

Sacred Heart Parish

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

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

Holy Day Masses

St. Charles (Vigils) 4:00PM & 7:00PM, 8:30AM

Sacred Heart 12:00 Noon, 7:00PM

First Friday at St. Charles Borromeo

3:00PM- Chaplet of Divine Mercy

7:00P.M. – Holy Hour

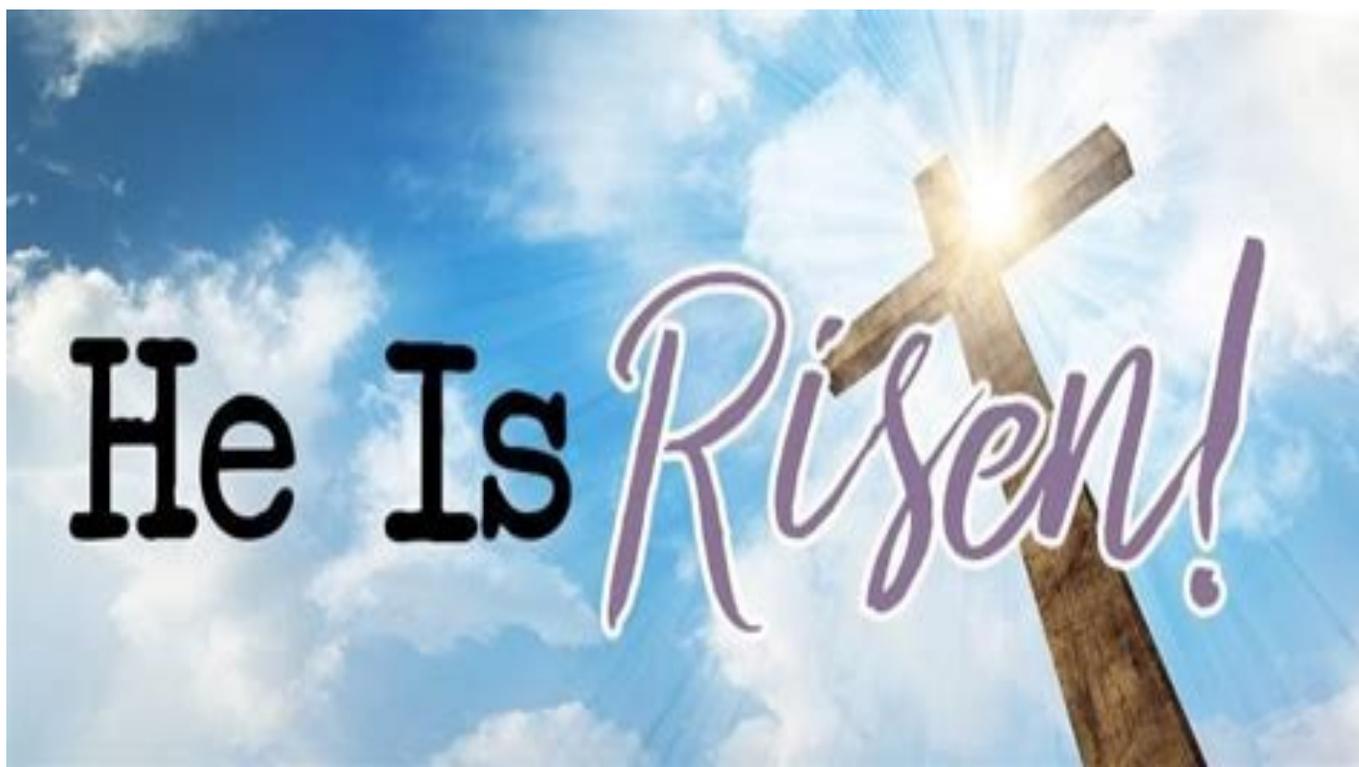
Sacrament of Reconciliation Confession Schedule

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



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD~ APRIL 17, 2022

Rev. Msgr. George A. Majoros, M.Div., M.S., Pastor

Rev. Joseph S. Zaleski, Resident; Deacon John H. Farrell

Masses For The Week

Sacred Heart Church

Sunday, April 17 Easter Sunday
7:30AM + Gary Schnell, Romeo D'Orazio & Karen Flower Of Family
12:00 Noon The Living & Deceased Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish

