

# Corpus Christi Parish

December

24 & 31

2017

4th Sunday of Advent  
& The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph



# Parish Information

## Corpus Christi Parish

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Rev. Daniel J. Baillargeon, Pastor

Rev. Matthew Gregory, Parochial Vicar

## Mass Times & Intentions

<b>SUNDAY</b> 4:00 PM SJ	<b>CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES-DEC. 24, 2017</b> Kevin Dutil by his family Carl Veilleux by Mom, Joan
4:00 PM ND	Norman and Mathieu Carey by your loving family
6:00 PM ND	O'Neil Carpenter by Elaine
10:00 PM SJ	Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish
<b>MONDAY</b> 7:30 AM SJ	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES DEC. 25, 2017</b> Mary Weronko by Jan Halloran-Dahl
9:00 AM ND	John Lawrence Madden by his wife

## The Week Ahead

<b>Sun., Dec. 24</b>	10:00AM ND Coffee Hour
	5:00PM SJ AA Meeting
<b>Mon., Dec. 25</b>	<i>The Nativity of the Lord</i> Parish Office Closed
<b>Tues., Dec. 26</b>	7:00PM FFC Al-Anon
<b>Fri., Dec. 29</b>	7:00AM SJ Adoration & Confessions
<b>Sun., Dec. 31</b>	10:00AM ND Coffee Hour
	5:00PM SJ AA Meeting
<b>Mon., Jan. 1</b>	<i>The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God</i> Parish Office Closed
	10:00AM Eric's Restaurant - Elder's Coffee & Camaraderie
<b>Tues., Jan. 2</b>	7:00PM FFC Al-Anon
<b>Wed., Jan. 3</b>	6:15PM ND RCIA
<b>Fri., Jan. 5</b>	7:00AM SJ Adoration & Confessions
<b>Sun., Jan. 7</b>	8:00AM SJS KC #7300 Breakfast
	10:00AM ND Coffee Hour
	5:00PM SJ AA Meeting

<b>TUESDAY</b> 12:15 PM ND	<b>Dec. 26, 2017</b> Wilfred Morissette, Sr. by the family
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:00 AM SJ	<b>Dec. 27, 2017</b> Cecile Ellis by Annette Jacques
<b>THURSDAY</b> 12:15 PM ND	<b>Dec. 28, 2017</b> Roberta Dumont by Dan and Kay Spofford and family
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8:00 AM SJ	<b>Dec. 29, 2017</b> Lawrence J. Byrne by Pauline Hebert
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:00 PM ND	<b>Dec. 30, 2017</b> Deceased members of the Bishop family
4:00 PM SJ	Norman Quirion by Roland and Collette Lachance
6:00 PM ND	Marie Jane Rita Huard by M/M Dana Hayes
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 AM SJ	<b>Dec. 31, 2017</b> Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish
9:00 AM ND	Elaine Pooler by Kathy Keup
10:00 AM SJ	George Fortin by Robert and Joan Fortin
10:30 AM ND	Marie Reny by Bob and Muriel Grenier
4:30 PM CC	Kathleen DeLorme by Carole Kio David

### Please remember in your prayers

Kevin Scully, died, Dec. 7, funeral Dec. 11  
Marie Reny, died Dec. 7, funeral Dec. 15  
Raymond Reny, died Dec. 7, funeral Dec. 16

### Keep in Your Prayers

Dolan Peters, Mary & Lawrence Audet  
*May God's healing touch come down upon our brothers and sisters in faith.*

Please call the Parish Office to be included in our Prayer Line.

