

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 18, 2025

Sacred Heart Parish

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

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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

Dear Church Family,

Habemus Papam

Pope Leo XIV (born Robert Francis Prevost, September 14, 1955) became the 267th successor of St. Peter on May 8, 2025—the first pontiff from the United States. An Augustinian friar and canonist with a doctorate from the Angelicum, he served extensively in Peru before leading the worldwide Augustinian order for twelve years. Prior to his election, he served as Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops under Pope Francis. In his first papal address, he blessed the crowds in St. Peter's Square with the words: "Peace be with you all!" His previous reflections on the episcopate emphasized "communicating the beauty of faith and the joy of knowing Jesus Christ" as central to the Church's mission. (credit: Vatican Media)

In his first Mass with the Cardinals on Friday, May 9th he said, Today, too, there are many settings in which Jesus, although appreciated as a man, is reduced to a kind of charismatic leader or superman. This is true not only among non-believers but also among many baptized Christians, who thus end up living, at this level, in a state of practical atheism.

This is the world that has been entrusted to us, a world in which, as Pope Francis taught us so many times, we are called to bear witness to our joyful faith in Jesus the Savior. Therefore, it is essential that we too repeat, with Peter: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Mt 16:16). It is essential to do this, first of all, in our personal relationship with the Lord, in our commitment to a daily journey of conversion. Then, to do so as a Church, experiencing together our fidelity to the Lord and bringing the Good News to all (cf. Lumen Gentium, 1).

In Rome today, Pope Leo XIV celebrated Mass for the beginning of his Pontificate. Let's untie ourselves with him, and pledge our prayers that the Lord will grant him every grace and blessing as he leads the Church in faith and charity, through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God.

Ordination to the Priesthood

On Saturday, May 17th, Archbishop Nelson J. Perez ordained five deacons to the Priesthood for service in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Father Robert Bollinger

Father Chike Egbufoama

Father Peter Nguyen

Father Edward Town

Father Richard Withers.

May the Lord bless these new priests with the grace of holiness and fidelity to Christ, the Great High Priest.

God bless,



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!

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 267-350-1830.

POPE LEO XIV

GOD BLESS OUR NEW POPE

Masses For The Week

Sacred Heart Church

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

Sunday, May 18

7:30AM Lillian Pecko Of Leona & Vince Papale

Monday, May 19

8:30AM Living & Deceased Of Sacred Heart

Tuesday, May 20

8:30AM Edward & Dorothy Grimm Of son, Edward

Wednesday, May 21

8:30AM Edward Grassa Of Grassa family

Saturday, May 24

4:00PM (Vigil) Sacred Heart Memorial Fund

Sunday, May 25

7:30AM Claudia Fagioli 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 5, 12, 13

September 2, 10

October 28, 29

November 26


Parish Giving
simplifying the future together

Make me a channel of your peace

Please pray for the good work of **Catholic Charities** and make a pledge today. Your donation makes a difference! Your support of the 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal will help us serve those individuals who are most in need and most vulnerable.



Candles for the Month of May

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

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

Mass Celebrants Weekend of May 24-25

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. McGowan

7:30AM Fr. McGowan



St. Charles Borromeo

10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Stenson

Celebrants Are Subject To Change

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!

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

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

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 11, 2025

Sunday Envelopes

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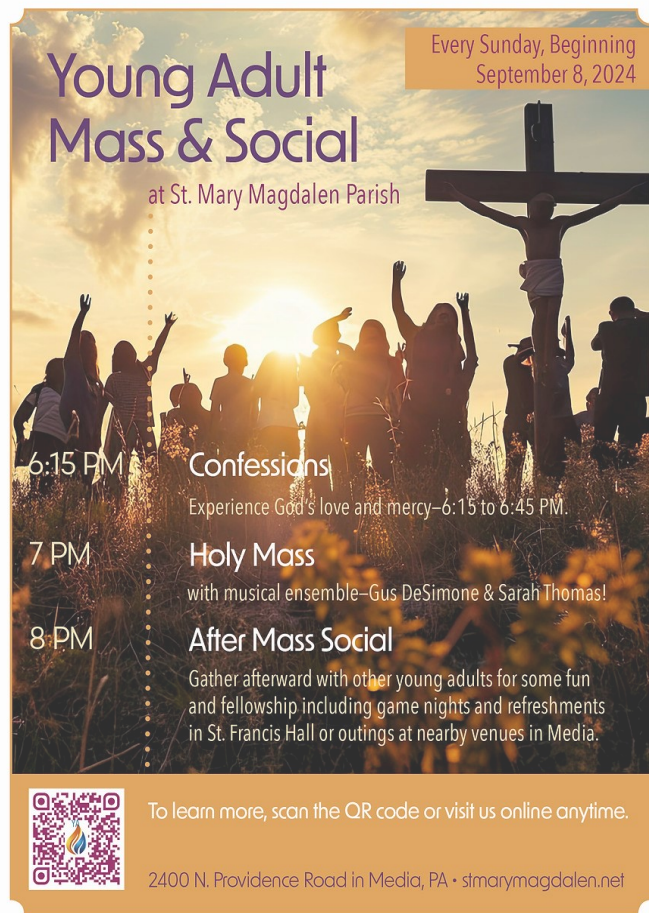
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Special Note:

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

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



Every Sunday, Beginning September 8, 2024

Young Adult Mass & Social

at St. Mary Magdalen Parish

6:15 PM Confessions
Experience God's love and mercy—6:15 to 6:45 PM.

