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Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 am

Holy Day & Holiday Masses

As Announced

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm

or by appointment

Parish Devotions

Holy Rosary

Tuesday-Friday after Mass

Adoration Chapel

Monday-Friday 9am-7pm

Chapel located in back of rectory

Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

2nd and 4th Sundays at 12 noon

*Please call the office to schedule
the baptism of children. Parents and
godparents must attend a Baptism
Preparation Session.*

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call the parish office or
speak to the priest after Mass to
request the Anointing of the Sick.
If in a hospital or nursing home,
please ask the staff to notify the
parish that covers that facility.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples looking to get married at
Holy Cross should contact the
pastor at least six months before
the intended wedding date to
discuss marriage preparations and
schedule the wedding.

Holy Communion for the

Homebound

Please call the parish office.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00-12:00 & 1:00-4:00

Closed Fridays, Holidays and Holy Days

Office is located in the back of the church building

Sunday, April 20, 2025



FROM THE PASTOR

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed, alleluia! The joyous proclamation of Easter resounds through the whole world today. Thank you for joining us today as we celebrate this most important, this most sacred day.

One of the most striking features of our church building is the stained glass, and you can't miss the huge window with the resurrection scene behind the sanctuary. I love to sit in the church and ponder the beauty, not just of the art, but of what it represents: that Jesus is alive and triumphant. Evil may try and do its worst, but the Lord is ultimately victorious. That's the message of hope Christians have relied on for 2,000 years. Sometimes we need to be reminded of that hopeful message as we go through life. Of course, I can pretty much pop into the church for a minute whenever I need that reminder. But most of you don't have that luxury, so here's a copy of that scene so you can ponder it at home whenever you need to. Happy Easter!



Reading I: Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

God anointed Jesus at His baptism. The forgiveness of our sins comes through the invocation of Christ's name at our baptism.

Reading II: Colossians 3: 1-4

At His glorious Second Coming, Christ's presence will initiate the general resurrection of the dead and the righteous bodies among them will radiate God's glory.

The Gospel: John 20:1-9

The empty tomb is an indisputable fact of Easter morning, as testified even by the Roman soldiers put there as guards.

Glorious Resurrection, Alleluia!



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, APRIL 21

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

8:30 AM - Catherine Judge

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

8:30 AM - Anne Creato, Rita Creato &
Kathryn Gregorio

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

8:30 AM - Robert Cardie

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

8:30 AM - Noreen O'Connor

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

8:30 AM - No Mass

4:30 PM - Angeline & Samuel Forlano

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

8:30 AM - Lorri Rudolph

11:00 AM - For the People of the
Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
intention is for:

Church - Maryann Redding
Chapel - Maryann Redding



COLLECTION INFORMATION

Due to early submission for
the Easter holiday the
numbers for the Sunday
Collection were not available
at the time of Bulletin
Submission.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

A name will stay in the bulletin for FOUR WEEKS. The contact person must notify the Parish Office if the person needs to stay on the list or they will be removed. Names can be put on the prayer list or removed from the prayer list by contacting the Parish Office in person, by phone (610.626.3321) or by email (contactus@holycrosscatholics.org).

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Lyndi Butler
Mary Ann Carroll
George Dickinson
Dawn Gibbons
Carolyn Henderson
Steven Henderson
Ken Kull
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Lee Anne McGough
Joann Marks
Maryanne McCauley
Matthew Bannon
Mary Ann Nero
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Mary Ellen Sweeney
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Mary Cuccinello
Lauren Johnson
John Rawle
Jordan Champion

Rich Meroney
Richard McCullough
Larry McCusker
Francis Murray
Charlotte O'Leary
Paige O'Leary
Katherine Patrone
Mary Rafferty
Ronnie Sidebottom
Joseph Sindoni
Adeline Sulpizio
Jean Super
Valerie Thompson
Betty Tomczyk
Madalyn Parr
Carter Claire Walton
Deacon Frankenberger
Lynn Neary
Eileen McAvinue
Kieran McCann
Kieran Coyle
Jayne Aceto

The Corner



"Then the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for He has been raised just as He said...'"

---Matthew 28:5-6

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Please join us for the Nine First Fridays Devotion of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion will begin on Friday, October 4th and end on Friday, June 6th, fulfilling our Lord's request of nine consecutive Fridays.

