Church of the Holy Family

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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

JANUARY 12, 2020

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS





BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

| for the week |
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| Intentions |
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| SATURDAY, JANUARY 11th - 4:00 PM |

McNabb and Capella Families, requested by their family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12th - 29th

8:00am

Bill and Rita D'Ettore, requested by Mitch and Irene Yanak

11:00am

Our Parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 13th - 8:00am

David Thummel, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14th - 8:00am

Mary Rinaldi, requested by Louis Feliccitti

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15th - 8:00am

Adaline O'Harra

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16th - 8:00am

Esther Fredrick, requested by the Fredrick Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY17th - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18th - 4:00 PM

Catherine Mullen, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19th - 29th

8:00am

John Mancuso, Sr., requested by John and Louise Mancuso

11:00am

Our Parishioners

| December 14 th /15 th (105) | \$ | 3,355.00 |
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| Christmas (4) | \$ | 475.00 |
| Second Collection | \$ | 316.00 |
| Christmas Flowers (14) | \$ | 232.00 |
| Religious Retirement (3) | \$ | 50.00 |
| Immaculate Conception (4) | \$ | 40.00 |
| Total | \$ | 4,468.00 |
| December 21st/22nd (126) | ¢ | 2 600 42 |
| December 21 st /22 nd (126) | \$ | 3,609.43 |
| Christmas (9) | \$ | 430.00 |
| Second Collection | \$ | |
| Christmas Flowers (15) | \$ | 310.00 |
| Immaculate Conception (4) | \$ | 38.00 |
| Religious Retirement (2) | \$ | 20.00 |
| Total | \$ | 4,767.63 |
| December 24 th /25 th (117) | \$ | 9,971.00 |
| Sunday (26) | \$ | |
| Block Collection (6) | \$ | 355.00 |
| Christmas Flowers (17) | \$ | 314.00 |
| Immaculate Conception (2) | \$ | 20.00 |
| Total | • | 11,705.00 |
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| Solemnity of Mary (75) | \$ | 1,188.00 |
| Sunday (8) | \$ | 229.00 |
| Christmas (1) | \$ | 100.00 |
| Religious Retirement (1) | \$ | 20.00 |
| Catholic Relief (1) | \$ | 5.00 |
| Christmas Flowers (1) | \$ | 2.00 |
| Total | \$ | 1,544.00 |
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| January 4 th /5 th (108) | \$ | 2,878.00 |
| Second Collection | \$ | 312.00 |
| New Year's (16) | \$ | 192.00 |
| Christmas (3) | \$ | 150.00 |
| Immaculate Conception (1) | \$ | 10.00 |
| Total | \$ | 3,542.00 |



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, Megan McHugh, Helen Nagle, 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.

CHURCH PARKING LOT

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



SATURDAY – JANUARY 11th – 4:00pm

Frances Arturo - Joseph Arturo

SUNDAY – JANUARY 12th

8:00am

Michael Torna – Kylie Graff

11:00am

Makayla Serbin – Makenzie Serbin

ORGANIST

4:00pm - Joseph O'Brien

8:00 - 11:00am Isaac Young



SATURDAY, JANUARY 11th - 4:00pm

Grace Torna

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12th

8:00am - 11:00am

Julia Bokunewicz



SATURDAY – JANUARY 11th - 4:00pm

Marie Jennings – Kathy Duffy

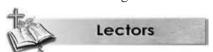
SUNDAY – JANUARY 12th

8:00am

Jamie Torna

11:00am

Thomas Siegharter



SATURDAY - JANUARY 11th - 4:00pm

Kathy Duffy

SUNDAY - JANUARY 12th

8:00am

Earl Long

11:00am

Mary Reed



The distribution day is the Fourth Sunday of the month. The Distribution day for January is January 26th 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.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our Eucharistic Adoration will be on the second Sunday of every month after the 11:00 A.M. Mass until 1:00 P.M. We are praying for a holier church despite the scandal. Please make every effort to attend this parish celebration.

SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR ADDICTION: HOPE IN CHRIST

You are not alone! The Church desires to be close to her children who are struggling with addiction and to bring them the healing power of Jesus Christ's love. Many parishes around the Archdiocese are extending God's merciful and loving hand to those who are struggling with an addiction as well as their families and loved ones. The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction webpage provides a central location for Catholic resources, ongoing support, testimonies and event that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to spiritually support you in your journey towards recovery. Visit archphila.org/hope for details and new postings



As the Church undergoes this period of profound crisis, many of us feel helpless as we watch a drama unfold that we can do nothing about. But the truth is that we are not powerless. The history of the Church tells us that lay people have a role to play in the Church's times of turmoil. Join us for an evening of reflection on the mission of the laity in times of ecclesial crisis and learn what you can do to cooperate with Christ's action to purify and heal His Church. Speaker: Meghan Cokeley, Director, Office for the New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia. No charge to attend. More details and RSVP at phillyevang.org/events.

DATES AND TIMES

Monday, January 27th at 7:00pm – SS. Peter and Paul, West Chester

Tuesday, March 10th at 9:30am – St. Maria Goretti, Hatfield

Monday, March 16th at 7:00pm – St. Francis of Assisi, Springfield

(These are the final 3 dates for this presentation.)

HOW YOU SPEND YOUR TIME CAN MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

One Night Parish Mission Our Mother of Consolation Church Monday, January 13, 2020

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The Baptism of the Lord

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Last November my Alma Mater, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Overbrook PA issued its glossy journal simply called "The Brook." It featured several profiles of the new priests ordained from there the previous spring. Reading through them offered proof positive that each young man had a pivotal moment when a person or event in his life ultimately led to his decision to be a priest. I believe that most of us have experienced such moments in our own lives whatever our calling is.

It is fair to say that Jesus had one of these at His baptism in the Jordan that fateful day. It was pivotal for Him. We cannot know just how His divine nature intermingled with His human nature. But if Jesus truly was "like us in all things but sin" then He could not have known His future any more than we do. So it took a great amount of trust for Him to approach the Baptist and ask for baptism. What would happen to Him? What would follow?

We could say that for John the Baptist to accede to Jesus' request also took a certain trust, because he intuitively knew that Jesus did not need any baptism meant to wash away sin. In Him there is no sin. So Jesus had to convince John that the ritual was necessary in order to fulfill what He called "righteousness." We could take that word to mean "the proper order of things."

The occasion also offered up a "theophany," or manifestation of the Divine. So Jesus heard the heavenly "Voice" of His Father and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove over Him. Pivotal event indeed! So we rightly celebrate this happening not only as a milestone in Our Lord's life and the launch of His unique mission as an adult, but also as the "closing of the curtain" on yet another Christmas season in our lives, where we focused on Jesus as a Babe in a manger. This then becomes an opportune time for us to ponder the great gift our parents gave us in our own baptism. No matter how far we have journeyed in faith from that long ago day, or how we just began to travel from the 2019 Easter Vigil, this was the true sacramental beginning of that journey.

Our parents believed this to be true, and they fulfilled their duty in passing on the treasure of the faith to us. How well we have lived it, however, is a fit subject for review. As much as they loved us, neither our parents nor anybody else will be with us when our face to Face appointment with our just Judge comes due. By then we will have built our profile. That is why we should not only celebrate our own baptism by which we became part of Christ, but also today renew those promises our godparents once made for us.

I was deeply impressed by the decision of my close bishop friend who chose to add the date of his baptism on the reverse side of his ordination commemorative card. You don't often see that, but it was a bit of evangelization done right at the start of his new high calling. Certainly a pivotal moment for him.

Jim Eliot, a dedicated missionary in Ecuador who was killed by the Auca Indians in 1956, said of his baptismal calling: "Father, make of me a crisis man. Bring those I contact to a decision. Let me not be a milepost on a single road; make me a fork, that men must turn one way or another on facing Christ in me." I might add that would be a pivotal moment.

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