## THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST ~ JUNE 2, 2024

# Sacred Heart Parish

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

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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.



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

**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

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## Masses For The Week

#### Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM (Vigil) Marty Kleinschmidt Of Mom, Connie & family

#### Sunday, June 2

7:30AM Virginia Crawford Kitchens Of Leona & Vince Papale

#### Monday, June 3

8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart Parish

#### Tuesday, June 4

8:30AM Intention of the Holy Souls

#### Wednesday, June 5

8:30AM Frank Rizzo, Jr. Of Family

#### Saturday, June 8

4:00PM (Vigil) Louis Pontarelli Of Stella & Tom Pyfer & family

#### Sunday, June 9

7:30AM Mary & Joseph Lenski, Sr. Of Family

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

#### **Don't Forget**

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

St. Andrew the Apostle Parish St. Dorothy Parish
St. Bernadette of Lourdes Parish
St. Charles Borromeo Parish

12:30pm Mass at St. Andrew

1:30pm Procession outside of St. Andrew

1:45pm Join anywhere along the route of Turner Ave to

St. Andrew to St. Bernadette

2:30pm St. Bernadette for Benediction and Closing Prayers

3:00pm St. Bernadette (O'Brien Hall) for Procession Reception



#### Candles for the Month of June

Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori Edward J. & Michael R. Grassa Frank Rizzo, Jr.



### 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. 092-2

#### Mass Celebrants Weekend of June 1-2

#### 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



#### Mass Celebrants Weekend of June 8-9

#### **Sacred Heart**

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

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Msgr. Majoros 10:00AM Fr. McGowan 4:00PM Msgr. Majoros



#### Celebrants Are Subject To Change



## The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart

The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are

connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church.

Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of his being, and his person considered in its most intimate essential: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity, principal of the salvation and sanctification of mankind. The "Sacred Heart" is Christ, the Word Incarnate, Saviour, intrinsically containing, in the Spirit, an infinite divine-human love for the Father and for his brothers.

#### 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- May 26, 2024

Sunday Envelopes	35	\$1,445.00
Loose		<u>215.00</u>
Total		1,660.00
Maintenance		55.00
Fathers Day		53.00
Loose		142.00

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

#### Say the Word

"Welcome! It's good to see you at Mass today. It's our last Children's Liturgy of the Word until the fall," I greeted one of our First Communicants. "I know," she said, a little grumpily. Her mom explained, "She doesn't want it to be the last one. I tried to tell her why it would be hard to keep it going over the summer." I smiled. "It's too bad, but you'll still be coming to Mass every Sunday, just without the Children's Liturgy." "Well, I'm sure I won't be coming to **this** Church every Sunday. We always travel in the summer," she said very positively. "That's ok; you can find a Mass wherever you are! Masstimes.org is definitely my friend when traveling you just put in the location where you'll be and it tells you about all the nearby Catholic Churches and their times for Mass. Just make sure your mom checks the parish's website, in case the times changed and weren't updated at Masstimes.org."

Summer means a change of schedule for many of us and Masstimes.org is a really helpful tool. I remember as a child when we were on vacation, my dad asking at the front desk of the hotel for the nearest Catholic Church and their Sunday Mass times. Now we can prepare ahead of time. This summer I will be traveling to Michigan, New York, Ohio, and Indiana - you can bet Masstimes.org will be getting some visits from me!

#### **Prayers for PREP**

Father of Mercies, as we and our fellow parishioners prepare for summer and the changes in schedule that will come, may we always keep you in first place in our hearts and in our schedules. Help me to visit You every Sunday to worship, the gather with Your people, hear Your Word and receive the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Our Lord in Holy Communion. Amen.

The Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Our Lady of Lourdes Church – 6301 Woodbine Avenue, Phila, PA 19151. **On Friday, June 7** a Missa Solemnis (Solemn High Mass) will be offered at 7PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. All are invited to attend this special celebration in Honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Presuming Confession and Holy Communion, **a plenary indulgence** may be gained as the Act of Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Litany of the Sacred Heart will be solemnly prayed before the exposed Most Blessed Sacrament.

