

# The Corpus Chronicles



Corpus Christi  
Parish  
*Becoming What We Receive*

A Monthly Newsletter for Parishioners & Friends  
February 2023

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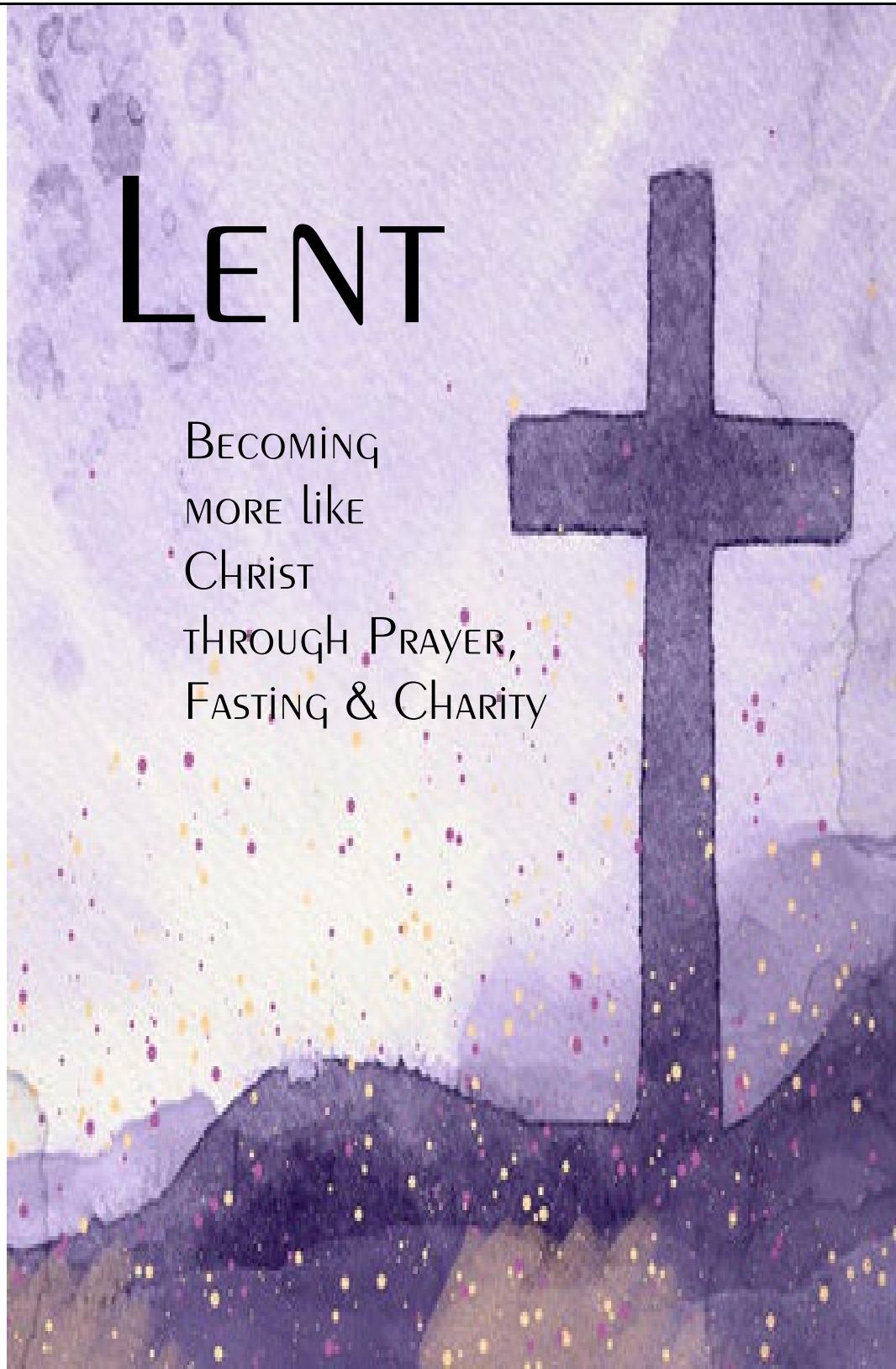
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*and much more...*



Pope Francis Speaks  
@Pontifex

What is the shortest way to encounter Jesus? Make yourself needy. Recognize your need for grace, your need for forgiveness, your need for joy. And Jesus will draw near to you.



