

The Pastor's Musings

Dear Family in the Lord,

It's so easy to get busy, be preoccupied, and while we might even be caught up in doing good things for the Lord, we can risk putting the "work of the Lord" before the "Lord of the work." We all know how it is. The old saying is true – we can be so busy making a living that we forget to make a life! It can be easy to do all sorts of things for our families and yet find ourselves spending little quality time being with them, individually or all together, sharing a meal, praying together, rather than simply rushing from one thing to the next.



Even when summer comes, we can easily fall into a pattern of trading one list of things to do for another! It ends and we really haven't experienced the renewal, change of pace, and refreshment it can hold. During this classic summer week – the week of the 4th of July, I ask you to take stock of yourself, your family, the priorities, and the way you embrace leisure. Jesus' invitation to His disciples should echo in our ears: "Come apart by yourself and rest awhile!" The extended arms of the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in our church always remind me of His words, found in Matthew's Gospel, that I once saw inscribed at the foot of a similar statue: "Come to me... and I will give you rest."

Let's not let summer pass without heeding His invitation and taking Him up on His offer! Our church opens to a beautiful summer morning at 7AM each day and the door, more often than not pinned wide open, stays that way until at least 8PM. Drop in! Come to the quiet! Get some heart to Heart time in before His Real Presence within the Tabernacle, the heart of our church. Perhaps join us a couple of times a week for 8AM daily Mass? The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM (noon) each Thursday as we remember that day, that Holy Thursday on the night before He died, when He gave us this awesome gift of His most precious Body and Blood!

Find a place by the water, go for walk, take your rosary! Relax in the shade with a friend, a child, a spouse, a parent, instead of an iphone or Facebook! Don't let the opportunity of summer pass you by! Start this week, if you've yet to, and take His advice; Heed his invitation: "Come apart and rest awhile.... come to me, I will refresh you."

With you on the Journey,

The Week at a Glance

Monday, July 3

Tuesday, July 4

Televised Parish Mass – 7 PM, Channel 98

Wednesday, July 5

Prayer Cenacle – 2:00 PM (IC C)

Thursday, July 6

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

Televised Parish Mass – 7 PM, Channel 98

Friday, July 7

Italian Class – 7:00 PM (EDPC LL)

Saturday, July 8

Rosary – 3:30 PM (IC C)

Sunday, July 9

Televised Parish Mass – 10 AM, Channel 98

Spanish Choir Practice– 12:30 PM (IC H)

Rosary – 1:30 PM (IC C)

Spanish Mass – 2:00 PM (IC C)

KEY:

IC = Immaculate Conception

C = Church

H = Hall

SPA = St. Patrick Academy

EDPC = Eileen Daly Pastoral Center

VH = Vianney House (rectory at IC)

SO = SHARE Office

Sanctuary Lamp

At Immaculate Conception Church, the sanctuary lamp will burn this week in memory of Helen Hyland, on what would have been her 100th birthday, as requested by Ann, Catherine, and Frank.

The votives at the Mary altar will burn for Jill Armitage, as requested by her husband Phil.

At the St. Joseph altar, the votives will burn in memory of Raymond & Maria Hamilton, requested by Lis & Ted Connors.



Traveling Vocation Icon

This week, **Kate & Glen Gordon** will receive the Icon of Jesus Knocking at the Door into their home and intercede in a special way for Joe, Mike, Dan, and all in formation, for those discerning, and for many vocations to rise up from our community.

Intentions For Holy Mass

- Monday JUL 3 St. Thomas**
8:00AM *Sr. Bernadette, by the Maloney Family*
- Tuesday JUL 4 Feria (weekday)**
8:00AM *Frank Sacramone, by Arthur Sacramone*
- Wednesday JUL 5 St. Anthony Zaccaria
St. Elizabeth of Portugal**
8:00AM *John Mulville, by the Family*
- Thursday JUL 6 St. Maria Goretti**
8:00AM *Kathleen Morrissey, by Frances Lebel*
- Friday JUL 7 Feria**
8:00AM *Kathleen Morrissey, by her Family*
- Saturday JUL 8 Feria**
8:00AM *Glenn MacDonald,
by Lisa, Michael, & Brady Roche*
Vigil 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:00PM *Pro Populo (For our Parish Family)*
- Sunday JUL 9 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
8:30AM *Paul Paulson (13th anniversary),
by his brother John*
10:30AM *Lindsay DiNapoli, by her husband Tom*
2:00PM **in Spanish** *Celebrant's Intention*
4:30PM *Pro Populo (For our Parish Family)*

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



Registration is now open for the 2017-2018 year!
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.

