the Garden, Arrest and Scouring, Crucifixion and Death of Jesus, it was felt that there needed to be an occasion, in addition to this annual remembrance, to celebrate this great gift of the Most Holy Eucharist.



From the outset, the Feast was observed not only with a Mass, with specially-composed hymns and antiphons created by St. Thomas Aquinas at the request of the Pope, but was followed by a solemn procession outside of the church building. This procession, in which the faithful follow Jesus, as carried in the Consecrated Host enclosed within the monstrance by the priest, expresses the desire and our call to carry Christ we receive in the Holy Eucharist to all we encounter as we are sent forth from Mass to mission! Often, signs of special reverence accompany the Eucharistic Lord as He is carried through the streets – bells, incense, lighted candles, special honor guard, flower petals strewn before Him, and a canopy carried over Him.

We, as a parish that bears this name, are reminded of Who we receive, and Who we are called to be – many parts of the one Body of Christ! We rejoice in the diversity of these parts, and the unity that is growing as we place ourselves, side by side, at His service in carrying out the mission of the Kingdom.

We are reminded of the enduring gift of presence – Real Presence – that resides within the tabernacle at the heart and center of our church. We can examine ourselves to see if at times we take this gift for granted, if we receive Him half-heartedly or without the utmost care and reverence. As we recognize this gift today we can, perhaps, kick it up a notch, when it comes to our response to this gift.

Our Immaculate Conception Church is open every day from 7AM to 8PM for you to have the opportunity to come before Him, present here in the Most Blessed Sacrament, waiting for you! Our way of receiving, our thanksgiving after communion, and our participation in the Holy Mass can all express that we, in the words of the liturgical admonition "know what we are doing," and by what we do as we are sent forth in the world, manifest that we seek to "imitate what we celebrate!"

With you on the Journey,

The Week at a Glance

Monday, June 19

Tuesday, June 20

Televised Parish Mass – 7 PM, Channel 98

Wednesday, June 21

Prayer Cenacle – 2:00 PM (IC C)

Thursday, June 22

Exposition/Adoration – 8:30AM-12Noon (IC)

Setup for Farewell Gathering – all day (SC)

Televised Parish Mass – 7 PM, Channel 98

Friday, June 23

Setup for Farewell Gathering – all day (SC)

St. Catherine Farewell Gathering – 6:00 PM

Italian Class – 7:00 PM (EDPC LL)

Saturday, June 24

Baptism – 10:00 AM (IC C)

Baptism – 11:00 AM (IC C)

Baptism – 12:00 PM (IC C)

Rosary – 3:30 PM (IC C)

Sunday, June 25

Televised Parish Mass – 10 AM, Channel 98

Music Ministry Practice – 11:45 AM (IC)

Choir Practice Spanish Mass – 1PM (ICH)

Rosary – 1:30 PM (IC C)

Spanish Mass – 2:00 PM (IC C)

Sanctuary Lamps

At Immaculate Conception Church, the sanctuary lamp will burn this week in memory of Edmund Arsenault, as requested by his wife and family.

The votives at the Mary altar will burn with blessings on their anniversary for Kathy & Kevin Kelleher, in gratitude for all they do in support of our Sunday morning fellowship.

At the St. Joseph altar, the votives will burn with birthday blessings for Joanne McGrath.



Traveling Vocation Icon

This week, Fr. Gary will receive the Icon of Jesus Knocking at the Door into his home and intercede in a special way for Joe, Mike, and all in formation, for those discerning, and for many vocations to rise up from our community.

Intentions For Holy Mass

- Monday JUN 19 St. Romuald**
8:00AM *Bob McDonough, by Betty Ricci*
- Tuesday JUN 20 Feria (weekday)**
8:00AM *David Best and James Gyugo,
by Sue Ford*
- Wednesday JUN 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga**
8:00AM *Abel Lajoie, by Bernard Lajoie & Family*
- Thursday JUN 22 St. John Fisher
St. Thomas More**
8:00AM *Joseph & Anne Parmentola, by Family*
- Friday JUN 23 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**
8:00AM *Theresa Lajoie, by Doris Gionet*
- Saturday JUN 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist**
8:00AM *Peg Tucker, by Helen and Holly*
Vigil 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:00PM *Kathie King,
by her mother Alice Kerrigan*
- Sunday JUN 25 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
8:30AM *Richard Cerilli, by Elizabeth Choate*
10:30AM *Peter Braseth, by the Maloney Family*
2:00PM **in Spanish** *Celebrant's Intention*
4:30PM *Pro Populo (For our Parish Family)*



To all who are Dads, our best wishes for blessings on this special day! Be assured we lift you up, along with our fathers who have preceded us in death, in our prayers today. All enrolled in our Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet are being remembered in the Holy Masses throughout this week, with the names placed before the altar. The names will then be on the altar of St Joseph for the rest of this month.