## Pastoral Team

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Pastoral Council:	Vacant
Finance Council:	Arnold Bortolussi
Liturgy Committee:	Stephen Wojciechowski
Social Committee:	Vacant

## Ministry Coordinators

Altar Servers:	Doug Corbett
Eucharistic Ministry:	Elizabeth Bortolussi
Hospitality:	Keith Moore
Lectors:	Irene Lapointe
Liturgical Environment:	Fr. Victor
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Holy Mama:	Claire Reid/ Claire Tibbs
Christ Life:	Mary Jo McDermott
Men for Spiritual Fitness:	Deacon Dennis
Healing Ministry:	Joy Buset
Baptism Preparation:	Chris Torma
First Communion Preparation:	Parish Office
Confirmation Preparation:	Parish Office
Marriage Preparation:	Deacon Dennis
Funerals:	Parish Office

## Contact Us

### Parish Office

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## About Us

### Our Mission

Becoming What We Receive

### Our Vision

We seek to become what we receive:  
the Body of Christ in our place of the world  
by honouring God, serving others, and making disciples.

### Our Values

Worship, Discipleship, Fellowship,  
Stewardship, Service, Evangelization

## In Emergencies or Danger of Death

In emergencies or in danger of death,  
regardless of the time of day or night,  
never delay in calling for a priest.

In an emergency,  
do not call the Parish Office,  
ask the nursing station to contact the  
"Roman Catholic Priest-on-Call".

# This Month at Corpus

## Mass & Devotions Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am & 7:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Friday 12:15 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday - Friday 11:30 am

Benediction

First Friday 12 noon

Reconciliation

By Appointment, Call Parish Office

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent 11:30 am

Healing Service

Third Wednesday of the month

Baptism

Contact Parish Office 3 months in advance

Marriage

Contact Parish Office 9 months in advance

Anointing of the Sick

Contact Parish Office

## Meetings & Special Events

Wednesday, February 1

1:00 pm Catholic Women's League General Meeting, St. Joseph Meeting Room

Sunday, February 5

11:00 am Reconciliation Preparation, Parish Hall

12 noon Confirmation Preparation, St. Joseph Meeting Room

Wednesday, February 8

9:00 am Holy Mama, St. Joseph Meeting Room

Sunday, February 12

11:00 am Reconciliation Preparation, Parish Hall

Wednesday, February 15

7:00 pm Healing Service

Wednesday, February 22 - Ash Wednesday

9:00 am Holy Mama, St. Joseph Meeting Room  
No 12:15 pm Mass today

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, February 23

6:30 pm Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, St. Joseph Meeting Room

Friday, February 24

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

Sunday, February 26

11:00 am Reconciliation Preparation, Parish Hall

Tuesday, February 28

7:30 pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting, St. Joseph Meeting Room

# Diocesan & Parish News

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## We have a New Diocesan Priest!

It is with great joy that the Diocese of Thunder Bay announces that Reverend Douglas McClure, a former Anglican priest and a convert to Catholicism, currently a parishioner of St. Patrick Cathedral, has been given permission by His Holiness, Pope Francis to be ordained as a Catholic priest. His ordination to the priesthood was celebrated on Saturday, 28 January 2023 at St. Patrick Cathedral.

The Diocese is grateful to Pope Francis for granting this permission and we rejoice by having another priest in our diocese for supply ministry. Please keep Reverend McClure and his family in your prayers.

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## The Mass: Step by Step

39. The Oblation - The Eucharistic Prayer then continues with the Oblation, the prayer in which the Priest on behalf of the assembly, offers the sacrifice in the Holy Spirit to the Father. The intention of the Oblation prayer is for the people to learn to offer not only the sacrifice of the Mass to the Father, but by holy lives offer their very selves to God and to work for unity in the Church.

