

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 1, 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*

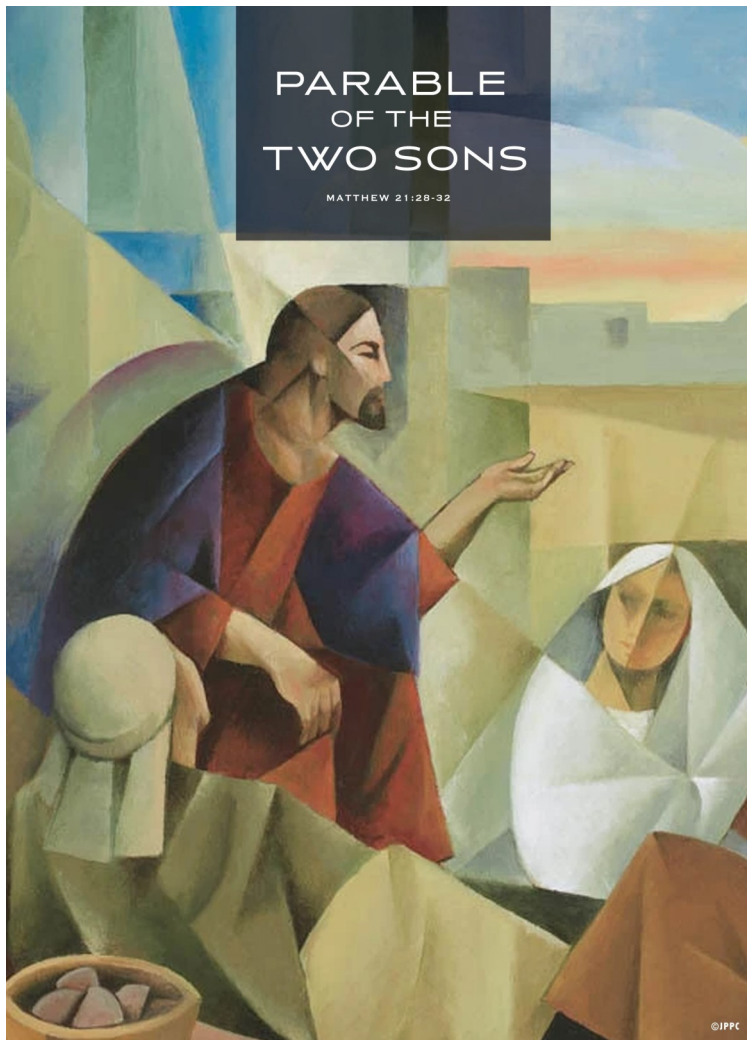
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**Office Hours**  
**Monday-Friday**  
**8:30AM to 3:30PM**  
*Remotely Monday, Wednesday, Friday*  
*In parish office Tuesday and Thursday*

## **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

## Masses For The Week

### Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM Frank Rizzo, Jr. Of Tom & Helene Barrett

#### Sunday, October 1

7:30AM Debbie Eck Calciano Of Marge Lagana

#### Monday, October 2

8:30AM Gary Schnell Of wife, Patti

#### Tuesday, October 3

8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart and Jozefa Dzienska Of Ruszaj family

#### Wednesday, October 4

8:30AM Msgr. James Molloy Of Family

#### Saturday, October 7

4:00PM Mary Frances Borda Of Betty McGehrin

#### Sunday, October 8

7:30AM Molloy & Martin Family Of Family

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

#### Sunday, October 1

9:15AM Catherine & Walter Kowalski

#### Sunday, October 8

9:15AM Special Intention for the St. Hedwig Class of 1960

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 October

#### Sacred Heart

Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori

Thomas McGehrin

#### St. Hedwig

Jerzy Ratajczk & Magdalena Romatowska

### In Sympathy

Please remember the soul of the late, **Robert (Bob) Smith** who passed away to the Lord. May he find happiness with the Lord and his family and friends find consolation in Him, too.