Monday, April 18

8:30AM + Msgr. Anthony Jaworowski Of Crawford family

Tuesday, April 19

8:30AM The Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart

Wednesday, April 20

8:30AM + Gary Schnell, Romeo D'Orazio & Karen Flower Of Patti Schnell

Saturday, April 23

4:00PM Vigil + Lillian Pecko Of Tom & Stella Pyfer

Sunday, April 24

7:30AM + Thomas & Robin McLoughlin Of Dolores

St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, April 17 Easter Sunday

9:15AM + Catherine & Walter Kowalski

Sunday, April 24

9:15AM + William McCloskey Of Judy Kuchinski

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 April

Sacred Heart

+Ernesto Leli & Tina Mori
+ Thomas McGehren
- Health of Kristin Curry

St. Hedwig

+ Zdzislaw Stanik & Bronislaw Trzcinski
Living & Deceased Bernardine Sisters

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Appeal

From forming our future priests and deacons, to educating the hundreds of lay men and women who study at the seminary, St. Charles' influence is far reaching. Please consider supporting our seminary by making a gift today

To make your gift online, please visit:

www.stcharlesseminaryappeal.org/donate

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Mass Celebrants Easter Weekend April 16-17

Sacred Heart

7:30AM Fr. McGowan
12:00 Noon Msgr. Majoros

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. McGowan

St. Charles Borromeo

7:45 PM Vigil Msgr. Majoros
8:30AM Fr. Zaleski
10:00AM Fr. Sperger



Mass Celebrants Weekend of April 23-24

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Zaleski
7:30AM Fr. Zaleski

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Zaleski

St. Charles Borromeo

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



Celebrants Are Subject To Change

Our Sisters will pray the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** for peace in Ukraine and the conversion of Russia **every Friday at 3 PM.**

All are welcome! Join Zoom Meeting

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PIEROGI THANK YOU!

A very special thank you to **Joanne & Gene Bidoli**, who coordinated our pierogi fundraiser and Barbara & Bill Schwindt who act as advisers. Also, thank you to everyone who participated in some way. If you worked one day or every day, donated items needed, or purchased pierogi, you were a special part in this fundraiser. It is very hard work but also rewarding to work with friends and help your Parish during the two weeks. We must thank St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Clifton Heights for the use of their facilities and giving us "a new home".

Enjoy your delicious pierogi!

**The Parish Offices will be CLOSED
Easter Monday April 18**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA--TELEVISION MASS
Sunday mornings at 5:30AM: WPVI—Channel 6**

**Dear Church Family,
Happy Easter!**

Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia! On behalf of your priests, deacon, and staff of our parishes, I wish to extend my prayerful well-wishes to you and your families for a blessed Easter season. I am grateful to the many helping hands that decorated our churches for the Easter season; and for all the ministries for the various liturgies that enhanced our worship: sacristans, ushers, music ministers, altar servers, lectors, and extraordinary minister of Holy Communion; and all of you who took part in the moving liturgies of the Sacred Triduum.

“The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one ‘great Sunday,’ as stated by Saint Athanasius. These are the days above all others in which the *Alleluia* is sung” (Universal Norms, 22). The days of the Easter octave form the “early hours” of this “great Sunday,” with accounts of the Lord who rose early in the morning, and the early preaching of the disciples who were witnesses to His resurrection.

For all of us who have been fully initiated, the Seven Weeks of the Easter Season offers us special grace. Through our reflection on the Word of God proclaimed during each of the Sundays of the Easter Season, we can deepen the mystery of the new life we first received at Baptism, and each time we receive the sacraments, especially the Sacrament of Penance and the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist at Holy Mass. We, your clergy, pray that the Holy Spirit will enable us to grow more into the likeness of Christ as we live and work to build the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven.

III International Meeting in Rome

Pope Francis has called all the Missionaries of Mercy throughout the world to the Vatican for three days of prayer and talks to enrich our ministry. I will leave for Rome on Wednesday, April 20th and return late Wednesday evening, April 27, 2022. We begin early Saturday, April 23rd at the Paul VI Audience Hall, Vatican City, with a full day: Prayer, workshop by language groups centered on the topic of the pandemic, and a talk on The Missionary of Mercy: A Man Who Welcomes by Archbishop Rino Fisichella; of course, good food and fellowship to fill in the day. Saturday ends with encounter with the Merciful Lord in a Penitential Liturgy and Eucharistic Adoration. Sunday, April 24th is the 2nd Sunday of Easter, the Sunday of Divine Mercy. We will concelebrate Mass with the Holy Father at Saint Peter’s Basilica and the Regina Coeli at 12Noon. Later that evening, the Missionaries of Mercy from the USA will gather for fraternity and some light conversation at the Casa Santa Maria before going to dinner. Monday, April 25th we return to the Paul VI Audience Hall, Vatican City for a full morning: the first talk on The Missionary of Mercy and the Call to Holiness with Cardinal Cantalemesa; and, a talk on The Missionary of Mercy and the Internal and External Forum by Father Damian Guillermo Astigueta, S.J., Professor, Pontifical Gregorian University. We conclude with an audience with Pope Francis before the meetings ends. I will carry you all in my heart, especially as I concelebrate Mass and go before our Eucharistic Lord. Please pray for the safe travel for all the Missionaries of Mercy.

