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AUGUST 23, 2020 • TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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

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 the Parish office or Mrs. Judy Vacca, Pastoral Minister, when a parishioner is hospitalized or home bound.

G O D K N O W S

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exactly what you need.* ©IPTC

He was up at 6:00 and by 6:15 he was ready to go. Such was my father on the first day of our annual vacation to the Crest during his company's "two-week shutdown" in days of my youth. My father got up early for work anyway throughout the year. This was kind of a late start for him. He understood though, that I was a child in the midst of a whole summer off from school and that my mother would need a little more time to get ready. I've always been more like my mother in this regard. His aim was always to leave by 8:30 or 9:00 at the latest. His bag (pretty much a duffle bag) would be quickly packed: tooth brush, comb, bathing suit, a pair of pants, shorts, two shirts, three pairs of socks and undergarments. The fishing equipment was already in the car. He finished his first cup of coffee and then would start on his second. Then, he would wait and wait and wait some more. The sun was already up and temperatures were rising quickly. My mother would pull me out of bed shortly after seven. That wasn't much of a problem since the thoughts of beach and boardwalk kept me up most of the night anyway. My mother then continued her previously started packing and double checking everything that she had already packed...and it seems that my mother did, in fact, pack everything. If it would have snowed in Wildwood that year in late July, we would have been ready. Maybe it was the coffee that affected my father. I guess he should have switched to Sanka. By 10:30, he was beside himself muttering and cussing under his breath. Why do you have to pack so much stuff? We're not going for the whole year! That actually would have been okay with me. Then he turned his attention on me. I had a whole bag just with my select toys that I couldn't leave home without. Really? You're going to be by the pool or at the beach all day! You don't need all this stuff! Stop crying! In between expressing his anger as to why my mother could not have packed things up earlier in the week and again asking why all this was needed, he employed my help in carrying things out to the car where he would strategically load up the trunk and the roof top luggage rack of our four-door sedan. We would drive to the shore in a vehicle that looked like it could have belonged to the Beverly Hillbillies. Just before noon, after bidding a fond adieu to our next-door neighbors and checking three times to make absolutely certain that the door was locked, the Minnow set sail. Of course, first we had to stop by and pick up my aunt and cousin who would be joining us on our three-hour cruise, so it would be yet another hour-and-a-half before we truly set sail. I could actually hear my father grinding his teeth. Dad, you really need to switch to decaf. When it comes to bags and baggage, I've always been one to overpack – just like my mother. Yes, it is good to be prepared and there were times when we needed a light jacket, but a snow brush would be a bit much in July. I suppose most of us are like this in terms of our Faith. We so often focus on all those things that we supposedly need, instead of realizing all that we don't. My father knew that in the desolate outback of the Wildwoods, one could find not only beaches and boardwalks, but washing machines, supermarkets, and even toy stores. All of us need to pack less especially in our baggage-free world of today. In terms of our Faith, there have always been "baggage fees." Save money, time, and effort! Get rid of the excess! Get rid of the things not needed! Get rid of all the unnecessary baggage in your life! Jesus is Captain of the boat and it's not a three-hour tour, but an eternal one that brings us to the shores of Heaven. As great an effort and unnerving as it can be to pack, perhaps it's the "unpacking" that's even more difficult and yet more necessary. Besides, it's all quickly forgotten when one arrives at the shore late on a warm day at the end of July and witnesses a beautiful sunset over the bay with wife and son by your side.

Peace!

Fr. Wilson

Masses For The Week



MONDAY	AUGUST 24
8:30 AM	Thomas Tropia
TUESDAY	AUGUST 25
8:30 AM	Father Cahill and the People of Holy Cross
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 26
8:30 AM	Polec Family
THURSDAY	AUGUST 27
	NO MASS
FRIDAY - Public Mass suspended during the green phase. Mass available online.	
FRIDAY	AUGUST 28
12:15 PM	Paul Tomczyk
NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS	
SATURDAY	AUGUST 29
8:30 AM	Jack Labow
4:30 PM	Felicia Cavalcante
SUNDAY	AUGUST 30
8:30 AM	People of Holy Cross
11:00 AM	Matthew Humphreys

Mass Book

Please Note - Due to the passing of our beloved Parish Secretary, Gerry Canterino, the book of Mass Intentions will be delayed and open a little later this year. We will announce the date as soon as it is determined.



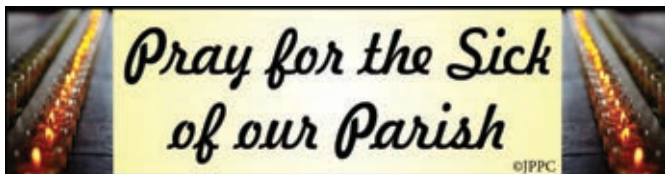
Sunday Collection, August 16

<i>Total Collection</i>	<i>\$7,193</i>
<i>Electronic</i>	<i>\$2,403</i>
<i>Basket & Mail-ins</i>	<i>\$4,790</i>

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.





