

MASS TIMES

WEEKEND Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm
WEEKDAY Monday to Saturday 9:00 am
First Friday 9:00 am, 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday to Saturday 8:30 am
Saturday 3:30 pm

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BULLETIN

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



PARISH RECEPTION

Open Monday to Friday 9 am to 4 pm
Closed over the lunch hour; 12 to 1 pm.
Closed weekends & holidays.

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Collection	FUND	AMOUNT
NOV 23 2025	REGULAR COLLECTION	\$7,872.20
	BUILDING FUND	\$5,141.30
	LOOSE/NO TAX RECEIPT	\$2,258.30
	ANNUAL APPEAL	\$2,928.75

NOVEMBER 29 - 30, 2025 THE NECESSITY FOR WATCHFULNESS

Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation. Psalm 85.7

A word from our Pastor...

SEASON OF ADVENT

This is a time for preparation towards Christmas. We prepare ourselves spiritually and penitentially. The methods we use are Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving, Repentance and Confession. Our parish has an Advent Mission during Monday to Wednesday (8 – 10), and on Thursday 11th, there is individual Confession. I appeal to parents to prepare your children (who received first Holy Communion, or Confirmation during the previous years) and bring them for confession. Parents lead your children by examples. As individuals, as family, and as a parish, let us prepare ourselves towards celebrating this Christmas in worthy manner. ***Come Lord Jesus. Come into my heart, come into my family, come into my work place, come into all those dark areas of my life.***

JESSE TREE PROJECT

is an initiative of the CWL in Corpus Christi Parish; we reach out to the poor and needy students and their families with Christmas gifts, this is channelled and achieved through the six Catholic schools under our parish. We encourage you all to donate / contribute toward the Jesse Tree. Our parishioners contributed \$6,000.00 towards Jesse Tree projects last year.

ONE FAMILY - ONE MEAL

I also appeal to each family to donate during this Christmas season, at least one full meal to a poor and needy, less privileged family. As we enjoy Christmas and new year with sumptuous food, let us also look towards the poor families in our parish, in our neighbourhood, in our schools, among our friends. Discuss in your families about this duty of ours, let your children know about it, and help others to celebrate this Christmas season in a blessed way. Let us become a blessing for the poor, needy and less privileged families. Consider making a donation to the Society of St Vincent de Paul Food Bank in cash, items, or grocery cards. May God bless us all with a fruitful season of Advent.

Fr. Benoj Makkollil CMI, Pastor

2025 PARISH CENSUS

Across the Archdiocese of Edmonton, all Catholics are asked to participate in the 2025 Census. ***Be counted at your home parish!*** If Corpus Christi is your home parish, please take a moment to complete a 2025 Census form, available at the reception counter, kiosk counter and on our Registrations web page at www.corpuschristi-edm.ca/about-us/parish-registration

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS YEAR-END APPEAL

This time of year, many families are considering their favourite charities to which their Christmas and year end donations will be distributed. We ask that you please consider your parish, Corpus Christi! Please prayerfully consider before deciding how much you can give the parish today. ***Pink Annual Appeal envelopes are available in the pews, as well as folded into annual appeal letters at the kiosk and reception counters.*** Last day to give for your donation dollars to count toward your 2025 tax receipt is **December 31**—either by dropping off at the parish, or by postmark at a post office.

Preparing for the Arrival of Jesus...

ADVENT MISSION

DEC 8-10; 6:30-8:45 PM

Themes: Hope, Peace, Joy, Love

Mon, Dec 8

Hope: How & why do we prepare for Jesus' arrival?

Tue, Dec 9

Peace: What happens when the wait is long and painful?

Wed, Dec 10

Joy & Love: The Answer is in the Manger.

Daily Schedule

6:30 pm Adoration, Benediction

7:00 pm Presentation

8:30 pm Q & A

8:45 pm Closing Blessing



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM

For infants and children up to the age of 6.

Baptism Preparation

6:30 pm, on the **4th Tuesday**

- Jan 27, Apr 28, May 26, Jun 23, Jul 28...

