

Welcome...

Whether you are a visitor or a long-time member of our parish community, you are welcome here. As a community of faith, we believe that our faith is a relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who suffered, died, and rose from the dead so that we might have eternal life with Him. And this faith is also a journey of daily growing closer to the Lord. It is our mission to share this Good News with others and in so doing, to build up the Kingdom of God.

Our parish community extends to you the invitation to enter into or continue this journey with us. You will find in this bulletin information about how we do this through worship, the sacraments, and service to others. You are invited to consider becoming a part of our faith-sharing community.

In Christ, Frs. Charles D. Brown & Kyle Kilpatrick

Bienvenido...

Ya sea que usted nos visita o ya es un miembro de nuestra comunidad parroquial, usted siempre es bienvenido aquí. Como una comunidad de fe, creemos que nuestra fe es una relación personal con Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios, que sufrió, murió, y resucitó de entre los muertos para que nosotros tengamos vida eterna con El. Y esta fe es también una jornada para crecer diariamente mas cerca al Señor. Es nuestra misión el compartir esta Buena Nueva con los demás y al hacerlo, aumentamos el Reino de Dios. Nuestra comunidad parroquial le extiende una invitación para que comience o continúe en esta jornada con nosotros. En este boletín encontrará información acerca de cómo hacemos esto a través del culto, los sacramentos, y el servicio a los demás. Le invitamos a que considere el convertirse en parte de nuestra comunidad de fe.

En Cristo, Padres Charles D. Brown & Kyle Kilpatrick

Life in Christ—the Sacraments

Baptism/Bautismo

Parents seeking baptism for their child are welcomed to begin our baptism preparation process (even before baby arrives). Our preparation process includes formation on the sacrament and spiritual reflection. Contact the parish office or visit www.stfranchisholland.org/baptism for more info.

Los padres de familia que deseen bautizar a sus niños (hasta los 6 años) están invitados de empezar el proceso. Nuestra proceso de preparación incluye formación sobre el sacramento y reflexión espiritual. Par mas información comuníquese con la oficina parroquial o visite www.stfranchisholland.org/baptism

First Communion/Primera Comunión

We require that children second grade and up participate in one of our foundational faith formation programs the year prior to beginning sacramental preparation. Visit our website for more information at www.stfranchisholland.org/ first-reconciliation.

Se requiere que los niños del segundo grado en adelante participen en un programa básico de formación de fe un año antes de que comiencen su preparación para el sacramento. Para mas información visite nuestro sitio web www.stfranchisholland.org/first-reconciliation.

Confirmation/Confirmación

Eight grade through twelfth grade youth are required to begin preparation in one of our foundational faith formation programs the year prior to beginning sacramental preparation. Visit our website for more information at www.stfranchisholland.org/youthconfirmation.

Se requiere que los jóvenes del grado ocho al grado doce empiecen su preparación en uno de nuestros programas básicos de formación de fe un año antes de que comiencen su preparación para el sacramento. Para mas información visite nuestro sitio web www.stfranchisholland.org/youthconfirmation.

Marriage/Matrimonio

Contact the Parish office a minimum of 6 months prior to the preferred wedding date. Marriage preparation sessions are required.

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial cuando menos 6 meses antes de la fecha de su boda. Se requieren que asistan a platicas de preparación matrimonial.

Anointing of the Sick/Unción de los Enfermos

Contact the Parish office during hours of operation. Contact the rectory after hours in an emergency only.

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial en horas hábiles de trabajo. Si la oficina está cerrada hable a la rectoría, pero solamente en caso de emergencia.

Becoming Catholic/Convirtiéndose en Católico

Whether you have questions or you already know you'd like to become Catholic contact Ricardo Valdez, at rvaldez@stfranchisholland.org or 392-6700. Info. is also available at www.stfranchisholland.org/node/632.

Si tiene preguntas o si ya esta seguro de que quiere ser católico, llame a Ricardo Valdez al 616-392-6700 o por email a rvaldez@stfranchisholland.org

Membership/Membresía

New members are always welcome to our Parish. Please call our office to register or pick up a registration packet at the Information Desk in the gathering space in Church. Register also at www.stfranchisholland.org.

