



## Fr. J. Ryan

December 14, 1951 - December 24, 2012

Reverend Daniel J. Ryan passed away suddenly on December 24, 2012 at his residence in Willingboro, NJ. He was the Pastor of Corpus Christi Roman Catholic Church in Willingboro since May of 1999. Fr. Ryan maintained a fondness for his childhood neighborhood of Parkchester in the Bronx, NY where he was born December 14th, 1951. After his graduation from St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, MD he was ordained to the priesthood on May 20, 1989. Fr. Ryan was devoted to his parishioners at Corpus Christi and relished the time he spent with them. He loved a joke and a song and enthralled his loved ones with countless entertaining stories.

Son of the late John F. and Mercedes Ryan, Fr. Ryan is survived by his four siblings, John C. Ryan (Elaine), Grosse Point, MI, Br. Patrick Ryan OCSO, Our Lady of Genesee Abbey, Piffard, NY, Julie Cremeans (Charlie) Pearl River, NY, and James T. Ryan (Libby) Brooklyn, NY. Additionally he is survived by his cherished nieces and nephews, Mercedes Cremeans Deuth (Brian), C.J. Cremeans, Katherine Cremeans, Maureen Ryan Nemeth (John), John R. Ryan, Patrick Ryan, Michael Ryan and Joseph Ryan and grand nephews, Aidan Nemeth and Finn Nemeth. Relatives, religious, and friends are invited to attend Fr. Ryan's Rite of Reception of the Body on Friday, December 28th, at 4 p.m. in Corpus Christi Church, 11 South Sunset Road, Willingboro, NJ 08046, followed by viewing and visitation. His Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, December 29th, at 10:30 a.m. by Bishop David O'Connell. Rite of Burial to follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Marne Highway,

Hainesport, NJ. To share your fondest memories of Fr. Ryan and condolences with the family, please visit [www.snovergivnish.com](http://www.snovergivnish.com).

# Previous Events

## Rite of Reception of the Body

DEC 28. 4:00 PM (ET)

Corpus Christi RC Church  
11 South Sunset Road  
Willingboro, NJ 08046

## Celebration

DEC 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Mass

DEC 29. 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fr. J. Ryan*

September 09, 2022 at 01:27 AM



“ *I was truly shocked and saddened upon hearing of Father Ryan's passing! He was just consoling our family on the passing of my mother. My prayers and condolences go out to his family, friends, and to all at Corpus Christ as we are the ones suffering. Father Ryan is at peace and still doing God's work! He is joyful! Love- Joe and Carol Sousa*

**Carol Sousa** - January 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I remember Fr. Ryan when he was at St. Joseph's in Keyport...what a gifted speaker he was, I loved hearing stories about his Bronx roots! Fr. will be truly missed but his words will be in the hearts of those who were fortunate enough to have known him.*

**Maureen Starace** - January 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Friends of Fr. Ryan, We thank you all so very much for your loving sentiments and fond memories of our brother Danny. We read and treasured every word, knowing and appreciating that he was loved as much by you as by us. Fondly, Jack, Pat, Julie, Jimmy Ryan*

January 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ My prayers and condolences to Fr. Ryan's family. He will be deeply missed, but his legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of all he touched. I will remember fondly his enthusiastic outreach to the diverse community of Corpus Christi; dancing to the drums after African Heritage Mass, contributing a dish to the Latino Heritage reception, and helping us all learn more about each other and Catholicism around the world. I will forever appreciate the help and guidance Fr. provided to my family and I during both happy and sad occasions. May he rest in God's peace.

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**Caroline Haas Bradley** - January 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We were all stunned by the passing of Fr. Ryan. Our deepest sympathy to his family. We have so many wonderful memories of his years at Corpus Christi, and the choir trips we took. We will miss him in so many ways. May he rest in peace. Sue and Frank Hood, Columbus, NJ

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January 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Fr. Ryan was our Chaplain in St. John Vianney HS. He always wondered the halls and greeted everyone he passed. Our prayers and condolences go out to his family. We are deeply saddened but know The Lord has called home a wonderful soul. ~ Pamela Pilar, SJV Alum. '96

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**Pamela Morgan** - January 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Jack, Pat, Julie and Jim, You are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Love, Mary Frances Ryan

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**Mary Ryan** - January 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Dear Julie, Charlie, Mercedes and Brian, CJ and Katherine, Our sincerest condolences on the death of your beloved brother and uncle. May happy memories bring you solace. May he rest in peace. We are thinking of you. Love, Teresa and Farouk

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**Teresa Shehada** - January 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ Our heartfelt prayers & condolences to Fr. Dan's family, friends, & parishoners. His dedicated service, personal stories, & Irish wit touched the lives of many people.

