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APRIL 11, 2021 • 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 4:30 PM
Sunday, Upper Church 8:30 and 11:00 AM
Holy Day As announced
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday 8:30 AM
Friday* 12:15 PM

*Currently suspended - view online only

NEW PARISHIONERS

All Catholics living in the parish should register. Our Welcome Center located in the hallway behind the sanctuary is open on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(Entrance through the middle, rear door of the Church)
Monday-Thursday only ... 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Friday..... 8:00 AM-2:30 PM
(Closed for lunch 12:00-1:00 PM)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, Lower Church: 3:30 to 4:15 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 12:00 PM.

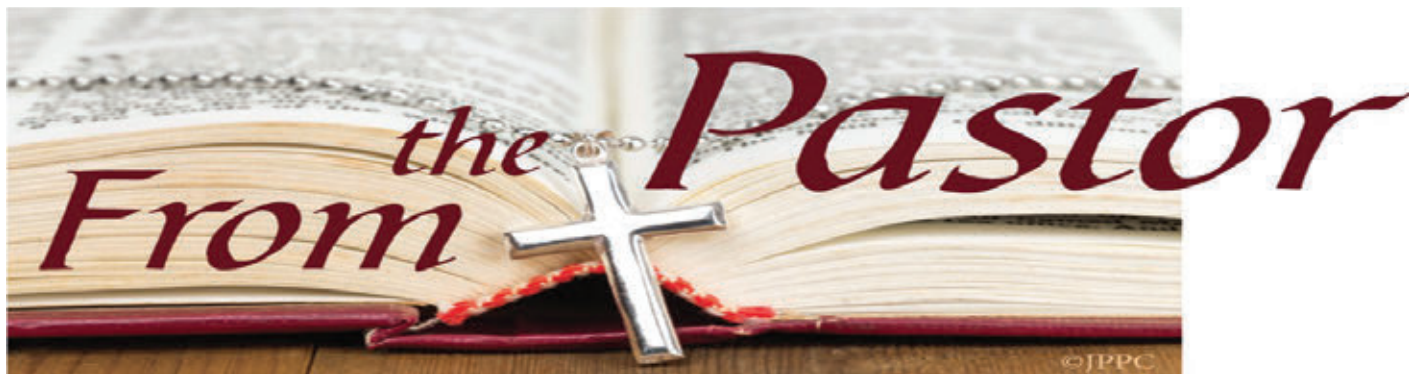
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made at least six months before the intended wedding date. Weddings are reserved for active parishioners. Pre-Cana Session is required. Please call Parish Office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call Deacon Thomas Taylor or the Parish Office when a parishioner is hospitalized or home bound.



A friend of mine has opened a new record shop. No, not the *Wall to Wall Sound*, *Sam Goody*, or *Tower Records* record shops of days gone by, but a record shop for making records; a record recording studio. Those record shops of the past used to occupy every retail shopping mall in America. It was a requisite store for me to visit as a teen. Friends and I would check out album cover art and listen to a few new tunes using the headphones that were available for that purpose. Occasionally, we even sprung for some new vinyl. I was never really an aficionado when it came to records. My most prized were *The Cars*, *The Romantics*, an album by a band that had the word *Sabbath* in its name, whose lead singer apparently bit off the head of a bat, and believe it or not, a recording of *The Scots Guards*. When my friends were definitely not around, I remember taking *The Guards* out of its plastic sheath and carefully cleaning the grooves with a special lint brush. Then, placing it carefully upon the turntable, I would gently place the needle upon it and turn up the volume. Suddenly, I was transported to the Highlands in the land of Loch Ness. I have an eclectic taste in music. What can I say? There was a certain ritual involved in listening to the old 33s and 45s. There was a certain “art” to it, especially for the aficionado for whom a scratched record would cut to the heart. I have scratched just a few records in my day. I’ve broken a few as well. Let’s just say it was anger management, though my cousin would disagree. What has been discovered or, perhaps better, re-discovered in our 21st Century, is that “art” of the vinyl record. It does involve a bit of a ritual and a slowing down as well. It is not a matter of swiping through a playlist, but choosing a sound and genre. One might say that there is a greater intentionality in its enjoyment. Vinyl record fans today would also say that there is a far better sound quality over digital. Here I was thinking vinyl records had gone the way of 8 tracks, cassette tapes, and now CDs. In fact, it seemed vinyl led the way into the dustbin of history, but now, I’m told that there is a growing demand. Phil and his business partner, Obie, have invested in and opened “a premiere state-of-the-art custom vinyl pressing facility.” The vinyl pressing machines themselves were specially designed and built in Germany. They are of the highest quality and precision. The two investors themselves have years of experience in the professional music industry and quality sound reproductions having worked with many well-known artists



