

MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM

Sunday Masses 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM

& 11:30 AM

Holy Day Masses 5:30 PM (eve of Holy Day)

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM

(Christmas and New Year's have special schedules)

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

MASS FOR SHUT-INS:

TV - Sunday, 5:30 a.m. WPVI Channel 6,

Radio - Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 89.3 FM

BAPTISMS: Parents should make arrangements with the Pastor at least one month before the date wanted. Baptism is celebrated on the **FIRST** and **THIRD** Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Preparation is held on the **SECOND TUESDAY** of each month, 7:30 PM, in Room 18 of the Church Building. Godparents must be practicing the faith and present a Letter of Eligibility from their parish. No date can be set for baptism until parents have fulfilled these responsibilities.

MATRIMONY: To set a date for a wedding, couples must make an appointment at the Rectory at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled for most Saturdays, at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM, or on Friday afternoons.

SICK CALLS: Phone the Rectory,
215-672-3020.

REGISTRATION: All Catholics who live within the parish boundaries should register. Boundaries: South of Street Road from Lower State Rd., to Norristown Rd., to County Line, to Blair Mill Rd., to Moreland Rd., to Maple Ave., to Horsham Rd., to Limekiln Pike, to Lower State Rd. & back to Street Road.

If you are not registered, we cannot serve you in ways which require us to know you. Please call the Rectory (215-672-3020.) We will welcome you as part of our community of faith.

PARISH ACTIVITIES: Catholic Youth Organization, CCD School of Religion, Choir (Adult and Children's), Home & School Association, Men's Group, Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary, Respect Life Committee, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Senior Citizens, and Women's Group. (Notices for these groups are posted inside this bulletin.)

A Note From The Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,
Thank you to all who made our Triduum ceremonies and Easter Masses so beautiful. A special thanks to all who supported our Easter Flower Collection. You helped to pay for the beautiful decorations for our solemn celebrations. Please

know that your intentions will continue to be remembered throughout the entire Easter Season. The envelopes with your intentions written on them will remain on the **reredos** (back altar) until Pentecost. Once again Mrs. Carla Venditti and Mrs. Karen Baranowski and their helpers did an excellent job not only with decorating, but also with maintaining the displays. If you have not yet returned your Rice Bowls, please deposit them in the bins in the back hallway. We will be forwarding those donations to Catholic Relief Services.

I hope that you had a peace filled, spiritually beneficial, and Blessed Easter. When we celebrate the Lord's resurrection, it is not just His personal victory over death that we celebrate, but also the fact that He has won salvation for all of us. This Second Sunday of Easter, or the Octave Day of Easter, is also known as **Divine Mercy Sunday**. I thought it would be important to remind ourselves about this feast. Here are some excerpts I have taken from the Divine Mercy website. You can see the full text at www.thedivinemercy.org.

The feast of Divine Mercy Sunday is the result of a revelation to St. Maria Faustina. Our Lord's explicit desire is that this feast be celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Pope John Paul II in his homily at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000 declared: "It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church, will be called 'Divine Mercy Sunday'."

By the words "the whole message," Pope John Paul II was referring to the connection between the "Easter Mystery of the Redemption" — in other words, the suffering, death, burial, resurrection, and ascension of Christ, followed by the sending of the Holy Spirit — and this Feast of Divine Mercy, the Octave Day of Easter, which fulfills the grace of atonement as lived through by Christ Jesus and offered to all who come to Him with trust.

As part of our devotion, we honor an image of Jesus as revealed to St. Maria Faustina (a copy is placed in our sanctuary). Pope John Paul II also made clear that the Image of The Divine Mercy St. Faustina saw, which is to be venerated on Divine Mercy Sunday, represents the Risen Christ bringing mercy to the world. Pope John Paul II said: "Jesus shows His hands and His side [to the Apostles]. He points, that is, to the wounds of the Passion, especially the wound in His Heart, the source from which flows the great wave of mercy poured out on humanity. St. Faustina saw two rays of light shining from that Heart and illuminating the world: 'The two rays,' Jesus Himself explained to her one day, 'represent blood and water' (Diary, 299).

