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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 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.

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.

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, June 22, 2025



FROM THE PASTOR

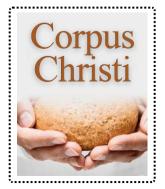
The school year in our parish school ended on Friday the 13th. The kids may be gone, but lots of work is still happening.

A year ago, I mentioned that we received a safety grant from the state to upgrade the camera system in the school and install a couple additional cameras. That project was supposed to be done last summer, but, bureaucratic red tape got in the way. It has been quite infuriating for Daniel and Terry to deal with it. The funds were finally made available to us, and the company is still willing to honor the quote from a year ago. Work began this past week. I'm not sure when it will be finished, but it will be great to have that additional safety feature in place.

A couple months ago, we also received another safety grant from the state to upgrade the doorknobs and locks on the classrooms. Amazingly, there was a lot less red tape and fewer headaches with that one. I won't go into why that is, but we actually got the money for this grant before we got the money for the grant we applied for a year and a half ago. Government bureaucracy at its best, I guess. I digress. The old doorknobs were designed so that the door could not be locked from inside the classroom. That made a lot of sense in 1950—you wouldn't little Johnny Collins locking Sister out of the classroom while she went to replenish her yard stick supply. (Obviously, Fr. Collins *never* would have done anything so dastardly.) Sadly, in this day and age, there may be a situation where we *do* need to lock people out of the room, and do so quickly. Teachers don't have time to step out of the room and fiddle around with a key in such a circumstance. So that upgrade was done this past week. It doesn't seem like much until you think of how many doors are in that school.

This week, we will again be welcoming a group of teen volunteers (and chaperones) who are attending the Catholic Heart Work Camp at Bonner & Prendie. Over 250 teens from around the country will be coming to B&P to get sent out to do manual work in homes, facilities, parishes, schools, etc. We will again be using the team assigned to us to help with some big cleaning and organizing efforts in the parish and the school. (I think some of the storage areas around here would qualify us to be on an episode of Hoarders.) I don't know how many kids we'll have or how much we'll get done, but it will be great to have them here all the same. Of course, Murphy's law, looking at the weather, we're going to be getting a huge summer blast of temperatures in the upper 90's. Figures we can't have the cool weather we had earlier this past week.

Stay cool this week! And if you're stuck in one of the myriad traffic jams around here due to the never-ending construction, stay calm! Seriously, are there *any* main roads in the area not being dug up, detoured, or restricted to one lane?



Reading I: Genesis 14: 18-20

Melchizedek, translated as "King of Righteousness", is the first person in the Bible to be called a priest. He is a "type" of Christ the Messiah. He offers bread and wine, a celebratory meal, to bless Abram's victory.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

Jesus fulfills Melchizedek's offering in a marvelous way. He gives to us Himself, under the appearances of bread and wine. This is the oldest account of the Eucharist, as given by St. Paul.

The Gospel: Luke 9: 11b-17

Apart from the Resurrection, the multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle recounted in all 4 Gospels. Of course, it foreshadows the miracle of the Eucharist, inaugurated at the Last Supper.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JUNE 23

8:30 AM - No Mass

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

8:30 AM - Mary Ann Purcell

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

8:30 AM - Fortunato & Albanese Families

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

8:30 AM - Joseph E. McManus, Sr.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

8:30 AM - John & Julia Grandizio and
John F. Grandizio

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

8:30 AM - No Mass

4:30 PM - Herbert & Mary Smythe

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

8:30 AM - Those Enrolled in the Memorial Fund

11:00 AM - For the People of the Parish

The Corner



Did you know?

The Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) was established in 1264 when it was proposed by St. Thomas Aquinas to Pope Urban IV, in order to create a feast focused solely on the Holy Eucharist, emphasizing the joy of the Eucharist being the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's Sanctuary Lamp intention is for:

Church - James Urban Chapel - Mary McHugh



COLLECTION INFORMATION

Weekly Need	\$12,000
Weekly Collection, June 8	
Total	\$7,533
Electronic	\$3,126
Basket & Mail-Ins	\$4,407

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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Pre-Cana

Pre-Cana will be the second Friday of each month at St Gabriel's in Norwood PA. Our next class will be on June 20, 2025, 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

If interested, please call St Gabriel's Rectory at 610-586-1225.

100th ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Good Shepherd Church will be celebrating our 100th anniversary with a Mass at Good Shepherd Church of Divine Mercy parish, 6667 Chester Ave on Sat. July 26, 2025, at the 4PM Mass. Please help spread the word about this celebration Mass to your friends and family.

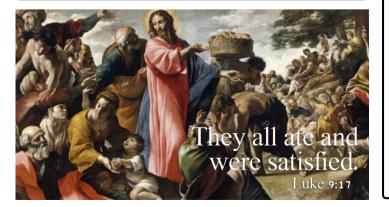
If you are interested in joining our 100th anniversary committee, we are having a meeting at St. Gabriels rectory in Norwood on Thurs, June 12th at 6:30PM, or if you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Debbie Hanna at 215-520-2097.

