

Sacred Heart Parish

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and that repentance, for
the forgiveness of sins,
would be preached

in his name

to all the nations

LUKE 24:47



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Holy Mass:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:15 am
Monday through Friday at 8:00 am

Sacrament of Penance:

Sunday: 9:30 to 9:50 am
Wednesdays:
7:30 to 7:50 am & 6:30 to 7:00 pm
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm

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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



Our parish's annual Feast Day dinner will take place on Sunday, June 9th beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Spring Mill Ball Room in Conshohocken. We have hired PTG caterers to supply our meal. They are an outstanding caterer and always serve excellent meals. The cost of the ticket is \$50.00 per person and \$20.00 for children below the age of 12. There is a cash bar. Tickets go on sale May 2nd until June 2nd. The menu is as follows:

Hors d'oeuvres – 14 different types including: Mini crab cakes - Buffalo wings
Mini tacos - Filet mignon on toast - Poppers - Cheeses - Antipasto - Bruschetta

Main course: Ravioli with 4 cheese sauce - Penne in light pink sauce
Chicken Francaise - Shrimp and Scallops - Asparagus - Roasted Potatoes
Spring Mix salad

Desserts - Coffee and tea

Music will be provided by Fasano Entertainment.

Join us for dinner, dancing and celebrating!



Anna Marie Clark

Baptized on Sunday,
April 7, 2024

Congratulations to Anna's Parents:

Colin & Christina

*May your Child's Baptism be just the
start of a life filled with blessings!*

Welcome!
NEW Parishioners

*We extend a warm welcome to
Andrew Dauby
who recently registered in our Parish!*

**Sacred Heart Pro Life
Holy Hour**



All are welcome to join us at **12:00
noon each Wednesday** to gather in prayer
to ask for God's help on issues affecting our
nation and families.



Monday Night Rosary

There will be a public recitation
of the rosary in church each
Monday at 7 p.m. If you are
interested in learning more,
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*Rev. Stephen DeLacy &
Rev. Timothy Jarracki, CSPPE*



"A nation always gets the kind of
politicians it deserves. If a time ever
comes when the religious Jews,
Protestants and Catholics ever have
to suffer under a totalitarian state,
which would deny to them the right to
worship God according to the light of
their conscience, it will be because
for years they thought it made no
difference what kind of
people represented them in
Congress, and because they
abandoned the spiritual in the
realm of the temporal."
~ Fulton J. Sheen



CATHOLIC GLOBAL NETWORK



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 13

4:00pm Josephine Murphy
(10th Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Husband, Joe, Children & Grandchildren

Sunday, April 14

8:00am John Mateja
Requested by Mike Yanchocik

10:15am For the People of Our Parish

Monday, April 15

8:00am John Mateja
Requested by Barbara Roskos

Tuesday, April 16

8:00am Felix Perretta
Requested by Carl Perretta

Wednesday, April 17

8:00am Jack Guzewicz
Requested by June Gugis

Thursday, April 18

8:00am Eleanor Bores
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Bores & Stalker Families

Friday, April 19

8:00am Joseph & Sophie Mandracchia
Requested by Bob & Theresa Wagner

Saturday, April 20

NB: No 8:00am Mass on Saturdays

4:00pm For the People of Our Parish

Sunday, April 21

8:00am Dorcas & William Barrett
Requested by Joe & Kathy Gasko

10:15am Laura & Steve Barainyak
Requested by The Family



Let Us Serve The Lord With Gladness!
The following Ministers are scheduled for our Parish Masses.

Saturday evening, April 20:

4:00pm

Lector: Walt Fromm, Jr.

Sunday morning, April 21:

8:00am

Lector: Rich McVoy

10:15am

Lector: John Keidel



Weekly Report

Due to an early bulletin deadline, financial information will appear in next weekend's bulletin.

Thank you for your support of Our Parish!



ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass is celebrated with couples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who have been married 1-5 years, 25 years and 50 years.

Saturday, May 4, 2024
5:15 pm Anticipated Mass

Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul

Archbishop Nelson Pérez
Principal Celebrant

RSVP

To RSVP, click the link above or call 215-587-0500
Accommodations can be made



This week the bread and wine for the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is in loving memory of

Mary Beth Coscia

Anniversary Remembrance

at the Request of Her Mom, Sal & Casey



Pray For Our Military Personnel

Please Pray For All Who Protect Our Country, especially...

