

Church of the Holy Family

Parish Rectory

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Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Francis X. McKee

Sunday Visitor

Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director

and

Permanent Deacon

Mr. James Browne

Day Care & Summer Camp

Ages: Infant (6 weeks) through PreK-4

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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



Lent

Third Sunday of Lent

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MARCH 24, 2019



THIRD
SUNDAY
OF LENT

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 23rd

4:00pm

Sissy Adams, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

SUNDAY, MARCH 24th

8:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Joseph Smith, requested by Joe and Mary Ellen Aylmer

MONDAY, MARCH 25th - 8:00am

Celeste McAdams, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

TUESDAY, MARCH 26th - 8:00am

Robert Brecht, Sr., requested by Mary Ellen Brecht

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27th - 8:00am

Frank Chase, requested by John and Pat Naab

THURSDAY, MARCH 28st - 8:00am

Esther Frederick, requested by her family

FRIDAY, MARCH 29th - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, MARCH 30th

4:00pm

Ross Patterson, requested by his family

SUNDAY, MARCH 31st

8:00am

Maria Labrusciano, requested by Al and Rose Augustine

11:00am

Our Parishioners

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

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| March 16 th /17 th (118) | \$ 3,447.00 |
| 2 nd Collection | \$ 294.00 |
| Church in Latin America (2) | \$ 38.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 3,779.00 |

PRAYER *Requests*

In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish especially, Anna Marie Barry, Robert Brecht, Jr., Christopher Browne, Christina Dougherty Gailey, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Gayle Flannery, Mike Gallagher, Anne Marie Kearns, Richard Levering, Lisa Long, Erin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Helen Nagle, Ronald Rigler, Ava Snick, Frances Sprinkle, Eileen and Joe Szewczak and Fran Thomas.



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



LCPL. Shane Canavan, AB Matt Dandre, Nicholas DiCicco, PFC Michael D'Intino, Sr. Master Sergeant Jason Otto, Captain Kiersten Schwatka, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



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.



Coffee and Donuts will be served in the rectory today, Sunday, from 9am - 10:30am.



Schedule

SATURDAY, MARCH 23rd - 4:00pm

Gianna Turino - Charlotte Welsh

SUNDAY, MARCH 24th - 8:00am

Michael Torna

11:00am

Grace Welsh – Jocelyn Welsh

ORGANIST

4:00pm - Joseph O'Brien

8:00 – 11:00am Isaac Young



SATURDAY, MARCH 23rd - 4:00pm

Grace Torna

SUNDAY, MARCH 24th - 8:00am

Julia Bokunewicz

11:00am

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SATURDAY, MARCH 23rd - 4:00pm

Mary Alice Missimer – Maryann Raudenbush

SUNDAY, MARCH 24th - 8:00am

Judy Eirich

11:00am

Paul Torna



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Judy Eirich

SUNDAY, MARCH 24th - 8:00am

Mitch Yanak

11:00am

Maddison Stone



The distribution day is the Fourth Sunday of the month. The Distribution day for March is today, **(Sunday) March 23rd after the 11:00 am Mass. Food can be picked up at the convent. Some suggestions for donations:** boxes of cereal, pancake mix/syrup, cake mixes/frostings, crackers, jellies/jams, or peanut butter, cookies, tuna 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.



Holy Week Quiet Retreat

Monday, April 15 to Easter Sunday

Directed by Fr. James McGuinn, Rector. A silent retreat during Holy Week for Men and Women. **The theme is: Divine Transformation: Becoming the Person You Really Want to Be!**

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 7am-12pm; afternoon reflection is optional. Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday: special talks throughout the day.

Easter Sunday morning –no cost. 7:30 am morning prayer, 8:00 am continental breakfast, 10:00 Mass. More details are available online at

www.malvernretreat.com/events/holy-week-quiet-retreat.

Register by calling Joanne Bouvier at 484-321-2535 or jbouvier@malvernretreat.com. One may choose the entire week or other options. The choice is yours!

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers

June 7-9 at Malvern Retreat House.

A retreat for men and women the theme is: "Encountering the Joy of the Lord." As an internationally recognized speaker and retreat master, Deacon Harold will be inspiring all through this retreat filled with uplifting music, adoration, the Sacraments and quiet time. Register early at www.malvernretreat.com

Flourish

June 7-9 at Malvern Retreat House Family Life Center.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: every Wednesday during Lent followed by Benediction at 7:00pm.



CONFESSIONS: Will be heard before and after Stations.



*** In the back of the church there is a booklet on the Daily Reflections of Lent. Please feel free to take one.



CRS Rice Bowl began on Ash Wednesday. The Rice Bowl impacts the lives of the hungry right in our own Archdiocese at area food cupboards and soup kitchens supported by Nutritional Development Services.

Rice Bowls have been placed on the tables in the back of the church. Please pick one up as you are leaving Mass.



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.



