

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 22, 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

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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

Saturday, October 21

4:00PM Leo & Patricia Witkoski Of son, Leo

Sunday, October 22

7:30AM John Hart Of Family

Monday, October 23

8:30AM Anne Pontarelli Of Townsend family

Tuesday, October 24

8:30AM Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart

Wednesday, October 25

8:30AM David Passalacqua Of Theresa Czerwinski

Saturday, October 28

4:00PM Anne Gilligan Of Family

Sunday, October 29

7:30AM John & Catherine Greco Of Family

St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, October 22

9:15AM Tessie Kuchinski Of daughter, Judy

Sunday, October 29

9:15AM Sewruk & Romatowski Family Of Hanna

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

There are no remaining Mass Intentions
For the year 2023

Look for the 2024 book to open in November



Candles for the Month of October Sacred Heart

Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori
Thomas McGehrin

St. Hedwig

Jerzy Ratajczk & Magdalena Romatowska



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 October 21-22

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Anderson

St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Stenson

10:00AM Fr. Stenson

4:00PM Fr. Stenson



Mass Celebrants Weekend of October 28-29

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Anderson

7:30AM Fr. Stenson

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Stenson

St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Msgr. Majoros

10:00AM Msgr. Majoros

4:00PM Fr. Raymundo



Celebrants Are Subject To Change

Today, we celebrate **World Mission Sunday**, heeding Pope Francis's call to keep our "Hearts on fire, feet on the move." On this day, we reflect on our baptismal promise to be disciples and missionaries, sharing the Good News. The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith directly aids priests, religious, and lay leaders in the Pop's missions, allowing them to minister to and uplift communities in dire need. Let's light up the world with our prayers and generosity. Thank you for your heartfelt contribution!

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

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.wmephillly.org/>.

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Sacred Heart– October 15, 2023

Sunday Envelopes

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Maintenance

Forty Hours

St. Hedwig - October 15, 2023

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

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

October 28 , October 29, 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.

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 meeting.

If you are interested, please contact Debbie Gillette at 610-291-7491 or debbie.gillette@att.net to learn more and get on the mailing list for the first Zoom link! It's not required that you be a member of St. Charles or Sacred Heart to join the club. Let your friends know, all are welcome.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, SPRINGFIELD ALL CLASS REUNION

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Springfield, Delco, is celebrating it's 100 th Anniversary. On Saturday, **November 25th**, we are having an All Class Reunion starting with the 4PM Mass followed by the Reunion in Leonard Hall on campus. Only those over 21 years of age can attend. Admission will be \$40.00. Looking forward to seeing our grads. We will also have some Sisters of St. Joseph in attendance. Please contact Bill Clark at ltbuck5@hotmail.com for details.

Christian Initiative Preparation “Becoming Catholic” Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion

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

Freedom Family and Faith Caregiver's Retreat for Families in Crisis

Saturday, October 28, 2023, 9 am – 1:30 pm

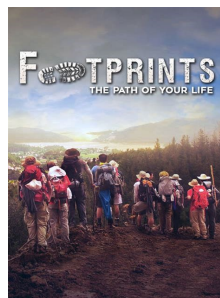
A combined ministry with the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia in Philadelphia. Join other caregivers for a morning reflection as we pause, pray, and share experiences together and discover the power of God at work in our lives. 1166 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146. On-street parking and public transportation is available. \$35 includes lunch and is payable at the door. Checks, cash, and on-line payments available.

Register: <https://www.nonnatus.org/life-affirming-choices.html>

Questions: Email director.srnf@gmail.com



Footprints: The Path of Your Life



Eleven young men from the United States walk 1,000 kilometers on their Way of St. James pilgrimage. They are looking for answers, not beautiful scenery: How do you deal with pain and suffering? Do the weak quit or do they find meaning on the Camino? How much baggage is enough or too much?

PART-TIME NURSERY WORKER

Swarthmore United Methodist Church is seeking a responsible, caring, and experienced individual to work in the nursery for two hours on Sunday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to noon. *Current child abuse clearance required.* Salary is \$21 per hour. Please contact Janice Ciampa at ciampaa@comcast.net if you are interested.

Trip To Bethlehem Pennsylvania

St. Anastasia Parish is hosting a trip to historic Bethlehem PA with lunch at the Bethlehem Hotel, a tour of the Moravian Museum, a Holly Jolly Christmas Show, and Bethlehem Night Lights Tour, on **Wednesday, November 29th**. Price per Person: \$200.00. For Reservations and itinerary, please contact Sister Mary Barrar - (610) mbarrar@saintannies.org or Theresa Haggerty (610) 356-5069 -- thaggerty@saintannies.org.



"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.

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.

LAST WEEK TO DONATE
Saturday, October 29th.

Sacred Heart and St. Charles Parishes
Barn (Square) Dance
Saturday, November 4th from 6:30-9:30PM
in the St. Charles Parish Hall.

Come join us for an evening of family friendly fun. Dress in your blue jeans, flannel shirts, and dancing shoes as we celebrate this harvest time together. Even if you are not a dancer come and enjoy the good fellowship, food and fun. Our event will feature barn dancing, music and singing, along with a delicious buffet being catered by Lidingers Deli and Catering, from North Wales, PA



Tickets are \$20.00 per person
A special family rate of \$ 35 for parents with children who will enjoy this good times together Soft drinks will be available but feel free to BYOB.

Tickets will be available for purchase at our Hospitality Sunday on October 15th following the 10AM Mass in St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall and anytime during office hours at both Parish Offices

(Or see Mark after Mass)

SAINT JOSEPH VILLA SSJ Annual Chance Drive to benefit Saint Joseph Villa is under way. 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.ssjpghila.org.

