

Sacred Heart Parish

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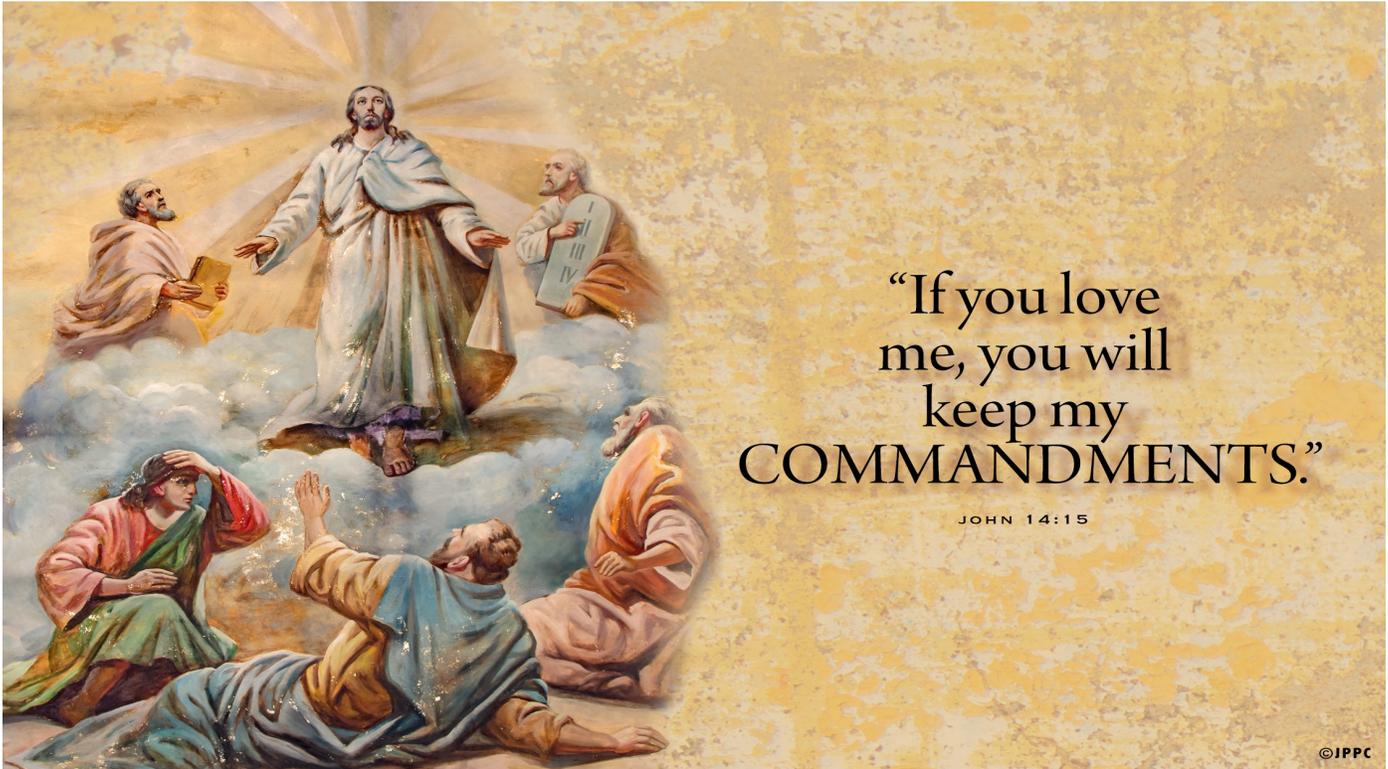
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Partnering Parishes Sacred Heart, St. Charles Borromeo (Drexel Hill) and St. Hedwig's Chapel (Chester)



Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you forever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows Him, but you know Him, because He is with you, He is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you."

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.

Prayer during a Life Crisis

Loving Savior, I thank You that I'm not walking through this alone, even when the future seems dark and uncertain. As I travel through this life crisis, I know that You are by my side. I don't need to fling myself into nervous irritation and gnawing anxiety. When I feel weak and incapable of dealing with things, help me remember that there is nothing too big or too small to bring to Your attention, and that You will provide wisdom and smooth my path before me. Amen.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 17, 2020

