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Holy Mass:

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, MAY 26, 2024
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

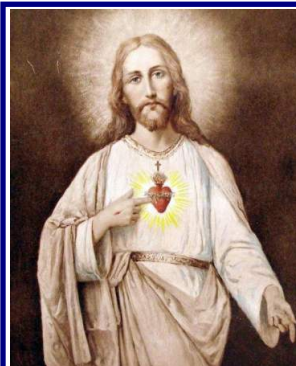


The Feast of the Sacred Heart

To honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus, there will be all day exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately following the 8 am Mass on Friday, June 7th and then a public Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 7 p.m. Rev. Gregory Miller, a newly ordained priest, will be our homilist.

An adoration sign up sheet is in the back of the church for people to commit to periods of adoration throughout the day.

The Sacred Heart beats with love for us in the Blessed Sacrament. The Holy Eucharist, our Lord's way of remaining with His church throughout the ages, is a generous manifestation of the love of the Heart of Christ.



**FEAST DAY
DINNER**

*Sunday, June 9th
4:00 PM*

*Spring Mill Ball Room
Conshohocken, PA
Catering by PTG Caterers*

The cost of the ticket is \$50.00 per person and \$20.00 for children below the age of 12. There is a cash bar. Tickets are on sale now until June 2nd. The menu is as follows:

Hors d'oeuvres – 14 different types including:
 Mini crab cakes - Buffalo wings - Mini tacos -
 Filet mignon on toast - Poppers - Cheeses -
 Antipasto - Bruschetta

Main course: Ravioli with 4 cheese sauce -
 Penne in light pink sauce - Chicken Francaise -
 Shrimp and Scallops - Asparagus - Roasted
 Potatoes - Spring Mix salad

Desserts - Coffee and tea

*Music will be provided by
Fasano Entertainment.*

Join us for dinner, dancing & celebrating!

*Tickets will be available after
the weekend Masses and in the
rectory.*

**Most Sacred Heart of
Jesus, we place our
trust in Thee!**



Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Monday, May 27th. We will remember all those who have given their lives in the service of our country.

The parish office will be closed for the day.

Different Mass Location for the Weekend of June 29/30

The flooring project for our church will begin after the 10:15 Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. It will take approximately 2 work weeks to complete the project. Therefore, we will be unable to have Mass in church on June 29/30 and *possibly* the weekend of July 6/7.

The 4:00 p.m. Mass on June 29 and the 8 a.m. Mass on June 30 will be held at the former Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church (St. John the Baptist) on Ford Street in Bridgeport. The 10:15 Mass on the morning of June 30th will be held in Sacred Heart School Hall.

We hope that the flooring work will be completed by July 5th so that we can resume Mass on July 6th. However, we will need to wait and see how the workmen are progressing before a decision can be reached regarding where Mass will be on July 6/7.



A Wrench and a Screwdriver

On June 23 immediately following the 10:15 Mass we will need volunteers to help us unbolt the pews, move the pews, remove the carpet, and place it in the dumpster. Please bring a 7/16 wrench, flat head screwdriver, and sidewalk ice scraper for the job.

Your assistance with this project will help substantially defray the cost of the new flooring project for our church. Thanks for your help!

CEREAL SUNDAY

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**1ST WEEKEND
OF EACH MONTH**



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 25

4:00pm Michele (Halas) Paul
Anniversary Remembrance
Requested by Mom & Dad

Sunday, May 26

8:00am For the People of Our Parish

10:15am John Zaremski

Requested by Lenore Batchelder & Dan Dennison

Monday, May 27

9:00am For All Those Who Died in the Military

Tuesday, May 28

8:00am Dorothy Glinski

Requested by Son, John & Wife, Bridget

Wednesday, May 29

8:00am John Mateja

Requested by Francis Toth & Family

Thursday, May 30

8:00am Joseph, Mary & Eileen Wagner

Requested by Bob & Teri Wagner

Friday, May 31

8:00am Gloria Jean Mastrocola

Requested by Mary Orner

Saturday, June 1

NB: No 8:00am Mass on Saturdays

4:00pm Deceased Members of the Marinari Family

Requested by Bob & Teri Wagner

Sunday, June 2

8:00am For the People of Our Parish

10:15am Catharine (Kit) Armstrong
1st Anniversary Remembrance

Requested by The Moletzsky Family



Let Us Serve The Lord With Gladness!

The following Ministers are scheduled for our Parish Masses.

Saturday evening, June 1:

4:00pm

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Joan Koeck

Lector: Peter Wisniewski

Sunday morning, June 2:

8:00am

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Larry Kilian

Lector: Rich McVoy

10:15am

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Pat Moletzsky

Lector: Daniel Fahy, Jr.



Weekly Report

May 18 - 19, 2024

\$5,952.00

Thank you for your support of Our Parish!

YOUNG ADULTS

HOLY HOUR

with Eucharistic Adoration,
Confession, & Music. Drinks to follow!

7 - 8 PM

On the Last Wednesday of the Month:

April 24

May 29

June 26

July 31

August 28

Contact Kennedy Bucko with any questions!

kennedyabucko@gmail.com

This week the Sanctuary Lamp in the Church burns in Honor of the 60th Wedding Anniversary of
Kass & Carl Perretta



Congratulations & May God continue to bless you both!

First Saturday Devotions

Immediately following the Saturday 8 a.m. Mass at Our Mother of Divine Providence Church on June 1st, First Saturday devotions consisting of the rosary and other prayers to honor Our Lady of Fatima will be held. All are welcome!



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.



Monday Night Rosary

There will be a public recitation of the rosary in church each Monday at 7 p.m. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Ed DiGinto at 610-202-0913.

