## our lord jesus christ, king of the universe ~ november 26, 2023 Sacred Heart Parísh

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

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**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.

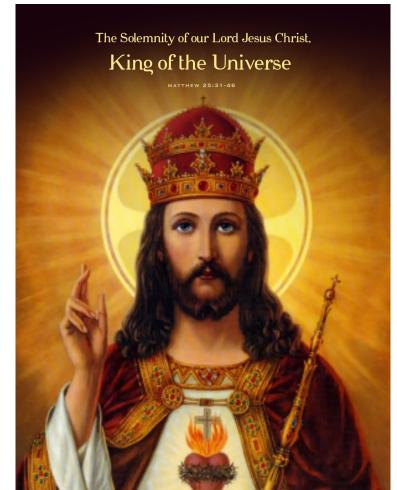
#### Sunday Schedule Of Masses

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 Thomas McGehrin Of Family Sunday, November 26 7:30AM Michael Garr Of Leona & Vince Papale

Monday, November 27 8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart Tuesday, November 28 8:30AM Special Intention for Charlotte McGinnis Wednesday, November 29

8:30AM Claudette Labroli Of Marge Lagana

#### Saturday, December 2

4:00PM Matthew Wufsus Of brother, Mark Sunday, December 3 7:30AM Frances Kaminska Of Family

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, November 26 9:15AM Joseph Sewruk Of wife, Hanna Sunday, December 3 9:15AM Phyllis Of Family

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

#### Candles for the Month of November



Sacred Heart Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori Thomas McGehrin

St. Hedwig Sewruk, Romatowski & Szczech Family Laura & Walter Babicki, Sr. & Jr. & Mary Koszalinski

## Prepare..... Advent begins December 3rd



#### 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 Marv.

#### Mass Celebrants Weekend of November 25-26

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Anderson 7:30AM Msgr. Majoros St. Hedwig's Chapel 9:15AM Msgr. Majoros

### St. Charles Borromeo

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



#### Mass Celebrants Weekend of December 2-3

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Stenson 7:30AM Fr. Stenson St. Hedwig's Chapel 9:15AM Fr. Stenson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

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



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change** 

#### Come and See Dates 2023-2024

Come & See events offer men considering a vocation the opportunity to visit the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary to see what seminary life is like and explore a possible call to the priesthood. To register for one or more of these events, and see dates contact Fr. Friel, Vocation Director (fr.dfriel@archphila.org): High School Men January 20, 2024, January 21, February 10, February 11, March 9, March 10 Post High School Men December 1, December 3, January 26, January 28, February 23, February 25.

#### Solemnity of Christ the King

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King. Resources and activities for Christ the King are available at

#### www.usccb.org/ChristTheKing

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training Workshop Saturday, December 2nd, 10am-12pm St. Andrew will be hosting a workshop to train extraordinary ministers to assist in distributing Holy Communion during the Mass. If vou are a Catholic who faithfully practices and would like to attend. please email your name, phone number, parish name and date of the workshop requested to worship@archphila.org. Questions call Nicky Verna at 610-259-1169 or nverna@standrewdh.org Workshop Details: St. Andrew the Apostle Church, Drexel Hill. We will meet in Church. 092-2

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

Sacred Heart– November 19, 2023 Sunday Envelopes Loose

#### WILL APPEAR IN NEXT BULLETIN

St. Hedwig - November 19, 2023 Sunday Envelopes Loose Total

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

#### Annual Stewardship Appeal (Block Collection)

Thank you to all those who have already responded to our Stewardship/Block mailing This Appeal is **most** important for our Parish. Thank you for all the good works you do and for the financial support of your parish

Please prayerfully consider your donation

SAINT JOSEPH VILLA SSJ Annual Chance Drive Benefits Saint Joseph Villa Turn \$5 into \$10,000!
6 Ways to win! Grand Prize-\$10,000! 5 Additional Prizes of \$500 each! Visit our Chance Drive page on the Sisters of Saint Joseph website at www.ssjphila.org.
Winners will be drawn December 7, 2023

#### Keep Christ in Christmas

Please join **St. Andrew parishioners** and others for our **3rd Rosary and Christmas carol singing** for "Keep Christ in Christmas" on Saturday, **December 9, 2023**, from 11:00am to 12:00pm on the sidewalk outside the McDonald's at the corner of State Road and Lansdowne Avenue in Drexel Hill. There is plenty of free parking. We have all enjoyed this event in the past and have had many positive remarks from motorists and pedestrians! Come and bring a friend or two. Rain or shine. Please prepare for the weather. Questions can be directed to Catherine Makem Stock 610-299-5107.

