

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ APRIL 23, 2023**

# *Sacred Heart Parish*

*Partnering Parishes Sacred Heart, St. Charles Borromeo (Drexel Hill) and St. Hedwig's Chapel (Chester)*

**Rev. Msgr. George A. Majoros,**  
**M.Div., M.S., Pastor**

Rev. Paul Stenson,  
*Retired Priest in Residence*

Deacon John H. Farrell  
*Permanent Deacon*

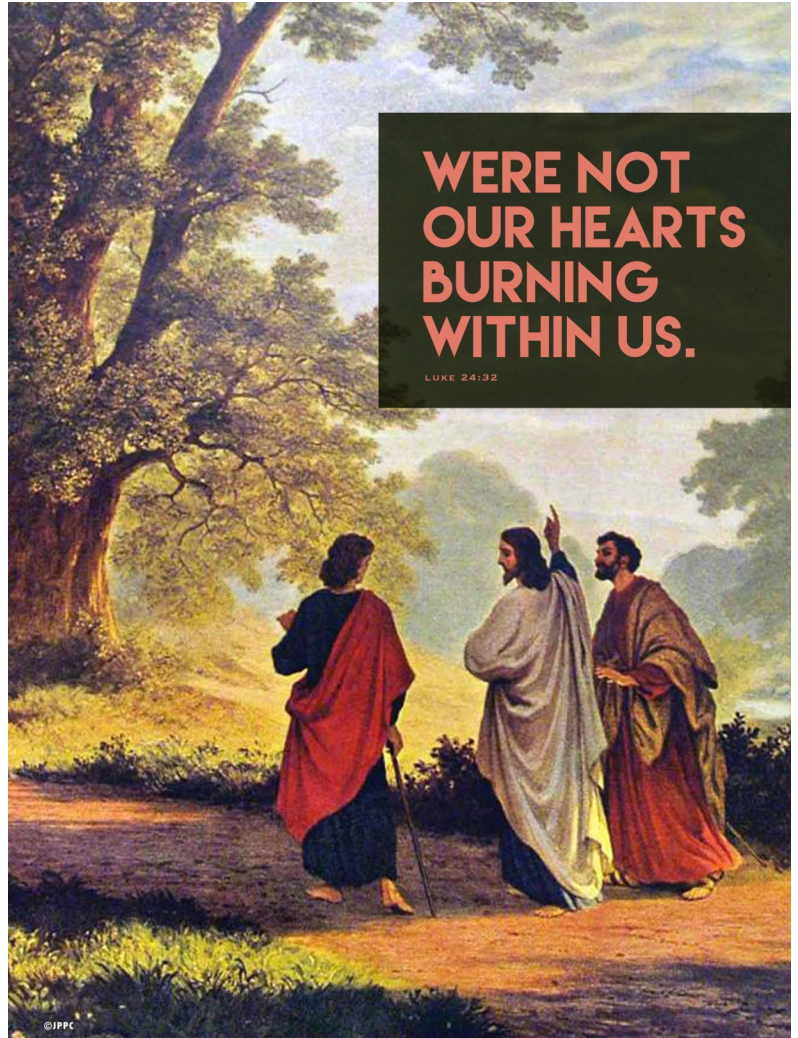
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**Office Hours**  
**Monday-Friday**  
**8:30AM to 3:30PM**  
*Remotely Monday, Wednesday, Friday*  
*In parish office Tuesday and Thursday*

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

To live and grow as a church in the Roman Catholic tradition by devotion to God in worship, doctrine, ministry, and loving service to each other and to the people entrusted to us.



