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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM
Sunday: 8:30 and 11:30 AM
St. Joseph: 10 AM
Daily: 6:30 AM (Adoration Chapel) Mon. through Fri.
 10:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Tues. and Thurs.
 8:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Sat.
St. Joseph: 10:00 AM Mon., Wed., Fri.
Holyday: No Vigil Mass at Presentation
 Holyday: 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM
(Except Christmas & New Year's Day)
St. Joseph: Vigil Mass, 7:30 PM
 Holyday: 10:00 AM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Each Saturday following the Rosary at 7:30 AM

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM
BAPTISM: Third Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM
Baptismal Instructions: 2nd Monday of each month at
 7:00 PM in the rectory. Pre-registration is required;
 please contact the Rectory.
MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made at least six
 months before the date of the wedding.

Deadline for Publication

The deadline for publication in the parish bulletin is Monday
 at 11am. You can submit your notices either by email or by
 dropping them off at the rectory. (Previously published
 bulletins are available on the parish website.)
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Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Friday, 8 am - 2 pm

December 9, 2018 – Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

The prophet addresses Jerusalem with words of comfort. She can cease her mourning and rejoice, for her children are coming home to begin a new age of God's favor. A valley shall be filled for their trip.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:4-6

Paul thanks God with joy for the people here have shared in the gospel through their conversion and their costly witnessing to the faith.

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

John the Baptist's call is to prepare the way for the Lord. As a result, John affects world history. There will be a new exodus led by Jesus as the new Moses, who will free the people from their slavery to sin.

Reflection:

The prophet Baruch promises a time when we will be "wrapped in the cloak of justice." Justice is not merely one virtue among many. For God's community, it is the key virtue. It reflects the very way God treats us. In a community guided by justice, all are treated equally; all share in the community's resources; no one goes hungry or is treated unfairly.

So we ask ourselves:

- How did I feel when an injustice was done against me?
- What can I do to help another person not be treated in the same manner I was?

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 15 – DECEMBER 16			
	Lectors	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM	Brigid Hurst	Sophia Miller Nathan Gregoire	Ron Camp, Rosemarie Fisher, Sheila Meehan, David McCarron
8:30 AM	John Breen	Sinead Hurst Moira Hurst	Patricia Cimorelli, Robert Cimorelli Dolores Gambescia
11:30 AM	Danielle Maguire	Aiden DeTreuX Abigail Szygula	Rhonda White, Patricia Skiendzielewski Arlene Hudson

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 9, 2018

8:30 Cyrenian Society
11:30

Monday, December 10, 2018

6:30 Herb Gress
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

6:30 Dennis and Juanita Iannuzzi
10:00 Teresa McCormack

Wednesday, December 12, 2018, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, December 13, 2018, Memorial of St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

6:30
10:00 Maria Frattaroli

Friday, December 14, 2018, Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Saturday, December 15, 2018

8:00 Antoinette Gonnella

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED



Pray for all members of the Presentation Faith Community who have been welcomed into the happiness of eternal life, especially Mary Flynn.

REMEMBER OUR SICK



Please keep in your daily prayers, those who are sick and in need of God's healing touch.

Daniel Dalbey, Rita Marie Smith, Joan White, Joanna DeNofa, Donna McGonigle, Joey Lanzi, Chris Vogel, Patty Rowley, Howard Stickley III, Bob Gottschalk, Bill Mahoney, Mary Rowland, Josephine D. Smith, Michael R. Smith, Stanley Grey, Fred Henderson, Theresa Noraka, Ann Schlimer, Matthew Balent, Ethel Thomas, James White, Ann Ruocchio, Brian Hinchey, Patricia Wilbert, Debbie Chakler, Mary McGlinn, Norah Mason, Francis Lordan, Stanley Hrynko, Eileen S. Smith, Doris Dalbey, Marie Verna, Eileen Myer, Virginia Bonawitz, Ethel Iannuzzi, Joan Unterkofler, Joseph Affet, Steven Specht Jr., Regina Carberry, Julia Michel, Sharon Hartman, Josephine Hillenbrand, Edward Anstotz, Bill Bambery, Russel Kahny, Mary Ellen Murphy, Aiden Smith-Kirk

