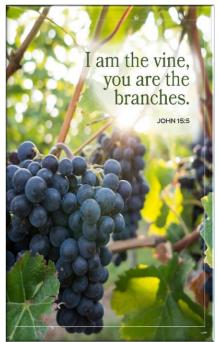
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigils 5:00 pm

Sundays 8:00 am and 11:00 am 3:00 pm (*In Malayalam*)

Weekdays 8:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Holidays 9:00 am (Memorial Day, Independence Day,

Labor Day, and Thanksgiving)

CONFESSIONS

 Sundays
 7:30 am and 10:30 am

 Saturdays
 3:30 pm ~ 4:30 pm

 Other Days
 By appointment

CALL TO HOLINESS

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays
In the Church before 8:30 am until 11:30 am

Tuesdays Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

In the Church from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 6:45 pm Wednesdays

Charismatic Prayer Meeting

In the Rectory Meeting Room from 1:30 pm

First Fridays Night of Reparation

In the Church celebrated monthly with Confessions from 7:30 pm and Mass at 8:30 pm

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BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Baptisms are scheduled for the First and Third Sundays of each month at 12:15 pm while preparations for your child's Baptism should begin prior to the baby's birth. Please call the Rectory to register for the Baptism.

MARRIAGE

Please make all arrangements to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage by calling for an appointment with the parish priest at least six months prior to the wedding date. Our deacons can witness marriages, too.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory at any time for emergencies and if someone is sick, in the hospital, or wishes to receive the Holy Eucharist or the Anointing of the Sick. Please ask Father Mike for the Anointing of the Sick before surgery.

WELCOME!

New parishioners are most welcome and are encouraged to register after moving into the parish as soon as possible. Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment.

RECTORY HOURS

Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Fridays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024

Parish Mission Statement

As a parish community united in Jesus and dedicated to Mary. we are called to discipleship through worship and service.

Fifth Sunday of Easter **April 28, 2024**

Thoughts from the Seminary with Brandon Schmidt

A Tribute to "Mother Overbrook" (1871-2024)



This week is the last week of classes for me as I finish my sixth year. Usually by this time I'm more than ready to take finals, celebrate ordinations, and get ready for whatever the summer will bring my way. But this year is a little different. In just a few weeks we will close the doors of our Overbrook campus after 152 years of forming men for the priesthood of Jesus Christ. It's sad to say goodbye to so much history and tradition.

The once 137 acres of "Mother Overbrook," as it's affectionately called, was purchased by Archbishop Wood between 1865 and 1870 for \$42,200. The old seminary at 18th and Race streets became overcrowded and it was time to expand. It became known as "Wood's Folly" because it was "too far from the city" (funny how that worked out!). In 1871 the theology building opened and in 1928 the college building and Saint Martin's Chapel. Over the years thousands have walked through the big, brown, wooden doors of the seminary to discern where God was calling them. As many of you know who have had to deal with parish closings, they're not just buildings. It's the place where the living God dwells and the place where you've fallen in love with Him.

Over the past couple months as I watched the seminary, especially the chapels, be taken apart and boxed up it's been guite sad. I could only think of the dedicated Catholics who gave their time and money to build "Christendom" here in Philadelphia. Not to be dramatic, I could sort of understand the Israelites' sorrow when the Temple was destroyed in 2 Kings 24. They built this campus with such intention and beauty as a gift to God and generations to come. They probably thought these buildings would stand until Christ came again. However, our world has drastically changed in the past 100 years in many ways.

However, I assure you there is also a lot of hope as we move to Lower Gwynedd. Beside the practical efficiency of our new campus, it is also more conducive to a formation program ready to minister in what is becoming an "apostolic age." The key going forward is Christ's message in the Gospel today, that if we remain in Him and He in us, we will bear much fruit. Although the seminary moves, the mission does not change. No matter where it is located, we, the seminarians, are at St. Charles to fall deeper in love with Christ and bring others to Him. May the Lord help us to remain in Him always as we bid farewell to "Mother Overbrook," move to our new home and begin a new chapter in the history books.



