

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ APRIL 28, 2024

# 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*

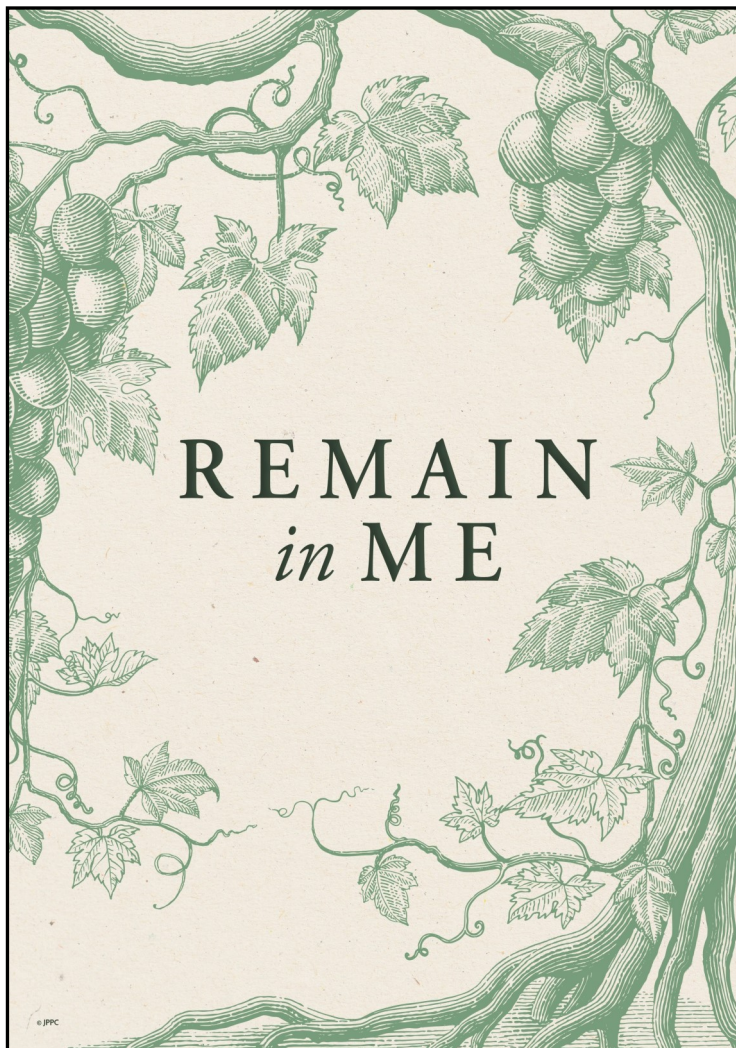
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**Office Hours**  
**Monday-Friday**  
**8:30AM to 3:30PM**  
*Remotely Monday, Wednesday, Friday*  
*In parish office Tuesday and Thursday*

## 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. 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**  
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. 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 (Vigil) Claudia & Paul Fagioli Of Family

#### Sunday, April 28

7:30AM Anthony DiPrinzio Of Dolores McLoughlin

#### Monday, April 29

8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart

#### Tuesday, April 30

8:30AM Barbara Kornas Of Ruszaj Family

#### Wednesday, May 1

8:30AM Rev. David Bailey Of. Dolores McLoughlin

#### Saturday, May 4

4:00PM (Vigil) Josephine Robinson Of Crawford & DiCola Families

#### Sunday, May 5

7:30AM D'Orazio Family Of Patti & Family

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



### Candles for the Month of April

Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori  
Frank Rizzo, Jr.  
Thomas McGehrin

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### Flame of Love Holy Hour



Thursday evenings 6:30-7:30PM at Saint Charles Borromeo Church

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

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### Mass Celebrants Weekend of April 27-28

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Anderson

7:30AM Fr. Stenson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson

10:00AM Bishop McIntyre

4:00PM Fr. Stenson



### Mass Celebrants Weekend of May 4-5

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson

10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Stenson



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change**

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Please consider making a donation to the Catholic Charities Appeal. All donations to the annual Catholic Charities Appeal can be sent directly to the following address: Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Catholic Charities Appeal, P.O. Box 95000, Philadelphia, PA 19195-4710. Visit

[www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org) for more details .

### Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Eucharistic Procession June 2, 2024

- Join us for 12:30pm Mass at St. Andrew
- With our principal celebrant Archbishop James Patrick Green
- Procession will proceed from St. Andrew down Turner Lane
- Concluding with Benediction and a celebratory gathering at St. Bernadette
- Limited seating trolley transport available

#### **Save the date!**

St. Andrew the Apostle Parish

St. Bernadette of Lourdes Parish

St. Charles Borromeo Parish

St. Dorothy Parish

Question: [nverna@standrewhd.org](mailto:nverna@standrewhd.org) or 610-259-116

### Follow Me

Thousands followed Christ throughout his earthly ministry. Since his Resurrection, countless Christians have traveled to holy sites in order to connect concretely with places where heaven and earth have touched. While pilgrimages have a long legacy within the Church, this is the first undertaken at such a scale—walking coast-to-coast with Our Eucharistic Lord! Find out more about this tradition and the fruits of making a pilgrimage yourself.

<https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/>



### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

#### Sacred Heart– April 21, 2024

Sunday Envelopes	52	\$1,492.00
Loose		338.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,830.00</b>
Parish Maintenance		50.00
Easter		100.00
Loose		245.00

#### Easter Envelope Mailing

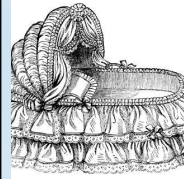
If you have still not received your Easter Envelope and would like to let us know, please call 610-623-0409 or email [sacredheartchurch@rcn.com](mailto:sacredheartchurch@rcn.com)

Cathedral Corporation is still trying to find out what actually happened with this mailing.

Please consider sending in your Easter envelope if you do finally receive it.

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

Sacred Heart is collecting only “NEW” (not used) infants clothing & accessories for new born babies.



Please place your donations in the bassinet as soon as you enter the Church.

We are starting **Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** and ending **Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

These women choose to not have an abortion.

Let's support them by help clothe their babies!

**Suggested Items for Baby: Please note that our babies are only with us until they are 6 months old.**

Baby Formula (Similac Advance and Sensitive) powder or ready to feed  
Diapers (Sizes NB, 3, 4, 5, 6)  
Wipes (Unscented)  
Baby Lotion  
Baby Wash  
Strap on Baby Carriers  
New and gently used Baby Clothing (Sizes Newborn; 3-6; 6-9; 9-12; 18-24) No toddler sizes  
New Receiving Blankets  
Crib Sheets, new only  
New bibs  
Undershirts/Onesies (Sizes Newborn; 3-6; 6-9; 9-12; 18-24)  
Socks  
Laundry Detergent (Dreft or unscented)  
Infant strollers  
Humidifiers  
Infant rear-facing carseats

#### St. Anthony and The Infant Jesus

St. Anthony, your love for the infant Jesus made him present for you to see and hold in your arms. Help us to see and cherish Jesus in all children of the world. Move us to feed and clothe Jesus in the children of the poor and care for him in all unwanted, abused, neglected and abandoned children. And lead us, for Jesus' sake, to reverence and protect human life always from its first beginning

# FORMED

#### Swimming Upstream:

#### Going Against the Current Culture by Stephen Ray

In this empowering talk, Steve Ray shares what it means to be a Christian in today's world. By examining the lives and martyrdoms of the early Christians and understanding how they transformed the pagan Greco-Roman culture, Steve gives us a blueprint for the New Evangelization. Learn from early Christians how to swim upstream against the current culture and become a witness for Christ.

Enjoy Steve Ray's Footprints of God series on FORMED:  
<https://watch.formed.org/footprints-of-god-with-stephen-ray>

**Easter Season 2024**

Have you lost the plot of your life?

Explore life's mysteries with The Search, a new video based program that explores life's big questions. The Search will speak to you. You may be reassured by some parts and challenged by others.