John F. K. Benedict (Major, USAF ANG), son of Christine & Vince Benedict; **Anthony C. Brandt** (CW3 Warrant Officer, U.S. Army Reserves), son of Eileen Brandt; **Zachary T. Brandt** (Sergeant U.S. Army), grandson of Eileen Brandt; **Matthew J. Capaldo** (Commander, U.S. Navy) son of John & Connie Capaldo; **Michael DeStefano, Jr.** (Sergeant U.S. Army) grandson of Jack & Sue DeStefano; **Michael Gutkowski** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy), grandson of Pat Gutkowski; **Samuel Hoey** (LCpl, U.S.M.C.), grandson of Leona Cottone; **Noel Irizarry** (Specialist, U.S. Army), son of Patricia Epright; **Shane Jones** (Sergeant U.S. Marines), grandson of Fran Toth; **Matthew McNulty** (Chief Warrant Officer 4 U.S.M.C.), son of Irene McNulty; **Rick McVoy** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy) son of Rich McVoy; **Greg Philips** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy); **Jessica Prostack** (CW2 Warrant Officer, U.S. Army), daughter of Richard Prostack; **Jeffrey Seamans** (Captain, U.S. Army), son-in-law of Dolores Burton; **Stephanie Zugay** (National Guard), granddaughter of Greg & Grace Zugay.

Poor Box Offering for March

We collected \$692.00 in our poor box during March. The money has been sent to the Sisters for Life. **Sisters of Life** are a Catholic religious community of women consecrated for the protection of human life. They serve women who are pregnant, offer retreats and many other services right here in Philadelphia. Thank you very much for your generosity!



Sunday Funday - April 28

3:00PM - 5:00PM

CRAZY BINGO

If you are planning on attending Crazy Bingo, please text or email Lisa Pagnotti.

Lisa Pagnotti 610-639-7704 (Text)

Email:

suburbantravel@yahoo.com

We will also have sign-up sheets in the back of church. Since we are not selling tickets, we need an approximate head count for supplies.

Looking forward to seeing you at our first CRAZY BINGO!



Chester Kowalski	Denise Kavanagh
Elaine Fertal	Tom Kavanagh
Barbara Pruskowski	Michael Martin
George Minnis	Theresa Seiders
Al Cowling	Betty Lilick
John Puzio	Margaret Halas
Helene(Puzio) Dulaney	Ronald Halas
Mary(Puzio) Stephenson	Marge Leszczynski
Monica Pocelujko	Dolores Burton
Mary Boyle	Fran & Rob Worrall
Rosemary Giovinco	Rose Coscia
Fran Toth	Marion Raup
Jane Puzio Sharma	Joseph Saboe
Joan Birely	Irene Elliott
Evelyn Horning	Stanley Leszczynski
Martha Smoczylo	Ayden Boone
Kelly Benedict	Butch Rodenbaugh
Patricia Gaffney	Nicholas Janicki
Andrew Andreyko	Catherine Bankowski
Angela Desmond	Michael Myers
Fred Zugay	Melissa(Myers) Sillah
Mike Piskai	George Estock
Eileen Brandt	Helen Bednar
	Barbara A. Burkert
	John Smoczylo
	Laurie Ronan



(K)NIGHT at the RACES 2024



4.20.24 | Start at 6:00pm

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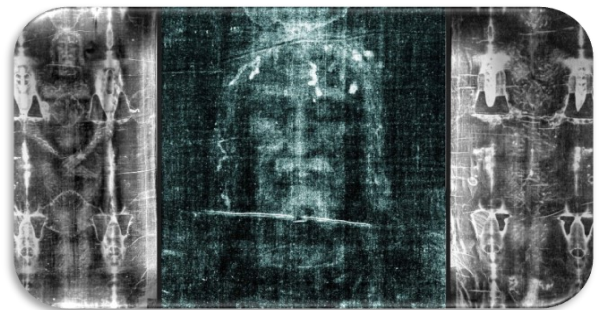


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Check back for additional dates:
Spanish Retreat: April 12-14, 2024.
English Retreat: April 26-28, 2024.
Please email Becky at
healing@undefeatedcourage.org
with any additional questions.
God Bless You!

