



APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER



“The Lord will hold you in His hand for all to see - A splendid Crown for the King of Kings.” Isaiah 62:3

Dear Journey to Damascus Community,

*This team may not be the initial one that started off three years ago, we may not have all the same pilgrims we had registered in 2020, and the agape and labels may have had to have been updated a couple of times. The one thing that never wavered is **the team's** love for our Lord Jesus Christ. The perseverance of St. Elsewhere, the team and the community ensures that the Holy Spirit will bring all the pieces together as God intends for each of the pilgrims who need to be here on this weekend.*

After three years of preparation and a delay due to COVID, The JTD #198 Team is ready. I get a little emotional that the work for this journey with these amazing women is coming to an end. However, I am completely confident that all are ready to be the hands and feet of Christ.

The excitement is building, and it has shown by all the agape, food, books, pilgrims sponsorship, etc. ready to show these pilgrims a beautiful experience. This team could not have stayed on this long journey without the lasting support of the Board and the community, thank you for entrusting us with this work.

*Take a moment to remember your Candlelight experience, that moment you realized the enormity of **COMMUNITY, LOVE, THE FACE OF CHRIST, AND HOPE**. I pray that you are all ready to come home to share that experience with others, and you will join us for **Candlelight on April 23, 2022 beginning at 8:00 p.m.** Also, don't forget that the community is welcome to join us for **Closing Ceremonies at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 24**, in St. Joseph's Hall.*

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Marivel Garza
Lay Director

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"Fourth Day/Perseverance"

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"Sacraments"

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Velma Garcia
Josie Lincon
Raquel Vasquez
Liz Bodiford
"Christian Action"

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Kimberly Rogers
Peggy May
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Sonia Gamez
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Patricia Torres
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Melissa Flores



Christ is counting on you!!!

Please click on the prayer vigil links and sign up for a slot or two. Prayers are very welcomed and can be said anywhere.

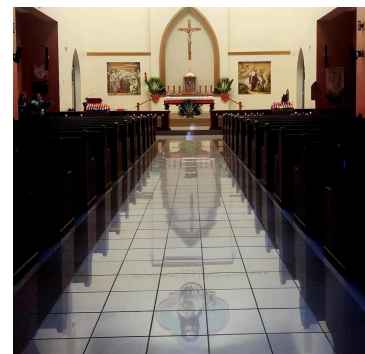
Corpus Christi Women's JTD # 198

April 21-April 24, 2022

Lay Director: Marivel Caro Garza

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Corpus Christi Men's JTD # 200



June 16-June 19, 2022

Lay Director: Joe Willesden

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Corpus Christi Women's JTD # 201

July 28-July 31, 2022

Lay Director: Edna Lopez Alonso

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Corpus Christi Men's JTD #197

August 18-August 21, 2022

Lay Director: Jason Cartwright

Corpus Christi Men's JTD # 203

September 15-September 18, 2022

Lay Director: Rick Oliveira

Corpus Christi Women's JTD # 204

October 27-October 30, 2022

Lay Director: Janie Riojas

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Sister Angela Murdaugh Scholarship Fund



We are also very pleased to announce the establishment of the Sister Angela Murdaugh Scholarship Fund. The goal is to be able to pay the weekend fee for one pilgrim per JTD weekend from this scholarship. To raise money to fund this endeavor we are selling JTD car emblems. The cost of the emblems is \$15 for one and \$25 for two. We will have the car emblems for sale before candlelight services and at the Sunday weekend closings. If you would like to

order emblems for your Reunion group or to sell at your team meetings please contact Journeybod@gmail.com

Journey to Damascus is an ecumenical weekend retreat based in Corpus Christi, Texas. The mission of the Journey to Damascus is to inspire, challenge and equip the Christian Laity to witness for Christ on a daily basis. This will be accomplished in ecumenical fashion through the Journey to Damascus Weekend and the Fourth Day activities. For more information on JTD, visit: JourneytoDamascus.org

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