SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 21, 2023

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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Rectory

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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. Hedwig Chapel 9:15AM (Rosary before Mass) St. Charles (Vigil) 5:30PM, 10:00AM, 4:00PM

Weekdays Masses 8:30AM

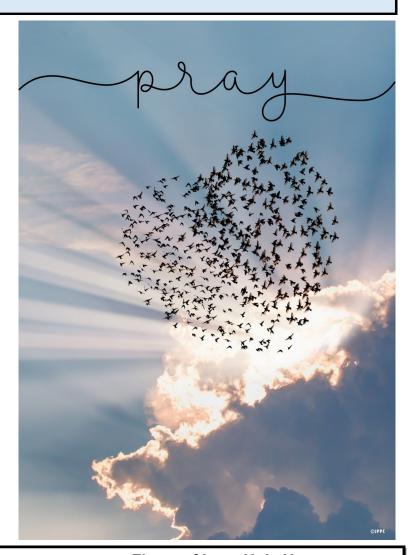
Sacred Heart Mon, Tues, Wed St. Charles Thurs, Fri, Sat

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 Alexander Oleykowski Of Elizabeth Ziolkowska

Sunday, May 21

7:30AM Intention of the Sacred Heart Memorial Fund

Monday, May 22

8:30AM Living & Deceased Of Sacred Heart Parish

Tuesday, May 23

8:30AM The Holy Souls

Wednesday, May 24

8:30AM Edward J. Grassa Of Grassa Family

Saturday, May 27

4:00PM Claudia Fagioli Of Donna Crawford & family

Sunday, May 28

7:30AM Claudia Fagioli Of Leona & Vince Papale

St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, May 21

9:15AM Henry P. & Regina E. Bienkowski Of Maxine & family

Sunday, May 28

9:15AM 89th Memorial Day Observance

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

Open Mass Intentions—Sacred Heart
July 18, 25 August 2, 6, 8, 9, 13, 19, 20, 22, 29
Open Mass Intensions — St. Hedwig
June 18, 25. July 16. August 13, 27



Candles for the Month of May Sacred Heart

Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori Edward Grassa Thomas McGehrin

Saint Hedwig

Sewruk & Romatowski Family Health of Stasia Hannum

Mass Celebrants Weekend of May 20-21

Sacred Heart

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

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Stenson

St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson 10:00AM Fr. Sperger 4:00PM Fr. Anderson



Mass Celebrants Weekend of May 27-28

Sacred Heart

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

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Stenson

St. Charles Borromeo

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



Celebrants Are Subject To Change



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.



The Fire of Divine Love

Friday, July 28 thru Sunday, July 30

Malvern Retreat House and Flame of Love are pleased to welcome back Fr. James Blount, S.O.L.T. as Retreat Director!

Where: Malvern Retreat House – Main House Cost: \$325 On Site or \$75 Virtual (On Site Includes Accommodations, Meals, and Conference Registration)

Register at www.malvernretreat.com/register



or Call 610-644-0400 315 S Warren Ave Malvern PA 19355



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

Sacred Heart– May 7, 2023			
Sunday Envelopes	46	\$2,244.00	
Loose		205.00	
Total		2,449.00	
Loose		144.00	
Maintenance		430.00	
Mothers Day		101.00	
Home Mission		225.00	

St. Hedwig - May 7, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	28	\$1,410.00
Loose		74.00
Total		1,484.00
Maintenance		290.00
Mothers Day		51.00
Home Mission		105.00

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

THIS BULLETIN WENT TO PRINT EARLY

Solemn Feast of Saint Rita of Cascia Monday, May 22, 2023

National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia in South Philadelphia There are six Masses on the Feast Day this year.

8:00 a.m. Celebrant: <u>Fr. Stephen DeLacy</u> 10:00 a.m. Celebrant: <u>Fr. Frank Donio, S.A.C.</u>

12:00 p.m. Celebrant: Archbishop Christophe Pierre

(televised live on EWTN)

3:00 p.m. Celebrant: Fr. Luis Vera, O.S.A. (bilingual in

English and Espanol)

5:00 p.m. Celebrant: <u>Fr. Gary Sanders, O.S.A.</u> 7:00 p.m. Celebrant: <u>Fr. Peter Donohue, O.S.A.</u>

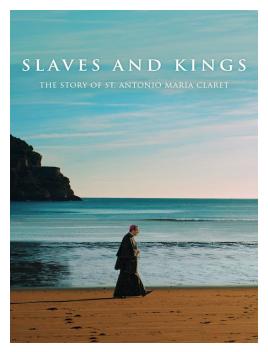
Confession Times: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.,

4:00 p.m., & 6:00 p.m.