The Shroud of Turin



Believed to be the burial cloth of Jesus, the Shroud of Turin is the most scientifically-studied object in history.

Come learn about the scientific evidence supporting its authenticity and the truths of our Faith that it reveals.

Wednesday, April 17th from 6:45 - 8:45 p.m.
in the coffee hour room
(enter hall from Ford Street lot)
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
502 Ford St., Bridgeport, PA

Parking available in the Ford Street lot, adjacent to the rectory & hall.
(No Commitment – Meetings are Monthly – Come When You Can!)

The Society of Patricians is sponsored by the Legion of Mary.

More info: r.edel.lukens@gmail.com

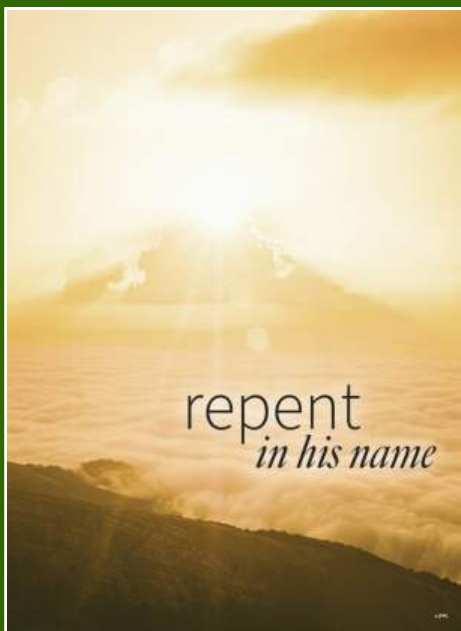
or 610-256-7125

The society of the Patricians is an informal group of adult Catholics who meet monthly under the direction of Fr. Sam Keyes to learn more about the Catholic Faith so that they can better share it with others.

Please come, and bring a friend!
Refreshments will be served and free literature will be available.

April 14, 2024 - Third Sunday of Easter

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



Our spiritual lives could well be described as the placing of “mind over matter.” The matter is our activity, such as the plans we make, or the career we pursue. But over and above all that is our purpose. What, in short, is our goal?

An earthbound example of action and goal would be that of the two teams in a “Super Bowl” such as we watched two months ago in the company of millions. Every play that each team made was aimed at the goal of being world champions of football.

We too should be involved in the pursuit of a goal. If not, we are in danger of having no reason to get up in the morning, and that would be tragic in itself. Our goal as Catholics is our eternal salvation. That places us squarely in a competition not of our own making. That between good and evil. Both sides want us and pull at us for their triumph over our souls. This struggle is “super” in the sense that it is “above” all else in the human project.

The resurrection of Christ our Savior clearly presents us with the goal of sharing in His victory over sin and death. In His struggle with all that afflicts us in human life we find mirrored our own. But since we live in Christ and He lives in us, we have our own victory guaranteed unless we cave in to sin. Unless we change our purpose to some earthbound goal that has nothing to do with God and everything to do with our decision about what is worthwhile.

Christ’s love of us is so inviting. So powerful an antidote to that “upside down” kind of thinking that our life is all about us instead of all about God and our relationship with Him. Prayer and the sacraments, especially that of the Holy Eucharist, help us to maintain “right side up” thinking. And deep peace.

There is a story from the Middle Ages about a young woman who was expelled from heaven. As she left, she was told that if she would bring back the gift that is most valued by God, she would be welcomed back. She brought back drops of blood from a dying patriot. She brought back some coins that a destitute widow had given to the poor. She brought back a remnant of a Bible that had been used for years by an eminent preacher. She brought back many similar things but was turned back repeatedly.

One day she saw a small boy playing by a fountain. A man rode up on horseback and dismounted to take a drink. The man saw the child and suddenly remembered his boyhood innocence. Then, looking in the fountain and seeing the reflection of his hardened face, he realized what he had done with his life. And tears of repentance welled up in his eyes and began to trickle down his cheeks. The young woman took one of those tears back to heaven and was received with joy and love.

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

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