

Our Mission: Light of Christ Ecumenical Catholic Community is a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming community for all who, following the teachings and example of Jesus Christ, seek compassion, justice and peace in the world. We seek to live our faith through and prayer, community building collaboration, study and service.

All Are Welcome!



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Happenings and announcements

Events this Week

Saturday (Aug 27)

5 pm - Mass (hybrid Sanctuary/ Facebook Live)

After-mass: Potato Bar Fundraiser

Wednesday (Aug 31)

9 am - Mass (Hybrid/Zoom)

Thursday (Sept 1)

1 pm - Women of the Spirit

7 pm - Men's meeting (Hybrid/Zoom)

Friday (Sept 2)

7 pm - Friday Flicks and friends

Saturday (Sept 3)

5 pm - Mass (hybrid Sanctuary/ Facebook Live) • Back-to-school Blessing of the Backpacks: We will have a Back to School Blessing of the Backpacks on Saturday August 27th during Mass. Teachers and students are invited to bring their backpack and place it in front of the altar BEFORE Mass, or to have it ready at home, for the blessing. Grandparents can bring their grandchildren's backpacks.

Potato Bar Fundraiser:

Our Light of Christ Synod delegates will be hosting a potato bar fundraiser and presentation about the up-



coming Synod on **Saturday, August 27th in the Fellowship Hall after Mass**. No tickets are required and food will be provided, so bring your own dishware.

• Friday Flicks and Friends: Our monthly movie night returns to Light of Christ with The Healer. A young man suddenly discovers he

has the gift of healing. Trying to understand it and the new reality it offers, a teenage girl with terminal cancer unexpectedly shows him the way. Come join us on Friday, September 2nd at 7pm in the Church office to enjoy food, fellowship and this film.

• **COVID 19 guidelines:** At this time, Boulder County is 'Green'. This means social distancing and masks are optional. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.

Special Announcements

• To Everything there is a season: As fall approaches with changes, so too it is time to seek new Parish Council members! Please prayerfully discern who might best serve our community. Do you know someone who might have the time and talent to share their gifts?

This is a 2 year commitment and council meets once a month for 2 hours. You are welcome to nominate yourself or others. Please fill out the cards at Mass this weekend **OR send nominations to Marilyn Rogers via email.** We would like all nominations by **September 5, 2022**. Please direct any questions to Mary Lu Stenson.



• **Memorial for Tom Trujillo:** The family of Tom Trujillo is planning a Memorial Service for **Sunday, November 6th** at a time and place to be determined. In order to find a good location, the **family is asking for RSVP's** at this time.

If you would be interested in attending, please contact Tom's daughter Carina. She needs to know the names of those who would be attending and an email address to contact you at. Please do not contact the church office, but Carina directly.

• ECC Truth and Reconciliation Commission: Join the ECC Truth & Reconciliation Commission for a Summer Movie Series of August Wilson Films! We will meet the last Wednesday of the month for a two hour open house discussion (join and leave when you need to) from 5:30-7:30p MT. The schedule will be: and Fences August 31st. Please register in order to get the zoom link to join the discussion: https://bit.ly/3MHvR4q. We hope to see you there!

Earth Corner Challenge

Earth Corner Things to Consider

- ⇒ Ditch the plastic bags; carry your own reusable bags
- ⇒ Use plastic free water bottles and reusable coffee cups
- ⇒ Refuse straws in restaurants
- ⇒ Buy in bulk to avoid packaging
- ⇒ Buy soap in bars, not in plastic bottles

Earth Corner: Cancer Alley

During August, we're looking at what can be done to reduce plastic use.

Environmental justice includes the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people- regardless of race, gender, nationality, or income- in environmental concerns, including regulations and policies. No group should be unfairly affected

by the environmental consequences of our production, consumption, and disposal systems. When it comes to plastics, low income communities of color bear the consequences of overwhelming plastic production and pollution.

Cancer Alley:

- An 85 mile stretch of industrial facilities in Louisiana that is home to more than 140 petrochemical plants.
- The population is nearly 50% African American.
- Air pollution created by refineries and factories in this corridor poses a cancer risk 95% higher than the rest of the country.
- Only 5-20 % of African Americans are employed in these factories.

Most plastics are made from oil and gas, which are extracted through the fracking process. Fracking wells are disproportionately placed in communities of color, and pipelines are often built on indigenous lands. When these materials are smelted or refined, these cause local air and water pollution. The air pollution created by the refineries and factories in Cancer Alley, including the largest manufacturer of polystyrene, poses a cancer risk 95 % higher than the rest of the country. Nationally, Black Americans are three times more likely to die from air pollution exposure than white Americans. -From Eco-Cycle Newsletter

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Rita Duncan; Carol Conti;

Sharon Farnsworth;

Tom Glenn; Wes Evans;

Sherry Shead



We update our prayer corner monthly. If you or your loved one would like to be included on the corner, please contact the office and we'd be happy to add you.

DAILY READINGS

Please join us at Pella Crossing at 10AM on Thursdays as we discuss 'Consider the Birds'.

Alternately, this link will take you to the US Conference of Roman Catholic Bishops website where you can view each day's reading.



STEWARDSHIP		
July	End of Month	Year To Date
Donations	\$7,413.45	\$70,069.01
Grocery Cards	\$0.00	\$904.92
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	100.00
Interest	\$1.53	\$922.83
Misc.Income (Includes designated)	\$50.00	\$2,089.92
Total Income	\$7,464.98	\$74,086.68
Expenses	\$11,191.82	\$81,116.15
Balance	\$ (3,726.84)	\$(7,029.47)

A printed copy of the Light of Christ Bylaws, policies and procedures is available in the Church Office for members to review.

Members of Light of Christ or their family members are invited to **purchase ad space here** on the weekly bulletins! Not only does it help out these businesses, but it also helps LOC by bringing in additional funds. For more information, please call the Church Office.



ASSISTANCE

Prayer Partners: These prayer ministries welcome and invite you, in confidence, to share your concerns in more detail or depth, or even to pray for you when you can't find the words. You can email our Prayer Companion Team at prayercompanionteam@lightofchristecc.org and someone will reach out to you.

Home Eucharist Team: If you need Eucharist brought to your home, for any reason, please contact Father Teri and she will coordinate one of our Home Eucharistic Ministers to visit you and bring you Communion.

Rite of Reconciliation: The Rite of Reconciliation is available after Mass or by Appointment. Please contact Father Teri or the Church office for more information.

If you need assistance during this time, there are several resources available in Longmont:

HOPE Longmont, located at:

804 Lincoln St. Longmont, CO 80501 $\underline{\text{THE OUR CENTER}}, \text{ located at:}$

220 Collyer St. Longmont, CO 80501 THE ROUND PANTRY, located at:

Westview Presbyterian Church 1500 Hover St. Longmont, CO 80501