Baptism Celebrations

1:00 pm, on the **2nd & 3rd Sundays**

- Jan 11, 18, Feb 8, 15, Apr 12, 19, May 3...

Contact Sister Delia at the parish office for an appointment to register your child.

NO BAPTISMS DURING ADVENT & LENT

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST

(Grade 3+) Offered twice/year.

Registration is open for Spring 2026.

Visit our website for detailed information.

CONFIRMATION

(Grade 6+) Offered once/year.

Registration is open for 2026.

Visit our website for detailed information.

MARRIAGE

Six months prior to your wedding date, or sooner, plan to meet with Fr Ben.

RCIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Children is for unbaptised children, 7 to 14 years of age, wishing to receive the sacraments of initiation.

Offered once/year, sessions will begin

December 3, 2025, held weekly on

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm.

Contact Sister Delia at the parish office for more info, and to register.



- Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
- Or are you Catholic, but have not received your First Communion or Confirmation?

Thursdays at
7:00-8:00 pm

Contact Sister Delia
at the parish office
for more information.

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Meet 10:30 am Saturdays

Lisa—780.257.2794

Adults

Our Lady Gate of Heaven

Meet 6:45 pm Tuesdays

Gold—780.604.8062



4 WAYS TO DONATE

For full details, please visit our website

www.corpuschristi-edm.ca

1. PRE-AUTHORIZED OFFERING PROGRAM

(POP)* using your bank account or credit card. *This is the preferred method.

2. DONATION ENVELOPES

—Contact the office if you would like a box of envelopes.

3. E-TRANSFER

to CorpusChristi.Edm@caedm.ca

[Important instructions are available here.](#)

4. CANADA HELPS

—See info on our website
Thank you for being a good steward of the Catholic Parish of Corpus Christi.

NEW ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES PROTOCOLS FOR CLERGY HOSPITAL VISITS

Due to FOIP related protocol amendments with Alberta Health Services (AHS), patients in hospital must be **registered as Catholic** and have **digitally signed consent** to receive visits from their faith community coordinated by Spiritual Health Practitioners. If the patient is unable to sign, a family member may do so on their behalf. Without signed consent, the in-hospital Spiritual Health Practitioner cannot contact the clergy on-call.

Regardless of the new AHS protocols, patients and families may still make private arrangements for a priest/deacon to visit.

This information is now available on our website for future reference here:

corpuschristi-edm.ca/about-us/contact-us

GROCERY, GAS & GIFT CARDS

Available for purchase

at the parish office,

Monday to Friday, 9:30 am to 4:00 pm;

and at the kiosk after weekend Masses.

- Superstore
- Sobeys/Safeway/Freshco/IGA
- Save On Foods
- The Ultimate Dining Card
- Co-op
- Salisbury Greenhouse
- Boston Pizza
- Tim Hortons
- Pizza 73



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS FRIDAY, DEC 5

- Adoration 6 to 7 pm
- Mass 7 pm



Catholic Women's League will host...

BAKE SALE

SAT & SUN, DEC 6 & 7

We are asking Corpus Christi CWL members (and others wishing to contribute) to put on your bakers' hats once again.

Please drop off your baked goods, packaged to sell, during office hours Friday, Dec 5 or before any of the weekend Masses. Our volunteers will take care of pricing your goodies!

If you enjoy decking the halls, we hope you'll consider giving of your time...

HELP NEEDED:

- ◆ Putting up Christmas decorations in the Gathering Space and Nave
- Thu Dec 11 after 9 am Mass.

If you are available, please call the parish office.



Help our parish pay off our mortgage!



If you spend \$600/month on groceries, buy \$600 each month of grocery gift cards. The church profits about 7% to pay on the mortgage; 7% of \$600 is \$42. In one year, you could be giving \$42 x 12 months = \$504 to pay the mortgage.

If 1,000 of our parish families did the same, in one year, we would have \$504 x 1,000 = \$504,000

This benefit to the church creates no additional cost to you, our parishioners!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING

First Monday of each month
(unless it's a holiday, as in September)

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Next meeting: CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

MONDAY, DEC 1, 6:30 PM

Come and bring a friend, and enjoy fellowship with a wonderful group of ladies!