Either way, you'll find a lot here to think about. And when all is said and done, life's questions demand to be answered. Are you ready for The Search?

**THE SEARCH** BRONX FOUNDATION **FORMED**

**When: Thursdays: April 11 – May 23**  
**10:30am - Noon**  
**Where: St. Charles Borromeo Rectory**

## **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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

Each of us has that certain friend, relative or neighbor who is good at something that we're not. That ability could be about almost anything you can name. Baking a cake; building a deck; telling a story; driving an RV or flying a plane. It is these talents and abilities of others that make life better for us, even if we must fight off a little jealousy. But, when you add in your specialty, we have an expanded basis for gratitude, well past the fourth Thursday in November.

There is one Person who once came to live with us from a faraway place called heaven who had every possible talent and ability there could be: Our Lord Jesus. Even so, He put limits on Himself. Yes, He performed miracles. Yes, He rose from the dead. But in His teaching, He only told us what we needed to know; never to limit ourselves in becoming better; told us how to be better; and then invited us to live in His kingdom.

In today's Gospel Reading, Jesus made bold to call Himself "The Good Shepherd." That title meant more to His contemporaries than it does to us, at least at first glance. Most of us know nothing about this humble and difficult way of life called shepherding. We have to "Google" it. We do know that shepherds raise and tend to sheep.

When Jesus called Himself the "Good" Shepherd that word in John's gospel meant more than "good at" some task or other. It meant "noble" or "ideal" shepherd. That declared that Jesus was not like the bad shepherds who neglected their flocks and let them become victims of wolves. In fact, Jesus gave His life for His sheep, who, in this context are namely you and me.

The good news is that we are always part of His flock if we want to be. We will receive His attention, His care, His love. Of course, that word "if" makes all the difference. We can reject Him. Write Him off our list of priorities if you will. This happens to otherwise faithful sheep, particularly when inclusion in His flock, or loyalty to Him involves pain and difficulty.

In our society, with its upside-down value system, that pain may be no more than embarrassment at being known as His follower. Yet every crucifix, large or small, is a vivid reminder of how much He loves us and will not hold back His love if we repent. Like a good shepherd, He feeds His flock with the finest of foods, namely the Holy Eucharist. Boy is our Shepherd good at loving us, is He not? How are we at loving Him back?

Even a four-year-old little girl knows the coldness implied when we make no return to God. Her mother watched her one day hugging a doll in each of her pudgy little arms. After a few minutes, she wistfully looked up at her mother and said, "Mama, I love them and love them and love them, but they never love me back."

Well...God love you and may you always love Him back.

## **Helping the whole family grow in faith**

Sacred Heart, St. Charles, and St. Andrew  
**Parish Religious Education  
Program**

### **Early Registration**

**Early Registration with Reduced Fees:**

**Registration form due by June 1, 2024**

*with a \$10 deposit, balance due by September 1<sup>st</sup>.*

1 Child: \$115 (save \$25),

2 Children: \$160 (save \$40),

3 or more children: \$200 (save \$50)



**Registration forms are on the parish websites and may be brought to the Parish Office. Please make checks payable to St. Charles Borromeo Church.**

Please call or email Sr. Theresa Marie with any questions: (215)983-9462 or [dre@scbdh.org](mailto:dre@scbdh.org)  
If there is a financial need, please contact the PREP Office.

**Registration fees can also be paid through our SCRIP fundraising program.**



**Dear Church Family,**

**This Sunday is a great day....**We welcome Bishop John J. McIntyre, Auxiliary Bishop of our Archdiocese, to St. Charles Borromeo Church, as he offers the 10am Parish Mass and confers the Sacrament of Confirmation within Mass to two of our children and celebrates the Sacrament of First Eucharist to six of our children from our Partnering Parishes of Sacred Heart, Clifton Heights and St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill. It is a great day for us. For it provides a wonderful opportunity for each of us to pray in this Mass to renew the Gifts of the Holy Spirit within us, and to renew our love and reverence for Jesus, present in the Most Holy Eucharist. Come, join our children, their families, and your fellow parishioners to receive many graces and blessings through the hands of our good Regional Bishop John J. McIntyre.

