

# Sacred Heart Parish

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



*In John's Gospel, Jesus gives many instructions to his disciples following the Last Supper they share together. Moments before their time in Gethsemane, Jesus lifts his eyes in a prayer sometimes called the Priestly Prayer. Jesus makes clear in the prayer that he knows his time on earth is coming to an end. He has done the work God sent him to do and in the prayer, Jesus asks God to glorify him. In glory, Jesus will return to God. However, that glory can only come after the cross. The cross exposes what people did to Jesus, but the resurrection reveals what God did for him. It is only through Jesus and his death and resurrection that we can know the love God has for us. Jesus also asked God to strengthen the disciples. Since Jesus would return to the Father, his mission and message must now be entrusted to the disciples. Jesus asks God to protect and unite them.*

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 24, 2020**

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

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## *Mass Intentions*

### **Sacred Heart Church**

#### **Saturday, May 23**

+ Intention of the Sacred Heart Memorial Fund

#### **Sunday, May 24**

+ Mary Gagliardo Of Connie Kleinschmidt

#### **Monday, May 25 Memorial Day**

+ Jennie Mazur Czerw Of Jennie McDowell

#### **Tuesday, May 26**

+ Margaret Wufsus Of Elizabeth Ziolkowska

#### **Wednesday, May 27**

The Living & Deceased Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish

#### **Saturday, May 30**

+ Elizabeth Rockenbach Of Theresa & Janette

#### **Sunday, May 31**

+ Ann D. Stuhlman Of Dolores McLoughlin

### **St. Hedwig's Chapel**

#### **Sunday, May 24**

+ 86th Annual Memorial Day Mass

#### **Sunday, May 31**

+ Aniela, Jan Sewruk & Aleksander & Leokadia Romatowski

*All Intentions will be celebrated privately*

### **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

### **NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Our Novena to the Holy Spirit will continue through Saturday, May 30th.

Visit the parish websites for the Novena.

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## **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.*

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



***Congratulations to our  
clergy who are celebrating  
the anniversaries of their  
ordination to the  
priesthood.***

***Thank you for all you do!***

# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

There is a touching scene in the film “Becket” where an obstreperous young religious brother that the Archbishop (played by Richard Burton) has brought on as an aide accidentally overhears his master praying. The great man’s words bespeak of humility and courage, enough to change the brother’s attitude to one of reverence rather than rebellion. It is a blessing of our Church that we get to “overhear” the authentic prayers of many of our great saints, with no script writer intervening. Giants of the past like Augustine and Teresa of Avila mingle with people like favorites of mine Thomas More and John Henry Newman. This not to exclude John Paul II and Mother Teresa, all of whom lead up to Our Lady herself. Her few recorded words in Scripture are unmatched.

But what if we could “overhear” Jesus Himself? What a gift! Of course, we are blest to have many of His prayers in the New Testament. But in today’s gospel, we listen as He just pours out His heart on the eve of His Passion. His disciples must have stopped their eating and turned with rapt attention, even if they had no idea of what was about to happen to their Master. St. John’s gospel lets us listen in.

Note the intense love of the Son for His Father. We will later on learn from St. John that “God is love.” But here Jesus shows it. He begins by acknowledging that His “hour” has come. The awful “hour” that will forever mark our Fridays. Then He asks for “glory.” Not for Himself to hoard, but so that He may glorify the Father. He has accomplished His given task, which we know was all about redeeming us.

In this time of quarantine and close family living, there are probably a lot of stories that emerge from children now gathered daily at mealtime. The following is a very realistic and amusing one that also involves overhearing. *A little boy and his brother went to visit their grandmother. As the little boy said his prayers, he was shouting at the top of his voice, “Please God, send me a bicycle, send me a cell phone,” and all that. His brother said, “Not so loud. For crying out loud, God isn’t deaf.” The little boy replied, “Yes I know, but grandma is.”*



Catholic Social Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia (CSS) has created a Coronavirus (COVID-19) information page as a resource to help those in need to navigate these uncertain times. Providing for the health, safety, and welfare of those we serve, as well as our CSS employees, is of the utmost importance to us.

If you or someone you know is in need of emergency food and diapers please copy the link below. Additional resources are also available which may be helpful during this time.

<https://cssphiladelphia.org/covid19>

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

### Sacred Heart– May 17, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	26	<b>\$1,835.00</b>
Loose		30.00
Maintenance		51.00
Ascension		115.00
Mothers Day		32.00
Easter		85.00

### St. Hedwig - May 17, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	9	<b>\$530.00</b>
Ascension		20.00
Easter		10.00

### 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

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## 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.



Both Parishes of Sacred Heart and St. Charles Borromeo are diligently working for the day we can be together again.

Of course that cannot be done until we create a system that is safe for every member of our community of faith.

Until we can be together again please take the best care of yourself. **Do Not** ease up on the recommendations that will keep you safe.

If you are over 60 and have underlying conditions you need to stay home to protect yourself. Be with us by joining us during the Live Streaming of Mass each week. Send us your email address so we can be in touch. Log into the parish websites and Facebook to keep up to date. Whether we are in the office or working at home you can still call us.

*We are always here for you!*



The Vatican website: [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)  
Archdiocese of Philadelphia website: [archphila.org](http://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](http://archphila.org/resources)

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

### Catholic Online Prayer Requests

The Lord be with you! I am asking for your prayer requests  
- especially during the difficult times each of us is facing.  
Why am I asking you?

Because *we must unleash the most powerful force in the  
world* - **PRAYER**. Let me explain in more detail.

Before calling the Apostles, Jesus spent the entire night in  
prayer. (Luke 6:12) In His Sacred humanity, Jesus shows  
us the pattern for our life.

Because you - like me - see the importance of our Catholic  
faith, YOU can participate in our mission to spread the Gos-  
pel to all nations.

**Here is how you can:** I am inviting you to be a "first re-  
sponder" by sending your prayer request to me, thereby  
joining our worldwide movement of praying for one another.

**Here is all you need to do:** Follow the link below and tell  
me what you'd like me to pray for you.

<https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayerrequest.php>

May God bless you,  
Deacon Keith Fournier  
Chaplain of YCVF and Dean of Catholic Online School

# FORMED

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programs, audio, and  
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**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](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.**



**YDisciple:** Confirmation is designed to follow a thorough  
catechesis using Creed (10 sessions) and Living the Creed  
(10 sessions).

Every year, millions of Catholics receive the Sacrament of  
Confirmation in their parishes. It is one of the three  
sacraments of initiation (CCC 1212) that bestows the seven  
gifts of the Holy Spirit, and empowers Catholics to go and  
spread the Gospel to all the world. The Holy Spirit is powerful,  
and many great miracles and mighty works have been  
accomplished through him. When the Apostles were filled  
with the Holy Spirit, they became some of the most influential  
people in the world. So why don't we see the same power of  
the Holy Spirit in the lives of so many Catholics today? Why  
do we not see the Church and the Gospel spread by the  
millions of Catholics who received the Sacrament of  
Confirmation? Could it be that, too often, Confirmation seems  
like a graduation or ending of faith formation? Or, is there a  
lack of understanding on the part of the Confirmandi of what  
is actually taking place in the Rite? Whatever the reason, it is  
the case that confirmed Catholics who have not been moved  
to mission are failing to cooperate with the grace of the Holy  
Spirit. YDisciple: Confirmation digs deep into the presence  
and power of the Holy Spirit throughout salvation history, how  
he works in our lives today, the powerful signs and symbols in  
the Rite of Confirmation, and our mission in the world as  
confirmed Catholics.