### 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.

### Mass Celebrants Weekend of September 30– October 1

#### 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 October 7-8

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Raymundo

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson

10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Anderson



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change**

### Respect Life Month

In recognition of Respect Life Month – Saint Charles Parish along with the Knights of Columbus Council 590 will be collecting items for Mothers' Home In Darby. A list of items accepted is below. Donations can be placed in the basinet in the back of church. For more information you can call Mat @ 215-806-9717.

#### 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.

Items for Mom:Laundry Detergent (Purex, ALL, Arm & Hammer, Tide Liquid or Pods)Dish DetergentBars of Soap (Dove/Caress/Dial), Deodorant, Sanitary Napkins, Panty Liners, Maternity Clothes – all sizes, Plastic Stroller Covers / Mesh Stroller Covers, Uber Gift Cards to get to doctor's appointments (can be purchased at ACME, Rite Aid, Walgreens), Gift Cards for Target, Walmart, Walgreens, CVS, Fresh Grocer, Shop Rite, Umbrellas.

### SAVE THE DATES ~ Forty Hours Devotion

October 15, 16, 17 at Sacred Heart 7:00PM

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

#### **Sacred Heart— September 24, 2023**

Sunday Envelopes	41	\$1,368.00
Loose		155.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,523.00</b>
Loose		62.00
St. Vincent de Paul		383.00
Catholic Education		50.00
Black & Indian		15.00

#### **St. Hedwig - September 24, 2023**

Sunday Envelopes	17	\$555.00
Loose		147.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>702.00</b>
St. Vincent de Paul		85.00

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

### **Feast Day ~ Saint Francis of Assisi**



Animals will be blessed  
**Wednesday, October 4th**  
at **12:00 Noon** in front of the  
Church at Sacred Heart and  
also at **6:45PM** in the Grotto  
at St. Charles Borromeo.

**Blessing Of Animals**

Please make sure your pets are leashed or in a crate  
to keep them and others safe.

### **Help Us Ignite the Faith of our Young Parishioners**

Please join us **THIS Sunday, October 1 at 1p.m.** at  
St. Charles Borromeo Rectory for a discussion/planning  
session focused on creating a vibrant Young Disciples  
program for students in 8-10th grades.

We want input from people of every age (Parents,  
Teenagers, Young Adults, Men & Women of the Parish) who  
want to help our young parishioners grow in their faith. All  
we ask is that you bring your ideas and passion. We will  
provide the snacks and a proposal for an intra-parish Youth  
Ministry Program for Teens in grades 8, 9 and 10 .

Confirmation is just the beginning of a young person's faith  
journey and we want to do all we can to help them grow in  
their faith and be involved in our respective parishes.

If you would like to attend or have questions, please contact  
Tina Angelo 610-513 8731 [tangelo212@yahoo.com](mailto:tangelo212@yahoo.com) or  
Sue Killeen 484-432-5695 [susan.killeen@comcast.net](mailto:susan.killeen@comcast.net) .

### **St. Charles, Drexel Hill ~ Calling all who like to read!**

Legion of Mary is forming a virtual book club and looking for  
any interested parties to join us for an organizational meet-  
ing. The club will read books with religious or spiritual con-  
tent and gather once a month over Zoom for discussion of  
the book. Meetings will be held evenings or weekends so  
those that work are still able to participate. The first meeting  
will be devoted to such things as testing your Zoom setup  
(if you're not a regular user), deciding on a day and time to  
hold the meetings, and picking our first book(s). Members  
will be welcome to suggest books and as generally happens  
at secular book clubs we'll vote on which of the proposed  
titles that we'll read for the next meeting(s). If you are inter-  
ested, please contact Debbie Gillette at 610-291-7491 or  
[debbie.gillette@att.net](mailto:debbie.gillette@att.net) to learn more and get on the mailing  
list for the first Zoom link! All are welcome.

### **Blood Drive at St. Charles, Drexel Hill**

**Monday, October 23rd ~ 1:00PM to 6:00PM**

Please Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit  
[RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Saint Charles RC Church to  
schedule an appointment. *When you donate blood October  
21 through November 9 receive a \$10 e-gift card.*

The Lord, Teach Me To Pray Group continues to meet  
on **Thursday evenings** through December 14th at 7pm at  
Sacred Heart Rectory. All are welcome to attend!

