

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 11, 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,  
*Retired Priest in Residence*

Deacon John H. Farrell  
*Permanent Deacon*

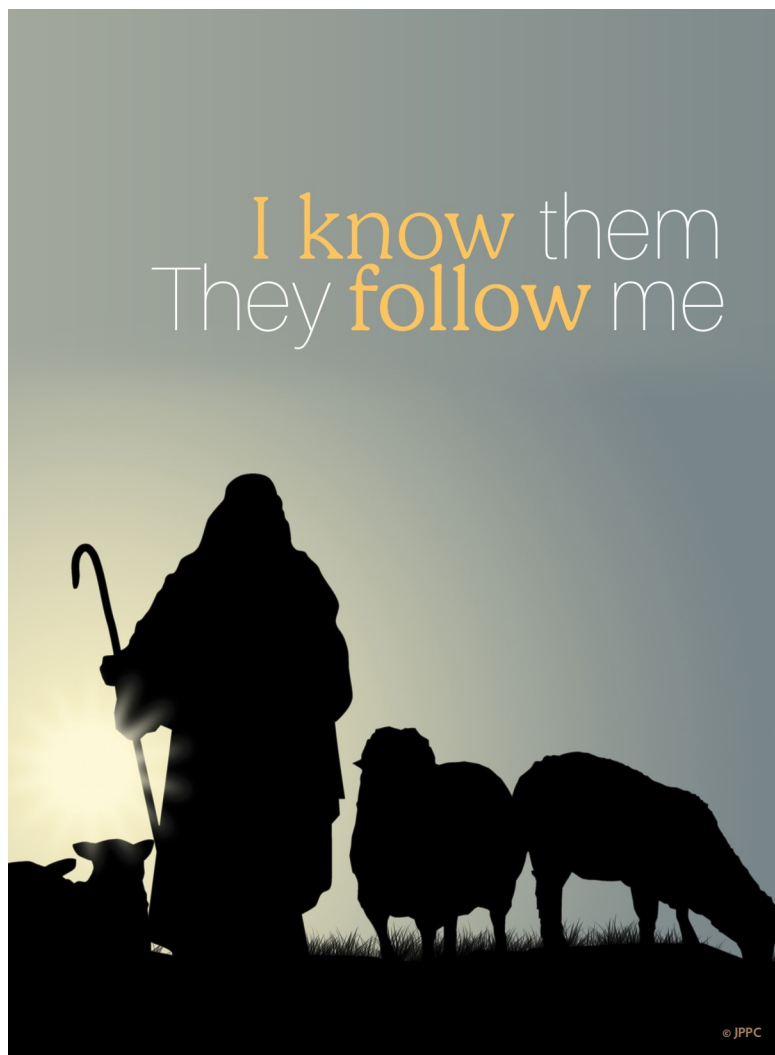
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[www.sacredheart-cliftonheights.net](http://www.sacredheart-cliftonheights.net)

**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. 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

Dear Church Family,

May 11, 2025

On this May Day, we honor our earthly mothers, we come together on this Fourth Sunday of Easter, with faith in the Risen Lord, to honor **THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AS OUR MOTHER!**

Our Lord, hanging in crucifixion before He died for our sins, gave us His Mother as our Mother. Mary was standing beneath the Cross of her Son with Saint John, and Saint Mary Magdalen. She continues to stand by us in good times and in times of struggle and sorrow, as our model and guide, our intercessor and helper in living our Christian life in fidelity and truth today.

May Mary's prayer for us, the gift of a mother's love, be for us, joy through all ages. May her response, born of a humble heart, draw God's Holy Spirit to rest on us, her children. Amen.

As Catholics, let us continue to be Pro-Life and help mothers and children in the womb to have life, and have it to the full!

### Conclave

At the time of this writing, the Cardinal Electors began the process of electing a new successor to Saint Peter as Pope and Pastor of the Universal Church. Let us pray that the one chosen will lead us in the unity of our one, holy, catholic and apostolic faith, and the bond of charity, for the good of the whole Church and the world.