Exercise Your Missionary Disciple Skills: Become a Cathedral Ambassador

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul conducts an evangelization ministry with the Cathedral Ambassadors. This enthusiastic group of trained Ambassadors staffs the Basilica throughout the week and is comprised of volunteers from all over the Archdiocese. They answer questions and offer assistance to all who come to the Cathedral Basilica. Cathedral Ambassadors provide a personal presence in the Basilica and most importantly they put a face on the Church. Cathedral Ambassadors are assigned 4-hour shifts. The schedule is flexible with assignments of one day or more a month. Training and materials are provided to support this evangelization ministry. For more information and to become a Cathedral Ambassador, please contact Martha Ortiz, the coordinator of the Cathedral Ambassadors, at cathedral.ambassadors@gmail.com.





Set in Spain in the 1800s, this dramatic feature film tells the compelling story of St. Anthony Mary Claret, an Archbishop, writer, publisher, social reformer, missionary, and confessor to the Queen of Spain. Claret, one of Spain's most popular preachers, founded the religious congregation of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, known as the Claretians.

Regarded as the "spiritual father of Cuba" due to his zealous missionary work there, Claret's apostolic work also took him to the Canary Islands, Madrid, Paris, and the First Vatican Council. Before the priesthood, he was a professional weaver in the textile mills of Barcelona. After being ordained, he spent 10 years giving popular missions and retreats, always placing great emphasis on the Eucharist and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Rosary was never out of his hand.

Appointed to the greatly neglected archdiocese of Santiago, Cuba, he began its reform by ceaseless missions and hearing confessions and suffered bitter opposition for opposing concubinage and slavery. His solution for the misery of Cubans was family-owned farms producing a variety of foods for the family's own needs and for the market. This invited the great enmity of the vested interests who wanted everyone to work on a single cash crop—sugar. Surviving 14 attempts on his life, he went back to Spain to be the confessor of the Queen and also founded a major Catholic publishing house, printing hundreds of books and pamphlets on Catholicism. Claret died in 1870 and was canonized as a saint in 1950.

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Seventh Sunday Of Easter

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

No matter what effort we may make to soften it, "good byes" are never easy. This is especially so either for people for whom our love goes way back in time, or for those people we have learned to love more recently." Any depiction of farewells in books, plays or movies can turn on the tears despite our best attempt to be stoic about it.

St. Luke lets us in on such a scene involving Our Lord Jesus and His Apostles in today's Gospel reading. The closeness generated over the past three years has not been easy, but it has solidified enough to make the separation painful.

But for Jesus it is also a process. His first step is to pray aloud in their company what we have come to call "His great prayer." He asks His heavenly Father to keep "His side of the bargain," if you will. Jesus has indeed been obedient, having humbly joined the human family through life in a woman's womb; followed by a simple birth in a Bethlehem stable. Later He submitted to hatred and torture, winding up hanging on a Roman cross atop the hill of Calvary.

That tragedy turned out to include a triumph, unique in the annals of human history, with His glorious resurrection "on the Third Day." It was proof positive that all His lofty claims about Himself were true. He reviews them now for His listeners with the conviction that "now is the time". He calls it "His Hour." Yet He makes it the occasion to make a promise of His prayers for His faithful followers. That includes us.

Obviously we do not have the privileges of His Apostles and disciples. We do not know what Jesus looked like, although efforts have been made by artists, some basing their portraits on the Shroud of Turin. We certainly do not know the sound of His voice as He prayed that bittersweet day. We trust that will all be taken care of on the other side of death's door.

Meanwhile, we do see Him with the eyes of faith present completely in the Holy Eucharist. We have His holy Presence among us under the appearances of bread and wine. That means we have the same post-Pentecostal privilege of the Apostles. Like them, we now have the obligation to be Christ's missionary spokespersons, each in our own way. How we do it all depends on humility and faith.

I began this piece thinking about goodbyes. But sometimes human pride steps in, and we can miss the chance to make our goodbyes teachable moments. Consider this story.

It seems a priest, a Boy Scout and a computer expert were the only passengers on a small plane. The pilot came back to the cabin and said that the plane was going down but there were only three parachutes and four people. The pilot added, "I should have one of the parachutes because I have a wife and three small children." So he took one and jumped.