New members are always welcome.

To find out more, contact Jessica at:

cc.cwlmembership@gmail.com

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Looking for more ways to participate in parish activities? New members welcome!

General meetings are held monthly on the 4th Tuesday at 7 pm.

TUESDAY, DEC 23, FMT Room upstairs

Contact us at gk15290@kofc.ab.ca

All are welcome to join us in praying the Rosary every 3rd Friday, 5:30—6:00 pm in the Adoration Chapel; next: Dec 19.

For more CWL/KofC info: www.corpuschristi-edm.ca/come-get-involved/our-service-groups

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

In the spirit of preparation for the coming of our saviour, you are encouraged attend reconciliation. Advent penitential services are offered at many churches. At these services, numerous priests are available to hear confessions.

St Theresa's: Thursday, Dec 4 at 7 pm
Corpus Christi: Thursday, Dec 11 at 7 pm

Come receive the message of Hope this Jubilee year at this special presentation.

JUBILEE ADVENT CHORAL PRESENTATION SAT DEC 13 AT 3:00 PM

This production will be highlighting...

- ★ Meaning of Simbang Gabi Masses in this Jubilee year of Hope
- ★ Joy of walking together in the context of Corpus Christi's Pastoral Priorities
- ★ Celebration of Life where 'Unity in Diversity' flourishes.

A devotional series of nine night-time Masses leading up to Christmas.

SIMBANG GABI CHRISTMAS MASSES MON DEC 15 - TUE DEC 23 7:00 PM

Presiding priests include:

1. Fr Joselito Cantal
2. Fr Martin Carroll
3. Fr Joseph Aipe Vadakedath
4. Fr Chad Miciak
5. Fr Jake Mullin
6. Fr Nilo Macapinlac
7. Fr Paul Kavanagh
8. Fr Jim Corrigan
9. Fr Benoj Makkoliil CMI

Contact Deacon Gem if your group or family is interested in sponsoring during this event.

CHRISTMAS EVE

★ **Vigil of the Nativity Mass**

Wednesday, Dec 24—Office closed at 12 pm.

Mass at 4:30 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm

Incense at all Christmas Eve Masses.

CHRISTMAS DAY

★ **Nativity of the Lord**

Thursday, Dec 25—Office closed

Mass at 9:30 am, 11:30 am (No 5 pm Mass)

NEW YEAR'S EVE

★ **Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary**

Wednesday, Dec 31

Mass at 7:00 pm—with incense

Adoration in the church until midnight.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

★ **Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God**

Thursday, Jan 1

Mass at 9:30 am, 11:30 am (No 5 pm Mass)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Reminder to all individuals and families: Please fill out a Parish Census form!

Jesse Tree Project continues until Sunday, Dec 7

Annual Christmas Year-End Appeal until Wednesday, Dec 31

Sat Nov 29 - Sun Nov 30	First Sunday of Advent - <i>St. Vincent de Paul presentation at all Masses</i>		
Sat Nov 29	10:30 am	Junior Legion of Mary —Seat of Wisdom (Youth)	Fr Corrigan Rm
	4:30 pm	Children's Liturgy of the Word	FMT Rm
Sun Nov 30	10:30 am	Sunday Catechism	Upstairs
Mon Dec 1	6:30 pm	Catholic Women's League Christmas Potluck & Monthly Meeting	FMT Rm
Tue Dec 2	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary —Our Lady Gate of Heaven (Adult)	Fr Corrigan Rm
Wed Dec 3	6:00 pm	RCIC Begins! Rite of Christian Initiation of Children	FMT Rm
Thu Dec 4	7:00 pm	RCIA Session	FMT Rm
Fri Dec 5	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Adoration in the Nave Mass	Church Nave
Sat Dec 6 - Sun Dec 7	Second Sunday of Advent - <i>CWL Bake Sale after all weekend Masses.</i> - <i>Last Day for Jesse Tree donations.</i>		
Sat Dec 6	10:30 am	Junior Legion of Mary —Seat of Wisdom (Youth)	Fr Corrigan Rm
	4:30 pm	Children's Liturgy of the Word	FMT Rm
Sun Dec 7	10:30 am	Sunday Catechism	Upstairs
Tue Dec 9	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary —Our Lady Gate of Heaven (Adult)	Fr Corrigan Rm
Wed Dec 10	6:00 pm	RCIC Begins! Rite of Christian Initiation of Children	FMT Rm