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**Rich** - January 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ When my brother passed he presented peace and faith to my family. It will never be forgotten. Especially he and I passing back and forth the tin of Danish Cookies. RIP Fr Dan.

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**Barbara LiVecchi** - December 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ We loved having Father Dan as the assistant at OLGC in Moorestown. We enjoyed his sense of humor and his ability to relate to the parishioners most especially the school students and youth of the parish. One of our fondest memories took place when our youngest son, Kevin, was in 8th grade in OLGC. The 8th graders took the places of all the teachers and staff for one day during Catholic Schools Week. Kevin had the idea to "be Father Ryan" for the day! Father Ryan loved the idea too and even gave Kevin a black shirt and Roman collar. He also let Kevin give a homily at the morning Mass and then spent the day visiting the classrooms as Father Dan and Father Kevin. Soon after we received news that Father Dan was being transferred from OLGC. We were all disappointed but no one more so than Kevin who couldn't understand why "such a great priest had to leave us.". And now he has left the world for a better place. But our fond memories remain. May he rest in peace.

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**Mary Ann** - December 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ A beautiful man with an equally beautiful soul. Our loss is Heaven's gain. My condolences to the family of Father Ryan. His presence has affected so many people with whom he came in contact. He will remain in our hearts and memories. May he rest in eternal peace.

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**Autumn Sky** - December 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ my sincere condolence

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**Doris** - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ My prayers go out to the family of Father Dan, as well as his parishioners who also mourn. How sad, yet beautiful, to leave our world on Christmas Eve.....to join the angels. I knew Dan long before he was ordained, when we taught together in Lakewood and remember him well. We were good friends before went to seminary. I still remember his ordination. He will be missed.

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**David Weintraub** - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ Danny, I knew you through Brother Patrick and my uncle, Br. Theodore, at Geneseo, as well as through Jim and Betty Morris. You will be missed. We have lost a dear friend and a good priest. Peace be yours through eternity!

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**Pat Daly** - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Fr. Dan, I just heard this sad, sad news today and I'm so sorry I wasn't able to come say goodbye to you in person...you were a great friend to me and my family and we will always remember your kindnesses and all of the great times we had together...we talked about u fondly today and remembered all of the fun and laughs, some of the best times included a big bag of chips!...say hello to Nicky and thank you for being you...I'll miss you my friend...

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**Melanie Miele** - December 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *RIP Father Ryan, I truly believe that we all have jobs to do on this earth, once they are completed we are then called to heaven. Congrats, on a job well done. That is not to say that you will not be missed here at Corpus Christi. I have always admired the way you have expressing yourself in a homily. You speak to the oldest and youngest member of the congregation, everyone getting the right message for them. I dare say we are all better for knowing you.*

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**Pat and Dwayne Schmidt** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *The world has lost a great man. His sense of humor and ability to make everyone feel comfortable even during the awkward teenage years are the things I remember most about him. RIP Fr Ryan. You will be missed by all that had the chance to know you. - Chrissy Phillips Toskos '95*

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**Chrissy Toskos** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Father Ryan, you will be greatly missed. Thank You for all that you have done for our children of Corpus Christi and for the students of Pope John Paul II Regional School...Rest in Peace....*

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**Jonnele Furgus** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Danny, may you rest in peace. We loose you as a member of the Parkchester family as well as the St. John Vianney family*

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**Robby Powell** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Father Ryan was the faculty advisor for our cross country team at St. John Vianney HS. He came to just about all of our meets and even helped out during practice. Father truly fit in with our student body. He was such a positive and supportive personality in our lives. Thank you Father Ryan! -Scott Sutter SJV '96*

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**Scott Sutter** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Dear Father Ryan, You will certainly be missed by Corpus Christi, but you left us so many great memories. Our parish and choir trips to France and Spain, working together on church projects, and having you attend our choir get-togethers for Christmas; you always brought something home-made. You will be fondly remembered and prayed for.*

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**Marie Prescott** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *we will miss you .rest in peacethe silvers family*

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**cathy silvers** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *So many memories - watching Fr. Ryan's purposeful stride as he walked across the parking lot to the church; his phone call to us when he heard a small plane had crashed into a house and wanted to make sure it wasn't near us; being at the Mass he celebrated at the grotto in Lourdes; and most of all his great reverence as he elevated the Host at the consecration of the Mass. He will always be with us spiritually.*

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**Mary and Bill Thomas** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ God bless you, Fr. Ryan, and may you rest in peace. Our hearts go out to your family at this sad time. We will be keeping you all in our prayers. Fr. Ryan, please remember us all in Heaven!

