

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15, 2023



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Please forward all notices for bulletin to bulletin@corpuschristins.ca before 5:00 pm on Monday.



This Week's Readings

	1st Reading	Gospel
Sun, Jan 15	Isaiah 49:3, 5-6	John 1:29-24
Mon, Jan 16	Hebrews 5:1-10	Mark 2:18-22
Tues, Jan 17	Hebrews 6:10-20	Mark 2:23-28
Wed, Jan 18	Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17	Mark 3:1-6
Thurs, Jan 19	Hebrews 7:25 – 8:6	Mark 3:7-12
Fri, Jan 20	Hebrews 8:6-13	Mark 3:13-19
Sat, Jan 21	Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14	Mark 3:20-21

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Giving to Corpus Christi Parish

There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

- 1- Weekly Offertory Envelopes
- 2- Cash donations
- 3- E-Transfers to finance@corpuschristins.ca, include your name and church
- 4- PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittances)
- 5- Through the mail, send to Kentville Parish Office

Corpus Christi Parish thanks you for your financial support – How else could we fulfill our mission?



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Ask about pre-planning.



Mass Times & Intentions

SATURDAY, JAN 14

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Kentville	4:00 PM	Jim Shields by Taya & Bob Shields
Digby	4:00 PM	Peter Loughran by Pat Levings

SUNDAY, JAN 15

Windsor	8:30 AM	Phyllis Grant by Mary-Alma Smith
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Frank Pugh by Pat & Alan Dill
Berwick	9:00 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Selia LeBlanc by Louis Comeau & Family
Middleton	11:00 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Meinhard Doelle by Marion & Greg MacDonald
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Paul Ueffing by Truus Ueffing

TUESDAY, JAN 17

Kentville	8:30 AM	Ronald Thomas Walsh by Fr Michael Walsh
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WEDNESDAY, JAN 18

Kentville	8:30 AM	Peter MacDougall by Norma & Ann MacDougall
Middleton	9:00 AM	Intentions of Deacon Kevin Grandy by St Monica's CWL

THURSDAY, JAN 19

Kentville	8:30 AM	Tom Bourgeois by John & Mary Boulter
Berwick	9:00 AM	Brian Oliver by Diane O'Neil

FRIDAY, JAN 20

Kentville	8:30 AM	Maynard Barry by Wayne Barry
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SATURDAY, JAN 21

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Mel Bateman by St Alphonsus Ladies Aux
Kentville	4:00 PM	Albert Walzak by Jim & Jennifer Hilborn
Digby	4:00 PM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>

SUNDAY, JAN 22

Windsor	8:30 AM	Nualsri Pimpasuth by Terry & Eleanor McKiel
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Berwick	9:00 AM	Peter O'Neil by sister, Pat Foster & Family
Kentville/Online	10:15 AM	Maurice 'Moe' Harquail by Jennie Harquail
Middleton	11:00 AM	Linda Lust by Carolyn Gilbert
Weymouth	11:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Wolfville	11:45 AM	Darryl Crossman by Carmen & Francis Hawley

Corpus Christi Weekday Online Mass from Kentville
will resume in the Spring.

FROM: POPE FRANCIS
TO: CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



THE LETTER

A MESSAGE FOR OUR EARTH

Join us for a screening of this inspirational film!

7 PM, January 26, 2023

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church
48 Belcher St. Kentville, NS

All are welcome!

RSVP @ tinyurl.com/467fkmj6



Scan me!

Ultreya: An Ultreya will be held at St. Anthony's Church Hall, Berwick on Thursday, January 26th at 7:00pm. Bring a friend and a snack to share. *All are welcome!*

Thank You: We would like to give a big hand to all of you at **St Anthony's, Berwick**, who worked so hard in the planning and organizing of our Christmas food hampers and Angel Tree. We were able to provide a Christmas for 10 families, who appreciated it so much. Thank you for all your good work.

Sincere thanks and gratitude to everyone who supported the **Twelve Baskets Food Bank** in Nictaux. Because of your kindness and generosity, 660 lbs. of food was collected and \$1,700 in cash donations was received from November and December. *May God bless you all abundantly!*

Currently the **food bank** requires tea, coffee, jam, peanut butter, tin fruit, and sugar.

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts: A card can bring an uplifting message of cheer, gratitude, encouragement, comfort and hope, when most needed by another. We have **individual cards** and **boxed cards** for sacramental occasions (Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Initiation to the Catholic Church, Matrimony, Ordination); for special events, such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, and bereavement; and just to say Thinking of You and Get Well Wishes. Also, **packages of cards** to say thank you for expressions of sympathy. Available at **St. Monica's** church hall after Sunday Mass, or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495.

The Christ – *Child of the Year*

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

Biblical scholars tell us that the innkeepers who turned Mary and Joseph away were not cruel and calloused to this poor, peasant couple.

The motif of “no room at the inn” wants to make a much larger point, described by Thomas Merton in this way: *Into this world, this demented inn, in which there is absolutely no room for Him at all, Christ has come uninvited. But because He cannot be at home in it, because He is out of place in it, and yet He must be in it, His place is with those others for whom there is no room.*

This highlights that there’s never room in our world for the real Christ, the one who doesn’t fit comfortably into our expectations and imaginings. The real Christ generally shocks our imagination, is a disappointment to our expectations, comes uninvited, but is forever on the outside, on the periphery and sent packing from our doors. The real Christ is forever seeking a home in a world within which there’s no room for him.