Farewell Gathering

**St. Catherine Church
Friday, June 23rd
6:00 PM**

We will gather at our St. Catherine Church, as we did in April at St. James, to unite in prayer, remember with gratitude, and share a time of memories and fellowship. The Prayer Service will mark the end of the use of that church for liturgical celebrations and the Blessed Sacrament will be removed. We will continue to use the building for various faith enrichment programs and activities until after the real estate closing on the property at St. James takes place. Once that occurs and we have the cash in hand, we will go ahead with the repurposing of the St. Catherine facility into our new parish hall (upper level) and meeting center (lower level). Save the date! Plan to join us as we look back with thanks and ahead with hope!

Got Pictures?

We are looking for photos of your memorable events that took place in St. Catherine Church (baptisms, first communions, confirmations, weddings, Christmas fairs, etc.) to use in our Farewell Gathering. If at all possible, please scan your photos (into JPG format) and email them to parishmail.ccnh@gmail.com. If you can't scan them, please drop them off at the parish office in an envelope clearly marked with your name and title/date/church of the event pictured!

Can You Help?

If you're able to help with either decorating or preparing food for the reception, please contact Kathy Kelleher at 978-943-1972. We will be setting up the hall during the day on Thursday, June 22nd, and will do the food prep during the day on Friday, June 23rd.

RSVP!

For planning purposes, if you think you will attend the Farewell Gathering for St. Catherine on June 23rd, please let us know at parishmail.ccnh@gmail.com or 436-4555, X10.

Daily Mass & Spanish Mass Move

Remember, as of Monday, June 19th, the 8:00 AM weekday Mass moves from its present location at St. Catherine Church to our Immaculate Conception Church. The Sunday 2:00 PM Spanish Mass will also move to Immaculate Conception as of Sunday, June 25th.

To schedule Mass intentions or for sacramental records, please see Marilyn Chavez at the Eileen Daly Pastoral Center, or call 436-4555, X13.

**Our reflection
of God's generosity to us!**

Weekend of June 10/11, 2017

Envelopes/EFT	\$ 12,563.00
Loose	\$ 1,770.27
Total	\$ 14,333.27

Last weekend 247 envelope/45Online Giving users contributed 88 % of our income.

Poor Box Donations \$ 176.00

Parish News

NEW! Corpus Christi Procession

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, our patronal feast day of Corpus Christi, it is a special joy for us to welcome newly ordained Father David Harris as celebrant and homilist at today's 10:30 AM Solemn Mass. Father David will carry the Blessed Sacrament in the procession concluding Mass and ending with Benediction at Goodwin Park on State Street. We thank all who are participating in the various liturgical roles of today's events, making this a special day in our parish!

NEW! Holy Land Pilgrimage

We are happy to announce that our May 2018 Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land is full! We are looking forward to an outstanding journey of faith to the land Jesus walked.

NEW! New Resident Among Us!

We are happy to welcome Seminarian Dan Simard, who will take up residence with Fr. Gary and Seminarians Joe and Mike in our Vianney House! Dan will begin his seminary formation at St. John Seminary in Brighton this Fall. Watch next week's bulletin for a message from Dan and a little of his background. He's been so grateful for the warmth of your welcome as he was introduced at Masses last weekend.

NEW! Summer Adoration Hours

We remind you that this week we begin summer hours for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **on Thursdays, from 8:30 AM to 12 NOON, in our Immaculate Conception Church.** We thank those who committed to be scheduled adorers for these hours, enabling us to make this adoration opportunity possible for us all. Drop in!

NEW! Seminarian Mike's Birthday!

One of our seminarians in residence, Mike Niemaszyk, will celebrate his 26th birthday on **June 28th.** If you'd like to send him a card or drop a note, please address it to him here at 98 Summer Street. When he's here on his day off from his summer assignment at Camp Fatima, they will be waiting for him.



NEW! Exploring Catholicism?

In early Fall we have a number of Inquiry sessions – come and see gatherings without any obligation – as part of our RCIA process (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The process is for those who have never been baptized, or who were baptized in another Christian Church, or who were baptized Catholic but not brought up in the faith, never completing the Sacraments of Initiation – Confirmation and Holy Communion. If you, a spouse, relative, or friend fits in these categories and might want to explore the Catholic faith, we would be happy to welcome them. Over the Summer, Father Gary will offer periodic evenings to come, relax, and get more info about the process, answering any questions, and just making connections. Would you like to take part in one of these informal get-togethers? Want to bring someone? Please email him at frgary.ccnh@gmail.com and he will be in touch.

Solemnity of the Sacred Heart



This Friday is the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Holy Mass will be at 8:00 AM. We will offer a Holy Hour of Reparation immediately after Mass for those who wish to remain. The Hour will consist of Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, quiet prayer time, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Litany of the Sacred Heart, and concludes with Benediction.

COMING SOON

Family Fun & Faith Night

Tuesday, July 18 ~ 5:30 - 7:30 PM

On the grounds of St. Catherine

Join us for a summer evening of food and fun for the entire family. Families with children of all ages are invited!