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## Development & Peace Workshop

D&P invites you to their in-person workshop that will take place on Saturday, February 18 from 9:00 am to 12 noon at the Catholic Pastoral Centre. Come and learn more about this year's theme *Stand for the Land*, where we will be focusing on the work of partners for the defense of territory from Columbia, Honduras, and Cambodia. Registration form will be available soon.

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## Tax Receipts Available

Income tax receipts for 2022 are available for pick up in the St. Anne Chapel. Any not picked up, will be mailed on Tuesday, January 31. Thank you to all who supported our Parish Family last year.

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## Offertory Envelope Users Please Read

As your envelope number changes each year, please only use your offertory envelopes for 2023. Please recycle unused envelopes from previous years. If you use an offertory envelope from a previous year, we cannot guarantee that you will receive proper credit for your donation.

If you have not yet picked up your 2023 offertory envelopes, or would like to start using them, please contact the Parish Office.

If you ever forget your envelope, visitor envelopes are available in the brochure racks at all entrances of the church, or you may use a blank envelope and please print your name and address on it.

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## Loose Change Donations

As per regulations from the Canada Revenue Agency, the Parish can only issue an income tax receipt to a donor for donations that they have knowingly made to the Parish. The Parish cannot issue an income tax receipt to donors who place loose change in the collection as it is impossible to verify that you did in fact donate that amount. If you support the Parish by placing loose change in the collection basket and wish to receive an income tax receipt, please contact the Parish Office to request offertory envelopes, or place your donation in a sealed envelope with your name and address clearly printed on the front of it.

# *Diocesan Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations*



My Dear Friends:

As we enter into 2023, I have encouraged our Diocesan Worship Committee to help me make this year a special year in our diocese. I am hoping that together we can share a year of prayer, in particular, prayer for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. I remember when I entered the school to train as a priest, my family was very supportive of my choice, and prayed for me in the years of my formation. It was particularly special for my father, who not only saw me ordained as a priest in 1975, but also as a bishop in 1995.

Priests come from families. My family was small. I had only an older sister and a younger brother. But my extended family, grandmother, aunts and uncles, cousins, were all a part of prayer and support for me. As a diocesan family I am asking that we all engage in special prayers this year, to ask the Lord to give us young men who will respond to the call to be a priest and serve Jesus and His people in our Diocesan Church.

I am grateful for the many priests who have come from other countries to our diocese to assist us in ministry. But I am convinced that people who have been raised and educated in northern Ontario, would have a stronger grasp of the spiritual needs of our people. We ask the Lord to send His call to our young men in northern Ontario to open their hearts to God and to respond to that call.

During this year of prayer, we will have Prayer for Vocation cards available, we will have Holy Hours in our parish churches, we will ask families to pray for vocations in their family prayer, we will hear of the priestly life of our parish priests, and we will encourage vocations by our positive support for our priests in our words and actions.

Priests come from families, large and small, and God does plant the seed of a vocation in many hearts. For someone to respond to that seed, they need a family that prays together, a family that loves the Lord and His Church, and a family that will support a vocation to the priesthood. Maybe your family is the fertile ground for this vocation seed.

Let us make 2023 a year of intense prayer to the Lord for priestly vocations, for we know that God always answers our prayers.

Sincerely,

Bishop Fred J. Colli

# Lent: Becoming More like Christ

The liturgical season of Lent finds its origins in the spiritual preparation that catechumens undertook prior to receiving Baptism and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil. These days of preparation were marked by deeper prayer, fasting and acts of charity. Over time, Christians were so moved by the devotion of these catechumens that they began to join them in these acts in preparation for Easter.

Some of the best advice on how to make this a productive Lent can be found in the Scriptures. In Luke 10.27, Jesus talks with a lawyer about what it takes to gain eternal life. He asks the lawyer for his opinion; and the lawyer says “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.” Jesus tells us that the lawyer gave the right answer as he replies “Do this, and you will live.” This verse is the foundation of all our Lenten sacrifices.

