



**Dear Parish Family,**

We celebrate Christmas at the darkest time of the year. It's a time when we appreciate the value of light. The Christmas liturgy is filled with references to light. Jesus fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah, "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow; a light has shone.".

We live in a world darkened by war, terror, violence and suffering of different kinds. All of us have experienced darkness in our personal lives and in our families -sorrow, disappointment, illness, death of a loved one, pain, sin, guilt, loneliness and so on.

Fortunately, the divine light of Jesus continues to illuminate our world. This light shines in the midst of devastation, disaster and upheaval. It is a persistent and defiant light, which no darkness can overpower. It shines for all who believe in Him and follow Him. The light that shone on the shepherds of Bethlehem that first Christmas night also, shines on us this Christmas. May we hear His gentle words echoing in our hearts, "Anyone who follows me will never walk in darkness, but will always have the light of life."

On behalf of our Merry Band of Volunteers and all the Parish Staff here at Corpus Christi, I wish you and yours a Christmas and New Year filled with love for God and for each other. In embracing the Sacraments of Our Holy Mother Church, may you feel God's love personally and know true comfort and peace, having confidence and hope for a better tomorrow. Please note below the times and schedule of our Liturgies and Sacrament of Reconciliation. With a spirit of great joy we look forward to celebrating with you and your family these awesome and glorious events of our One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic faith.

***Merry Christmas,***

**Fr. Francis Stevenson**

### **Christmas Mass Times**

#### **Christmas Eve**

4:00 P.M. Family Mass

7:00 P.M. Vigil

#### **Christmas Day**

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

Individual Confessions: Dec 22nd, 9:00-10:00 a.m., Dec 23rd 4:00 p.m-5:00 p.m. (Or by appointment)