

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JANUARY 26, 2025

# 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,  
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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 Borromeo 10:00AM, 4:00PM

**Weekdays Masses 8:30AM**  
Sacred Heart Mon, Tues, Wed  
St. Charles Borromeo 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 Borromeo (Vigil) 4:00PM, 8:30AM  
Sacred Heart 12:00 Noon, 7:00PM

## Confession Schedule Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sacred Heart 3:00-3:45PM Saturday

St. Charles Borromeo  
Thursday before First Friday 6:30-7:30PM  
Saturday following the 8:30AM Mass 9:30-10:30AM

# Masses For The Week

## Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM (Vigil) Mary Ann Coleman– Henderson  
Of Tom & Stella Pyfer & family

### Sunday, January 26

7:30AM Romeo D'Orazio Of D'Orazio family

### Monday, January 27

8:30AM Agnes DiCola (13th Anniv) Of Family

### Tuesday, January 28

8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart  
Parish

### Wednesday, January 29

8:30AM Vincent Ryan Of Barrett Family

### Saturday, February 1

4:00PM (Vigil) Nancy Stewart Of Tom & Stella  
Pyfer & family

### Sunday, February 2

7:30AM Thomas & Robin McLoughin Of  
Dolores

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

### Special Note to Parishioners and Visitors

*If you are not feeling well, we ask that you please reconsider  
attending Mass until you are completely well again.  
The many viruses being passed around are extremely  
dangerous. Your fellow parishioners, our clergy and the staff  
thank you for being so considerate during this time of year.*



**Candles for the Month of January**  
Ernesto & Antonietta Lellii & Tina Mori  
Frank Rizzo, Jr. Patricia Grassa  
Thomas McGehrin



**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 January 25-26

#### Sacred Heart

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

#### St. Charles Borromeo

10:00AM Fr. Stenson  
4:00PM Fr. Anderson



### Mass Celebrants Weekend of February 1-2

#### Sacred Heart

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

#### St. Charles Borromeo

10:00AM Msgr. Majoros  
4:00PM Fr. Stenson



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change**

### Sunday, February 2, 2025

**Flame of Love Feast Day, Candlemas Day, Feast of the  
Presentation of the Lord and Purification of Mary**



**St. Charles Borromeo Church**  
**Celebrant: Msgr. George Majoros**  
**9:30AM Flame of Love Rosary**  
**10:00AM Procession and Holy Mass**

**Bring your Candles To Be Blessed**

### Weekday & Weekend OPEN Mass Intentions

**February 4, 18 March 19**  
**April 1, 8, 9, 15, 16, 29, 30**  
**May 20, 27, 28, 29, (Noon & 7PM), 31**

### Prayer For Healing

Lord, You invite all who are burdened to come to you.  
Allow Your healing Hand to heal me. Touch my soul  
with Your compassion for others; touch my heart with  
Your courage and infinite Love for all; touch my mind  
with Your Wisdom, and may my mouth always proclaim  
Your praise. Teach me to reach out to You in all my  
needs, and help me to lead  
others to You by my example.  
Most loving Heart of Jesus, bring me health in body  
and spirit that I may serve You with all my strength.  
Touch gently this life which you have created, now and  
forever. Amen.

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

#### Sacred Heart—January 19, 2024

Sunday Envelopes	40	\$1,244.00
Loose		<u>337.00</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,581.00</b>
Catholic Relief		20.00
Save Our Parish		612.00
Loose		149.00

Thank you for your weekly donations. However we are struggling to pay our monthly bills. and meet payroll for parish employees. **In this new year, I am introducing a "Save Our Parish" envelope to replace the "Parish Maintenance" envelope.** I respectfully ask that you prayerfully consider using this NEW monthly envelope for your extra sacrificial giving to help our Parish. **Every increase in donations is greatly appreciated. May the Lord bless you abundantly!**

#### St. Charles Borromeo Blood Drive

**Monday, February 3, 2025 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

3422 Dennison Avenue Drexel Hill, PA 19026

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit **RedCrossBlood.org** and enter: Saint Charles RC Church to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component. Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](https://www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

#### Brothers Of Borromeo Vocation Camp Refuge & Shield

**Registration deadline:** February 28, 2025

**Saturday, March 22, 2025**

**9:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary  
(1400 Evans Road, Ambler, PA 19002)

We are excited to once again welcome young men in grades 6-8 from around the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to the campus of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary for another great year of **Brothers of Borromeo Vocation Camp (B.B.V.C.)** including fun activities, talks, prayer, and fellowship!

To register, download and fill out the registration form above & email back to Grace Murphy ([gmurphy@archphila.org](mailto:gmurphy@archphila.org)) by Friday, February 28, 2025.

