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THE BODY OF CHRIST—BECOMING DISCIPLES



MARCH 10, 2024 | 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



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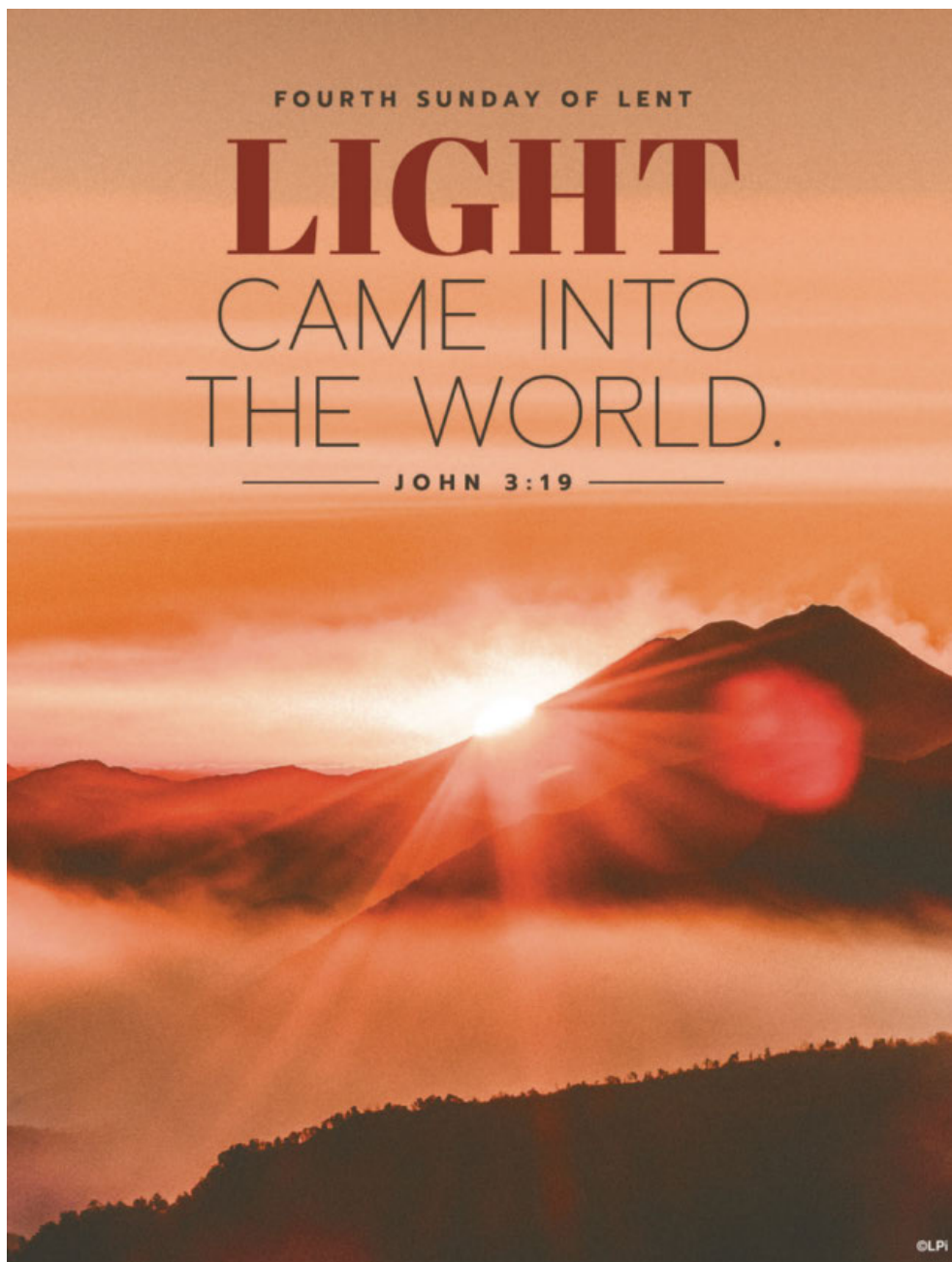
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# THE BODY OF CHRIST

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**MISSION STATEMENT:** Corpus Christi Catholic Church strives to be a welcoming community proclaiming the love of God and fostering a life-long personal relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church through Scripture, Sacraments, and service.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASS

**Sat. Vigil:** 4pm

**Sun.:** 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 5pm

### DAILY MASS

**Mon.-Sat.:** 8:15am

**Tues.:** 6:00pm

**Fri.:** 6:30am

### CONFESSIONS

**Tues.:** 5:00-5:45pm

**Thurs.:** 7:00-8:00pm

**Sat.:** 2:30-3:30pm

### ROSARY

**Sun.:** 4:15pm (Family Holy Rosary)

**Tue.:** 9:15am (Rosario en Español)  
5:15pm (Rosary for our Youth)

**Thu.:** 6:30pm (Rosary for Life)

## OFFICE HOURS

### PARISH OFFICE

**Sunday:** 9:30am-12:00pm

**Mon.-Fri.:** 9:00-11:30am

**Mon.-Thurs.:** 1:00-5:00pm

### FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

**Mon.:** 9:30am-2:00pm

**Tues.:** 2:30pm-7:30pm

**Wed.:** 9:30am-4:30pm

**Thurs.:** 9:30am-2:00pm

### GIFT SHOP

Open after the Saturday Vigil Mass &  
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especially needed each day from midnight-6am.**

*"The lives of the saints and blessed show us the importance of the  
Eucharist on our journey as disciples of Jesus."*

*- The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church (51)*

Become a prayer partner!  
Help each other on your journey to become saints!





## Sunday, March 10

7:00 am † Anderzej Oglaza  
8:30 am Parishioners  
10:30 am † Mr. & † Mrs. Elmer LaBarge  
5:00 pm † Tommy Duckett

## Monday, March 11

8:15 am † John Repaty

## Tuesday, March 12

8:15 am Jim Hunt  
6:00 pm † Deacon James Hensel

## Wednesday, March 13

8:15 am † Raul Lajada

## Thursday, March 14

8:15 am † Leticia Alcasid

## Friday, March 15

6:30 am † Amelia Tejada Mendez  
8:15 am In Thanksgiving to St. Louise de Marillac

## Saturday, March 16

8:15 am † Patricia Boyington  
4:00 pm † Richard Quinn, Sr.

## Sunday, March 17

7:00 am † Stanislaw Oglaza  
8:30 am Parishioners  
10:30 am † Rose Marie D'Souza  
5:00 pm † Tom Naughton

## PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS FEBRUARY 25, 2024

### TITHING

Weekly Total .....	\$26,474.35
Weekly Budget .....	\$34,348.75
Weekly (Deficit) .....	\$7,874.40
Fiscal Year-to-date Total .....	\$1,147,636.60
Fiscal Year-to-date Budget.....	\$1,116,360.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Surplus.....	\$31,276.60

### OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Miscellaneous.....	\$5.00
Building Fund Collection.....	\$1,071.75
Building Fund Balance .....	\$54,381.36



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Regardless of how you choose to give, thank you for your continued generosity! Your support not only makes a difference within our own parish, but also throughout our local community!

As the Body of Christ — Becoming Disciples, we are called to serve each other in many ways. As a family of families, we know the needs are great. Together, we can do more than any one person or family could do alone.

## 2024 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS FULL!

Due to the popularity of this devotion, our Masses are typically booked out 9 to 12 months and we must limit Mass Intention requests to five per year. Requests for 2025 will not be available until this summer. Thank you for understanding.



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Did you know that Corpus Christi is a Baby Safe Haven? A parent or agent of a parent can leave an unwanted, unharmed newborn baby at a designated Baby Safe Haven without fear of prosecution or answering any questions. They can remain anonymous. A baby can be left at the Parish Office during normal office hours. After hours, take the baby to the nearest fire station or hospital.



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## Lent with St. Francis — Part 4: Piety

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We are now at about the halfway point of our Lenten journey with St. Francis. As we have explored the depth with which he embraced a life of virtue and abandonment to God, I hope you have felt inspired and encouraged to pursue your own life of virtue and holiness. If, on the other hand, you have been tempted to feel discouraged because it seems impossible to obtain St. Francis' mastery of virtue, remember that our spiritual life is always a journey, not a destination, and even some of the greatest saints, including Francis, have a sinful past. No matter how small the steps, keep moving forward! We will now turn to another of the saint's great virtues as described by St. Bonaventure.