### Sanctuary Candle

In thanksgiving by a parishioner ( SJ)

### CHALICE PROGRAM FOR VOCATIONS For the week of December 24-31

Notre Dame Velvet Noel  
St. John Fr. Matt Gregory

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

<b>MONDAY</b> 8:00 AM SJ	<b>JANUARY 1, 2018</b> Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish
12:15 PM ND	Dave Proulx by wife, Louise and family

<b>TUESDAY</b> 12:15 PM ND	<b>Jan. 2, 2018</b> Mary A. Moore by Erica Humphrey and family
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:00 AM SJ	<b>Jan. 3, 2018</b> William Redington Lawry by Jo-Ann Bourassa
<b>THURSDAY</b> 12:15 PM ND	<b>Jan. 4, 2018</b> Leonel Cabana by M/M Stephen Hunter
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8:00 AM SJ	<b>Jan. 5, 2018</b> Jerome Boulette, Ann and Lester Giguere by the Boulette family
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:00 PM ND	<b>Jan. 6, 2018</b> Ruth and Harvey Violette by son, Don and family
4:00 PM SJ	Calvin Poulin (1st Ann.) by wife, Rita, son, Calvin and family
6:00 PM ND	Parishioners of Corpus Christi Parish
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 AM SJ	<b>Jan. 7, 2018</b> Ann Anderson by Muriel Rancourt
9:00 AM ND	Elizabeth Kiralis by Jo-Ann Bourassa
10:00 AM SJ	Bro. Donald Lapointe by Brothers of Christian Instruction
10:30 AM ND	Richard Harmon by his wife
4:30 PM CC	<b>NO MASS</b>

# Liturgical Bits & Bytes

## The Nativity

Christmas is one of the most important days of the Church year, second only to Easter. It is the feast of the incarnation when we celebrate that with the birth of Jesus, God has become one of us. Every Eucharist is like Christmas where the bread and wine are transformed into the body and blood of Jesus. In a sense, He is born anew on the altar.

The liturgical season of Christmas begins with the vigil Masses on Christmas Eve and concludes on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (celebrated this year on Jan 8). During this season, we celebrate the birth of Christ into our world and into our hearts, and reflect on the gift of salvation that is born with him...including the fact that he was born to die for us.

## Mary, the Holy Mother of God

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is a liturgical celebration observed on January 1. It is a holy day of obligation, meaning that Mass attendance is required. The use of the word *Solemnity* is a designation used for certain days within the liturgical calendar of the Church. Solemnities are the highest rank of liturgical celebration, higher than feast days or memorials. By celebrating a solemnity dedicated to Mary's motherhood, the Church highlights the significance of her part in the life of Jesus. Even though she was human, because she gave birth to the Son of God, and is the Mother of the Son of God, she can be called the Mother of God.

### Parish Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

8:00AM at St. John

12:15PM at Notre Dame

## Saint of the Week

### Saint Stephen

On December 26th the Church celebrates the Memorial of St. Stephen. Stephen's name means "crown," and he was the first disciple of Jesus to receive the martyr's crown. Stephen was a deacon in the early Christian Church. The apostles had found that they needed helpers to look after the care of the widows and the poor, so they ordained seven deacons, and Stephen is the most famous of these. God worked many miracles through St. Stephen and he spoke with such wisdom and grace that many of his hearers became followers of Jesus. The enemies of the Church were furious to see how successful Stephen's preaching was. At last, they laid a plot for him. They could not answer his wise argument, so they got men to lie about him, saying that he had spoken sinfully against God. St. Stephen faced that great assembly of enemies without fear, and falling to his knees he begged God not to punish his enemies for killing him.

### Calling all Snowbirds

Before you leave for the winter please contact the Parish Office with the dates that you plan to be away so we can put your envelopes on hold. See you in the spring!

### ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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The St. John School Family would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May the gifts of Advent continue to bless you all in the New Year. Because of their age, we are not so sure all the students realize the importance of the gift that their parents and the parish have given them. But in our hearts, we know that one day they will realize how truly blessed they were for the experience of a Catholic Education.