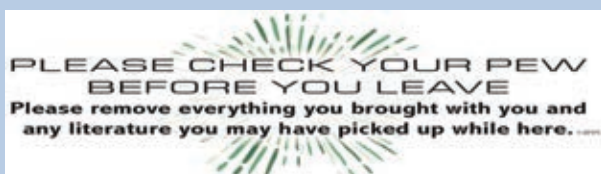
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Samuel Dephillippo	Connie Myers
Nancy DeSanctis	Frances O'Callaghan
Janet Doherty	Charlotte O'Leary
Terrence (Terry) Gibson	Paige O'Leary
Nella Giordano	Mary Ann Purcell
Nicola Giordano	Mary Rafferty
Donna Girogio	Ted Rudolph
Carolyn Henderson	Jim Sandusky
Steven Henderson	Rose Marie Santos
Stefanos Karas	Michael Sargent III
Carole Kime	Joseph Sindoni
Mary and Ken Kull	Adele Sulpizio
Kendall Lambert	George Vrettos
Rose Leto	Lily Walker
Patricia Lyons	Nadia Waltanski
Helen Lyons	Carter Walton

U.S.C.C.B WEBSITE

Readings for daily and Sunday Mass can be found at usccb.org/bible/readings. Click on the calendar on the right to get the readings for the day.

For those attending Mass

At this time during the green restricted phase there will be no Altar Servers, Ushers taking up the collection or Children's Liturgy.



The Corner

Brought to you by your Evangelization Team

"For God did not destine us for wrath, but to gain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.....Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do."

---1 Thessalonians 5:9 & 11

St. Paul reminds us how important it is to encourage others. Often God will send a "worrier" into our life, giving us an opportunity to act on His behalf, and build them up with The Good News. Be on the look-out... you may get to bring God's peace into someone's life today!

You are needed!

To visit with Jesus

Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM

In our Adoration Chapel.

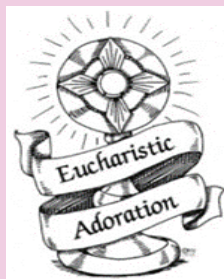
Could you stay for an hour?

The are many hours He is alone.

Need information, please call

Ronnie 610.623.8412

Maryann 610.328.5924, Eileen 610.394.6596



Masks are required. Bring your own prayer book, rosary.



The Garden Committee

The Garden Committee is a group of parishioners who volunteer their time freely. We take pride and responsibility for planting and maintaining flower pots at the entrances of the Church as well as the gravesites and rose garden. Please do not remove or relocate any of these plants without consulting Father Wilson or a member of the Garden Committee. Thank you for your cooperation and remember "Flowers may beckon toward us but they speak toward heaven and God".



Wow! Thanks to all of you....our pantry continues to assist our most in-need neighbors in our community. Donations are up (and words cannot express our gratitude for these) and so are our volunteers. God Bless All of You!

If you are able, we are in need of baked beans, veggies, pasta and sauce, cereal, apple juice, kiddie treats, peanut butter and jelly, mac & cheese, mayo, ketchup, toilet paper and paper towels.

Just a reminder: we are open every Wednesday from 3:30 to 6:00 PM, and we are open to all Delco residents (with ID).

Please keep cool and know you are making a difference.

Love and Prayers,

Your Friends from the SVDP Food Pantry



2020 Missions Appeal

This weekend, August 22 and 23, the Mission Coop Collection will be held. Due to COVID-19 the Missionary priest is not able to come.

Please view the video posted on our website about the Community of Saint Paul. The Community of St. Paul is an international missionary group currently responsible for various missions in Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Colombia and in Ethiopia. It is a Public Association of the Faithful in the Catholic Church, made up of priests and lay men and women from various countries. Wherever they are present, the members of the community strive to promote the integral development of all so that they can discover their full human potential and dignity as children of God, with a strong sense of solidarity with those who are suffering, and a particular sensitivity towards injustice. We thank you for your generosity.

Black & Indian Missions

The collection for the Black and Indian Missions will be held on the weekend of Sept. 5 and 6. This collection has changed the landscape of evangelization and education efforts for Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans throughout the United States.

Looking for a Pen Pal

Inmate David Johnson of the Federal Correctional Complex-Allenwood is in search of someone willing to correspond with him as a pen pal. His incarceration limits his access to those who can share inspirational, uplifting conversations. Anyone wishing to correspond with David can write to him at:

David Johnson #10019-043
U.S.P. Allenwood
P.O Box 3000
White Deer, PA 17887

**Exciting News from the
Mission Societies**

Join us on **THURSDAYS** for the
Archdiocesan Rosary to pray for an **End to the Coronavirus**



A couple thousand people have regularly been praying the ROSARY *LIVE!* in the Archdiocese. United in this most powerful prayer, we ask for the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to end the Coronavirus **ESPECIALLY NOW, on THURSDAYS**, as we pray in unity for our Brothers and Sisters in Mission lands worldwide. Each decade, praying for each of five Mission areas, including the Americas.

Visit our Website: www.phillymissions.org to learn more about the World Mission Rosary and how to pray it with us on Thursdays.

SCHEDULE:

**Every Thursday
8:00 PM**

through OCTOBER

For more details and a link to the rosary, visit

www.phillyevang.org/rosary/

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"Let us pray to feel like Church and to defeat the Pandemic." Pope Francis

54-Day Rosary Novena

To stave off violence and civil unrest, you are encouraged to join the 54-day Rosary Novena for God's peace and blessing surrounding the coming election. Pray one Rosary each day from August 15 through October 7. For the first 27 days, pray for the intention of peace and blessing around the November election. During the last 27 days, thank God in faith with the belief that the favor has already been granted. For more information, visit WWW.QUEENOFPEACEMEDIA.COM.





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#WHATSMYNAME

In Remembrance of Samantha Josephson

To all those essential workers keeping us safe, thank you your service is invaluable & appreciated.



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