

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 8:15—8:45 am

Saturday 3:30—4:15 pm

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25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEP 19-20, 2026

THE LABOURERS IN THE VINEYARD

*Open our hearts, Oh Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son. Acts 16.14*

PARISH RECEPTION

Open Monday to Friday 9 am to 4 pm

Closed over the lunch hour; 12 to 1 pm.

Closed weekends/holidays:

**National Day of Healing &
Reconciliation—Wed, September 30**

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FROM OUR PASTOR

The first reading, (Is. 55:6-9), Isaiah calls a displaced people to seek the Lord while he is near, for divine mercy exceeds every human reckoning.

To seek: it describes the deliberate pursuit of a worshipper approaching a sanctuary, an intentional turning of the whole of one's life towards God. **How to seek the Lord?** the wicked must forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts. Repentance, then, is not a change of behaviour alone but a reordering of the whole person.

In the second reading, (Phil. 1:20-24, 27), St. Paul, writing to the Philippians from prison, uncertain whether he will live or die. Yet he says, "For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain" (Phil. 1:21). He is caught between two desires: to depart and be with Christ, which he considers far better, and to remain alive because his presence may help the Christian community (Phil. 1:22-24).

St. Paul had so entirely identified his life with Christ that no action or desire remained which did not have Christ as its object, and he held up this total identification as the measure by which every Christian vocation, however ordinary, ought to be tested.

Paul has moved beyond constantly asking, "What am I getting?" His question has become, "How can Christ be glorified through me?" Therefore, he concludes by asking the Philippians to "live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ" (Phil. 1:27).

In the Gospel, (Matt. 20:1-16), gives us the parable of the labourers in the vineyard, paid alike whether they toiled all day or one hour.

No one, the parable teaches, can turn service rendered to God into a claim that limits God's freedom to be generous towards another.

Salvation is not earned; it is given, and the God who gives it is free to give as generously

as he chooses.

The successive hours of hiring have long been read as the stages of life at which a person may answer God's call.

St. Gregory the Great found in the eleventh-hour labourers the assurance that even a conversion at the very end of life receives the same reward as a lifetime of fidelity, reading the several hours of hiring as a figure for childhood, youth, maturity, and old age, each summoned to the vineyard in its own turn (Forty Gospel Homilies, Homily 19).

St. John Chrysostom drew out the contrast between the labourers' contractual reckoning and the landowner's generosity, arguing that the parable exposes how poorly a merely commercial idea of reward fits the economy of grace, and he urged his hearers to labour for God without reckoning what they might be owed in return (Homily 64: the Gospel of Matthew, commenting on Matthew 20:1-16).

Lord, teach us to seek you while you may be found, and free us from envy at the generosity you show to others. Keep us faithful in life and in death, that we may know your ways above our own.

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Support for the Seminarians

PENNIES FOR HEAVEN

That was scheduled at Corpus Christi Parish for Aug 8 and 9, 2026. 228 families/ members supported it. The total amount contributed was \$4,343.00.

As we benefit from the ministry of the priests and religious, we need to support their formation through our prayers and financial contributions.

I thank Mr. Wayne Johnson, who initiated and led this campaign in our parish. I specially thank all those who supported this campaign. God bless you all.

From our Pastor continues on the next page with the upcoming wheelchair drive...

Collection	FUND	AMOUNT
SEP 13 2026	REGULAR COLLECTION	\$5,866.85
	BUILDING FUND	\$4,286.75
	LOOSE/NO TAX RECEIPT	\$2,496.10

In support of the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation by the Knights of Columbus
UPCOMING WHEELCHAIR DRIVE WEEKEND
SEP 26 & 27, 2026

I thank the members of K of C, for bringing these initiatives to Corpus Christi Parish, introducing the different needs of the people, and opportunities for parishioners to support.

In 2023, our parishioners donated \$1,173.10; in 2024: \$3,284.60; and in 2025: \$5,716.00; totalling \$10,173.70 raised during the last three years.

I request and encourage parishioners to support this cause.

Let us become blessings for the poor and needy.

Fr Benoj Makkollil, Pastor

For all couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, not Catholics alone:

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE PREPARATION SEMINAR

The parish will be hosting a Marriage Preparation Seminar—open to all engaged couples, and couples seeking Convalidation.

