

Sacred Heart Parish

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Go your way;
your faith has
saved you.

Mark 10:52



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Saturday: Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:15 am
Monday through Friday at 8:00 am

Sacrament of Penance:

Sunday: 9:30 to 9:50 am
Wednesdays:
7:30 to 7:50 am & 6:30 to 7:00 pm
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SACRED HEART MISSION

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**JOIN US IN EVANGELIZING
OUR NEIGHBORS**

9 Nov, 2024 Sacred Heart
Parish

SCHEDULE

11:30AM-ARRIVAL AT SACRED HEART
 11:30-12:30PM-TRAINING
 12:30-2:00PM CROSSWALKS
 2:00-3:30PM-PIZZA AND HIGHS & LOWS
 4:00PM- MASS

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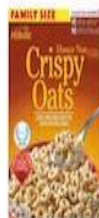
"Join us for a transformative experience at the Sacred Heart Parish Mission! This engaging event will feature crosswalks, where participants will split into groups to reach out to our community, sharing the love of Christ. We'll go door to door, asking for prayer intentions and inviting neighbors to join us in faith. Attendees will have the opportunity to nail their prayer intentions to our 8-foot wooden crosses, symbolizing our commitment to spreading the love of Jesus to our backyard. This mission is a wonderful way to connect, serve, and evangelize in our local community. **ALL AGE GROUPS ARE WELCOME.** Registration can be found on the flyer or in the back after mass. **Join Us in Evangelizing Our Neighbors!"**

CEREAL SUNDAY

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**Companions in Prayer and
Ministry** will meet on Sunday,
November 3rd after the 10:15
Mass in the Rectory Meeting
Room.

Please consider joining our Companions
Group on the first Sunday of the month after
the 10:15 Mass. All are welcome!

Sister Francis Helen



Pray For The Dead

The month of November is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Souls. During this month we especially remember our beloved dead. In the back of the church is a book for you to write the names of all your deceased family members and friends whom you wish to especially remember in prayer. During the month of November the book will rest on the Sacred Heart Altar. May God grant eternal rest, light, and peace to all our beloved dead!

Something Beautiful for God



The wonderful weather, the hard work of the parish staff, the level of parishioner participation, the marvelous homilies delivered by Fr. Pachomius Walker, OP, the men who formed our ceremonies crew, the spectacular outdoor procession facilitated by the Swedesburg Fire Company and the Verdi Band, the skilled talents of our music director Carl Gedeik and the generosity of our social committee for their outstanding work in preparing a festive repast in our hall, all came together to make a fantastic 40 Hours celebration. Praise God!

For more than 40 continuous hours the people of this parish gathered in the church to pray and spend time with Our Lord. We did something beautiful for God and I am quite sure that in turn He has done many beautiful things for us. May the graces which we all received help us grow in holiness and desire to advance the Kingdom of God in our little part of the Lord's vineyard.

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

Father DiMaria

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7pm - 8pm

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| OCTOBER 30 | NOVEMBER 27 | DECEMBER 18

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THE LORD'S REAL PRESENCE

We are fortunate enough to worship in a Church in which the **Body of Christ** is reserved. It is right to acknowledge the **Lord's Real Presence** with a brief act of worship on entering or leaving the Church and every time passing by the Sanctuary.



Normally, a **genuflection** in the direction of the place of Reservation is enough. One who is physically unable to genuflect may substitute a **profound bow** at the waist.



Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3rd. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed next Saturday, November 2nd!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 26

4:00pm Robert Shoudt

Sunday, October 27

8:00am For the People of Our Parish

10:15am Laura Barainyak

Requested by Her Family

Monday, October 28

8:00am Terence Cabrey

Requested by Helen

Tuesday, October 29

8:00am Jason (Jake) Moletzsky

15th Anniversary Remembrance

Requested by Uncle Andy & Aunt Pat

Wednesday, October 30

8:00am Jack Guziewicz

Requested by Pat & Jean Marchese

Thursday, October 31

8:00am Marie & Lawrence Puco

Requested by Lou Puco

Friday, November 1

8:00am Living & Deceased Members

of the Benedict Family

Requested by Vincent & Christine Benedict

7:00pm Ed Kita

25th Anniversary Remembrance

Requested by The Family

Saturday, November 2

NB: No 8:00am Mass on Saturdays

**4:00pm The Deceased Members of the Knights
of Columbus Holy Family Council #3327**

Sunday, November 3

8:00am Carmine Capone

Requested by The Capone Family

10:15am For the People of Our Parish



Let Us Serve The Lord With Gladness!

