Church of the Holy Family

Parish Rectory

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Pastor

Rev. Monsignor Patrick E. Sweeney
Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Francis X. McKee
Sunday Visitor
Rev. John P. Collins
Pastoral Service Director
and
Permanent Deacon
Mr. James Browne

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Ages: Infant (6 weeks) through PreK-4
Hours: 6:00am to 6:00pm,
year round care
Director: Cyndi Manley
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Welcome

We welcome all who join us for worship and we invite you to become part of our parish family. You may register as a parishioner in the rectory on any Sunday morning after the 8:00am or 11:00am Masses or any time in the rectory.



CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday Evening Mass 4:00pm Sunday Masses: 8:00 and 11:00am Weekday Mass: 8:00am Holy Day Vigil Mass: 7:00pm Holy Day Mass: 8:00am

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass. Please contact the rectory for details about the Pre-Jordan program which is held on the first Sunday of the month at 12:00pm in the rectory.

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45pm After Stations on Wednesday evenings during Lent and any time upon request.

MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements with one of the priests at Holy Family at least 6 months prior to the wedding. Call the rectory at 215-482-0450 for an appointment.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

We visit the homes of those unable to attend Mass due to sickness or age on the first Monday of each month from 11:00am to 12:30pm and every Sunday after the 8:00am Mass.

Holy Hour: second Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass **Miraculous Medal Novena:** every Friday after 8:00am Mass

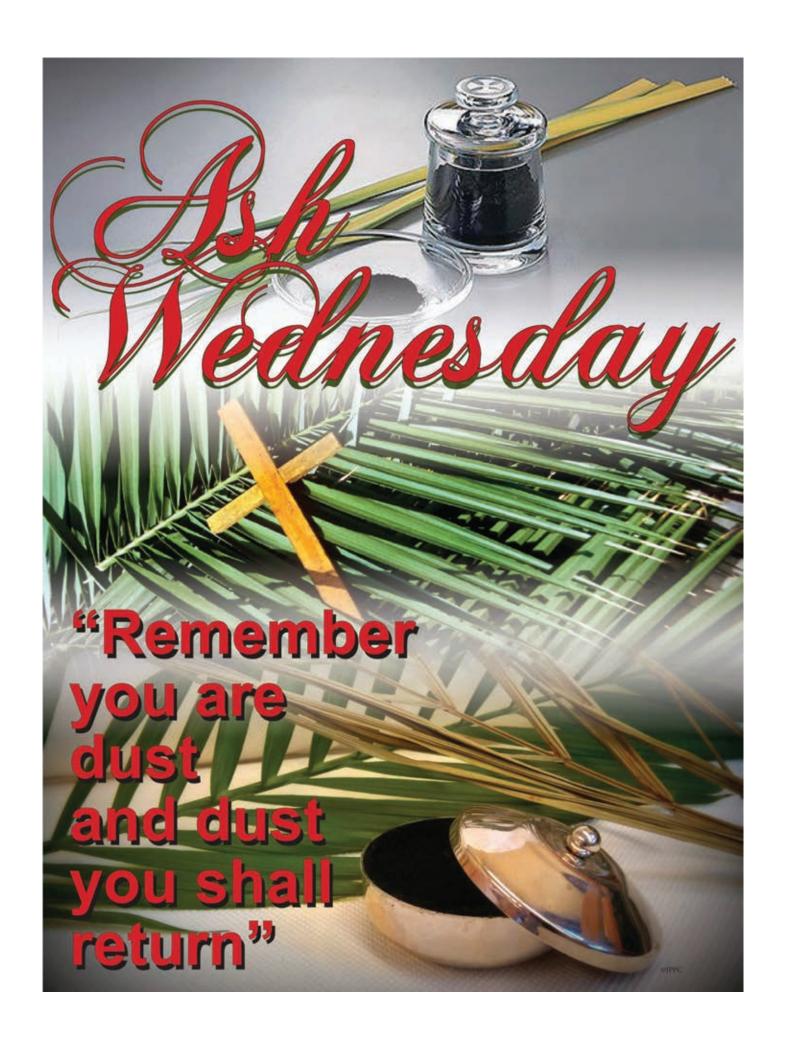
Alter Servers: serve at Mass
Cantors: lead singing at Mass
Choir: sings at Mass & Liturgical Services
Extraordinary Ministers: bring Holy Communion to the sick
Guitar Group: sings at the 11:00am Mass once a month
Lectors: read at Mass each Sunday