### IVF and a Catholic Response

#### Catholic OB-GYN finds life-changing alternative to IVF

Dr. Christopher Stroud was a Catholic OB-GYN who prescribed birth control and gave referrals for in vitro fertilization (IVF) until a priest admonished him in the sacrament of reconciliation. Now Stroud runs a life-affirming fertility clinic that uses Natural Procreative Technology — a treatment model that embraces life-affirming Catholic ethics.

"It changed my life," Stroud said of the confession. "Probably for all eternity, it changed my life."

Stroud said he still "get[s] emotional" just talking about the impact of the clinic. Couples send him photos of their babies — it has grown into a wall of photos now. Since his change of heart in 2012, his practice has "just exploded."

While Stroud's clinic is based in Fort Wayne, Indiana, he received his training in Nebraska at St. Paul VI Institute — an organization founded in 1985 that trains doctors in "NaProTechnology." And the demand for NaProTechnology? It's "unlimited," Stroud said.

**What makes NaPro different?** NaProTechnology is "a problem-based approach to fertility challenges," Stroud explained. The model is "a recognition, more than anything, that infertility is a symptom — it's not a diagnosis," Stroud explained. Rather than jumping to IVF — which is often expensive, arduous, and carries ethical issues with the creation of unused embryos — NaProTechnology applies basic principals of contemporary medicine to fertility treatment.

"Everywhere else in contemporary medicine, we use symptoms to point to a disease state, and then we treat the disease state; then we ask, did the symptom go away?" Stroud said.

But with the advent of IVF in the late 1970s, doctors were taught to promptly refer clients for IVF, Stroud explained. NaProTechnology is highly effective, Stroud has found. Fertility specialists can address the underlying health issues preventing conception "more times than not," he said.

I encourage couples who are struggling with fertility issues to seek the help of doctors like Dr. Stout and life-affirming fertility clinics to help you navigate through these times. I offer his contact information as a positive start to wellness.

### Fertility and Midwifery Care Center

#### FMCC Dupont Office

2512 E Dupont Rd, Suite 105

Fort Wayne, IN 46825

#### FMCC Birth Center Office

9835 Auburn Road

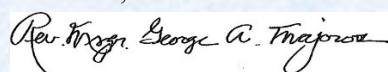
Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Phone: (260) 222-7401

Fax: (260) 209-5956

patientaccounts@fertilityandmidwifery.com

God bless,





## Masses For The Week

### Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM (Vigil) Living & Deceased Mothers of Sacred Heart Parish

#### Sunday, May 11

7:30AM Living & Deceased Mothers of Sacred Heart Parish

#### Monday, May 12

8:30AM Living & Deceased Mothers of Sacred Heart Parish

#### Tuesday, May 13

8:30AM Living & Deceased Of Sacred Heart

#### Wednesday, May 14

8:30AM Karen Flower Of D'Orazio family

#### Saturday, May 17

4:00PM (Vigil) Frank Rizzo, Jr. Of Family

#### Sunday, May 18

7:30AM Lillian Pecko Of Leona & Vince Papale

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

### Open Mass Intentions

August 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, 27

September 2, 10

October 28, 29

November 26

**Candles for the month are \$20.00**

**Mass Intentions are \$10.00**

Call the Rectory at 610-623-0409 if interested.

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy

[www.praydevinemeracy.com](http://www.praydevinemeracy.com)

You can also find a virtual Chaplet of Divine Mercy on the Sacred Heart website



### Candles for the Month of May

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

### Mass Celebrants Weekend of May 10-11

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Stenson

7:30AM Fr. Stenson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

10:00AM Msgr. Majoros

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros



### Mass Celebrants Weekend of May 17-18

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Anderson

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Charles Borromeo

10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Stenson



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change**

### Happy Mothers Day to all Our Mother's

*The loveliest  
masterpiece  
of the heart  
of God is  
the heart of  
a mother.*

ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX



### Prayer To Our Lady During the Month of May

O Mary, my Mother and my Lady, I offer You my soul, my body, my life and my death, and all that will follow it. I place everything in Your hands. O my Mother, cover my soul with Your virginal mantle and grant me the grace of purity of heart, soul and body. Defend me with Your power against all enemies, and especially against those who hide their malice behind the mask of virtue. O lovely lily! You are for me a mirror, O my Mother!