Si quiere ser miembro de nuestra parroquia, todos son bienvenidos. Llame por favor a la oficina parroquial o llévese un paquete de registración del escritorio de información ubicado en el atrio de la iglesia.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Charles Brown, Pastor (616) 392-6700 Ext. 106
Rev. Kyle Kilpatrick, Associate Pastor Ext. 116
Sr. Noella Poinsette O.S.F., Outreach/ Social Justice Ext. 114
Tom Eggleston, Pastoral Associate Ext. 104
Guillermo Flores, Immigration Assistance Ext. 110

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Phillip Konczyk, Director Ext. 117

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Martha Kuyten, Parish Nurse (616) 392-6700

Family & Adult Faith Formation

Ricardo Valdez, Director Ext. 111
Susan Bippley, Coordinator of Children's Ministries Ext. 115

Evangelization and Stewardship

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Rectory

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Fax (616) 392-2474

Corpus Christi School (616) 994-9864

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What's Happening @ SFDS / Lista de Eventos en SFDS

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, Dec. 18

Jer 23:5-8
Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday, Dec. 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a
Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday, Dec. 20

Is 7:10-14
Lk 1:26-38

Thursday, Dec. 21

Sg 2:8-14
Lk 1:39-45

Friday, Dec. 22

1 Sm 1:24-28
Lk 1:46-56

Saturday, Dec. 23

Mal 3:1-4m 23-24
Lk 1:57-66

Sunday, Dec. 24

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Rom 16:25-27
Lk 1:26-38

Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

Lunes, 18 de Dic.

Jer 23:5-8
Mt 1:18-25

Martes, 19 de Dic.

Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a
Lc 1:5-25

Miércoles, 20 de Dic.

Is 7:10-14
Lc 1:26-38

Jueves, 21 de Dic.

Cant 2:8-14
Lc 1:39-45

Viernes, 22 de Dic.

1 Sam 1:24-28
Lc 1:46-56

Sábado, 23 de Dic.

Mal 3:1-4m 23-24
Lc 1:57-66

Domingo, 24 de Dic.

2 Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Rom 16:25-27
Lc 1:26-38

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm (Bilingual)
Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am
Sunday 12:30 pm (Español)

Daily Masses

Monday 12:10 pm
Tuesday 9:00 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm (Español)
Thursday 12:10 pm

Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday
9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Thursday & Friday
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Reconciliation

First Friday—Noon to 1 pm
Saturday—4:00 to 5:00 pm
Saturday @ OLL 9-10:00 am

Hope College Masses

Daily: M-Sat.—12:00 pm
Bultman Student Chapel
115 E 12th St.
Sunday—5:00 pm
Winants Auditorium
Graves Hall, 263 College

OFFERTORY

Sunday, December 10

\$13,490.26

284 cks/Env

Automated Donations

\$2,638.18

52 Participants

Holy Day Immaculate
Conception

\$1,094.19

Retirement Fund for

Religious

\$4,815.10

Christmas Flowers

\$420.00

Tithe: Good Samaritan
Ministries

Advent Confession Times

Wednesday, Dec. 20 @ 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 22 @ 12 noon to 1:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 23: 3:30 to 5:00 pm



Christmas Eve Mass

Dec. 24—5:00 PM Family Mass—bilingual
10:30 PM Mass—Trilingual (caroling begins at 10:00 PM)

Christmas Day Mass

Dec. 25—10:30 AM—English & 12:30 PM—Español

Solemnity of Mary —Jan. 1, 2018

10:30 AM

Our Lady of the Lake

Dec. 24—5:00 PM Family & 8:00 PM

Dec. 25—10:00 AM



Mass Intentions / Intenciones de Misa

Saturday/Sábado, December 16, 2017

5:00 pm † Catarina Le—Le family

Sunday/Domingo, December 17, 2017

8:30 am For the People
10:30 am † Catherine Le—Huynh family
12:30 pm † Ezequiel Garcia—Beltran family

Monday/Lunes, December 18, 2017

12:10 pm † Ted Silva — Josie Silva

Tuesday/Martes, December 19, 2017

9:00 am Nancy Thier — Lucrezia Esteban

Wednesday/Miércoles, December 20, 2017

6:00 pm † Deyanira Campos—Zoila Reich

Thursday/Jueves, December 21, 2017

12:10 pm † Joseph Chan Van Nguyen —Nguyen fam.

Saturday/Sábado, December 23, 2017

5:00 pm † Michelle and Benito—family

Sunday/Domingo, December 24, 2017

10:30 am † deceased members of St. Francis
12:30 pm † deceased members of St. Francis
5:00 pm Family Mass—Bilingual
10:30 pm "Midnight" Mass— Trilingual

More Parish News

Save the Date!



Saturday, May 19, 2018
Grand Rapids, MI

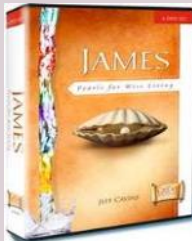
Spend an evening with *New York Times* bestselling author, Matthew Kelly! We will be selling discounted tickets in January!

Looking for more info?

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/passion-and-purpose-live-grand-rapids-mi-may-19-2018>

The Wednesday mornings Men's Study Group begins

James: Pearls for Wise Living
January 10th at 6am in the Library at Our Lady of the Lake
All men are welcome!



James: Pearls for Wise Living by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer is an 11 week dvd study.

