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REV. MSGR. JOSEPH J. ANDERLONIS, STD

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Rev. Msgr. George Strausser

Rev. Benjamin Nwanonyeni

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Rev. Msgr. Vincent Walsh

Hispanic Charismatic Community

Rev. Quan "Peter" Trinh

Vietnamese Community

LITURGIES & SACRAMENTS

Daily Mass during the School Year

Monday–Friday 7 am

Monday–Friday, Summertime 8 am

On Archdiocesan/Public Holidays 9 am

Saturday

Mass of the Day (Novena follows) 9 am

Vigil Mass 5 pm

Sunday

Simple 7 am

Vietnamese 8:30 am

Organ/Choir 10:15 am

Spanish (Charismatic) Noon

Confessions by appointment or Saturdays 4:15–4:45

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 18, 2018

REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER to schedule baptisms, first Eucharist, confirmation, and marriages at SFDS. Registration is also required to be eligible as a sponsor at baptisms or confirmations elsewhere. It also helps us keep in touch!

BAPTISMS are celebrated at the request of the child's parents, who first must meet with the pastor.

MARRIAGES must be arranged 6 months in advance and require couples to attend a pre-Cana course or an equivalent approved by the Archdiocese. Please meet with the pastor before other logistical arrangements.

HOME VISITATIONS & HOUSE BLESSINGS
Monsignor Joe is happy to visit you at your home and bless it. Contact the rectory for an appointment.

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER is available and encouraged as an alternative to stewardship envelopes through the provider Parish Giving. Our website has more details.

PERPETUAL ADORATION of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel located in the back of the Upper Church. A key is required for access. Call the sacristan, Michael Nevadomski, for more information (954-261-2500).

RECTORY

215-222-5819

Closed on public holidays and Holy Days of Obligation.

Monday–Thursday 9 am–4 pm

Friday Appointment only

SCHOOL

215-387-1749

917 47th St., Sr. Mary McNulty, IHM, Principal

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215-222-5819

912 47th St., Sr. Christine Lamb, IHM, Superior

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215-386-5016

1001 47th St., Sr. Clare Teresa, RA, Superior

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215-382-0292

929 Farragut Tr., Sr. Sarah Lamb, IHM, Site Coordinator

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MASS INTENTIONS

Announced intentions for 2018 are still available.
Please contact the Rectory during office hours.

*Masses for the Vietnamese & Hispanic chaplaincies
are arranged through Fr. Peter and Msgr. Walsh.*

SAT	17 March
9 am	The Souls in Purgatory
5 pm	Hazel Green
“PASSIONTIDE” SUNDAY 18 March	
7 am	Catherine Hegarty
10:15 am	Theodore and Mary Deady
MON	18 March
7 am	Unnamed Special Intention
TUE	19 March
7 am	John Cooney
WED	20 March
7 am	John Cooney
THUR	21 March
7 am	Deceased Members of the Ganley Family
FRI	22 March
7 am	Henry Barusevicius
SAT	23 March
9 am	John Cooney
5 pm	Sr. Rita Marotta, on the occasion of her 50th Jubilee
PALM SUNDAY	24 March
7 am	Catherine Hegarty
10:15 am	The People of the Parish

WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE STATUES?

An ancient custom particular to the last two weeks of Lent (once widely known as “Passiontide”), the covering of sacred images is intended as a “fasting of the eyes.” Our eyes are not drawn away to other objects and we can turn our focus to the altar and inward to contemplate Christ.

Images of saints and crucifixes are covered until the Triduum, when the crosses are uncovered on Good Friday, and the remainder of images before the Paschal Vigil. The Stations of the Cross are never covered, as they are intended to lead us in Holy Week to greater contemplation of Christ’s Passion, Death, and Resurrection.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday in Lent at 7 pm.
Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament follows.

PREP CORNER

One Lenten devotion that has become very meaningful to our PREP students is the Stations of the Cross; on each of the Sundays in Lent we take the first fifteen minutes during General Instruction time to pray Stations together.

Our young people seem to have become very appreciative of this spiritual exercise, which is led by the students themselves. Hopefully this hour praying together will begin a grace-filled spiritual experience that they will carry with them for years to come!

Please pray for our young people as they receive instruction in the Faith—and for our catechists that teach them!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 11, 2018 \$4444.70

March 12, 2017 \$5798.00

Difference - \$1353.30

**Second Collection
for Fuel & Subsidies: \$1882.00**

*Next Sunday’s second collection will be for
the Parish Improvement Fund.*

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT • MARCH 18, 2018

SFDS HISTORY MYSTERIES

Family Connections



Joe and Nancy Ruane are “well connected” in our parish. Joe’s grandparents were early parishioners, and Joe’s electrician father and grandfather worked on our electrical connections—including installing the two long chandeliers at the front of the church and the first sound system.

John F. Ruane and Wilhelmina Halberstadt Ruane married in 1906 and appear to have moved to the parish before 1920. Joe writes that by the 1930s, “the couple lived at 720 S. 49th Street, and had an electrical shop at 4830 Baltimore Avenue.” He notes that his father became a partner in the business after the Second World War, and “took over the business when my grandfather retired in the late 50’s. They did a lot of the electrical work for de Sales when Bishop Lamb was pastor” from 1936 to 1951.

Joe says “My grandmother worked one day in their store keeping the books, and worked other days at a religious goods store in 4700 block of Baltimore Ave, next to the then Byrd Theater (this could have been the SFDS Parish Lending Library at 4726 Baltimore—today’s Vientiane Restaurant). She was the author of a book sold there, *A is for Angels*, which went through the alphabet with a religious word for each letter.”

Joe further recalls “My parents lived in Delaware County after they got married and raised our family in Collingdale, but as an infant, after being baptized in the hospital, the sacrament of baptism was supplied, or completed, at St. Francis de Sales a few weeks later. As children my parents used to bring us into the city to watch the de Sales May Procession during the time of Bishop Lamb.”

Joe’s guardian angel moment came when he helped in the family electrical store in 1947/1948: “One day I dropped a screw from a toaster on the floor” and “noticed through a crack in the floor a fire in the basement. Luckily the fire was taken care of quickly by the fire station at 50th and Baltimore (today’s Dock Street Brewing Co.) since three stores on the corner of 49th and Baltimore all shared the same basement, divided by thin wooden partitions.

Joe notes that as an adult: “I moved to the parish in late 1968, married and moved to Roxborough in 1971, and returned here in 1973, where Nancy and I raised our daughter, who was married in St. Francis de Sales in 2000”—connecting our parish through generations.

*If you have history to share, contact mdooleywork@hotmail.com.
Find more at <https://SFDShistory.wordpress.com>.*

In your kindness,
please pray for the soul of

Sister Marie Susan Bruno, IHM

who passed away this past week.

*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine on them.*

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY • March 25
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule
Palms will be distributed after each Mass.

TENEBRAE:
SONGS IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS
March 27 • 7 pm
A Meditative Vespers Service for Holy Week.

MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
March 29 • 7 pm
Vigil & Adoration until 11 pm
pending volunteer presence

GOOD FRIDAY • March 30
9 am: Morning Prayer
3 pm: Solemn Stations for Good Friday
7 pm: Adoration of the Cross
& Distribution of Communion

HOLY SATURDAY • March 31
9 am: Volunteer Clean-Up
7:30 pm: Solemn Vigil Mass of the Resurrection

EASTER SUNDAY • April 1
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly nation; from wicked and deceitful men deliver me, for you are my God and my strength. Send forth your light and your truth; these have led me and brought me to your holy mountain and to your dwelling place.

Introit for 5th Sunday in Lent, Psalm 43:1-4

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