7 PM Holy Mass
with musical ensemble—Gus DeSimone & Sarah Thomas!

8 PM After Mass Social
Gather afterward with other young adults for some fun and fellowship including game nights and refreshments in St. Francis Hall or outings at nearby venues in Media.

To learn more, scan the QR code or visit us online anytime.

2400 N. Providence Road in Media, PA • stmarymagdalen.net

**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 Daught-erhood! "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

Contact: hearttoheartya@gmail.com

**National Catholic Partnership on Disability
Wednesday, June 18th - 2-3:00 pm ET**

In recognition of Father's Day, join NCPD as three fathers share stories about how their child's disability has influenced their lives and their faith. Three fathers with three different journeys, but a lot in common. Register now and spread the word.

www.ncpd.org/events/where-faith-and-disability-meet-focus-fathers

**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 facilitat-ed by the Vocation Office and Philadelphia seminarians.

The registration deadline is May 23, 2025. Visit: Heedthecall.org/QuoVadis

**Catholic Historical Research Center
Current Exhibit: Gift of Finest Wheat:
The Story of the 41st International Eucharistic**

Our current exhibit, *Gift of Finest Wheat: The Story of the 41st International Eucharistic Congress*, examines the history and planning of how Philadelphia was chosen to host the 41st International Eucharistic Congress and the details of the week-long event. It covers different Masses, highlights some of the famous people who attended, such as Mother Teresa, Karol Wojtyła before he was pope, Dorothy Day, and Princess Grace of Monaco.

The exhibit will be up through September of 2025 at the CHRC. For more information visit:

<https://chrc-phila.org/iecxhibit/>

**Frozen Pierogi Available
at Sacred Heart Rectory
\$9.00 per dozen
Call the rectory at 610-623-0409 for pick-up**

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

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Fifth Sunday of Easter *Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

Presenting your ID card, which happens often these days for a variety of reasons, can be annoying. First, you must dig your driver's license, or other ID out of your wallet or purse. But best not to show your annoyance because you'll look petty, or even suspicious. One would hope that it would not be such a necessary step to gain service in a free country, but now it is. Amen.

But in the spiritual realm at least, no literal ID card exists. And God does ask for one. The good Lord presumes you are trustworthy. But still, He asks for assurance that you identify yourself as one of His followers, not with a card but with a lifestyle. You could your life is your ID. Listen again to Our Lord's main qualification: "They will know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another."

Aha! It might be easier if there were a card to carry instead of this implied command. This kind of love shows itself in ways big and small. "Big" might well be a large check written for a needy friend facing a debt. "Small" might be in a conversation where you refuse to join in gossip about another person.

Most of our living is done in that nebulous "in between." Life sure takes its twists and turns. But it is in ordinary daily reality that our love comes through to others.

You may not know that some years ago, the Wawa company was considering installing automatic doors in all their stores. But consultation held sway with the idea that not having them was better in the long run. Having regular doors promotes courtesy among us and the need to hold a door for another, or to say "Thank you" when one is held for you.

On another level, we all have family members that we often take for granted. We can unwittingly be more eager to offer charity to strangers than for one of our own. Awareness through steady prayer and regular examination of conscience can preclude that mistake.

I believe it helps to know that exemplifying our personal ID, I has the power to prove the existence of God and His kingdom of heaven, and it gets noticed.

Several years ago, a group of computer salesmen from Milwaukee were at a regional sales convention in Chicago. They assured their wives that they would be home in plenty of time for dinner. But with one thing and another, the meeting ran overtime, and the men had to race to the train station, tickets in hand. As they barged through the terminal, one man inadvertently kicked over a table supporting a basket of apples.

Without stopping, all the men reached the train and boarded it with a sigh of relief. All but one. He paused, got in touch with his conscience, and experienced a twinge of compunction for the boy whose apple stand had been overturned. He waved goodbye to his companions and returned to the terminal. He was glad he did. The ten-year-old boy was blind.

The salesman gathered up the apples and noticed that a good many of them were bruised. He reached into his wallet and said to the boy. "Here, please take twenty dollars for the damage we did. I hope it won't spoil your day." As he started to walk away, the bewildered boy called after him, "Are you Jesus?" He stopped in his tracks. And he wondered.

God love you and keep your spiritual ID current.

DELCO PARISHES PRO-LIFE MEETING

Join us for the next monthly meeting of the Delco Parishes Pro-life Group on
Wednesday, May 28, at 7:00 PM at St. Dorothy Rectory Basement Conference Room in Drexel Hill.

Entrance is from parking lot and down the inside steps.

Upcoming Event: Philadelphia March for Life, Saturday, June 7.

Jesus, protect and save the unborn.