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MASSES: Saturday: 5 PM Vigil
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11 AM & 12:30 PM
Holy Days: 5:15 PM; 6:30, 8:00 AM, 12 Noon & 5:15 PM
Weekdays: 6:30 and 8:00 AM (Saturday 8:00 AM)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Parents must register for the Pre-Jordan Class before having their baby baptized by calling the Rectory 610-259-1169, Mon. to Fri., 9am to 5pm. All necessary forms and guidelines for Godparents will be given at the Pre-Jordan Class, held the third Sunday of the month at 10:00am in the St. Katharine Drexel Room in Msgr. McGettigan Hall.

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered as follows:
2nd and 4th Sunday at 1:30 PM in Church
Please check parish website for guidelines for Godparents.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 PM
Sundays: After 7:30 AM Mass, or by appointment with a priest
Thursday before the First Friday of the month, 7:00-7:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples should contact one of the parish priests who will meet with them. Available dates for weddings will not be discussed before the couple meets with the priest. Six months notification to prepare for marriage is expected; a full year is recommended.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING: Please gather at the altar of Our Lady each Sunday after the 9:30 AM Mass for this Sacrament. Sick persons will be anointed before surgery, elderly people because of weakened condition, and all whose illness shows a need for strengthening through the power of the Holy Spirit and the prayers of the Church, including sick children who have sufficient reason to be strengthened by this Sacrament.

THE ELECTED PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE:

Kelsey Bierling	610-259-5685	Marianne Grace	610-623-3069
Rosemarie Dooling	610-259-4077	David Magee	610-284-0210
Joseph Gallagher	610-622-5951	Robert Montoro	610-259-2774

DAILY VISITATION: The Church is open for visitation on weekdays from the first Mass until 5:30 PM; on Saturday until after the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass and on Sunday until 1:45 PM. The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the monstrance for Adoration every Tuesday following the 8:00 AM Mass until 7:00 PM when the Divine Mercy prayers for the sick and dying will be prayed together with Benediction.

Coordinator: Stephanie Ennis 610-622-8169.

C.C.D. PROGRAM: Religious instructions for public school children, grades 1 through 8, are given each Monday evening during the scholastic year, from 6:45 to 7:45 PM, in the lower school. Further information may be obtained by calling Miss Betty Spano (734-1369). On Monday evening call (259-5145) between 6:00 and 8:30 PM.

SICK CALLS: Emergency sick calls to the rectory always receive prompt attention. Parishioners unable to attend church should call the rectory so that a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion may bring Holy Communion. If you are going into the hospital please see the heading Sacrament of Anointing.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: The Rectory Office is open Monday through Friday 9am to 8pm; Sunday 10am to 12 noon. All requests for sacramental arrangements or certificates, registration, etc., are to be conducted during these hours, or arranged by appointment.

MORNING PRAYER/MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA DEVOTION:

The Rosary is recited before last Mass each day. Morning Prayer is recited after the last Mass (Monday through Saturday). Every Wednesday, the Miraculous Medal Novena recited after the last Mass.

May 28, 2017
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 29, 2017

9:00am Marilyn Sondermann

Tuesday, May 30 2017

6:30am Patrick & Marguerite Murphy
and Family

8:00am James Rodgers (29th Anniversary)

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

6:30am Claire Quinn

8:00am Donald McGlinchey

Thursday, June 1, 2017

6:30am Jon Pfaff

8:00am Angelo and Silvia Barile

Friday, June 2, 2017

6:30am Jack Marshall

8:00am Deceased Members of the
Fitzpatrick & Rigney Families

Saturday, June 3, 2017

8:00am Redemptoris Mater Prayer Guild

In our prayer for those in need of healing, each of us in the Church serves Christ Himself in the suffering members of His Mystical Body. Please pray for: Bob Boyd, Jane Kline, Rob Savill, John Murphy, Jim McMullen, Carl Giovannini, Kay Hamilton, Regina Makem, Alyson Turner, Laurann Elizabeth Paquier, Lawrence Scally, Pauline Brecker, Robert Cassidy, Helece Palmer Hourican, John Weaver, Karen Bateman, Jack Quinn, Lori Lesutis, Matthew Nicholas.

In your charity, please remember in your prayers those who have died, and join the whole Church in commending them to the Mercy of God:
Theresa Inzaina

HOPE Services are available this week by calling
Claire Johnson 610-622-2015

Happy Memorial Day

On this Memorial Day, we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. We also pray for all those currently serving in the military, that God will grant them the strength to carry on, and will bring them home safely to their loved ones.

**In observance of Memorial Day,
the Rectory will be closed on Monday, May 29.**



**MEMBERS OF THE
NOCTURNAL
ADORATION SOCIETY**

meet once a month on the Thursday before First Friday, from 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM in church. Join us this Thursday. (June 1) for the recitation of the Office of the Blessed Sacrament and the Rosary.

This week the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered on Thursday from 7:00 PM until 7:30 PM.

***Protecting God's Children*
Safe Environment Training for Volunteers**

St. Andrew will host the Safe Environment Training session *Protecting God's Children* on Thursday, June 1 at 6:00 PM in McGettigan Hall. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires all adult volunteers who work with children on a regular basis (once per week or more) to complete this training. *Protecting God's Children* provides basic facts about child sexual abuse and adults' roles in prevention. This is a one-time requirement. Please contact Terry Conway, Safe Environment Coordinator, with questions at 610-259-1169. To register, please visit www.virtusonline.org.



Shepherd's P.I.E.