## Sunday Readings & Reflections

### Readings for Sunday, December 24

Acceptance of God's Will

**Reading I** 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 (The Lord's promises to David)

**Reading II** Romans 16: 25-27 (Doxology)

**Gospel** Luke 1:26-38 (The annunciation of the Lord)

**Key Passage:** Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her. (Luke 1:38)

**Adult:** How do you open your heart to what God wants for you? How do you follow the pathway that leads to happiness?

### Readings for Sunday, December 31

Respect for Elders

**Reading I** Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 (Duties toward parents)

**Reading II** Colossians 3:12-21 (The practice of virtues)

**Gospel** Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 (The flight to Egypt)

**Key Passage:** Jesus went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. (Luke 2:51a)

**Adult:** What does your family do to honor and respect its older members?

**Youth:** Why did Joseph leave Israel? How can he be an example for you?

## Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory numbers were not available at press time.

The budget is based on a weekly average offertory of \$15,942.00 per week.

Collection for the fund for the Retired Religious - \$

**Thank you for your continued support of our parish.**

# In Our Parish and Diocese

## Lifelong Faith Formation

### ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Classes are held at the Faith Formation Center attached to St. John Catholic School, September-May.

### K-8 Faith Formation Calendar

<b>K-5 Sun. Session</b> <b>Faith Form. Ctr</b> <b>8:30-9:45AM</b> Jan. 7, 21, 28	<b>K-5 Mon.. Session</b> <b>Alfond Youth Center</b> <b>3:30-4:30PM</b> Jan. 8, 22, 29
<b>Family Life</b> <b>Faith Form. Ctr.</b> <b>3:00-5:00PM</b> Jan. 7	<b>JHYM</b> <b>Faith Form. Ctr.</b> <b>6:00-8:00PM</b> Jan. 7, 28

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday Evenings 6:00 - 8:00PM

Youth Ministry Room on the 2nd Floor at St. John School  
(enter by the Grotto)

- Dec. 24th - Christmas Eve - no YM
- Dec. 31st - New Years Eve - no YM
- Jan. 7th - Discussion night - Spiritual Warfare  
(Planning team meeting at 4pm)
- Jan. 13th and 14th - Rock-A-Thon! Money to benefit the Travis Mills Foundation.

### MOUNT MERICI ACADEMY

#### An Ursuline Catholic School

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Mount Merici has a proud culture of profound kindness, compassion, service and academic excellence which translates to great strength of character and integrity in adults who spent their youth at Mount Merici. Ours' is a culture of Serviam.

The Serviam flame is ignited in our very youngest students, 3 and 4-year-old babies who light up our nursery and our Pre-K. Serviam begins there, in the most innocent of hearts and minds, and burns brighter and stronger and more powerful, all the way up to the impressionable middle schoolers who are a making life-altering transition from child to young adult, at a time in the world when outside influences are invited inside, and are stronger than they have ever been.

Every student spends his or her days learning how the light of love enhances the world. And when they leave Mount Merici, not only do they have an academic advantage, but they have a keenly honed ability to be the change they wish to see in the world.

With our Serviam hearts, we wish you a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. Love, from Mount Merici Academy.

### Parish Holy Day Mass Schedule

#### The Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, December 24

4:00PM Notre Dame      4:00PM St. John  
6:00PM Notre Dame      10:00PM St. John

#### The Nativity of the Lord

Monday, December 25

7:30AM St. John      9:00AM Notre Dame

#### Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Monday, January 1

8:00AM St. John      12:15PM Notre Dame

### NOT A 2 FOR 1-er

As you may have noticed, Sun., Dec. 24 marks the celebration of the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve. We, as Catholics, accept the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday as well as Christmas. This is not a “2 for 1-er” day on which a person can fulfill the Sunday obligation and the Christmas obligation at the same Mass.

