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EAST NORRITON, PA PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Baptized in Jesus, we the parishioners of St. Paul respond to the call of Christ. Loving God, praying with one another, especially through the Mass and the Sacraments. Proclaiming and sharing our Faith and Mission in Jesus Christ. Assisting those in need by seeing Christ present in each person. Creating unity through Christ by nourishing, empowering, and involving one another. Teaching the message of Christ to all by word and by daily personal witness. May God bless us, placing our efforts in hands greater than our own.



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 14, 2018

Rev. Harry E. McCreedy, Pastor

Sister Rosellen Bracken RSM, Services Ministry
Mary Rose Edmonds, Business Manager
Meg Farrell, Director of Religious Education
Patty Petrosky, Administrative Assistant



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Our bulletin can also be viewed online

MASSES:

Sundays: 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
(5:30 PM Vigil on Saturday)

Monday—Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holydays: 7:00 PM Vigil, 8:00 AM & 12 Noon
(unless otherwise noted in the bulletin)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturdays: 4:15 PM—5:00 PM

RECTORY: 610.279.6725

2007 New Hope Street, East Norriton, PA 19401

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday—Friday: 9:00 AM—12:00 PM *
1:00 PM—4:00 PM

* **Office closed from 12:00 PM—1:00 PM for lunch**

Evenings & Weekends: by appointment

SCHOOL:..... **Holy Rosary Regional School**

Principal: Ms. Lisa Hoban 610.825.0160

3040 Walton Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

Meg Farrell 610.279.6725

BAPTISMS are celebrated on the second and fourth Sunday of each month at 12:15 PM. Parents are required to attend the pre-Baptism class called Pre-Jordan sometime before the child is born. The god-parents' letters of eligibility should be brought to this class. After attending the class and presenting the eligibility letters a date can be set for the Baptism by calling the Rectory.

WEDDING arrangements must be made in person at the Rectory at least six months in advance. All couples must attend the archdiocesan sponsored Pre-Cana Program. For info: <http://phillycatholiclife.org/marriage-and-family/preparing-for-marriage>.

THE SICK and permanently homebound are encouraged to receive communion regularly at home. Eucharistic ministers are available, please contact Sr. Rosellen Bracken at 610.277.0827. Hospitalized parishioners are encouraged to receive the sacraments from the Catholic chaplains assigned to all hospitals. Urgent requests for anointing of the sick at home are accepted at anytime - call the Rectory.

TO BE A PARISHIONER one must be registered and living within the parish boundaries. Call the Rectory to make an appointment to register or see the pastor in church after Sunday Mass. We cannot issue letters of eligibility or references if one is not formally registered. Registered parishioners are requested to notify the Rectory if they are changing their address.



**EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
EVERY FRIDAY FROM
8:00 AM MASS UNTIL 3:30 PM**

CLASS OF PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM

Should be attended prior to the birth of the child. The Godparents' letters of eligibility are to be brought to this class. The class is held in the Rectory Meeting Room adjacent to the Rectory garages (ground level entrance). **The next class is today, January 14th, and February 11th at 11:30 AM.** Call the Rectory today at 610.279.6725 to make a reservation to attend. A date for Baptism cannot be set until the class is attended and the godparents' letters of eligibility have been submitted.

**ST. PAUL'S BIBLE STUDY
CULTIVATES THE SEED OF GOD**

"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed...It is the smallest of all seed, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants." (Matthew 13:31-32)

Grow your faith, as the mustard seed grows! Every Wednesday, the Saint Paul Bible Study cultivates the seed of God in our lives by reading and discussing the Sunday Mass readings. The Bible Study meets in the Rectory Meeting Room, 7:30 PM-9:00 PM, beginning January 17. For more information, contact Lucy Boardway, LWOZ1@YAHOO.COM / 610-256-5535 or Maria Sacco, mrs gas.sacco@gmail.com / 610-275-7194.

FOR CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for more information.

Tuesday, January 16: Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegeville, Doors open at 7:00pm, Talk Starts at 7:30pm.

Tuesday, January 23: Holy Hour @ Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales.

~ A SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND ~

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Fulfilling the Church's mission of mercy and the Gospel call to love others as we love God, The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Collection funds six Catholic agencies that work for the benefit of our brothers and sisters around the world. In providing humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and advocating on behalf of victims of atrocities such as human trafficking, the organizations supported by the CRS Collection act from their belief that every individual is an equal heir of Christ's love and care.

The annual Catholic Relief Services Collection challenges American Catholics to put their faith into action and to see "Jesus in disguise" in the faces of the poor, and to support ongoing efforts to respond to their needs. The funds collected support vital Catholic programs that share in the Catholic mission of promoting the sacredness of human life. A small amount from the collection is retained by the Archdiocese to help cover local efforts to promote the collection.

