



Church of the Sacred Heart

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September 13, 2020 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

...so now I say to you
the first commandment I give you
love one another;
that ye also love
...all men know
...if ye have

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Parochial Administrator:
Reverend Joseph T. Shenosky

Deacon:
Deacon Justin J. Watkins

MASS SCHEDULE
Daily Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri - 8:00 am Tues - 7:00 pm
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday at 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon
Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:30 — 4:45 pm

SACRED HEART PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Currently closed to the public
See inside for more details

REGISTRATION FOR NEW PARISHIONERS:

If you are new to the parish, we welcome you. You may come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ—there are no strangers in grace—in His name we pray you will find peace, hospitality and friendship with us. You are welcome to register by calling our parish office at 610-932-5040.

SACRAMENTS:

Visit our website, www.sacredheart.us for the sacrament page and information about becoming Catholic, Baptisms, Marriage, and PREP. If you would prefer, you may call the parish office at 610-932-5040 for details.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

If a loved one is dealing with a serious illness, it is wise to notify the parish office as soon as possible. This sacrament is intended by the Church to be a comfort and strength to people during their illness, not to be held out as “Last Rites”.

From The PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This past week, our nation observed the nineteenth anniversary of September 11th, 2001, when members of al-Qaeda flew airplanes into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and a field in Western Pennsylvania. Like most of us old enough to remember that day, I will never forget where I was when I heard the news. I was a recently-ordained priest serving in my first assignment as an assistant at Saint Stanislaus Parish in Lansdale, PA. I had just returned to the rectory after visiting the eighth grade classroom in the parish grade school. I telephoned one of my relatives, who said how terrible it is that the World Trade Center had been attacked. I asked him what he was talking about, and he told me to turn on the TV and see. When I put on the news, I was stunned! It was hard to imagine that our nation could be attacked on our own soil. Our country would never be the same again.

At lunchtime on that tragic day, the pastor decided that we would have a parish prayer service that same evening, and he asked me to preach. I can recall going for a walk around the neighborhood in the early afternoon, wondering what I could possibly say. When the service began at 7 pm, the Church was jammed like it was Christmas Eve, even though there were only a few hours of notice. My message that evening was short and simple: even though things looked very dark, God was with us.

The call to trust in God's providence, especially in the midst of difficulties, is the perennial call of the Gospel. Jesus teaches in the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 6:25-34):

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? [...] All these things the pagans seek. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil.”

In the aftermath of September 11th, many wondered: “Where was God in all of this?” In a number of reflections and homilies given at the time, many noted that God was present in the first responders, police, and firefighters who rushed into the burning Twin Towers of the World Trade Center, risking their own lives to save others. God was also present in the outpouring of prayers and support for the families of those who lost their lives on that terrible day.

As our nation remembers once again the anniversary of 9/11, may we never forget those who lost their lives. May we try to find God, even in the most difficult and darkest of hours. And may we always strive to be the loving, merciful, and healing presence of Jesus, especially to those most in need.

May God bless you and Mary keep you.
Father Shenosky

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

All campus ministries, groups and events are being assessed on a case by case basis as we progress through the "Green Phase" of reopening our community.

Church is open for private, personal prayer
9:00am - 3:00 pm Monday - Friday

Sunday, Sept. 13th

Family Faith Formation - 8:30 am - Parish Center
AA (open) - 6:30 pm - Parish Hall

Monday, Sept. 14th

Tuesday, Sept. 15th

Eucharistic Adoration - 9:00 am - Church
Benediction - 2:45 pm - Church
Family Faith Formation - 5:45 pm - Parish Center
RCIA - 7:30 pm - Parish Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 16th

Thursday, Sept 17th

Ladies Auxiliary - 7:00 pm - Virtual Meeting this month

Friday, Sept 18th

Saturday, Sept. 19th

Confirmation Class - 3:30 pm - Parish Center

Sunday, Sept. 20th

Family Faith Formation - 8:30 am - Parish Center

Look for more ministries and groups to re-start in the coming weeks. Get the most up to date information on our website and Facebook pages at

www.sacredheart.us
www.facebook.com/sacredheartoxford

Please continue to abide by all established guidelines for disinfecting, social distancing and reduced capacity.

Our New **PARISH CENTER** is coming!

The Parish Office is now located inside the main entrance of the Parish Center Building. Our locked Parish Drop Box has been relocated outside of this entrance as well.

The Parish Office *will remain closed to the public during the month of September.* We continue to monitor the safety of our staff and parishioners in light of the COVID19 pandemic.

Staff is available by phone or via email from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Monday through Friday at our Office phone # 610-932-5040-please leave a message or at info@sacredheart.us or via personal staff emails.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Sept. 12th - Vigil Mass

5:00 pm The People of Sacred Heart

Sun., Sept. 13th - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Guenter Klees
10:00 am John & Catherine Lacek
12:00 pm Eleanor Ruffenach

Mon., Sept. 14th - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 am Shirley Salmon

Tues., Sept. 15th - Our Lady of Sorrows

7:00 pm Kathleen & Christopher Dallmer

Wed., Sept. 16th - Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

8:00 am Eugene Farina

Thur., Sept. 17th - Weekday

8:00 am A Special Intention

Fri., Sept. 18th - Weekday

8:00 am Mary Blessington

Saturday, Sept. 19th - Vigil Mass

5:00 pm Eileen Borneman

Sun., Sept. 20th - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Katharina Klees
10:00 am The People of Sacred Heart
12:00 pm Geri Santine

**** To request a Mass Card ****

Please use e-mail address info@sacredheart.us
or mail request to 203 Church Road,
or call the Parish Office and leave a message.