Parish Masses that will fulfill the Sunday obligation are:

Sat. Evening, Dec. 23: 4:00SJ, 4:00ND, 6:00ND  
Sun. Morning, Dec. 24: 7:30SJ, 9:00ND, 10:00SJ, 10:30ND

Parish Masses that will fulfill the Christmas obligation are:

Sun. Evening, Dec. 24: 4:00SJ, 4:00ND, 6:00ND, 10:00SJ  
Sun. Morning, Dec. 25: 7:30SJ, 9:00ND

#### Here is how to create your combination of Masses:

Sat. evening(for Sun.) and Sun. evening(for Christmas)  
Sat. evening(for Sun.) and Mon. morning(for Christmas)  
Sun. morning(for Sun.) and Sun. evening(for Christmas)  
Sun. morning(for Sun.) and Mon. morning(for Christmas)

### Knights of Columbus Monthly Breakfast

Sunday, January 7, 2018      8:00 to 10:00AM

St. John School Cafeteria – Winslow

Adults \$6.00    Children \$4.00    Family Maximum \$20.00

Thank You For Your Support of Our Charities in 2017  
We Look Forward to Seeing You in 2018!!

### February Frenzy

Last February we raised \$5,000 for the Parish and St. John School in our February Frenzy Calendar Raffle. Through generous donations from parishioners and local businesses we were able to have a prize awarded every day of the month! We are starting to collect donations for this year's calendar. If you would like to make a monetary donation or donate a gift card for the calendar please contact Kim Suttie, 872-2281 or [kim.suttie@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:kim.suttie@portlanddiocese.org).