RSVP to Brenda or Brittany at 436-4555

NEW! Prayer Cenacle Moving to IC

Join us every Wednesday for the Marian Prayer Cenacle – time of prayer and intercession for our Pope, priests, and deacons, and for the needs of our community and our world. The Prayer Cenacle begins with a prayer to the Holy Spirit, followed by the recitation of the rosary, prayers for the Holy Father, a brief reading, and closes with an Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Don't miss this opportunity to make a difference united with others in the power of prayer!



Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, Immaculate Conception Church

20/20 WINNERS

\$25 Winners ~ Week 18

69 Dante Tosi

82 Joe La Sala

Pollen got you down?

Want your car to sparkle & shine?

Annual Youth Ministry

Car Wash

June 24 ~ 8am – 1pm

St. James parking lot

No Cost (Free-will Donation appreciated)



All proceeds to help offset cost of the Steubenville East retreat for teens

Families Living the Good News
Bring It Home!
 A Corpus Christi Parish Program

Registration is now open for the 2017-2018 year!

We have an exciting year planned for 2017-2018, with our focus being the person, message, and mission of Jesus Christ. Through the lens of our Catholic faith, we will explore His life, words and actions, and His immense impact on the world. Deepen your understanding of what it means to be His disciple, both as an individual and as a family. Join us for this pilgrimage into the heart of our Lord and Savior.

Registration forms and calendars are available at the entrance to the church or register online at BringItHome.org. We appreciate your prompt registration, as it helps us in planning.



Making a Difference

Would you like to make a difference in the life of a teen? Our parish teens need your support! We are currently planning for **Steubenville East**, set this year for July 14 – 16, a spiritually fulfilling and life-changing weekend for high school teens. We have fifteen teens who would love to attend, but who will need your support/sponsorship to be able to go. (The cost per teen is \$275.)

Please encourage these teens in their journeys of faith by providing the financial support to make their trip possible. Your donations, payable to Corpus Christi Parish, *Steubenville East*, can be dropped into the collection basket at Mass or mailed to the parish office at 2075 Lafayette Road. **Thank you!**

Video Ministry Volunteers needed:

Corpus Christi Parish has its own TV Mass on local Comcast Channel 98, and a YouTube channel that broadcasts the parish weekly Mass for those unable to attend. Help us continue this very important ministry to our homebound parishioners.

We are in need of volunteers to videotape the weekend parish Mass, usually the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass. The Video team commitment is once per month and no prior video experience is necessary. Training will be provided. If you're interested or if you have questions, please contact Rick Bean at 603-312-1111 or Rick@RickBean.com.

Youth Ministry

"Dear young people, do not bury your talents, the gifts that God has given you! Do not be afraid to dream of great things!"
 — Pope Francis

Looking Ahead

Tuesday Night Fun Nights

Have fun, eat food, and bring a friend! Come as you are, when you can! All middle school & high school teens are welcome.

Tuesdays from 7:30-9 PM

Youth Room at the parish offices
 (former St. Catherine rectory):

*July 18th: Life-Size Foosball

*July 25th: Ultimate Frisbee

*August 1st: Movie Night

*August 8th: Glow-in-the-dark dodgeball

*August 15th: AMP

*August 22nd: Campfire & S'mores

For more information or questions, please contact Brittany at youthmin.ccnh@gmail.com.

Community Postings

NEW! *Trip to Cap de la Madeleine*

Several members of Corpus Christi Parish are organizing a trip to Canada. We'll visit Sacre Coeur De Beauvoir in Sherbrooke, Cap de la Madeleine Shrine, Notre Dame Cathedral, and St. Joseph Oratory in Montreal. The trip will be Monday through Thursday, **August 21 – 24**. The cost of the pilgrimage is just \$725 per person, double occupancy. Price includes lodging, three breakfasts, three dinners, and chartered luxury coach. For more information, please contact Egizia Brown at 603-512-4754 or egziabrown@comcast.net.

NEW! *Alumni of Infant Jesus School, Nashua*

Infant Jesus School in Nashua is looking to reconnect with those who have attended the school. They are creating an updated list and are reaching out to alumni for their contact information in order to plan a reunion event for alumni to come and reconnect with old friends, walk the halls of the school, and reminisce and see what the school offers today. If you would like to reconnect, you can either email the school at alumni@ijschool.org or call 603-889-2649 to provide your name, address, and email information. Check out the school's website, www.ijschool.org and look for them on Facebook.

NEW! *Bishop Gendron Apartments, Dover*

Bishop Gendron Apartments, located at 195 Dover Point Road in Dover, has a unique one bedroom apartment just waiting for a tenant. This apartment includes heat/hot water, water/sewer, weekly housekeeping service, weekly flat linen service, and garbage removal. BGA loves providing social/activity programs such as daily Catholic Mass, Rosary, and shopping trips to include grocery/lunch out. FMI, call 603-742-2612 and ask for apartment manager Renee Mattson.