Winners will be drawn December 7, 2023

VINEYARD A PLACE TO HEAL
FROM ABORTION NOVEMBER 3 – 5, 2023
LOCATION: IHM SPIRITUALITY CENTER 210 IHM DRIVE
MALVERN, PA 19355

If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of an abortion – no matter how much time has passed – please know that a Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend will help. To register Susan 610-716-4795.

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Partnering Parishes
Annual Memorial Masses

Sacred Heart Memorial Mass
Saturday, November 4 at 4:00PM.

Join us in remembering in prayer those from the parish who have left us this year and all the faithful departed. *Especially Sacred Heart Memorial Fund Inductees: Anne M. Pontarelli, Jane Terpstra, Joseph T. Kelly, Jr.*



St. Hedwig Memorial Mass
Sunday, November 5 at 9:15AM

St. Charles Memorial Mass
Sunday, November 12 at 10:00AM.

You are welcome to bring a picture of your deceased loved one to place in front of the altar.

St. John Neumann Center
10400 Roosevelt Blvd.
Philadelphia, PA 19116

All Souls Mass of Remembrance Holy Sacrifice of the Mass 11:00AM Thursday, November 2, 2023

All are welcome Especially families of current and past Residents & Employees

St. Augustine assures us, "It cannot be doubted that the prayers of the Church relieve the holy souls, and move God to treat them with more clemency than their sins deserve."

Annual West Catholic Veterans Day Mass will be celebrated on **Friday November 17th** at 10am. The Mass will be at the Divine Mercy which was Good Shepherd located at 6667 Chester Ave Philadelphia 19142. After Mass a luncheon will take place at Monaghan's Pub at 414 Powhatan Ave Essington 19029. Come and join all friends.

SAINT JOHN'S HOSPICE

St. John's Hospice, a program of Catholic Social Services, is asking for your support of their **Boot Up Philly** event. Please consider donating any of the following individually packaged snack items:

Chips Peanut butter or cheese crackers, Fruit snacks, Fruit cups, Pudding cups, Snack cakes, or pies Bottled water, Canned soda, Uncrustables, Juice boxes, Halloween candy, (yes, it can be leftovers!)

Donations can be dropped off to Amy Stoner, on the 3rd floor of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, anytime between now and **Friday, November 3, 2023**. Amy can be reached at 215-587-3590 or at astoner@chs-ad

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Whenever we learn how a great person handled a serious problem with a wise solution, we pay attention. For example, the situation of giving a dedication speech at Gettysburg cemetery that faced Abraham Lincoln. He had to be thinking "As president of a war-torn country, and commander-in-chief, what do I say at the dedication of a cemetery filled with the dead of both armies? How do I underscore the inherent nobility of dying for one's country? Also, how do I say it with the minimum of words and the maximum belief in the cause for which these soldiers died?" We know that in his Gettysburg Address Mr. Lincoln did all of that succinctly and memorably well.

Today we hear about a challenge hurled at Jesus Our Lord by some of his sworn enemies. They were only interested in how He would answer their deceitful question. Jesus knew these hypocritical Herodians (followers of King Herod) were only set on entrapment. Of course, the deceivers had no idea that they were confronting God Himself in a human nature, the "true God of whom there is no other" as declared by Isaiah in today's First Reading.

So, after a bit of flattery they asked Him, *"Should we pay taxes to Caesar or not?"* We know Our Lord's famous answer by heart. Yet, upon reflection, I would up asking myself: "What do I have that I mistakenly claim is mine that rightly belongs to God? My answer: *"Everything!" From the right to life to the right to heavenly life and everything in between.*"

After all, it enabled me to answer my alarm this morning. More than that, His promise to walk beside me during this new day and every other remaining day of my life is such a gift. This is especially comforting when life suddenly "throws me an unexpected curve ball." His answer to that motley crew on that long ago day about who gets taxes is the only Christian way to live. I take courage from Our Lord's way of handling challenges. Here follows the way someone else did:

When he was a young boy, the great painter Benjamin West decided to paint a picture of his sister while his mother was not at home. He got out the bottles of ink and started, but soon had an awful mess. His mother eventually returned and of course saw the mess. Instead of scolding him, she picked up the portrait and declared, "What a beautiful picture of your sister! Then she kissed him. Later in life he said, "With that kiss I became a painter."

God love you and give you, His encouragement.

Say the Word

"What did we learn about tonight?" The children shouted, "perfect obedience!" The catechist continued asking questions and drawing out from the students how Mary had lived perfect obedience and how they could also live perfect obedience at home, at school, and in the community. It was a good review of what they had learned, but it was also a sharing with the parents, who were joining the Level 3 and 4 classes for a PREP Parent Come & See. This new initiative brings the parents together three times per year to hear about what the children are learning and experiencing. We hope that the connections created through the Come & See will help the children live out what they are learning at PREP and help the parents to reinforce at home what we are teaching the children. It also builds community among the parents and with the catechists...and the children enjoy sharing what they've learned. That's something to smile about.

Prayers for PREP

"Lord, teach us to pray," asked the apostles. We ask You today Lord to bless our Parish parents and children that we may all walk together along this journey of faith. Teach us to pray together and live together, encouraging one another to step out in faith, even when it is difficult. Amen.



Cold, Flu and Covid Season and Attending Mass

We would never ask anyone to not attend Mass but since we are under harsh circumstances these days people feeling ill or having a nagging cough might consider staying home until they feel better in order not to spread sickness, especially to our seniors. At the Sign of Peace refrain from shaking hands if you haven't felt well or feel you may be getting sick!

We wish all our parishioners good health so we can see them weekly.