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Rosary with the Holy Spirit Sisters	Mon. ~ Fri. 8:00 am	Church
Flame of Love	Mon. 9:15 am	Church
	Tue. 7:15 pm	Mary Chapel
Charismatic Prayer and Praise	Wed. 1:30 pm	Rectory Meeting Room
Eucharistic Adoration	Tue. 9:00 am	Church
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy	Tue. 3:00 pm	Church
Evening Prayer & Benediction	Tue. 6:45 pm	Church
Chaplet of the Precious Blood of Jesus	Wed. 9;15 am	Church
Legion of Mary	Thu, 6:45 pm	Mary Chapel



Announced Masses for the Week of April 28, 2024

April 27	5:00 pm	Saturday	
N	Melody Lackernick ~ Patty Lackerr	nick	
April 28	8:00 am	Sunday	
	Fred, Linda & Timothy DeLuca		
	11:00 am		
	Assumption BVM Parishioners		
April 29	8:30 am	Monday	
	Poor Souls in Purgatory		
April 30	8:30 am	Tuesday	
	Shawn Carven		
May 1	8:30 am	Wednesday	
	Marion Vennell		
May 2	8:30 am	Thursday	
Jeffrey Huhn ~ Anne Wilczynski, 25 th Anniv.			
May 3	8:30 am	Friday	
Deceased Members of Vennell Family			
May 4	5:00 pm	Saturday	
Card	olyn Graham, 4 th Anniv. ~ Brian Bu	ıcci, Jr.	
May 5	8:00 am	Sunday	
	Jennie Arment ~ John Bradley		
11:00 am			
I	Dolores & Ed White ~ David Brand	der	

Parish Sick List

Please pray for all the sick in Assumption B.V.M. Parish as well as for all those who are caring for them.

Nancy McGillen · Joanne Umile · Dolores Graham Kathy Zittlau · Patricia Conti · Kinleigh Connelly Louise Jean Vitti · Thomas Strassel · Russell Leon Sylvia Rafferty · Tedi Mersky · Andrew Cymerman John Capinas · Janine Frankowski · Barbara May Jean Davis · Mary Kerr · Colleen Lindsay Eileen O' Sullivan · Bernadette Simpkins Emanuel Coleman · Tyler Yannuzzi

Names may be placed on the list by contacting the Rectory by phone at 215.357.1221. All of the names will be left on the list for a period of four weeks. If you would like your intention restored to the sick list for an additional four weeks, you must contact the Rectory and request it.

Deceased

Please pray for all the deceased of Assumption B.V.M. especially Margaret Doto Charles Takita Rest In Peace



The second Collection on May 9th is for the Ascension of the Lord. Please be as generous as your means permit. Thank you.

Faith Chats with Father Mike



These are informal gatherings to learn about your faith, and ask questions, or to share doubts about the Catholic



Faith. The next meeting will be held

on May 5 from 12:30 to 2 PM. If you would like to attend in person, the meetings will be held in the AMC room (former school library). If you cannot participate in person, you can still join us live via Zoom at the link below.

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87578129845?pwd=F6k8As9J53C9oUYE4xxmefYGjFHH6u.1

You can also access a hyperlink on the ABVM webpage

You can also request a hyperlink at abvmfaithchats@gmail.com.

Fatima, Lourdes, and Spain Pilgrimage

Father Mike Davis of Assumption B.V.M. in Feasterville will be hosting a pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Spain between September 30 and October 10, 2024. For more information or registration, please go to www.TraversingwithKinjiro.com/ABVM or contact

<u>www.TraversingwithKinjiro.com/ABVM</u> or contact Kinjiro Otsuka at **267.214.KIN0 (5460)**.

ENHANCED PARISH COMMUNICATION BY FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE

As a means to better communicate the various activities of our vibrant parish family, a suggestion came up during a recent parish meeting to include more photos on Facebook and our Website. With the exception of photos of children, please send photos of our parish events to info.abvm@gmail.com. Thank you



Knights of Columbus NEWS

Please welcome Regina Mundi Council's new members Joseph Brennen and Eric Rueter. If you are looking to live out your faith in the spirit of charity by helping others, our Knights of Columbus Council Regina Mundi #4052 welcomes you to join us. If you are a man 18 years older, please contact Rich Gathercole @ 267-261-7337 or see one of the Knights after Mass.

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The parish "Change for Life Baby Bottle" Project starts TODAY! Please help mothers and their babies during our "Change for Life Baby Bottle Project." Please

pick up a bottle on tables in the back of Church. Your donation will make a positive impact on mothers. The donation will support the Saint Margaret of Castello Maternity Home in Bensalem, PA and the new ultra-sound machine for A Baby's Breath in Warminster, PA. Please fill the bottles with your loose change, bills or checks payable to Regina Mundi 4052 and return the bottle to the back of Church on or before May 31th. Thank you in advance for your generosity! The Evangelization Team and the Knights of Columbus.