The following Ministers are scheduled for our Parish Masses.

All Saints Day, Friday, November 1:

8:00am

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Joan Koeck

Lector: Helen Keller Surman

7:00pm

Lector: Chris Kilian

Saturday evening, November 2:

4:00pm

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Pat Moletzsky

Lector: Sal DiNenna

Sunday morning, November 3:

8:00am

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Marjorie Pruskowski

Lector: Michelle Efthimiadou

10:15am

Lector: Danielle Cantando



Weekly Report

October 19 – 20, 2024

\$6,360.00

Thank you for your support of Our Parish!



On Friday, November 1st we will observe the Solemnity of All Saints which is a holy day of obligation.

Our Mass schedule for November 1st will be: 8:00 am and 7:00 pm.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp in the Church burns in loving memory of

Frances DeMedio

*Birthday Remembrance, Oct. 27th
at the Request of Judy & Scott*



The "Book Club" will be meeting on Tuesday, November 19th and will be held in the Rectory Meeting Room beginning at 1:30.

The book for November is Gifts From Friends We've Yet To Meet by Virginia Herbers.

The author introduces us to nameless Gospel characters, who provide us with a story, a journey and a gift.

We welcome new members any time. Please consider joining us for a great discussion.



SAVE THE DATE

**Wednesday, November 13
6:00 PM**

We're more than just soup!!

Mark your calendars to join our Caring for Friends Ministry for the second Wednesday of the month, November 13 at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

As the cooler weather is upon us we now offer our Caring for Friends clients "More than just Soup." Feel free to make your favorite homemade recipe for comfy foods such as:



**Homemade Soups
Chili
Mac and Cheese
Hot dogs and beans
Beef Stew**

Prepare your specialty at home and we will provide containers and labels at the gathering. We ask that you prepare enough for 10 or more servings.

In addition to "Scooping Soup" we are now sending greeting cards to our parishioners who are homebound, as well as Veterans at Coatesville VA Medical Center.

All are invited to be a part of this wonderful ministry. Any questions contact: Lisa Pagnotti
610-639-7704



**If You Cannot Be On Time,
Then Be EARLY. Making
Time For Prayer
Strengthens Our
Connection With God!**



"Everyone has something to offer to a starving world. We can share our time, treasure, or talents. What we can contribute to satisfy the hunger of the world may seem insignificant, but as St. Teresa of Calcutta said: 'We ourselves feel that what we are doing is nothing more than a drop in the ocean. But if the drop were not there, the ocean would be missing something.' Sharing makes us joyful. Contribute your share."

~Fr. Roy Palatty CMI

ETERNAL REST,
GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD!

*In your kindness,
please pray for the happy repose of the soul of*

Barbara Ann Fromm

*Who was called from this life on
October 17, 2024*

*"May Her soul and all the souls of the
faithful departed Rest in peace."*



***Thank You for Supporting
World Mission Sunday***

On behalf of the missionary men and women serving in over 1,150 mission territories, we extend our

heartfelt gratitude for your generous support on World Mission Sunday. Your contributions ensure that the Gospel continues to spread, bringing hope, love, and salvation to those in need.

This year's theme, "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," reminds us of our universal call to evangelize and support our brothers and sisters around the world. Your generosity helps build churches, train clergy, and provide essential services in mission territories. Thank you for being part of this vital mission and for making a lasting impact on the global Church.

