

The Linked Parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara



“As members of the Body of Christ, the linked parishes of St. Barbara and Corpus Christi celebrate the presence of God in all people through our thoughts, words and deeds. We answer Christ’s call as a community of believers to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless

February 26, 2023
First Sunday of Lent

Immaculate Conception Church
Holy Redeemer Church
St. Anthony Church
Msgr. John J. Sempa,
Pastor

**Corpus Christi/
 St. Barbara Parishes**
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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00PM St. Anthony
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception

Sunday

7:30AM St. Anthony
 9:00AM Holy Redeemer
 10:30AM Immaculate Conception

Confession

Saturday

3:00PM to 3:30PM
 St. Anthony Church

Daily Mass Schedule

Mon 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception
Tues 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
 8:30AM Holy Redeemer
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception
Wed 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
 12:10PM St. Anthony
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception
Thurs 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
 8:30AM Holy Redeemer
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception
Fri 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
 12:10PM St. Anthony
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception

Watch Sunday & Daily Mass on
 Corpus Christi Facebook
www.facebook.com/corpuschristiparishpa

Weekly Collection
February 19, 2023

St. Barbara

Weekly.....\$6,129.96
E-Giving.....\$675.00
Total \$6,804.96

Corpus Christi

Weekly.....\$6,258.55
E-Giving.....\$1,781.93
Total \$8,040.48

Daily Masses During Lent

Beginning Ash Wednesday, an additional daily Mass will be celebrated Monday thru Friday at 5:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church.

Stations of the Cross

On Fridays during Lent, there are Stations of the Cross at 3:30PM at St. Anthony’s Church and immediately following the 5:30PM Mass at Immaculate Conception Church.

The Light Is on for You

During Lent, on Monday evenings, Msgr. Sempa will be in the confessional at one of our worship sites. His schedule is as follows:

2/27	5:45PM to 6:30PM	Immaculate Conception Church
3/6	6:00PM to 7:00PM	St. Anthony Church
3/13	5:45PM to 6:30PM	Immaculate Conception Church
3/20	5:45PM to 6:30PM	Immaculate Conception Church
3/27	6:00PM to 7:00PM	Holy Redeemer Church

Soup & Scripture

Beginning Tuesday, March 7th, all are welcome to join us following the 5:30PM Mass in Immaculate Conception Church hall for “Soup and Scripture.” Each Tuesday during March we gather to share a simple Lenten meal of soup and sandwiches and listen to reflections from a guest speaker. Each week the soups and sandwiches will be provided by members of the different ministries of Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes.

Good Friday Pizza Sale

Watch the bulletin for details.....St. Barbara Parish is having a pizza sale on Good Friday, April 7th.

Combined Adult Choir

Today, Sunday, February 26, please welcome our newly combined adult choir at the 9:00AM Mass At Holy Redeemer.

**LENTEN HOLY HOUR WITH
 BISHOP BAMBERA**

All of the faithful in the Diocese of Scranton are invited to a Lenten Holy Hour with the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, to commemorate the diocesan phase of the National Eucharistic Revival. These gatherings will take place in each of the twelve deaneries of the Diocese of Scranton. The Lenten Holy Hour for our deanery, the Pittston Deanery, will take place on Wednesday, March 22 at 7:00PM at Corpus Christi Parish--605 Luzerne Avenue, West Pittston, PA 18643.

At their November 2021 General Assembly, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops voted to move forward with plans for a National Eucharistic Revival to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. The multi-year Eucharistic Revival began on Sunday, June 19, 2022, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, and culminates with the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, July 17-21, 2024. Mark your calendars and plan on joining Bishop Bambera as we pray for renewal in our devotion to Jesus Christ present to us in the Eucharist.



Living Stations of the Cross

Students in 6, 7, and 8th grades are invited to participate in "Living Stations of the Cross" which will be held in St. Anthony's Church on Good Friday, April 7th at 7:00PM. Anyone who is interested is asked to attend a meeting today, **Sunday, February 26th at 7:00PM in St. Anthony's Church.**

Funeral Servers Meeting

A meeting for anyone from Corpus Christi and St. Barbara Parishes who currently serve funerals will be held on **Sunday, February 26 at 1:00PM in the rectory.** Please contact Teresa at 570 357 3985 to let her know you will be attending.

