# SOLEMNITY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD $\sim$ AUGUST 6, 2023 Sacred Heart Parish

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

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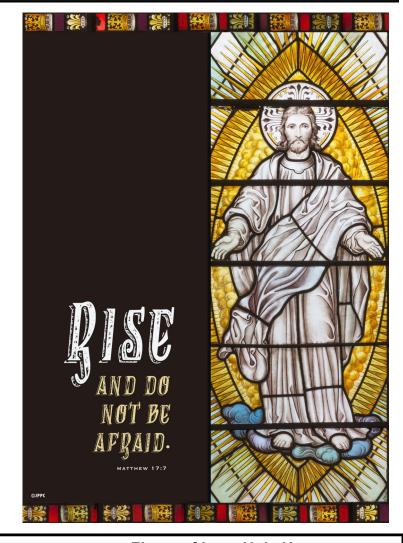
www.sacredheart-cliftonheights.net

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 Anne Pontarelli Of Tom & Stella Pyfer & Family

#### Sunday, August 6

7:30AM Gary Schnell, Romeo D'Orazio, & Karen Flower Of Patti Schnell

#### Monday, August 7

8:30AM The Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart

#### Tuesday, August 8

8:30AM Jane Terpstra Of Patti Schnell

#### Wednesday, August 9

8:30AM Frank Rizzo, Jr. Of wife & family

#### Saturday, August 12

4:00PM Kristin Curry Of Tom & Stella Pyfer & family

### Sunday, August 13

7:30AM Vincent Natale Of daughter & family

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

#### Sunday, August 6

9:15AM Catherine & Walter Kowalski

#### Sunday, August 13

9:15AM Walter Kuchinski Of sister, Judy

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





#### 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.

### **Parish Secretary Needed**

St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill. Please see our parish website for a detailed job description.

#### Mass Celebrants Weekend of August 5-6

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Anderson 7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Raymundo

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson 10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Stenson



#### Mass Celebrants Weekend of August 12-13

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Kande 7:30AM Fr. Stenson

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Stenson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Msgr Majoros/Kande 10:00AM Fr. Kande

4:00PM Fr. Kande



Celebrants Are Subject To Change

Next Weekend August 12-13 we welcome Rev. Francis Kande, CICM to speak about the Mission Cooperative Program. Here is a little background for Fr. Kande

I am from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Member of the Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (CICM), known as Missionhurst-CICM in the United States. I joined the CICM in 1998 after my studies in Mathematics and Physics. I had my first profession in 1989. After my philosophical studies in Congo, I went to Cameroon (Central Africa) for the theological studies. After the theological studies, I was sent to the mission in the Philippines (Asia) where I spent 6 years as a missionary. I was in parish as an associate, Pastor and formator in our seminary for 6 years. In 2010. I was called home back for the internal service as the Provincial secretary and Director of the Mission animation Center. After only two years, I was elected Provincial Superior of the Southern Africa Province, comprising Congo-Zambia and South Africa. After my term, I had a one year sabbatical in Chicago before being sent to Zambia as pastor in 2017. Right now, I am Pastor of a new parish, without neither a Rectory nor a Parish Church. It is a new parish to be opened.

Parishioners may drop donations to the Mission Cooperative Plan in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory anytime during the Month of August.

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#### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

#### Sacred Heart-July 30, 2023

 Sunday Envelopes
 38
 \$1,172.00

 Loose
 129.00

 Total
 1,301.00

 Loose
 168.00

### St. Hedwig - July 30, 2023

 Sunday Envelopes
 22
 \$922.00

 Loose
 11.00

 Total
 933.00

 Maintenance
 30.00

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

Please pray about what you might be able to do, given your own needs, to continue your parish support by mailing in your weekly offerings or use the electronic giving in order to keep our parish operating.

If you have questions about electronic giving or have no online access, please call the Rectory

#### **HOLY LAND DISCOVERY TOUR September 1 – 8, 2023**

Mass in included. 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.



