

Church of the Holy Family

Parish Rectory

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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

Day Care & Summer Camp

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

A wooden cross stands in a field, with a purple cloth draped over its horizontal beam. The background shows a landscape with trees and a distant town under a clear sky.

Lent

Second Sunday of Lent

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MARCH 8, 2020



SATURDAY, MARCH 7th - 4:00pm

JAMES GERARD, requested by Joyce and Vern Kaiser

SUNDAY, MARCH 8th

8:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Alexander Montanez, requested by Marie Mueller

MONDAY, MARCH 9th - 8:00am

Richard Levering, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

TUESDAY, MARCH 10th - 8:00am

Maria Labrusciano and Carmella Augustine, requested by Al and Rose Augustine

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11th - 8:00am

Margaret O’Harra

THURSDAY, MARCH 12th - 8:00am

Francis Koenig, requested by Koenig Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 13th - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, MARCH 14th - 4:00pm

Annie Swalla, requested by her family

SUNDAY, MARCH 15th

8:00am

Anna Mancuso, requested by John and Louise Mancuso

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 29 th /March 1 st (102)	\$ 2,915.00
Archdiocese Military Collection (63)	\$ 919.35
<u>Church in Latin America (1)</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u>

Total \$ 3,854.35

The second collection next weekend will be for the Church in Latin America.



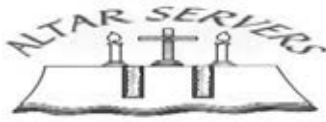
In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Anna Marie Barry, Theresa Barthold, Robert Brecht, Jr., Linda Brown, Christopher Browne, Ed Cameron, Christina Dougherty Gailey, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Jackie Jordan, Anne Marie Kearns, Lisa Long, Erin McFarlane, Kristin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Helen Nagle, Jim Parrella, Ronald Rigler, John David Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Ed Speece, Frances Sprengle, 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 – MARCH 7th – 4:00pm

Grace Welsh - Jocelyn Welsh

SUNDAY - MARCH 8th

8:00am

Frances Arturo - Joseph Arturo

11:00am

Michael Torna - Kylie Graff

ORGANIST

4:00pm - Joseph O'Brien

8:00 – 11:00am Isaac Young



SUNDAY, MARCH 7th

8:00am - 11:00am

Julia Bokunewicz



SATURDAY – MARCH 7th - 4:00pm

Mary Alice Missimer – Marianne Raudenbush

SUNDAY – MARCH 8th

8:00am

Jamie Torna

11:00am

Thomas Siegharter



Lectors

SATURDAY – MARCH 7th - 4:00pm

Walt Wood

SUNDAY – MARCH 8th - 8:00am

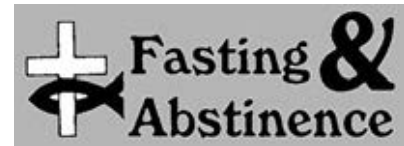
Earl Long

11:00am

Mary Reed



The distribution day is the Fourth Sunday of the month. The Distribution day for March is Sunday, March 22nd 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) 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 ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN CELEBRATION
HONORING THE GIFTS OF PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES, THE DEAF COMMUNITY,
FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND CAREGIVERS**

**CELEBRATION OF THE
EUCHARIST and RECEPTION**

**Saturday, March 21, 2020 10:30 A.M. Cathedral
Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul
18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway
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**Principal Celebrant and Homilist Archbishop Nelson
Pérez**

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**PLEASE RSVP BY MARCH 12, 2020
Online at www.opdarchphilly.org,**

Email: opd@archphila.org or call: 215-587-3530 with
number of attendees and accommodations needed.
Please arrive by 10:00 AM. No tickets or further
mailings will be sent.

Accessible parking on the premises.

Address Info for Paratransit: 222 N. 17th Street /
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Time for Arrival: 10 AM /**Departure after Reception:**
12:30 PM

**Due to obvious concerns of the Coronavirus we will
err on the side of caution and not extend our hands
for the sign of Peace.**

**Eucharistic Ministers will be purifying their hands
before and after distributing Holy Communion.**



The Parishes of Manayunk and East Falls will present
the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged
couples on **SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2020** in Holy
Family Parish Hall, 234 Hermitage Street. The day
begins with registration at 8:30 a.m. and concludes with
attendance at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. Certificates will
be distributed after Mass. The day includes continental
breakfast and lunch. Cost is \$100.00 per couple. To
register, please call Holy Family Rectory at 215-482-
0450, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between
9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.



Volunteers are needed to help clean the church once a
month. If you are interested in volunteering please call
the rectory at 215-482-0450.



The Women's Club is looking for new members. If
interested please call the rectory at 215-482-0450.



The Senior Citizens Club is looking for new Leadership.
If interested please call the rectory at 215-482-0450.



Merion Mercy Academy is seeking an innovative faith-
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and statement of educational philosophy along with
three professional references to Valerie Pruenal, the
Interim Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs,
at vpruenal@merionnerct.com



DEVOTIONS DURING LENT



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: On Wednesdays, at 7:00pm and every Wednesday thereafter during Lent followed by Benediction.



CONFESSIONS: Will be heard on Wednesday Evenings after Stations. **Confessions will also be heard on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am (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.**



BIBLE STUDY ON CATHOLIC EPISTLES: 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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