The Parishes of Manayunk and East Falls will present the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples on **SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019** in Holy Family Parish Hall, 234 Hermitage Street. The day begins with registration at 8:00 AM and concludes with attendance at the 4:00 PM Vigil Mass. Continental breakfast and lunch are provided. Certificates are distributed after Mass. Cost is \$100.00 per couple. To register, please call Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 9 AM and 2 PM.



The following Holy Family parishioners received academic excellence at Bishop McDevitt High School:

FIRST HONORS

Samantha Dever

Grace Welsh



For the third year, the parishes of The Church of the Holy Family and Saint John the Baptist Confirmation candidates will come together to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation will take place on **Saturday, October 12, 2019 at Saint John the Baptist Church at 10:00 AM Mass.**

There is a **MANDATORY** meeting for the parents of the Confirmation candidates on **Thursday evening, March 21, 2019, 7:00 PM, at the Saint John the Baptist Rectory Chapel.** All pertinent details, forms and class information will be discussed at this meeting. At least one parent is expected to attend. Confirmation candidates should not attend this meeting.

If you have a child or know of a child in the 7th or 8th grade who does not attend the Holy Family PREP program and who might be eligible to make their Confirmation this fall, please forward or share this message with their parents.

The St. John the Baptist Rectory is in the 100 block of Rector St. midway up the block, across from the church and school.

PARKING - there are limited spaces in the lot behind the Rectory with entrance on Roxborough Ave [from Silverwood St., turn left on Roxborough Ave - lot entrance is on the right in middle of the block.

We look forward to seeing you there and will answer any questions you may have at this meeting.

Thank you,
Cathy Kelley
Coordinator, Holy Family PREP
Email: holyfamilyprep@verizon.net

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

SPRING OPEN HOUSE

We will be hold a Spring Open House **intended for 6th and 7th grade students and their families on Sunday, March 31st from 11:00AM – 1:00PM.**

Registration is available online at:
RomanCatholicHS.com

For additional Information/questions call 215-627-1270 ext. 146/159 or e-mail admissions@romancatholic.com

ROMAUCUTION 2019

Roman Catholic High School proudly announces its 2019 and major fundraising event, the Romacution which will be held on Saturday, April 13th at Roman Catholic High School. There will be a lavish buffet, raffle items, games of chance as well as a silent and live auction items. For more information about tickets, sponsorships and advertisements, please visit our website at Romacution@romancatholic.com or call 215-627-1270 ext. 221.

7th GRADE PRACTICE TEST

Roman Catholic High School will hold a 7th Grade Practice Test on Saturday, April 6th from 9:00AM to NOON. This is an opportunity for 7th graders to prepare for the Scholarship Entrance Test required in the Fall of 2019. Online registration is available at RomanCatholicHS.com. For additional Information/questions call 215-627-1270 ext. 146/159 or e-mail admissions@romancatholic.com

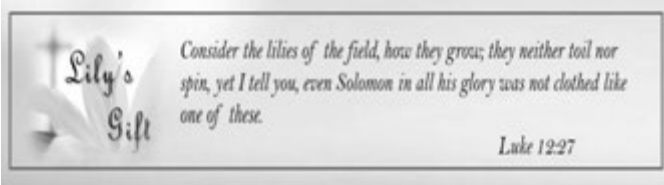
JOHN W. HALLAHAN

John W. Hallahan High School Alumnae Association is sponsoring their annual **50 Years and Beyond** luncheon on Wednesday, May 1st at Connstatter Volffest-Verein, 9130 Academy Road, Philadelphia to graduates of Hallahan for 50+ years. Cost is \$35.00 per person - \$25.00 for religious. Please contact Marge West Kiefski '66 at 215-013-4482 or at mmkiefski@aol

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
SPRING CONCERT**

SCYTHIAN and McLEAN AVENUE BAND

Come enjoy lively Irish music at the Little Sisters of the Poor's Spring Concert on Saturday, March 30th at Villanova University's Jake Nevin Fieldhouse, benefiting the elderly poor of Holy Family Home. This enjoyable event features the popular, energetic Irish band Scythian, with the dynamic McLean Avenue Band as the opening act. Tickets are \$50 (\$20 for students and \$10 for children 12 and under), includes admission, food, and drinks (valid ID required). For reservations send your name, address, phone number and check to Sr. Veronica, Holy Family Home –Dept. PB, 5300 Chester Ave., Phila., PA 19143. For more information or credit card payment, visit our website at www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org.



LILY'S GIFT

If a Prenatal Diagnosis is poor, you are not alone. Lily's Gift, is a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. The collaboration of the Office for Persons with Disabilities, Catholic Social Services and Office of Life and Family provide a peer support team to assist couples during this critical time. Email LilysGiftLuke12.27@gmail.com for support or call 215-587-3530. For more information about a Catholic response to PPD visit www.LilysGift.org or www.BeNotAfraid.net

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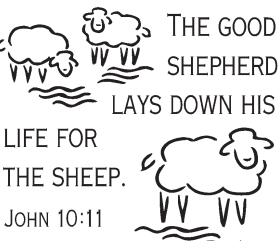
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 THE GOOD SHEPHERD
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