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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.

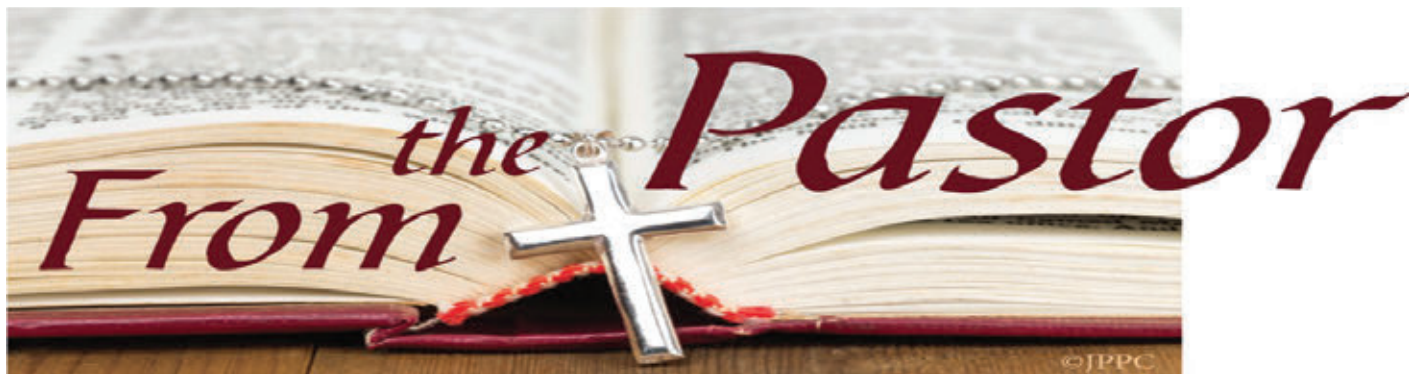
First time parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session which is held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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.

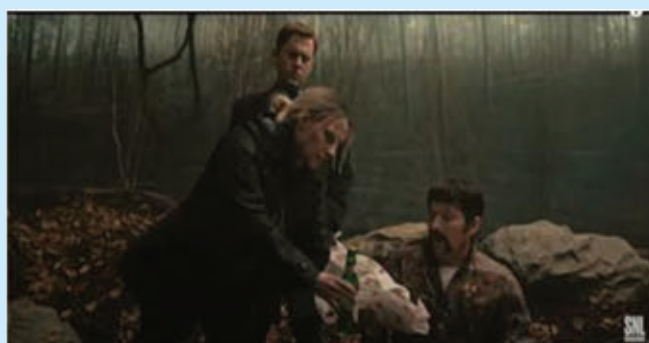
SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

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



Okay, yes, I've seen the skit. I assume that you have too. If you haven't, then you certainly need to check it out. It can be found easily on YouTube. The skit, to which I'm referring, of course, is the Saturday Night Live skit entitled, "Murder Durder." It humorously mocks the glorious accent and culture of a place that we know as Delco. The four and a half minute comedy scene is a spoof of the HBO series "Mare of Easttown." That series is a crime drama about a detective in a small Pennsylvania town that bears a certain resemblance to Chester. Kate Winslet, the star of the show, came to our area in order to learn a bit about the culture and the accent. Allegedly, she said that the Delco accent of English is one of the hardest that she has ever tried to imitate. She even went to Wawa in order to conduct research! Usually, I go for just gas and maybe coffee. The skit greatly exaggerates our beloved way of speaking as well as the ambiance of our area. At first, I wasn't even sure what the title of the skit was supposed to mean. I mean, what the heck is a "durther"? It soon became apparent that a man's "durther" was murdered. She was found in the woods near the "wooter". A Yuengling and cheesesteak were offered to ease the man's pain. Dear old Gritty even makes a cameo as does the prime suspect – a Catholic priest. Well, I thought, "durther" is not really the way that we say "daughter" and "wooter" is certainly not the way that we pronounce "water". Then I had a revelation. It was truly a mystical moment as I realized that for those of us born and bred in the Philly environs, the words "daughter" and "water" actually rhyme! Run that by some out of state friends or even friends from Pittsburgh as they're drinking their "pop" – whatever that is. The word "know" becomes exaggerated too, with "knew" suddenly becoming present tense as in "I 'knew' what I am going to do today." I haven't seen the actual crime series on HBO yet. I'm not all that interested in crime shows and as far as checking out Kate Winslet's attempt at delconian English, I have no need. All I have to do is walk out the front door or head over to Wawa for a "cawfee"! Although I was born in Philly and grew up in the East Oak Lane/Olney part of the city, I "knew" that I'm not true Delco born and bred. However, I hope that having spent some time with you here at Holy Cross right in the heart of *Gritty* territory and surrounded by die hard *Iggles*' fans, like myself, "youse guys" might consider me always as honorary Delco!

Peace!
Fr. Wilson





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| MONDAY | MAY 24 |
| 8:30 AM | Anthony DiGuglielmo |
| TUESDAY | MAY 25 |
| 8:30 AM | Joan Osik |
| WEDNESDAY | MAY 26 |
| 8:30 AM | Ruth Irene Bartivic |
| THURSDAY | MAY 27 |
| 8:30 AM | No Mass |
| FRIDAY | MAY 28 |
| 12:15 PM | Joseph A. LaMonaca III |

NEXT WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

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| SATURDAY | MAY 29 |
| 8:30 AM | Grace DiBonaventura |
| 4:30 PM | Cheryl Testa Duca |
| SUNDAY | MAY 30 |
| 8:30 AM | Ann Press |
| 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.
Thank you to all those who give electronically!