The Schedule for First Fridays:

First Friday Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 am. Adoration will be in the Church from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Confessions will be held from 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm.

If you would like more information about First Friday and First Saturday devotions, pamphlets are available at the entrance of either side of the Church.

Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday – April 27, 2025

On April 27, 2025, St. Pius X Parish, 220 Lawrence Rd., Broomall, PA 19008, 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 pm with Rosary, The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will begin promptly at 3:00 pm. We warmly welcome ALL from neighboring parishes to join us for this special day of grace, mercy and reconciliation. "Jesus I Trust in You." (Contact Cathy 610 353-8117)

Pre-Caná

Pre-Caná will be the second Friday of each month at St Gabriel's in Norwood PA. Our next class will be on April 11, 2025, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. If interested, please call St Gabriel's Rectory at 610-586-1225.

DELCO PARISHES PRO-LIFE MEETING

Please join us for our monthly Delco Pro-life meeting on Wednesday, April 23, at 7 PM at St. Francis of Assisi in Springfield. The meeting will be in the Rectory basement Conference Room. Entrance is from the parking lot and down the outside steps. Your prayers and suggestions are welcome. Jesus, protect and save the unborn.

SAINT COLMAN CHARITIES CLOTHING DRIVE

MAY 3RD, 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Saint Colman Church Parking Lot

On May 3 from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. Saint Colman Church will host the Thrifty Irishman donation truck in their parish parking lot to benefit the needs of the poor through The Society of Saint Vincent dePaul Philadelphia Archdiocese. Please help us fill the truck! Acceptable donations are usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes, books, kitchenware, linens/bedding, sporting goods, small appliances, electronics, CDs & videos, furniture, games/toys. Large appliances cannot be accepted. To learn more visit: <https://thethriftyirishman.com>. Thank you for your generosity.

School News

April is here, and the Easter Season is upon us. In this season of rebirth and rising anew, we are reminded of the Passion of our Lord, His Death and Glorious Resurrection. Jesus' sacrifice is reflected in the virtue for the month of April.

This month our Virtue is Trustworthy: being reliable, honest, truthful and having sympathetic consciousness. Students who display this virtue will be awarded our Good Deed Beads, and one student per class will be selected by the teacher to receive the Virtue of the Month award.

Our Home and School members are working hard, planning our first annual Spring Fling Dance. The event will be on Saturday, April 26, in the school gym. This is a family dance for students and parents.

New this year: Our Mother's Day Tea. Students in grades Prek-4th are asked to bring one special person to enjoy tea and treats. This will be held on Thursday, May 8.

LEGO club for all grades has started, our Pre-k classes will enjoy our "Builders Club".

Our new Garden club will be decorating our school entrance with beautiful plants and flowers.

So many new things are happening here at Holy Cross School, and more fun and educational events are planned for next school year.

We thank our dedicated teachers, staff, Pastor, and Principal for their support. Most especially we thank you, our supporting parishioners, who make it possible for us to be here at Holy Cross School.

Food Pantry Update

Thanks to all for your prayers and support. Our Pantry has been busy with high volume (and Thankfully, better Wednesday weather).

St. Kevin's did a Lenten Food Collection on March 23rd; and, we were 1 of the recipients of their generosity along with Trinity Methodist church. We received hundreds of bags of food, and we are Very Grateful. We always say it takes a village to help so many and.... we are humbled for all the generosity.

AOH (Ancient Order of Hiberians) provided a van full of food. What a Great way to celebrate St. Patrick's day. God Bless.

If you are able, we are always in need of: cereal, oatmeal, canned meats, pasta sauce (no glass please), pasta, rice, mac & cheese, beans, peanut butter, jelly, and kiddie treats.

If you know anyone in need of food in Delco, please let them know we are open every Wednesday from 3:45 to 5:30.

Thank You to All who keep us going every week. Happy Spring and we hope everyone is enjoying this warmer weather.

We appreciate All of you and Our Neighbors in Need are always sharing how "Thankful" they are that we are here and able to provide the essentials to them.

