twenty-first sunday in ordinary time ~ August 27, 2023 Sacred Heart Parísh

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.

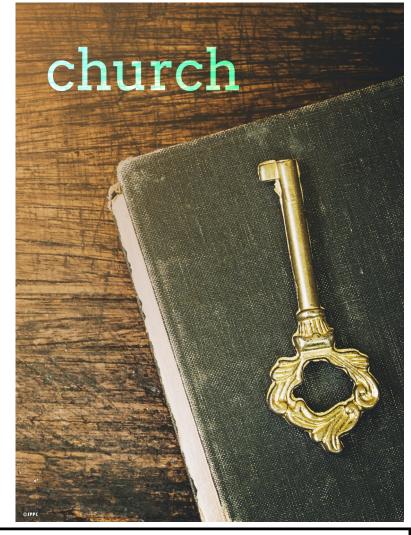
Sunday Schedule Of Masses

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

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Masses For The Week

Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM Intention of the Sacred Heart Memorial Fund Sunday, August 27 7:30AM Mary McCarrick Of Leona & Vince Papale

Monday, August 28 8:30AM The Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart Tuesday, August 29 8:30AM Thomas & Robin McLoughlin Of Dolores McLoughlin Wednesday, August 30 8:30AM The Holy Souls

Saturday, September 2 4:00PM Thomas McGehrin Of Family Sunday, September 3 7:30AM Dominic & Vincent & Mary Natale Of Mary Lou Strunk St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, August 27 9:15AM Joseph Sewruk, Pastor, Bronislaw Trzcinski & Msgr. Zdzislaw Stanik Of Hanna Sunday, September 3

9:15AM Catherine & Walter Kowalski

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 August Sacred Heart Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori Thomas McGehrin

> St. Hedwig Joseph Sewruk

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> **St. Hedwig** Alexander & Leokadia Romatowski



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.

Mass Celebrants Weekend of August 26-27

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Stenson 7:30AM Fr. McGowan **St. Hedwig's Chapel** 9:15AM Fr. Raymundo

St. Charles Borromeo5:30PMMsgr. Majoros10:00AMMsgr. Majoros4:00PMFr. Stenson



Mass Celebrants Weekend of September 2-3

Sacred Heart 4:00PM Msgr. Majoros 7:30AM Fr. Stenson

<u>St. Hedwig's Chapel</u> 9:15AM Msgr. Majoros

St. Charles Borromeo5:30PMFr. Stenson10:00AMFr. Stenson4:00PMFr. Anderson



Celebrants Are Subject To Change

Parish Secretary Needed Part-time Tuesday & Thursday 9AM-4PM St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill. Please see our parish website for a detailed job description. www.sacredheart-cliftonheights.net



Although the in-person registration is sold out, due to continued interest, the Committee has made it possible for the faithful to participate **VIRTUALLY** in the Eucharistic Congress via livestream.

Here is the link to register for virtual participation: <u>https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=U7s42v</u>

(link can also be found on the parish website)

Don't Miss Out ~ Participate Virtually Eucharistic Congress "The Gift of Finest Wheat: This is My Body Given Up for You Saturday, September 30, 2023 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM 2023 092-2

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP
Prayerfully consider your Offertory Gift as
your act of praise to God for all HE has given
you.
Sacred Heart– August 20, 2023

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Sunday Envelopes	44	\$1,142.00
Loose		203.00
Total		1,345.00
Loose		246.00
Mission Cooperative		900.00
Energy		5.00
Catholic University		60.00

St. Hedwig - August 20, 2023				
Sunday Envelopes	17	\$626.00		
Loose		<u>76.00</u>		
Total		702.00		
Loose		15.00		
Mission Cooperative		145.00		

Energy

Thank you to all who have given so generously

20.00

Mass and Healing Service at Our Lady of Fatima on First Friday, September 1, 2023, at 7:00 pm. 1 Fatima Drive, Secane, PA 19018 610 - 532 – 5800 Rev. Roland Slobogin will be the celebrant. Kathleen McCarthy will be the speaker. All are invited for:

Praise, Music, Mass, Healing Service, Prayer Teams



Do You Enjoy "The Chosen Series" Autumn Bible Study - Season 3 of "The Chosen." We're back with Season 3 of "The Chosen." We will be showing all 8 episodes of Season 3 of The Chosen. If you haven't heard of it, this is a beautiful series about Jesus' ministry while on Earth. The actual biblical quotes are true, but the other scenes attempt to fill in the blanks about His everyday life. There will be valuable group discussions after the videos, exploring the related Bible passages and the video production details. We will show this at 2 different times so PICK THE TIME that is best for you. Light refreshments will be served. Please join us! Holy Cross Parish Center 651 E Springfield Road , Springfield PA 19064 More Info: Please contact Pattie Stevens at pattiejstevens@comcast.net or 484.868.8571.

