Sacred Heart Parish

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

MASS SCHEDULE

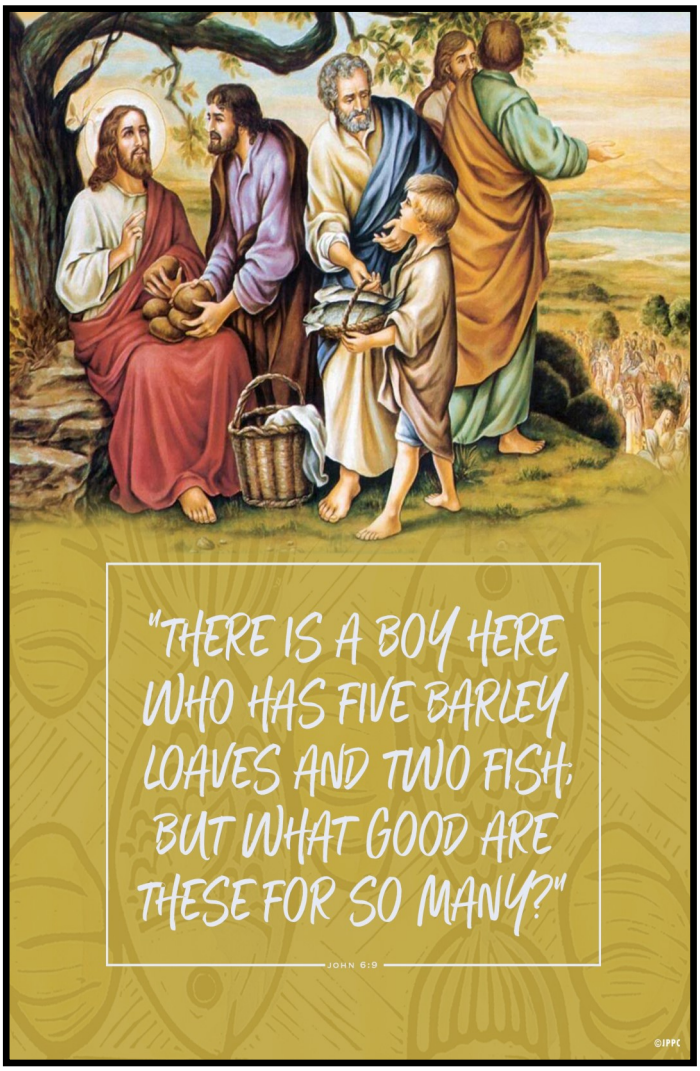
SUNDAY
Sacred Heart (Vigil) 4:00PM, 7:30AM
St. Hedwig Chapel 9:15AM (Rosary before Mass)
St. Charles (Vigil) 5:30PM, 10:00AM, 4:00PM

WEEKDAYS
Sacred Heart 8:30AM Mon, Tues, Wed with the Rosary following Mass
St. Charles 8:30AM Thurs, Fri, Sat

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
St. Charles (Vigils) 4:00 & 7:00PM, 8:30AM
Sacred Heart 12:00 Noon, 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
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.
And 9:15-10:00AM on the First Saturday of the month

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS
St. Charles
3:00PM- Chaplet of Divine Mercy
7:00P.M. – Holy Hour



Come to the feast of heaven and earth,
come to the table of plenty,
God will provide for all that we need
here at the table of plenty

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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY ~ JULY 25, 2021

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

4:00PM + Fonda Pyfer Of Tom & Stella Pyfer & family

Sunday, July 25

7:30AM + Jack Manlode Of Eleanor & Drew Lindsay

Monday, July 26

8:30AM + Frank & Margaret Stasky Of Tom & Stella Pyfer

Tuesday, July 27

8:30AM + Steve Jun Of Sr. Lucia

Wednesday, July 28

8:30AM—For the spiritual life and well– being of Deanna Dare Of Joanne & Gene Bidoli and The Living & Deceased of Sacred Heart Parish

Saturday, July 31

4:00PM + Marita Getka Of Tom & Stella Pyfer

Sunday, August 1

7:30AM + Romeo D'Orazio Of Don & Mary Lou Strunk

St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, July 25

9:15AM + Catherine & Walter Kowalski

Sunday, August 1

9:15AM + Walter Kuchinski Of Judy

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 July

Sacred Heart

+Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori
+ Thomas McGehrin

St. Hedwig

Alex Panfile

Candles for the Month of August

Sacred Heart

+Ernesto Lelii & Tina Mori
+ Thomas McGehrin

St. Hedwig

+ Joseph Sewruk +Brzezicki family
+ Alex Panfile

Mass Celebrants Weekend of July 24-25

Sacred Heart
4:00PM Msgr. Majoros
7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

St. Hedwig's Chapel
9:15AM Fr. Zaleski

St. Charles Borromeo
5:30PM Fr. Zaleski
10:00AM Fr. Sperger
4:00PM Fr. Anderson

Mass Celebrants Weekend of July 31– August 1

Sacred Heart
4:00PM Fr. Zaleski
7:30AM Msgr. Majoros

St. Hedwig's Chapel
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St. Charles Borromeo
5:30PM Fr. Sperger
10:00AM Msgr. Majoros
4:00PM Fr. Anderson

Celebrants Are Subject To Change

Mass Sunday 10:00AM
LIVESTREAM
Visit our parish website and celebrate Mass with our parish community

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.

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

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Dear Church Family,

I am extremely grateful to our Elderly parishioners. We need you, your wisdom, and good example. Despite hardships, you remain steadfast in faith, full of hope and love for God and neighbor. This is why Pope Francis has decreed The First Ever World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly this Sunday, July 25th. To them, the Pope, in this time crossed by the pandemic, addressed a message entitled "I am with you every day", hoping that everyone will be reached by an "angel" and at the same time asking each elderly person to carry out a decisive role in building everyone's future:

"I would like to tell you that we need you to build, in fraternity and social friendship, the world of tomorrow: the one in which we will live - we with our children and grandchildren - when the storm has subsided. Among the different pillars that will have to support this new building there are three that you, better than others, can help to place. Three pillars: dreams, memory and prayer. The closeness of the Lord will give the strength to embark on a new path even for the most fragile among us, along the streets of dreams, memory and prayer ".

The Apostolic Penitentiary promulgated a Decree granting a Plenary Indulgence on the occasion of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

- The elderly can obtain an Indulgence by participating in one of the Masses celebrated on the occasion of this World Day.
- In view of the continuing health emergency and the fact that some elderly people are unable to attend Mass in person for health reasons, the Indulgence is extended to those who participate via television, radio or the internet.
- The Indulgence is also granted to all those who perform a 'work of mercy' on this World Day by visiting an elderly person who is alone.
- In places where visiting in person is expressly forbidden by the public authorities in order to avoid contagion, it is also possible to obtain the Indulgence through a virtual meeting

Finally, I encourage our Grandparents and Elderly parishioners to take a copy of Prayer For the First Ever World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly and pray it often.

God bless you all,
Monsignor George A. Majoros

Grandparents Fill The World With Love

Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P.)

Begins Monday, September 20th

P.R.E.P. Classes for the Partnering Parishes of St. Charles Borromeo, Drexel Hill, and Sacred Heart, Clifton Heights, will start on Monday, September 20, 2021. P.R.E.P. Classes are held on Monday evenings, from 6:30PM until 7:50PM.

Our Prep program welcomes the children of our Parishes from Kindergarten up to and including Level 7.

The P.R.E.P. **Tuition/Fee** remains the same as previous years:
[$140.00 for one child - $200.00 for two children - $250.00 for three or more children]

Registration forms can be on the websites and in the vestibule of both Churches

Sacred Heart Parish, Clifton Heights
(www.sacredheart-cliftonheights.net)
and
Saint Charles Borromeo Parish, Drexel Hill
(www.scbdh.org)

Completed Online registration forms need to be sent to Sister Theresa Marie Moore, PVMI., at srtheresam@scbdh.org OR to St. Charles Borromeo Rectory Office at rectory@scbdh.org Registration forms can be mailed or dropped off at St. Charles Borromeo Rectory. Please include your P.R.E.P. Fee/tuition (preferably check made payable to St. Charles Borromeo Church) and your registration form to:

Sister Theresa Marie Moore, PVMI
St. Charles Borromeo Rectory
3422 Dennison Avenue
Drexel Hill, PA 19026

All students returning to P.R.E.P. DO need to re-register.

If you have any questions or concerns about P.R.E.P., feel free to contact the Rectory Office during regular office hours (9AM to4PM). At 610-623-3800.

God bless!
Monsignor George A. Majoros, Pastor

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Bread in one form or another is beyond question the most basic form of food in practically every human society, past or present, so much so that it is often called “the staff of life.” Fossilized cakes of bread have even been found in any number of ancient archaeological sites. In the Bible the term “bread” is sometimes used to refer to food in general and is often used symbolically also. All types of bread almost inevitably become the most essential foodstuff of the society under study.

How easily I can transition from this scientific fact about the essential nature of bread to the spiritual fact about the Holy Eucharist, namely as the most essential foodstuff of the community of the Catholic Church.

This weekend, and for the four following, except for the coming Assumption feast day, we will be reading from the 6th chapter of John’s gospel. The common theme is “The Bread of Life.” Today’s story is in what you might call “the prequel” of things to come.

Not surprisingly, given the secular inroads made into our lives on many levels, the Eucharist has become a bit of a neuralgic subject for discussion. Why? For one thing, a 2019 Pew Research study revealed “that the majority of Catholics– a whopping 69 percent—don’t believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, a teaching central to the Catholic faith.” Admittedly it’s a somewhat strange notion for many non-Catholics. All that because of the historical split from Catholicism of the other Christian Churches that reaches back in time. Add to that the sporadic lack of thoroughness in our religious education efforts over the last several decades along with the downturn in numbers of Catholic schools. Add in recent Church scandals. Even so-called cradle Catholics don’t seem to take advantage of opportunities to enhance their basic education easily available at their local parish, or online resources as well as Catholic TV channels. As a result, the Real Presence would appear to be a strange notion for lots of self-described Catholics. That’s a huge problem.

This is not the place for a thorough analysis of the problem, much less a satisfying solution to it. But the problem started from “day one” of Our Lord’s announcement of it over twenty centuries ago. It is not enough for people enamored of empirical science to believe it just because, or only because, Jesus said so. On the other hand, millions of people over the years, including great saints and martyrs who shed their blood for it give witness to its truth.

When Jesus broke the bread at that Last Supper table and passed around the cup of wine saying beforehand “This is My Body; this My Blood,” He meant what He said. The words are too clear and plain to support the claim that he was speaking figuratively. Ours it is both to wrestle with any doubts, and to remain ever so grateful that He is with us in every tabernacle in every Catholic church, splendid or simple. We are not alone.

Maybe it would be better to stop thinking of the Eucharist as a problem to be solved instead of a gift to be loved. It helps to remember that Jesus’ motivation for all these centuries has been His love of us. On these “lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer” I propose that it’s a good time for all of us to rekindle our love for this great Sacrament and make a return on His investment.

This story is told of Harry Winston, who was one of the world’s greatest jewel merchants. One day he watched one of his salesmen show a beautiful diamond to a rich Dutch merchant. The customer listened thoughtfully to the expert description, but he eventually turned away, saying, “It’s a wonderful stone, but not exactly what I want.”

Winston stopped the customer on his way out and asked, “Do you mind if I show you that diamond once more?” The merchant agreed. Winston took the stone in his hand. He did not repeat anything the salesman had said. He simply talked about the gem as an object of deep beauty. Abruptly the customer changed his mind and bought the diamond. While he was waiting for it to be brought to him, he turned to Winston and said, “Why did I buy it willingly from you, even though I had no difficulty saying no to your salesman?”

Winston answered, “That salesman is one of the best men in the business. He knows diamonds—but I love them.”

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Sacred Heart– July 18, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	34	$1,953.00
Loose		194.00
Total		**2,147.00**
Human Development		20.00
Loose		165.00

St. Hedwig - July 18, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	17	$560.00
Loose		107.00
Total		**667.00**
Parish Maintenance		195.00

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

Job Opportunity

St. Thomas Monastery, Long-Term Health Care Facility of the Augustinian Friars, located on the campus of Villanova University, is looking for a per diem Front Desk Receptionist. Responsibilities include greeting visitors, answering phone and assisting the Friars with minor requests. Available shifts: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2PM – 7PM. Must be able to share filling in for other co-workers at times. Background History Check performed upon application. Applicants must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19. Annual parking fee of $30.00 required if applicable. Email Lynn Walsh, Office Manager, at lynn.walsh@villanova.edu

Sixth Annual Padre Pio Festival
St. Bede the Venerable Parish
September 18-19, 2021

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Please Join Us!

Women's Tea with Mary Bea Damico of Voveo Marketing.
Reflection on the power of surrender and devotion to Mary
Sunday, August 8, 2021; Time: 2-4 pm
Cost: $25 onsite and virtual. Malvern Retreat House 315 S. Warren Ave., Malvern Pa 19355; 610-644-0400
Please visit www.malvernretreat.com/ to register

Weekend Retreat for Married Couples

Malvern Retreat House offers a weekend of renewal and rejoicing in your marriage **September 10-12.** Enjoy wonderful meals, conferences, and time together. The cost is $380 per couple. For more information and to register, please call 610-644-0400 or visit MalvernRetreat.com

Annual Pilgrimage to Washington

Upon the recommendation of the Pilgrimage Office at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington DC, the anticipated **Archdiocesan Pilgrimage** scheduled for **this** fall, Saturday, October 16, 2021, is **rescheduled** for next fall, **Saturday, October 15, 2022.**

GIFT OF SPECIAL INDULGENCES FOR THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

The Holy See has announced numerous possibilities for obtaining the Gift of Special Indulgences for the Year of Saint Joseph. These possibilities and the manner of obtaining the Indulgences can be found on the website, **http://archphila.org/joseph/**

The Frankford family life center needs volunteers right now and throughout the summer! Visit our website, prolifeunion.org and look under the banner where you will find the section titled, "Volunteers Urgently Needed!" The descriptions and requirements for each position we are looking to fill can be found there. If you feel called to serve in one of these positions, please email cpinto@prolifeunion.org. The most urgent need right now is for the Summer Meals Program. All position shifts are flexible. Haven't heard of the Frankford family life center? In partnership with Catholic Social Services, the Pro-Life Union is opening a family life center in Frankford, Philadelphia. The center is up and running and *already serving over 60 women and their families! There will be an official program launch in October.*

Marriage Encounter

If you are planning to marry in the Catholic Church and would like information about the Marriage Preparation Experience, please visit www.PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com.

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat October 22nd – 24th , 2021
Malvern-Frazer, Pennsylvania *For information call Georgeann at 484-955-4278 geemcgarry@gmail.com Rachel's Vineyard of Greater Philadelphia*. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Financial aid is offered if needed.
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