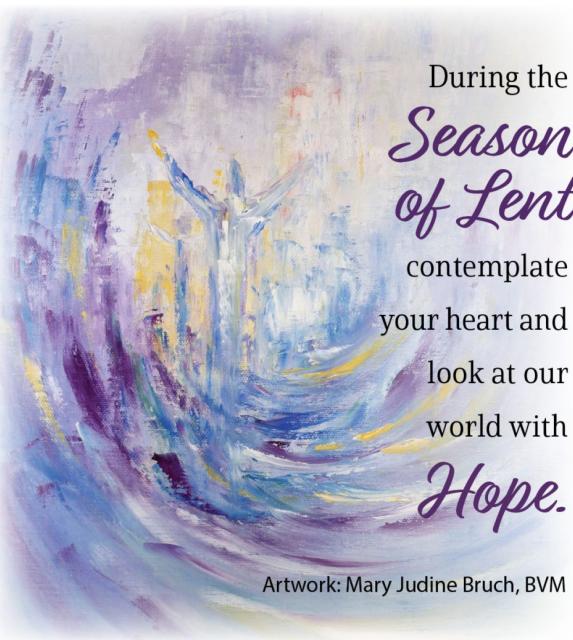
At times, however, we try to make one huge sacrifice that seems like the most impressive thing we can think of, but the point is not how big our sacrifices are. Lent is about learning to love God better, to become more like Christ to our neighbour, and Jesus gives us a few different areas to work on in this passage: heart, soul, strength, mind, and neighbour.

## Heart

Where are you emotionally with God? With family members and friends? Are there grudges or unresolved problems in your relationships? Is there someone or something that you place ahead of God?

## Soul

How much prayer time are you getting daily? When was the last time you went to Confession or a daily Mass? Do you leave Mass early or remain until the



Artwork: Mary Judine Bruch, BVM

During the  
*Season of Lent*  
contemplate  
your heart and  
look at our  
world with  
*Hope.*

end? Do you have a saint or a particular part of Church history you want to know about?

## Strength

Saint Pope John Paul II always talked about how our bodies are linked to our spiritual lives. Are you living an active life? Do you spend time with others? It is amazing the freedom that comes from the small accomplishment of just getting off the couch and being active whether it is sports, socializing or a hobby.

## Mind

Where is your willpower at? Can you resist the little temptations of life — that extra-large order of French fries or the extra ten minutes you know you should not be online at night? Even in the smallest things, growing in willpower helps us resist temptations in other areas of life.

## Neighbour

How do you love those around you? Do you sacrifice for others? Do you listen when they need to talk? Something as simple as a word of affirmation or emptying the dishwasher can serve as a huge statement of love for those around you.

At this point you might be thinking “That is a lot of stuff to do! I can barely handle one thing for Lent.” Worry not. Pick one area from those five, and then pick one small, attainable thing from that category. Maybe it’s getting up ten minutes earlier to pray, maybe it is trying to stop being critical of others. It is up to you. As Lent goes on, if you are doing well, you can add in something from another category too. Just remember to keep focused on why you are doing this – to become more like Christ. Walk the road these forty days and you will be that much more united with him when he walks the road to Calvary for you this Holy Week.

# Ash Wednesday: The most beautiful day of the year

Ash Wednesday is one of the most beautiful days of the year. Of course, it helps if the weather is good – not too cold, and if the sun is shining bright. But even if it is not, it is still a beautiful day because it is Ash Wednesday.

Modern culture tends to see this day in a negative light. For some it marks the start of forty days of penance, forty days of somber music, forty days of no candies or no coffee or no chocolate or whatever it is that is being given up. Ash Wednesday is the day that marks the beginning of forty days of some sort of misery. It is a vivid picture but hardly one that can be described as beautiful. Yet, it is a beautiful day because it is Ash Wednesday.

When you hear the word “ashes”, the image that likely forms in our minds will be that of the residue from a fire. There are some good fires; like the fires that keep us warm on a cold night or the camp fires that bring back happy memories of the lazy, hazy days of summer and sitting around the camp fire telling stories and roasting marshmallows or hot dogs.

Sometimes ashes will remind us of horrible fires; of homes, buildings, cities, of lives ruined and literally reduced to ashes. It is a very real memory for anyone who has lost a home to fire. A memory that may fade somewhat but cannot be erased. But fire does not mean the end; there are many forests that cannot be regenerated except through fire, some seeds will not germinate until they have been scorched by heat. An area that has been touched by fire, regardless of its source will quickly spring to new life. Not necessarily the same plants as before but new life none the less; new plants taking advantage of the increased sunlight.