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**Peg and Jeannie McElwee** - December 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ On Christmas Eve, the gates to heaven opened and you went to join the Communion of Saints. That night you became a new saint in heaven and someone that I know that I can always turn to in prayer and look to for guidance. It is also through the gift of faith that I know that you will always continue to pray with and for the many, many people who loved and cared for you – your family, your friends, your brother priests and the people you served so well in your more than 23 years of priesthood. Fr. Ryan. Thank you for being such a good man, a devoted priest and a wonderful pastor. Thank you for being you. P.S. I'm sure all the saints in heaven are gearing up for this coming Tuesday as you lead them in the New Year's Day Mummies' Strut!

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**Mary Stadnyk** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EA

“ Dear Julie, Jim, Pat and Jack, I am so sorry for your loss. I have some good memories of Fr. Dan. He was such a help to us when my mom died, his eulogy was perfect and really captured my mom's personality. I remember his attending the NY St Patricks parade and enjoying his company there and at other family events. With deepest sympathy, Eileen and family

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**Eileen Adler** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NI

“ Rest in peace, dear Father Ryan. We were blessed to become a friend through the SJV High School girls basketball program. We will never forget the fun times we had with Dan traveling to games all over the country. His wonderful sense of humor was endless entertainment. Father Ryan married us in 1995 and traveled back to Monmouth County to baptize each of our three children. With a wit and sense of humor that is all too scarce in our world today, he managed to touch the lives of many people. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and all those that loved him. We remember Father Ryan with a smile. He will be missed by many.

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**Nick** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Rest in peace Father Ryan. You will stay in our memories and hearts. We will never forget your kind soul.

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**Students of PJPIIRS** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ December 28, 2012 Our loss, heavens gain. Fr. Ryan will truly be missed. He gave us his all leaving us with many wonderful memories. One of my fondest occurs on New Years Day. It won't be the same without him. I still see him leading the Mummers Strut at the end of the mass. We'll have to make him an honorary Philadelphian ! When I hear "golden slippers" I will smile and think of him. He will always live in our hearts and prayers. Know that I will keep him and your family in my prayers. Father, I am sure you have found peace with Jesus.

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**Bonnie Word** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *A true, good man may he RIP. Class of 1994 SJV High School. He supported the kids by being apart of our lives.*

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**Richard Blackburne** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Father Ryan, Our prayers are with you. We will miss you at Corpus Christi. Rest in Peace.*

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**Mary Rodriguez** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Mrs. Cremeans, Mr. Cremeans, CJ, Mercedes, Katherine and family We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Heaven just welcomed another angel. The Eanniello Family*

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December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ *Fr. J. Ryan*

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**Eanniello Family** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *I had the pleasure of knowing Father Ryan when he was the Parochial Vicar at Saint Benedict's in Holmdel and I was the Business Administrator. His kindness and gentlemanly manner were very much appreciated. He was always willing to help and was available all the time to the people of the parish, the homeless in the area and students at St. John Vianney. May he rest in peace.*

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**Mike Menditto** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father Ryan, Our prayer's and blessings are with you.Louis & Constance Feola, Willingboro, NJ*

December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father Ryan, May you rest in peace!Our condolences to the family and all his parishoners. We know Fr. Ryan from St. John Vianney and shared many happy times with him. He will truly be missed.*

**Peter** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *On Christmas Eve, the gates to heaven opened and you went to join the Communion of Saints. That night you became a new saint in heaven and someone that I know that I can always turn to in prayer and look to for guidance.It is also through the gift of faith that I know that you will always continue to pray with and for the many, many people who loved and cared for you – your family, your friends, your brother priests and the people you served so well in your more than 23 years of priesthood.Fr. Ryan. Thank you for being such a good man, a devoted priest and a wonderful pastor. Thank you for being you.By the way, I'm sure all the saints in heaven are gearing up for this coming Tuesday as you lead them in the New Year's Day Mummings' Strut!*

**Mary Stadnyk** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *When I was new to the town he took me in and gave me advise. He helped me with some decisions and he was somebody that I felt that I could talk to.*

**Maureen Martin** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ May you rest in peace, Father Ryan. Though Our hearts ache in missing you We thank, The Lord Our God, for such a Holly Pastor, Who have time for everyone. Your Prayers, The Mass's, The Eucharistic, The Blessing, with your kindness, I will never forget your words, "Good and Gracious God, and Thanks Be To God", My family will never forget your kindness.

