

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

Fr. Mariusz Dymek, OSPPE, Administrator & Fr. Mark Kreis, OSPPE, Ph. D.

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February 23rd, 2014 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. (Polish); 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Masses are in Chapel

Wednesday to Friday:

7:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday & Saturday: 11:30 a.m.

Confession

(Sacrament of penance and reconciliation)

In the Church

Saturday 5:00-5:30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sunday before 8:15 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

And 11:30 a.m. Masses

Sacrament of Anointing

If you are entering the hospital or facing a surgery,

We encourage anointing.

In case of emergency, please call the office.

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

Wednesday to Friday following the 7:30 a.m. Mass

Continuing until 11:15 a.m.

Perpetual Novena to

Our Lady of Czestochowa

Every Saturday after 11:30 a.m. Mass

Parish Office Hours

Monday–Friday: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Welcome

We extend to our visitors a very special welcome. We trust that the liturgy will be a blessing to you and you will visit us again. If you think you may be interested in joining Corpus Christi Parish, please contact our office at 716-896-1050. We will assist in making arrangements for your registration.

Mass Intentions

The Vigil for Sunday

5:30 + Elizabeth Ann Krawczyk requested by her Husband, Henry

The VII Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 23rd,

8:15 + Irena & Joseph Michaliszyn requested by The Michaliszyn Family

10:00 + Leokadia & Józef Pekarnik, Msza zamówiona od rodziny Michaliszyn

11:30 + Ronald Brennan requested by His Wife, Children and Grandchildren

Monday, February 24th,

11:30 + Lottie Jaracz, requested by Alice Jaracz

Tuesday, February 25th,

11:30 + Richard Ratka requested by Jerry Kania

Wednesday, February 26th,

7:30 + Edward Zawadzki requested by Rich & Peggy Furness

11:30 ...

Thursday, February 27th,

7:30 + John C. Oleszek requested by Dr. Thomas Witakowski

11:30 + Lucian Stefan Pajor, Msza zamówiona od rodziny

Friday, February 28th,

7:30 ...

11:30 + Athena Noelle Kennedy requested by her Grandparents, George and Veronica Kurk

First Saturday, March 1st,

9:30 + Anthony Matuszak (Memorial Mass)

11:30 + Florence B. Oleszek requested by her daughter Donna Marie

The Vigil for Sunday

5:30 + Elizabeth Ann Krawczyk requested by her Husband Henry

The VIII Sunday in Ordinary Time, March 2nd,

8:15 ...

10:00 ...

11:30 ...

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Sanctuary Lamp

The candle in our Sanctuary burns for the
Health and God's Blessings on James Wozniak

Prayer Request

Prayers are requested for the following; Carolyn Woloszyn, Phyllis Wasik, Bernice Kusek, Kenny Friend, Gary Skrowski, Gary Stomparowski, Mary Kozłowska, Anna O'Shei, Christine Welczewski, Mary Ann Manual, Ronald Orcutt, Rita Sikorski Alice Okon, James Pajak, Maria Serafin, Jane Boye, Margaret Walia, Timothy Sirkora.

Attendance & Collection for 2/16/2014

5:30 p.m. Attendance 14; collection \$480.00

8:15 a.m. Attendance 38; collection \$422.00

10:00 a.m. Attendance 39; collection \$390.00

11:30 a.m. Attendance 51; collection \$491.00

Additional fuel \$165.00

Maintenance & Repair \$97.00

Shrine of Blessed John Paul II & St. Stanislaus Church

For the First Time in recent years, three Churches from the East Side of Buffalo, have joined their efforts and are combining for a Lenten Retreat in Polish which will be held at St. Stanislaus Church. Arrangements have been made for Father Cuber, a Franciscan priest from Oswiecim in Poland. Participating churches are: Corpus Christi, St. John Gualbert and St. Stanislaus Bp & Martyr. The schedule follows:

Lenten Retreat in Polish

Friday, March 28, 2014

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross,

Homily & Holy Communion

Saturday, March 29, 2014

10:15 a.m. Confession & 11:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Confession & 6:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 30, 2014

11:00 a.m. Confession & Noon- Mass

From the Most Reverend Richard Malone, Bishop of Buffalo

When Jesus Christ was leaving this world to return to His Father, He gave authority to the whole Church to go forth and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Our Church has always existed to evangelize. As the Church has gone through its 2000 years of existence, the historic challenges, problems and visions of each age have guided the Church to how the Church could respond each step of the way.

From the very beginning, St. Paul, "*The Missionary par excellence*", carried the Good News to various corners of the earth. What is interesting though is that in several places he found that there was already a foundation of faith. The Good News had been carried by committed lay people expelled from their country by violent persecution.

They escape with their lives and the message of Jesus (see Acts 11: 99-20).

In our time, in our country, in this historic moment, a new reality has arisen. The number of priests has dwindled and the mandate of Jesus is becoming more of a challenge. Jesus' words are truer than ever: "*the harvest is rich, but the laborers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest.*" (Matthew 9:37) Even though 50 years ago there was no shortage of priest, the Holy Spirit moved the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council to see that they needed to tap the rich resources of the laity, so long neglected as vital agents of the Gospel. God himself told Moses to tell the people "*Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.*" In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that only the lived Gospel will bring people to the Lord: "*So be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.*" Twenty years after the Second Vatican Council, Blessed John Paul II gave a particular urgency to lay people to participate in Christ's mandate. By using the parable of the workers in the vineyard, he applied the 11th hour urgency to those non-ordained. "*You, too, go into the vineyard.*"

As our diocese continues to be faithful to Jesus' mandate, and at the same time accept the reality of the shortage of priest leaders, Bishop Malone is inviting us to use the gifts of the whole Church. This plan acknowledges how lay people, vowed religious or permanent deacons can serve in parish leadership, while utilizing the clergy to administer the Sacraments and preach the word of God.

Blessed John Paul II opened this option, when he approved the new Code of Canon Law in 1983. He gave lay people, vowed religious and permanent deacons the opportunity for leadership in parishes, where there is a shortage of priests. That role is called Pastoral Administrator. Church laws make it possible for non-ordained, faith-filled, qualified individuals to be parish leaders, Pastoral Administrators. Pastoral Administrators function well in parishes of all kinds-suburban, urban, and rural.

Naturally, a priest will celebrate the Holy Mass, give absolution in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, anoint the sick, and carry out other priestly functions. In those parishes where there is a Pastoral Administrator, a priest Sacramental Minister will be assigned to those priestly tasks. He would work in very close cooperation with the Parish Administrator so that all liturgical and temporal parish concerns are met.

St. Paul reminds us today that all are called to exercise our faith and be co-responsible for the work of the Church. The Spirit is within all of us. How can we not spread the Good News with joy and confidence? As we pray that the Lord will send laborers into the vineyard, may each of us accept our call to spread the Good News of Jesus!

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