COLLECTION AMOUNTS	
December 2, 2018	\$5,107
November 25, 2018	\$4,537
November 18, 2018	\$4,392
November 11, 2018	\$6,023

Pres Events		
	Parish	School
Sun., 12/9	Adult Bowling, 6 pm	
Mon., 12/10		Second Trimester begins.
Tues., 12/11	PREP- 6:45 – 8:05 pm Holy Hour, 8 pm (Chapel)	
Wed., 12/12		Report cards distributed.
Thurs., 12/13	Scripture Study- 7:15 pm (RMR)	Christmas Pageant, 7 pm, Church
Fri., 12/14		
Sat., 12/15		Student Council Movie Night

Tabor Home Sunday

Next Sunday is **Tabor Home Sunday**. Socks and underwear—both men's and women's—would be appreciated. Thank you for your faithful support of Tabor Home.

Scrip Hours

Sunday: 10:30 am – 11:45 am; **Mon.:** 8:30 am – 10:30 am
Tuesday: 2 pm – 3 pm
Wednesday: 2 pm – 3 pm; 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Thursday: 8:30 am - 10:30 am; 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Friday: 8:30 am - 10:30 am; **Saturday:** after 5:15 pm Mass

Scrip Update

Last day to play a special order for scrip to ensure delivery by Christmas is Sunday, December 16, 2018.

Holiday Scrip Hours are as follows:

Friday 12/21: 8:30 - 10:30 am
 Saturday 12/22: After 5:15 Mass
 Sunday 12/23: 10:30 - 11:30 am
 Monday 12/24: Closed
 Tuesday 12/25: Closed
 Wednesday 12/26: Closed
 Thursday 12/27: Closed
 Friday 12/28: 8:30 - 10:30 am
 Saturday 12/29: After 5:15 Mass
 Sunday 12/30: 10:30 - 11:30 am
 Monday 12/31: 8:30 - 10:30 am
 Tuesday 1/1/19: Closed
 Wednesday 1/2/19: 8:30 - 10:30 am

On Thursday, January 3rd, 2019, we will resume our regular selling schedule.



Toy Collection

Pres Presents will begin collecting new, unused toys this week. Boxes will be in the back of Church. All donations due in by 12/19/2018.

FREE Pancake Breakfast

Please bring new, unwrapped toys in exchange for a free Sausage and Pancake Breakfast. Coffee, Tea, and Juice will also be provided

When: Sunday, December 16th, 2018,
after the 8:30 am Mass until 11:00 am.

Where: Presentation BVM Church Hall

The CYO Needs Your Help!

During this holiday season Presentation BVM CYO will donate complete Christmas dinners as well as toys to families in need. If you know of any family who needs help, could you please submit their name either directly to Father Harrison or put their names in the collection basket on Sunday. We will respect their need for privacy. Thank you.

~ NEWS FROM PRESENTATION BVM SCHOOL ~

A Benefactor's Blessing!

Our third Annual Appeal mailing began two weeks ago. As a consequence of receiving that letter, a Presentation parishioner has offered to match all donations of \$100 or more up to a total of \$5,000! Given that last year's Annual Appeal netted over \$20,000, I believe we are up to this challenge! Our benefactor has made this offer not just because he believes in Catholic education, but because he believes in the education offered here at Presentation BVM School. Please consider making a donation and spread the word to your relatives, friends, employers and fellow-parishioners.

Please Support Presentation BVM School's Box Tops 4 Education Program!

In this season of cooking and baking, there are probably many Box Tops products in your home. Box Tops are worth 10 cents each and the funds we raise from collecting them helps us purchase many needed supplies for our school. Our goal this year is to raise \$2,000 for our school – this is free money just waiting to be claimed! You can help by looking for the pink Box Top coupons on many of the products you already purchase. Clip them and drop them in the Box Tops 4 Education container in the church lobby.