**Blessed Ash Wednesday**

Ashes are dark, they are messy, they may signal the end of something – a tree, a building or a life. But they are not barren; new life springs from the wilderness which makes Ash Wednesday a beautiful day.

Now ask many children and a lot of adults and an “X” can be bad; it is the mark in school that an answer is wrong. It can be associated with failure or rejection. But we have all been marked with a cross; we were first marked with a cross with water and oil at our baptism. To be marked with the cross identifies us as children of God, which makes Ash Wednesday another reason why it is a beautiful day.

For on this day, we are marked with the cross using ashes and the words, “repent, and believe in the Gospel.” These ashes and words remind us that we are not so wonderful all of the time. In fact, we are all sinners. And you know what?

**Let today be the  
day you give up  
who you've been  
for you who can  
become.**

It is a beautiful day because it is Ash Wednesday. It is a beautiful day because despite our list of sins we know God loves and forgives us, every single one of us. As the prophet Joel reminds us: “The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.” Ash Wednesday is a beautiful day because we are marked with a cross, a cross that will not be wiped away regardless of what we do, or the good we fail to do.

On this day, we receive our ashes as a sign of our willingness to do better in our lives, to make right the wrongs, and grow in charity to our neighbour knowing that we can always come home to God’s house and start again. And that makes this day, this Ash Wednesday, one of the most beautiful days of the year.

# Lent & Holy Week Schedule 2023

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

by appointment

call the Parish Office at 345-6541

## Lenten Penitential Service

To be Determined



## Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent, 11:30 am  
*(no adoration on this day)*



## Ash Wednesday ~ February 22

*(day of fasting and abstinence)*

Prayer Services at Schools during the Day  
Ash Wednesday Mass, 7:00 pm  
*(ashes distributed at Mass)*

## Chrism Mass ~ March 30

St. Patrick Cathedral, 7:00 pm  
*(no Mass in Parish this day)*

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion ~

April 1 & 2

*(blessing of palms at all Masses)*

Saturday, April 1, 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 2, 10:00 am & 7:00 pm

## Holy Thursday ~ April 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 8:00 pm

Adoration until 11:00 pm

## Good Friday ~ April 7

*(day of fasting and abstinence)*

Solemn Service, 3:00 pm

Stations of the Cross, 8:00 pm

## Holy Saturday ~ April 8

Easter Vigil, 8:00 pm

## Easter Sunday ~ April 9

Easter Mass 10:00 am

*(no 7:00 pm Mass today)*



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*For God so loved the world, that he gave us his only Son.*

# News from Parish Groups/ Ministries

## *Knights of Columbus 9252*

### February Meeting

The February General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 28 at 7:30 pm in the St. Joseph Meeting Room. All brother Knights are encouraged to attend.

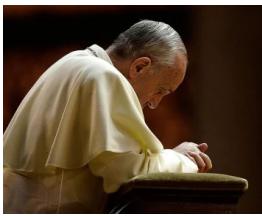
### Food Box Collection

The Knights of Columbus have resumed collecting non-perishable food items in support of the Thunder Bay Food Bank. The collection box is located in the narthex. Please do not leave food donations at any of the other entrances as they become a safety issue.

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## *Catholic Women's League*

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February



We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome toward those most in need.

### Meetings

The Catholic Women's League meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm in the St. Joseph Meeting Room. All members are encouraged to come out to join in, share and grow in community.

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## *Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

All income tax receipts for donations over \$20.00 have been mailed out. If you donated and did not receive your receipt, please contact Joan Fraser at [fraserj@tbaytel.net](mailto:fraserj@tbaytel.net) or call 346-8796.

Last month, we reported that we were the fortunate recipients of a grant from the Thunder Bay Community Foundation. This grant will be very helpful as we continue to support 8 schools in the City with their food programs. With the commitments we have made, we are assisting a school population of almost 1,000 students. The needs vary by school but

we are very happy to be providing monetary relief for food essentials for children in their learning environment. We thank the educators and their staff for their time commitment to this endeavour.