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Masses For The Week

Saturday	Apr 10, 2021	5:00pm	Linda Generale
Sunday	Apr 11, 2021	7:30am	People of the Parish
		9:30am	A. Francis Allwein
		11:30am	Donald Mahon
Monday		8:00am	John F. Hayes & family
Tuesday		8:00am	Dec'd members of the Dziejdzic/Dundas families
Wednesday		8:00am	Robert Hagan
Thursday		8:00am	Charlene Boland
Friday		8:00am	Mary Chapman Earley, 1 st Anniversary
Saturday		8:00am	Beverly McPoyle

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Peter Trotter, Margie Conway, Brian Stec, James Cunningham, Jacqueline De Blasi, Jean Keenan, Michael McCarthy, Bernadette

Brooks, Louis Cerritelli, Gianna Farris, Eric Torpey, Carole Toth, Seth Game, Kim Bell, Frances Bungard, Joy Cataldi, June Faust, Linda Giardetti, Russel Heim, David Jones, Ralph Lawson, Laura Lippincott, Mary Lishman, Dave McKay, Daniel McKinny, baby Eva McNamara, Adeline McNulty, John Montgomery, Rod Nordlin, Mary Jo Pergolin, Ronan Power, Marie Trotter Rickman, Joanne Slouskey, Jack Streisky, Jack Wilhelm.

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, April 12, 2021

*Adoration – 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. – Church

Thursday, April 15, 2021

*BSA Troop 137 - 7:00 p.m. – Rectory Basement

Bulletin Submittals

Please submit your requests to the Rectory. Requests may be emailed to sjc18976@verizon.net. We welcome your bulletin requests; however, all requests are subject to Pastor's approval and space availability.

Mass Intentions Mass Intentions 2021



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The following Masses are still available in **May, 2021**.

Thursday, May 6th 8:00 am,

Friday, May 7th 8:00 am,

Thursday, May 13th 7:00

pm, Saturday, May 22nd 8:00 am, and more. Call the office at **215-672-3020** for details on how you can reserve a Mass.

Readings For The Week**Monday:** Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8**Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15**Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36**Friday:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15**Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21**Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a;
Lk 24:35-48**A Note From The Pastor Continued...**

Clearly, Divine Mercy Sunday is not a new feast established to celebrate St. Faustina's revelations. Indeed, it is not primarily about St. Faustina at all — nor is it altogether a new feast! As many commentators have pointed out, The Second Sunday of Easter was already a solemnity as the Octave Day of Easter; nevertheless, the title "Divine Mercy Sunday" does highlight and amplify the meaning of the day. In this way, it recovers an ancient liturgical tradition, reflected in a teaching attributed to St. Augustine about the Easter Octave, which he called "the days of mercy and pardon," and the Octave Day itself "the compendium of the days of mercy." As Pope John Paul II pointed out in his Regina Coeli address on Divine Mercy Sunday, 1995: "the whole octave of Easter is like a single day," and the Octave Sunday is meant to be the day of "thanksgiving for the goodness God has shown to man in the whole Easter mystery."

God Bless You!

Fr. Bordonaro

Reflect on the Readings: *DOUBT*

The desire to be able to prove the existence of a divinity has troubled humanity since human consciousness first became aware of the divine. To this very day we are fond of saying that any number of things—from sunsets to hot fudge sundaes—are “proof that there is a God.” We get so caught up in the story of “doubting Thomas” that we fail to notice that today’s Gospel gives us John’s account of Pentecost, the bestowing of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples following the Resurrection. Thomas, evidently, missed out not only on seeing the Risen Christ, but receiving the Holy Spirit as well. This is not to be taken lightly and, perhaps, makes Thomas’ disbelief a bit easier to comprehend. It also makes his professing that Jesus is his Lord and God—the only time the New Testament explicitly refers to Jesus Christ as “God”—more remarkable. -Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

St. Joseph On-Line Giving

Online Giving

Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at www.saintjosephchurch.us
2. Click on the [ONLINE GIVING] button,
3. Click on the Create Profile button, then
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

Wedding Anniversary Mass:

The Annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 5:15 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. Archbishop Nelson Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass will commemorate those couples celebrating their 1 year, 5 year, 10 year, 25 year and 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. Wedding vows will be renewed on this very special day. Please RSVP online or call the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500. For more details, visit www.phillycatholiclife.org.

*Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)**April 11, 2021*

*Who indeed is the victor over the world
but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
— 1 John 5:5*

Financial Report

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MARCH 2021

E-Giving:	\$ 12,157.81
Sunday Collections:	<u>\$ 29,961.00</u>
Total:	\$ 42,118.81

Monthly Report**MARCH, 2021**

School Subsidy	\$ 5,125.00
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 8,316.67
Disability Insurance	\$ 73.92
Liability Insurance	\$ 1,724.17
Property Insurance	\$ 835.92
Worker's Comp Insurance	\$ 130.08
Priest Auto Insurance	\$ 218.75
Priest Health Insurance	\$ 1,283.00
Employees Health Insurance	\$ 1,379.40
Priest Retirement Debt Service	\$ 208.33
Visiting Priest Honorarium	\$ 2,015.00
Employee Pay	\$ 19,072.93
Music Ministry	\$ 70.00
Payroll Service	\$ 238.80
PECO	\$ 1,956.65
Verizon	\$ 666.73
Church Cleaning	\$ 455.00
Trash Removal	\$ 403.46
Comcast Cable	\$ 156.43
Computer Support	\$ 370.70
Supplies	\$ 1,167.77
Repairs (heating system)	\$ 3,124.21
Water & Sewer	\$ 101.81
Alarm System	\$ 132.00
Pest Control	\$ 141.00
Copier Maintenance	\$ 196.95
Bi-Annual Real Estate Taxes	\$ 5,605.63
Heating Oil	\$ 481.57
Total	\$ 55,651.88

CCD School Of Religion

Please call 215-672-9990 or 215-672-3020 or email stjosephccd.warrington@yahoo.com

The format for the 2020-2021 CCD program is "Family Homeschooling." The next meeting is **Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 7:00 P.M.** in the church hall. March assignments will be turned in and the next set of assignments will be distributed. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY CHILDREN TO THE PARENTS' MEETINGS DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING.** Thank you for your cooperation!



Treasures from Our Tradition

Today was once called in Latin "*Dominica in albis*," or "Sunday in White," because the church was full of newly baptized Christians wearing their white baptismal garments. Another old title, best forgotten, is "Low Sunday." There's nothing low about this festive Sunday in Easter, the eighth day since the first "Alleluia" rang out. In Christian tradition, the number eight is a symbol of fulfillment, transition, breaking through the seven-day rhythm of life to a new way of being. That is why many baptismal fonts have eight sides. The greatest feasts of our calendar are always extended for eight days, called an "octave." In a way, this means that this first week of Easter is really considered to be one great day. This octave day of Easter sees the best features of Easter still vibrant: joyful alleluias, lush spring flowers everywhere, sprinkling with water, and a lavish table where the Lord gives us himself as bread and wine. For Orthodox Christians, today is the Easter feast, since their tradition requires that the Christian Passover cannot begin until the days of the Jewish Passover are ended.

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Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers

Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 3:00 pm.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. St. Christopher Parish Schola will provide the liturgical music. All are welcome. Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. More info: email opd@archphila.org or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number attending.

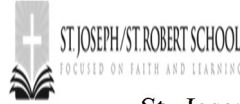
Archbishop Wood High School

is pleased to announce that the following students achieved Academic Honors for the Second Quarter – 20/21 school year:



First Honors: Lauren Scott '21, Gianna Anzideo '22, Maura Yoos '24 **Second Honors:** Luke Cantwell '21, Hailey Jacobsen '21, Mason Yacovelli '22, Luke Schaeffer '23, Patrick Gozdan '24.

St. Joseph/St. Robert School



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St. Joseph/St. Robert School has "succeeded" together in safely engaging our Pre-K to 8th grade students in continuous in-person learning since the school doors opened in September! We invite prospective families to explore our "success"! Call 215.343.5100 to schedule your private family tour!



St. Joseph/St. Robert School celebrated the Solemnity of St. Joseph and Patron Saint with a private school Mass for students and teachers. Following Mass, Fr. Bordonaro blessed the shrine to St. Joseph located in the school lobby, commemorating this year dedicated to St. Joseph. With this being the "Year of St. Joseph", our students are praying daily the Pope Francis' Prayer to St. Joseph for the blessings and guidance that lead all of us along the path of life to Christ. St. Joseph, pray for us!

