

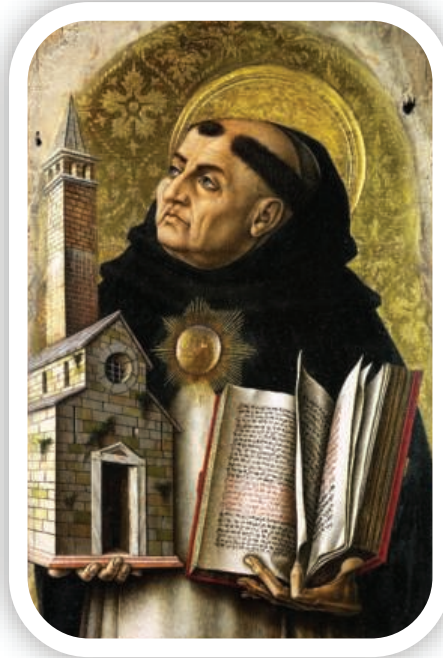
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sundays: 9:00 AM
and 11:00 AM

Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM
(Chapel at 126 Walnut Ave.)

Holydays: 8:30 AM, 12 Noon
and 7:00 PM



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**CONFESSION
SCHEDULE**

Saturdays: 3:30 PM
or by appointment

Served By:
Rev. David A. Fernandes, Pastor
Deacon John J. Gallagher

Roseann Spear
Adm Asst

Amanda Gentile
Music Director

Kathleen Gallagher
D.R.E.

Joseph Spear
Maintenance

BAPTISMS

First and Third Sundays of the month after 11:00 AM Mass. Attendance at Pre-Jordan class, on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 7:30PM, in the Parish Meeting Room at 121 Belmont Avenue, is a requirement. You must pre-register by calling the Parish Office at (215)788-2989.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony, and/or to receive a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent or Sponsor it is necessary for you to be registered in our parish and practice the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office as soon as you move into our parish to schedule a registration meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you move, or change your address or phone number.

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Weekdays before 8:30 AM Mass (Chapel)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 AM -3:30PM with Benediction at 3:30 PM (Chapel) During Lent



Monday March 11, 2024
8:30 AM Christopher Chris Phan (L) req by Mary & Joseph

Tuesday March 12, 2024
8:30 AM Timothy Donahue req by Sandy Williams

Wednesday March 13, 2024
8:30 AM Joan Carmody req by Tom

Thursday March 14, 2024
8:30 AM Yamilth Fallas req by Mark & Irene Kulick

Friday March 15, 2024
8:30 AM William Sterling req by Reds & Betty Praul

Saturday March 16, 2024
4:30 PM Cecilia Soosainathan req by Loved Ones

Sunday March 17, 2024
9:00 AM Philip Rothsching req by Wife, Jeannie
11:00 AM Yamilth Fallas req by Jake & Mary Brennan

Weekend Offerings

Total for All Masses for 02/24 & 02/25	\$ 3,879.00
Mail Ins/Parish Giving	\$ 1,471.00
Improvement Fund	\$ 33.00
Winter Maintenance	\$ 45.00
Other Collections (Parish)	\$ 55.00
Other Collections (Archdiocese)	\$ 358.00
Candles	\$ 85.00
Shrine	\$ 1.00
Poor Box	\$ 22.00

TOTAL for Parish for February 25, 2024 \$5,591.00

TOTAL for Archdiocesan Collections \$358.00

*Thank you for your generosity.
May the Lord bless you.*

Lectors

March 16, 2024
4:30 PM M Kelly & R Kelly

March 17, 2024
9:00 AM C Del Puerto & E Del Puerto
11:00 AM A Scheck & J Chacko

Extraordinary Ministers

March 16, 2024
4:30 PM E Schilling & E Brown

March 17, 2024
9:00 AM M Bitting & W Bitting
11:00 AM M Bosco & E Lunny

Altar Servers

March 16, 2024
4:30 PM:
Sophia Salmon, Bernie McMahon, Madison Egan

March 17, 2024
9:00 AM:
Violet Gentile, Daisy Gentile, Marigold Gentile

11:00 AM:
Austin Keller, Joseph Dalessandro

Sunday Scriptures March 17, 2024

Reading I: Jeremiah 31:31—34 (35B)
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 51:3—4, 12—13, 14—15
Reading II: Hebrews 5:7—9
Gospel: John 12:20—33

