

OUR LADY OF CHARITY

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
BROOKHAVEN, PENNSYLVANIA

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Mass Schedule:

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm — Sunday 9 a.m.

Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (on the actual day)

Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day: 9:00 a.m.

Confession:

Saturdays: 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.; and other times by appointment.

Baptism:

The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated on the First and Third Sundays of each month at 11:30 a.m. Please call the Rectory and speak to the parish priest to register. First-time parents and parents who have not attended a class within the past two years are expected to attend a pre-baptismal formation session, which is offered throughout the year. To register for sessions, please call parish secretary.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married should contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance of the intended wedding date. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation program is required in accord with Archdiocesan Policy.

Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion:

The parish priests are happy to assist anyone who wishes to receive the anointing of the sick, or to receive Holy Communion. Special Ministers of Holy Communion also assist in taking Holy Communion to those parishioners who are unable to get to Mass. For more information, kindly call the Rectory.

Letters of Eligibility: If you need a Letter of Eligibility to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, you must be a registered member of the parish for at least six months and a practicing Catholic. For more information, kindly call the Rectory.

Catholic School Policy

School-aged children of OLC may attend either **Notre Dame de Lourdes Catholic School** in Swarthmore or **Holy Family Regional Catholic School** in Aston. Our Parish does subsidize Catholic education for parishioners of OLC who are active and contributing members of the Parish, in accord with Parish Policy. For more information, please contact Father Lyons.

Children who attend public school are requested to register in our PREP Program beginning in first grade to seventh grade. There is a minimal tuition requested to defray costs of the materials. No one is denied access to PREP because of an inability to pay. For more information, please contact Mrs. Jeanne Turn, DRE.

Our Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of Our Lady of Charity Catholic Church, are devoted to building the Kingdom of God in our neighborhoods. Relying on the example of Mary, the first and best disciple, and our parish Patroness, we strive to encourage and promote discipleship by making her Son Jesus present to all through Word, Sacrament, love and service.

March 10, 2024



ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

4:00 p.m. Joseph Shillingsburg

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

9:00 a.m. Dan and Vi Ragone

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024

8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

8:00 a.m. Marie Stinson

THURSDAY MARCH 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of OLC

FRIDAY MARCH 15, 2024

8:00 a.m. Pro Populo

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASSES

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024

4:00 p.m. Mary and James G. Greiner
And James H. Greiner

SUNDAY MARCH 17, 2024

9:00 a.m. Peg Barlow

Last WEEK

Collections OJPPC thank you

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Attendance 280

Baptism OJPPC Preparation OJPPC

The next Pre-Baptism class will be held on **Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00 PM** in the Rectory Meeting Room. This class is **mandatory** for both parents who have not attended a class within the last two years.

Pre-Registration is required. Please call the Rectory at 610-872-6192 to register for the class. A date for Baptism can be scheduled after attending this class.



Fridays at 1:00
During the Lenten Season

Please Silence Your Cell Phones

Please take a minute before Mass
to silence your cell phones.

Thank you.

March 10th - Third Sunday of Lent

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

In a world mostly powered by electricity, even for our cars, we have in modern times experienced dangerous and even demoralizing blackouts. I say that last aspect because we all suffer from the thieves and other criminals that "make hay while the sun isn't shining." We know that storms with howling winds bring about blackouts, when great trees often topple and bring down wires when they do so. At other times, the blackout comes when the grid is overtaxed by too much call for power when very hot weather brings an uptick in air conditioning use. Even a community like mine, where all wiring is underground, still gets its electric service from overhead wires outside the community. Then for all of us there are no lights anywhere and all the electric gadgets in our homes cease functioning.

The ancient world when Jesus walked was "lit only by fire," as one writer nicely put it. Oil lamps and candles brought the only relief from post sunset darkness. The same fire boiled the water and cooked the meals. So when Jesus preached about His coming into the world to bring light, the impact of His words was strong. We might miss the message at first, surrounded as we are by our fiber-optic bulbs, ever-ready generators and blinking appliances. Still, I believe we instinctively know that evil thrives when our soul's life is strangled by sin.

Lent, if we allow it to be part of our preparation for celebrating Easter, will, through Scripture readings and meditative prayer, turn the inner spotlight on our sins. Not the peccadilloes that dance around the edges of our consciences, but those stubborn ingrained habits in our makeup for which we have made all kinds of excuses to keep in place.

"I'm only human" we say glibly when others notice our this and that which is truly sinful. So we have another drink before we leave to go home. Watch some more porn because nobody's around. Steal a little from the supermarket, or the "Big Box" store because "they make enough money."

I remember being shocked out of my naivete when I was a supermarket cashier and witnessed when a fur-wearing matron was caught by the store detective stealing sticks of butter inside rolls of toilet paper. It's not always the poor who steal.