From the Principal of SKD School

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Congratulations to our First Communion Classes! Many thanks to our 2nd grade teachers,

Mrs. Horn and Mrs. Sebestyen, who have worked hard in preparing their students for this special sacrament. This is a special time for our students as they continue their faith development. During this great celebration for our parish communities, please join me in praying for our students. May Jesus, the Bread of Life and Cup of Eternal Salvation, always nourish their faith as the Holy Spirit strengthens them to love and serve others! Please continue to pray for us as we enter the final months of our school year, and please be assured of our continued prayers for you. As we enjoy this beautiful spring weather, may we begin each day with enthusiasm becoming ever more aware of Jesus' presence in our lives.

Sunday, April 28, 2024

"April showers bring May flowers." One of life's most important lessons can be learned from this simple phrase- the value and importance of having faith. Each day we help our students understand that God is always inside of them and all living things. They are encouraged to look within and hear the voice of Truth. That voice will help them to grow and to prosper. It will be their companion through troubling times and help them to soar when victory arises. People may come and go in this life, but our faith is strengthening and ever-present. As we plant our seeds in spring to grow our future gardens, let's remember to plant them with faith, hope, and love.

Check out and share our livestream Mass every weekend. We stream the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass, when circumstances permit. Otherwise, we will stream the Sunday Mass, when able.



Prayer for the Eucharistic Revival

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. (Three times)

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most
precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus
Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in
reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and
indifference by which He is offended.
And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred
Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
I beg of You the conversion of sinners.
Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

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Higher Shelf Book Club

Assumption BVM has a new book club! Meetings are every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month,

from 1-3:30pm in the rectory meeting room. Our first book is Forgiveness, A Catholic Approach, by R. Scott Hurd. Each participant is expected to bring their own copy of the book. For more information contact Sharon Koob at sharonkoob@gmail.com, or text 610-585-0212. We look forward to reading with you!

PENTECOST CELEBRATION, 2024

You are invited to share your Cultural Heritage including ethnic foods, music, clothing, etc., at this year's PENTECOST CELEBRATION, Sunday, May 19, 2024, after the 11:00 am Mass in the Church Hall. Last year's celebration was a grand success and we are hoping this year's festivities will be even better! For more information, or to sponsor a food table or provide entertainment at this event, please contact Deacon Eric at 215-357-1221, x. 24 or email deaconeric.abvm@gmail.com

What does receiving Jesus in the Eucharist mean to me?



There is a box on the desk in the back of church near the pamphlet rack with that question. Please fill out a card and put it into the box so it can be shared with others as we prepare for the Eucharistic Congress this July.

One of the school children wrote this, "When I receive the sacrament of Holy Communion, I feel the sense that everything is OK. I feel thankfulness because Jesus died for us. I feel home, full of spirit and energy to live with Jesus making me safe throughout the week until next Sunday."

First Friday First Saturday Night of Reparation

The First Friday First Saturday Night of Reparation will be held in our church on May 3 beginning with Confession and the Rosary at 7:30pm. Mass in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will begin following confessions. Consecration prayers, Eucharistic Adoration and the office of the Angels will follow that with another Mass in honor of Our Lady after Midnight.

Father Mike Meets with SKD 6th Grade Students on the Morning of April 18th for Lessons







OUR LADY OF CALVARY 11024 KNIGHTS ROAD PHILADELPHIA, PA 19154 BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

"Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted" Matthew 5:4

We grieve because we have loved, and there is no set schedule for grieving the loss of a loved one—it can take months or even years. One never gets over the loss and grief, but one can learn to overcome the loss and grief. We need others to help us during those periods when there does not seem to be an answer to the depression, anger, loneliness, and deep hurt within us. Getting together with others who have been in the same situation allows us to share our thoughts, feelings, memories, and even tears.

If you are grieving the loss of a parent, spouse, child, sibling, or friend, join us and together we can work through the emotions you are experiencing. Since September 2004, the Bereavement Ministry of Our Lady of Calvary parish, a peer group who have suffered the loss of a loved one, have been giving of their time and talent to help others cope with their loss. Please join us for these helpful sessions.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY sessions are held in the OLC lower church meeting room (enter by way of the ramp on the rectory side of the church) from 7:00 PM to approximately 8:30 PM on the following Tuesday evenings:

Tuesday, April 9	Spiritual Elements of Grief, and Healing
Tuesday, April 16	Crazy is Normal
Tuesday, April 23	Understanding the Stages of Grief
Tuesday, April 30	Changed Forever
Tuesday, May 7	Surviving Stress and Loneliness
Tuesday, May 14	Feelings of Denial, Bargaining & Guilt
Tuesday, May 21	The Value of Memories and Personal
	Bereavement Reflections

No prior sign up is necessary.... come to whatever sessions you can attend.

PLEASE NOTE: Changes in dates and topics scheduled are possible, due to the speaker's previous commitments.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS
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