Saturday & Sunday, September 26-27

\$250/couple—For info/to register:

www.corpuschristi-edm.ca/sacraments#text-2822962



RESPECT FOR LIFE

The tending of the vineyard of the kingdom takes place now. Let us resolve to be faithful, to live what we profess to believe, and to embrace the Son. In doing so, we will inherit the kingdom.



CORPUS CHRISTI CHARITABLE COMMITMENT CAMPAIGN

STATUS—SEP 18, 2026

Total Families Committed: 399

Percent of total 2217 families: 17.99%

Total Commitment Amount to Date: \$2,238,742.40

Monthly Mortgage Commitment to the Archdiocese: \$70,000.00

Monthly Commitments to date: \$37,433.02

We're already half way to projecting a mortgage-free parish in 5 years!

TOGETHER, WE CAN DO IT!!!

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 - 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



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM

For infants and children up to the age of 6.

Baptism Preparation

➤ 6:30 pm, on the **4th Tuesday**

Baptism Celebrations

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

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

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Registration is OPEN for Fall 2026.

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CONFIRMATION

(Grade 6+) Offered once/year.

Registration is OPEN for 2027.

Visit our website for detailed information.

MARRIAGE

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

Visit the [Sacraments](#) page on our website for information about our upcoming **Marriage Preparation Seminar (Sep 26-27).**

RCIA & RCIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children. RCIC is for unbaptised children 7 to 14 years of age. RCIA is for adults seeking full communion in the Catholic faith. These programs are offered once/year.

➤ **RCIC meets on Wednesdays, 6-7:00 pm**
Starts—Dec 2, 2026

➤ **RCIA meets on Thursdays, 7-8:00 pm**
Starts—Sep 24, 2026

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

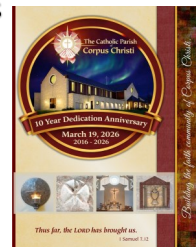
The long wait is over!

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY MEMORY BOOKS

Books can be picked up from the parish office during weekday office hours.

Copies are available to purchase for \$15.00
(Cash, Debit, MC, Visa)

For all parishioners had photo sittings, the cost of your memory book is **included** in your sitting fee. Please be sure to pick up your copy!



Helping to pay off our church 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!

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
- Save On Foods
- The Ultimate Dining Card
- Co-op
- Salisbury Greenhouse
- Boston Pizza
- Tim Hortons



All are encouraged to attend...

PRESENTATION: HUMAN TRAFFICKING THURSDAY, SEP 24, 7:00 PM

in the Parish Hall. Presented by Jenn Wood, dedicated to raising awareness in the fight against human trafficking and modern slavery—an issue, even in our own back yard.
Hosted by Corpus Christi Catholic Women's League.

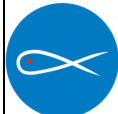
SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL ST THERESA & CORPUS CHRISTI CONFERENCE FOOD BANK CORNER

Our SSVP/St. Theresa's Food Bank is in great need of **everything**. Our shelves are empty. So, anything you wish to donate will be highly appreciated.

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Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Meetings are held on the 3rd

Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the OLGC room at St Theresa's Parish. **(Sep 15)** Find out how you can help and be part of this group of volunteers who assist people in need. Inquiries, call or text Juanita 780.965.0843 or Jeffrey 780.257.5639.

SSVP VOLUNTEER NEEDED WAREHOUSE MANAGER

SSVP is looking for 1-2 persons to volunteer as Warehouse Managers for the Southside SSVP Warehouse. Duties include:

- Keep an inventory of all beds, furniture, small items that enter and leave the warehouse
- Cleaning and repair of furniture donations
- Prepare pallets of requested items from home visitors and deliver items to the home of the Friend in Need
- Arrange for donation pick up or drop off
- Schedule drivers for donation drop off
- Moving furniture up and down stairwells
- Participate in Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed builds
- Purchase of beds, bed frame, bed box as needed
- Report to council of any issues or concerns regarding furniture delivery
- Submit monthly expenses to Treasurer and President(s)
- Attend monthly meeting (3rd Tuesday of every month)

If you are interested in volunteering for this position, please contact Juanita 780.965.0843 or Jeffrey 780.257.5639.