## Christmas Flowers 2017 In Honor Of:

Albert and Jane Rancourt	Ralph Gross	M/M Percy Brown	Jean Ann Aucoin	Our parents	Whitford Stevens
Joseph and Corris Mayo	Bill Trapnell	Elizabeth Wright	Wanita Dionne	Marion McHugh	Darryl Oakes
Alcide and Cecile Bard	Percy White	Carter family	Joseph LaGasse	Cecile Nadeau	Donald Noel (Dad)
Gloria and Hector Bolduc	Reg Veilleux	Rosaire Bard	Irene and Danny Sirois	Odilon Lessard	Hugh Doucette, Sr.
Agnes Roy Tatanawich	John and Paul Roy	Chris Doucette	M/M Saul Turgeon	Alexina Lessard	James W. Meehan, Sr.
Eugene R. Marshall, Sr	Anna Sroka	Robert Young	Cora Thibodeau	Paul and Pearl Atlobello	Mary R. Piascik
Delford and Cecilia Poulin	Eva White	Helen Dixson	Lena Vashon	Altie Oakes	Willard Stevens
Gerard D. Quirion	Connie Begin	Don Giguere	Mrs. Marion Gagnon	M/M Gerard Bilodeau	Joy Wilder
Willie and Juliette Pelotte	Theresa Lemieux	Richard Charland	Bernadette Conley	Joseph Phillip Veilleux	M/M Philip Rossignol
M/M Philip Lemieux	Kevin Morin	Leonie Rodrigue	M/M Dennett	Father Gower	Emiline Hansen
Fred and Simone Roy	Maisie Knowles	Buddy White	Fritz Morissette	Mary Drost	Alice Mendes
Husband, Donald Charette	Mona Axtell Gillie	M/M Chasse	Yvette Loisel	H. P. Dixson	Fred Irving
Henry Moses, Jr and Reny	Annette Cameron	Susan Eaton	Ralph Paradis	Mike Dixson	Richard Bard
Leo and Laurence LeClair	Emile Rodrigue	Lawrier Hubert	Lisa Cassidy	M/M Arthur Dore	Linda Rokos
Richard and Shirley McGee	Cecilia Hubert	Gerard Couture	Florian Julia	Richard Hamlin	Norma Carey
Mary and Alfie St. Peter	Laurien R. Denis	Richard Jacques	Lee T. Shuckrow	Margy Malady	Pam Hamlin Abbott
Theresa Y. Willette	Germaine Jacques	Ralph Knight	John Carey	Matthew Lemieux	Lemieux family
Clifford and Dora St. Pierre	Vernette Grenier	Donald Giroux	Lucyna Iwaniczek	Celine Lemieux	Julia Normandeau
my daughter, Susan Morin	Jeanne Reny	Joan Giroux	Dan Veilleux	Marion Moses	Ronald Cormier
M/M Henry Moses, Sr.	Odile Williams	Romeo Bureau	Fernand Veilleux	Martha Julia	Louis & Lorette
M/M Edwin Collier	Germaine Ferland	Gene Veilleux	Yolande Genest	Albert Drost	M/M William Brown
Joseph A. Boucher	Linwood Pelotte	Emerson family	Jeffrey Mayo	Phil Dixson	Raymond McHugh
Bernard and Anna Poulin	Mamie Ouelette	Maurice Poulin	M/M Havey Bureau	M/M Abel Maheu	Marilyn Spaulding
M/M Norman Pellerin	Henry Mendes	Alcee A. Vigue	Jean Paul Veilleux	Christine Wood	Olivette Lessard
Mr. Timothy Collier	David Pelotte	Yvette Pelotte	Katherine Meehan	Williard Shirley	Benjamin W. Piascik
M/M George Gilligan	Jackie Moorehead	Vallair Daigle	Ernest R. Hansen, Sr	Priscilla Hamlin	Harold P. Weymouth
Husband, Richard A. Maxwell	Bruce	O'Neil Martin	John Doherty	M/M Matt Aucoin	Phillip Lemieux
Norman and Florence Marcia	Walter Vashon	Leo DeRaps	Tina Mayo	Leo W. Baker, Sr.	Juliette E. Weymouth
Pauline and Albert LaGasse	My mother	James Pellerin	Arthur Doucette	Matt Carey	James Rossignol
The R. Sinclair family	Jeannette Gross	Deborah Moses	Blanche Wrigley	Alice Irving	Jacqueline Marshall
Chester and Bertha Plourde	Joyce Paradis	Louis DeRosby	Lorette Desveaux	Jerome Aucoin	Stefania & Joseph Sroka
Mary Elizabeth Butler	Parents and In-Laws	Cynthia Crowell	M/M Frank Pellerin	Mrs. Lucille E. Gagnon	Irene Ware and daughters
Hector and Rose Lefebvre	Joan Wranosky	Jeanne Martin	M/M Albert Veilleux	Sr. Kilian Conley	Melfna and Tad Bednarz
M/M Edward Joliceour	All Opiod Victims	Elizabeth Shibles	Maria Glantschnig	M/M Joseph Chasse	Juanita McConnell
Gerald Letourneau	Mrs. Joan Bolduc and Dominique		Deceased parents of Mike and Mary Hammond		M/M Joseph Veillieux
Rev. Richard Rokos	Deceased relatives of Arthur Genest		Deceased family of Clayton and Yvette Paradis		Fred and Thereasa Gennes
Rosaire and Bernadette	M/M Alwyne and Bessie Phillips		Frank and Mary Ann Kings and family		Wm and Anita Morrisette
Leo A. and Verna E. Baker	Grandparents, Pilotte and Foster		Deceased family of Jules and Gaile Letourneau		Manley and Rita Dixon
Mary M. Letourneau	Jeannette and Richard Doucette		my parents: Richard and Rosilda Lebeau		Dorian and Connie Begin
David, Darrell and Norine	Adrien and Simone Paradis		M/M Walter and Lena Vashon		M/M Oram Rossignol
Ella and Rosaire Chasse	Deceased family of Connie Warren		Frederick and Eleanor Poulliot		M/M Bernard Fortin
Lorraine and James Maheu	Everett and Florence Works		Arthur and Angelie Jacques		The George Maheu family
Br. Donald Lapointe	M/M Theodore and Beatrice King		The Clinton Martin Family		Deacon David Veilleux
Henry Marie Maillaux	M/M Paul Doucette and children		Phillip and Lucille Woodside		
M/M Honorius Thompson	Lorenzo and Germaine Poulin		The William Couture family		
Conrad and Ida May Hallee	The Bourget and Belanger families		My parents: William and Rosaline Grover		
Deceased family members of Evangeline Bourassa			All deceaced family members of Arlene Mattson		
All who have died in 2017 thru war & oppresion in this country and throughout the world				Yvonne and Frank Pellerin all deceaced family	