Choose: Mondays, September 11 thru October 30, 7:00 - 8:30 PM OR Wednesdays, September 13 thru November 1, 9:15 -10:45AM. 092-3

September 11th—Remembrance Service 22nd Anniversary

We remember

Each year our country recalls the anniversary of 9/11, where the families of victims gather for a ceremony on the 9/11 Memorial plaza to read aloud the names of the 2,983 men, women, and children killed in the September 11, 2001 attacks and February 26, 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center. Six moments of silence mark the times when each of the World Trade Center towers was struck, when each tower fell, and the times corresponding to the attack at the Pentagon, and the crash of United Airlines Flight 93 in Pennsylvania.

Come and pray as we gather together with neighbors and friends asking God to light a new hope in our hearts in an Inter-faith Prayer Service of Remembrance, Hope, and New Life

Monday, September 11, 2023 at St. Charles Borromeo Church, 3422 Dennison Avenue, Drexel Hill, PA 19026 7:00p.m.

We celebrate and believe in God, who calls us to be His cocreators in this time, builders of a better tomorrow, and collaborators in doing good works with each other for a better world. R.S.V.P. sacredheartchurch@rcn.com rectory@scbdh.org

Lord, Teach Me to Pray

Are you searching for a deeper relationship with the Lord?

Can your prayer life use a booster?

Consider taking part in A Prayer Group for Women based on the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

A trained facilitator leads a small faith sharing group for 1-2 hours once a week for 12 weeks in a confidential setting. Participants are introduced to the methods of the Ignatian style of prayer, meditation and contemplation, as well as the Daily Examen.

Come and learn more about how Lord, Teach Me To Pray works at an information night on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 7PM



Sacred Heart Rectory 316 E Broadway Avenue Clifton Heights, PA 19018 The 57th Annual Polish American Festival at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, located at 654 Ferry Road in Doylestown, PA, takes place during Labor Day Weekend, Saturday, September 2nd, Sunday, September 3rd, and Labor Day, Monday, September 4th from 12 Noon to 8 P.M. each day.

Eileen George Prayer Group 2-3pm September 10

Will be led by **BISHOP PEPE** at Annunciation BVM Church in Havertown. We will pray for Eileen's Intercession as well as have a teaching from her service (s). For information about Eileen go to

www.EileenGeorge.org

and find out about Meet the Father Ministry. For questions contact: Jeanmarie Lorello (phone or text) her at 610-547-7308

Retrouvaille:

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage October 6-8, 2023 Malvern Retreat House Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). Upcoming programs will be held October 6-8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. To register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215- 766-3944.

> St. Joseph Church 500 Woodlawn Ave, Collingdale PA 610.583.4530

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH Beginning Thursday September 14, 2023 @ 7PM in the rectory basement

What do we really believe as Catholics? Will Knowledge of my faith help me in my daily life? Does better understanding of my faith lead to more peace and joy in life? Will the truth of my Catholic faith strengthen me in all the challenges of my life?

These and other questions may be answered as you come and explore the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" with Father Gabin.

No books are needed for this free discussion. Come and enjoy the splendor of our precious Catholic faith. 092-4



Would you like your child(ren)...

- to have the best Friend ever?
- to serve those in need?
- to pray with other children?
- to be strengthened in faith?
- to be confident in who they are?

Would you like your family...

- to be part of a community?
- to celebrate the sacraments and serve the needy together?
- to talk about the most important things in life?





Sacred Heart, St. Charles, and St. Andrew

Parish Religious Education Program

We meet Monday evenings from 6:30pm to 7:50pm for grades 1-7,

from September through May. We provides classes for children of all abilities. Children with cognitive, sensory, physical, or social disabilities are welcome to attend PREP.

Registration Fees: 1 Child: \$140, 2 Children: \$200, 3 or more children: \$250

Registration forms can be found on the parish websites (scbdh.org, standrewdh.org, sacredheart-cliftonheights.net) or in the Churches and may be turned in to the Parish Offices. Please make checks payable to St. Charles Borromeo Church.

