



## **Corpus Christi Parish – March 29, 2026**

Palm Sunday of Lent

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### **Mass Schedule**

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

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### **Praying the Rosary/Adoration**

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

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### **First Friday Devotions**

Adoration & Benediction – 11:30 am

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### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm  
Sunday 6:00pm – 6:45 pm  
Tuesday to Friday – 11:30 am – 12 pm  
Or by appointment – call Parish Office

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### **Parish Office**

664 Red River Rd., Thunder Bay, ON P7B 1H8  
Tel: 807 345-6541 Fax: 807 345-0740

### **Office Hours**

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

### **Emails**

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**e-transfer donations:**  
[donate@corpuschristi-tbay.ca](mailto:donate@corpuschristi-tbay.ca)

### **Website**

<http://corpuschristi-tbay.ca>

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### **Pastoral Team**

Rev. Fr. Terry Sawchuk – Pastor [pastor@corpuschristi-tbay.ca](mailto:pastor@corpuschristi-tbay.ca)  
Rev. Mr. Dennis McDermott – Permanent Deacon  
Mary Jo McDermott – Adult Faith Liaison  
Laura Jean – Administrative Assistant/ Bookkeeper

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### **Mass Intentions This Week**

<b>Tues. Mar. 31</b>	Int. Noella Prieston + Milja Maric
<b>Wed. Apr. 1</b>	+ Jacinto Sousa Int. All People to grow in holiness
<b>Thurs. Apr. 2</b>	Holy Thursday (see inside schedule)
<b>Fri. Apr. 3</b>	Good Friday (see inside schedule)
<b>Sat. Apr. 4</b>	Easter Vigil (see inside schedule)
<b>Sun. Apr. 5 10 am</b>	Easter Sunday For All Parishioners
<b>Sun. Apr. 5 7 pm</b>	Easter Sunday For All Parishioners

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**How to request a Mass:** Masses for the repose of the soul of the deceased or for the intentions of the living may be requested by contacting our parish office. A donation of \$10 per request is suggested but not required to request a Mass intention.

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### **Digital Projector and Screen**

Plans are in the works to purchase and install a digital projector and screen for regular use in our church. The retractable screen, to be installed on the pulpit side of the sanctuary will assist with making prayer and hymn texts more accessible for the congregation during Masses and can be used to help support other devotional services in the church throughout the year.

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## Baptisms

Baptisms are generally scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall. Prayer, fellowship & faith. All are welcome!

## ATTENTION Men

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** – No March Service  
The next Healing Services - **Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 6:30 pm.**

**Young Adult Night – ages 18 to 35**  
Every first Saturday of the month at 6 pm – Next meeting – April 4

<b>In our Parish this Week</b>	
<b>Tues. Mar 31</b>	12:15pm Mass
<b>Wed.</b>	12:15pm Mass
<b>Apr. 1</b>	1pm CWL Meeting 7pm RCIA 7pm Ensemble Practice
<b>Thurs.</b>	7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
<b>Apr. 2</b>	Adoration till 11:00 pm
<b>Fri.</b>	3pm Solemn Service
<b>Apr. 3</b>	7pm Stations of the Cross 7:30pm Divine Mercy Novena
<b>Sat.</b>	7:30 am Novena
<b>Apr. 4</b>	8pm Easter Vigil RCIA Retreat to follow
<b>Sun.</b>	7:30 am Novena
<b>Apr. 5</b>	10am Mass 7pm Mass

## Holy Week Schedule for 2025

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion ~  
March 28 and 29**

Saturday, April 12 at 5:00 pm  
Sunday, April 13 at 10:00 am & 7:00 pm

**Holy Thursday ~ April 2**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm  
Adoration until 11:00 pm

**Good Friday ~ April 3**

(day of fasting and abstinence)  
Solemn Service at 3:00 pm  
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm

**Holy Saturday ~ April 4**

Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm

**Easter Sunday ~ April 5**

Easter Mass 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

## Corpus Christi CWL

Our next regular meeting is on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Meeting Room. Please remain in the Church if you attend mass as we will be doing the Stations of the Cross before going downstairs for the meeting.