The computer whiz said "I should have one of the parachutes because I am the smartest man in the world and everyone needs me." So he took one and jumped.

The priest turned to the Boy Scout and with a sad smile said "You are young and I have lived a rich full life, so you take the remaining parachute, and I'll go down with the plane." The Boy Scout replied, "Relax, Father, the smartest man in the world just picked up my knapsack and jumped out!"

Philadelphia Catholic Scholars Program High school men (Juniors & Seniors)! Gather for a 10-day faith & formation summer program to explore the relationship between faith & reason. Held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary July 5-14, this residential, college-accredited program combines learning with daily prayer and activities. For more information or to apply, visit: philadelphiacatholicscholars.org.

Tuesday August 15, 2023 ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, COLLINGDALE BLESSING OF THE WATERS

Leave St. Joe's at 9am. Arrive at Lighthouse Park Beach for the Blessing of the Waters. Stay until 2pm. If you wish you can travel to center of Cape May, or if staying at the beach, remember your beach chair and other beach needs. Lunch and shopping on your own. Depart at 4pm and arrive home at 6pm. **Cost is \$60 and includes** bus, snack and drinks All payments are due on or before August 1st. Contact Mary Carney 610-362 -1177,payment to St. Joe's church.

HOLY LAND DISCOVERY TOUR

September 1 – 8, 2023 Mass in included. The roots of your faith will come to life on this extraordinary journey through Israel. Starting from Tel Aviv, visit some of the main archeological, historical, and biblical sites, and follow in the footsteps of Jesus as you learn more about His life and ministry. To stand in the very places where history unfolded is a true highlight as you visit important sites of the Gospel, such as Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Cana, the Mount of the Beatitudes, the River Jordan valley, Bethlehem, and last, but not least, Jerusalem. 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.

Dear Partnering Parishioners: May 21, 2023

In this sacred Easter Season of deepening our faith in the mystery of Christ risen from the dead, I ask you to consider how best you can serve the Lord and His Church here in our Partnering Parishes of Sacred Heart, Clifton Heights, and St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill.

Is the Holy Spirit inviting you to take a more active role with me in the leadership of our Parishes by becoming a member of the Parish Pastoral Council or the Parish Financial Councils?

Parish Pastoral Council

There is one Parish Pastoral Council for our Partnering Parishes. Parish members serve on this Council to advise the pastor and foster the full participation of the entire parish in the life and mission of the parish and universal church. Their responsibilities include informing the pastor of needs and concerns, recommending policies and procedures, and reviewing and evaluating the effectiveness of existing parish programs, the development and implementation of a parish pastoral plan, and reflecting on Archdiocesan pastoral priorities and recommending how they can be implemented in the parish.

The Parish Pastoral Council is made up of the Pastor, Ex-Officio members, 3 members from each parish elected by the parishioners or appointed by the Pastor. Usually appointed members serve a 3 year term and may be reappointed by the Pastor at his discretion. Elected members serve a 3 year term and the terms rotate so each year 2 positions come up for election.

Parish Pastoral Council meetings are convened by the Pastor at least six times a year. Extraordinary meetings can be held at the request of the Pastor. All meetings require a quorum of members consisting of the simple majority of members.

The Parish Financial Council

There are two separate Parish Financial Councils for each separate parish, with one Pastor and one Parish Business Manager. These councils assist and advise the pastor in overseeing and managing the financial affairs of each parish.

Please prayerfully consider if the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve in either capacity. Then, let's meet and talk how best you can serve the Lord. May God, who has begun the good work in you bring it to completion.

Monsignor George A. Majoros, Pastor

Does your child know Jesus?



Sacred Heart, St. Charles, and
St. Andrew
Parish Religious
Education Program

Early Registration

Early Registration with Reduced Fees:

Registration form due by June 1, 2023 with a \$10 deposit, balance due by September 1st.

1 Child: \$115 (save \$25), 2 Children: \$160 (save \$40),

3 or more children: \$200 (save \$50)

Registration forms are on the parish websites and may be brought to the Parish Office.

Please make checks payable to St. Charles Borromeo Church.

Please call or email Sr. Theresa Marie with any questions: (215)983-9462 or srtheresam@scbdh.org

If there is a financial need, please contact the PREP Office.

Registration fees can also be paid through our SCRIP fundraising program.