**A Convocation of Priests with our Bishops**

I will be taking part in the bi-annual Convocations of Priests with Archbishop Nelson J. Perez and his Auxiliary Bishops, April 29-May 2, 2024, at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, Pennsylvania. Our keynote speaker and presenter will be Mr. Curtis Martin, a founder of FOCUS—which is a Catholic outreach program for American college students founded in 1997 by Curtis Martin and Dr. Edward Sri at Benedictine College. These days provide us an opportunity to spend time in prayer and worship, fraternity and discussions about the future of the Church of Philadelphia. Please pray for us, as I pray for you.

**The Month of May**

May is a perfect time to renew our tradition and dedicate ourselves, our families, our Church, and world to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Through the ages, Mary, the Mother of Jesus has been a faithful advocate and helper to all her children. The month of May begins with the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, May 1st. Please consider coming to the morning Mass at 8:30am and seek the blessings of God through the powerful intercession of Saint Joseph for worthy and dignified employment for your good and the good of your family.

Throughout the month of May try to:

- Pray the rosary as a family and meditate on the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries of Our Lord through the heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Make the Five First Saturdays –beginning on May 4<sup>th</sup>-- to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary's request when she appeared at Fatima, Portugal, 1917.
- Pray one of the Litanies in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Do the 33 days in preparation of a formal Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Consider joining the Legion of Mary which meets every Tuesday evening, 7:00-8:30pm at St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall. The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics who, with the sanction of the Church and under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate, Mediatrix of All Graces, serve the Church and their neighbor on a voluntary basis in about 170 countries.
- Join fellow parishioners in the Cenacle of the Flame of Love Devotions, Thursday evenings, 6:30-7:30pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church.

**May 4th, is the Feast Day of Saint Peregrine, Patron saint of victims of cancer, AIDS, and other life-threatening diseases. The lesson of Peregrine's life is not that God worked a miracle, but that a faithful, trustful servant placed himself, unconditionally, in the hands of our Lord. Peregrine's trust in God can be a model for us in dealing with the pain, sickness and crosses of our lives.**

**NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024 - LET US HONOR OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

We will crown the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Child at both of our Churches.

Our Order of Service to Honor the Blessed Virgin Mary is:

On Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> -at the Anticipated Masses (4pm at Sacred Heart and 5:30pm at St. Charles, the Priest Celebrant will lead an Act of Personal Consecration to our Blessed Mother.

On Sunday, May 5, 2024, the Priest celebrant will invite the parishioners to process after Mass to the Grotto where we will pray a Litany to Our Blessed Mother, make a Personal Act of Consecration, and sing the Hail Holy Queen

After the 7:30am Mass at Sacred Heart to the Grotto behind the Rectory

After the 10am Mass at St. Charles to the Grotto near the Garages.

You are encouraged to bring floral tributes to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and to seek her help and protection for our families, Church, and world. May Mary's prayer for us, the gift of a mother's love, be for us, a joy through all ages. May her response, born of a humble heart, draw God's Holy Spirit to rest on us, her children. Amen.

**The weekend of May 11 and 12, 2024 –we will have a guest speaker who will give brief talk at all the Masses about the 2024 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL** We still can use this time to consider making a donation and helping our parishes reach their goal for this year's appeal. May God bless the work of our hands!

**May 9, 2024 is the Solemnity of Ascension Thursday- A Holy Day of Obligation** for all Catholics to go the Mass. Masses will be celebrated:

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Vigil Mass at 4pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church

Vigil Mass at 7pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church

Ascension Thursday, May 9, 2024

8:30am Morning Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Church

12Noon Mass at Sacred Heart Church

7pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church

**The Novena in Honor of the Holy Spirit** begins on Friday, May 10 and goes on to Saturday, May 18, 2024. Novena Booklets will be provided, God bless,