What is the message of Divine Mercy?

The message of Divine Mercy is nothing new, just a reminder of what the Church has always taught: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But, in the Divine Mercy Devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God’s love is unlimited and available to everyone—especially the greatest sinners: The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy (Diary of St. Faustina, 723).

The main elements of this devotion are trust and deeds of mercy.

Here is a simple way to remember the message of Divine Mercy Sunday.

Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

Be Merciful to Others. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

Completely Trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

Jesus, I trust in You!

O Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your Holy Will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen. **Jesus, I trust in You!**

Celebration of First Communion and May Crowning

First Holy Communion for the Children of our Partnering Parishes will take place on Sunday, May 1, 2022, at the 10:00 A.M Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Church. Our children have been preparing all year to receive Our Lord Jesus as the Bread of Life. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. May they become what they eat—more like Christ! We will also have the privilege of Crowning the Blessed Virgin Mary and re-dedicate ourselves to her as not only the Mother of the Lord but our Mother as well.

AN EASTER PRAYER

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for the gift of eternal salvation that we get to celebrate on Easter morning. Your love is so great! Come close to me and renew my mind to let go of everything I've held on to that hinders me and entangles me. I ask you to draw near to me as I draw near to you and purify my heart.

Thank you for being the example of mercy when you ministered to and saved a thief while you suffered your own death. Your love covers a multitude of sins! I repent of my sins and ask you to cover me with your love and help me love others deeply.

Help me to forgive those who have offended me and give me the courage to bless my enemies.

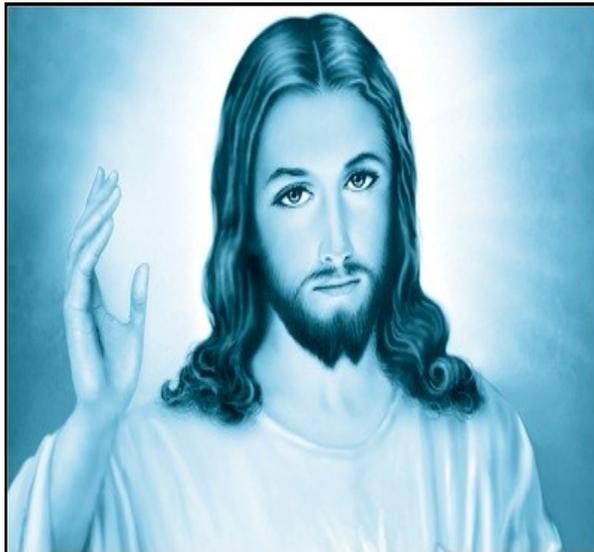
Thank you for the anchoring of peace the Cross gives us. When difficult times find me, help me keep my eyes on you. Help me calm and quiet my soul so I can find full contentment in You alone.

Thank you for the promise of joy and the restoration to the Father through the work of the Cross. Let me remember to take active steps in rejoicing together in fellowship with family and friends. May we never forget the good works You have done in our lives.

I praise you that you are the gift of HOPE. Nothing can separate me from your love for not even death could do it. I love you, Jesus! Amen!

Celebrating the Eight Days of Easter

We celebrate Easter each day this week. We keep celebrating so that we might continue to enter into the meaning of the resurrection. In the early Church, the newly baptized would be at each liturgy this week, wearing their white garments. We go through our everyday lives this week conscious of the "white garments" we all wear. We are renewed as a priestly people, committed with Jesus to give our lives for others. The resurrection stories, which we read this week, come from communities that are proclaiming the good news. The tomb is empty - Jesus' tomb and every tomb that tries to claim us in death. These are not believers who, in their deep desire, just made up the resurrection. These are people who can hardly believe what they are seeing and experiencing. They, like us now, had trouble recognizing his presence with them. We let the prayers of this Easter week draw us into the joy. Jesus is with us. He is not dead, but alive. And, that makes all the difference in the world in how much hope and courage we have, before any struggle, any possible **fear of death**.