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**Juanita Phillips** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I have many fond memories of Father Ryan when he was the Chaplain at Saint John Vianney HS. He was an avid Lancer fan who was always present at the home and away games. He had a great sense of humor and was a very caring person. He never forgot about SJV as he always sent flowers on Aug 4th for us to have for St. John Vianney's feast day. Personally I enjoyed sharing the stories about the Bronx as both of us knew about the same locations. He was a good friend who always made you smile and everyone knew that he cared about them as he never turned anyone away. He definitely will be missed.

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**Sister Bernadette Larson MSC** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ God took he finest home this time! Father Ryan prayed over me with holy oil when my doctor said I was ill. Another time he answered a question I had one night before he placed the ashes on my forehead at an Ash Wednesday Mass! I was a previous religious education teacher and it was a pleasure seeing him before I held class with the students. He held the service when my mother passed and was extremely comforting. I could go on and on with wonderful memories...(WOW) He is an example of a powerful man in Christ. Father Ryan may your soul forever be at eternal peace. - Submitted With Love

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**Catherine Jefferson** - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ *Father you have touched many lives,including that of the Avella family.We will always remember the kindness you showed while you served the parish community at St.Joseph.May you rest in peace.*

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**Vin Avella** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ *We first met Fr. Ryan when he was teaching in Lakewood and volunteering to teach CCD at Epiphany Church in Brick Town.He also participated in our "Ashes to Easter" programs, and many of our parishioners got to know and love him. We were all overjoyed when he announced his intention to enter the priesthood.We are sure there are still many members of our parish who remember him and all he did for us in those years. We were very saddened and shocked by the news. Our hearts and prayers go out for him and his family. May he rest in peace. Ray and Rose Benedict*

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**Ray** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *father ryan did so much for my family , we are going to miss him very much, he has been through so much with my family,he was the one i went to with my family problems . rest in peace father rest in peace*

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**wanda mcelwee** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Julie & Family, So sorry to learn of your brother's death. May his soul rest in peace and may your family share the stories that make a family, a family.*

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**Maureen Ryan** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ To the family of Father Dan Ryan, words cannot express how wonderful our faith experience has been here at Corpus Christi under the leadership and faithful guidance of your brother and uncle, and our Father Ryan. He was funny, direct, and great with the children, always teaching them and speaking with them in a way that was engaging to students. They were laughing and learning at the same time due to his quick wit, and great sense of humor. I teach religious education at the church and witnessed this several times over the past 5 years, in addition, my daughter is an altar server and she always enjoyed working with Father Ryan. Words cannot express how much we will miss him! Father Ryan had a love of diversity that is hard to explain, in a church of over 50 countries represented we required the love and guidance of a special man and thankfully God sent us Father Ryan. He was that priest, the one we needed at that time in our parish development. I cannot imagine Corpus Christi without him, the only thought that gives me peace is that I know we now have a new angel looking out for us in heaven, and he is smiling down on us right now from that glorious place. Thank you Father Ryan for being you! Rest in eternal peace. The Phillips Family. Willingboro, NJ

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Michelle Phillips - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ May you rest in peace, Father Ryan. My sincere condolences to your personal family and your Corpus Christi family. I will always be thankful for the kindness and support you gave to our family when we lost our dear Patti, especially to my mother. You will be greatly missed. Not often in life do we have the privilege to cross paths with one such as thee. May God hold you in the palm of his hand and bless you as you have blessed all whose lives you touched.

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Sharon Fitzpatrick - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ As an newly-ordained priest, Father Dan was a wonderful guide to the OLG Youth Group and to my wife and I as adult advisors to this group, bringing his laughter and experience as a teacher to our parish youth. May you rest in the peace of Christ, whose faithful servant you were in life.