RCIA: prepares and instructs converts to enter the church and for Catholics not yet Confirmed; Wednesday at 7:00pm PREP: teaches students' not attending Catholic school; Sundays from 9:30 to 10:45am

Pre-Cana Team: workshop for engaged couples
Ajax Committee: cleans sanctuary and church twice each month
ALPHA: discuss religious matters in a relaxed setting
Finance Committee: meets six times per year to advise the Pastor
Liturgy Committee: plan religious services
Parish Pastoral Council: meets several times per year to
confer on Pastoral planning

Women's Club: meets six times per year and sponsors social activities Seniors: meets twice each month in the convent

* Please note: if you are interested in participating any of these activities, please contact the rectory at 215-482-0450



FEBRUARY 23, 2020

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd - 4:00 PM

James Gerard, requested by Joan Gallagher

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd

8:00am

Nicholas Augustine and John Labrusciano, requested by Al and Rose Augustine

11:00am

Our Parishioners

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24th - 8:00am

William O'Harra

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25th - 8:00am

Richard Levering, requested by Joe and Mryl O'Connor

ASH WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th

Mass at 8:00am and 7:00pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27th - 8:00am

James Axten, requested by Tom and Jeannie Cassidy

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28th - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29th - 4:00 PM

Lou Mueller, requested by his family

SUNDAY, MARCH 1st

8:00am

Theresa Murray, requested by Prechtel Family

11:00am

Our Parishioners

*CHURCH PARKING LOT***

If you find that the church parking lot is filled there is additional parking down at the Day Care Center

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

February 15 th /16 th (102) Aging and Infirmed Priests (57)	\$ 3,147.00 \$ 1,352.00 \$ 205.00
Catholic Charities (1) Total	\$ 205.00 \$ 4,704.00

The second collection this week will be the Archdiocese Military Collection.



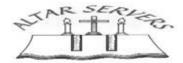
In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Anna Marie Barry, Theresa Barthold, Robert Brecht, Jr., Linda Brown, Christopher Browne, Ed Cameron, Christina Dougherty Gailey, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Jackie Jordan, Anne Marie Kearns, Lisa Long, Erin McFarlane, Kristin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Helen Nagle, Jim Parrella, Ronald Rigler, John David Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Ed Speece, Frances Sprenkle, Eileen and Joe Szewczak, Fran Thomas and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr..



Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, A1C Matt Dandrea, Nicholas DiCicco, PFC Michael D'Intino, PFC Chase Dixon, PFC Tyler Manigly, Sr. Master Sergeant Jason Otto, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett



SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 22nd – 4:00pm

Charlotte Welsh - Kylie Graff

SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 23rd

8:00am

Michael Torna

11:00am

Francis Arturo – Joseph Arturo

ORGANIST

4:00pm - Joseph O'Brien

8:00 – 11:00am Isaac Young



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd

8:00am - 11:00am

Julia Bokunewicz



SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 22nd - 4:00pm

Marie Jennings – Kathy Duffy

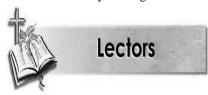
SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 23rd

8:00am

Louise Mancuso

11:00am

Kathy Saring



SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 22nd - 4:00pm

Sister Mary Jo Larkin

SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 23rd - 8:00am

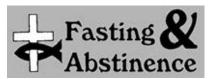
Earl Long

11:00am

Mary Reed



The distribution day is the Fourth Sunday of the month. The Distribution day for February is today (Sunday) after the 11:00 am Mass. Food can be picked up at the convent. Our Food Cupboard needs to be stocked. Some suggestions for donations: boxes of cereal, pancake mix/syrup, cake mixes/frostings, crackers, jellies/jam, peanut butter, cookies, tune fish or canned meats, rice, noodles, cans of juice or juice packs, tea bags, salt/pepper. NO BABY FOOD IS NEEDED. We hope this action will help someone in need.



The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligations, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all Fridays of Lent including Good Friday. Further, all those eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light. These obligations are binding for meatless Friday and Ash Wednesday.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist, to celebrate frequently in the Sacrament of Penance, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.



Deacon Jim Browne will facilitate a 5 week Bible Study on the Catholic Epistles, (James, Jude, and John 1,2,3) on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm in the Rectory, beginning on March 3rd and ending on March 31st. Please consider attending one or more of these sessions during lent.



