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December 18, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Advent



Sunday Masses

Saturday: 17h00

Sunday:

10h00 * *(livestreamed)*

(preceded by the Rosary at 9h30)

15h00 : * *(livestreamed)*

(in Tagalog & English with
visiting priest Fr. Jerome Pastores)

* Masses are *livestreamed* at:

www.corpuschristiparish.ca/livestream

Weekday Masses

Tuesday: 19h00

(preceded by the Rosary at 18h30,
ends with a devotion to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help)

Wednesday: 9h00

Thursday: 9h00

Friday: 9h00

(followed by Adoration)

First Saturday: 9h00 * *(livestreamed)*

(preceded by the Rosary at 8h30,
and followed by Adoration)

Welcome to our Parish

We hope our community will be a place where your life and faith can be nourished. Your talents, prayers, time and presence are all very welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 17, 5 p.m.

- † Brian Belvedere † (Andy Csisztu)

Sunday, December 18, 10 a.m. *(livestreamed)*

- Thanksgiving for the whole family (Philomena Netto)

Sunday, December 18, 3 p.m., in English & Tagalog *(livestreamed)*

Tuesday, December 20, 7 p.m.

- † H el ene Lanteigne † (Potts family)

Wednesday, December 21, 9 a.m.

- For all priests to do God's Holy will (Ashtrid Potts)

Thursday, December 22, 9 a.m.

- † John Murray † (Murray estate)

Friday, December 23, 9 a.m.

- † Jonathan Potts & all souls in purgatory † (Potts family)

SANCTUARY LIGHT – For the week of December 18:

For Teresa, Patrick, Victor and Marilyn (Philomena Netto)

PAPAL INTENTIONS for DECEMBER 2022

For catechists: Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Please pray for those who are sick and for those who suffer, for those who have died and those who mourn, and ask special blessings for:

†Deacon Marcel Aub ; †Zoltan Beke; John Bogdanski; †Charles Campbell; Charles (Chuck) Colomb; †Veronica Cosgrove; William (Bill) Cosgrove; †Domenic D'Alesio; Michael & Pierre Dagher; †Margo Donovan; Kiana Dyson; Steve, Diane and Elijah Farley; Bill Fletcher; †Maria Pimentel Gannaban; †Val Hulse; Nilda Hufana; Patricia Jackson; †Megan Joncas; Lily Kemp; Brenna Labbe; †Caroline Labrosse; Adrian MacDonald; Karen McLeod Wilson; Olive Moss; †R gine Ntirumera; Carl Olynyk; Fr. Paul Pomkoski; †Johnathan Potts; Emmanuelle; Carmela Rinaldi; Catherine Sadorski and the Branco family; Ed Sears; Antonio & Flor de Liza Serafini; †Michael Soles; Maria Teresa Villarreal; Karen Wheeler; Jo Anne Hilton Wilkin; Alyssa Wilson.



THANKS FOR NEW LIGHTING SYSTEM

Father Stephen would like to express his sincere appreciation to Anthony Broccolini for his generous contribution of the installation of new lights above the altar and the whole of the Sanctuary. The new lights enhance and beautify the sanctuary and crucifix, and help visibility for those who serve at celebrations.



MASSES FOR THE 2022 CHRISTMAS SEASON

"SIMBANG GABI"/ Night Mass / Christmas Novena

Friday, December 23 7:00pm (in Tagalog & English)

The Nativity of Our Lord

CHRISTMAS EVE Mass, Saturday, December 24

4:30 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

11:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY Mass, Sunday, December 25

10:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m. (in Tagalog & English)



Mass on the 15th Anniversary of Father Stephen's Ordination

Tuesday, December 27 7:00 p.m.

*** Followed by a celebration pot-luck meal

The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

NEW YEAR'S EVE Mass, Saturday, December 31

7:00 p.m.



World Day of Peace

NEW YEAR'S DAY Mass, Sunday, January 1

10:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m. (in Tagalog & English)

*** Followed by pot-luck celebration for the
37th anniversary of Fr Jerome's ordination

PARISH PRAYER GROUPS – All prayer requests are welcome.