The Undiscovered Country: On Life After Death Description: Monday, June 24-Wednesday, June 26 Apply now for The Undiscovered Country: Life after Death, a three-day, in-person summer seminar for the Collegium Institute's Young Catholic Leaders Initiative for advanced high school students. Location: Penn Newman Center More Info: https://collegiuminstitute.org/calendar/theundiscovered -country-on-life-after-death-application.

Retrouvaille: Rediscover The Love in Your Marriage
Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages
through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retrovy). 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. The next program will be held
August 9 - 11, 2024 and again on October 4 - 6 at the
Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or
to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-

## **ARISE! Youth Evening of Adoration**

3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

We are honored to host this spiritual evening at St. Laurence and would love to see our large Church filled. A social will be held in the church hall following **ARISE!**. It is a joy to welcome Father Steve DeLacey back home to DELCO to preside over this time of worship and prayer.

Please join me in encouraging teens across DELCO to spend a holy and peaceful evening with the Lord. Parents who bring their teens are welcome to stay and pray - but we ask them to use the rear of the church seating.

> June 9th at St. Laurence 1845 West Chester Pike Upper Darby

Live music, reflection, 1-om-1 Healing Procession, Intercessory Prayer Teams, and Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Evening Program 5:30-7:30PM** 

Please see the FLYER on our Parish Website or visit PhillyOMY.org

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## Eileen George Prayer Group 2:00-3:00PM NEXT DATE: June 9

Join us on Sunday, June 9th from 2 – 3 PM for a grace -filled Holy Hour led by Monsignor Michael McCulken. We will have Adoration, Confessions, and Benediction along with our Novena for Eileen George's intercession for our personal needs. Priests will be available for Confessions. After Benediction, you are welcome to join us in the hall for light refreshments. Location: Annunciation BVM Church, 401 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, PA For questions contact: Jeanmarie Lorello at 610-547-7308 (phone or text). Additional dates are; Sundays June 9, July 14, August 11, September 15

# Retreat for Catholics Affected by Divorce and Separation

Saturday, June 15, 2024, 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Join the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith for a half-day retreat specifically geared for Catholics who have been wounded by divorce and/or separation in need of hope and healing. The day will feature talks, time for reflection, Confessions, prayer time, and the anticipated Mass for Sunday at 4 p.m. A delicious lunch and snacks are included in the price of the retreat. The Daylesford Abbey, 220 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19031Cost: \$60 (includes lunch). Registration at <a href="https://www.nonnatus.org/divorce-retreat.html">https://www.nonnatus.org/divorce-retreat.html</a> or send a \$60 check to: St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation, P.O. Box 951, Skippack, PA 19474-0951

#### Pro-Life Mass & Rally for Life!

You are invited to join the pro-life community as we gather for a special Mass at the Cathedral in Philadelphia, followed by a March to Independence Mall and a Rally for Life.

Date: Saturday, June 22, 2024

Schedule: 9:00 am Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral, 10:30 am March to Independence Mall 11:30 am Pro-Life Rally at Independence Mall with music & guest speakers

As part of these events there will be a collection at the Cathedral of items needed by moms & babies that will then be distributed at Philly's Biggest Baby Shower in September.

**Mass - March - Rally** Please participate in one or all of these events on **June 22** as we promote the **Right to Life** and pray for moms & babies. (prolifeunion.org)

Summer Week-long Catholic Family Vacation Retreat Marianist Family Retreat Center 417 Yale Ave. Cape May Point, NJ 08212-0488 Retreat weeks start each Monday beginning June 24th till end of August. Join together with other families for the week. Info at: www.capemaymarianists.org or email:mfrc@capemaymarianists.org or call 60-884-3829.