The collection will be taken up in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia the weekend of January 20—21, 2018. The American Catholic community, and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in particular, have always responded very generously to this annual collection. I am grateful to you for your compassionate response. May you be blessed for your faithfulness to living the Gospel and recognizing Jesus in those in need.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.



JOIN US FOR A MASS FOR THOSE SUFFERING FROM ADDICTION. ALL ARE INVITED! REACHING OUT TO OUR VETERANS

**ST. ELEANOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
OUR LADY CHAPEL
647 LOCUST ST., COLLEGEVILLE, PA**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018 ~ 11:00 AM

FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE, CONFESSION AVAILABLE FROM 10:00 AM—10:45 AM. ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT IS IN OUR LADY CHAPEL.

ADDICTION HAS TOUCHED FAR TOO MANY FAMILIES AND TAKEN FAR TOO MANY OF OUR LOVED ONES. JOIN US THAT WE MAY DRAW STRENGTH FROM ONE ANOTHER IN THE POWER OF OUR FAITH.

I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME.

PHILIPPIANS 4:13



St. Paul's Mardi Gras Family Bingo*
FRIDAY, JANUARY 26th
Doors Open at 6:00 - Bingo Starts at 7:00
In the Parish Hall
Johnson Hwy & New Hope St., E. Norriton

Ready to celebrate Mardi Gras Family Style?
 Join us for an evening of Pizza and Bingo
A Family Bingo package is \$20
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 4 packs of Bingo cards for 7 games.
 Extra Pizza is available for \$12 per pizza
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SEATING IS LIMITED!!
TICKETS MUST BE
PURCHASED IN ADVANCE!

For Reservations contact:
 Liz at 610-324-7921 or email lizpilacik@me.com
Deadline: Wednesday, January 24th
 Feel free to bring other snacks or drinks too!

*ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

HOLY ROSARY REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

3040 Walton Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION 2018-2019

Thursday, January 18, 2018 1:00-3:00 PM

*Child must be at least age 4 by 9/1/2018 to register for Pre-K.
 Child must be at least age 5 by 9/1/2018 to register for Kindergarten
 Child must be at least age 6 by 9/1/2018 to register for Grade 1.*

To complete the application process, the parent/guardian will need to provide copies of the following:

- Birth Certificate
- Certificate of Baptism
- If your child has received additional sacraments, we must have their complete dates
- Immunization Record
- K-8 Registration Fee – \$100 per student (nonrefundable); Pre-K4 Registration Fee - \$100 per student (nonrefundable - includes supplies and snacks for the year)
- Letter of subsidy payment from your pastor, if applicable
- Custody Papers, if applicable
- If your child has an IEP, please submit the Evaluation Report and most recent IEP.

Please note that for K-8 families there will also be a technology fee of \$100 per student (with a family cap of \$250) and a lunch duty fee of \$50 per family. In addition, there is an iPad insurance fee in **grades five through eight** of \$75 per student that is due prior to the student receiving his/her iPad. If you have any questions regarding registration, please feel free to contact Beth Sheldon at bsheldon@holyroaryregional.com. Thank you.

**SPRING REGISTRATION
 JANUARY 15 TO FEBRUARY 15, 2018**

CYO is collecting registrations and payments on-line via the wagdogs website (<https://wagdogs.com>).

The following sports are offered for the Spring:

- Boys Baseball—JV (5th—6th grade) Fee: \$60
- Girls Softball—JV (5th—6th grade) Fee: \$60
- Boys Baseball—Varsity (7th—8th grade) Fee: \$85
- Girls Softball—Varsity (7th—8th grade) Fee: \$85
- Co-ed Track—Varsity (4th—8th grade) Fee: \$85
- Co-ed Pee—Wee Track (1st—3rd grade) Fee: \$40

Instructional Basketball League (IBL) Registration:

Attention to all parish children in Grades 1—4 wishing to participate in Holy Rosary's Instructional Basketball League. Online registration until February 4th.

Note: The program is limited to the first 100 children to register. Registration fee is \$50.00 per child. For additional information about the IBL program, please email Matthew Brooks at mattybpt@yahoo.com.

Women's Guild Meeting

As last week's inclement weather forced the cancellation of our usual second Monday of the month meeting, our January gathering will be **TOMORROW, MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH, at 7:30 PM**, in the Rectory Meeting Room. At this beginning of the new year, new members are most cordially invited to join.