Many thanks for your support!

Christmas Tree Sale

Our Christmas trees have arrived!

When: The sale will begin Saturday, December 8th.

Saturday, 10 am - 7 pm; Sunday- 10 am - 1 pm

Monday through Friday- 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Where: Presentation BVM Rectory parking lot

More Info: Contact Dave McCarron - 215-722-1987,

Ron Camp - 215-663-8853, or Greg Strup- 215-280-6856



Fresh Wreath Sale

Beautifully decorated fresh wreaths provided by Cheltenham BSA Troop 22.

When and Where: Christmas tree sale at Pres BVM Church

More Info: Gail, 215-512-3855; Gailchase1@comcast.net

Erin, 267-978-6421, Philly199@aol.com



Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas celebration is back and better than ever. Cathedral Music Director Charlene Angelini leads an uplifting program of beautiful carols and the traditional music of Christmas, performed by the combined forces of the Cathedral Choir and the choirs of the AoP.

When: December 9, 2018, 3:00 pm -4:30 pm

Where: Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul,
1723 Race St. Philadelphia, PA 19103.

To purchase tickets: Visit cathedralphilconcerts.org

Early Bulletin Deadlines

Bulletin Date	Info is due in the rectory or by email by:
12/23/18	11 am, Thursday, 12/13/18
12/30/18	11 am, Wednesday, 12/19/18
1/06/19	11 am, Wednesday, 12/26/18

Red Cross Blood Drive

When: Monday, January 14, 2019; 2 pm - 7 pm

Where: Presentation BVM Church Hall

More Info: Call Jessica Stickley, 267- 909-4899



Ans. to this week's "A Holy Institution."

1. Church 2. Church 3. Church 4. Church 5. Church 015 p. 3

Advent at Presentation BVM

Advent Family Prayer Cards

Once again, our parish will have Advent Family Prayer Cards. We ask that during the Advent Season, you pray daily for the name(s) indicated on your prayer card. Pray that the Holy Spirit will be with that person or family as they prepare their hearts for the coming of the Lord Jesus on Christmas Day

Christmas Flowers/Plants for the Altar



You may name a person (s) whom you wish the flowers "to be in memory of." **In order to have your names listed in the bulletin for January 5-6, flower donations need to be made by**

Dec. 16. If your donation for the flowers comes in after Dec. 16, your info will appear later. Please print clearly. Thanks.

The Giving Tree

Because of the popular response to the Giving Tree over the past 28 years, we will once again have it as part of our Advent observance. This year our donations will go to the Breathing Room and the Tabor Home. The tree in the front of church will be decorated with cards containing gift suggestions, such as mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves for older children and adults **or** any type of infant and baby clothing. Before or after any Mass, you are welcome to come and pick a card from the Giving Tree.



There is no need to wrap these items. Also when you return your gift, please place one of your decorations on the tree. In this way, your decoration will serve as a symbol of your sharing in this beautiful expression of the true Spirit of Christmas. Thank you for helping others less fortunate during this busy, beautiful, and blessed season.

Advent Book

The parish has again purchased an advent reflection book for each family. This will be a wonderful way to connect your family members to the season of waiting and preparing one's heart for the wonder and awe of Christmas.

Empty Manger

We will have an **empty manger near the podium.** Parishioners are asked to write **petitions of hope**—petitions for our world, our neighborhood, our families and our hearts. After the petitions are completed, place the petitions into the manger. When Christmas comes, the petitions are placed under the straw in the manger, close by the Infant Jesus.