## **Sunday Schedule Of Masses**

**Sacred Heart** (Vigil) 4:00PM, 7:30AM  
**St. Hedwig Chapel** 9:15AM (Rosary before Mass)  
**St. Charles** (Vigil) 5:30PM, 10:00AM, 4:00PM

## **Weekdays Masses 8:30AM**

**Sacred Heart** Mon, Tues, Wed  
**St. Charles** Thurs, Fri, Sat

## **First Friday at St. Charles Borromeo**

3:00PM- Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
7:00P.M. – Holy Hour

## **First Saturday at St. Charles Borromeo**

8:30AM Morning Mass  
Exposition, Devotions, Confession, Benediction

**Flame of Love Holy Hour**  
**St. Charles Borromeo** 6:30PM Thursday

**Holy Day Masses**  
**St. Charles** (Vigils) 4:00PM & 7:00PM, 8:30AM  
**Sacred Heart** 12:00 Noon, 7:00PM

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation** **Confession Schedule**

**Sacred Heart** 3:00-3:45PM Saturday

**St. Hedwig Chapel** 9:00AM Sunday

**St. Charles Borromeo** 4:30-5:15PM before Vigil,  
6:30-7:30PM on the Thursday before 1st Friday

**St. Charles Borromeo** 9:15-10:00AM on the First  
Saturday of the month

## Masses For The Week

### Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM Dr. Filipnas Vital Of Heverling,  
Leoncio & Macapagal Families

#### Sunday, April 23

7:30AM Paul & Claudia Fagioli (wedding anniv)  
Of Family

#### Monday, April 24

8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart  
and Special Intention for Józef Kaminski  
(100th birthday) Of Elizabeth Ziolkowski

#### Tuesday, April 25

8:30AM The Holy Souls

#### Wednesday, April 26

8:30AM Maria Ruszaj Of Family

#### Saturday, April 29

4:00PM Thomas McGehrin Of Family

#### Sunday, April 30

7:30AM Lillian Pecko Of Leona & Vince Papale

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

#### Sunday, April 23

9:15AM Antoinette Wardynski Of Family

#### Sunday, April 30

9:15AM Hedy Gardocki Of Kathy & Sam Oller

Sacred Heart and St. Charles Borromeo Churches will be  
open Monday through Friday 9:00A.M to 12:00 Noon

**Candles for the month are \$20.00**

**Mass Intentions for 2023 \$10.00**

Call the Rectory at 610-623-0409 if  
interested.

#### **Open Mass Intentions—Sacred Heart**

May 17, 30, 31. June 6, 13, 27. July 11, 12, 18, 25, 30

#### **Open Mass Intentions — St. Hedwig**

June 18, 25. July 16. August 13, 27



### Candles for the Month of April Sacred Heart

Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori  
Thomas McGehrin

### Candles for the Month of April Saint Hedwig

Nancy Tokarowski  
& Eugene Bush

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### Mass Celebrants Weekend of April 22-23

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Stenson

7:30AM Fr. Stenson

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Sperger

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Msgr. Majoros

10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Anderson



### Mass Celebrants Weekend of April 29-30

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

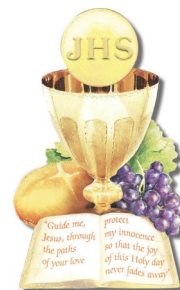
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#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson

10:00AM Fr. Sperger

4:00PM Fr. Anderson



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change**



### Flame of Love Holy Hour Thursday evenings 6:30-7:30PM Saint Charles Borromeo Church

*All are welcome to join as we  
pray for the intentions of the  
Immaculate Heart of Mary.*

You can still subscribe to receive texts from Archbishop Perez  
weekly for the rest of the year! Text **goforth** to 84576 or go to  
[www.phillydisciples.org/goforth](http://www.phillydisciples.org/goforth)

### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

#### EVENT FOR ALL OF DELAWARE COUNTY

**THURSDAY, MAY 4TH, 2023 11:30AM ROSE TREE PARK**

All are welcome to join in prayer and song for our country,  
our leaders, our police, fire and emergency workers, our  
schools and teachers, our businesses, the media, our clergy,  
and all places of worship.

**This is a very special event, which comes once a year.**

Let your voice be heard along with many others as we pray  
with words and songs to the Lord of our nation. Celebrating  
with local worship & prayer leaders.

**BRING A FRIEND!** 12:00 Noon - Media - Media Court  
House Front Steps 7:00 pm and Newtown Square- Spruce  
Street Baptist Church, Rt. 252 & Gradyville Road.