James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present day. For anyone who has struggled to live

a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

For More Information, Contact Mike Lisowski atlisowskimf@sbcglobal.net

Quinceañera 2018

The celebration of the Quinceañera is a special time for a young lady and her family. Parents and friends publicly present her as a gesture of thanks and gratitude for the gift of life. To schedule a Quinceañera, please call the Faith Formation Office at 616-392-6700. Quinceañera are held 5 times a year and need to be scheduled by March, 2018.



La celebración de una quinceañera es un tiempo especial para la jovencita y su familia. Padres y amistades presentan a la quinceañera como un gesto de agradecimiento por el regalo de vida. Para programar una Quinceañera, llame por favor a la oficina de Formación de Fe al 616-392-6700. Las Quinceañeras se celebran 5 veces al año y necesita estar programada antes de marzo, 2018.



Christmas Eve is coming soon and we are looking for elementary and middle school students who want to participate in the Nativity play!! The pageant will take place at 4:45pm, just before the 5pm Christmas Eve Mass. This year's play has a new script and new fun roles, and there are no speaking parts. Our FIRST PRACTICE is SUNDAY, December 17th, 4pm-6pm, here in the sanctuary. Roles will be given on a first come, first served basis. Parents, please plan to stay for practice. We only have 2 practices before Christmas Eve!! Come have fun with new and old friends, while reenacting the birth of Jesus!

¡¡Ya pronto llega la Nochebuena y estamos buscando estudiantes de primaria y secundaria que quieran participar en el drama de la Natividad!! Este drama empezará a las 4:45 pm, justo antes de la misa de las 5 pm en Nochebuena. Este año tenemos un nuevo guion y nuevos papeles de actuación muy divertidos, y no hay ninguna parte del drama donde se tenga que hablar. Nuestra PRIMERA PRACTICA es el DOMINGO 17 de diciembre, de 4 a 6 pm, aquí en el santuario. Los papeles de actuación serán dados en orden de cómo vayan llegando. Padres de familia deben de quedarse al ensayo. ¡¡Tenemos solamente dos ensayos antes de Nochebuena!! ¡Vengan a divertirse con sus amigos mientras actúan en el drama del nacimiento de Jesús!

Corpus Christi Foundation – Clay Grant



Our Foundation awards a variety of grants that positively impact our Lakeshore Catholic community. Each year, both parishes and the school submit grant applications to fill needs that complement our Catholic journey. The Foundation supports grant requests that align with our mission and purpose.

The Foundation awarded a **Creative Clay Creations** grant to Corpus Christi Catholic School. Creative Clay enhances student experiences with different ways of molding by using this engaging 3D medium. The biggest benefit is that students gain a sense of personal ownership by creating 3D images out of clay in addition to drawing, painting and paper activities.



JOIN US. DREAM WITH US. BUILD WITH US.

Find us on Facebook... "Corpus Christi Foundation"

www.ccfoundationhz.org



More Parish Events



MEN'S NEW YEAR RETREAT

Sign up now for a Mini-retreat with Fr. Phil Shangraw on Saturday, January 6 from 9-3 p.m. It will be held at Maranatha Conference Center in Muskegon, 2 miles north of PJ Hoffmaster State Park.

The cost is \$20 and lunch is included. We will begin with Mass, be challenged to live as Wise Men, fellowship with brothers in the Lord and have time for personal prayer/reflection. Call Mellan Hansen at 842-0001, ext. 120 by December 29 to reserve your spot!

Midnight Mass and concert to be broadcast live from the cathedral on FOX 17 and online

Midnight Mass and the Prelude of Carols with Brass, Strings and Choirs on Christmas Eve will be broadcast live from the Cathedral of Saint Andrew on FOX 17 (check your local listings) and online on the diocesan website, dioceseofgrandrapids.org, and Facebook page (Diocese of Grand Rapids). The concert begins at 11 p.m. and Mass begins at Midnight.

There will be a replay of Midnight Mass on FOX 17 at 6:30 a.m. Christmas morning.

The live broadcast of Mass from the cathedral is a ministry provided by our diocese to the homebound and imprisoned for more than 60 years.

Attention all you parishioners who automate your giving. While automating one's offertory gift helps to make supporting one's parish simple and consistent, many parishioners site one drawback: not having something to drop in the collection basket when it is passed down the pew. Now St. Francis is trying out a solution: a re-usable "AutoDebit Card" that you can pick up from the kiosk or information desk as you pass through the gathering space and drop into the collection basket during the offertory. This handy card, which states that you give electronically and symbolizes your offertory gift, is then taken up to the altar and offered to God along with all the other gifts placed in the collection basket. Thanks to all of you who automate your offertory gift; we hope you like our new innovation.