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**Deacon Jim Grogan** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ WE LOVE DAN RYAN, HE'S BEEN OUR DEAR FRIEND SINCE HE WAS THE CHAPLAIN AT ST JOHN VIANNEY HS. HE WAS A LOVER OF LIFE AND PEOPLE AND THERE WAS NOTHING HE WOULDN'T DO FOR A FRIEND. WE WERE HEART-BROKEN WHEN HE WAS TAKEN FROM MONMOUTH COUNTY AND PRAYED FOR A DAY THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO RETURN. NOW WE ARE HEART-BROKEN BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT DAY WILL NEVER COME. I WILL NEVER FORGET HIS VOICE, HIS FACE AND MOST OF ALL HIS LAUGHTER!! IF I KNOW DANNY, I BET HE'S HAVING A COCKTAIL WITH ST PETER RIGHT NOW--- YOU'LL ALWAYS BE IN OUR HEARTS.

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**LINDA** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ My prayers and condolences go out to Father Ryan's family. It was such a shock to hear the news of his passing when we attended midnight mass on Christmas eve. I will remember Fr. Ryan especially for his appreciation of current events and how he included them in the "Prayers of the Faithful" each week. And it was always so nice at the end of each mass when, after the final blessing he would always say "have a nice week, everybody!" I will surely miss that. Rest in peace, Fr. Ryan!

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**Jan Griswold** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ *May God Bless You. Thank You for all you have done for my family and my parish. RIP*

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**Patrick Ellershaw** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VK

“ *My sincere condolences to Fr. Danny's family. He was so special. Married my daughter to his cousin Peter Ryan and celebrated Funeral Mass for my husband. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Virginia Kerr** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Father Rayn was the most enthusiastic supporter of the Saint John Vianney Cheerleaders when he was our Campus Minister. He created many memories but will always be remembered for loving the "Crank it Up" cheer. I will cherish his friendship and the memories of our ti extorted. He was an amazing mentor to our students, families and faculty. He will be truly missed-*

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**Jayne Shalkowski** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to the Family of Father Ryan who was my pastor and also a very good friend whom I will miss very much. I am one of the Cantors, and also played the organ and Father Ryan and I always had a joke about how fast I could play a hymn. He will be missed greatly by me and the rest of the parish. I will treasure his inspiration that he gave me and remember how he would sometimes call me Horton hears a who. With my name being Mary-Virginia Horton. I will always remember how wonderful it was to see his face when I was on the alter as a cantor to see how deep was his faith in God was and treasure his laughter, singing, and jokes he shared with me. He was not only my Priest but was also a very good friend who I will miss every day. Thank you for sharing your brother, brother-in law, uncle with our family here at Corpus Christi. Mary-Virginia, & David Horton and Family.

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December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I thank God for the beautiful memories and times my family and I had with Father Ryan. His words to remain faithful to Jesus and to the faith will always resound in our daily walk. I know he will be praying for all of us (all his family, deacons, priest and parishioners). His love for God and his calling were undeniable. Though our hearts ache in missing him---our mouths and spirit say, "you ran the race well and to the end- now enjoy your Lord face to face." A group of "crazy" Puerto Ricans will miss YOU!! Thank you Father Ryan for your love and for being a good Shepard of the Lord. PS. Your mummer's strut will be appreciated in heaven too!

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**Yolanda** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ *My most sincere condolences! May Fr. Dan rest in Peace for all eternity! He was a great influence to my children when he was the Priest at St. John Vianney High School in Homdel, NJ.*

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**Ana Valentine** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ *Dearest Danny Boy, Beloved Brother, Brother-in-law, and Uncle. There will be a hole in our family's heart without you. What a gift to us you have always been, thoughtful, kind, humorist, entertainer, listener, big-hearted, faith-filled, optimist. Your love and service to your Parish Family was always an inspiration to us. May we try to carry on your goodness in the world. "We love you so..." The Michigan Ryans. PS I'm making Uncle Danny Spaghetti tonight for dinner.*

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**Elaine Ryan** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Please accept our condolences on the loss of your brother. Only met him once (at your Mom's funeral) but he was clearly a wonderful and beloved priest.*

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**John Heffernan** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *We are all stunned by the sudden and unexpected loss of our pastor. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, of whom he often spoke. I hope that Father Ryan was aware, in life, of how much he was loved. He certainly knows it now, in Heaven.*

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**Pat Lasusky** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *May you rest in peace Fr. Ryan. You will be missed by all those that knew you.*

Rosato Family - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We will all miss him, as Mass will not be the same. May Fr. Ryan rest in eternal peace.*