God Bless,
Your Friends from the SVDP Holy Cross Food Pantry

Three Parish Book Club

The Parish Book Club will hold its April meeting in the Holy Cross Parish Center on Wednesday, April 30th at 7:00pm. If you would like to join the meeting or would like more information, please contact Terry Price at 610.506.6449 or via email at termprice@verizon.net.

April Book - **Essentialism: The Disciplined Pursuit of Less** by Greg McKeown

Mothers' Home in Darby

Mothers' Home in Darby, our area's only residential shelter for homeless pregnant women and their newborns, is seeking volunteers with skills in the areas of social media/networking, event planning/organization for our residents and donors, computer technology, and data entry to work with us approximately five hours per week. Interested individuals may contact Board Member Dennis McAndrews at dmcandrews@mcandrewslaw.com.

CAN YOU NOT SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME IN ADORATION??

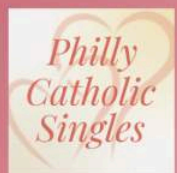


Congratulations to Students Making their Confirmation

Adam Peter Brozzetti
Kaitlyn Anne Clark
Allie Mary Clifford
Kasey Ann Clifford
Caden Joseph Gehret
Logan Gabriel Hutton
Emily Elizabeth Kelly
Isabella Gemma Masterson
Adrianna Theresa Mitchell
Molly Margaret Murphy
Mackenzie Kathryn Price
Olivia Cecilia Prunty
Logan Frederick Redding
Dominic Michael Schumacher

PHILLY CATHOLIC SINGLES

SAT 4/26 @ 6:30PM



SPEED DATING AGES 30-45

St. Margaret of Antioch Church (Narberth)

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National Day of Prayer

We are delighted to invite you to a special observance of the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 1st, 2025. Together, we will unite in prayer, worship, and fellowship, honoring this meaningful day in the spirit of unity and faith.

Location: Rose Tree Park, Media, PA

Time: 11:30 AM

This gathering will feature:

Heartfelt prayers for our Nation and Community

Uplifting Worship and Praise Music

Opportunities to connect and share fellowship

Light refreshments to enjoy

Let's come together as one community in faith, hope, and love. Help us spread the word! Please share this invitation with your Church, Family, Friends, and Neighbors. Whether they are devoted believers or simply curious to learn more, we welcome all individuals to join us in celebrating the power of prayer and the bonds that bring us together! We look forward to seeing you there!

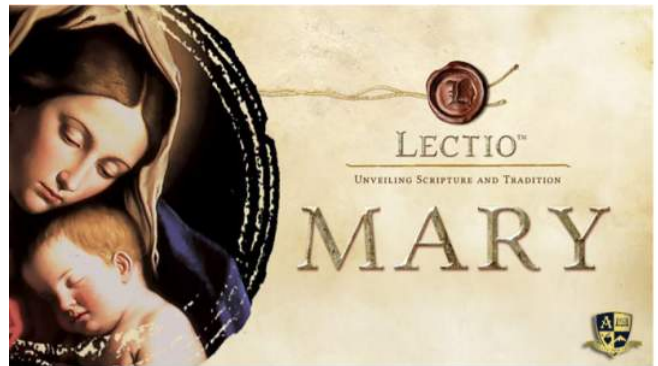
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Spring Bible Study at Holy Cross



For May, the month of Mary, we ask the question: who is Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and why is she so important to Catholics? In this series, "**MARY: The Bible and the Mother of God**" Dr Brant Pitre explores Sacred Scripture and the connections between the Old and New Testaments. As always, we study at your convenience, either Monday evenings or Wednesday mornings, so PICK THE TIME that is best for you. We have valuable group discussions after the videos, and light refreshments are provided.

When: Mondays, May 5 thru June 23 --- 7:00 – 8:30 **PM** - in the Holy Cross Parish Center

Or: Wednesdays, May 7 thru June 25 ---9:15 – 10:45 **AM** – in the Holy Cross Parish Center

Please join us and bring a friend! Come a few minutes early to meet others and to get your seat. If you attend the Wednesday morning session, please also join us for 8:30 Mass that morning.

It is always helpful to have a headcount. We have comprehensive workbooks available at a discounted group price of \$20. To save a seat or for more information, contact Jane Collins at elizabeth.collins3@verizon.net, or 610.623.3412.



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