**Visit: [heedthecall.org](https://www.heedthecall.org)**

**Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center, Stone Harbor, NJ**

**Friday, January 31 8:45 am—2:15 pm \$60\***

**Arise and Call her Blessed Presented by Sr. Sheila**

**Galligan, IHM** Let's come to appreciate the role the Blessed Mother plan in keeping us close to Jesus. Coffee and check-in begin at 8:45 am. The day includes Mass and lunch. \*You may opt to stay overnight the evening before this event for an additional \$95.

#### Mass For Persons with Disabilities

The annual Archdiocesan Mass honoring the gifts of persons with disabilities, the Deaf community, family, friends and caregivers will be held on **March 30, 2025 at 3:00 PM.**

A small reception will follow the Mass. You can RSVP at <https://opdarchphilly.org/> or call 215-587-3530

#### Cardinal Dougherty High School Class of 1975

50 Year Reunion Saturday, April 5, 2025 6-10 PM

Heroes Ballroom at FOP Lodge # 5 11630 Caroline Road Philadelphia, PA \$75 per person

Venmo Jim Gallagher1 975CDREUNION

Or send checks payable to 1975 Cardinal Dougherty 50th Reunion c/o John Lennon 861 Beverly Road Rydal, PA 19046 Additional questions email: [1975cdreunion@gmail.com](mailto:1975cdreunion@gmail.com)

#### JOIN ARCHBISHOP PEREZ ON PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

Malvern Retreat House has been allotted 50 of the 200 available spaces at this time. Dates: **APRIL 23 - 29, 2025** Price: From \$3171 pp + Airfare Please consider joining Archbishop Nelson J. Perez on a pilgrimage to Italy for the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis this spring! This pilgrimage has been facilitated by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Malvern Retreat House in partnership with Virginia-based ProRome Tours. The dates of the trip are April 23 - 29, 2025, with an optional extension to Assisi from April 29 - May 1, 2025. With luxury accommodations at the five-star Westin Excelsior in Rome, the trip features a flexible touring program in order to accommodate all. As this is a large group (up to 200 max), the daily program will be organized to run as smoothly as possible. Mass and dinner will be group events, whereas part of the day will be optional (with much included in the price). Highlights include the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis in Saint Peter's Square, the Papal Basilicas and Holy Doors, the Catacombs, the Pantheon and so much more. For more information or to register please visit [www.prorometours.com/adop](http://www.prorometours.com/adop(password%20carlo))(password "carlo") or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 964 6352 or by email at [office@prorome.com](mailto:office@prorome.com).

**Young Adult Women's Conference** that will take place on **June 7, 2025** at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa. Come to enter a community of young adult women in their 20's and 30's, receive spiritual nourishment, and grow deeper in your walk with Christ 092-3



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To join as a **new user** go to **formed.org** Select **sign up** and then choose **I belong to a parish or organization** then type in St. Charles Borromeo OR 19026 and follow the easy instructions. If you are **already a member** of formed all you need to do is type in your email address and you are automatically signed in.

**REBORN**  
YOU, YOUR CHILD AND THE HEART OF BAPTISM

**Reborn: You, Your Child and The Heart of Baptism**  
Reborn explores the deeply personal power of Baptism, bringing to light the spiritual reality for parents and godparents and, most importantly, the child being baptized. Rendered with a cinematic beauty that's become the hallmark of the Augustine Institute's film productions, Reborn presents the foundation of the Church's teaching on Baptism, with a step-by-step explanation of the rite itself, including its profound place in Scripture and Tradition.

**St. Francis Over 50 Club Irish Celebration**  
Join the Over 50 Club the "Shore Club in Springton Lake, NJ for an "Irish Celebration" on **March 6, 2025**.

Cost \$130.00 per person  
Includes: Deluxe Motorcoach, Luncheon, 1 Hour Open Bar & Entertainment.

**Please make checks payable to:**  
**"St. Francis Over 50 Club"**  
and mail to Cathy Randazzo at 329 Harwicke Road, Springfield, Pa 19064 or call Cathy at 610-389-5225

**Philly Catholic Singles 30-45: Upcoming Events**

Join other Catholic singles for fun events! We host friendly events for marriage-minded Catholics ages 30-45... hope you can join us!

**Singles WINE TASTING! - Vino Bambino, Broomall Sun Feb 9 @ 1:00pm.** \$80 covers 7 wine tastings, private room rental, and pizza. You will blend your own custom bottle of wine to take home after 90 days of aging!