† Recitation of the Rosary, **Sunday morning before Mass, 9:30am**

† Rosary & Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Tuesday Evening, 6:30 - 7 pm, at Church before Mass and via ZOOM

† CanadaPrays Rosary (*Le Québec prie*), **Wednesday evenings, 6:00 pm**

On the path by the statue of Mary, at Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue Church.

† Online Rosary, **Wednesday evenings, 7 pm, via ZOOM**

† Online Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Thursday evenings, 7 pm, via ZOOM - private link

Prayer ZOOM meetings: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2524950337?>

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Meeting ID= 252 495 0337

Passcode: 082853

"SIMBANG GABI"/ Night Mass / Christmas Novena

The Twin Hearts Alliance and the Filipino community at Corpus Christi Parish continue to offer a traditional "*Simbang Gabi*" (in Tagalog & English) on **Friday, December 23, at 7pm**. This cherished Christmas custom is a distinct feature of Filipino Catholics culture and has become a symbol of sharing. These are Masses in anticipation of Christmas and honor the Blessed Mother, the Morning Star. This title given to the Blessed Mother of our Lord shows that just as the morning star announces the coming of the day, appearing in the sky and reflecting the light of the sun, "Mary appeared on the horizon of salvation history before Christ," and shows us the way to Him. She reflects the light of the Creator and Redeemer and exalts His glory.



2023 Offertory envelopes now available

Next year's Church envelopes are available behind the last pews and from the parish office. They have been pre-assigned and the boxes have individual or family names on them.

Please take only the box with your name on it.

If you expected but can't find an envelope box with your name on it, or if you would like to have a set prepared for you, please add your name and contact phone number or email to the list provided on the clipboard beside the envelopes.



The 2023 envelopes can be used starting January 1, 2023.

If you do not currently donate to the parish on a regular basis, we encourage you to sign-up for a set of envelopes or complete a form for pre-authorized direct debit (PAD/DD) and return it to the parish office. You may also choose to donate regularly by credit card via our website at:

www.corpuschristiparish.ca/giving

Thank you to everyone for your continued financial support.

*Fight all error, but do it with good humor, patience, kindness, and love.
Harshness will damage your own soul and spoil the best cause.
– Saint John of Kanty*

Socks for the homeless living on the streets on Montreal

Winter is here, the time of the year most difficult for those who live on our streets. Corpus Christi Parish helps the homeless at Benedict Labre House through the purchase of new socks. You can donate towards this end with socks or donations in the box by the church entrance.



PARISH CHRISTMAS BASKETS FOOD DRIVE

Corpus Christi Parish regularly prepares food baskets for people in our community. If you are aware of an individual or a family who needs food assistance, please contact Maria Martins (smartins54@outlook.com, 514-233-0611).

Suggested items for donation:

- Non-perishable food items: baby food and baby cereal, cereal, peanut butter, jam, canned tuna and meat, beans, rice, oatmeal, instant coffee, tea, pasta, jarred tomato sauce, **special food items for children and as treats** such as snacks, cereals, juice boxes, cookies, seasonal goodies
- Gift cards from **grocery stores, pharmacies, box stores**
- **Toiletries & Diaper wipes & Dental items**
- **Gloves, hats and scarves, warm undergarments**



Donated goods and items can be left in the alcove at the back of Corpus Christi church, and gift cards can be dropped in the offertory basket (please indicate your name and contact number – tax receipts are given for financial donations to the pantry).

This Christmas, we **also collected for St. Willibrord's Christmas Basket Project** that provides for over 200 families in Verdun, Pte. Saint-Charles and Ville-Émard. The **St. Willibrord Project still needs volunteers** especially for the last push, from December 17 to 23, with most volunteers needed on final Packing Day, Thursday, December 22 and on Delivery Day, Friday, December 23. Info about the St. Willibrord Parish project: Anne Parsons, 514-457-2183, parsoa2003@yahoo.com

(ST. WILLIBRORD PARISH, 325 Willibrord St., Verdun, swillibrordparish@videotron.ca)