Sacred Heart Pro Life Holy Hour

All are welcome to join us at **12:00 noon each Wednesday** to gather in prayer to ask for God's help on issues affecting our nation and families.



Please Pray For All Who Protect Our Country, especially...

John F. K. Benedict (Major, USAF ANG), son of Christine & Vince Benedict; **Anthony C. Brandt** (CW3 Warrant Officer, U.S. Army Reserves), son of Eileen Brandt; **Zachary T. Brandt** (Sergeant U.S. Army), grandson of Eileen Brandt; **Matthew J. Capaldo** (Commander, U.S. Navy) son of John & Connie Capaldo; **Michael DeStefano, Jr.** (Sergeant U.S. Army) grandson of Jack & Sue DeStefano; **Michael Gutkowski** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy), grandson of Pat Gutkowski; **Samuel Hoey** (LCpl, U.S.M.C.), grandson of Leona Cottone; **Noel Irizarry** (Specialist, U.S. Army), son of Patricia Epright; **Shane Jones** (Sergeant U.S. Marines), grandson of Fran Toth; **Matthew McNulty** (Chief Warrant Officer 4 U.S.M.C.), son of Irene McNulty; **Rick McVoy** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy) son of Rich McVoy; **Greg Philips** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy); **Jessica Prostack** (CW2 Warrant Officer, U.S. Army), daughter of Richard Prostack; **Jeffrey Seamans** (Captain, U.S. Army), son-in-law of Dolores Burton; **Stephanie Zugay** (National Guard), granddaughter of Greg & Grace Zugay.



Tom Burke
JoAnn Prinzivalli
Chester Kowalski
Elaine Fertal
Barbara Pruskowski
George Minnis
Al Cowling
John Puzio
Helene(Puzio) Dulaney
Mary(Puzio) Stephenson
Monica Pocelujko
Mary Boyle
Rosemary Giovinco
Fran Toth
Jane Puzio Sharma
Joan Birely
Evelyn Horning
Martha Smoczylo
Kelly Benedict
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Eileen Brandt
Denise Kavanagh
Tom Kavanagh
Michael Martin
Betty Lilick
Margaret Halas
Ronald Halas
Marge Leszczynski
Dolores Burton
Fran & Rob Worrall
Rose Coscia
Marion Raup
Joseph Saboe
Irene Elliott
Stanley Leszczynski
Ayden Boone
Butch Rodenbaugh
Nicholas Janicki
Catherine Bankowski
Michael Myers
Melissa(Myers) Sillah
George Estock
Helen Bednar
Barbara A. Burkert
John Smoczylo
Laurie Ronan

Welcome! NEW Parishioners

*We extend a warm welcome to
The Davenport Family
who recently registered in our Parish!*

Vision 26 Celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

Strengthen the bonds of friendship among our parishioners and join us for a wonderful parish feast day celebration on June 9. Tickets are available until June 2 and may be purchased after the weekend Masses or at the rectory during regular office hours.



**If you CANNOT Be on Time,
Then Be EARLY.**

**Making Time for Prayer
Strengthens our Connection
with God.**

Please make every effort to arrive on time for the start of Holy Mass and remain until the end after the priest has passed your pew during the recessional hymn.

CLOTHING DONATION DRIVE WEEKEND BINS

Sat., June 8th to Sun., June 9th

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Bring clothes or small
household items to donate



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SAVE THE DATE

**Bishop Kenrick High School
Class of 1964**

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**Friday, September 20, 2024
12:00 Noon - 4:00PM**

Buffet Luncheon - Cash Bar

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The Most Holy Trinity



May 26, 2024

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Most of the powerful sellers, like Amazon and Walmart, will automatically follow up a sale with a request for an evaluation. They'll pose questions like "How was the buying process?" or "What rating do you give the product?" The same holds for doctors and hospitals, in which they ask, "How was the visit?" "Did you have a reasonable waiting time to see the doctor?" "Were the facilities clean?" Both groups really want your answers, and they make policy decisions based on them. They want to use their power to promote the company or the practice as the case may be.

Today's gospel gives the one instance in which Jesus declares His power. Note, please, that He claims, "all power," and not just some. A real uplift for people who fear that evil seems to be overwhelming us.

But more importantly is Our Lord's unstated but obvious positive evaluation of the eleven men before Him, followed by what the Scripture scholars rightly declare as "The Great Commission." Go, baptize, teach all that I have commanded you."

When these chosen men were nearing their deaths, they chose successors for the mission, whom today we call the pope and the bishops.

They in turn have reminded us, particularly since the time of Pope Pius XII beginning in the fifties, that the laypeople in the Church have a special part in the task, by reason of their baptism. They teach by word and action about dogmas like the Holy Trinity. That can be done from the start by teaching the words and gestures involved in making the Sign of the Cross, especially when entering the church building and before all meals.

Whenever we falter or have doubts and fears about going about this task imposed by our baptism into the Church community, we need only recall Christ's words recounted today: "I am with you always."

One added note of incentive: we also will be evaluated someday by God Himself on how we obeyed His command and for how long. Yes, a bit scary. But mostly motivation for any of us who are in weakness may not bother because we are ashamed, or lazy or lack motivation.

The story has been told about a frog who fell into a large pothole and couldn't get out. Even his friends couldn't get him to muster enough strength to jump out of the pothole. They gave him up to his fate. But the next day they saw him bounding around just fine. Somehow, he made it out, and so they asked him how he did it, adding, "We thought you couldn't get out." The frog replied, "I couldn't, but a truck came along, and I had to."

God love you, and give you His strength.

Go, therefore,
and make *disciples*
of all nations

MATTHEW 28:19



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