BINGO

**Friday,
November 8th**

Doors open 6:00 PM

Games at 7:00 PM

Parish Hall

Chance to win up to \$500.00

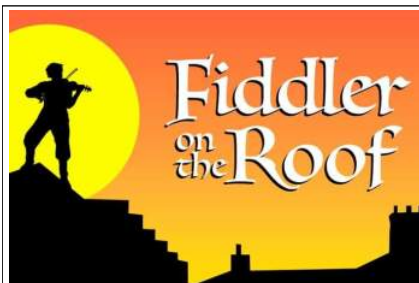
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The Gregorian Choir of Paris (Le Choeur gregorien de Paris) will be stopping in the Philadelphia area during their first-ever tour of the United States, celebrating their 50th anniversary, as well as the much-awaited reopening of the great Cathedral of Notre-Dame de Paris (following the fire of 2019) on December 8. The concert will be held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on **Sunday, October 27 at 7 pm!** Admission is free.



**DINNER
THEATER
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LANCASTER**

WHEN: Tuesday,
April 25, 2025

WHERE: Dutch Apple Dinner Theater

SHOW: Fiddler on the Roof

COST: \$119.41 Per Person (due upon making reservation)

TIME: Departs 9:30 AM Sacred Heart Church parking lot promptly
Returns 4 PM (buffet lunch 11:30, show starts 1 PM)

Checks payable to: Sacred Heart Church

Send to: June DiDesidero - 395 Anderson Road,
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Contact/Questions: junedidesi@gmail.com



***"Vision 26: God's House, Our Home"
Program***

Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about the upcoming "Vision 26: God's House, Our Home" Program at Sacred Heart Parish. This effort is very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of Sacred Heart Parish. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do. Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on November 16 & 17. If you have any questions regarding the "Vision 26: God's House, Our Home" Program, please feel free to contact the parish office.

**YOUR FAITH
WILL SAVE YOU**



OCTOBER 27, 2024

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

For a while the watchword was simple: "Don't leave home without your cell phone." But now there is a codicil: "You'll need your GPS." The letters stand for "Global Positioning System" a once military property that tells you not only

where you are, but also how to get to somewhere else. It removes the fear of getting lost. I for one am grateful for this technology and the clever people who developed it. I do have to say that some of the technology available now urges believers to put restraint on certain technology that violates Christian moral teachings when it comes to some life issues. I'm glad to have a map and a voice to accompany it, but we must push back any technology that favors matters like abortion and euthanasia.

We read in Mark's gospel today about a physically handicapped man living at a time with no technology at hand to bring healing from blindness. But Jesus brought complete healing. So now what should the man do? He decides to follow his healer on the way. "The way" at that time was the name our earliest Christian ancestors described their new religion. So, St. Mark brings a new dimension to the story. It changes from a "healing story" to a "call story." In other words, the man didn't just pick up his former lifestyle, that of an ordinary sighted person. This might have meant pursuing a career in a given field. No, what Bartimaeus decided on was to follow Jesus to wherever that led. Complete trust of the kind we poor sinners can only strive for in hope.

A detail we might miss but caught by certain commentators is the fact that the "garment" or "cloak" Bartimaeus threw away just may have been the cloth he used to spread before him to collect people's offerings as they passed him.

It suggests that Bartimaeus was leaving behind "the old order." That's exactly what we're called to do, for example, after we have made a good confession.

We first face the fact that every sin we commit, small or big, venial or mortal, involves a certain degree of temporary "blindness." We had forgotten to see or chose not to see God's way. "There are none so blind as those who will not see." The wonderful Sacrament of Reconciliation, or Penance, or Confession (the names describe the same sacrament) is the cure. The Holy Spirit provides direction for us in our newly forgiven hearts and souls. Even before receiving the sacramental grace, we know the name of "the way." We just need to recheck those directions we need to get there. I suggest here and now a new meaning for the letters "GPS," namely: "God Provides for Sinners."

God love you and give you His peace.

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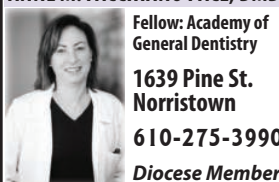
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