Visit: [NationalDayOfPrayerDelco.com](http://NationalDayOfPrayerDelco.com)



### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Prayerfully consider your Offertory Gift as your act of praise to God for all HE has given you.

#### Sacred Heart– April 16, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	40	\$1,163.00
Loose		<u>214.00</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,377.00</b>
Loose		172.00
Maintenance		20.00
Easter		300.00

#### St. Hedwig - April 16, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	16	\$710.00
Loose		<u>64.00</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>774.00</b>
Parish Maintenance		45.00
Easter		175.00
Holy Land		15.00

Thank you to all who have given so generously as we struggle to make ends meet

### Your Weekly Collection Envelopes

#### HELP US BY.....

Putting the **amount** on your collection envelope

**Not taping or stapling** your envelope. If it will not seal please put the flap in.

Using only **ONE** envelope and one amount if you have several **"weekly"** envelopes.

**Not combining any 2<sup>nd</sup> collection** donation with your weekly donations. They should be separate checks.

**OUR COUNTERS THANK YOU!**

### Exercise Your Missionary Disciple Skills: Become a Cathedral Ambassador

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul conducts an evangelization ministry with the Cathedral Ambassadors. This enthusiastic group of trained Ambassadors staffs the Basilica throughout the week and is comprised of volunteers from all over the Archdiocese. They answer questions and offer assistance to all who come to the Cathedral Basilica. Cathedral Ambassadors provide a personal presence in the Basilica and most importantly they put a face on the Church. Cathedral Ambassadors are assigned 4-hour shifts. The schedule is flexible with assignments of one day or more a month. Training and materials are provided to support this evangelization ministry. For more information and to become a Cathedral Ambassador, please contact Martha Ortiz, the coordinator of the Cathedral Ambassadors, at cathedral.ambassadors@gmail.com.



Via Lucis, or the Stations of Light, is a devotional practice for reflecting on the joy and hope of the Resurrection during the Easter season. While the Stations of the Cross commemorate Jesus' journey to his crucifixion and death, the Stations of Light focus on the events that followed the Resurrection.

*Introduction*

*Listen to the Stations*

*Commentary with Tim Gray and Ben Akers*

### "Dysconnected: The Real Story Behind the Transgender Explosion" (Three showings) April 28 & 29, 2023

This 90-minute film delves into the historical, cultural & spiritual consequences regarding the social phenomenon of gender transition amongst teenagers & children.

**Featuring Q & A** with the Filmmaker, Don Johnson and stars of the film, including Erin Brewer, author of *"Always Erin"*, and Maria Keffler, author of *"Desist, Detrans & Detox - Getting Your Child Out of the Gender Cult"*. Presented by St. Peter Respect Life Committee

Locations: Friday, April 28th, 7:00 pm, 430 West Events, 430 Hannum Ave., **WEST CHESTER** (Onsite parking)  
Saturday, April 29th, 9:30 am, Broad Theater, 24 W. Broad Street, **SOUDERTON** (Convenient free offsite parking)  
Saturday, April 29th, 3:00 pm, Regal UA Theater, 300 Goddard Blvd., **KING OF PRUSSIA**. (Onsite parking) \$10 per ticket - Payment by cash or check at the door.

**More info:** [lifelovesexuality.com](http://lifelovesexuality.com)

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**Holy Cross Church, Springfield** is in need of visitors and hourly adorers to maintain our current adoration schedule. Please consider keeping Jesus company in our chapel, open weekdays 9:00am to 7:00pm. For more information, call Eileen at 610.213.3369.