So who best fits that description today? I suggest the following: Millions of refugee children. The Christ-Child can be seen most clearly today in the countless refugee children who, with their families, are being driven from their homes by violence, war, starvation, ethnic cleansing, poverty, tribalism, racism, and religious persecution. They, and their families, best fit the picture of Joseph and Mary, searching for a room, outsiders, powerless, uninvited, no home, no one to take them in, on the periphery, strangers, labeled as “aliens”. But they are the present-day Holy Family, and their children are the Christ-Child for us and our world.

Where is the crib of Bethlehem today? Where might we find the infant Christ to worship? In many places, admittedly in every delivery room and nursery in the world, but “preferentially” in refugee camps; in boats making perilous journeys across the Mediterranean; in migrants trekking endless miles in hunger, thirst, and dangerous conditions; in people waiting in endless lines to be processed in hope of being accepted somewhere, in persons arriving at various borders after a long journey only to be sent back; in mothers in detention centers, holding their young and hoping; and most especially, preferentially, in the faces of countless refugee children.



They Still Need Fixing

by Fr. Richard Rohr o.f.m.

After 20 years of counseling, pastoring and clumsy attempts at helping other people, I am coming to a not-so-obvious but compelling conclusion: Much of our helping is like hoping for 1st-class accommodations on the Titanic. It feels good at the moment, but it is going nowhere. The big tear in the hull is not addressed, and we are surprised when people drown, complain or resort to lifeboats. Most of the people I have tried to fix still need fixing. The situation changed, but the core was never touched.

What is the core? And how do we touch it? What does it mean to essentially help another person? If we can find the answer to these questions, we are coming close to what the world religions mean by true ministry. It is absolutely unlike any other form of helping. It has many counterfeits and disguises. What Jesus, Buddha, Confucius, the saints and the prophets are talking about is the **Absolute Help**, which alone is worthy of the name – the radical help that none of us can give to another. We can only point to it and promise that it is there. That is the first and final work of all true religion; all else is secondary.

Call it grace, enlightenment, peak experience, baptism in the Spirit, revelation, consciousness, growth or surrender; but until such a threshold is walked through, people are never helped in any true, lasting sense.

from Radical Grace, "How Do We Help?"

Ordinary Time

We're now back in Ordinary Time of the Church's liturgical year. The Christmas (& Advent) and Easter (& Lent) cycle are so rich with religious traditions that the remainder of the year often seems ordinary at first glance. The remaining 34 weeks of the year are in fact called **Ordinary Time**. This title, however, does not mean that these weeks, and the Sundays around which they revolve, are unimportant. On the contrary, it is during these weeks that the special character of Sunday is experienced. Except for four special devotional feasts of Christ after Pentecost (ie. Trinity Sunday, Corpus Christi Sunday, Feast of the Sacred Heart and Christ the King), no special theme "distracts" from the wonder of the original meaning of Sunday as the Lord's Day.

Very few religious traditions are directly connected with the weeks of Ordinary Time. The traditional colour used for liturgical vestments and church decoration is **green**, the colour of hope and life.

Did You Know?

- **Genuflection** – is a brief kneeling on one knee as sign of respect before the Blessed Sacrament. Catholics show respect for the Eucharist by genuflecting on one knee or bowing when one passes the tabernacle or enters the pew.
- The **sacristy** is a room which means "holy place". It is where the sacred vessels, vestments and other items used during the liturgy are prepared and stored.
- A **tabernacle** contains consecrated hosts which are used at Communion or taken to the sick & shut-ins. The cabinet-like receptacle is kept locked and secure. A **sanctuary lamp** burns continuously next to the tabernacle, to remind us of Christ's sacramental presence.

Lord of the Future

Father, my past is in your care. I can no longer touch it or live it. My present is also yours. You know that it is my desire to live today within your will and love.

I have come to see that my future is what I have staked out for myself. My fears about health and work and family – these are mine. My plans for success and pleasure and growing old gracefully – these too are mine alone. I have become the self-nominated **Lord of My Future!** Whatever I fear, I must plan a way to avoid or cope with. Whatever I desire, I must direct my efforts to achieve.

And I have asked you to cooperate, Lord, but you will have none of it. Now with your grace, I will pry my fingers from their stranglehold on the future. All the bad things I fear and the good things I anticipate, I commend into your hands. You alone shall be the **God of My Tomorrows.**

- Nancy Summers

St. Joseph's (Kentville) – Update

As you may or may not know, our custodian/caretaker, **Jordan Brackett**, has moved to Digby. In the Spring, Jordan's wife accepted a new job at the Digby Hospital and, as a result, over the course of the Summer, they made their way to Digby.

- **"Mrs. Clean"** is now responsible for custodial work in the church facility (every 2nd Thursday).
- **Ken Borden** is now the caretaker of Holy Cross Cemetery (towards Coldbrook) and Serenity Gardens Cemetery (Centreville). Ken is also responsible for 2 community cemeteries not associated with our church: Elm Grove Cemetery (Steam Mill) and Oak Grove Cemetery (Kentville).
- The **Knights of Columbus** (St. Joseph's – Kentville) are now responsible for looking after the St. Joseph's Cemetery (next to the church). *If you (man/woman) are interested in helping the Knights to maintain this property, please contact the parish office.*
- Five men have responded to be part of the **St. Joseph's Snow Removal Team** with two others ready to help in times of major snowfall. *If you (man/woman) are interested in helping the team, please contact the parish office.*