ACN Christmas Campaign 2022

Aid to the Church in Need's 2022 Christmas Campaign focuses on supporting Christian communities in two devastated Middle Eastern countries, Syria and Lebanon, where they are currently experiencing unprecedented hardship. In both countries, the support consists of housing assistance, the distribution of basic supplies, including food, the purchase of medicine, and pastoral assistance through the organization of youth camps, amongst others. This support allows Christians to stay on their ancestral land and live there in decent conditions – further helping Christians, knowing that Syria and Lebanon are the historic homes of the first Christian communities



Read more about the campaign and share at

https://acn-canada.org/christians-are-already-thanking-you-shukran/?utm_source=Cyberimpact&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Journey-with-ACN---No-244--December-3-2022

Watch this video about a young man helping a family in Marmarita, Syria, <https://acn-canada.org/christmas-2022/>

(AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED, P.O. Box 670, Station H, Montréal (QC). H3G 2M6)



SAVE THE DATE
Montreal Women's
Day Retreat

A Day of Hope with the
Sisters of Life

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH, 2023
Sacred Heart School

“A Day of Hope” Retreat

This day-long women's retreat in English will be a day to recharge, renew and restore through prayer, music, talks and reflection. Organized by women from the Montreal area for women, with the support of the OEPS, it will be held

Saturday, March 18, 2023, 9 am - 3:30 pm.

Info: esperanza.martinezperez@yahoo.com

Sign up & Registration:

<https://forms.gle/4Dt9s4pupXQ4NJcB6>

(THE SACRED HEART SCHOOL, 3635 Atwater, Montreal, Quebec H3H 1Y4)



First Reading:

Isaiah 62: 10-14

Look, the virgin is with child.

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 24: 1-7, 10

℟. : May the Lord come in; he is the king of glory.

Second Reading:

Romans 1: 1-7

Jesus Christ, descend from David, was declared to be the Son of God.

Gospel:

Matthew 1: 18-24

Jesus was born of Mary, who was engaged to Joseph, son of David.

For the complete Sunday Readings, go to the *Living with Christ* website at:

<http://ec2-34-245-7-114.eu-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com/daily-texts/reading/2022-12-18>

Questions to Ponder (from *The Pastoral Center.com*)

- What could you do this week to make someone feel welcome, as Joseph welcomed Mary?
- Whom do you find it difficult to welcome in your life? What can you do to overcome that?

ON THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR

The feast days of the Church are not just the commemoration of historical events; they also look to the present and the future, and give us an insight into our own relationship with God.

Dec. 20 – **Saints Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob**, the three great Patriarchs of Judaism, their perseverance and devotion to the one, true, God made it possible to establish the Chosen People from whom the Savior of the world would be born

Dec. 21 – **Saint Peter Canisius**, Jesuit, Priest, Doctor of the Church, leader in the Counter-Reformation, Second Apostle of Germany, wrote Catechisms

Dec. 23 – **Saint John of Kanty** (Giovanni de Ketzi), Priest, professor at the University of Cracow, Patron of Poland and Lithuania

Dec. 21 – **WINTER SOLSTICE**

Dec. 28 – **FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

Also called Childermas, or Innocents' Day, the feast commemorates the massacre of the children by King Herod in his attempt to kill the infant Jesus, venerated as martyrs they died not only for Christ, but in his stead

Dec. 30 – **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

Celebrates the sanctity of the Holy family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. A day for people to reflect on the virtue of their family, and to think about how they can strengthen communication between family members, and how to heal past wounds.



We light the final purple candle Advent Wreath this week to mark our final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This final candle, the "Angel's Candle," symbolizes peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men"

Looking for ways to grow deeper in your faith?

Join us in a great New Year's resolution that will change your life – spend time with your faith everyday – and let's read the entire Bible, or Catechism, in a year!