And Jesus said to them “...**remain here and keep watch with me.**” ---*Matthew 26:38*

We are blessed to have a very INTIMATE Eucharistic Adoration chapel at **Holy Cross Parish in Springfield**, where JESUS is waiting for YOU. In good times and in bad, **JESUS LOVES YOU.**


**Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary  
Cassock Classic Tournament  
Saturday, April 29th.**

This event gathers co-ed young adult groups and Catholic campus ministry programs from across the Archdiocese for a day of fun & faith with the seminarians. Sponsored by the Vocation Office, the day begins with Mass and concludes with evening prayer. The registration is \$15 per participant. Visit [heedthecall.org/cassockclassic](http://heedthecall.org/cassockclassic) or contact Jillian Minnich at [jminnich@archphila.org](mailto:jminnich@archphila.org)

**SISTERS OF THE POOR SPRING CONCERT**

Featuring Lights Out, America's #1 tribute to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. **May 6th** from 7 pm – 9 pm at the John and Joan Mullen Center for the Performing Arts at Villanova University. Tickets at \$50. Villanova box office: 610-519-7474.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass is celebrated with couples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who have been married 1-5 years, 25 years and 50 years. **Saturday, May 6, 2023 5:15 p.m.** Anticipated Mass Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul Arch-bishop Nelson Perez Principal Celebrant  
  
RSVP—215-587-0500

**PAGING ALL NURSES!!** Spiritual CPR: A Retreat for Nurses~ **Sunday, May 7** at Daylesford Abbey, Lunch included. Join fellow nurses for an afternoon of fellowship, reflection, and renewal. All faiths and levels of nursing welcome! To register or to ask any questions, please email Theresa Ferrari: [DTPCMT@aol.com](mailto:DTPCMT@aol.com) or call 484-459-1564.

**You are invited on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima, Saturday, May 13th** St. Mary Magdalen Church 2400 Providence Road Media, 9:00 am – 11:30 am Refreshments following the 8:30 Mass 13th In the Parish Hall. Please come as we share The Flame of Love from Heart to Heart.

**Presenter, Patti Schwartz**, an award winning “Top Model Teacher” and seasoned Flame of Love Educator, will share some creative ideas on how to ignite **THE FLAME OF LOVE in your home.**

**Mothers' Home Charity Golf Tournament  
Monday, May 15, 2023 at Paxon Hollow Country Club**

Noon lunch / 1:00PM Shotgun Start

Please join us for a fun day of lunch, golf, cocktail reception, and outdoor barbeque on Monday, May 15th at the beautiful Paxon Hollow Country Club in support of Mothers' Home in Darby. Mothers' Home's mission is to transform the lives of pregnant women in crisis by providing safe housing and programs that prepare them for motherhood and provide a strong foundation for themselves and their children.

For more information and registration please visit our golf website: [www.mothershomegolf.com](http://www.mothershomegolf.com).

**Marian Summit: hope for families**

**May 16th, 17th, and 18th 2023, 6 – 8 pm**

Join the *Marian Summit: hope for families* for a three-day free online presentation featuring over 20 Catholic speakers offering catechesis, stories, and teaching on the Blessed Mother. The summit is geared for individuals and families who have faced adversities and challenges and offers hope and healing through talks offered by Catholic presenters.

**Offered by:** The St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith, Patchwork Heart Ministry, and Fiat Ministry Network. **To Register:**

[www.Nonnatus.org](http://www.Nonnatus.org) homepage

**To learn more:** Email [director.srnf@gmail.com](mailto:director.srnf@gmail.com)

**Philadelphia Catholic Scholars Program** High school men (Juniors & Seniors)! Gather for a 10-day faith & formation summer program to explore the relationship between faith & reason. Held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary **July 5-14**, this residential, college-accredited program combines learning with daily prayer and activities. For more information or to apply, visit: [philadelphiacatholicscholars.org](http://philadelphiacatholicscholars.org).

**HOLY LAND DISCOVERY TOUR** September 1 – 8, 2023 Mass included. The roots of your faith will come to life on this extraordinary journey through Israel. Starting from Tel Aviv, visit some of the main archeological, historical, and biblical sites, and follow in the footsteps of Jesus as you learn more about His life and ministry. To stand in the very places where history unfolded is a true highlight as you visit important sites of the Gospel, such as Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Cana, the Mount of the Beatitudes, the River Jordan valley, Bethlehem, and last, but not least, Jerusalem. This extraordinary Israel tour is designed for value-minded travelers. Hotels, transportation, guides, historians, 7 breakfasts, 4 dinners are included. Land price starts at \$1979 per person (based on double occupancy). An \$850 deposit per person will hold your space. For info and reservations, call Brian at Catholic Cruises and Tours: 860-399-1785.

