Pastoral Team

Rev. Fr. Terry Sawchuk – Pastor pastor@corpuschristi-tbay.ca

Rev. Mr. Dennis McDermott – Permanent Deacon

Mary Jo McDermott – Adult Faith Liaison

Parish Staff

Laura Jean -Administrative Assistant /Bookkeeper

Donald Rogers - Custodian

Emily Jean - Housekeeper

Mass & Devotions Schedule & Weekday Masses

Saturday – 5:00 pm Sunday – 10:00 am and 7:00 pm Tuesday to Friday – 12:15 pm

Praying the Rosary/Adoration

Tuesday – Friday 11:30 am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:45 am – Holy Rosary

First Friday Devotions

Adoration & Benediction – 11:30 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm Sunday 6:00pm - 6:45 pm Or by appointment - call Parish Office

Parish Office

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Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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Website

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Corpus Christi Parish Community

December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent



Advent Penitential Service

Tuesday, December 16th at 6:30 pm

What to Expect... The evening will begin with a brief Prayer Service with readings and reflection. A time of personal prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow, during which priests will be available to hear confessions. No matter how long it has been since your last confession, you are welcome to celebrate this wonderful Sacrament of Reconciliation and healing, or just to stop in for prayer. Resources on how to make a good confession will be available or visit www.goodconfession.com.

"Holiness does not consist in not making mistakes or never sinning. Holiness grows with the capacity for conversion, repentance, willingness to begin again, and above all with the capacity for reconciliation and forgiveness." — Pope Benedict XVI

Christmas Season Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Wednesday, Dec. 24

> **Christmas Day** – Thursday, Dec. 25 10:00 am

New Years Eve – Wednesday, Dec. 31 5:00 pm

New Years Day – Thursday, January 1 10:00 am

Council Chairs

Pastoral Council: Joe Czaczkowski Finance Council: Doug Corbett Liturgy Committee: Elizabeth Bortolussi

Ministry Coordinators

Ellen Lafroy Altar Servers: Elizabeth Bortolussi **Eucharistic Ministry:** Keith Moore Hospitality: Elizabeth Bortolussi Lectors: Cathy Corbett Children's Liturgy: Mary Jo McDermott Christ Life: Deacon Dennis Men for Spiritual Fitness: Joy Buset Healing Ministry: Baptism Preparation: Chris Torma Deacon Dennis Marriage Preparation: Dyan Kuluski **Fnvironment:**

Baptisms

Baptisms are generally scheduled for the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Sunday of each month.

To plan for your child's baptism, please contact the office for more information on baptismal preparation and choosing a date and time for the Baptism.

Ultreya – Will be held on the <u>4th Wednesday</u> of each month at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall. Prayer, fellowship & faith. All are welcome!

ATTENTION Men

Here's a chance to strengthen your spiritual muscles. All men are welcome to join us for Bible Study, prayer and sharing faith on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 10:30 am at St. Anthony's Church. If you have questions text Deacon Dennis at 807-633-2720.

Children's Liturgy - For children in JK to Grade 2. At the 10 am Mass.

Healing Service

The next Healing Services - Wednesday, January 21st, 2026, at 6:30 pm.

Young Adult Night – ages 18 to 35
Every first Saturday of the month
at 6pm - Next meeting – January 3, 2026



A Call for Talent!

We are joyfully preparing for our 3rd Annual Parish Christmas Concert, and we invite all members of our congregation, young and old, to share their gifts! If you sing, play an instrument, act,

dance, or have another talent that would help us celebrate the birth of Christ, we would love to include you in this special evening.

Please note the date change - The concert will take place on Sunday, January 4, 2026, at 2:00 pm.

If you feel called to participate or would like more information, please contact Gerard Normand 807-709-3355.

Let us come together in faith, joy, and creativity as we celebrate Christmas.

Coffee Sunday

The next Coffee Sunday will be held on Sunday, December 14, following the 10 am Mass, hosted by the Knights of Columbus. All parishioners and visitors are welcome to attend!

Corpus Christi CWL

Membership is now open for the year 2026, membership is \$30.00 per year. If you have any questions about CWL please call Jeannette Dann 807-472-9347 or Karen St. Pierre 807-474 - 8536.

Over its history Catholic Women's League members have proposed hundreds of resolutions; some become laws, others serve as seeds for change - all serve to educate members. We invite you to discover more!

St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul Outreach will be assisting with Hot Chocolate and Apple Cider service at St. Margaret School on December 12th and then we will assist with the Christmas feast on December 19th. Your continued support of our school nutrition programs is very much appreciated, and your generosity helps us maintain our commitments of \$400.00 to the schools each month. A sincere thank you goes out to each and everyone of you. Envelopes are available in the poor boxes or on-line donations can be made to ssvp.cc@tbaytel.net. You are assisting with feeding approximately 1,000 students per day across the Catholic School Board.

First Communion 2026

Registrations have been received for the following young parishioners for **First Reconciliation/First Communion:**

Penelope Rizzuto, George Cattani, Molly Tucker, Charlotte Creighton, Ravya Bathla, Harrison Heath, Nicholas Horne, Bradley McKenzie, Dominic Pipher, Elias Torma, and Thaddeus Torma.

First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 3, 2026.

Confirmation 2026

Registrations have been received for the following young parishioners for **Confirmation:**

Sophia Krasauskas, Netochukwu Ezeudu, Hugh Drake De Guzman, Hannah Kepka, Harper Lilley, Scarlett Mair, and Rylee Pucci.

Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, May 31, 2025.

Preparation Classes will start in the new year so please watch for more information to come. Parents/guardians with children/youth eligible to receive the sacraments this coming year but not yet registered are asked to contact the parish office to register before December 31.

Offertory Collection for December 7, 2025

Sunday Collection \$3,824.00 Building & Maintenance 900.00

Thank you for supporting your faith family!



Altar Servers Training

Pictured here is our amazing group of altar servers at our recent training session and social. A big thank you to all our altar servers for your dedicated service to our parish community!

Right of Acceptance

This year, we at Corpus Christi Church are honoured and excited to accompany and support 6 men and women in their preparation for full reception into the Catholic Church this coming Easter Vigil through the RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). The next step in preparation, to be celebrated soon, will be the Rite of Acceptance which confirms that God is present in the life of these men and women and is inviting them into a fuller life of the sacraments. Please keep them and their sponsors in your prayers as they continue their journey of faith.

Bishops Diocesan Ministry Campaign 2025

The 2025 campaign in support of ministries and programs throughout the diocese is now underway. Please consider making your contribution using the pledge forms sent by mail to parishioner's homes or, if you have no pledge form, to make use of the envelopes provided at the church entranceway pamphlet stations.

Thank you to all for your continued support.

Parish Goal:	\$32,550.00
Raised to Date:	\$19,315.00
Percentage to Date:	59.3%
Amount Still to Raise:	\$13,235.00

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