### Support & Donation Options

All donations are most welcome and there are a few ways to do so. We have envelopes at the collection boxes at the entrances in the worship area; the side entrance, the St. Anne Chapel and near the narthex. Electronic donations can also be made directly to [ssvp.cc@tbaytel.net](mailto:ssvp.cc@tbaytel.net) or through CanadaHelps, by visiting [CanadaHelps.org](http://CanadaHelps.org) and type SSVP Corpus Christi Conference Thunder Bay in the search bar to find us. Please keep in mind that when donations are made through Canada Helps, they issue the income tax receipt; in all other cases, as a registered charitable organization, SSVP issues receipts for all donations of \$20.00 or more in a year. We sincerely appreciate the participation of Corpus parishioners.

### February Meeting

Our next meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on Thursday, February 23 in the St. Joseph Meeting Room. We are a small group and volunteers are most welcome. If you wish to join us, you are welcome to attend the next meeting. If you want to know more about our Ministry, you can call Mary Jane at 633-7529 or Karen at 345-2643.

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## *Healing Ministry*

The healing service will be held on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00 pm. It is an opportunity to receive hands on prayer support, encouragement and help to experience an encounter of God's healing love.

The healing service consists of a brief Liturgy of the Word, adoration, the celebration of the Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation, as well as the opportunity for individual prayer with the healing ministry team.

# News from Parish Groups/ Ministries

## Holy Mama

Holy Mama was started by Claire Reid and Claire Tibbs, two friends and parishioners who were looking for more opportunities to meet up with other new mothers in our Parish community. We also believe it's essential to raise our children in a faith environment, and to help them appreciate the time they spend in the church, whether during or outside of Mass.

At our first meeting in January the toddlers played together, listened to a story about Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Bernadette, and shared a morning snack – it's never too early to experience the joy of eating together!

### Meetings

Our next meetings will take place on February 8 and 22 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Drop-ins are welcome; no need to rush breakfast or to shorten that most needed morning nap!

### More Information

If you have any questions about Holy Mama please email Claire at [clairemarguerite.reid@gmail.com](mailto:clairemarguerite.reid@gmail.com). You may also follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/holymamatbay/>

## Development & Peace

D&P's approach, based on the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, emphasizes community participation, subsidiarity and partnership. As such we only work with local organizations that best know their needs and do not employ staff overseas. With the help of its membership and as a member of the global Caritas network of over 160 national Catholic development and humanitarian aid organizations, D&P can respond rapidly and effectively to emergencies anywhere in the world.

D&P has a proven record of selecting and supporting partners whose programmes make a tangible and lasting impact locally and internationally, including four Nobel recipients.

With the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, D&P's *Share Lent* campaign starts. Please remember D&P as you choose your Lenten donations. The Share Lent collection is scheduled for March 25 & 26.

D&P collects stamps to sell to collectors. Stamps may be dropped off in the container located in the St. Anne Chapel. Please trim  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch around the stamps.

## Men for Spiritual Fitness

All men 18 years of age and older are invited to this bible study and time for prayer, faith sharing and discussion. Sessions are usually held online on Saturday mornings. Contact Deacon Dennis by email ([deacondpm@tbaytel.net](mailto:deacondpm@tbaytel.net)) for more information or questions.

## Hospitality Ministry

We are currently exploring ways to safely resume the hospitality ministry. Hospitality ministry at



Corpus consists of our Greeters and Ushers who are present to welcome and provide assistance to parishioners and visitors.

Hospitality meant something to Jesus. He always engaged individuals in conversation, took time to learn their names, took care of their needs, and welcomed them no matter their reputation.

Everyone who comes to church deserves to feel welcomed in God's house. This ministry seeks to exemplify Christian hospitality by welcoming everyone to the assembly, to assist parishioners and visitors, and to take up the offertory during Sunday Liturgies.

If you feel called to this ministry, please contact Keith Moore or the Parish Office.

# Sacramental Preparation 2023

## Baptism



We have resumed in-person baptism preparation sessions for first-time parents. Baptism preparation is offered three times a year, in January, April or May (depending on Easter), and October. Parents and godparents are asked to attend two sessions for 1.5 hours each.

