

# Church of the Holy Family

## PARISH RECTORY

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### *Pastor*

Rev. Msgr. Patrick E. Sweeney  
[pastor@holyfamilychurch.org](mailto: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](mailto: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 Duffly

*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 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.*





# Labor Day Blessing

Lord,  
This Labor Day,  
pour out again

your blessing and  
strength on all who  
work to make it  
possible for others to  
have a better life!

Have a  
Wonderful  
and  
Blessed  
Labor Day!

SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> 2023

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4:00pm**

Vidal Ruiz, requested by Marian Kelly

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:00am**

Our Parishioners

**11:00am**

James Webb, requested by the Synchron Family

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am**

Aloysius O’Harra

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5<sup>th</sup> – 8:00am**

Mary McCormick, requested by Joe and Mary Alice Missimer

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> – 8:00am**

No Intention

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> – 8:00am**

Pamela Adamo, requested by Synchron Family

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> – 8:00am**

Joan Mary Hall, requested by her children

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm**

Gina Twohey, requested by Joe and Mary Ellen Aylmer

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am**

Doris and Charles Groom, requested by John Groom

**11:00am**

Our Parishioners



Please remember your **CHURCH WEEKLY OFFERING**. You can either mail it in or do it by **Electronic Giving**. Please follow this secure link: [www.holyfamilychurch.org/give](http://www.holyfamilychurch.org/give)

Your financial offerings are most appreciated.

**Collections for 8/28**

Sunday (57)	\$ 2,118.00
Second Collection	\$ 158.75
Easter	\$ 140.00
Catholic University (1)	\$ 25.00
Feast of the Assumption (1)	\$ 20.00
<b>Black and Indian Missions (1)</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,471.75</b>

The second collection this weekend will be for the **Black and Indian Missions**.



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Josephine Barry, Ashley Brown, Christopher Browne, Megan Duffy, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Theodora Garrett, Anna Kenny, Jane Latta, Edward Lawnton, Lisa Long, Maeve Mahon, Mary McCormick, Erin McFarlane, Jerry McGough, Megan McHugh, Floss Payne, Anthony Pelle, Marie Prince, Ronald Rigler, Daniel Seddon, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Fred Smeltzer, Ava Snick, David Sparacino, Frances Sprengle, 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.





**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:00pm**

Grace Welsh

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:00am**

Joseph Arturo

**11:00am**

Jocelyn Welsh



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:00pm**

Debbie O'Donnell – Mary Alice Missimer

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:00am**

Jamie Torna

**11:00am**

John Delaney



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:00 pm**

Kathy Duffy

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:00am**

Lolita Bennett

**11:00am**

John Delaney

**Happy Labor Day**



The Church Mass Book for 2024 is now opened. If you would like Masses said for next year contact Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.

**PRAYER LIST REQUEST**

If you have someone or know someone who is sick and would like them listed under the **PRAYER REQUEST**, please call Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.



The winner of the 50/50 envelope for August was Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Herbetko. Don't for to put your September 50/50 envelope in the church basket.



Please remember to drop your Shoprite receipts in the silver container on your way out or in to mass! We receive \$5.00 for every \$1,0000 we turn in. This month we turned in over \$7,000 in receipts and in turn we will receive \$35!



Holy Family Childcare is opening a new classroom! We are looking for motivated teachers who are looking for employment. The childcare center is looking for an infant teacher, preschool teacher and a toddler assistant. Please reach out to Ariel Presley, Director at 610-952-9186.



**PREP/CCD**

Looking forward to a new year coming in  
September.

Pro-active parents needed.

REGISTER FOR PREP/CCD at  
**HolyFamilyChurch.org**

**1st SESSION CLASS STARTS NEXT SUNDAY,**

**SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>.**



Our new RCIA class began on Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at 6:30. If you are interested in making your sacraments or have fallen away from the church and wish to have a relationship with God this class is for you. Offered on Wednesday evenings by Monsignor Sweeney in the Parish Rectory at 6:30 pm. Please call the rectory at 215-482-0450 to register.



The Catholic Parishes of Manayunk, East Falls and Andorra will present the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023 in Father Sullivan Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 819 E. Cathedral Road.**

The day begins with registration at 9:00 AM and concludes with attendance at the 5:15 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.