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

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Mass Intentions

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, May 16

+ Ruth Valentine (40 anniv) Of Family

Sunday, May 17

+ Thomas & Robin McLoughlin Of Dolores

Monday, May 18

+ James McLoughlin Of Family

Tuesday, May 19

The Living & Deceased Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish

Wednesday, May 20

+ Intention of the Holy Souls

Thursday, May 21 Ascension of the Lord

+ Edward J. Grassa Of Family

Saturday, May 23

+ Intention of the Sacred Heart Memorial Fund

Sunday, May 24

+ Mary Gagliardo Of Connie Kleinschmidt

St. Hedwig's Chapel

Sunday, May 17

+ Thomas, Doris, Dale & David Blythe Of Rosemary Klecko

Sunday, May 24

+ 86th Annual Memorial Day Mass

Candles for the Month of May

Sacred Heart

+ *Tina Mori*

+ *Dominic, Vincent & Mary Natale*

St. Hedwig

- *Health of Stasia Hannum*

+ *Aleksander Romatowski & The Sewruk family*

Candles for the month are \$20.00

All Mass Intentions are \$15.00

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

Sunday Holy Mass Live Streamed



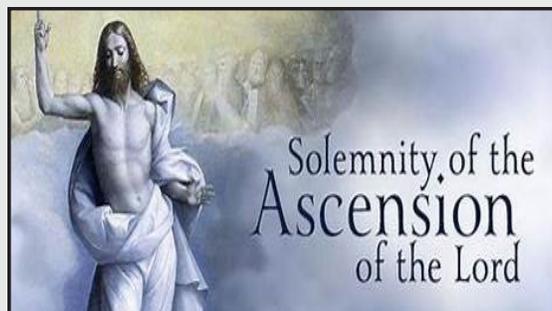
From
St. Charles Borromeo Church,
Drexel Hill

For you to view from
your home.

*Celebrants will be
Our Priests*

***Log into your parish
Website***

*Click on the link that will take you
directly to the Livestream video to see
the date and the starting time.*



**Streaming
Thursday, May 21 8:00AM**

*A worship aid for the liturgy can be
found on the parish website near the
link to the live stream.*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

I never thought of myself this way, but soon after my beloved Dad followed my Mom to heaven about a year later, someone of my acquaintance remarked: "Now you are an orphan." Technically speaking the person was correct, but to hear the word said brought on a sense of lonesomeness I had not foreseen. I had just chalked Dad's passing at the time as one of those inevitable passages in life. After all, Mom and Dad had been blest to reach their nineties. Their departure for heaven was in one sense timely. All this is not to deny that I miss them both. Nearly twenty years later their absence created holes in my heart that at certain times brings out a tear or two.

These thoughts surfaced as I read the tender statement of Our Lord to His disciples as He tried to prepare them for His death. "I will not leave you orphans," said He to them. "I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see Me, but you will see Me, because I live and you will live." You have to pause here to remember that Jesus was addressing grown men, some of whose parents may have already passed on. Regardless, you cannot listen to Jesus here and not be touched by His tender outreach, and by extension, to us. It is the same touch we try to offer indirectly to the families and friends who have lost loved ones due to this terrifying virus pandemic.

We can sometimes overlook this appealing quality of tenderness in Our Lord. The world around us endorses a kind of "stiff upper lip" at these times. Not so with the wonderful Person we join the Apostles in calling our "Master." That virus death toll on our TV screens glosses over the pain each number causes.

All of this brings us right back to the empty tomb we so heartily celebrated some five weeks ago. I know it feels like another time indeed this year. The fact is that Jesus has been raised by His Father. He who once was dead dies no more. And more than that, the wonder of the resurrection puts a stamp of the Father's approval on all that He said and did while He walked among us on earth. We could say that the Father did not leave His Son an orphan. Nor does He abandon us, even in this terrible time.

I think all of us will remember this past Lent like no other because of Covid-19. Many spiritual lessons have emerged, and will continue to do so as a result of this situation. One of them has to be that God truly has not left us orphans, and He never will. But we have to remember that now more than ever. "I am with you always" said He. What is your response?

On Line Ministries Available to Separated or Divorced Catholics

•Separated Faithful:

Divorced or separated Catholics who remain faithful to their marriage. Catholics who were reluctantly divorced or separated can continue to fulfill your marriage mission to sanctify yourself and your spouse. Discuss the ongoing seven stages from the book, "The Gift of Self, A Spiritual Companion for Separated and Divorced Faithful to the Sacrament of Marriage." Conference phone call, second Mondays monthly 9 pm. Contact MaryOfCana@chaosmt.net, with your name, parish, city.

• Families/individuals affected by Divorce and Separation,

Online meeting sponsored by St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation held every month the FIRST TUESDAY of the month at 8 pm. Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/668359061> You can also dial in using your phone. United States:+1 (312) 757-3121 Access Code:668-359-061

Office for Life and Family

Phone: 215-587-0500; Email: sbozza@archphila.org

www.phillycatholiclife.org

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Sacred Heart– May 10, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	17	\$1,243.00
Maintenance		65.00
Home Missions		10.00
Mothers Day		25.00

St. Hedwig - May 10, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	16	\$757.00
Loose		25.00
Maintenance		85.00
Home Missions		10.00
Mothers Day		5.00

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
Pastor

To All Parishioners Sacred Heart/St. Hedwig THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION.