Robin Cooke - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *With sadness and shock, I offer condolences to our Corpus Christi family & to the Ryan family. Fr. Ryan had a wonderful voice & amazing memory, and always surprised me when he called out a greeting using my entire name. I believe he knew everyone in our parish by name. He worked one on one with my husband to prepare Paul for his Baptism. We both loved Fr. Ryan & will so miss his cheerful Irish face.*

Joan Rose - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *FATHER RYAN AND I SHARED OUR LOVE FOR NEW YORK, THE IRISH AND THE DOMINICANSISTERS. HE WAS TRULY A MAN OF GOD, HIS MASSES WERE FILLED WITH REVERENCE AND HIS HOMILIES WERE ALWAYS RIGHT TO THE POINT. GOD BLESS HIS KINDNESS TO ME AS I BURIED MY BROTHER, BROTHER THOMAS, C.F.X. AND MY HUSBAND, TOM. MAY CORPUS CHRISTI DO HIM PROUD IN OUR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER AS WE TRY TO MOVE ON WITHOUT HIS GUIDANCE.*

MAUREEN REIDY - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Father Ryan was a very good man as well as a wonderful priest. We are sadden by his sudden loss. At our time of need he was always there for us, especially when our son died of cancer. Father Ryan gave him the last rights and was there on 3 different times to console him. I was very fortunate to be an usher for Corpus Christi's 5:00 mass on Saturdays." May his soul and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace." We were also so lucky to have Father Ryan serve mass for our 50th annversery, when my wife and I renewed our vowels. He will be greatly be missed

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**Jean** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ On behalf of my beloved Corpus Christi family, I would like to express my deepest sympathy to all of the Ryan family. Please know that you have the full love, support and prayers of our Corpus Christi family. Fr. Ryan brought with him a special reverence to each Mass he celebrated with us. Even though we were on totally opposite ends of the Sports spectrum, he taught me that I honestly could be friends with a NY Yankee fan. He decided we just wouldn't talk sports if his Yankees did better than my Phillies. There were plenty of other funny moments. I will miss all of his good-natured teasing with his booming voice. It was an honor to have him as our Pastor. It was an even bigger privilege to know that he honestly was my true friend. Thank you, Fr. Ryan. Rest in peace, my friend.

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**Lisa Meyer** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.

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**Nellie Ramos** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I was a parishioner at Corpus Christi From the time Father Ryan came until I moved to Florida in 2005. We became friends since our birthdays were one day apart ,we were very close in age, and I was a Eucharistic Minister .I treasured my days at Corpus Christi with Father Ryan. He was there for me when I had to bury my brother and father and always had time for a visit when I would come North. He will be missed by me and the Corpus Christi family.

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**Jerrie Woods** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ As a lector at the 9:30am mass I got to see the "behind-the-scenes" Father Ryan who had a wicked sense of humor and enjoyed having a good laugh with the altar servers and parishoners before mass. His usually brief but meaningful homilies echoed his past experience as a classroom teacher. He deeply cared about the community of Corpus Christi. May God grant him eternal rest.

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**Ronald Maniglia** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ My sympathy and prayers to the parishoners and staff of Corpus Christi on the sudden loss of Fr. Ryan. I will always remember his monthly visits to my homebound father and the beautiful funeral Masses for both my mother and father. May he rest in peace. Maureen (McAuliffe) Fahey

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**Maureen Fahey** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ He was my Pastor and my friend. May he rest in peace

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**Doris McSweeney** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Father Ryan was the most down to earth priest I've ever known. I would hope that he was in the confessional, because he was so understanding, yet forthright.*

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**Mariane Lyczak** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *May the Lord's Perpetual Light lead you into Table of the Communion of the Saints. May you ride on the wings of His Angels to the Table of the Communion of the Saints. Your love for your parish and innate propensity for goodness and compassion are fondly remembered. Father, as we bid you farewell, we thank The Lord Our God for the holy pastoral leadership you gave us. Our dear Priest, brother in Christ, friend in common fellowship of the Lord, "Requiescas in pace sempiterna"*

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**Ata Bonna** - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Father Ryan met each member in my family where we were when my mom died. He had a way about him that was so real and beautiful. He will be missed. God bless Corpus Christi.*

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**kathy carchidi** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *The unexpected loss of Father Ryan has left the parishioners of Corpus Christi saddened and hurt. May he rest in peace. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Carmen Ghiran** - December 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM