

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

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



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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD ~ JANUARY 9, 2022

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

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

Dear Church Family

+ J.M.J.

January 9, 2022



I wish to express my profound gratitude to God for your kindness and generosity to me this Christmas. I was honored and humbled to receive your beautiful Christmas cards, family photos, well-wishes and generous gifts of Novena of Masses Offered, and or a monetary gift. Thank you!

In addition, I am grateful for all your prayers for my recovery from the virus. Let us pray for the health and well-being of one another and the end of this pandemic.

I will keep you in my heart, thanking God for you and the witness of your life that shines forth as a beacon of hope in our times. The message of Christmas reveals the depth of God's love and care for us as His very own children. And, His promise to be God-with-us throughout life's journey. May God's grace we have received this Christmas inspire us to be steadfast in faith, sure in hope, and fervent in charity throughout this New Year!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Reverend Monsignor George A. Majoros
sacredheartchurch@rcn.com and mmajoros@scbdh.org

The Baptism of the Lord *Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

I recently enjoyed reading TV newsman Chris Wallace's book 1945, which chronicles the events marking the creation and use of the first atomic bomb. Along the way, the author gives us insights into the ways of the various characters involved. Singular attention is given to the controversial decision of President Harry S. Truman to use the awful weapon against Japan, which was at the time our sworn enemy. How different today with our roads traversed by Honda, Toyota and Nissan cars.

As we know, the president's decision changed history, and its propriety is still the subject of debate. But we learn as well of Truman's troubling internal quandary beforehand and the various positions of his trusted advisers. Yours truly was only three years of age at the time, so the book shed light on what went on then.

At this early day in a brand new year, most of us already know that we will be making all kinds of decisions in the months ahead. Some will be delightful; others daunting. May I propose what Jesus did before every major decision in His life as our model? It was prayer. Our Lord prayed at the moment of His baptism, when God the Father and the Holy Spirit manifested their approval of Him as He began His public ministry. A few short years later Jesus would pray as He begins to close His ministry in the garden of Gethsemane.

Prayer before decision-making. It makes perfect sense on one level. It demonstrates faith on another. Why then is it so often neglected even by believers? I put the blame squarely on that pragmatism embedded in our American psyche. It's the same notion that promotes rugged individualism as the ideal way to live. So, it is better to be known as an independent than a dependent. Leave religion and God out of it.

That's sad not only for relegating God to the sidelines, but also for denying the way we are "hard wired" as creatures for God. You could not ask for a more independent-minded person than Jesus. Note how little He cared for the opinions of others. But oh! Did He ever pray!

The Psalms of Scripture are unique because Jesus prayed them. You could say they were His prayer book of David's poems. Other poets over time have extolled prayer as well. I have always liked this one from George Herbert, the 17th century Anglican priest, who gives us images that make us pause:

"Prayer the church's banquet, angel's age, God's breath in man returning to his birth, The soul in paraphrase, heart in pilgrimage, The Christian plummet sounding heav'n and earth Engine against th' Almighty, sinner's tow'r, Reversed thunder, Christ-side-piercing spear, The six-days world transposing in an hour, A kind of tune, which all things hear and fear; Softness, and peace, and joy, and love, and bliss, Exalted manna, gladness of the best, Heaven in ordinary, man well drest, The milky way, the bird of Paradise, Church-bells beyond the stars heard, the soul's blood, The land of spices; something understood." God love you and give you His peace.

Masses For The Week

Sacred Heart Church

4:00PM Vigil - For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Donna Crawford Of Martin Kelly

Sunday, January 9

7:30AM - For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Mark Wufsus Of Martin Kelly

Monday, January 10

8:30AM The Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart

Tuesday, January 11

8:30AM - For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Brian Litwa Of Martin Kelly

Wednesday, January 12

8:30AM - For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Mary Anne DiGregorio Of Martin Kelly

Saturday, January 15

4:00PM Vigil - For the Spiritual Life and well-being of Lori Farrell Of Martin Kelly

Sunday, January 16

7:30AM + Elizabeth & Leo Crawford Of Leona & Vince Papale

St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, January 9

9:15AM + Catherine & Walter Kowalski

Sunday, January 16

9:15AM + Tront Family Of Judy Kuchinski

Candles for the month are \$20.00

All Mass Intentions are \$10.00

Call the Rectory at 610-623-0409 if interested.

Candles for the Month of January

Sacred Heart

+Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori
+ Thomas McGehrin

The Baptism of Our Lord

Today ends our Christmas Season

Mass Celebrants Weekend of January 8-9

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Fr. Zaleski

St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Sperger

10:00AM Msgr. Majoros

4:00PM Fr. Zaleski



Mass Celebrants Weekend of January 15-16

Sacred Heart

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros

7:30AM Fr. Zaleski

St. Hedwig's Chapel

9:15AM Msgr. Majoros

St. Charles Borromeo

5:30PM Fr. Zaleski

10:00AM Fr. Zaleski

4:00PM Msgr. Majoros



Celebrants Are Subject To Change

Father Bruce Anderson will be moving on to another assignment and will not be able to help with our weekend Masses anymore. We wish him every grace and blessing from above!