### 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.*



### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

#### Collection - May 4, 2025

Sunday Envelopes	55	\$1,809.00
Loose		299.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,108.00</b>
Save Our Parish		65.00
Easter		310.00
Home Missions		214.00
Mothers Day		140.00
Loose		89.00

#### Special Note:

*When there is NO designated second collection all monies collected will go to the Save Our Parish Fund.*

**Frozen Pierogi Available  
at Sacred Heart Rectory  
\$9.00 per dozen**

**Call the rectory at 610-623-0409 for pick-up**

### World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

### National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

#### Heart to Heart: Archdiocesan Gathering of Young Adult Women 2025 Saturday, June 7, 2025

As Catholic young adult women living in the modern world, there are many voices that try to obstruct the beauty of our identity as women. Yet, we know that we have been given a special call as woman and daughters of God! One of the most amazing ways to be encouraged in this truth is to be surround by a community of sisters in Christ, letting heart speak to heart. The theme for the 2025 gathering is Daughtershood! "Courage, daughter! Your faith has saved you" (Matthew 9:22). Our speakers and panelists will unpack this topic of how our truest identity is found as daughter of Christ.

Register: [secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=Xt9rXW](https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=Xt9rXW)

Contact: [hearttoheartya@gmail.com](mailto:hearttoheartya@gmail.com)

### Registration for Quo Vadis 2025 is now open!

**Join us ~ June 23 - June 26.**

Quo Vadis is a 4-day, 3-night camp for high school men filled with great talks and activities, lots of fun and many prayer opportunities and takes place from June 23 - June 26. Held at BlackRock Retreat Center, this camp is facilitated by the Vocation Office and Philadelphia seminarians. **The registration deadline is May 23, 2025.** Visit: [Heedthecall.org/QuoVadis](https://Heedthecall.org/QuoVadis)

### Are you raising Your Grandchildren as a result of your Child's Addiction?

Join others walking a similar path and get support, resources and encouragement needed to be a 'parent' again! No one needs to walk alone. This support for grandparents is made possible through The Shevlin Family Foundation's Family Center (Shevlin) and Opioid settlement funds. Shevlin is a Delaware County non-profit organization whose mission is to lift families affected by substance use disorder/addiction. Our online grandparent support group meets via Zoom every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 12-1PM. Email Christine for the link at [christine@shevlinfamilyfoundation.org](mailto:christine@shevlinfamilyfoundation.org) or call 484-768-0143. For more information about Shevlin,



**You are welcome to bring flowers to honor the Blessed Mother all through the month. The church is open 9-12 daily or you may leave them daily or over the weekend before Mass begins.**



**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.*

**Through Saturday, May 31st**

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 to its end.

**Please Note: St. Charles Borromeo Rectory is now CLOSED EVERY TUESDAY**

### **Rosary Rally at Our Lady of Fatima, Secane - May 17<sup>th</sup>.**

Our Lady of Fatima Parish will be holding their annual Public Rosary Rally on Saturday, May 17 at 12 noon in front of the church. We will be using the Patriotic Rosary. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please bring your family and friends. Also, bring a chair for your comfort If you like. In case of rain, we will hold the rosary in the Church.

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



# SAVE THE DATE

ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE  
TO THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
WASHINGTON, DC

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025**


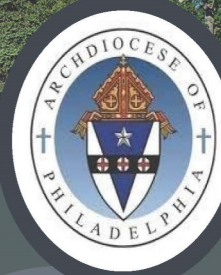
This pilgrimage will include:  
the availability of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation,  
the celebration of Holy Mass, devotions  
in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
and time for quiet prayer and reflection.

As a Sacred Jubilee Site, the National Shrine offers an opportunity for the Jubilee Indulgence.

Parishes, institutions, religious communities and schools are encouraged now to plan on joining this wonderful Jubilee event of the Church of Philadelphia

More information will follow.  
Please now SAVE THE DATE!

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**Come and Rest Awhile Silent Directed Retreat**  
Mother Boniface Spirituality Center from **July 20-27, 2025**. Take some time to pause in prayer, reflection, and silence, attuning your ear and heart to the Holy Spirit. You may chose to companion with a spiritual director during the week or participate without spiritual direction.

For more information and to register, visit our website at <https://msbt.org/mbsc/> or call us at 267-350-