Remember In Your Prayers



Our men and women in the military:

Many of our parishioners have family members serving in dangerous assignments around the world. **Please keep them in your prayers.**

Our Sick: Joanne Beitz, Ryan Beitz, Marcie Belz, Elizabeth Blinn, Joe Bobst, John Bossman, Eva Braley, Kim Brennan, Francis Breuer, Ernest Brewer, Loretta Cameron, Bill Campanelli, Margaret & Jerry Campbell, Richard Campbell Jr, Frank Canalicchio, Maddox Carmona, Tama Cary, John Cichonke, Concetta Corrento, Dennis Crawford, Dolores DeBeaumont, Sid Decker, Dolores Doran, James & Karlee Dott, Wayne Duke, John Edelman Jr, Rae Ann Edelman, Robin Erickson, Russell Evans, Rosanne Fabry, Richard Fieramosca, Carol Flanigan, Patti Ann Frinb, Rob Fuimano, Sheri Getts, Patricia Gibson-Decker, Margaret Griffiths, Monica Grover, Robert Gushue, Raymond Haag, Billy Hanson, Bart Houck, Joseph Hueber, Joseph Hughes, Jet Jabla, Luisa Jabla, Dawn Kerr, Ron Kimble, Sheryl Kraz, Michael & Jamie Kreines, George LeQuier, Nicole & Syllas Lam, Ruth Leighton, Richard Leshner III, Joseph Lipinski, John Lynch, Louise Lypka, Kathy Maddaloni, Evelyn Manna, James Martin, Mark Martin, Mike McBride, Michael McGovern, Margaret McGrory, Cassidy Grace McVan, Pat Metcalfe, Jim Miller, Carletta Minor, Carmella Mooney, Karen Murphy, Bill Ovens, Carol Parrish, Mary Rose Quigley, Dan Reardon, Joe Regan, George Reichardt, Jacob Rivera, Gregory Schafer, Jeff Serrano, Ken Serrano Jr, Logan Sierocinski, Peter Sikora, Carol Sullivan, Amanda Tees, Hugh Templeton, Jennifer Trainon, Kim Vickers, Justin, Megan & Carter Vickery, Jermaine Williams, Denise Wilson, Elaine Wilson, John Yankanich and all their relatives and friends.

Our Deceased: All the deceased members of our parish and their relatives and friends.



St Thomas Aquinas December 50/50

Our 50/50 for December 2024 has begun

This fundraiser is now an annual event

You may enter as many times as you wish. Additional envelopes are available in back of Church or in the Parish Office

Donation is \$5.00 per ticket

The drawing will take place on December 29, 2024 after the 11AM Mass

The STA Conference of the St Vincent De Paul Society helped approximately 77 neighbors in need, this past year, with rent, utilities, oil, etc for a total of \$16,750. We were able to accomplish this through your generous contributions. We thank you for your continued support and generosity. We are once again inviting you this year to help the conference provide for those in need by taking a **Lenten Container**, that we distributed on the **weekend of February 17/18**, and filling it with cash donations and/or gift cards. The containers may be returned to Church on Palm Sunday.

The STA Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 2:30 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. For information or assistance, please call (267) 554-7109.

Separated/Divorced Support Group will meet on **Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For information, contact Peg Duffy at (215) 788-1947.



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for all persons who are 14 years of age or older. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. Fasting is obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Mondays: 7:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays: 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM (Chapel)

Followed by Benediction at 3:30 PM

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Tuesdays: 7:00 PM in the Chapel

Sundays after the 11 AM Mass (Chapel)

CONFESSIONS

Thursdays: 7:00 PM (March 14 and March 21)

Saturdays: 3:30 PM—4:00 PM

**ST. MARY POLISH AMERICAN SOCIETY
EASTER FOOD SALE**

We are happy to announce the return of our annual St. Mary Polish American Society Easter Food Sale. Food items will include: Babkas (cheese, cinnamon crumb, or raspberry cheese) for \$16 each from L&M Bakery in Delran, NJ; Pierogi (potato, potato cheese, or sauerkraut) for \$10 per dozen from Polka Deli in Port Richmond in Philadelphia; Kielbasa for \$9 per pound from Czerw's in Port Richmond. **The deadline to place a food order will be Wednesday March 13th** so our suppliers have enough time to process our orders. Order pick-up will be on Friday, March 22 and Saturday, March 23 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at St Mary Catholic Church Hall in Conshohocken. To place a food order please email foodsale@stmarypolish.org or call Dorothy Swedkowski at (610) 630-0861.