**All Comers 30-45 Lenten Holy Hour - St. Bridget's Parish, East Falls. Fri Mar 7** Evening time TBD, Presider: Fr. DeLacy (Free) **\*\* All-comers event... both couples and singles 30-45 are welcome!\*\***

Email [PhillyCatholicSingles@Gmail.com](mailto:PhillyCatholicSingles@Gmail.com) to join our email list and get early access to our events. Our chaplain is Fr. DeLacy. Learn more at [www.PhillyCatholic.Singles](http://www.PhillyCatholic.Singles)

**The Young Adult Missionary Disciple Initiative (YAMDI)** is a formation program to accompany young adults (ages 19-39) into a deeper relationship with our Lord and their personal transformation into missionary disciples.

**Phase 1: Belonging in Christ**  
A significant part of YAMDI 2025 will be experiencing a kerymatic retreat at **Malvern Retreat House** from **February 7 - 9, 2025!**  
Retreat Theme: **It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you: Experience the Kerygma**  
Retreat Leaders: Fr. DeLacy, Fr. Timothy, Andrea Mueller, Marisally Santiago. For more information: [phillyomya@archphila.org](mailto:phillyomya@archphila.org)

**Healing the Wounds of Abortion**  
The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be sharp, deep, and crippling. You may feel a profound numbness—or not be able to name the pain or recognize any of the symptoms. But you are not alone. Our weekend retreat will help you experience the mercy and compassion of God and discover hope for your future. In a safe, confidential, non-judgmental group environment, you can grieve your loss while understanding and releasing any feelings of anger, shame, or regret you may have. Our retreats also help fathers or grandparents of an aborted child transform pain into hope. Experience healing and hope.

**2025 Trenton, NJ, Weekend Retreats: March 28 -30 and November 14-16** For more information, contact **Judy Warkiewicz at (732) 536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential.**

**Pre-Cana at St Gabriel's Parish in Norwood PA.**  
The second Friday of each month  
Next class **February 21, 2025, 6:30 – 8:00 pm.**  
If interested, please call St Gabriel's Rectory at 610-586-1225.

## Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Ever noticed that when your doctor writes a new prescription for you that it is almost impossible to read? I often wonder if all medical professionals first attend a special school to learn how to do this. In addition, there is nothing added to what he or she writes so it is very specific. You might say it's blunt.

St. Luke was a doctor. While we don't have any handwriting samples of his, we cannot say his message is blunt. Just reading his telling of the Christmas story lets us experience his artistry with words. But in the passage from Luke chosen for today we note that Jesus is blunt in what He says. And for a reason.

To set the scene, we have Jesus back in His hometown, with all that implies. With His fame slowly growing, He has the chance to read the scroll in the same synagogue where He studied as a boy. The given passage is all about the coming Messiah. When He finished reading, He slowly rolled the scroll back, sat down and then declared: "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

What a statement! The attendees are momentarily shocked into silence, but quickly their sense of outrage takes over and they are angry at this apparent blasphemy in Jesus' blunt assertion. Hardly an occasion for applause, it quickly turns very ugly. While their reaction is not read to us here, we know that the crowd grabbed Jesus and with a mob mentality at work, they dragged him to the edge of the cliff on the hill the town sat on and tried to push Him over. Mob justice often leads to deadly violence.

For our purposes, we need to reflect on the blunt but accurate declaration about Himself that Jesus made. We know that often enough Our Lord's words were at times indirect or subtle, such as "The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed." At other times wonderfully consoling, like "Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you."

Here and now that startling declaration: "This passage is fulfilled in your hearing" is quite a contrast. But since Our Lord was truth itself, He cannot avoid the facts without betraying the truth.

The tenor of this last remark brings up the truth that sometimes we must be blunt with our interactions, especially with those we love. So, we have to say things like "You're drinking too much." Or "You drive too fast." "Your lying is going to get you in big trouble someday." More in a spiritual context: "You know missing Mass deliberately for no good reason is mortally sinful." "Pornography watching slowly becomes addictive." Blunt statements surely, we might define it as "tough love." But in the context, we began with here, perhaps it is "just what the doctor ordered."

God love you and give you His peace.

**Mary Mother of Captives** is a support group for those coping with a loved one in prison. The group meets every second Thursday of the month in the St Charles Borromeo Parish Hall, 3422 Dennison Ave, Drexel Hill, PA at 7PM. The next meeting will be on **Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**. For more information, please email [marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org](mailto:marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org) or contact John or Sue at 610-259-3178. Attendees remain confidential.

#### **Visit the imprisoned. Become a Pen Pal**

In prison, sometimes the only contact with the outside world is in the form of letters. Pen Pals are needed to write to the poorest of the poor. For more information, please email [marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org](mailto:marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org) or John or Sue at call 610-259-3178. .

### 10th National Eucharistic Congress June 2024-June 2025

This third year of the Revival will be marked by historic initiatives that will propel our nation into a new chapter of faith and mission. We will continue to spread the Revival movement throughout the Church's 2025 Jubilee Year and beyond.