Please contact Sr. Theresa Marie Moore, pvmi with any questions: (215)983-9462, or <u>srtheresam@scbdh.org</u> If there is a financial need, please contact the PREP Office.

Registration fees can be paid through our SCRIP fundraising program.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2023 Don't Miss Out

Join Catholic women from the greater Philadelphia area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer at the Catholic Women's Conference. The 2023 theme is "Created for Love: Daughter • Sister • Friend • Bride • Mother".

Throughout the day, we will learn how we as women can enter more deeply into these five primary ways of relating to God and others and so experience deeper fulfillment and bring greater joy to others. Speakers include: Sr. Mary Madeline Todd of the Nashville Dominicans, Sarah Swafford, Claudine Noel, Mallory Smyth and the Sisters of Life. **Saturday, October 28, 2023**, 9am-4:00pm, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA. Tracks available in English and Spanish. Early sellout is expected.

Register at: www.catholicwomensconference.org

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Often enough, the setting of a message enhances its importance.

On Superbowl Sunday, for example, any commercial for products from Pepsi to Pepto-Bismol, gains a wide audience. Sponsors don't mind the cost of their ads based on that assumption.

Today's gospel reading brings us to a momentous step in Our Lord's life. But the setting is not to be discounted. After the polling of His Apostles about His identity, He appoints Peter as "the Rock" foundation of the brand-new Church. His words would one day appear carved with 4-foot-high gold lettering around the base of the dome in the Vatican Basilica named for this same Peter buried below it.

But what about that original setting? Caesarea Philippi was at the time a city located about 25 miles northeast of Galilee, within the area ruled by Herod's son Philip the tetrarch. It held a mainly non-Jewish population. Its central feature was a huge temple, which Philip had enriched with a facade of glistening marble. Philip had renamed it Caesarea, which means "Caesar's town." Obviously to curry favor from the emperor. Then he had the gall to add his own name "Philipi" to guarantee that he'd get the credit. The Jewish historian Josephus was to write that "No one could look at the town, even from a distance without seeing that pile of white shining marble and thinking of the might and divinity of Rome."

Into that magnificent setting comes a homeless and penniless Galilean Jew, a young carpenter with twelve very ordinary men. Here he led an extraordinary conversation that St. Matthew allows us to "overhear."

From this whole scene I derive three characteristics of Jesus that draw me to Him, and hopefully you as well. First of all, He certainly had a healthy flair for the dramatic. I say "healthy" to differentiate Him from showoffs and dictators the world over, who devise parades to buttress their egos and intimidate their people. Our Lord knew that long ago day that this conversation would be included in the gospel. He also knew that we would hear or read about it in the future. So, we would picture its setting.

Second, Jesus' conviction and self-confidence about the rightness of His mission, with no intimidation from the world. He certainly was not a frightened rube from a small town overwhelmed by a type of Times Square. All of that was fluff to Him. At best a second Tower of Babel destined for destruction.

Third, and most importantly, Jesus' willingness to forgive Peter his well-documented faults. This former Simon bar Jonah would become St. Peter. A preacher of faith, knowledge, strength of conviction, and loyal love. One who would only consent to be crucified if they would do it to him upside down so as not to disrespect his Master.

The good news in all of this for us is that Jesus still has and always will have these loving characteristics in Him. As we decide to form a mature partnership with Him, relishing His example, we will tell His good news to all we meet by word and example. And then, someday, we will know Him up close and personal to experience a peace only dreamed of here on earth.

Meanwhile, we will strive to live with courage and accept the truth of this advice in the particular setting of our lives: "Don't be afraid to go out on a limb. That's where the fruit is." God love you and give you His courage.

Say the Word – Summer Edition with Servant of God Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, pvmi

"On a battle field the doctor is not the first to reach those who are wounded; the men nearest the wounded soldier are the first to pick up their companion and carry him to the doctor. "We are all soldiers of Christ, but with us it is in a spiritual order. The priest is the great doctor, who represents Jesus, Who is the great Physician of souls.

"Many of our companions are wounded by sin, or they are so week in faith that they are liable to drop wounded at the first shot. We must help them by bringing them to church, that Jesus may help them."

Prayers for PREP

Healer of Souls, give me the courage to bring to You the spiritually wounded whom I know. I bring them to You in prayer and then by inviting them to know You better through my experience of Your healing love. May I also invite them to join me at Mass or to visit You in the presence of Your priestly servants. Amen.