**Honor Flight Philadelphia** is recruiting veterans to join them for a day of honor in Washington, D.C. on **September 9, 2023** where you will have the opportunity to visit the memorials built to honor your service and sacrifice. Transportation, meals, a USO show, memorabilia will be provided at NO COST to the veteran. For more information contact ANDREW SCHIAVELLO 610-662-1812

## Third Sunday Of Easter

### *Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

This gem of a story has been “unpacked” by scholars of renown for all that Luke intended when he wrote it down. For a lesser light like myself I see in its structure the influence of Luke’s medical background. First of all, he presents a problem. Then comes an answer, or medicine. Finally there is a follow through and a recuperation of the patient. Allow me to illustrate.

First, the problem. Call it deep disappointment, or letdown. The two companions had witnessed Good Friday, and it left them more than melancholy. Their hopes seemed dashed for good. Their trust and aspirations vanished by Roman cruelty. So they are headed away from the scene, with an urgency to “get out of town.” Do we experience at least some portion of this experience when God seemingly lets us down?

Then comes the cure. And what a cure it is! Suddenly, so typical of Our Lord’s post resurrection appearances, He joins them on the road. When the men explain their long faces, He gives them a complete rationale for everything Jesus did, from Bethlehem to Calvary. Don’t you wish, as I do, that we could have heard all that from the God Man Himself? Anyhow, in our context, it was strong medicine rightly applied.

Finally, the recuperation. It began at that simple table at the roadside inn when Jesus broke the bread with them. Beautifully does Luke tell us how “their eyes were opened” and they recognized Him precisely in “the breaking of the bread.” In other words, the very holy Eucharist first celebrated Holy Thursday night and ever since then, in places high and humble ever since.

Note how the two travelers reverse course, or “make a U turn” as we might put it? With a certain spring in their steps they went right back to the huddled disciples to make their report. They were bursting with newfound faith and revived hope. Cured of confusion. Pledged to pursue a gospel-focused life.

We need this story right now. Unfortunately a lapse of faith has trampled all over the belief of so many of our fellow travelers. You see it in the empty pews on weekends. You hear it in their casual opinions about the place of Mass in their weekly agenda. You feel it in the loss of unity among families that used to gather at church on a Sunday morning.

Right at hand for easy blame is Covid. The shutdown of our churches during the pandemic and the ease of watching Mass on TV. An obvious happenstance I believe orchestrated by none less than Satan just like the clergy abuse scandal is. He hates the Eucharist because he hates God. And cleverly he goes about tearing down our faith and love of the good Lord who keeps giving it to us.

Even the devil knows that the Eucharist by nature is a communal affair. Our Lord’s chosen way of instituting this amazing gift was with a group of people around the table. Like any important celebration, there is nothing like being there. Our job as loyal followers is to wake others from their lethargy. To see Our Lord’s words “Do this in memory of Me” as the cure for so much that weighs them down. The counterfeit comfort that their chosen distractions offer. How sorely we need the Emmaus story. Thank you, Doctor St. Luke for giving it to us!

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

### **Say the Word**

A picture is worth a thousand words. For Easter we sent home coloring pages of the Lamb of God triumphant, with the words “Alleluia! He is risen!” We challenged the children to color the sheets and then put them in their front window to proclaim to all who pass by that Jesus is alive and victorious over death! We also promised prizes if they had a parent take a picture and send it to me. This is a simple, joyful way, to share the Good News of the Resurrection of Jesus. As Pope Saint John Paul II famously said, “We are an Easter people and alleluia is our song!”

If you’d like a copy of the coloring sheet for your own home, just let me know! ([srtheresam@scbdh.org](mailto:srtheresam@scbdh.org))

### **Prayers for PREP**

Risen Lord, thank You for the joy of Easter, the joy of new life and the opening of the gates of Heaven! Thank you for the beauty of spring that we see all around us - may the glorious flowers bring words of praise and hope for the glories of Heaven into our hearts. May each family in our parish be a witness to the joy of faithful Christian living!