The Legacy of Life Foundation, located in Central Bucks County, is currently actively seeking candidates to join our mission of saving lives and transforming families:

Director of Development

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EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Before the Sacrament of Penance, Catholics have found it helpful to examine their consciences in light of the Ten Commandments. Penitents are encouraged to expand on them in their prayerful review of their conduct.

1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.

- Do I give God time every day in prayer?
- Do I seek to love Him with my whole heart?
- Have I been involved with superstitious practices or have I been involved with the occult?
- Do I seek to surrender myself to God's word as taught by the Church?
- Have I ever received communion in the state of mortal sin?
- Have I ever deliberately told a lie in Confession or have I withheld a mortal sin from the priest in Confession?
- Are there other "gods" in my life? Money, Security, Power, People, etc.?

2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

- Have I used God's name in vain: lightly or carelessly?
- Have I been angry with God?
- Have I wished evil upon any other person?
- Have I insulted a sacred person or abused a sacred object?

3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

- Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation?
- Have I tried to observe Sunday as a family day and a day of rest?
- Do I do needless work on Sunday?

4. Honor your father and your mother.

- Do I honor and obey my parents?
- Have I neglected my duties to my spouse and children?
- Have I given my family good religious example?
- Do I try to bring peace into my home life?
- Do I care for my aged and infirm relatives?

5. You shall not kill.

- Have I had an abortion or encouraged or helped anyone to have an abortion?
- Have I physically harmed anyone?
- Have I abused alcohol or drugs?
- Did I give scandal to anyone, thereby leading him or her into sin?
- Have I been angry or resentful?
- Have I harbored hatred in my heart?
- Have I mutilated myself through any form of sterilization?
- Have I encouraged or condoned sterilization?
- Have I engaged, in any way, in sins against human life such as artificial insemination or in vitro fertilization?
- Have I participated in or approved of euthanasia?

6. You shall not commit adultery.

- Have I been faithful to my marriage vows in thought and action?
- Have I engaged in any sexual activity outside of marriage?
- Have I used any method of contraception or artificial birth control in my marriage?
- Has each sexual act in my marriage been open to the transmission of new life?
- Have I been guilty of masturbation?
- Do I seek to control my thoughts and imaginations?
- Have I respected all members of the opposite sex, or have I thought of other people as mere objects?
- Have I been guilty of any homosexual activity?
- Do I seek to be chaste in my thoughts, words, actions?
- Am I careful to dress modestly?

7. You shall not steal.

- Have I stolen what is not mine?
- Have I returned or made restitution for what I have stolen?
- Do I waste time at work, school, and home?
- Do I gamble excessively, thereby denying my family of their needs?
- Do I pay my debts promptly?
- Do I seek to share what I have with the poor?
- Have I cheated anyone out of what is justly theirs, for example creditors, insurance companies, big corporations?

8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

- Have I lied? Have I gossiped?
- Do I speak badly of others behind their back?
- Am I sincere in my dealings with others?
- Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my thoughts of others?
- Do I keep secret what should be kept confidential?
- Have I injured the reputation of others by slanders?

9. You shall not desire your neighbor's wife.

- Have I consented to impure thoughts?
- Have I caused them by impure reading, movies, television, conversation or curiosity?
- Do I pray at once to banish impure thoughts and temptations?
- Have I behaved in an inappropriate way with members of the opposite sex: flirting, being superficial, etc.?

10. You shall not desire your neighbor's goods.

- Am I jealous of what other people have?
- Do I envy the families or possessions of others?
- Am I greedy or selfish?
- Are material possessions the purpose of my life?

March 10, 2024



April 20, 2024

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