Winter Lotto ~ January 1, 2024 to Ash Wednesday Sacred Heart chances are \$25.00 each. You choose a 3-digit number of your liking and watch the evening PA Lottery Drawing to see if you are a winner. These make a great Christmas or Birthday gift! *Thank you for supporting all the fundraisers at Sacred Heart, St. Charles Borromeo and St. Hedwig's Chapel. It is a great help!* 

Extra forms in the church vestibule!

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#### Christian Initiative Preparation "Becoming Catholic" Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion

For more information contact Sr. Theresa Marie srtheresam@scbdh.org 215-983-9462

Advent Day of Recollection at Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul Saturday, December 10, 2022 9 AM-3:30 PM Speaker: Father Matthew Biedrzycki Theme The Incarnation and the Eucharist

Holy Mass, Lunch, Conference and Holy Hour

215-587-3795 or RSVP to sr.gbraccio@archphila.org

#### EILEEN GEORGE PRAYER GROUP Sunday December 10, 2-3PM

at Annunciation BVM Church, 401 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, PA. Join us on for a Prayer Group in the spirit of Eileen George and her "Meet the Father Ministry". We meet on a monthly basis to pray for specific intentions through Eileen's intercession, to study and reflect on her teachings, and to pray for her beatification & canonization. For more info, visit <u>www.EileenGeorge.org</u> (http://www.eileengeorge.org/). Questions please call Jeanmarie 610-547-7308

#### Cardinal O'Hara Presents

Elf the Musical is the hilarious tale of Buddy, a young orphan child who mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported back to the North Pole. Unaware that he is actually human, Buddy's enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to face the truth. With Santa's permission, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father, discover his true identity, and help New York remember the true meaning of Christmas. This modern day Christmas classic is sure to make everyone embrace their inner Elf. Performances: Nov 30th, Dec 1st, Dec 2nd 7pm, Dec 3rd 2pm \$10 for students, \$15 for general admission.

Christmas Wafer Oplatki will be available in the <u>Church Only</u> \$2.00 per pack Please see Mark, our sexton, following Mass.

#### Decorating The Church For Christmas Wednesday, December 13 At 9:30AM

(If there is a funeral we will decorate after the service.) "Many hands make light work" Thank you!

## Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

One of the appeals of "The Chosen" online show is its use of creativity and imagination where the actual gospels leave tantalizing gaps in their recount of Our Lord Jesus' earthly life. The 4 gospels can't be "blamed" for omitting desired details because they were never written as biographies of Jesus. So we can delight in what the screenplay presents as what might have happened two thousand plus years ago when Jesus walked.

All such appeals are absent in St. Matthew's account of Jesus' description of the Last Judgment. It is stark and scary. Real and reasonable about what that ultimate judgment will be like. The Church presents the description Our Lord gives at this final weekend of the Liturgical Year to remind us of three different truths: the world as we know it will one day end; that we ourselves will one day end our lives here below; and that Christ alone as King and Judge will determine how our lives will continue.

I said that the whole scene is scary. But I did not mean that in the sense of "Halloween scary." Just about a month ago our near pagan culture was all about graveyards and skeletons and all manner of monsters.

How that deviation from the original celebration of the eve of All Saints' Day, when we recalled and honored "all the hallowed ones" that is, the saints, is a long story.