A NOTE FROM THE SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES CULTURE COMMITTEE:

Early next year you will begin to hear a lot more about our parish values. The values we embody call us to: worship, grow, evangelize, and love. To help us better conform our hearts and minds to these values, we now have a Lighthouse Catholic Media kiosk in the gathering space. For a small donation, you can purchase books, CDs, and booklets in English and Spanish. These materials will help you deepen your faith and challenge you to live out your call to Christian discipleship. Please stop by often to browse our rotating selection and leave suggestions for new LCM materials in the kiosk's donation box.

UN MENSAJE DEL COMITÉ DE CULTURA DE SAN FRANCISCO DE SALES

El próximo año comenzarán a escuchar mas acerca de nuestros valores como parroquia. Los valores que expresamos nos llaman a rendir culto, crecer, evangelizar y a amar. Para ayudarnos a adaptar nuestros corazones y nuestras mentes a estos valores, tenemos ahora un kiosco con materiales de Lighthouse Catholic Media en el atrio del templo. Por una pequeña donación, usted puede comprar libros, CD, y folletos en inglés y en español. Estos materiales le ayudarán a profundizar su fe y le retarán a vivir su llamado a un discipulado cristiano. Vaya a este kiosco seguido por favor para que examine nuestra selección de materiales que estaremos cambiando periódicamente y déjenos sugerencias para nuevos materiales de LCM en la caja de donaciones.

Cherish 2018

HONORING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

AN EVENING WITH

Bill and Rebecca Donaghy
from *Theology of the Body Institute*

Dinner, Inspiration, and Dancing



6:00 pm to 10:30 pm
February 10, 2018

Frederick Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park
Grand Rapids, MI

REGISTER AT

CherishMarriage.net

TO LEARN MORE, PLEASE CONTACT:

John and Michelle David: (616) 974-9924 or Steve and Pam Strobel: (616) 957-7776

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Outreach & Social Justice / Fe y Justicia



THE SULTAN and the SAINT: On Dec. 26 at 8:00 pm on WGVU there will be this award winning film. This movie tells one of the great lost stories from history. Set in a past period of East-West conflict, it speaks with urgency to our present. Two men of faith, one an itinerant Christian preacher, the other the ruler of a Muslim Empire, bucked a century of war, distrust, and insidious propaganda in search for mutual respect and common ground. Why not gather with some friends for a house viewing party? <https://www.sultanandthesaintfilm.com/about-the-film/>



Thank You: to all those who made Christmas better for our sisters and brothers who needed an assist through your time shopping and packing, your food donations, your gifts for the children. Together we can all share in the joy of Christmas Day, our Savior's birth.

Gracias a todos los que hicieron esta Navidad mejor donando de su tiempo para ir de compras y empacar, sus donaciones de comida, y sus regalos para los niños de nuestros hermanos y hermanas que necesitaban ayuda. Juntos todos podemos compartir en la alegría de la Navidad, cuando nació nuestro Salvador.

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Respect Life Corner: Suicide Awareness: Facts about suicide: For every suicide committed, there are 25 suicide attempts made /Although males commit suicide more frequently, females attempt suicide more often than males. As a disciple of Jesus how am I called to impact these facts? **National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255).**

Esquina de Respeto a la Vida: Ser Conscientes acerca del Suicidio
Datos acerca del suicidio: Por cada suicidio, hay mas de 25 intentos de suicidio. Aunque los hombres se suicidan mas frecuentemente, las mujeres tratan suicidarse mas frecuentemente que los hombres. Siendo un discipulo de Jesús ¿como soy llamado a impactar estos datos? **Teléfono Nacional para la Prevención del Suicidio: 1-800-273-TALK (8255).**

Corpus Christi Catholic Schools News

SAVE THE DATE Corpus Christi Crusader Toss

A Fundraiser Hosted by the Corpus Christi School Boosters

**February 10, 2018
5:00 - 9:00 pm**



A fun night for adults filled with fellowship & friendly competition in a Bean Bag Toss double-elimination tournament.

Form a team! Anyone can play!

- Prizes and Raffles
- Drawing for custom made bean bag boards
- Dinner and cash bar
- Corpus Christi School Gym

Contact: coffice@corpuschristischool.us for details!

RESERVE ESTA FECHA Corpus Christi Crusader Toss

Evento para Recaudar Fondos para la Escuela Corpus Christi

**10 de febrero, 2018
5:00 - 9:00 pm**



Una noche divertida para adultos llena de amigos y una competencia amistosa en un torneo de doble eliminación de Bean Bag Toss.

¡Haga a su equipo! ¡Cualquiera puede jugar!

- Premios y Rifas
- Sorteo para tableros de bean bag
- Cena y barra para comprar bebidas
- Gimnasio de la Escuela Corpus Christi

¡Para detalles email a: coffice@corpuschristischool.us!