

# 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 (Rosary **AFTER** Mass)

**St. Charles** Thurs, Fri, Sat

## 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** 4:30-5:15PM before Vigil, 6:30-7:30PM on the Thursday before 1st Friday

**St. Charles** 9:15-10:00AM on the First Saturday of the month

## 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.*

## WEEKEND ASSISTANTS

Rev. Joseph Zaleski  
Deacon, John Farrell

# HE IS RISEN!

# Easter Sunday



**EASTER SUNDAY ~ APRIL 4, 2021**

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

## Mass Intentions

### Sacred Heart Church

#### Saturday, April 3

12:00 Noon *Blessing of the Food*

#### Sunday, April 4 Easter

7:30AM + Romeo D'Orazio Of Joe & Cathy Lenski

12:00 Noon + Donald Kaeser Of Michael & Jacqueline Bergels

#### Monday, April 5

8:30AM The Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart Parish

#### Tuesday, April 6

8:30AM + Danny Kleinschmidt Of Mom, Connie

#### Wednesday, April 7

8:30AM + Danny Kleinschmidt Of Mom, Connie

#### Saturday, April 10

4:00PM — For the spiritual life and well-being of Bob Terrel Of Martin Kelly

#### Sunday, April 11

7:30AM + Mary & Joseph Lenski, Sr. Of Family

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

#### Saturday, April 3

10:00 AM *Blessing of the Food*

#### Sunday, April 4 Easter

9:15AM + Joseph Sewruk Of wife, Hanna

#### Sunday, April 11

9:15AM + Antoinette Wardynski Of Family

Sacred Heart and St. Charles Borromeo Churches  
will be open Monday through Friday  
9:00A.M to 1:00P.M.

### YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis has announced a Year of Saint Joseph that will continue through **December 8, 2021**. The Year of Saint Joseph commemorates the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as the patron of the Universal Church. You can read the Holy Father's Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde*, on Saint Joseph here:  
[http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap\\_20201208\\_patris-corde.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html)

**Parish Offices Closed Easter Monday**

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### Mass Celebrants Weekend of April 3-4

#### Sacred Heart

7:30AM Fr. Zaleski

12:00 Noon Fr. Anderson

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Anderson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

7:30 PM Easter Vigil

Msgr. Majoros

8:30AM Fr. McGowan

10:00AM Fr. Sperger



### Mass Celebrants Weekend of April 10-11

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Anderson

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Zaleski

10:00AM Fr. Zaleski

4:00PM Fr. Anderson



**Celebrants Are Subject To Change**

Sunday Holy Mass

Live Streamed

From

St. Charles Borromeo Church,

Drexel Hill

**10:00AM**

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

### Candles for the Month of April

#### **Sacred Heart**

+ Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori

#### **St. Hedwig**

+ Nancy Tokarowski + Brzezicki Family

**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.

**The Easter Season**

“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.

The first eight days of the Easter Season make up the octave of Easter and are celebrated as Solemnities of the Lord. At Mass, and the major hinges of the Liturgy of the Hours, throughout the octave, a double *alleluia* is added to the dismissal and its response. The sequence, *Victimae paschali*, obligatory at Mass on Easter Sunday, is optional on the other days of octave. Easter Preface I is used (“on this day”) throughout the octave of Easter, namely through the Second Sunday of Easter.

The Paschal Candle, a symbol of the presence of the Risen Christ among the people of God, remains in the sanctuary near the altar or ambo through Vespers of Pentecost Sunday.

The Season of Easter is a special time of Post-Baptismal catechesis (mystagogy), following the celebration of Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil, during which the newly initiated members throughout the Archdiocese and world experience being fully a part of our Catholic family by means of on-going study and prayer, particularly by participating with all the faithful in the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy, as they grow in the new life of grace.

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 deep 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.

**Next Sunday, April 11, 2021 is the 2nd Sunday of Easter Or Sunday of Divine 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.

**A**sk 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.

**B**e 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.

**C**ompletely 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 the Easter Sacraments for our children**

**First Holy Communion for the Children of our Partnering Parishes will take place on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at the 10:00 A.M Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Church**

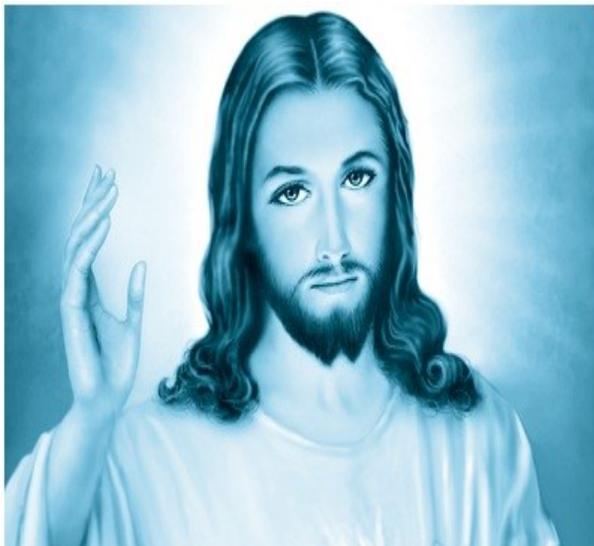
Our children have been preparing all year to receive Our Lord Jesus as the Bread of Life. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. May they become what they eat—more like Christ!