Corpus Christi Parish Car Show

A Car Show meeting will be held on **Monday, March 6th at 6:00PM in the rectory.** Save the Date.....Our annual Car Show will be held on Sunday, May 7th on the grounds of Holy Redeemer church.

St. Barbara Finance Committee Meeting

Members of St. Barbara Finance Committee will meet on **Monday, March 6th at 6:30PM in the rectory.**

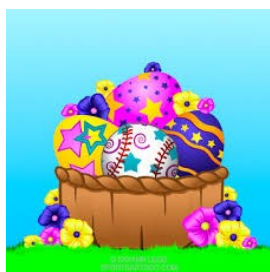
Social Concerns News

•Easter Food Drive

We are in the process of filling up our food shelves in preparation for our Easter food give a way. If you can help, we are looking for donations of any non-perishable foods. Kindly leave any donations in the vestibules of the churches.

•Easter Baskets for Children

Once again this Easter we will be helping local families with Easter baskets for their children ages 12 and under. We are looking for donations of individually wrapped candy, chocolates, small toys, coloring & painting books, bubbles, tablets, chalk, any items appropriate for kids ages toddler thru 12 years. Donations may be dropped off at the rectory or left in the vestibules of the churches. Thank you!



•Homebound & Nursing Homes

If you or someone you know is either homebound or residing in a nursing home, please call the rectory so we can put them on our lists. Thank you.

Corpus Christi "Winter Lottery" Winners

Congratulations to our lucky "Winter Lottery" winners...

2/15	#567	No Winner	\$150.00
2/16	#772	Joseph Szura	\$50.00
2/17	#084	No Winner	\$50.00
2/18	#660	Mary Portelli	\$50.00
2/19	#974	Joseph Balent	\$100.00
2/20	#553	Eileen Sempa	\$50.00
2/21	#521	Marilyn Gubbiotti	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include....

2/15	Frank Balcavage	\$150.00
2/17	Janet Andres	\$50.00

Thank you to everyone for your participation in our parish lottery.

Liturgy Intentions For The Week



February 27 thru March 5, 2023

Mon 7:30AM (ICC)	Ross DeNisco By Ronald & Joann Patoka
5:30PM (ICC)	Dec'd Membs of the Falzone Family By Lisa Falzone
Tues 7:30AM (ICC)	Joseph Dietrick By Mary & Michael Burke
8:30AM (HRC)	Carol Gamble By Donna & Kathleen Mason
5:30PM (ICC)	Olga & Billy Orsheski By Tom & Carolee
Wed 7:30AM (ICC)	Julia Armillei By Faustine, Robert & Carissa Armillei
12:10PM (SAC)	Jean Manderson By Linda, Leonard & Family
5:30PM (ICC)	Jack & Carmella Salvaggio By Children & Grandchildren
Thurs 7:30AM (ICC)	John Yakobitis By Judy Sokach
8:30AM (HRC)	Donna M. Casey By Ed & Marilyn Litwin & Family
5:30PM (ICC)	Wanda Stolarski By A Friend
Fri 7:30AM (ICC)	Richard Morgan By George & Stephanie Morgan
12:10PM (SAC)	Carl Heck & Daughter, Lindsay By Joyce DeAngelo & Family
5:30PM (ICC)	Rose Marie Timek By Kay Austin
Sat 4:00PM (SAC)	Edward Benish By Wife, Jean
5:30PM (ICC)	Ellen Brown By Jasmine Mikita
Sun 7:30AM (SAC)	Harry Giacometti By Michael Litman
9:00AM (HRC)	Gladys Abbel & Barbara & Chuck Richter By Walleye
10:30AM (ICC)	Rae Ann Merlino By Burke Family

Candles

These candles which will burn February 26 thru March 4, 2023 are donated in loving memory of the following:

Altar Candles at ICC

Jamie Oliveri.....By Sister, Janine & Family

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Tony Denisco.....By Wife, Carmella

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Nona Muffy & Grandma Julie.....By Vincent, Julia, & Maria

Altar Candles at SAC

Amy & John Petrucci.....By Children