



Jubilee Holy Year of Mercy Invitation

The Immaculate Conception Church of Corpus Christi Parish, located at 98 Summer Street in Portsmouth, has been designated by Bishop Libasci as the local Pilgrimage Church with the Holy Door for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, which begins on December 8, 2015 and will continue through November 20, 2016. All are invited to come as individual pilgrims to obtain the graces of the Holy Year, entering through the Holy Door and spending some time in prayer. As one faces the facade of the church, the Holy Door is the center set of doors and is marked with special symbol of its significance. The Holy Door is open, and the church is open for prayer, every day from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM.

All are invited to various special communal times of prayer, as well as to opportunities to celebrate the Lord's mercy with the Sacrament of Penance. For upcoming opportunities, please check our bulletin and/or our website: www.corpuschristinh.org. All are warmly welcomed. The Parish Community of Corpus Christi looks forward to extending hospitality to all in our Seacoast Deanery who may wish to come as pilgrims in this extraordinary year of grace!

Eve of Holy Year Opening – December 7

Candlelight Rosary Vigil & Reflection will take place at 7:00 PM in our Lady's shrine within the church. We will ask our Lady, Mother of Mercy, to intercede for us as we enter this year on this eve of the Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Confessions will be heard after this devotion.

Opening of the Holy Year – December 8

Solemn Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 PM, with opening ritual in the context of the Mass of this holy day of obligation. Confessions will be heard after Mass.

Solemn Opening of the Holy Door – December 13

This significant moment will occur in Cathedrals and designated churches all over the world this day. The opening will occur within the context of a Solemn Holy Mass at 10:30 AM.

Please note: Parking is available in front of the church for the handicapped. There is a parking lot directly behind the church as well as street parking around the church. A large parking lot at the base of Summer Street, where it intersects with Middle Street and Miller Avenue, is also available.