Advent Series Week Two

We continue this three week series with *Kenosis* (the Greek word for "emptying out") in which we will explore the Person of Jesus. By taking on our nature and inviting us to imitate him, Jesus gives us great dignity as human beings. Join us for discussion and sharing or pick up the handout in the back of the church and follow the program on your own at home on Formed.org. The first time you log on at home, you will be asked for our parish code. After that, you can set up your own login. That code is: Z4YNTN

When: Tuesday morning, December 11, after 10 am Mass

Where: Room A of the Rectory

Matthew Kelly Invitation

During the season of Advent, everyone is invited to sign up for daily emails from Matthew Kelly focusing on having 'The Best Advent Ever' this year. Please take advantage of this wonderful blessing from Matthew. There is no charge for this, and you may just find it will help draw you closer to God. To sign up, go to <http://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever/> and fill in the info for your email address.

St. Charles Seminary Open House & Concert

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend our annual Open House and Christmas Concert, featuring our seminarian choir.

When: Sunday, December 9; the Open House and seminary tours begin at 1:00 pm and the concert begins at 4 pm in our St. Martin of Tours chapel.

More Info: Visit <https://www.scs.edu/node/2506>

Holy Hour of Reparation and Petition for the Scandals of the Catholic Church

All Catholics of the greater Philadelphia area are invited to attend a monthly holy hour of prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to ask for His mercy upon His Church.

When: December 16, 2018 - 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Where: Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Phila.

More info: Visit archphila.org/vigil

The Wellness Ministry

Did you know that the Wellness Ministry is a parish-based volunteer group that provides transportation for elderly parishioners (PBVM and St. Joe's) to doctor's appointments, or pharmacy, or store?

If you know of anyone who needs a ride, or if you could spare a few hours a month in this worthwhile endeavor by joining the ranks of our volunteers, please give us a call.

Contact Fran at (215) 379-1929

"Dare to Prepare" Advent Retreat for Teen Girls

Young Women of Grace is hosting an Advent retreat for teen girls ages 12+. The day features a continental breakfast after Mass, pizza for lunch, social time, games, lots of Christmas treats and a very special Christmas craft. Author Susan Brinkmann, OCDS will give two presentations on the critical role women play in the world today through the gift of their feminine genius, and how to welcome Emmanuel by learning to practice the presence of God. A local youth minister will also address the girls on the importance of respecting themselves in their dress and in how they relate to themselves and others.

When: December 15, 2018, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Where: St. Agnes Church in Sellersville, PA

Cost: \$30 per girl.

More Info: Visit the "Events" page: www.womenofgrace.com

Society of Catholic Scientists

Did you know about this new Catholic organization? The Society of Catholic Scientists is an international lay



organization founded in June of 2016 to foster fellowship among Catholic scientists and to witness to the harmony of faith and reason. The Society

hopes to answer the call of Pope St. John Paul II that 'members of the Church who are active scientists' be of service to those who are attempting to 'integrate the worlds of science and religion in their own intellectual and spiritual lives.' In its first two years, the SCS grew to over 800 members. Over 120 scientists attended its 2018 conference, along with dozens of theologians, philosophers, and historians.

More Info: visit <https://www.catholicscientists.org/>

Theology: "A Holy Institution"

1. What is the Mystical Body of Christ?
2. Pentecost is known as whose birthday?
3. What do we call the congregation of baptized persons?
4. Who is the Bride of Christ?
5. Of what is Mary the best image? (Answers on p.3)

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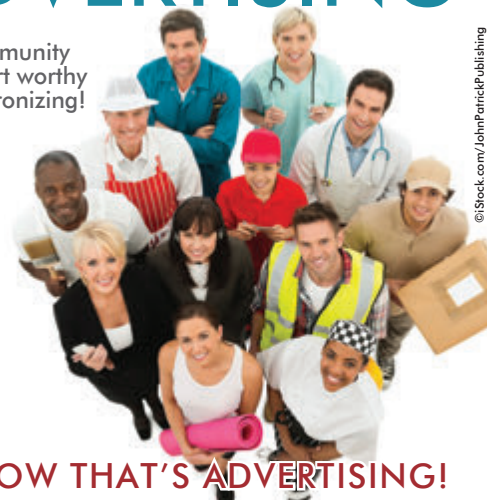
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