The "fear of the Lord" is quite different. In simple terms it means that we are so respectful and loving of God that we fear to offend Him by how we live. I think that is a healthy fear. It keeps us bound to our belief in His goodness and love for us just as we are, faults included. No need to be afraid of His Judgment if we have really tried to do our best here on earth. And when we have failed, as we all inevitably do, then our sorrow and resolve to do better stand us all in good stead before Christ's heavenly throne.

Vance Havner, a renowned Protestant preacher, once said this: "There are a lot of questions the Bible doesn't answer about the Hereafter. But I think one answer is illustrated by the story of a boy sitting down to a bowl of spinach when there's a chocolate cake at the end of the table. He's going to have a rough time eating that spinach when his eyes are on the cake. And if the Lord had explained everything to us about what's ours to come, I think we'd have a rough time with our spinach down here."



#### Say the Word

"You know, I was tired tonight and I didn't really want to come. Now that I'm here, I don't want to go!" A mom shared this with me at the end of our Saints' Family Night. She had a wonderful time learning about the Saints, helping her daughter with her Saints' craft, enjoying the children and adults dressed up in Saints costumes, but most of all, chatting with the other parents and enjoying some time in a supportive community. Along with the fun and educational parts of PREP, helping our families experience a Christian community is an essential part of our mission. After all, Christ called a community of disciples, not just one!:).





This Thanksgiving, I am thankful for our parish families. Please know that you are in my prayers!

#### **Prayers for PREP**

O God of the Universe, my friend, thank You for the many blessings You have given me this year. May all our Parish families experience Your love through other parish families. Amen.

#### **Dear Parishioners:**

I trust that you had a wonderful Thanksgiving Day with family and loved ones. As we savor the hearty meal and the good time with family and friends, I write to you about this last Sunday of November, the last Sunday in Ordinary Time. This Sunday is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It is a powerful moment of grace for each of us as good stewards to recommit our **time, and talent to Jesus Christ, King and Lord,** for His honor and glory, and the building up of His Body, the Church as we gather to celebrate one faith, one mission here in our Partnering Parishes.

I invite you reflect and pray over the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, and to see where God is calling you to serve Him.

**Corporal Works of Mercy** Feed the hungry Give drink to the thirst Clothe the naked Visit the imprisoned Shelter the homeless Visit the sick Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy Counsel the doubtful Instruct the ignorant Admonish sinners Comfort the afflicted Forgive offenses Bear wrongs patiently Pray for the living and dead

In addition, I ask you to prayerfully consider dedicating your time and talent to build up our Churches in one or more of the various ministries: Ushers and Greeter, Sacristans, Lectors, Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Music Ministry, Sunday Offering Counters, Hospitality Committee, Pro-Life Committee, General Volunteer. By prayer and God's grace, ask yourself how you can recommit your time, talent and treasure to further His kingdom. Act now and find great reward in continuing His work!

**The Giving Tree** will be placed in the sanctuary of Sacred Heart and St. Charles Borromeo Church by November 25<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for helping others by participating in this annual giving.

**The Annual Novena in honor of the Immaculate Conception** will begin on Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and conclude on Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. A special Novena Pamphlet will be available for your use. The Novena will be used during the Daily Mass and can be used privately as well. **Remember The Blessed Virgin** *Mary is our greatest intercessor*.

First Penance for our children will take place on Saturday, December 2, 2023, at 11:30M at St. Charles Borromeo Church.

The Season of Advent, a four week spiritual preparation leading to Christmas, begins Sunday, December 3, 2023, the First Sunday of Advent, Year B cycle of readings.

**First Friday and First Saturday Devotions** take place this week at St. Charles Borromeo Church, December 1 and 2, 2023. Thursday evening, November 30, 2023, The Sacrament of Penance from 6:30-7:30P.M. along with the Flame of Love Devotions.

#### Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Patroness of the USA, is a holy day of obligation for all Catholics. Masses are scheduled as follows:

Thursday, December 7, 2023-Vigil of the Holy Day St. Charles Borromeo Church: 4:00P.M. and 7:00P.M. Vigil Masses

Friday, December 8, 2023 St. Charles Borromeo Church: 8:30A.M. Sacred Heart Church: 12:00Noon and 7:00P.M

God bless, Monsignor George A. Majoros