and labels. The new facility is located just south of here along the area of Route 1 heading towards the state line. I’m hoping to maybe visit over the summer, learn a bit about the record making process, and offer a little blessing of the new endeavor as well. It all sounds rather fascinating to me. Sometimes old school is simply better; sometimes one makes progress by taking a step back; sometimes one can win by losing. Vinyl is making a comeback. Aficionados having lost their MP3 device ear buds broke out their turntables and headphones instead. The Music of the Resurrection is as old school as it gets. Jesus Himself, won by losing. If one is willing to become an aficionado and learn the “art” of being a disciple, then the Sound of the Resurrection is as rich, clear, and crisp as it was on that First Easter Sunday.

So sit back and relax! Put on your headphones and enjoy the Music of Resurrection!

Peace!
Fr. Wilson



MONDAY	APRIL 12
8:30 AM	Thomas Judge
TUESDAY	APRIL 13
8:30 AM	Gus Ranieri (8th Anniversary)
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 14
8:30 AM	Rita Creato, Kathryn Gregorio & Anne Creato
THURSDAY	APRIL 15
8:30 AM	No Mass

Friday—Public Mass suspended during the green phase. Mass available online.

FRIDAY	APRIL 16
12:15 PM	Mary Rita Ryan

NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	APRIL 17
8:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Torelli Family
4:30 PM	Jane & Joe Sessa
SUNDAY	APRIL 18
8:30 AM	Anne Creato, Rita Creato & Kathryn Gregorio
11:00 AM	People of Holy Cross

On-Line Giving

Join the growing number of Holy Cross Parishioners who contribute to the Sunday offertory by electronic means. It is convenient and easy. Please visit our website and click on “Our Parish” and then the “Parish Giving” tab or contact the Business Office for assistance.



Sunday Collection, April 4

Electronic \$2,845

Easter Collection \$4,451

Electronic \$ 530

Basket \$3,921



TAX SAVINGS

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Under the new tax law, those taking Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) can get a tax break giving to Holy Cross. For more information, contact the Business Office at 610-626-3321.



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Homebound/Sick

Any Parishioner who is homebound or sick and would like a visit, please contact the Business Office (610-626-3321).



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 Adoration Chapel

9:00 AM—7:00 PM Monday thru Friday

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Ronnie 610-623-8412 or Office 610-626-3321

The Corner

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The Easter season reminds us to hurry to Jesus. In **John 20:2** we read that Mary Magdalene found the tomb empty and “... **she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved...**” Think about it. There was a lot of running on Easter morning! Mary running to the other disciples, the disciples running back to the tomb, soldiers running away in fear, the two companions from Emmaus running back to Jerusalem to tell of their walk with Him. Now it's our turn. Run to Jesus, He is waiting for you!



Cassock Classic

Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Calling all Philly Catholic Young Adults and local campus ministries!!

We are excited to invite you to the annual Cassock Classic Ultimate Frisbee Tournament! Cassock Classic 2021 will be held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on April 24, from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. This is a great opportunity to get together for prayer and fraternity with other young adult groups, campus ministries, and the Seminarians from St. Charles! The cost is \$15 per participant. To register, visit HeedtheCall.org/CassockClassic. For any questions, contact Sue Matour at 610-667-778 or smatour@archphila.org.

FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Update:

It's hard to believe the food pantry has been operating as a drive-thru for a year. COVID may have slowed us down; however, with the help of our Holy Cross school children with providing huge donations from various food drives (especially around Thanksgiving and Christmas), the support from you (both with food and prayers), our benefactors, surrounding parishes, the Knights, and our dedicated volunteers, we continue to help our neighbors in need.