### **Chapter 8: Of His Tender Piety, and How Even Creatures Devoid of Reason Were Obedient to His Will**

Piety is a gift of the Holy Spirit that we all receive at our Confirmation when we become fully initiated members of the body of Christ. Piety is that quality which compels us to reverence and love God as an act of justice, so that we give to God what is properly owed to him simply because of who he is. The most obvious expressions of piety occur in a religious context — such as in the liturgy, adoration, or prayer — as the person recognizes his littleness compared to God, the Supreme Being and King, and offers his humble reverence. While these pious expressions are

commendable and convey truth, there is an additional depth to God's nature and what he is due.

Not only is God a king, but he is also the Creator and our loving Father. All of creation is a gift from God and is, therefore, good. The crown of creation is man and woman, whom he made in his image and likeness, elevating humanity to an unparalleled dignity in the created world. As a loving Father, God loves all of creation — from the birds of the air to the fish in the sea — and he loves every human being he has ever created. If, out of justice, we are called to give reverence to God for who he is, then it necessarily includes loving his creation and our fellow human beings, made in his image and likeness. Thus, when we look at any part of creation, we should recognize its origin in God and offer it the same love and respect we provide to its Creator as an act of piety.

St. Francis took the virtue of piety very seriously. He loved God so profoundly that he loved everything and everyone that God made, just as deeply. Concerning his fellow beings, Francis didn't just see them as created beings made in the image and likeness of God. He viewed them through the lens of Jesus Christ, who loved them so much that he shed his blood to save them from their sins. For this reason, whenever he witnessed a brother or sister in a state of sin, rather than become angry,

indignant, or judgmental, he mourned deeply, often to the point of weeping. St. Bonaventure likens Francis' heart to one of a tender mother placing her children before the Lord.

In cooperation with his love for others, he despised any act or word in which a person would defame, slander, or degrade another person. He considered these things in direct opposition to the virtue of piety. He compared it to “the bite of a most venomous and horrible serpent, accounting it to be most hateful to our good and gracious God, and affirming that detraction feeds upon the blood of souls, which it slays with the sword of the tongue.” This powerful imagery illustrates how, when used sinfully, our mouths are just as damaging to our souls as venom and swords. We should always speak of other people in ways that honor both the image of God in which they were created and the suffering of Christ who died for them.

As I mentioned above, Francis' commitment to a life of piety extended to all creation. This is the origin of our popular devotions and artistic expressions of St. Francis in nature, often with animals. In 1225, St. Francis wrote *The Canticle of the Sun*, offering God all praise and glory for His creation. Notice how, in the canticle, he refers to everything as a brother or sister. St. Bonaventure affirms that Francis viewed creation in this way: “The consideration of the common origin of all creatures

filled with overflowing tenderness for all; and he called them all his brothers and sisters because they had all one origin with himself." Bonaventure also reveals that Francis had a particularly deep affection for lambs because they called to mind the meekest Lamb, who was led to the slaughter for our sins. For this reason, he was often seen caring for lambs, and lambs would flock to him in the fields in response to the divine connection.

Of course, lambs were not the only animals with which St. Francis had great relationships. St. Bonaventure shares several stories of birds, fish, and other animals attracted to the presence of St. Francis. These interactions with animals can be seen as a gift from God in recognition of Francis' deep piety toward all created things. It's not so much that he was given some secret power regarding animals and nature, but rather, it was the natural result and reward of the shared profound love of God and his creation. Just like your pet at home knows how much you love him and responds positively to that love, Francis experienced that on a deeper and more universal level through the grace of God.

This week, consider the virtue of piety and how you most often express it. You may find that you most easily practice piety in religious settings. However, after reading about St. Francis' approach to piety, you may think about it differently. Are you pious at work or home as you interact with people made in the image and likeness of God? How do you

experience nature? Do you take it for granted, or do you look at everything with love and awe because God created everything you see? When you see sin in the world, do you mourn and weep in prayer for conversion, or does your tongue to lash out at others because you're not seeing them through the eyes of the crucified Christ who died for them? Take a moment to slowly read through the Canticle of the Sun and find a new way to love God by loving his creation more deeply.

## The Canticle of the Sun

*Most High, all-powerful, good Lord,  
Yours are the praises, the glory,  
the honor, and all blessings.  
To You alone, Most High,  
do they belong,  
and no man is worthy to mention  
Your name.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
with all your creatures;  
especially Brother Sun,  
who is the day,  
and through whom You give us light.  
And he is beautiful and radiant with  
great splendor,  
and bears a likeness to You,  
Most High One.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through Sister Moon and the stars;  
in heaven You formed them clear and  
precious and beautiful.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through Brother Wind,  
and through the air,*

*cloudy and serene,  
and every kind of weather through  
which You give sustenance to Your  
creatures.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through Sister Water,  
which is very useful and humble and  
precious and chaste.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through Brother Fire,  
through whom You light the night;  
and he is beautiful and playful and  
robust and strong.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through Sister Mother Earth,  
who sustains us and governs us and  
who produces varied fruits with  
colored flowers and herbs.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through those who give pardon for  
Your love, and bear infirmity  
and tribulation.  
Blessed are those who endure in peace  
for by You, Most High,  
they shall be crowned.*

*Praised be You, my Lord,  
through our Sister Bodily Death,  
from whom no living man  
can escape.  
Woe to those who die in mortal sin.  
Blessed are those whom death will find  
in Your most holy will,  
for the second death shall do them no  
harm.*

*Praise and bless my Lord,  
and give Him thanks,  
and serve Him with great humility.  
Amen.*



## Catholic Heart Ablaze

Find more of Jen Arnold's catechetical and spiritual writings  
according to traditional Catholic teaching at  
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## FAITH FORMATION

Children | Youth | Adults



### OCIA

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or know someone who is? Are you baptized and looking to become fully-initiated through completion of the Sacraments of Initiation? Please consider joining our new cohort of OCIA! Sessions meet on Mondays at 6:30 PM. Register by scanning the QR code or using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/pfBcUCNqxxq>. You can also reach out to Rob Curtis at [rob.curtis@corpuschristiphx.org](mailto:rob.curtis@corpuschristiphx.org).

2024 OCIA (Cohort 2) Adult  
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## ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE

The St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance returns to Corpus Christi this coming **Saturday, March 16**. The Parish Center Doors open at 5:30pm.

Enjoy an evening of dining and dancing to live music with the Lil' Debbie Band. There will be loads of fun and games, including our Pot 'O Gold, 50/50 raffle, and more! Our always delicious menu offers fresh cooked corned beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, dessert, and beverages!

**Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday, March 13.** Ticket price is \$30 per person and can be purchased at the Knights' kiosk in the courtyard after Masses this weekend. You may also ask any Knight of Columbus how to purchase tickets. Seating is limited, so purchase your tickets today.

Open to adults 21 years of age or older. Proceeds benefit approved Knights of Columbus charities. Thank you.





## 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL EASTER BASKET COLLECTION

### Now through Sunday, March 24

We are so excited to provide Easter Baskets to Frank Elementary kiddos again! The school is in our neighboring community of Guadalupe. Most Frank Elementary families fall at or below the poverty level, so our contributions are very much appreciated.

Distribution begins with pre-school students, Kindergarten, Special Needs, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. If there are enough baskets, then it continues to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, and then 5<sup>th</sup> Grade.

We collect ready-made baskets. Just about anything can be included in the baskets — from socks and toothbrushes to little toys and candy. We also offer the flexibility to give a monetary donation and we will do the shopping for you! Approximately every \$15 will provide one basket. Scan the QR code or go to <https://corpuschristicc.flocknote.com/give/24682> to donate.



**Drop off ready-made baskets in the church narthex  
or make your online donation by Sunday, March 24.**

Thank you for helping us provide some Easter joy to these children!



## CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY

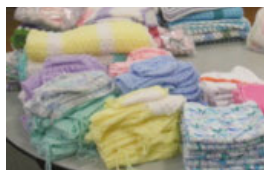
### March Meetings

**Wednesdays, March 13 & 20**

**9am-1pm in the Parish Center**

Please bring a sack lunch.

Dessert, coffee, and lemonade are provided.



The Christ Child Society of Phoenix is dedicated to serving babies and children in need. Please join us as we meet to sew, crochet and knit newborn clothing items. Don't sew? We can use your help in cutting fabric.

Please call Michelle Cano at 602-524-7735 or Michelle Grimditch at 480-710-4357 for more info or visit: <https://www.christchildphx.org>.