Corpus Christi Parish is excited to invite parishioners and friends to join in reading the entire Bible together using “**The Bible in a Year**” podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz. By listening to this podcast, we will:

- Read the entire Bible in 365 days
- Understand the story of Salvation
- Experience the transformative power of God's Word in your life

NEW PODCAST***For those who've read the Bible, we can now read the entire Catechism in a year! Beginning January 1, 2023, the new podcast, “**The Catechism in a Year**” with Fr. Mike, will give us the opportunity to:

- Encounter God's plan of sheer goodness
- Absorb over 2,000 years of Sacred Tradition
- Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- Transform our relationship with the Church that Christ founded

Each of the daily episodes are about 20-25 minutes long, making it easy to listen on your own, with your family, or with a small group. Don't miss out on this opportunity to finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story that continues in your life today, or to finally understand what it means to be Catholic and allow those truths to shape your life!

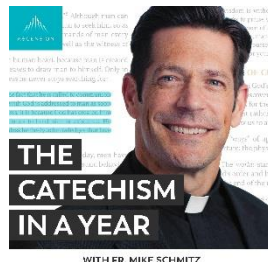
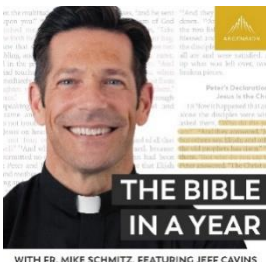
Corpus Christi Parish is here to support you on your “Bible in a Year” journey and your “Catechism in a Year” journey!

You can find these podcasts on any podcast app, on YouTube, or just by clicking the link:

(Bible) www.ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration-parish

(Catechism) <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear> or www.ascensionpress.com/pages/ciy-registration-parish

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contact the **Diocesan Ombudsman, Me. Marie Christine Kirouack, Ad. E.**
plainte@ombudsman-ecm.com , 514-PLAINTE or 514-752-4683

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SASMAD: Spiritual support service for the elderly or sick at home
Available 7 days a week, from 10 am to 4 pm at [1-888-305-0994](tel:1-888-305-0994)

Carmelite Sisters: 514-271-6957

Missionary Recluses: 514-648-6801

Le Pèlerin: [514-737-6262](tel:514-737-6262), info@lepelerin.org
Spiritual accompaniment service for people in search of meaning,
www.lepelerin.org/portail/nos-services/laccompagnement-spirituel/

The Ignatian Spirituality Centre of Montreal

For spiritual accompaniment or direction
[514-481-1064](tel:514-481-1064), centre@ignatiancentremtl.ca or www.ignatiancentremtl.ca

Stay Informed

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For **news from the diocese**, subscribe to the diocesan Facebook and Twitter pages ([@diocesemontreal](https://twitter.com/diocesemontreal)). You may also choose to subscribe to the Newsletter of the Catholic church of Montreal www.diocesemontreal.org/en/news-and-info/newsletters

The diocesan **Grapevine** includes the latest information about what is going on the Montreal English Catholic community: thegrapevine@diocesemontreal.org .

COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES	
A.A.	514-376-9230
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Archdiocese of Montreal, Marriage Tribunal, Pastoral Services	514-931-7311
Catholic Action Montreal	https://catholicaction.ca/
Catholic Cancer Connection www.facebook.com/groups/664142594894288	Debbie: 514-674-1233 catholiccancerconnection@gmail.com
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	514-931-7311
MOMENTUM – support for Catholic single mothers	https://www.momentummothers.org
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried? Need Help?	1-855-871-4442 514-344-2686
Tel Aide (listening line)	514-935-1101
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	514-620-4845

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Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:30 pm, Sundays from 9:30 am, **and on request.**

Baptism: Please contact the church office in ample time for the preparation process before the baptism.

Marriage: Those wishing to celebrate a marriage in the parish are asked to contact the rectory eight months in advance of the proposed date of the celebration. A preparation program, approved by the Pastor, must be taken in advance.

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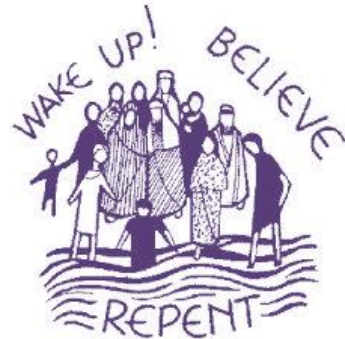
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