# KOLLER FUNERAL HOME, INC.

Bereavement group for those who have experienced loss every other Thursday beginning on **September 21, 2023.**

Sponsored by Koller Funeral Home, Inc. and facilitated by Carmela S. McDowell, M.S.W., L.S.W.

## **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Location: Koller Funeral Home  
Ridge Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19128

**Time: 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM**

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED call 215.482.5200**

Or email [kollerbereavement@gmail.com](mailto:kollerbereavement@gmail.com)

**NO FEE**

### **DATE: TOPIC:**

**September 21, 2023: Your Grief, Your Journey- "What can I expect?"**

**October 5, 2023: The Grieving Person's Bill of Rights- "How do I care for myself?"**

**October 19, 2023: Understanding Grief - "How long will my grief last?"**

**November 2, 2023: Exploring the emotions of grief and more- "Will I ever feel normal again?"**

**November 16, 2023: Grief on Special Days- "How can I prepare for the holidays?"**

**November 30, 2023: Reconciliation and Renewal- "Who am I now?"**

The above outline is not meant to limit the focus of the support group. It is merely offered as a starting place. The needs of the participants, both as individuals and a group, will determine the course of our journey and time together.

Facilitated by Carmela S. McDowell, MSW, LSW. For over 25 years Ms. McDowell has provided bereavement support to hospice families and the community who have experienced the loss of a loved one.



## Roman Catholic High School, class of 73 50<sup>th</sup> Year reunion

When:	Saturday, October 14, 2023 7 – 11 PM
Where:	Venetian Social Club  8030 Germantown Avenue  Philadelphia, PA 19118.
Cost:	\$125 per classmate and \$100 per significant other
Included:	Each ticket includes a delicious dinner buffet and 2 hours of open bar  Additionally, each classmate will receive a commemorative Roman Catholic golf shirt
Deadline:	Tickets must be ordered by September 7, 2023  <b>Or Payment can also be made through the Alumni web site please specify that it is for the Class of 1973 reunion.</b>  Send any questions to Rob Climaldi email below.  <a href="mailto:rclimaldi@gmail.com">rclimaldi@gmail.com</a>

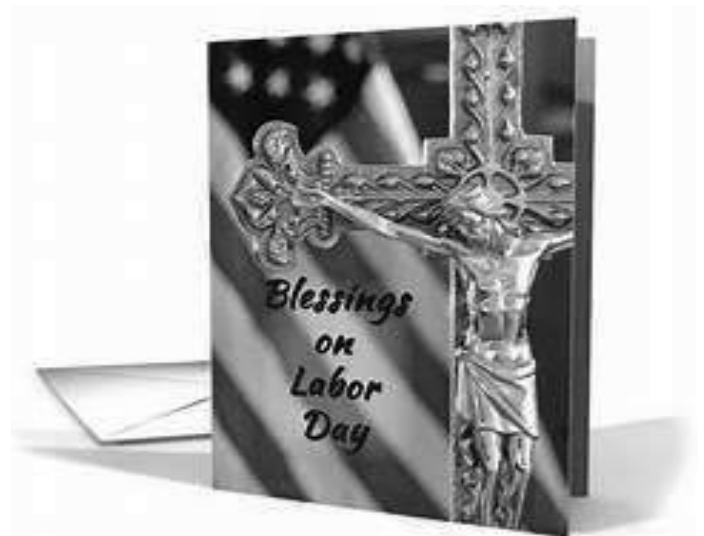
August 22, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to bring to you up to date on the status of the parish hall, which relates to the entire school. It has been a project of the Parish Pastoral Council to sell the under used school for over five years. We finally got an offer a year ago this August., but we are still waiting for a settlement date. In the meantime, we have developed maintenance problems with the roof of the school. The cost of the repairs is over \$200,000. We do not have savings to begin to cover any part of that expense. The building has not been used a school for a dozen years. No part of the structure can be used as of the latest rain storms for any purpose. We will have to make use of our other buildings, such as the Annex for meeting space. I wish that I didn't have to bring troubling news about the parish. Since we cannot fix the school, we have to sell it. The money from the sale will help pay our operating expenses. The parish strength depends upon the willingness of its parishioners to sacrifice, which you have done many times over and over.

Sincerely,

Monsignor Patrick E. Sweeney



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