WE PRAY FOR...

... those who suffer with illness, especially Aida Hermoso and Bishop Greg Bittman. *May they receive the peace and healing of the Lord, and may those who are dedicated to their care be guided with wisdom and compassion.*

... the repose of the souls of those who have died, especially Maria Long, Maria Coco, Andrea Nicolas Estanislao, Trevor Louie, Mark Hannigan, and Maria Olivia Jepas. *May they rejoice in God's kingdom.*

YOUTH MASSES

Every weekend of the 2nd Sunday.

☞ **Sat, Oct 10, 4:30 pm & Sun, Oct 11, 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!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Reminder to all individuals and families: Please fill out a PARISH CENSUS form.

Sat Sep 19	4:30 pm	Children's Liturgy of the Word—Resumes today!	FMT Rm
Sun Sep 20	10:30 am	Sunday Catechism—Register online. See below.	Upstairs
	10:30 am	Samosa Sunday	Gathering Space
	1:00 pm	Baptism Celebration	Church Nave
Tue Sep 22	6:30 pm	Baptism Preparation Seminar	St Joseph Rm
	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Council Monthly Meeting	FMT Rm
	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary—Our Lady Gate of Heaven (Adult)	Fr Corrigan Rm
Thu Sep 24	7:00 pm	Presentation on Human Trafficking- Hosted by the CWL members of Corpus Christi.	Parish Hall
Fri Sep 25	9:30 am	Seniors of Corpus Christi (50+) Monthly Coffee & Fellowship—Held every last Friday of the month, resuming after the summer break. We hope you'll drop in and join our growing group!	Parish Hall
Sat Sep 26 - Sun Sep 27	Knights of Columbus—Wheelchair Drive Weekend		Gathering Space
	Marriage Preparation Program		Upstairs
Sat Sep 26	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 Sep 27	10:30 am	Crêpe Breakfast	Parish Hall
	10:30 am	Sunday Catechism	Upstairs
	5:00 pm	Young Adults Ministry Monthly Fellowship	Parish Hall
Wed Sep 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation—Office Closed; Church closed following 9:00 am Mass.		

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

For children in Kindergarten to Grade 3
**Drop-in Saturdays, at the 4:30 pm Mass,
Sep through Jun. Resumes Saturday, Sep 19**
**** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ****

Laying the foundations for our Youth...

SUNDAY CATECHISM

For Youth, Grades 1 to 12
Sundays 10:30 to 11:30 am, Sep through Jun
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Register online at

<https://forms.gle/NhYhZvBqntxgBnjK6>

or by scanning this QR code:



For more information, contact Lisa, Program Director, at CorpusChristi.Cat@caedm.ca

**** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ****

A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

We request and encourage parents to use this opportunity provided by the parish to form our children in faith. Please register your children for Sunday Catechism, with the leaders and teachers in the gathering space after all Masses this weekend.

The leaders of Sunday Catechism need more helping hands. I encourage our parishioners who have received sacraments in the Catholic Church, according to their state of life, to come forward to support this need in the church.

I take this opportunity to express my gratitude towards all those leaders of this program and teachers, who plan regularly and guide the program. God bless you all.

Fr Benoj Makkollil, Pastor

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

From an early age, we tend to distort the concept of "fairness": "I am good. I deserve good things. I am not receiving good things. Something must be wrong. Who's going to fix it?" We also know the age-old expression: "Who ever said life was fair?" Jesus knew this expression when he offered his parable in today's Gospel reading. Christian stewards acknowledge, with humility, that they receive good things from the Lord in abundance; even if these gifts are not the ones they think they need when they need them. Consider which servants you identify with most in the Gospel reading, the ones who demand "fairness", or that final servant who, seemingly, deserves the least.

In support of the parish building fund...

HARVEST DINNER & DANCE

SATURDAY, OCT 24

\$55/person | 5:30 Cocktails, 6:30 pm Dinner in the Parish Hall. **Tickets** can be purchased after weekend Masses in the gathering space, or by scanning this QR code.

Online Donations &

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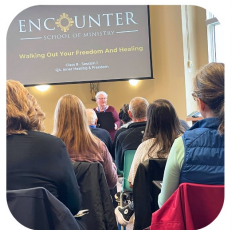
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