If you are able, we are in need of peanut butter, canned meats and tuna, mac & cheese, beans, pasta sauce (no glass, please), canned fruit, pancake mix and syrup, cereal, and paper products. There are tin bins outside the food pantry door or you can leave your donations in the vestibule at church.

If you know any Delco residents in need of food, please let them know our pantry is open every Wednesday from 3:30 to 6:00.

God Bless All of You,
Your Friends from the SVDP Food Pantry Team



Caregiver Needed

Caregiver needed for 3 days a week for an elderly woman. Please call Vicky at 610-764-8314.

Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday April 11, 2021

On April 11, 2021, St. Pius X Parish, 220 Lawrence Road, Broomall, PA, will be celebrating **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**. We invite all to come and experience the wonderful love and mercy of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary, 300). Devotions will begin at 2:00 p.m. with Rosary, The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will begin promptly at 3:00 p.m.

We warmly welcome all from neighboring parishes to join us for this special day of grace, mercy and reconciliation. "Jesus I Trust in You." For info, contact Cathy Jacobs 610-353-8117.

Masks and Social Distancing are Required.

Three Parish Book Club

The Three Parish Book Club's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 28 at 7:00 p.m., via zoom. Members will discuss The Power of Silence by Robert Cardinal Sarah as well as suggestions for other reading. You need not have read the book to join the meeting. For more information, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610 328-2095 or at joyvanberg@gmail.com.

May: The World's First Love by Fulton J. Sheen

June: One ordinary Sunday by Paula Huston

Catholic Charities Appeal

The 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal has begun. Please join us in supporting the Appeal as it continues to impact those in need all over the Greater Philadelphia area. Visit catholiccharities-appeal.org to make your donation today!



Saint Joseph Novena

Let us pray.

O Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Foster Father of the Divine Child, Jesus, you were entrusted as the protective guardian of the Holy Family in Nazareth.

Give today this same protection to the family of the Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Intercede with Christ before the Father of us all:

For the clergy and faithful,
For married couples and single men and women,
For all those in the consecrated life,
For families and young people,
For the poor, the lonely and neglected,
For all the sick, suffering and dying.
For a deepening of our spiritual life,
For a strengthening of the moral life,
For a bolder witness to the truth of the Gospel.

For all of us, Saint Joseph, with you as our firm example, may we remain confident in the plan of the Father for us, with lives of faith rooted in the saving death and resurrection of his Son and ever faithful to the demands of the Christian life with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Saint Joseph, patron and protector of the Universal Church. Pray for us!

Principal's Corner



If you are considering a Catholic Education for your child(ren), Holy Cross School is accepting registrations for Grades Pre-K 3 to 8th grade. We provide students with a strong academic program, spiritual development, social and emotional growth. We have a dedicated staff of teachers who are able to provide in-person and virtual instruction. We educate children in a loving and caring atmosphere and would love to provide an excellent education for your child(ren). Grant money is available through BLOCS, if you meet the criteria.

Holy Cross School will be having a summer camp for children in grades Pre-K to 5th grade. It will run from June 14 until August 13. There will be a variety of activities such as arts and crafts, games, indoor and outdoor activities. The camp will be open to all children not just Holy Cross students. The cost is \$270.00 per week.

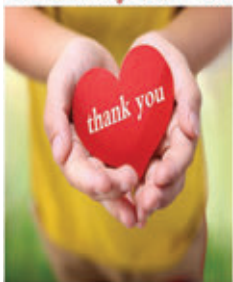
If you have any questions regarding enrollment or summer camp, please call Mrs. Spurrier in the school office at 610-626-1709.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

The **Annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** will be celebrated on Saturday, May 1, 2021, at 5:15 p.m., at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. Archbishop Nelson Perez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass will commemorate those couples celebrating their 1 year, 5 year, 10 year, 25 year and 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. Wedding vows will be renewed on this very special day. For more details and to RSVP, visit www.phillycatholiclife.org or call the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500.



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