**Grief to Grace ~ Healing the Wounds of Abuse
 February 18—23, 2018**

This is a fully integrated spiritual and psychological program for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual, or spiritual abuse. This 5-day program offers a very unique process for helping survivors of abuse to grieve the past and discover healing and transformation. This retreat is helpful to people of every religious background and practice as well as those who have lost their faith in God because of the betrayal of abuse. For more info contact: Jeanne ~ 610.203.2002 or at info@griegtograce.org. You can also visit our website at www.griegtograce.org.

PLENARY INDULGENCE

FOR THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE 2018 MARCH FOR LIFE

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has made available a **Plenary Indulgence** to those who participate in the events surrounding the **March for Life on the 18th and 19th of January, 2018**, in the Archdiocese of Washington.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church describes an Indulgence in this way (article 1471):

An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints. An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. Indulgences may be applied to the living or the dead.

This **Plenary Indulgence** may be obtained by participating in the events of the **2018 March for Life** and by fulfilling the usual three conditions: sacramental Confession, the reception of Holy Communion and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father. Those who would like to obtain the gift of the Indulgence should be truly penitential and, motivated by charity, can apply it to the souls in Purgatory.

The aged, the sick and those who truly cannot leave home to participate in the **2018 March for Life** can also obtain the **Plenary Indulgence**. In this case, it is also necessary to be detached from any kind of sin with the intention of fulfilling the three conditions as soon as possible. Also, it is necessary to be spiritually united to the events of the **2018 March for Life** and make an offering of any infirmity to Almighty God.

Retrouvaille

Rediscover the love in your marriage! Is your marriage going down the right road... or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you to learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. **The next program begins the weekend of February 16th at the Family Life Center, Malvern, PA.** Additional weekends will be held in April and August. For more info or to register, visit: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1.800.470.2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

Mass Intentions

MON., JAN. 15TH

8:00 AM..... FOR THE INTENTION OF ANN SAKOWSKI

TUES., JAN. 16TH

8:00 AM..... DANIEL J. MACHON

WED., JAN. 17TH ~ SAINT ANTHONY

8:00 AM..... FOR THE INTENTION OF EARLE MERCADANTE

THURS., JAN. 18TH

8:00 AM..... JOSEPH TURCHI

FRI., JAN. 19TH

8:00 AM..... CASIMIR GRAYAUSKIE

SAT., JAN. 20TH ~ SAINTS FABIAN & SEBASTIAN

8:00 AM..... PAUL PROUD

5:30 PM..... TERESA BELLO

SUN., JAN. 21ST

8:30 AM..... ELEANOR PETRONE

10:30 AM..... THOSE IN THE SANCTUARY REMEMBRANCE



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP IN CHURCH WILL BURN
IN MEMORY OF GEORGE PFANDERS**

OUR TITHING REPORT

On the first weekend of January last year \$8215.00 was contributed. **THIS YEAR \$8047.00 WAS OFFERED**, with an additional \$1045.00 given to the collection for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God.

THE MOST UNJUST SITUATION

Critics of the pro-life movement often say that pro-lifers are too concerned with one social issue. Similarly, political commentators complain that pro-lifers are obsessed with just one political issue.

However, as Catholics, we must never forget three vitally important facts:

- (1). All human beings are born "in the image and likeness of Christ" and therefore have innate and invaluable human dignity.
- (2). Every child created by God is a tremendous gift from God. Moreover, God has a purpose for each and every one of us...and He does not make mistakes!
- (3). The scale of the abortion issue is simply overwhelming. Each day in America, around 3,500 innocent babies are deprived of their right to life.

Pope John Paul II best summed up why abortion is so wrong when he said, "It is difficult to imagine a more unjust situation and it is very difficult to speak of obsession where we are dealing with a fundamental imperative of every good conscience---the defense of the right to life of an innocent and defenseless human being"

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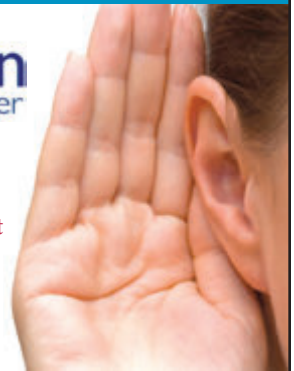


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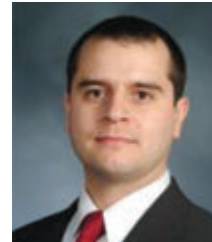
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Dr. Zavala's clinical training was completed at Columbia University Medical Center/New York Presbyterian Hospital and he practiced as an audiologist there until July 2007. Until a few years ago he was the Audiology Director at Columbia University Medical Center's Eastside Faculty Practice. His main interests include the diagnosis and management of hearing disorders and he is certified by the American Speech-Language Hearing Language Association (ASHA). Voted best Hearing Center by the readers of the Times Harold in 2015, 2016, and 2017.



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