April 23-24, 2022

Divine Mercy Sunday is a very special Sunday when the Divine Floodgates from Heaven are wide-opened and Jesus offers us the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment to any soul, who goes to Confession and receives Him in Holy Communion, on that day.

We want to encourage everyone to take advantage of this incredible promise on this great Feast of Mercy "Divine Mercy Sunday." We want you to benefit fully from these promises, and we also want you to notify all of your family and friends about them too and urge them to return to the practice of their faith.

The Image of The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord requested to be solemnly blessed and venerated on this day, Pope John Paul II said that the image portrays the Risen Jesus Christ bringing Mercy to the whole world. Our Lord said, *"I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."*

[Chaplet of Divine Mercy](#)

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This Bulletin Went To Print Early

Easter Sunday

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Musicologists tell us that some great classical pipe organs have as many as a thousand pipes in their makeup. But today, even that amazing number falls short of what the Church wants to proclaim musically, the joy that is the message of Easter.

Liturgical committees have likely festooned their parish sanctuaries with a near surplus of Easter lilies. The blooms themselves resemble trumpets, and so they are meant to “blare out” the Gospel of the Resurrection of Christ. But even their beauty and fanciful music is not enough to herald the Easter message of the holy Gospel today.

Today is truly “the Day of days.” The “Alleluias” are sprinkled liberally throughout today’s celebration for all good reason. The word means in English “Praise God.” It conveys exactly what the Holy Spirit wants us to have in our hearts in the wake of the discoveries of Mary Magdalene, Peter and the “beloved disciple” on that unforgettable morning.

To be honest, on Easter our emotions likely differ in kind and intensity from what they are on a Christmas morning. The Infant in the manger is adorably cute as he wriggles in the straw. Greeting card artists help us picture that, along with Mary and Joseph nearby guarding Him. After all, nobody but a few anonymous Roman soldiers actually saw the resurrection. It is fair to assume that they may have been either too drowsy or too shocked at the time. Again, our artists have helped here, but to a lesser degree. Apparently the announcing angels did not form a choir to sing as they did for the shepherds some thirty three years before.

Still, Easter trumps Christmas in its importance and its lasting impact on world history and our own. For us, it’s a faith-based call to pay more attention to the things of heaven and less to the things of earth as St. Paul advises.

Easter also urges us to energize that love of God and neighbor that Jesus preached. We cannot forget that awesome display of mercy and love when amid those awful hours while He hung on the cross, He cried out: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

The news outlets will likely offer a few passing lines on their 24 programming to acknowledge this day, maybe offering a snippet of the pope’s Mass or universal blessing. It will forget all about it on Monday and more or less expect us to do the same. That’s the way it is in a culture based on profit and productivity for which God and the things of God are alien and awkward.

But we know better, mostly because Easter is the guarantee that our trust in God is well-placed. It sources our hope and optimism. The Easter message comes across to our eyes and our ears as we see the lilies and hear the singing and the organ music today. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

“With Christ’s resurrection, the Father breaks the silence and expresses His judgment on Christ’s action and, of course, on those who crucified Him. It is a source of hope and joy for us because the Scriptures assure us that what God did for Jesus, He will do for us.”

– Capuchin Father Raniero Cantalamessa, preacher to the papal household, 1991

God love you and give you and yours His Easter peace.

Say the word

“How did it go?” “Good. He helped me when I wasn’t sure what to say. I’d like to go again.” She had recently received forgiveness for her sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. When we speak our sins out loud and God forgives us through the priest, we are free to follow Jesus’ gospel directive to, “Go and sin no more.” If that sounds like a lot to ask, don’t worry, we don’t do it alone!

As we celebrate Jesus’ death and resurrection this Easter, let’s remember that Jesus not only opened the gates of Heaven, but He also gave us a Community to walk with on the road to Heaven, and also grace (His very own life!) to help us get there. So let’s rejoice this Easter Season and think of someone we know who needs to hear this Good News. Then share it!

Prayers for PREP

Alleluia! Lord Jesus, we rejoice in Your victory over sin and death. May all our PREP families know the freedom of turning to You for forgiveness and walking together in the freedom of the children of God. Amen.