The constant flood of influence that comes through the internet and social media in all of its various forms, along with social pressures from peers make it difficult for children to live virtuous and holy lives. In the digital age, it's not a matter of if your child will see something inappropriate online. It's only a matter of when. And regrettably, internet poronography is teaching our children how and what to think about sex and marriage.

Once again, this awareness weekend is meant to draw our attention as a parish community to the seriousness of the issues of pornography and to recommit ourselves to take steps to ensure our homes are safe havens for all. I encourage you to begin learning now by texting **SECURE to 66866** to receive seven days of free emailed digital tips.



The Coffee Club will resume this Sunday.

DOOLAN'S - SPRING LAKE, N.J.

On May 21st St. John the Baptist Senior Citizens Club is running a trip to Doolan's – Spring Lake, N.J. to see the Memorial Day Armed Services Salute. Bus departs at 9:00am at Pensdale and Mitchell Street. The cost is \$85.00 and includes show and a sit down lunch. Returning at 6:00pm.

Reservations must be made by March 25th. For more information contact Nancy Domino at 215-427-2754.



MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH ACADEMY

The Mount, a catholic preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls.

The Pre-HSPT (high school placement test) is a seventh grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. It is scored with seventh grade norms. The purpose of the test is for students to become acquainted with the test format and to gain insight into strengths and weaknesses,

The 7th Grade Practice Test (Pre-HSPT) to be given on Saturday, March 21, 2020 - 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Registration for the Pre-HSPT is only online. There is a \$45 non-refundable test registration fee payable online. You will receive registration and payment confirmation via email. **Register at:** www.msjacad.org/practicetest

Time to Wine, Dine, and Shine: Lenten Young Adult Leadership Retreat

All Young Adult leaders are invited to join us for a half-day retreat filled with good food, drinks, conversations, and presentations geared toward your ministries as young adult leaders. This particular retreat will focus on our spiritual gifts and how we can fully use them to glorify our Lord through our work and in our daily lives.

RETREAT DETAILS

Date: Registration/Sign In:

Saturday, March 7, 2020 11:30 a.m.

Retreat Time: 12:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. (including 12:05

p.m. mass)

Fee: \$20 (includes alcoholic beverages, meal, and retreat materials)

materials)

Location: Upper and Lower Shrine, Miraculous Medal

Shrine

Address: 500 E. Chelten Ave., Philadelphia, PA, 19144

For more information or to register, please visit https://cammonline.org/prayer-ministry/youngadult/ or contact Carolina Soares at csoares@cammonline.org.



The Lenten Season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th with Mass at 8:00am and 7:00pm. Ashes will be distributed after both Masses.

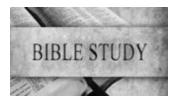
DEVOTIONS DURING LENT



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Will be held beginning on Wednesday, March 4th at 7:00pm and every Wednesday thereafter during Lent followed by Benediction.



<u>CONFESSIONS:</u> Will be heard on Wednesday Evenings after Stations. Confessions will also be heard on <u>Sunday mornings at 10:30 am</u> (prior to the 11:00am Mass) starting on March 1. Forgiven Series (Sessions on the Sacrament of Reconciliation) following Stations of the Cross on - March 11, 18, & 25.



<u>BIBLE STUDY ON CATHOLI EPISTLES:</u> On Tuesday evenings in the Rectory at 7 PM-March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31.

LOOKING FOR PEACE?

Looking for peace? There is a lot of turmoil in the world...and sometimes even in our families and in our own hearts. Come and learn about the single most effective way to bring God's peace into your life: the Sacrament of Reconciliation. No matter how long it's been since you've been to confession, come and ask your questions, learn how this sacrament of healing sets you free, and discover how it can bring profound peace to your life, your relationships and even to the world. Join us at Holy Family Church at 7 PM for Stations of the Cross followed by the **Forgiven Series**: March 11-**Where Are You**? March 18-**An Encounter with Mercy**; and, March 25-**The Rite Explained**.



CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. Through CRS Rice Bowl, faith communities in every diocese throughout the United States put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lenten alms donated through CRS Rice Bowl support the work of CRS in roughly 45 different countries each year. 25% of all donations to CRS Rice Bowl stay in the local diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Since its inception in 1975, CRS Rice Bowl has raised nearly \$300 million. Rice Bowls will be distributed and available in the back of the Church starting on Ash Wednesday. Please take one home and bring it back to Church no later than Holy Thursday, April 9.

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