Add in our perhaps habitual lying, or the rash judgments about strangers and family members; and also the sexual selfishness. All the many ways we can use to pretend God doesn't exist or care. In so many situations that popular expression "WWJD" (What Would Jesus Do ?) gets mocked more than minded, but it's a good startup question when you're deciding what to do. Especially when Lenten thoughts stir one's conscience. On this matter, and on so many others, we have today's Responsorial Psalm as a rejoinder:

"Let my tongue be silenced if I ever forget you." "You" means our loving God.

As the little boy concluded to his Dad after viewing stained glass windows featuring the saints, "I think a saint is a person whom the light shines through."

God love you and give you His peace.

Our Lady of Charity Memorial Society

We acknowledge those who have recently given to our Memorial Fund. Thank you to those who have given and to those families who have requested donations to the Parish.

We are grateful for:

Mary A Marie Stinson	\$450
Ann and John Margetich	\$230
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Peter Schlett	\$10
Anne Stanley	\$10
John J Wilwert, Sr.	\$10

2024 Lenten Giving Cross

We are having our annual Lenten Giving Cross. We are requesting GIFT CARDS ONLY, specifically to Giant, Shop-Rite, Target or Walmart. The cards will be shared with OLC St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Bernadine Center, Catholic Social Services and needy parishioners.

Please return your donations to the Rectory via the collection basket, front door mail slot, or mailed to the Rectory. Please be sure the dollar amount is on the card or envelope. We ask that the cards be returned by Sunday, March 24th.

God bless you for your generosity to those less fortunate.

Baptism

Welcome to the newest member of the parish,
Meek Yelegon

Who was baptized on Sunday,
March 3, 2024 by Father James A. Lyons.

May God bless Meek
and congratulations to his parents,
Daniel Yelegon and Helena Mulbah.

Meek is in Level 2 in Prep at OLC.



As a Catholic Parish Community, we pray for our relatives and friends who are sick, and those who have asked for our prayers, especially the following:

Richard Burns, Shawn Burns, Robert Crowley, Mark Ford, Lorena Guyer, Henry Guyer, Ray Hall, Maureen Irwin, Craig McGeehan, John Miller, Patricia Murray, Nicholas Peticca, Abigail Seth, Harry Seth and Ben Wilson and all the sick of the parish.



In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him.

We demonstrate our great love by doing good work: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, quarter or dollar is multiplied by coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.



The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit - Saturday, April 6th – Sunday, April 7th
Location: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, The exhibit will take place in the school's gym and light refreshments will be offered in the adjacent cafeteria.)



SAINT KEVIN CLASS OF 1968

We are looking for classmates from the Class of 1968 to join us for a reunion. We will celebrate Mass at Saint Kevin on June 1, 2024 at 4:00 pm and celebrate with a casual gathering afterward at the Springfield Country Club.

Please contact: Michael Arizin: marizin@comcast.net or Phyllisann Henderson: phenderson333@comcast.net.

Please spread the word.

Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday – April 7, 2024

On **April 7, 2024**, **St. Pius X Parish**, 220 Lawrence Rd., Broomall, PA 19008, will be celebrating **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**. We invite all to come and experience the wonderful love and mercy of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary 300)

Devotions will begin at 2:00pm with Rosary, The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction.

The Holy Sacrifice of Mass will begin promptly at 3:00pm. We warmly welcome all from neighboring parishes to join us. Contact Cathy 610-353-8117



The Knights of Columbus Council 3876
invite you to visit their website at KOFC3876.ORG

To join in their efforts, please see one of their members for an application form or fill out form at KofC.org and enter preferred council 3876.

- The St. Joseph ICON will be on display in our church starting March 16th.
- Spaghetti dinner April 20th starting at 4pm details to follow.
- We will be reciting the Rosary Mar 24th at 8:35 AM.
Please join us.



Today is Coffee Sunday
Please join us in the Church Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass.



SAVE THE DATE!
Spring BINGO is coming Saturday, April 13th.

Donations of NEW items for our Bingo prize baskets are needed. Place your NEW items in the boxes at the entrances of the Church. If you have baskets (especially larger ones) we can use them too.

If you would like to donate gift cards please place them in an envelope marked Bingo and put them in the collection basket or drop them off at the Rectory.

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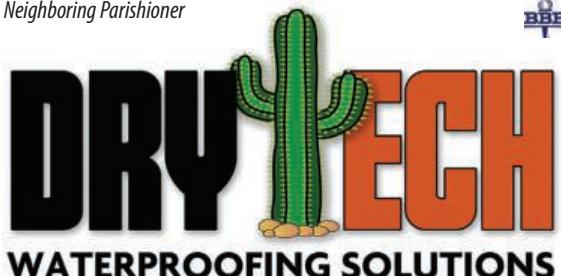
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