Church of the Holy Family

PARISH RECTORY

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Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Patrick E. Sweeney pastor@holyfamilychurch.org

*Pastor Emeritus*Rev. Francis X. McKee

Sunday Visitor Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director and Permanent Deacon Deacon James Browne

Music Director Joseph O/Brien

Child Care Ages: Infant (6 wks.)-PreK (4)
Hours: 6:00am-6:00pm (year-round care)
Phone: 610-952-9186
Email: childcare@holyfamilychurch.org

Holy Hour: Second Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass Miraculous Medal Novena: every Friday after 8:00am Mass Altar Servers: Bernadette Welsh Cantors: Joseph O'Brien

Extraordinary Ministers: Jeanine Censi-Lamont

Lectors: Kathy Duffy

RCIA: Wednesday at 7:00pm PREP: Sundays from 10:00-11:00am



CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday Evening Mass: 4:00pm Sunday Mass: 9:00am, 11:00am Weekday Mass: 8:00am Holy Day Vigil Mass: 7:00pm Holy Day Mass: 9:00am

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated every third Sunday 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: 3:00-3:45pm or any time upon request.

MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements 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 & ELDERLY

Visit those unable to attend Mass due to sickness or age on Thursday each week from 11:00am to 12:30pm

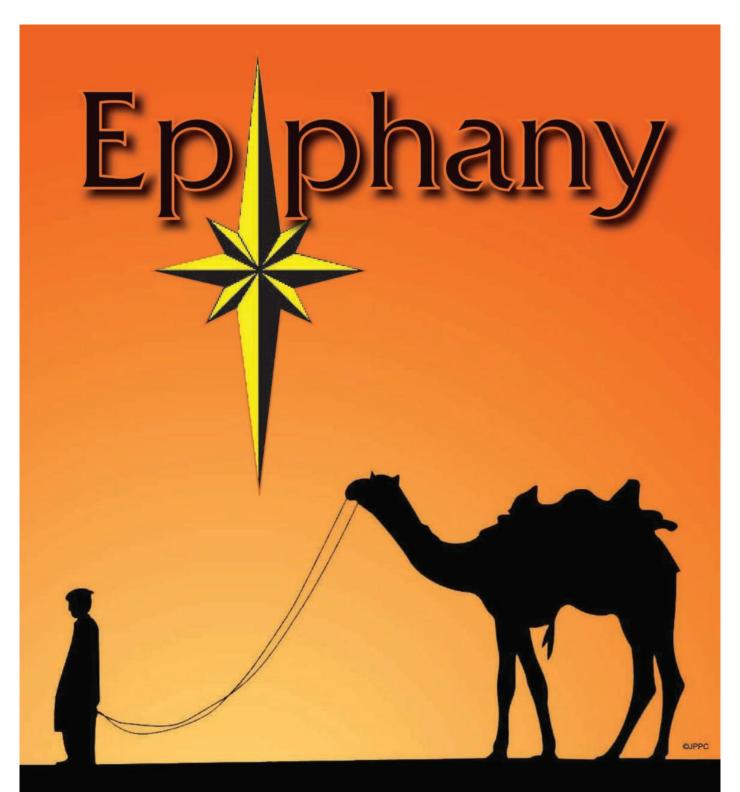
Pre-Cana Team: Program for engaged couples – John and Beth Delaney
Liturgy Committee: Plans religious services
– Jim Browne
Parish Parteral Council moots first Mondon

Parish Pastoral Council: meets first Monday of the month to confer on Pastoral planning Women's Club: Meets six times/year and sponsors social activities

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

Welcome

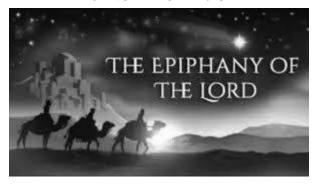
We welcome all who join us for worship, and we invite you to become part of our parish family. You may register as a parishioner in the rectory on any Sunday morning after the Masses or any time online.