### **Pulaski Day Parade THIS SUNDAY**

Parade will be televised lived on WPVI-TV 6 ABC  
from 12:30 P.M. until 2:00 P.M.

In person held on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in  
center city Philadelphia beginning at 12 noon.  
Everyone is invited. Free seating.

### **The Impact of Trauma and the Path to Healing Wednesday, October 18, 2023 - 7:00-8:30 PM**

Chances are high that you and/or people you know are  
carrying burdens caused by traumas from the past.  
Join us for an eye-opening talk by a Catholic certified  
trauma therapist who will explain not only the spiritual  
and emotional effects of trauma, but also its physiolog-  
ical impact, especially on the brain. Knowing the reality  
of how trauma impacts us helps us better understand  
ourselves and others. It also opens up the path to the  
possibility of real healing.

**Speaker:** Catholic certified trauma therapist, Margaret  
Mary Vasquez, LPCC-S

**Location:** St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, Msgr.  
McGettigan Hall, 3500 School Lane, Drexel Hill, PA  
19026 No cost to attend, but please register  
at [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events) or use this link: [https://  
form.jotform.com/232554475556060](https://form.jotform.com/232554475556060)





"Mothers' Home was founded in 1991 as a shelter for homeless, pregnant women need of a safe and stable environment to prepare for childbirth. Fortunately, the empty convent on the Blessed Virgin Mary campus in Darby was available. During the time the BVM site was

being renovated, the young women lived in a large home in Lansdowne. The convent was ready for occupation in 1993, and since that time has housed over 1,000 homeless pregnant women". To read more about Mothers' Home, go to [www.mothershome.org](http://www.mothershome.org).

We are collecting only "new" (not used) infants clothing for new born babies. Please place your donations in the bassinet as soon as you enter the Church.

**You may bring your donations through  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Public Square Rosary ~ 12:00 Noon  
Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**

**At the front of Saint Andrew Church in Drexel Hill**

We have prayed this Rosary every year since 2007, on the Saturday closest to October 13, to commemorate Our Lady's "Miracle of the Sun" at Fatima in 1917.

On this day, we will be praying in union with tens of thousands of other concerned Americans for our country and our world. We will ask Our lady to intercede with her son for the end of abortion and the many other evils which plague our country today and threaten to destroy America. Please join us in prayer and song for one hour on that special day on the Church lawn at Foss Avenue and School Lane, Drexel Hill. Bring your rosary and feel free to bring a chair or blanket. Our Lady needs your prayers! America needs your prayers!

All are welcome! For more information, please text or call Raphael at 610-613-7481.

**The Catechetical Institute (CI)** at the School of Theological Studies at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary provides affordable on-line, non-credit courses designed for parish catechists, Catholic school teachers and all adults who want to learn more and grow in their Catholic Faith. CI will be offering the courses "Old Testament" and "Christian Anthropology" in November. The cost is \$60.00 per course. Registration is online at: <https://www.scs.edu/school-of-theological-studies/catechetical-institute/>

#### **Date Change ~ Please Note**

The Sacred Heart **Annual Memorial Mass and Induction Ceremony** has been moved to **Saturday, November 4, 2023** at our 4:00PM Mass.

#### **Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage**

**October 6-8, 2023** at the Malvern Retreat House

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). Upcoming programs will be held **October 6-8, 2023** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. **To register**, call 215- 766-3944. **or visit** [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)

#### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend MARRIED**

**COUPLES** "Live your best life in love" in 2023: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? The next in-person experiences are **Nov. 10-12** at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/>.

#### **Camilla Hall Oktoberfest & Craft Fair, October 7, 2023 10 AM - 4 PM**

Crafts ~ White Elephant ~ Children's Games ~ Bingo  
Food ~ Baked Goods ~ Theme & Sports Baskets ~ Prizes  
Camilla Hall, 100 Maxis Drive, Malvern, PA 19355

**Parking** Immaculata University, 1145 W. King Road, Immaculata, PA Shuttles will be available from the Immaculata University parking lots to and from Camilla Hall.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2023**

Join Catholic women from the greater Philadelphia area for a day of fun, friendship, faith formation and prayer at the Catholic Women's Conference. **The 2023 theme is "Created for Love: Daughter • Sister • Friend • Bride • Mother".** **Saturday, October 28, 2023**, 9am-4:00pm, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA. Tracks available in English and Spanish. Early sellout is expected.