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 436-4555, X20 or X22!

Our reflection of God's generosity to us!

Weekend of June 24/25, 2017

Envelopes/EFT	\$ 10,249.00
Loose	<u>\$ 1,872.77</u>
Total	\$ 12,121.77

Last weekend envelope/Online Giving users contributed 85% of our income.

Poor Box Donations \$ 815.30

Corpus Christi Parish

Online Giving

OLG helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. This helps the parish streamline its cash flow, especially during bad weather or vacation times. It's convenient for you because you can make changes at any time, see reports on your contribution history, and generate tax statements at year end. It's easy to set up and manage, and the service is safe and secure.

We encourage you to check out OLG! Start at our parish website, www.corpuschristinh.org, or call 436-4555.

Congratulations

20/20 WINNER\$

Big Drawing Winners

\$ 500	#204	John O'Sullivan
\$ 300	# 35	Groth
\$ 100	#242	Shelly York
\$ 100	#234	Maggie Stoltz
\$ 50	# 15	Marilyn Chavez
\$ 50	# 30	Dianne Durkin

New 20/20 Series!

Didn't see your name listed above? The next 20/20 raffle series will begin in February. Tickets cost \$20 each and are good for 20 weeks. Each Sunday for 19 weeks, we draw two numbers to win \$25 each. On the 20th week is the final drawing, with prizes of \$500, \$300, two at \$100, and two at \$50. Tickets for the next 20/20 series will be available soon!

Parish News

NEW! *Welcome Visitors!*

We extend a warm welcome to all who might be visiting us as you vacation here in NH's beautiful Seacoast! We are happy you've joined us! Know you are always welcome here! Some of you are regular annual visitors, and it's great to see familiar faces among us! We also welcome those who are discerning parish membership, those who've been coming here for a while and considering becoming a part of our growing community of faith! We'd love to have you join us! See Fr. Gary after Mass, introduce yourself, and he can help you get the process of "making it official" underway!!

NEW! *Nudged Toward Priesthood?*

Are you a young adult guy who every now and then feels a nudging to think about the priesthood? Maybe you push it off fast! Other times you linger! Sometimes something said at Mass, or seeing our seminarians home, stirs it up again. Maybe you're in college, or in a career you love and can't figure out why HE isn't leaving you alone? Maybe you've got a past that you've moved away from, or are trying to, but think you have disqualified yourself from even considering the possibility? Maybe you're 20-something, 30-something or older? In any case, if you'd like to relax, enjoy a cool drink or even share a meal, and talk about it, our pastor Fr. Gary would love to welcome you to drop in to his home at Vianney House. You may even want to chat with one of the seminarians at some point after that. No pressure, no application form, just an occasion to ask questions, think about possibilities, get some information, and discover how to best discern the Lord's call in your life. Interested? Just email Fr. Gary at frgary.ccnh@gmail.com or simply approach him after Mass. The door is open to you! Some who have taken Father up on this offer have been led to seminary, others to vocation of marriage, and others made career changes, but all kicked their faith walk up a notch and found some newness of life. Feel free to reach out to him!

NEW! *July 4th Mass*

We invite you to join us as we come together as a community of faith to start our observance of Independence Day at the Lord's altar. We will pray for our nation, her leaders, her challenges, and our hopes. Holy Mass is at 8:00 AM.



NEW! *First Friday Devotion*

Holy Mass this Friday will be followed by the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus as we observe this monthly day of reparation to the loving and merciful Heart of Jesus!

NEW! *Cookout Next Saturday*

Are you joining us next Saturday on the grounds of St. Catherine? We ask that you arrive between 5:30 and 6:00 PM (latest). For an accurate count, please RSVP to Mary Kay at aa1.ccnh@gmail.com or call the office, 434-4555 no later than this Wednesday (July 5). We will provide the hot dogs, hamburgers, and chicken. We ask that you plan to bring either fruit, green, pasta or potato salad. We'll provide the dessert appropriate to the "occasion!" ☺ Hope you can join us!