We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

Matthew 2:2

JANUARY 8TH 2023





SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th - 4:00pm

Eileen Mullen, requested by Marie and Mark Jennings

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8th

9:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Edward Franks, requested by Marge Walsh

MONDAY, JANUARY 9th - 8:00am

Albert LaBrusciano, requested by Al and Rose Augustine

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10th - 8:00am

Harry Rosinski

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11th - 8:00am

No Intention

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12th - 8:00am

John Lewis (Special Intentions), requested by his children

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th - 8:00am

Special Intention, requested by Monsignor Sweeney

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14th - 4:00pm

Cass Lewis, requested by Barb Kopecki

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th

9:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Edith DeSimone, requested by Joe and Mary Ellen Aylmer



Please remember your Church Weekly Offering. You can either mail it in or do it by Electronic Giving@www.HolyFamilyChurch.org/Give

TOTAL	\$11 736 00
Easter (1)	\$ 100.00
Block Collection (3)	\$ 265.00
Christmas Flowers (12)	\$ 270.00
Second Collection	\$ 418.00
Christmas (61)	\$ 6,000.00
Sunday, December 25 th (83)	\$ 4,683.00

The second collection next weekend will be for the Catholic Relief Services.



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Theresa Barthold, Ashley Brown, Christopher Browne, Megan Duffy, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Jane Latta, Edward Lawnton, Candida Leodora, Lisa Long, Rocky Long, Erin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Floss Payne, Anthony Pelle, Ronald Rigler, Daniel Seddon, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Fred Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Frances Sprenkle, Greg Swider and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, Sgt. Shane Carlson, Sgt.Tyler Manigly, RTC Dominic Remolde, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed and during the pandemic.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th

4:00pm

Grace Welsh

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8th

9:00am

Joseph Arturo

11:00am

Jocelyn Welsh



SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th

4:00pm

Debbie O'Donnell

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8th

9:00am

Mary Reed

11:00am

Tom Seigharter



SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th

4:00 am

Walt Wood

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8th

9:00am

Mary Reed

11:00am

Dorothea Richardson



SUPER NEW YEAR'S 50/50 RAFFLE

The Winner of the Drawing held on 12/31/22 was Marge Welsh. Congratulations.

CHURCH MASS BOOK

The Church Mass Book for 2023 is now opened. If youwould like Masses said for this year contact Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.

JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR CITY EVERY SUNDAY 5:30 TO 6:30 PM

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul 18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Pkwy Philadelphia, PA 19103. Parking is available.

The Cathedral doors are open to people of all Faiths and Traditions as we make a common religious response to the ever-increasing violence in our city streets. Each Sunday evening, we will gather for intentional prayer for peace in our city with a specific plea before the Lord for an end to gun violence on our streets. Individuals and groups are invited and no previous arrangements are required.

All are welcome.

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, Rector of the Cathedral

A PRAYER FOR PEACE FOR OUR WORLD

Psalm 29:11 says,

"The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace."

THE BIRTHDAY OF ST. PHILOMENA TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

At the U. S. National Center of the Archconfraternity Holy Martyrs Catholic Church 120 Allison Road Oreland, Pa

Mass at 8:30 am followed by devotions and Blessing with her Relic The Relic Chapel on the lower level will be Open until 11:00 am. Pray in the presence of nearly 200 Sacred Relics

Coffee and Light Breakfast will be served! Information 215-884-8575 or email philomenausa@outlook.com Saint Philomena, Powerful with God, Pray for us.



The Catholic Parishes of Manayunk and East Falls will present the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples on **SATURDAY**, **MARCH 18**, **2023** in Holy Family Parish Hall, 234 Hermitage Street. The day begins with registration at 8:30 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, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.