E-Mail Chain

Be included on the Sacred Heart e-mail chain for important updates, emergency issues and Services

Change of Address or Phone Number

Very important that we have updated information

Emergency Contact

Add a relative or friend to your contact information

Send your e-mail or other information to
sacredheartchurch@rcn.com
or call the rectory at 610-623-0409

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.

In Sympathy

Please remember the soul of the late, **Helen Langley**, who passed away to the Lord. May she find happiness with the Lord and her family and friends find consolation in Him, too.

St. Hedwig's Maintenance Fund

In Memory of Josephine Klecko: Hedwig Kokoszka
\$25.00



**EWTN's daily news and analysis
program from Washington, DC.**
<https://www.ewtn.com/tv>



Do you want to pray before the Blessed Sacrament but can't get to Church? **Go to www.Savior.org**, the "Pink Sisters" of Philadelphia have live real time Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from their Chapel for you to adore day or night. Once you are on-line, click on the links on the left to get the schedule, and they explain this new form of devotion that is approved by the Vatican.

The Vatican website: www.vatican.va
Archdiocese of Philadelphia website: archphila.org and
Paul with Archbishop Nelson Perez
Ascension Press
CatholicTV.org from Boston
EWTN with Sunday Mass at 8AM, 12Noon and 7PM
each day and various times for the Sacred Triduum
and other devotions.
FORMED.org
Word on Fire
ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA--TELEVISION
MASS
Sunday mornings at 5:30AM: WPVI—Channel 6

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has created a webpage listing many **excellent resources and online events** to nourish you spiritually and help you remain as close as possible to Jesus and the Church during this difficult time.

Explore these resources at archphila.org/resources

Sunday Masses Live Streaming
from St. Charles Borromeo Church
For Our Partnering Parishes
Available on our websites.

Office for Persons with Disabilities & the Deaf Apostolate

During this time of social distancing and quarantine there are resources posted at www.OPDarchphilly.org to support individuals with disabilities and their families. On the www.DeafCatholicPhilly.org web page there is a listing of the Archdiocesan live streamed Sunday Mass in American Sign Language and a schedule of daily Masses and devotions in ASL. A daily reflection is also posted to the Deaf Catholic Philly YouTube page. While staff are working remotely we will continue to offer support and assistance and can be contacted by phone at 215 -587-3530 and by email at OPD@archphila.org

If a Prenatal Diagnosis is poor, you are not alone.

Lily's Gift, is a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. This ministry can provide a peer support team to assist couples during this critical time. Email LilysGiftLuke12.27@gmail.com for support. You can also call 215-587-3530 or submit a request at www.LilysGift.org. For more information about a Catholic response to PPD visit www.LilysGift.org or www.BeNotAfraid.net.

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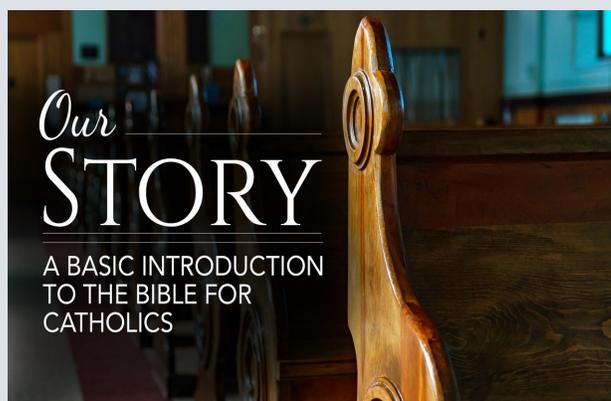
The Catholic Faith. On demand.

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

All Parishioners Have Access to this marvelous platform of Catholic Faith Devotions and Programs/Movies
Mass at Home
Faith at Home
School at Home
Pray at Home

TO JOIN:

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.



Our Story: A Basic Introduction to the Bible for Catholics

9 Episodes

In a series of 5-minute video segments, get the Bible's big picture, along with a uniquely Catholic approach to the Scriptures. There is a Leader's Guide containing everything needed to use Our Story in a parish group setting, as well as a User's Guide for those individuals using Our Story at home.



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus taught that the two greatest commandments are to love God with all our heart, soul and mind, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. In this peculiar time of quarantine, God is asking us to live these commandments to our fullest capacities.

Despite being unable to be together physically, we can express our love of God and neighbor in prayer and works. Now, more than ever, we remain steadfast in our solidarity amongst each other, and spread the love Christ taught us.

In these challenging times, we continue to work hard to support our community's needs. As the COVID-19 crisis affects us all, we ask you to support our efforts in any way you can. We also ask you to continually pray for us and our community.

If you are able, please support [Sacred Heart] through the **Parish Support Initiative**. This initiative is made possible through a partnership with The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia. Visit www.SupportMyParish.org and select [Sacred Heart] from the drop-down menu. Your support will ensure that we can continue our work through these uncertain times.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family and God bless!