

**CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER**

Dear Heavenly Father,

we turn toward you with grateful hearts
for what we have,
and with great anticipation
for what is yet to be.

The Holy Spirit is actively moving
in our beloved Corpus Christi Parish,
and for that we are so thankful.

Please continue to bless
our parish community with
a sense of love and unity,
a spirit of cooperation,
a love of the Eucharist,
and a generous heart.

Please guide our efforts
in this Capital Campaign
to embrace our past and build our future.

Through this campaign and beyond,
help us to bring all into a
deeper personal relationship with
our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We trust that our time, talents and
treasures will be anchored
in Christ, our hope, during this campaign.

May we always remain one in you,
and may this campaign be a blessing
to the future of our parish
and the Conneaut community.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

Blessed Mary, our Virgin Mother. **Pray for us.**

Saint Frances Cabrini. **Pray for us.**

All holy men and women, Saints of God.

Pray for us.

If you are interested in
learning how a planned
gift can support the parish
AND benefit your estate,
family, or tax situation,
please reach out to us.

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Thank you for being a part
of this parish family and
letting us strongly anchor our
parish for years to come!



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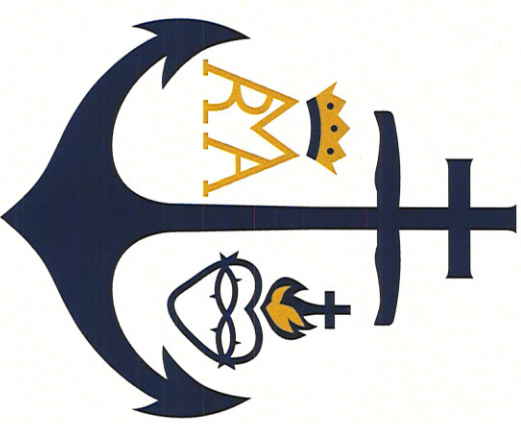
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OUR PARISH HISTORY

In 1888, St. Mary's Church was dedicated, giving the faithful a sacred place to worship and a visible reminder of God's presence in the heart of Conneaut. Over time, this Parish became a hub of Catholic life, with the founding of a parish school in 1901 and the development of St. Joseph Cemetery, where generations of families laid their loved ones to rest.



As the 20th century unfolded, immigrants from Italy, Ireland, and Finland strengthened the local Church, and St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish was founded in 1955, with a school opening in 1959. As local needs shifted, the parishes moved toward unity — sharing a pastor in 1998 and formally merging in 2008.



In 2013, the parish took the name Corpus Christi, expressing the centrality of the Eucharist and the call to be one Body in Christ. Today, serving nearly 750 households, Corpus Christi continues to hand on the faith and carry forward this mission in Conneaut.



WHERE WE ARE TODAY

Corpus Christi Parish today is the living fruit of a journey of unification. Once two parishes, we now gather as one community, one family, and one Body in Christ under the name Corpus Christi. This unity is more than practical; it is profoundly Eucharistic. Just as many grains become one loaf and many members become one body, our parish has become one vibrant home for Catholic life in Conneaut.

Our parish family is blessed with strong Mass attendance, active ministries, and a deep sense of fellowship. There is joy in gathering at one altar, where we draw strength from the Eucharist and are reminded that unity is not simply an idea, but a lived reality among us.

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At the heart of this unity is a reverence for our shared history. The former St. Mary Church holds a special place in many hearts, and its sacred objects are not relics of a closed chapter, but living signs of continuity. By thoughtfully integrating these treasures into our current church, we honor the faith of those who came before us and allow their devotion to continue shaping our worship today.

Our home is showing its age and requires renewal to match the vitality of parish life. The church needs a face-lift, new flooring, fresh paint, and the careful incorporation of St. Mary's sacred objects to restore beauty and dignity.

Looking ahead, we dream of building a new parish gathering space between the church and parish offices — a true center for fellowship, faith formation, outreach, and family life — so future generations may encounter the beauty and life of the Body of Christ at Corpus Christi Parish.

WHERE WE ARE GOING

This campaign is not simply about improving our facilities. It is about stepping into a future worthy of the name Corpus Christi. Just as the Eucharist unites us as one Body, this renewal will bind us more deeply together and equip us to live our mission with joy, strength, and hope.



If this vision is realized, our worship will radiate beauty and reverence, lifting hearts to God from the moment one enters. Our parish will be known as a true home of welcome, where families, children, the elderly, and those on the margins find not only open doors, but open arms. Parish life will flourish as ministries grow, faith formation deepens, fellowship strengthens, and the wider community encounters Christ through our witness.

This vision is bold, but it is part of a legacy handed down by those who built the parish before us. Now we are called to extend that legacy, ensuring Corpus Christi remains a beacon of faith and mission for generations to come.



Through your support, including planned giving, we have the opportunity to write the next chapter of this story and bless our children and grandchildren with a parish where the beauty of worship, the warmth of fellowship, and the life of Christ remain at the center.