## FRIDAYS DURING LENT

**Stations of the Cross at 6pm  
followed by Meatless Meals**

Each Friday, the meatless meals will be hosted by a different parish ministry. The remaining nights are all potluck style. This Friday, March 15, will be hosted by our Young Adult Ministry. It will also include a presentation by the Abortion Dialogue Academy. Join us for an evening of prayer, fellowship, and good food!



## PRAISE PATHWAY

### Saturday Lenten Walks

**March 16 & 23**

The "Praise Pathway" is a 2-mile walk along South Mountain that will begin in the south parking lot after the Saturday 8:15am Mass during Lent. The walk will include praying the Rosary, as well as other opportunities for prayer and reflection, and will take about 1 hour and 20 minutes. Be sure to use sunscreen, wear comfortable clothes & shoes, and bring water & your rosary! For more info, please leave a message for Fr. Johnson at 480-893-8770 or call Knights of Columbus Deputy Grand Knight, Julius Tiritilli, at 480-250-2208.

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MARCH 10, 2024



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### Furniture Drive

Please Note Corrected Dates:

Sat./Sun March 16 & 17

9am-2pm in the North Lot

St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting household items March 16 & 17 for their Annual Furniture Drive. Please donate your unwanted goods to those who may need them. The SVdP truck will be parked in the north parking lot on 36<sup>th</sup> Street. Your donations will be accepted from 9am- 2pm on both Saturday & Sunday.

MATTRESSES, BOX SPRINGS, ELECTRONICS, AND TUBE TVs CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 480-893-8771. Thank you for your generosity and support!

## BAPTISMS

Emma Christine Frankel

Louisa Lim Gnewuch

Tatum Drew Trujillo

*Congratulations!*



*You have put on  
Christ, in Him you  
have been baptized.  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

## LILIES FOR THE CHURCH

*Help Decorate for Easter!*



Donations for Easter Lilies will be accepted after all Masses on Palm Sunday. The lilies will be placed in the Church for Easter. We can accept cash, check, and online payments. Many choose to make a donation in memory of someone. We can provide a card on which to right your loved one's name and we will include it with the lily. **Thank you!**

## WOMEN OF THE PARISH



### Corpus Christi Women's Retreat

Save the date for...

## Beloved

A Corpus Christi retreat for all women of the parish on  
Fri. April 19 & Sat. April 20 in the Church & Parish Center

More details to be announced shortly.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE & BEYOND

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

April 6-7 in Tucson

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst." Fill your marriage with the living water. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 6-7, 2024 in Tucson. For more information visit our website at: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).

### Phoenix Retrouvaille Weekend

April 19-21 in Phoenix

The Retrouvaille Program is for married couples struggling in their relationship who want marriage help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille Program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship. Visit <https://retrouvaille.org/> for more info.



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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(7AM Mass)

*Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.  
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.*

## TODAY'S READINGS

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
(Year B)

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 137

*Let my tongue be silenced,  
if I ever forget you!*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

Hosea

by Gregory Norbet

1. Come back to me with all your heart.  
Don't let fear keep us apart.  
Trees do bend, 'though straight and tall;  
so must we to others' call.  
Long have I waited for your  
coming home to me  
and living deeply our new life.
2. The wilderness will lead you  
to your heart where I will speak.  
Integrity and justice,  
With tenderness, you shall know.  
Long have I waited for your  
coming home to me  
and living deeply our new life.
3. You shall sleep secure with peace;  
faithfulness will be your joy.  
Long have I waited for your  
coming home to me  
and living deeply our new life.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

Change Our Hearts

by Rory Cooney & Jeffrey Honoré

Refrain

*Change our hearts this time,  
your word says it can be.  
Change our minds this time,  
your life could make us free.  
We are the people your call set apart,  
Lord, this time change our hearts.*

1. Brought by your hand to the edge of our dreams,  
one foot in paradise, one in the waste;  
drawn by your promises, still we are lured  
by the shadows and the chains we leave behind.  
But ... **(Refrain)**
2. Now as we watch you stretch out your hands,  
offering abundances, fullness of joy.  
Your milk and honey seem distant, unreal,  
when we have bread and water in our hands.  
But ... **(Refrain)**
3. Show us the way that leads to your side,  
over the mountains and sands of the soul.  
Be for us manna, water from stone,  
light which says we never walk alone.  
And... **(Refrain)**

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