

# 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

“  
THE KINGDOM  
OF GOD IS AT  
HAND. REPENT,  
AND BELIEVE IN  
THE GOSPEL.  
”

MARK 1:15



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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT ~ FEBRUARY 21, 2021**

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

## Mass Intentions

### Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM + Joan Longhi Of Tom & Stella Pyfer and Family

#### Sunday, February 21

7:30AM —For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Margaret Mary Lagano Of Martin Kelly

#### Monday, February 22

8:30AM + Ursula Kim Of Sr. Lucia

#### Tuesday, February 23

8:30AM —For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Charles Bradford Of Martin Kelly

#### Wednesday, February 24

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

#### Saturday, February 27

4:00PM —For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Msgr. George Majoros Of Martin Kelly

#### Sunday, February 28

7:30AM + Intention of the Holy Souls

### St. Hedwig's Chapel

#### Sunday, February 21

9:15AM + Steven Ruggieri Of mother, Rosemary Klecko and + Sabina Apanowicz Of daughter, Theresa Jastrzebski

#### Sunday, February 28

9:15AM + Jozef Zakielaz Of family

Sacred Heart and St. Charles Borromeo Churches will be open Monday through Friday

### Lenten Purple Bags

Please refer to the **Purple Bag** with the Special Pamphlet for Lent for the schedule of Masses and Confessions. Also, a book with wonderful short readings.

### 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)

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### Mass Celebrants Weekend of February 20-21

#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Anderson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Sperger

10:00AM Fr. Zaleski

4:00PM Fr. Zaleski



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#### Sacred Heart

4:00PM Fr. Zaleski

7:30AM Fr. Zaleski

#### St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Anderson

#### St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Msgr. Majoros

10:00AM Msgr. Majoros

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 February

#### **Sacred Heart**

+ Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori

+ DeLeonardis Family + Thomas McGehrin

#### **St. Hedwig**

+ Joseph Bush + Steven Ruggieri

# LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

## GUIDELINES FOR FASING AND ABSTINENCE

According to the U.S Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), the guidelines for fasting and abstinence during Lent are as follows:

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.



### Daily Masses for Lent

#### Sacred Heart Church

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday – 8:30A.M.

#### St. Charles Borromeo Church

Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays – 8:30A.M.

### Stations of the Cross

7:00P.M. – Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, February 26<sup>th</sup>, and March 5<sup>th</sup>

At **St. Charles Borromeo Church** with Confessions during Stations

7:00P.M. – Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup> (Good Friday)

At **Sacred Heart Church** with Confessions during Stations

### The Year of Saint Joseph Devotions & Confessions at St. Charles Borromeo Church

7:00-8:00P.M. Wednesdays:

February 24<sup>th</sup>, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>

### St. Hedwig Chapel

6:00PM-Friday evenings with a light Lenten dinner followed by Stations

Gorzke Zale (sorrowful lamentations) *after Sunday Mass*

## Dear Church Family,

We are greatly challenged by the lingering pandemic and by the winter weather we are experiencing. Let us find great strength and comfort in the Lord who calls us in this holy season of Lent to repent and believe in the Gospel.

**The LENT** - Make a Good Lent—allow God's grace to help each and every one of us to turn away from sin and be more faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Lenten Devotions:** Frequent use of the Sacrament of Penance; daily Mass; pray the rosary; Eucharistic Adoration and Stations of the Cross.

**Lenten Sacrifice:** Please remember that we are to abstain from meat on all the Fridays of Lent and to remember that Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

**Lenten Almsgiving:** Please take part in Operation Rice Bowl—our Catholic Relief Services' Lenten solidarity program. Just as we celebrate the Eucharist every Sunday, we can use Operation Rice Bowl as a way of "breaking bread" together with family and loved ones. We join in the traditional practices of Lent and give concrete assistance to those in need, while we learn about the challenges and joys of the many people in our country and world who have little or nothing of what we have.

Let us pray for one another to make a good Lent!

God bless you all,

Monsignor George A. Majoros

## The First Week of Lent

It is wonderful to see the early weeks of Lent as a catechism for those who are on a journey toward Baptism at the Easter Vigil. Each liturgy offers a new "lesson in the faith" for these new believers. Viewed this way, Lent can be a journey of renewal in faith for us all. We listen, with the hearts of children, learning old lessons, as though for the first time. And each day, we pray these special prayers that simply help us keep turning to God for the graces we need for the day. Throughout the day, we find moments, perhaps "in the background" while we are doing other things, that help us remember what we are asking for. Our desire grows as we make changes to our daily patterns. As we make sacrifices, in order to experience freedom from self-directed needs, we also experience a freedom for other-directed love and generosity.

## Lenten Patterns: Praying

Lent is the time to start new patterns of prayer. Perhaps you haven't been praying at all. This is a great time to choose to begin. It is important to begin realistically. You can start by simply pausing when you get up and taking a slow, deep breath, and recalling what you have to do this day, and asking for grace to do it as a child of God. You may want to go to bed a half an hour earlier, and get up a half an hour earlier and give yourself some time alone to read the readings for the day. You may choose to go to Mass each day during Lent. You may choose to get to church on Sunday, just 15 minutes earlier to reflect a bit. Lent may be a time you choose to start to journal the day to day reflections that are coming, the desires your naming and asking for, the graces your are being given.