... Pastoral Insights Expressed



Dear Friends,

As we hear today's Gospel, let us pay special attention to the words of our Lord's prayer to the Father about His disciples: "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for the ones You have given me, because they are Yours, and everything of mine is Yours and everything of Yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to You." (John 17: 9-11a) His prayer is not just for the disciples of two thousand years ago; rather, He was praying for you and me and assuring us of His enduring presence in our midst, through the gift of Divine Love given in the Holy Spirit.

Last weekend, I concelebrated Holy Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Connecticut. A very good priest friend was celebrating the 30th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. It was a beautiful and festive day. The main story of the local newspaper, *The Hartford Courant*, highlighted the decisions and ramifications of the recently completed Pastoral Planning effort that they have engaged over the past several years. As expected, there are the closure and the merging of parishes, the moving of the clerical staff and, of course, a lot of emotion. The article, however, portrayed a fair evaluation of the situation, the process and the results.

What captured my attention was the headline and subline; these set the tone of the article and may

for some be enough to draw a conclusion and opinion, without reading more. They read: **As Pews Empty, Catholics Adapt and Church Forced to Face Decline in Attendance.** This is fascinating to me, because it clearly leads the reader to understand that the Archdiocese has made these decisions as a response to a reality that can no longer be ignored. The article states: "The Archdiocese of Hartford has seen a 69 percent decline in church attendance since 1965, a statistic that produces 'audible gasps' when people hear it, said Archbishop Leonard P. Blair." At the same time, the news of current events would see the President of the United States making an unprecedented nod to the significance and impact of religion on the lives of human beings, as he made his historical first international trip visiting representatives of the three great monotheistic religions of the world.

We, in America, seem to have relegated a commitment to religion and the maintenance of traditional values to the ashbin of history. The current attitude by social elites is that if you are sophisticated or educated or contemporary ... religion is something that binds your freedom. Maybe this thinking is out of tune with reality ... maybe this attitude is the reason we have not been able to understand the conflict in the Middle East. My point is not political, but let's face it: "Where two or three are gathered; there is the body politic." And, if we were wise, while we should not proselytize, we should allow our faith inform and form our decisions.

The challenge is, therefore, how seriously do we believe that Jesus is the Son of the Living God, who took on our broken human nature to redeem all humanity? How seriously do we accept our adoption as children of God through the Paschal Mystery that all that the Father is has been given to the Son, and all that is of the Son has been given to us? How seriously do we study and examine our Catholic faith and open ourselves to its challenges and blessings? Will we allow our pews to empty until it reaches a point of crisis or will we take up the responsibility of the disciples of Jesus by proclaiming the Good News with our lives and by extending an invitation to someone who has been away from the Church to worship with us? Be of good cheer and have a blessed week!

Msgr. Grous

Quo Vadis Days 2017

A retreat for young men graduating 8th – 12th grade
June 26-29, 2017 -- Black Rock Retreat Center

Gather with Philadelphia Seminarians and other high school men for four days of dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experiences, and a fun environment including a ropes course, a swimming pool and lake, basketball, soccer, and more. The cost is \$35 per person. Register at www.HeedTheCall.org. Questions? Contact the Vocations Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at 610-667-5778.

Weekend Retreat

It's not too late to make your reservation for our annual retreat to be held this coming weekend, June 2, 3, 4 at St. Joseph-in-the-Hills, Malvern, PA. We urge you to avail yourself of the truly rewarding experience that such a weekend offers. For more information, please visit www.malvernretreat.com or call parishioner Bill Murray 610-622-1269.

St. Anthony DiPadova Feast Day Celebration

The St. Anthony DiPadova Society hosts its 95th Annual Feast Day Celebration to honor their patron on Sunday, June 4 beginning with 9:30 AM Mass at St. Mary Magdalen Church (Media, PA). After Mass, all are invited to join in a procession honoring St. Anthony at nearby Rose Tree Park, where there will be an all-day Italian cultural event with food, vendors, music, and entertainment. For information contact Jim Stigale (610-497-3353 or Vince Durso (610-328-7900).

Bonner & Prendie Youth Field Hockey Camp

Our camp is open to players entering 3rd through 9th grades in September 2017. All skill levels (including beginners!) are welcome.

Monday, June 19 – Friday, June 23
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Bonner & Prendie Turf Field
\$125.00 per player (\$25 per day)

Contact Bonner & Prendie Head Coach Joanne Dolan at Joannejd21@gmail.com with questions.

Pentecost Vigil Mass for the Archdiocesan Charismatic Renewal

Saturday, June 3, 2017

Praise & Worship 7:30 P.M.

Vigil Mass 8:00 P.M.

Mass will be celebrated in English & Spanish

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway
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215-561-1313

Principal Celebrant: Reverend G. Dennis Gill

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Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Open House

Come and see the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program in the Atrium at Saint Andrew: June 4th after the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses. Catechists will be available to present the materials used by the children and to answer questions. Through quiet, independent, meditative work, this Montessori environment centered on the Good Shepherd helps young children develop their own relationship with Jesus. Saint Andrew offers two levels based on Scripture and the Mass. You don't need to have young children to come and see! Location: 535 Mason Avenue, first floor of the Convent Building.

TRADITION!

A Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*


Join his Excellency, Archbishop Chaput, for this one-day event on June 19 at the Sheraton Downtown Hotel, Philadelphia. Come hear Jeff Cavins, Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Matthew Bunson, Dr. Jonathan Reyes, Dr. Deborah Savage, and Mother Assumpta Long and her sisters address Catholic belief, liturgical prayer/practices, moral living, and prayer life in light of the four pillars of the Catechism. For schedule and registration information, go to: <http://phillyocf.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/tradition.pdf>

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