#### **AbbeyFest**

The AbbeyFest returns to Daylesford Abbey in Paoli on Saturday, **September 16**, **2023** featuring headliner Matthew West! Tickets and sponsorships, a schedule for the day, and more information are available at TheAbbeyFest.com.

De La Salle Council 590 Knights of Columbus will host a degree ceremony following the 10:00 AM Mass at St. Charles NEXT SUNDAY,, August 13th. All are invited especially men over 18. For more information contact Ron Cubbage at 484 354 5466or roncubbage@hotmail.com

#### The Society of St. Vincent DePaul needs your help.

Currently, our pantry is in desperate need of the following items:

Cold Cereal ~ Canned Soup ~ Canned Fruit
Tuna ~ Peanut Butter ~Jelly ~Chef- Boyardee
Dinty Moore Beef Stew ~ Pork and Beans

All donations can be dropped off in the back of either Church and are greatly appreciated by local families. Thank you for assisting us in this Corporal Work of Mercy.

# Fr. James Blount Will Celebrate Healing Mass with Saint Michael The Archangel

Tuesday, August 8th at 7:00PM St. Anastasia Church, Newtown Square

Through the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Mass will be Live-Streamed www.saintanastasia.net

# INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE ~ ST. ANASTASIA PARISH Begins THIS WEDNESDAY

This is a basic 'getting to know the Bible' course that's very easy, interesting, practical, and fun! You will learn: how the Bible is laid out logically, how to find your way around it. what the overall story and timeline of the Bible is, how to pray with scripture, why the Bible matters to the Church, to the world today, and, most especially, to YOU! Join us for three sessions on Wednesdays: August 9, 16, 23, 6:30 pm. Come to one or all sessions! NO previous bible experience needed! There is no cost for these sessions! Bring a bible, but if you don't have one we will have some inexpensive bibles available for sale. Saint Anastasia Rectory basement meeting room, 3301 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA (enter through the rectory basement door). Please let me know in advance if you are coming so that we have enough supplies available. To learn more, or to sign up, contact Theresa Haggerty, 610-504-5558 thaggerty@saintannies.org

#### **EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

# The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa Saturday, September 30 from 9am - 4pm

Plan now to be a part of the Eucharistic Congress as a family with friends. All are welcome. Holy Mass at 9:00am celebrated by Archbishop Perez begins the day; Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 4:00pm concludes the day; Talks of the Mystery of the Eucharist by compelling speakers; Opportunities for Adoration, Confession and other Devotions; Special track of events in Spanish and for the Youth. For additional information and to register, go to:

#### www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/congress.

Please bring your own lunch. Plenty of parking is available.

#### PREP REGISTRATION



# 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 <a href="mailto:srtheresam@scbdh.org">srtheresam@scbdh.org</a> If there is a financial need, please contact the PREP Office.

Registration fees can be paid through our SCRIP fundraising program.

### Feast of Our Lady of Czestochowa Sunday, August 27th National Shrine, Doylestown, PA

The National Polish Apostolate Committee, together with Archbishop Thomas Wenski of Miami, Episcopal Liaison to Polish Apostolate, invites the faithful to the Feast of Our Lady of Czestochowa, 654 Ferry Road.

This feast coincides with the 45th anniversary of Karol Cardinal Wojtyla's election to the Sea of Saint Peter. The theme of Pilgrimage of Polonia this year is "Highlight and Support the Legacy of Saint John Paul II". His enormous spiritual and cultural legacy continues to fascinate the whole World. This year a recipient of the "Pride of Polonia" award will be Fr. Krzysztof Wieliczko, OSPPE.

The event will commence with musical performances of children from Polish Saturday School at 11:00AM, followed by a solemn Mass at 12:30PM celebrated by his excellency Archbishop Thomas Wenski.

### Eileen George Prayer Group 2-3pm August 13, 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.

#### **Our Mother of Good Counsel Summer Camps**

Summer camps for children this year. Soup to Nuts Camp (\$75 per student, scholarships available based on need) for rising 4th-7th graders will be from 9a.m. to 2 p.m. **August 14-18**. This camp will highlight the awareness of hunger, budgeting for meals, measuring ingredients, and basic cooking. Vacation Bible School (\$60 per child, scholarships available based on need) for children ages 4-10 will be from 9a.m. to 12p.m. **August 21-25**. Children will learn about Jesus and how to shine His light to others. Please contact Karen Carey at 610-525-0147.