## St. Vincent de Paul

Donation envelopes are located in the poor boxes at all entrances to the Church. You can also donate online at [ssvp.cc@tbaytel.net](mailto:ssvp.cc@tbaytel.net) or by using CanadaHelps. Your continued support is very important to our Ministry of helping the schools with their nutrition programs.

## Divine Mercy Novena – April 3–11, 2026

Join us at Corpus Christi Church for the Divine Mercy Novena, beginning on **Good Friday (April 3) at 7:30 PM** and continuing daily at **7:30 AM** until **April 11**.

Come and experience this special time of prayer and reflection on God's mercy.

For more information please call Anthony at 807-633-8274.

## Good Friday Collection

The **Good Friday Collection** helps to maintain the Church of the Holy Land by providing educational, pastoral and social support of Catholic youth and families committed to living their faith in the land where Christ lived, and by maintaining the Holy Sites that are so important to the faith of Christians everywhere. At the request of the Holy See, this Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 3, 2026. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may use credit cards, Interac or Canadahelps, accessible at: [www.commissariat.ca](http://www.commissariat.ca), in the "Support Us" link.

## Washing of the Feet

Every Holy Thursday at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, we recall through the ritual of the washing of the feet Jesus' own example of humble service. Parishioners willing to step forward to have a foot washed, are asked to reach out to the parish office and submit your name by Wednesday, April 1.

*Waving palms remind us of  
our journey together  
in faith.*

*Let the spirit of Palm  
Sunday inspire acts of  
kindness.*

### Offertory Collection for March 22, 2026

Sunday Collection	\$3,080.00
Share Lent	3,440.00

*Thank you for supporting your  
faith family!*

## Parish 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Corpus Christi Church is joyfully celebrating 75 years of faith, fellowship, and service, and we need your help to tell our story!

Thank you for helping us celebrate 75 years of Christ present among us at Corpus Christi Parish with a Spaghetti Luncheon on Sunday, May 31. If you are interested in volunteering, we will be happy to have you. Please call Jeannette at 807-472-9347 or Karen at 807-474-8536.

### A Call for Photos!

Do you have old photos of parish events, sacraments, ministries, buildings, clergy, or special moments from years past? We are collecting photos from all decades to help us remember, honor, and celebrate the many blessings God has given our parish family.

Whether black-and-white or digital, formal or candid—every photo helps preserve our shared history. Please consider sharing your memories so we can showcase them during our 75th Anniversary celebration.



How to submit:

Email photos to [ctorma@lakeheadu.ca](mailto:ctorma@lakeheadu.ca). Limit of 5 photos per family. Include only the last name of the family. Deadline for submissions is April 30. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Chris Torma at 807-708-3931.

**Did You Know?** The building of Corpus Christi Church and rectory began in 1951, and the church itself was ready in time for Christmas Midnight Mass of that same year.

## Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday, also known as Willow Sunday, marks the beginning of Holy Week. It commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, when crowds joyfully welcomed him, waving palm branches and proclaiming, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9). Yet, within days, these same voices turned against him, shouting, "Crucify him!" (Mark 15:13). This drastic shift in the crowd's attitude offers us a profound lesson about human nature, loyalty, and faithfulness to God.

In Roman Catholic and many Western Christian traditions, Palm Sunday is celebrated with palm branches, recalling the biblical event in which the people of Jerusalem laid palms before Christ as he rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. However, in the Ukrainian Catholic tradition, willow branches (*verba*) are used instead. This adaptation arose because palm trees do not grow in Ukraine. Willow branches, which bud early in spring, are used instead as they are a fitting symbol of new life and renewal. (Source: Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton)

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