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2025-2026 PREP Registration

2025-2026 PREP Registration is open - If you're a returning family, please do not fill out a form. You should have received an email from Parish Giving on the morning that registration was open on April 30, 2025. This email will contain login credentials for a Parish Giving account that was created for you. There is no need for you to create a Parish Giving account. If registration opens, and you don't receive this automated email, please contact Kelly Meliti at PREPHolyCross@gmail.com.

If you are a **new family** - Welcome to Holy Cross PREP. Please use the link provided on the Holy Cross website - HolyCrossCatholics.org under PREP in the Information section to register.



Pilgrimage to The National Shrine of St. John Neumann

Calling all Pilgrims of Hope! The Beyond Sunday® team at the Central Association of the Miraculous Medal (CAMM) has made it even easier for you to journey to The National Shrine of St. John Neumann during this Jubilee Year of Hope by arranging a bus trip.

Join us on **Sunday**, **June 22**, **2025**, as we travel from The Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal to St. John Neumann to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. The cost is \$25 per person and includes Feast of Corpus Christi Mass and Procession, led by Most Reverend Bruce Lewandowski, CSsR, Bishop of Providence, shrine tour, lunch and roundtrip bus transportation between the two Philadelphia shrines. The bus departs the Basilica Shrine at 11 a.m. and will return at approximately 4 p.m.

Lunch will be provided at St. John Neumann, which will include time to enjoy fellowship with other devotees.

Register by using the form found on the website; www.miraculousmedal.org or by contacting Paulette Mican at 215-870-5876. Book your seat now as space is limited!

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.

Food Pantry Update

It's hard to believe that Summer is almost here. We continue to be busy providing food to Our Neighbors in Need.

We appreciate the support from our Holy Cross parishioners through your generosity of food and prayers. You are always helping our pantry and words cannot express how Grateful we are for "All" of vou.

Many additional groups also help with our mission of feeding folks in need including: St. Francis (who recently ran a food drive and shared some of their collected food with us), St. Annie's, Roma Deli, Wawa, Nirvana (pet food donations), and Ancient Order of Hiberians (AOH).

If you are able, we are in need of cereal, peanut butter, jelly, oatmeal, rice, breakfast bars, toaster tarts, pancake mix and syrup, pasta sauce (no glass please), pasta, mac & cheese, canned meats / tuna, stews, chef boyardee cans and kiddie treats (including snačk packs, juice boxes, apple sauce and other goodies).

During the summer months, more children are in the cars, while families are picking up needed supplies. We give each of the children a "goodie" bag" and the children are always happy for their bag of treats.

Just a reminder. We are open every Wed from 3:45 to 5:30... although, we will be closed July 2nd so our volunteers can take some time to celebrate the upcoming holiday.

If you know anyone in Delco in need of food, please share that our pantry is here.

God Bless you and we hope you will enjoy a restful, safe and Happy Summer.

Your Friends from the St. Vincent dePaul Society Holy Cross Food Pantry

Is Life's Journey taking you somewhere?...Is there purpose & meaning?...Does science actually point with fresh new evidence to FAITH & fulfillment? ... ANSWERS for you &/or your loved ones! **OUR LADY OF FATIMA** Church is offering Chris Stefanick's/Augustine Institute's **The SEARCH** at 6:45pm below Church [on South Avenue in Secane] on Thursdays June 26-August 7. Visually stunning & intellectually stimulating: join us for refreshments & respectful, yet honest, lively discussions following each 25-minute video. ALL are welcome [it's FREE], but we especially hope that you might INVITE [& come with] friends, relatives, neighbors, co-workers who are atheist, agnostic, lapsed Catholics, or those with questions/doubts. See the 1-minute trailer at https://watch.formed.org/thesearch/season:6/videos/the-search-trailer-1. To

REGISTER: contact Kathy McGovern at PREPolfsecane@gmail.com or at 484-498-2463 (landline).



Joyful Storytelling: Catholic Filmmaking Camp



Lights, camera, faith!

Join Emmy Award-winning filmmaker Bill Rose of Joyful Films for a dynamic, hands-on mmer camp where students learn to tell faith-filled stories through film. In five creative mornings, campers will write, film, act in, and edit short films exploring themes like hope, mercy, and faith.

Camp Highlights:

Faith-based Storytelling & Scriptwriting Filming with cameras or phone Acting & Directing basics Editing fundamentals Using media to share the faith A final screening for family and friends

Storytelling, Filming, Acting, and Editing

July 7th-11th, 2025 | 9 am-12:00 pm | Ages 13-18 BYO Lunch 3000 Keenwood Road, East Norriton, PA \$200 | Space is limited—reserve your spot today. No experience needed—just bring your imagination!



More details and registration at whymsc.org/camps

Merion Mercy Field Hockey Camp - June 23-

Merion Mercy Academy is hosting a summer field hockey camp for rising 6th-9th grade girls on its brand-new turf field!

Led by Head Coach Sophia Tornetta (former U.S. Junior National Team and Princeton standout), the camp offers skill development, team-building, and fun for all levels. June 23–26 | 1:30–4:00 PM | MMA Alumnae Field | \$175 Register now! For more info, contact khinckle@merionmercy.com or 610-664-6655 x165.



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- 4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED. No password is needed and you will have full access to the site. ENJOY!



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Full posting here: https://archdiocese-of-philadelphia.primepay-recruit.com/job/927273/operations-coordinator



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