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#### Retrouvaille:

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage **August 18-20** and **October 6-8, 2023** – Malvern Retreat House Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. Upcoming programs will be held August 18-20 and again October 6-8, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215- 766-3944.

#### JOIN THE FATHER BILL ATKINSON PILGRIMAGE

The second annual Father Bill Atkinson Pilgrimage will take place on **Thursday**, **September 21**, **2023**. The Pilgrimage is a journey of faith and friendship seeking the intercession of S.O.G. Father Bill Atkinson. We will begin at St. Thomas of Villanova Church on Villanova's Campus at 3:30pm with a prayer service led by Father Rob Hagan. We will then begin a 4-mile accessible walk to Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Wayne. Please register today and find more information on our website: www.friendsoffatherbill.org.

# **Transfiguration of the Lord**

# Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

I have long been a fan of the movies. This despite the fact that I have not been to see one in a theater since before Covid struck. Cable TV provides my supply. The techniques used to tell their stories have advanced from an earlier era when movie illusions were called "trick photography," That has since evolved to something called "CGI," or "Computer Generated Imagery."

Now we realize that such things as the crowds hooting and hollering in the Roman Colosseum are not live movie extras but computer produced images. Same goes for scenes where two great armies crossing the wide valley between them with a clash of clubs and swords are not really there. You can see how the movie studios save lots in salary money. No "extras" needed for such scenes.

When it comes to today's feast of the "Transfiguration" of Jesus, we dare not think of such cinematic trickery as might be used to portray it for the big screen. We risk this if we get too caught up in what I might call the "thinginess" of this supernatural event. Here we have a gospel scene where that special trio of Peter, James and John get a glimpse of heaven. The hallmarks of divine activity are all present: a mountain top, a cloud, and a Voice from heaven.

Christ in brilliant divine splendor converses with the long buried Moses and Elijah. His body is not the same one easily seen by the Apostles on the roads they traveled together on the dusty roads of Galilee and Judea, Yet it is the same person Jesus, whom they called "Master."

We remember that this Gospel scene is proclaimed by the Churriguera at the start of Lent. It has aspects of a pep rally then, encouraging us to do our Lenten penances with a clear purpose of amendment. That image easily comes to my mind from years of attendance at a Friday afternoon high school rally before a big weekend game.

In a similar way, we need the Lord's encouragement as we do battle with the prevailing culture all around us. Our Christian faith has been for quite a while the object of so much scorn and sarcasm that we need reminders of who it is we honor and follow. You could call it a "Clash of the 2 H's", namely "Hope vs the Headlines".

Peter, James and John will soon feel this same tension in their days, albeit without newspapers. When they walked down the mountain after that spectacular vision, they did so with a very natural Jesus into the valley of human confusion that still exists right outside our churches. They had their mission then. We have ours now. Tell the world about Jesus, His Word and His ways.

On this late summer Sunday, aware of our task, it seems helpful to note what somebody wrote, namely that "judging from the way some people behave these days, they must think hell is air-conditioned!"

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

"We often hear people say, 'The law does not oblige me to do more than this for the Church.' They mean that the law does not oblige them under pain of mortal sin.

"But there is another, unwritten law. It is the law of love. We find it among members of good families, one toward the other. The mother does not ask how little she is obliged to do for the children, nor should the children question their obligations to the mother.

"There is a still higher law of love toward God; it is measured by what Christ has done for us. He gave His life in service, He gave His death in sacrifice, because He loved us. What, then, should be our law of love toward God? Should there be any limit?"

#### **Prayers for PREP**

Lord, lover of my soul, please help me to live by the law of love. As we enter August, show me how I can express my love for You and for the people around me. As we prepare for another year of Religious Education, please show me one child I can invite. Amen.

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