We encourage expectant parents to prepare for their child's baptism while they are still waiting for the arrival of their bundle of joy. Parents are asked to register with the Parish Office in advance to ensure that the preparation has been completed prior to your desired date for Baptism. For more information, please contact Chris, the Team Leader for this ministry, by email: goleafsgo7620

## First Communion

An information package was mailed to all parents/guardians of children registered for First Reconciliation and Communion. If you did not receive it yet, please contact the Parish Office ASAP.

Lessons for First Reconciliation will be held on Sundays, February 5, 12 and 26 following the 10:00 am Mass until 12 noon in the Parish Hall. We encourage one adult to accompany the child for the lessons.



The First Communion Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, 11 June 2023 at 2:00 pm.

## Confirmation

An information package was mailed to all parents/guardians of youth registered for Confirmation. If you did not receive it yet, please contact the Parish Office ASAP.



There are four lessons for the youth to complete as part of their preparation. The lessons will be held on the following Sundays: February 5, March 5, April 23 and May 7 from 12 noon to 1:00 pm in the St. Joseph Meeting Room.

Bishop Colli will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation here at Corpus on Saturday, 3 June 2023 at 2:00 pm.

## Marriage



The Parish is looking for possible dates to schedule a marriage preparation course. Any engaged couples who are interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage are kindly asked to call the Parish.

## A Prayer for Those in Sacramental Prep

Loving God,  
pour out your blessing  
upon all your children  
preparing to receive your grace and strength  
in the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and  
Eucharist, Confirmation or Marriage.

May they grow closer to you,  
and come to know your special love for them.  
Amen.

# *Pray for Our Priests Calendar ~ February 2023*

Every vocation is rewarding, yet they all have their challenges. Priesthood is no exception. Pray for those who pray for you, so that our priests are strengthened in their call of service.

Please pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood especially in service to our Diocese.

Wednesday 1	Fr. Antoni Fujarczuk
Thursday 2	Fr. Peter Groulx
Friday 3	Fr. Marco Ladao
Saturday 4	Fr. Jerin Louis
Sunday 5	Fr. Mike Mahoney
Monday 6	Fr. Rudy Manaloto, osa
Tuesday 7	Fr. Biju Mathew
Wednesday 8	Fr. Gino Mathias
Thursday 9	Fr. Gerald McDougall, sj
Friday 10	Fr. Randal Morrisseau
Saturday 11	Fr. Thomas Mullamangalam
Sunday 12	Fr. Jerome Nnanna
Monday 13	Fr. James Panikulam
Tuesday 14	Fr. Francis Pudicherry
Wednesday 15	Fr. Rey Ronquillo
Thursday 16	Fr. Allan Savage
Friday 17	Fr. Terry Sawchuk
Saturday 18	Fr. Ireneusz Stadler
Sunday 19	Msgr. Pasquale Stilla, VG
Monday 20	Fr. Innocent Umezika, smmm
Tuesday 21	Fr. Allen Abidores
Wednesday 22	Fr. Joseph Arockiam
Thursday 23	Fr. Henryk Augustynowicz
Friday 24	Fr. Francisco Blazek
Saturday 25	Fr. Alan Campeau
Sunday 26	Fr. Stephen Chilaka
Monday 27	Fr. Dan Debano
Tuesday 28	Fr. Victor De Gagné

## **Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood**

Good and gracious God,  
you call each of us to use our gifts  
to build up the Body of Christ  
in the Diocese of Thunder Bay.

In the depths of our hearts  
you plant the seed to our callings in life  
by the work of the Spirit.  
Inspire those who you call to the priesthood  
to courageously follow your will,  
for your Church is continually  
in need of priests  
who offer their lives  
as shepherds after your own heart.

Give to us many good pastors  
who will nurture within us  
deeper faith, hope and charity,  
and who will lead us in worship and community  
so that your Gospel is always preached,  
the poor are served with love,  
the suffering are comforted,  
and we, your people, are never without  
the grace and strength of the Sacraments.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Has the Lord called you to serve?