## **Eucharist Congress**

July 17–21, 2024
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
Be There when God MOVES

#### COME IN FAITH, LEAVE WITH HOPE.

God hears our prayers for the renewal of our Church. He will answer them through a life-changing transformation of our own hearts. The 10th National Eucharistic Congress is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to share Christ's love with a world that so desperately needs it. Whether you can come for one day or all five, join us for this generational moment. For Info visit **eucharisticcongress.org** 





Famous as the patron of hopeless situations, St. Rita of Cascia, a beautiful woman who lived in Italy in the fourteenth century, is immortalized in this wonderful, deeply moving film. Starring Vittoria Belvedere and Martin Crewes, her story combines high drama, great love, deep betrayal, profound forgiveness, and strong faith.

This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life. She finds peace and new hope through the generosity of a nearby convent of sisters, and with their help she develops a deep union with Christ that greatly inspires all near her.

This movie is not rated, but was created with an adult audience in mind. It may contain violence indicative of the life and times of the saint or character portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children.

## The Body and Blood of Christ ~ Corpus Christi Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

We never forget certain days. They could be historic, like the first landing on the moon, or personal, like your birthday, or a combination of both, like the date of your wedding. More to the point of today's feast, comes the date of your First Holy Communion. If you're not sure of that last one, it will be in the church records of your childhood parish. Or maybe in a family Bible. You likely remember some of the details, like your outfit that day, or the name of the priest who administered the sacrament.

Be that as it may, our Church recognizes that the institution of the first Eucharist given at the Last Supper, was overshadowed by the passion and death of the "Master" soon to follow. The annual Holy Week Liturgies reflect this somber note. That is why the Church selects this day to celebrate the miracle of the Mass unencumbered by distraction.

The Resurrection of Jesus validated everything He said or did, and what He said and did that holy night is real and true and wonderful beyond words. And happening again right here and right now at every Mass. We receive the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of the living God! The distance in time and place from the original Mass are of no matter, or "no problem," as we might say, for God, living as He in the "now" of eternity. Time and distance, so noticeable by us because we are here only for a relatively short time, are inconsequential to Him. Yes, the Eucharist is miraculous, coming to us in great ornate cathedrals or the hood of a jeep by way of a wartime chaplain. We are asked to believe in something that began long ago and far away but is here and now.

Unfortunately, we live in a self-referential era, where we ourselves set the measurement of what is important and what must be believed. What others say, especially if they are in positions of authority, is immediately suspect. And when even the existence of God is brought into question, why hold on to something as old-fashioned as faith? As belief that a wafer of bread and a cup of wine become God Himself for our food and drink. For those who deny it, proof is necessary. For those who believe, no proof is necessary.

So stupendous is the gift of the Holy Eucharist that it has always generated skepticism and developed doubt. Even when Our Lord first announced it, remember how many people no longer walked with Him. Remember St. Peter's poignant question: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Unfortunately, the present statistics reveal that up to 70% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Our American bishops recognize the problem behind those statistics. Perhaps external causes such as the Covid sudden shutdown of our churches are to blame.

Or the clergy abuse scandal, which still lives on sporadically even though our Church has developed strict new guidelines to prevent it happening again.

But underneath all that is a lack of faith. A faith not backed up by prayer and regular practice of it. Whatever the reason, Satan has been successful with his obvious campaign against Christ in the Eucharist in our own time. So many people have bought into the world's goals of being rich or powerful or famous, or a combination of them. Easy to become casual and caustic about the Mass and the Holy Eucharist.

I do wonder from time to time what is it that holds God's hand back. But that only comes when I forget the mercy of God combined with His justice. He alone is our true judge, and only He knows what He is about. Meanwhile we have the saints. A very long list of ordinary people who achieved heaven by their fidelity to the Eucharist when times were certainly tough.

One of them was a man named Thomas, whose doubt about the resurrection made him declare that he wouldn't believe until he touched the risen Jesus' hands, feet and side, the noble scars from His crucifixion. Kneeling before the Lord after doing such, he said what we also should when we see the Host and Chalice raised at Mass: "My Lord and my God."

God love you, and may you treasure your belief.