## **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

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

You may remember the most challenging part of an essay exam from your school days. It began with the words "Compare and Contrast." You had better know your material to answer smartly. If for any reason you were weak on the subject at hand, you would likely spin a web of conjecture with the vain hope that your teacher could be fooled by your lengthy burst of meaningless verbiage. I leave to your imagination another more coarse definition of what that's called!

Readers of Sacred Scripture have no such problem with the Holy Spirit, who is its real Author. He compares and contrasts with a masterful touch as expressed by the human writers. This first weekend of Lent we read the enchanting recap of the flood story in Genesis, wherein the newly dry land becomes the setting for a new covenant God makes with mankind. Combined with His pledge of never sending a flood comes His choice of the rainbow as a perpetual reminder of the Covenant.

Retaining the watery theme is today's excerpt of Peter's First Letter, telling us that the waters of baptism have the innate power under the Final Covenant to save us all from destruction.

Then comes today's Gospel. In his trademark almost texting style Mark tells us how Jesus was tested in the harshness of a water-less desert. We have to depend on the other more detailed gospel versions of the story to learn the exact nature of the devil's tactics. But what Mark does add is the comfort Jesus derived afterward from ministering angels.

It is relatively easy to compare and contrast flood waters and an arid desert as different backgrounds for the birth of covenants. But what might be more difficult for you and me right here at the beginning of Lent 2021 is the comparison and contrast we can make of keeping our baptismal covenant promises since Lent 2020 until now. Back then the arrival of a certain pandemic came upon the scene. We have presumably since learned a lot about ourselves and how we have handled all the shutdowns and restrictions. Through it all, have we been true Christians with all around us? I believe that with our answer to that one, we could "have our hands full."

There is lots of room in the process to list those nasty little sins we have committed against others, like impatience, rash judgment and mean words. This not to omit the bad choices we may have made in seeking comfort from our pain with unchaste thoughts and actions along with over indulgence in food and drink. Above all, and more important, is our Lenten resolve this year and what changes we will implement going forward.

God's covenant of loving mercy and salvation still stands as strong as it ever was. Our spiritual posture is the only variable. This kind of comparison and contrast is a demanding but pertinent Lenten exercise, hopefully targeted at something called "conversion."

In the "Alice in Wonderland" story, at one point Alice says to the Cheshire Cat, "Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?"

"That depends a good deal on where you want to get to," said the Cat.

"I don't much care where," said Alice.

"Then it doesn't matter which way you go," said the Cat.

As with Alice, so with us and the Church. Without objectives, we will have nowhere to go, and we'll just keep wandering aimlessly. We need to remember that Jesus once declared for all to hear: "I am the Way." God love you and give you His peace.

### ***Lenten Prayer***

*Compassionate and Powerful God, you have always guarded your people from the power of evil. You teach us to rely upon the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we enter this Lenten season of mercy – of prayer, fasting, and giving. Make me more aware of how close you are when I struggle to do what is right and just. Fill me with your grace, that I might be strengthened to walk in the footsteps of Jesus.*

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

### Sacred Heart– February 14, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	26	\$1,295.00
Loose		60.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,355.00</b>
Loose		30.00
Fuel		225.00
Care of Aging		262.00
Maintenance		120.00

### St. Hedwig - February 14, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	1	\$140.00
Fuel		20.00
Care of Aging		85.00
Maintenance		25.00

(Ice storm NO MASS)

### Weekly Offering

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.

The Lord is our Shepherd, leading and guiding us. Let's pray for one another, trusting in the Lord's mercy and strength. And through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels and Saints, may we have their help and protection.  
Sincerely yours, Monsignor George A. Majoros

## Man Up Philly SATURDAY, MARCH 06, 2021

The men of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are invited to the 13th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference. The Man Up Philly volunteer team has made the decision to change the format to a **Virtual Event** out of an abundance of caution given the COVID-19 status. We want to bring this great day to you to help all of us focus on our faith and reliance on Our Lord. The virtual conference will be available via a webcast and tickets will be available for a reduced cost of \$10. We encourage all men – fathers, sons, brothers, friends – to join us for an inspiring day of faith and fellowship. Become the man God is calling you to be! Rediscover the power and meaning of your faith! **FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER VISIT MANUPPHILLY.COM**

### Free Marriage Enrichment Seminar:

A great idea for couples to do together during Lent—from your home, at your pace. MarriageinChrist.com is an easy to use online program with video presentations, a downloadable workbook, discussion starters etc. It is simple, practical and fun! Just 5 sessions. **Free for couples who register by March 31** (\$40 value).

# FORMED

To join as a **new user** go to [formed.org](http://formed.org) Select **sign up** and then choose **I belong to a parish or organization** then type in St. Charles Borromeo OR 19026 and follow the easy instructions.

If you are **already a member** of formed all you need to do is type in your email address and you are automatically signed in.

**You no longer need a password**

## Beloved - Session 1: Does Marriage Matter? Pick of the Week • 34m

Long before cultures or governments ever discussed marriage, God placed on the human heart a longing for the unique, lifelong commitment, and total self-giving love found in the Sacrament of Matrimony. What does God's design mean for us in our daily lives together? A remarkable assembly of experts shows us the answer.



## CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide the necessary support to hundreds of thousands of people. These individuals are served by an array of organizations, programs, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal focus on five key areas:

- Education
- Social Services
- Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life
- Clergy
- Local Mission Activities