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday, April 25, 2021 at the 10A.M. Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Church.** Most Reverend Timothy C. Senior, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and Rector of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary will be the Celebrant and homilist. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. May the Holy Spirit lead and guide them throughout their lives!

**Other Events**

St. Charles Borromeo Church will host **A Holy Hour with the Good Shepherd on Sunday, April 18, 2021 from 2:00-3:00P.M.** Immediately following the Holy Hour, Monsignor George A. Majoros will give a brief presentation in the Parish Hall. The topic: St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, A Saint for our Times of Struggle.

## Divine Mercy Sunday April 10-11, 2021



**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](#)

[www.praydevinemeracy.com](http://www.praydevinemeracy.com)

## 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**.

## **Easter Sunday** **Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson**

The following could be the transcript of an imaginary interview conducted by chief Jerusalem correspondent Jehudi Ben Achaz, of the JMJ News Network with you, as a supposed member of The Twelve Apostles.

**Jehudi:** Going back to Friday afternoon, I understand that you and almost all of your group of so-called "Apostles" did not go near Golgotha hill at the time, correct?

**You:** Yes, you're correct, much to our shame. We were so upset about what was happening to our Master, and fearful that we might be next, that we did make ourselves scarce. But I must add that we are all proud of our youngest member, a man named John, that he stayed at the scene and offered some comfort to Our Master's Mother.

**Jehudi:** What are your feelings right now about the whole matter of His crucifixion, and this morning's rumored reports?

**You:** As far as the crucifixion is concerned, all of us Eleven believed it was not supposed to end like this. One of our brothers betrayed Jesus. And our appointed Leader, by his own admission, denied Him three times to a waitress.

**Jehudi:** But what about all the rumors circulating in the city this morning that your Jesus has risen and has been seen by several of His female followers?

**You:** Well, at the risk of being labeled a misogynist, I know how women can be overly emotional at times, and can even let their wishful thinking let them get carried away. I will admit that our leader and our youngest did go to the Master's tomb and confirmed the women's report. But we have to be careful about answering further questions.

**Jehudi:** Our sources tell us that procurator Pilate is very angry over the lax behavior of the guards he posted at the tomb. And that the High Priest Caiaphas has scheduled an audience with Pilate to request quick action on the matter.

**You:** Well on those items I have no comment at this time. So if you'll excuse me please, it is time for our Evening prayer.

**Jehudi:** Thanks for your time. We await further developments as this day after the Sabbath progresses. Back to our anchorperson. This is your reporter Jehudi Ben Achaz, JMJ News, Jerusalem.

Well, so much for fantasy. To the great joy of every Christian since those early days, right up to this April morning in 2021, the irreversible fact of the matter of the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is more real than many another supposed event in history. It is awesome in the original meaning of that very overworked word. It is the main reason for having any faith in Christianity. It is our power and peace through the Holy Trinity living in us to counteract the harried human world of the twenty-first century. It has been such for all the centuries before or since.

I used to ask my high schoolers what was the most important feast day of the year, and inevitably they would answer "Christmas." Easy to understand why when you consider all the hullabaloo with which the secular world surrounds the twenty-fifth of December. But Christmas is primarily meaningful in the light of Easter. It marks the birth of God made man.

In fact, the 4 Gospels themselves were written well after the Resurrection. That immediately offers us the lens through which to view the words and deeds of Jesus in His earthly life which they record.

Yes, He is risen! That means among other things that our Faith has a basis; our Hope a fulfillment; and our Love a motivation. The dream of eternal union with God is possible. As a result of Christ's rising, optimism is the only right viewpoint to hold, largely because Satan has no ultimate victory in his plan to win over humanity. It is the Day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice in it, and be glad. God love you and give you His Easter peace.

### **You are invited to Honor the Divine Mercy**

Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup> 9am-1 pm  
and Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup> 10am- 2pm

Each day will begin with 1 hour for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Each day will also include Divine Mercy Devotions, Eucharistic Adoration, Conferences and Holy Mass.

*This year we will be blest to welcome Father Stephen Hayes, Dominican, Province of Zanesville, Ohio.*

**To register contact: Sister Joan Noreen : Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main St., Birdsboro, PA 19508**

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### **FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

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

### ***Collections For March 28th will Appear in a future bulletin!***

As we struggle to make ends meet, please prayer about what you might be able to do, given your own needs, to continue your parish support by mailing in your weekly offerings or use the electronic giving in order to keep our parish operating. If you have questions about electronic giving or have no online access, please call the Rectory Office so we can provide an answer to your questions or help you set it up for yourself.

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