

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

307 Beach Drive, Destin, Florida, 32541



MASS SCHEDULE

VOLUME 1
No. 101

SUNDAY: 8:00 & 10:30 AM

SATURDAY EVENING:

Fall and Winter (Oct. 1 thru Mar. 31)

CONFESSIONS: 3:00-3:30PM

MASS: 4:00 PM

Spring and Summer (Apr. 1 thru Sept. 30)

CONFESSIONS: 4:00-4:30 PM

MASS: 5:00 PM

DAILY MASS: Mon - Fri 8:00 AM

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: 8:30-9:30 AM

FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 8:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11

Luke 1:46-50, 53-54 (with Isaiah 61:10b)

1 Thes 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

Testifying to the Light

This Sunday's Gospel reading tells us that John the Baptist came to "testify to the light." What does this mean?

We know that Jesus is the Light of Truth shining in the darkness to draw us to eternal life. And we know that his Spirit enlightens us in the truth so that we can be saved from the destructive forces of our sins and follow our Savior to heaven. But what was the testimony given by John? How did he testify to the light? And how does this affect our lives today?

John's testimony was: "I am not the Christ. I am a voice. A voice in the wilderness. A voice in the desert." And his testimony brings us to the Light of Christ by challenging us with: "Where is your life arid and dry? Listen! Christ is coming to meet you there! Make a bee-line to him! Stop wandering around! Repent, change, do whatever is necessary to look for Jesus so that you can find him. He is coming to you!"

We've all experienced times when Jesus seems distant, unavailable, not present to us when we need him. What has opened your eyes to his presence? Whose voice has turned you back to God? It's time to do the same for others, to

bring glad tidings to the poor (as it says in the reading from Isaiah), to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to those who are held captive in their sins, and to announce how to be blessed by a close friendship with the Lord.

We all have the same testimony and the same calling as John had: We are all supposed to be voices crying out loud enough to be heard above the din of the world. Many souls are lost in the wilderness of confusion, hopelessness, pain, heartache, and despair, not to mention sinfulness. Can we rightfully ignore their needs? Is it loving to be so quiet that they cannot hear the truth? Certainly not! Someday we will have to explain to Jesus why we ignored our baptismal calling to be the voice that could have helped others find him.

What kind of a voice do you have? Because we have Christ within us, our very lives are the voice. How we handle trials, revealing our faith in Jesus, is a voice that's audible to those who are lost in the wilderness. The more peace we have and the more love that we give, the louder is our cry.

Even if our vocal chords do not utter a single word, the way we live in the light is how we speak the truth of the light. The better we live the truth, the louder and clearer is our message.

What people choose to do with our message is up to them, but it's up to us to speak it so that they're given that choice.

...Announcements...

Are you planning a special event?

Consider Corpus Christi Social Hall with a capacity of up to **216 people** or as little as 45 in the small hall. There is a full commercial kitchen, serving area and ample off street parking. Check out our website: **destineventandmeeting.com** and go to Fellowship Hall for all pictures. For more information please contact Mimi at 850-376-1599 -**destinfacility@gmail.com**

Join Father TJ Meehan & Bonnie Perry on a **Pilgrimage to Ireland**. 11 Days– May 14-24, 2018. For more information please pick up a flier in the vestibule of the Church or call Bonnie Perry at (404) 944-1395.

The **St. Vincent de Paul** chapter of St. Rita and Resurrection parishes will now be serving the Destin area. This organization, one of the oldest affiliated with the Catholic Church, was founded for the sole purpose of assisting the poor. The mission of the Society today is to provide help to anyone in need, and is able to assist with rent, electricity, food, gas and other necessities. Our assistance is on a short-term basis and provides help to households going through financial stress. If you, or anyone you know, is in need of financial assistance, for any reason, please call the St. Vincent de Paul hotline. 888-229-6582.

Sodality Corner

Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Potluck Dinner.