NEW! *Seminarian Joe's Birthday*

He'll be reaching the big 30 on July 11th. If you'd like to send him a note or card, please address it to him here at Vianney House, 98 Summer Street. Your prayerful and personal support of our resident seminarians means a lot! Thank you for all your thoughtfulness!

NEW! *Vianney House?*

We have had the pleasure of welcoming many new families and individuals to our parish over the past year, and it continues! Recently someone asked what is "Vianney House?" so we thought it might be good to share with all: In 2011, when Fr. Gary arrived, the rectory next to Immaculate Conception Church underwent major renovations with interior renewal, electrical and plumbing upgrades, and repairs to bring the 1926 house back to being fully functioning again. At this point, it was blessed and named "Vianney House" in honor of St. John Vianney, the patron of parish priests. It was so named because when Fr. Gary moved in so did two seminarians, and a third moved in the following year.

Since then, whether men left formation and discerned the priesthood was not their calling, or were ordained to the priesthood (such as Fr. Mike Zgonc in 2014), the rectory has been a place where our pastor and men in formation live a fraternal life together in this house, which has four suites, large living and dining rooms, and a beautiful intimate chapel. In the chapel is a beautiful stained glass window dating back to the church that was here before the current church was built in 1933. It dates to the mid-1800s and depicts the Annunciation – Mary's YES to her vocation... a poignant reminder in a house like this!

Currently there are two seminarians in residence among us in Vianney House. Joe Moynahan, a native son of the parish who was baptized in our parish church, moved in during the summer of 2015. He will be entering his third year of seminary studies this fall. Last summer, Mike Niemaszyk, who Fr. Gary has known since he was 10, moved in before he began his studies. He enters second year at St. John Seminary in Brighton this fall. And, in mid-August, Dan Simard will be moving in and then starting his first year of seminary.

It's a happy and holy house! It's a blessing and great sign of hope to have these three men call Vianney House, in the embrace of our parish family, "home"! And... the two other "boys" – Buddy (12) & Hershey (2) – love all the attention lavishly given to them as the "dogs of the digs!"

NEW! *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has a new temporary home! Until construction on our new Parish Hall/Meeting Center is complete, they will be meeting each **second Thursday, of the month** at 2:00 PM at the Middle Street Baptist Church. Interested in seeing how you can participate? Call Elaine Wilder, 603-436-8379, or Cyndi Gagnon, 603-373-0094, FMI.

NEW! *Casino Trip*

Corpus Christi Parish will sponsor a bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut on **Thursday, July 13th**. To sign up, call Marilyn Chavez at 436-0344. The cost is just \$35.00 per person (non-refundable) and includes a surprise package when you arrive. Call soon to reserve a spot!

Special Day with Mary



On Monday, **July 17th**, we will have the honor of welcoming to our parish church the traveling Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima statue, which is traveling all over the United States in this Fatima 100th Anniversary Year! Mark your calendars to come to any or all parts of the day of prayer!

- 8:00AM** Holy Mass, followed by reflective Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)
- 8:45AM – Noon** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration
- 12:00 NOON** Angelus, Rosary and Benediction (Sorrowful Mysteries)
- Church open all day for personal visits & prayer**
- 7:00 PM** Holy Mass, followed by Exposition, Rosary (Glorious Mysteries) and Benediction

The National Pilgrim Virgin Statue

The National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is a beautiful hand-carved image of Our Lady of Fatima given to the United States by the bishop of Fatima after being blessed by Pope Paul VI in 1967. She was crowned by Cardinal O'Boyle at the National Basilica in Washington, D.C. in 1971.

This statue presently travels across the United States under the sponsorship of the WAF USA. She has proven time and again to be the catalyst for renewed interest in the message of Fatima and for exposing new generations of Catholics who are unaware of the important message of conversion and peace brought by Our Lady to the three shepherd children in 1917 at Fatima, Portugal.

Youth Ministry

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, 7:30-9 PM in the 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.



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.