Sunday Collection, May 16

Total Collection ***\$7,680***

Electronic ***\$2,090***

Basket & Mail-ins ***\$5,590***

Catholic Charities Appeal

The 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal has begun. I ask that you consider helping those most in need in the Greater Philadelphia area. I thank all of those who have given and I ask those who have not given yet to prayerfully consider helping those individuals in need supporting the Appeal. Visit catholic-charities-appeal.org to make your donation today!



DCPC BABY CAR SEAT DRIVE

The Delaware County Pregnancy Center at 2508 Edgemont Ave. in Chester is looking to supply needy Moms with baby car seats. Please drop off any new or gently used (clean, must have manufacturer sticker and future expiration date still attached) baby car seats to the Center on Mondays, 10 AM-2 PM or Tuesdays thru Thursdays, 10 AM-4 PM before June 12.



Joseph Borrelli
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Sharon Burr
Lyndi Butler
Margaret Cook
Stephen Collins
Maryanne Convery
Samuel Dephillippo
Nancy DeSanctis
George Dickinson
Janet Doherty
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Nella Giordano
Nicola Giordano
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**** Sick List—Please Note ****

Effective May 30th weekend, all names on the “Pray for the Sick of our Parish” list will be removed. This list has not been revised since before the COVID-19 pandemic began over a year ago. If you would like to place a loved one’s name on the list, please call the Business Office at 610-626-3321.



Visit with Jesus in our
Adoration Chapel

9:00 AM—7:00 PM Monday thru Friday

If you need info, call

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

The Corner

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Pentecost Prayer

“Spirit of Christ, stir me;
 Spirit of Christ, move me;
 Spirit of Christ, fill me;
 Spirit of Christ, seal me.

Consecrate in me Your Heart and Will, O Heavenly Father.

Create in me a fountain of virtues.

Seal my soul as Your own, that Your reflection in me may be a light for all to see.

Amen.”

---St. Charles Borromeo

Malvern Retreat House

Private Retreat Opportunity

Restore—Reflect—Renew

Two Opportunities

June 1-4, 2021 and August 23-27, 2021

Malvern Retreat House will begin offering personal reflective retreats with silence. These retreats are designed for those who need time to reflect on their lives, discern a new path, pray or refresh themselves spiritually. Each individual will have the option to participate in Daily Mass, Morning and Evening Prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, Individual Eucharistic Adoration, Daily Conferences, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Rosary. Guests may also schedule time for Spiritual Direction. Register at 610-644-0400 or malvernretreat.com/register.

TAX SAVINGS

GET YOUR REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION TAX FREE!

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.

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

St. Vincent DePaul Society

Assistance Needed

The St. Vincent DePaul Society Food Pantry Team is looking for someone to clean the Parish Center twice a month. If interested, please contact Ellie Epperson at 610-960-6989.

Secretarial Position Available

St. Francis of Assisi School, in Springfield, is looking for a full-time school secretary. Computer skills are a must and previous secretarial experience is preferred. To further discuss this opportunity, please email the resume to the current principal, Jill Carroll, at JCarroll@sfaschool.com who will call and arrange for an appointment.

50th Reunion



Msgr. Bonner and Archbishop Prendergast High School Class of 1970 will gather for a 50th reunion celebration at The Drexelbrook Catering and Event Center, 4700 Drexelbrook Dr., Drexel Hill, PA, on Friday, October 22, 2021, from 6 PM to 10 PM. For additional information, email bonnerprendie1970@gmail.com or contact John Matthews at 215-260-4568 or matthewstown@comcast.net.

Three Parish Book Club

The Three Parish Book Club's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Members will discuss The World's First Love by Fulton J. Sheen and will offer 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.

June

One Ordinary Sunday by Paula Huston

Summer Reading Suggestions

Coffee with Nonna by Vincent Iezzi

The Lost Ravioli Recipes of Hoboken by Laura Schenone

A favorite book from childhood

Chester County March for Life Saturday, June 5, 2021

9:00 AM - Mass at St. Agnes Church with
Most Rev. John J. McIntyre, Aux. Bishop, Philadelphia

10:15 AM - March to Planned Parenthood for Prayer

10:30 AM - March to Historic Courthouse for Speakers

For more details and information on free parking,
Visit Chescoprolife.org/CCMarchforlife

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.

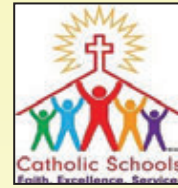
For all of us, Saint Joseph, with you as our firm example, may we remain confident in the plan of the Father for us, with lives of faith rooted in the saving death and resurrection of his Son and ever faithful to the demands of the Christian life with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

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.

Delaware County Emergency Rental Assistance

Are you behind on your rent due to COVID-19? The DELCO Emergency Rental Assistance (DELCO ERA) grant program helps renters who suffered disruption and/or loss of income due to the COVID-19 pandemic by assisting with past due rent and utilities. Residents are encouraged to apply beginning April 1, 2021, and will be considered on a first-come, first-qualified and approved basis. Funds are required to be distributed by the end of 2021. Assistance is available for financial obligations incurred after April 1, 2020. Visit delco-era.com or if you have questions, please email info@delco-era.com or call 484-729-4200.



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