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL ST THERESA & CORPUS CHRISTI CONFERENCE FOOD BANK CORNER

Thank you for your support of our food bank. This week, we are in need of:

PANCAKE SYRUP, JAM, juice, CRACKERS (not soup crackers), TEA, OATMEAL, sugar, COFFEE, peanut butter, PASTA (not spaghetti). CANNED: vegetable soup, BEANS, CHICKPEAS, pasta sauce, FRUIT, fish [SALMON, tuna, SARDINES], chunky soups, baked beans; TOILETRIES: SHAMPOO, LADIES DEODORANT, TOILET PAPER.

Serving in hope,
 Maria at 780-940-9010 or
 maria1lup@gmail.com

WE PRAY FOR...

... those who suffer with illness, especially Bishop Greg Bittman. *May they receive the peace and healing of the Lord.*

... the repose of the souls of those who have died, especially Isreal Monge Barahona, and Joanne McRae. *May they rejoice in God's kingdom.*

Meets Every 4th Sunday

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

☞ **Sun, Dec 28**—Join us at the 5:00 pm Mass, followed by our Christmas Social! Scan this QR code and sign up for email updates.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

For children in Kindergarten to Grade 3 Drop-in Saturdays, at the 4:30 pm Mass.

Remaining Session dates in 2025:

Nov 29, Dec 6 — then returns on Jan 3, 2026, after Christmas break.

SUNDAY CATECHISM

† Prayers † Bible Study † Marian Devotion
 † Church History, Teachings & Traditions

☞ **Sundays 10:30 to 11:30 am**

Contact: Lisa, Program Director, at
corpuschristi.cat@caedm.ca

YOUTH MASSES

Every weekend of the 2nd Sunday.

☞ **Sat, Dec 13, 4:30 pm & Sun, Dec 14, 5 pm**

Youth are encouraged to fill the ministries of Readers, Collection helpers & Choir members. Training is provided. Please contact the parish office to get involved!

RESPECT FOR LIFE

Lord, open my heart and open every heart to the wonder of new life. May we greet You in each new child.

- Dec. 30 Pro-life Reflections for Every Day

RESPECT FOR LIFE MEETS...

1st Monday (or 2nd Monday if stat holiday)

Next meeting: Monday, Dec 1 at 7:30 pm at the K of C Hall, 2947 66 Street NW

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- * Cube-shaped base with rounded corners and carved roses.

* Hand-made suit including crocheted vest

Sto Niño was lent to someone who sadly passed away; was accidentally dropped off at Goodwill. If found, please contact RHODA through the parish office. **Thank you!**



ACTIVE KIDS ACADEMY



New Daycare
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Active Kids Academy has opened a new location!

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Since March 2025, Called to Protect has been replaced with online courses through Praesidium Academy.

All new volunteers must complete the [Volunteer Application](#) and [Covenant of Care](#) forms. Adult volunteers will then receive an emailed invitation to the Praesidium Academy site to complete the required Safe Environment Program courses.

Thank you for sharing your gifts of time and talent.

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ENVIRONMENTS &
ABUSE PREVENTION



The Catholic
Archdiocese
of Edmonton

Attention All Volunteer Ministers:

Please check your email for an invitation from [Praesidium Academy](#) (email address: DoNotReply@Praesidiuminc.com)

This is the platform the Archdiocese of Edmonton is using to administrate the Volunteer Management Program. Active volunteers will now have direct access to the Program to complete online abuse prevention training.

1. Accept the invitation, sent out to volunteers by email.
2. You will be prompted to reset your login and create a password.
3. Complete the required courses.

If you didn't receive a message or have any questions, please contact the parish office at 780.466.7576 or CorpusChristi.Edm@caedm.ca

For more information, click this link: <https://praesidium.lpages.co/academy2021/>



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