The Ladies Sodality presents **German Mardi Gras (Fasching)** on February 10 from 5:00pm-9:00pm. Music, Dinner and Dancing. We will have authentic German food. Sausage from Usingers in Wisconsin. **Tickets are limited!!** Please call the office for more information. To purchase tickets call Jen Dwight at 850-543-9557

Gaudete Sunday



No Faith Formation Classes:

Sunday, December 24th & 31st
Wednesday, Dec. 20th & 27th
No High School Youth Night Sun., Dec. 31st

Christmas Play for the Whole Family

Christmas Eve, 5:30 PM – 7 PM in Parish Hall
Christmas Play Practices, Dec. 20, 21, & 22
Parish Hall 6-7 PM

For more information contact office.

SPIRITUAL & CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY
YOUTH COMMUNITY HOURS
Dec. 18th & Dec. 20th

Bible Timeline Study—This is where your study begins with a fascinating 24 week study, that takes you on a journey through the entire bible. You will go deep into each period of salvation history & discover the amazing story woven throughout all of scripture. The study will be Thursday morning at 9:00am beginning Oct 19 in the Religious Education Building. All are welcome. To sign up call John Bundscho at 985-264-6652

Flowers for the Blessed Mother are provided by Bill Donahue in memory of his deceased family members, deceased Marist Brothers & Father Jim Gilligan M.M. (Del)

—Altar Duty—

If you are interested in volunteering call Mila Golden at 396-8015. December– Mila

AA Meetings 6:30pm Sat evenings in Parish Hall

CSA Goal \$33,298.17 Received \$28,308.16
Offertory Collection for the weekend of December 10 was \$7,829.00. Thank you!

REGISTRATION FORM

Welcome parishioners - new and seasonal. We invite you to become an active part of our Parish.

Last Name _____ Children _____

Husband _____ Wife _____

Complete Address _____ Birth/Grade _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

Offertory Envelopes: Yes _____ No _____ (For Residents Only)

Visit our website ccdestin.com

PASTOR: Rev. Viet Huynh
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Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM—1:00 PM
Mrs. Colleen Ward, Secretary

MUSIC MINISTRY:

Modern Choir Mr. Carl Napoli 837-8125

SCHOOL OF RELIGION:

Mrs. Begonia Quepons, Director 817-249-5777
Classes: K-8th grades: Sunday 9:15-10:20 AM
Pre-K 9:15-10:10 AM
Highschool- 1st & 3rd Sunday 6:00-8:00 PM

Weekly Schedule and Mass Intentions
Rosary: At 7:30 am before daily

Saturday, December 16

Mass 4:00 PM *For all civic leaders*

Sunday, December 17

Mass 8:00 AM *For all who are alienated from God*
Mass 10:30 AM *For all of those who have died*

Monday, December 18

Mass 8:00 AM *For all members of the Church*

Tuesday, December 19

Mass 8:00 AM *For this faith community*

Wednesday, December 20

Mass 8:00 AM *For the sick, suffering & hospitalized*

Thursday, December 21

Mass 8:00 AM *For the unborn & their mothers*

Friday, December 22

Mass 8:00 AM *For the homeless*

Parish Ministries

Ladies Sodality - Jen Dwight 654-9518

Finance Council - George Giganti 837-2017

Parish Council - Rex Stinnett 685-2380

Prayer Group - Carl Napoli 837-8125

Altar Servers (Adult) - Tom Fears 837-0000

Altar Servers (Children) - Colleen Ward

Bereavement -Jen Dwight 654-9518

Ministry Volunteers - Colleen Ward 699-3700



Please Pray for....

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer list please call the office.

Marion Peterson

Linda Severin

Fr. Bob Morris

Jim Murrow

Joan Giganti

Billy Owens

Robin Bright

Randy Davis

Terri Fairbank

Lou Griffith

Jim Stanley

Ellen Johnson

Maureen Swick

Kyle Golden

Mike Jr. & Chris Berardi

Ken Pick

Meagan Boyle

Dolores Gardner Brown

Mac McFarland

Shirley McFarland

Lexi Swarthout

Carolann Voss

Rose Voss

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