Please Note A Change

*Sacred Heart Rectory Hours Are
Monday-Friday from 8:30AM to 3:30PM.*

However, the new schedule for **business inside the Rectory** will be on **Tuesday and Thursday**. If you need to stop by the Rectory to pick something up please do so on these two days. Thank you!

Taking down church decorations Monday, January 10, 2022 - 9:30AM



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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Fulfilling the Church's mission of mercy and the gospel call to love others as we love God, The **Catholic Relief Services (CRS) collection** funds Catholic agencies that work for the benefit of our brothers and sisters around the world. In providing humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and advocating on behalf of victims of atrocities such as human trafficking, the organizations supported by the CRS collection act from their belief that every individual is an equal heir of Christ's love and care.

The annual Catholic Relief Services collection challenges American Catholics to put their faith into action and to see "Jesus in disguise" in the faces of the poor, and to support ongoing efforts to respond to their needs. The funds collected support vital Catholic programs that share in the Catholic mission of promoting the sacredness of human life. A small amount from the collection is retained by the Archdiocese to help cover local efforts to promote the collection.

The collection will be taken up in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia the weekend of **January 15 and 16, 2022**. The American Catholic community, and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in particular, have always responded very generously to this annual collection.

I am grateful to you for your compassionate response. May you be blessed for your faithfulness to living the Gospel and recognizing Jesus in those in need.

Sincerely yours in Christ, + Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.

FROM FAITH TO ACTION

EcoPhilly and Villanova University are presenting a **free** Saturday morning symposium,

***"The Nuts and Bolts
of nurturing a Creation Care Team
in your parish"***,

January 22nd from 9 am - 12 noon
Lunch to be provided

St Augustine Friary, 214 Ashwood Road,
Villanova PA 19085.

INFO @ ECOPHILLY.ORG TO RSVP

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**Get thousands of movies, programs,
audio, and books .**

To join as a **new user** go to **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.



The Chris Stefanick Show

Contrary to popular belief, Jesus did not say, "I came to make them boring." Instead, he wants us to live life to the fullest. Dive into the heart and soul of what it means to be Catholic with Chris Stefanick and his guests LIVE every Monday at 7 p.m. (ET).

The Chris Stefanick Show is the most recent addition to the Augustine Institute's robust and innovative programming, which aims to help Catholics understand, live, and share their faith. Tune in every Monday at 7 p.m. (ET) to The Chris Stefanick Show on FORMED.

Audience interaction is encouraged! Text in your questions to 720-650-0100 and Chris may answer them live on the show.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Sacred Heart– December 26, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	38	\$1,955.00
Loose		<u>127.00</u>
Total		2,082.00
Loose		99.00

St. Hedwig - December 26 , 2021

Sunday Envelopes	18	\$654.00
Loose		<u>212.00</u>
Total		866.00

Sacred Heart– January 2, 2022

Total *Will Appear in Next Bulletin*

Christmas 2021 Sacred Heart

Christmas Envelopes	48	\$4,690.00
Loose		<u>631.00</u>
Total		5,621.00

Christmas 2021 St. Hedwig

Christmas Envelopes	38	\$3,494.00
Loose		<u>575.00</u>
Total		4,069.00

Sacramental Sponsors and Godparents

Godparent and Sponsor are more than honorary titles. We remind our parishioners that a Letter of Eligibility to be a sacramental sponsor or godparent certifies that the person is someone who:

- is at least 16 years of age;
- has received the Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church;
- is a registered parishioner of the parish for at least 6 months
- attends Mass weekly on Sundays and on Holy Days of Obligation;
- receives the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation often;
- lives in conformity with the teachings of our Catholic faith; and
- if married, has been married according to the rite of the Roman Catholic Church

Institute for Christian Formation

Please contact us at sts@scs.edu or 610-785-6287.

Sessions begin January 20, 2022.

Offered on eight Thursday evenings per season 6:30 P.M. – 9:15 P.M. & Fall 2022 and Spring & Fall 2023. Cost: \$250 per season

Say the Word

“Holy Family, you traveled to Bethlehem without knowing where Mary would give birth. You relied on God to provide, and what He provided for His Son was a manger in the midst of animals. Help my family to rely on God for our needs and trust in His ways, even when they are not what we expect.”

(Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/holy-family-novena>)

This Christmas, I offered a Novena to the Holy Family for all those involved in our PREP program. This includes YOU and all the faithful in our Parishes who are praying for our PREP families. The petition above, which was part of the Day 1 prayers, touched my heart. When we rely on God to provide, He always does, but sometimes in a quite unexpected way. I think this is true and visible in many small occurrences during this pandemic, when we need to choose to trust Him.

Prayers for PREP

Thank you, Provident Lord, for providing for our needs. Increase our trust as we face the daily challenges of our lives. May the gift of faith received at Baptism by each child in our Parishes be nourished this year. We trust You will provide this Lord. Please show us how You desire for us to a part of this growth and give us the courage to say yes, when unexpected opportunities arise. Amen.