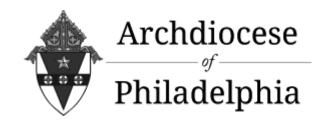




We would like to welcome Noemi!

Noemi is out new Pre-School teacher. She will teach our 2 ½ to 3 ½ year old children. She comes to us from Old City Day School, as a lead teacher. Her focus for her students is language development, and focus. All the while concentrating on the social and emotional skills. We are thankful that Noemi has joined the Childcare Center. I am sure she is going to mold our children into wonderful little people.

We also have rolling enrollment to our Center. When you are in need of childcare, please contact our director Ms. Ariel Presley at 610-952-9186.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) collection funds Catholic agencies that work for the benefit of our brothers and sisters around the world who are marginalized and in critical need of assistance. By providing humanitarian aid, resettling those displaced by warfare or strife, and advocating on behalf of victims of atrocities such as human trafficking, beneficiaries of the CRS collection fulfill the Church's mission of mercy. They respond affirmatively to the Gospel's call to love others as we love Good and proclaim our fundamental belief that every human life is sacred in a concrete way.

The annual Catholic Relief Services collection challenges American Catholics to put their faith into action and to see the presence of Christ in the faces of the poor and to demonstrate love for Christ by responding to their needs. A small amount from the collection is retained by the Archdiocese to help cover local efforts to promote the collection.

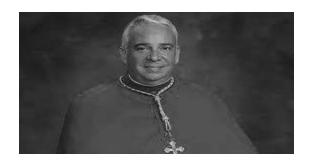
This year's collection will be taken up in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia during the **weekend of January 14-15, 2023.** The American Catholic community, and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in particular, have always responded very generously to this annual collection. The majority of funds collected support relief efforts overseas and a small amount is retained locally for charitable endeavors undertaken by our local Church,

I am grateful for your compassionate response in past years and ask that you be generous once again. Be assured of my prayers for you and your intentions.

May God blee you abundantly, Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Most Reverence Nelson J. Perez, D.D.

Most Reverent Nelson J. Perez, D.D. Archbishop of Philadelphia



STATEMENT OF MOST REVERENNELSON J. PEREZ

REGARDING THE DEATH OF POPE EMERITIUS BENEDICT XVI

Along with the people of the Church of Philadelphia and the entire Universal Church, I was deeply saddened to learn of the death Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI this morning.

In the midst of great sorrow, we also reflect of the life and ministry of the Pope Emeritus with infinite gratitude. He tirelessly served the Church for over 70 years as a parish priest, professor of Theology, Archbishop of Munich and Friesing, Dean of the College of Cardinals, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and Supreme Pontiff.

Recognized as a man of deep faith and keen intellect, he was a key advisor at the Second Vatican Council and for many years worked closely with Saint John Paul II during his papacy. Throughout his long life, Pope Benedict XVI was a brilliant teacher of the faith. His every action was full of courage, humility, and love for those entrusted to his pastoral care. His legacy is a profound one that leaves an indelible mark on the life of the Church around the world.

Pope Benedict XVI also directly impacted our local Church in tremendously positive ways. Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary was honored to host him in 1990 when then-Cardinal Ratzinger delivered a keynote address to the seminarians of the United States regarding the importance of priestly formation. In 2012 while serving as Pope, he selected Philadelphia to host the World Meeting of Families. That precious gift will always be remembered as a joyous occasion that brought the world to our region in an effort to strengthen the ties of family life that form the bedrock of society.

His retirement in 2013 was an unparalleled act of selflessness and a lesson in humility from which we can all benefit. Quietly and prayerfully he still continued to serve the Church until the end of his life. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI has now been called home by God. His life was a gift to the world. May his example inspire all of us to serve Christ's Church on earth with joy and zeal as Missionary Disciples.

I ask the people of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to join me in offering prayers for the happy repose of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's soul. May God grant him the gift of eternal life and bring comfort to a Church in mourning.

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D. Archbishop of Philadelphia

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