**Register at:** [www.catholicwomensconference.org](http://www.catholicwomensconference.org)

#### **Catholic Support for Mental Health Website**

*Resources to assist with healing, accompaniment and flourishing.* The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a website with resources to support those who are experiencing **mental health struggles** and those who love them. The website offers links to find Catholic clinicians, local crisis response phone numbers and ministries that can assist with recovery and healing. In addition, there are tools to help parishes, schools and institutions cultivate a deeper awareness of and responsiveness to these realities, suffered by so many. *Visit the Be Encouraged website at* [archphila.org/support](http://archphila.org/support).

#### **Marriage Preparation Courses**

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia offers the "Joy-Filled Marriage" Program for engaged couples. All courses are delivered online. To register, please visit

**[PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com](http://PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com).**

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

While there is no such thing as a caste system in the “land of the free and the home of the brave,” it is so fundamental a belief that it is enshrined in our founding declaration. There it states: “all men are created equal.” Dare I say, “except when boarding a plane, train or cruise ship?”

Just think of your latest long-distance flight. The boarding agent announces: *“Now boarding first class passengers.”* Soon a relatively small group will get up from their scattered places in the waiting area and calmly board. Meanwhile, the rest of us will wait to be called up in sections of numbered rows. As we head there, we walk by the first-class privileged ones scanning their reading material or their phone screens, sometimes looking up from their extra wide comfort seats to stare at us “peons” walking back to our row of 3 narrower models.

But when it comes to the matter of entering the kingdom of God, all is reversed. The poor go first. The only qualification for a good seat is belief in the way of righteousness. John the Baptist, the man so admired by His Divine Cousin, had evidently preached a bright new message of salvation. But the “chief priests and elders of the people” did not believe John’s word. Who did? The tax collectors and prostitutes. The sinners; the lower class; the great unwashed. Those whose humility was real and deep. It also led them to believe and even rejoice in Jesus.

We know all about the righteousness of Our Lord Jesus. He was and is the very fulfillment of the Baptist’s preaching. The one with the only actual key to paradise. Earthly power, wealth and fame have no interest in Jesus. They certainly do not offer any attraction for the person who says in prayer: *“Have mercy on me, O God, for I have sinned.”*

The next time you get jealous of the people seated in first class, consider this story called “The Death of a Hapsburg.” *In Vienna, Austria, you will find a church in which the Hapsburgs, the former ruling family of Austria, are buried. It is recorded that when royal funerals finally arrive at the church for the burial rites, the mourners leading the procession knock at the door to gain entrance.*

*“Who is it that desires admission here?” a priest asks through the locked door. “His apostolic majesty, the emperor!” calls the guard. “I don’t know him,” answers the priest.*

*A second knock follows, and a similar question is asked. This time the funeral guard announces the deceased as “the highest emperor.” Again, “I don’t know him” echoes throughout the vaulted burial chamber.*

*Finally, a third knock is heard. “Who is it?” “A poor sinner. your brother,” comes the final answer. Then the door is opened, and the royal burial is completed.*

God love you and help you accept His ways.

### Say the Word

“She said she doesn’t want to sit in a classroom. She’d rather help people.” This is the reason given by a recent Confirmand about helping in our classrooms at PREP instead of taking a class on the faith. This kind of feedback is what we need as we look for the best ways to ignite the faith of our young parishioners. What motivates them? What interests them? How would they like to serve our parish and wider community?

As noted elsewhere in the bulletin this week, there will be a discussion/planning session this **Sunday, October 1 at 1p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Rectory** on this very topic. All input is welcome and we hope to have a variety of voices joining in. Let’s help our young people help others and use the gifts of the Holy Spirit they received in Baptism and Confirmation.

### Prayers for PREP

Come, Holy Spirit, and draw those in our parishes whom You have chosen to share the Word and action of God in this local community, as we walk with young people on their journey of faith. Amen.