Do you feel called to the Diocesan Priesthood?  
Start the conversation by speaking with your pastor  
or the Vocations Director, Fr. Mike Mahoney.  
You can reach him by phone: 807 577-5672.

# *Mass Intentions & Sanctuary Candles ~ February 2023*

The Sanctuary Candles this week are lit in memory of:

candles still available		
Wednesday 1	12:15 pm	+Mary Zuliani req. by Corpus Christi Catholic Women's League
Thursday 2	12:15 pm	Int. of Jackie Dominick req. by Jane Safronyck +Mary Gagnon req. by Linda Valiquette
Friday 3	12:15 pm	+David Becotte req. by the Family +Denis Gilmore req. by Knights of Columbus Council #9295 +Paul LeMesurier req. by Salma Sloan

The Sanctuary Candles this week are lit in memory of:

		Marty & Jean Boville requested by Noella Prieston.
Saturday 4	5:00 pm	+Fanika Kambic req. by Paula Ivec
Sunday 5	10:00 am	For all Parishioners
	7:00 pm	Int. of Darren, Bawnie, Jonathan & Bailey req. by Noella Prieston
Tuesday 7	12:15 pm	+Mariette LeMesurier req. by Gilles & Connie Boisvert Int. of Myrtle Coghlan req. by Mimi Zugic
Wednesday 8	12:15 pm	+Connie Heringer req. by Lorne & Norma Otway
Thursday 9	12:15 pm	Int. of Daily Mass Friends req. by Jane Safronyck +John Bird req. by Linda Valiquette
Friday 10	12:15 pm	+Travis Giertuga req. by Sharron Sancartier Int. of Phillippe req. by Gilles & Connie Boisvert Int. of Jane Safronyck & Family req. by Noella Prieston

The Sanctuary Candles this week are lit in memory of:

candles still available		
Saturday 11	5:00 pm	+Franc Gricnik req. by Slava Gricnik
Sunday 12	10:00 am	Int. of Joanne Frisky & Family req. by Noella Prieston
	7:00 pm	For all Parishioners
Tuesday 14	12:15 pm	+Denis Gilmore req. by Rick Furioso Int. of Jo-Anne Agostino req. by Mimi Zugic
Wednesday 15	12:15 pm	Int. of Sunday Afternoon Prayer Group req. by Jane Safronyck +Elina Medwick req. by Corpus Christi Catholic Women's League
Thursday 16	12:15 pm	+George Adamko req. by Fran Int. of Fr. Victor, Staff & Families req. by Noella Prieston
Friday 17	12:15 pm	Int. of Connie & Gilles Boisvert req. by Connie & Gilles Boisvert Int. of the Lee Family req. by Anita Schick

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Saturday 18	5:00 pm	Int. of Roy & Simone Diana req. by Sharron Sancartier
Sunday 19	10:00 am	For all Parishioners
	7:00 pm	+James Nagy req. by Brenda & Don Clapp
Tuesday 21	12:15 pm	+Paul LeMesurier req. by Gilles & Connie Boisvert For an End to all Wars req. by Noella Prieston
Wednesday 22	7:00 pm	+Mary Zuliani req. by Dr. Mario & Elizabeth Nucci +Anna Maria Lehto req. by Fran Stokaluk

# *Mass Intentions & Sanctuary Candles ~ February 2023*

Thursday 23	12:15 pm	+Connie Heringer req. by Linda Valiquette +Deceased Members of Parestis & Mikalauskas Families
Friday 24	12:15 pm	+Travis Giertuga req. by Sharron Sancartier Int. of Orella, Mark & Lisa req. by Noella Preston

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Saturday 25	5:00 pm	+John Bird req. by Don & Peggy Picard
Sunday 26	10:00 am	+Bobbi Law req. by Adult Choir
	7:00 pm	For all Parishioners
Tuesday 28	12:15 pm	+Gary Landry req. by the Family +Cecilia Agostino req. by Corpus Christi Catholic Women's League

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# Children's Corner

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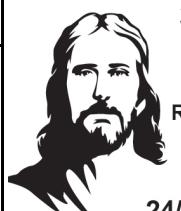
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