**28th Sunday C Cycle homily**

**Begin with story of the woman begging for justice.**

**Today, I am that woman begging for justice!**

**Today is Stewardship Sunday.**

**Time to again ask for you to share your time, talent, and treasure with the community.**

**In the story of the Gospel we never hear what is the woman seeking justice for.**

**But today, I would like to share with you what justice we here at Corpus Christi are seeking,**

**what our vision of God’s justice is.**

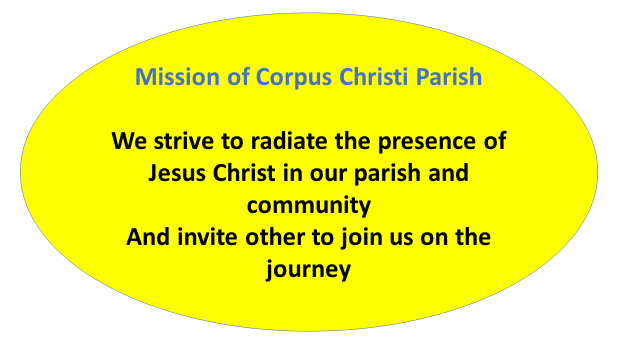
**I have been developing a vision of justice of our community based on the mission of our parish.**

**Just what is the mission of our parish?**

**Developed seven years ago.**

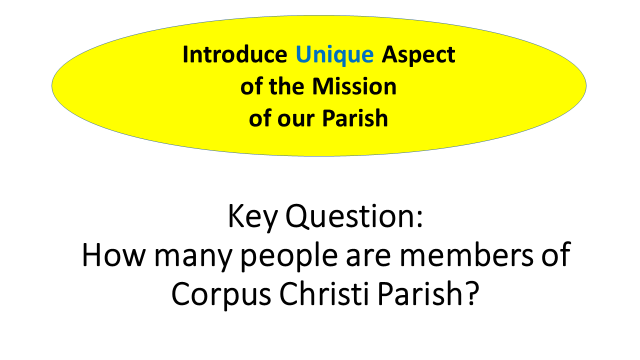
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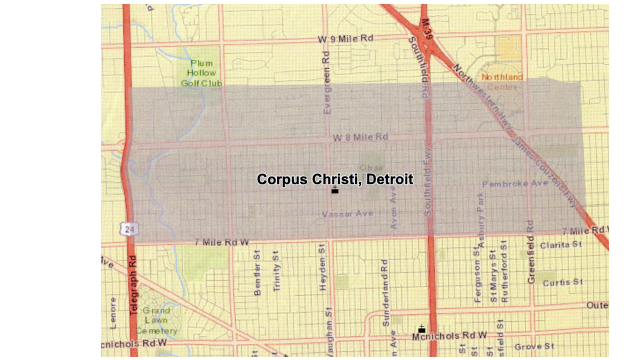
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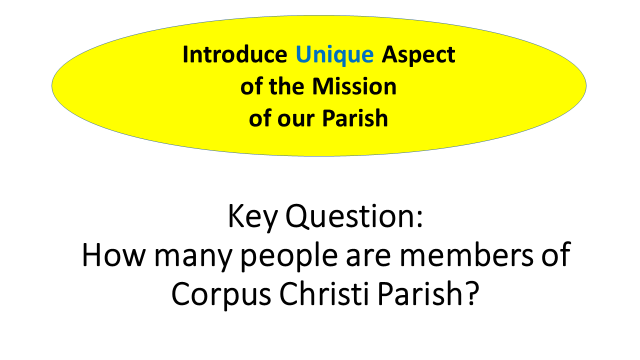
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**What do we need to do to put flesh on this vision for justice?**

**First, we need to recall that we are blessed by God. ALL we have is GIFT.**

**We need to be grateful of all that we have and are. (List of 10 things for which we are grateful.)**

**Second, respond with a grateful heart by loving God and our neighbor.**

**(Pass out sheets) They have been passed out for many years. Given personally to each household when they register over the last five years.**

**Time: prayer**

**Talent: list of many things; we can all do SOMETHING**

**Treasure:**

**Give regularly and generously**

* **If you give $50 a week (and a number of people do) you may ask if you have been given a raise**
* **If you give $5 a week, you may ask if you can identify a certain percentage of your income you can give**
* **If you give irregularly, you may ask if you can give on a regular basis**
* **We are already $3,000 short**

**Improvements:**

* **Parking lot**
* **Carpeting**
* **Rainbow Room expansion**
* **RETURN THEM NEXT WEEK AS PART OF YOUR OFFERING OF YOUR LIVES.**

**Letter from me in the mail.**

**Pray with me for justice for our community, neighborhood and world.**

**All we have is gift graciously given by the Lord.**

**The gift you have given, give as a gift.**