Joanne Kennel, Vincent Nawroozi, Ruthann Miller,
Rita Marra, Brian Kozakowski, Mary Jane Carroll,
Laura DeMasi, Robert Minnick, Francis Cornell,
Richard Miller, The Kolody & Iadicicco Families
Greyson Pickar, Beth Van Woert, Ronald Settine

Also please remember in your prayers all of our parishioners with special needs and those serving



Bulletin Submission Guidelines

Bulletin ad submissions are due by Monday at 12:00 noon the week you would like the ad to appear. Ads should be fully complete with all information details (date, time, location, group/event name) fully edited and in a Microsoft Word format if possible. Please do not send a PDF file. There is no way to edit for space/size or use any logos or images you've included if you send a PDF. Ads will be placed as space allows. Call Beth in the Parish Office with any questions at 610-932-5040.

Collection Totals

Sunday Offertory

Sept. 5th / 6th

Sunday Offertory: \$13,241.27

Building Maint: \$718.00

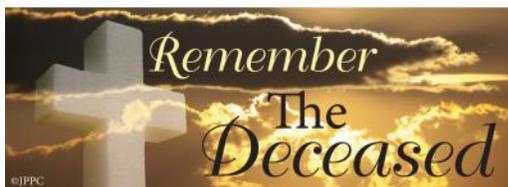
Poor Box: \$161.24

Candles: \$65.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Do you have questions about becoming Catholic? Are you a baptized Catholic who has not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation but feel called to them now? The **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** is a process of prayer, learning, and ultimately, conversion to Jesus through His Church. If you would like to know more, please contact Deacon Justin Watkins at SHChurch.RCIA@gmail.com



Ann Robinson

Beloved sister of Parishioner Jim Beletti

John Patota

Beloved husband of Parishioner Peg Patota

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Holy Water Blessing & Distribution



Since the start of the Pandemic, the Holy Water fonts at our doors have been empty to prevent the spread of germs and to protect the safety of our Parishioners and community.

Starting next weekend, Father Shenosky will be blessing bottles of Holy Water. Each family will be offered one bottle to take with them following Mass. Father Shenosky feels it's important for all families to have access to this Sacramental during these difficult times.

Thank you to the families whose generosity provided these bottles and to those volunteers who assisted in putting them together.



Parish Stewardship Opportunities

So many generous Parishioners have asked if there are things they can help with around our Parish - it's especially difficult to volunteer during a Pandemic. Here are a few small tasks that we could use some help with. If you are willing to donate a few minutes of time, we can arrange to get the supplies to you. Please call the Parish Office at 610-932-5040 or email us at info@sacredheart.us if any of these Stewardship Opportunities speak to you.

*** 1 or 2 Parishioners to launder and iron Altar Servers robes for future use.**

September, 2020 Second Collections

Two Archdiocesan Collections were postponed this past Spring as a result of suspended public Masses. These collections will be added to two Sundays during September. The 2nd collections this month are for the following intentions:

<i>Sunday, September 13th</i>	<i>Archdiocese for Military Service</i>
<i>Sunday, September 20th</i>	<i>Black & Indian Missions</i>
<i>Sunday, September 27th</i>	<i>Collection for the Holy Land</i>

Please place your offerings in one of the wicker baskets stationed around our church. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity toward these worthy causes.

Caring for Friends Meals Needed

Our Caring for Friends Outreach Ministry is in need of **meals and soups** for our clients. Please consider taking home some containers to fill with your homemade soup or chili. Please bring them back and place the filled containers in the freezer in our Caring For Friends room at the end of the hall past the restrooms in church. Your support is appreciated as our homebound neighbors are extremely grateful.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink...Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:35-41

Family Faith Formation

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 13, 2020

First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

The Need for Forgiveness

**“The Lord is kind and merciful,
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.”**

God’s Partners

Forgiving Our Neighbor

Weekly Reflection Questions:

Adults: When someone hurts you, are you more inclined to be just or to be merciful?

Children: When have you forgiven someone who treated you unfairly?



MASS & SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Come celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

Assumption BVM Church

300 State Road West Grove, PA

6:30 pm Mass - In Honor of our Blessed Mother

7:00 pm - Presentation - Inspirational Talk on the Secrets of the Holy Rosary

Guest Speaker: Dr. Antone Raymundo

Dr. Antone Raymundo, M.D. and Wharton MBA alumnus, works as a medical consultant, retreat director and Catholic speaker. Antone is a proud member of the Knights of Immaculata and is currently involved in healing and deliverance ministry. He has a great love for the Blessed Mother and looks forward to spreading devotion to her.



The Mass and Presentation will be live-streamed on the ABVM Parish website at assumptionbvmwestgrove.org. For questions, contact Nancy Paproth at 610-742-8368 or at nancyp46@verizon.net

Prayer to Saint Michael



St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness
and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly
hosts, by the power of God, thrust into
hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who
prowl about the world seeking the ruin of
souls, Amen.



In the silence,

*The Lord
speaks*

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Benediction beginning at 2:45 pm

For interest or questions contact
Joann DiLiberto at (610) 869-8962

FAITH & COMMUNITY



NDS Grab N Go Meals - Update

NDS (Nutritional Development Services for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia) will no longer have a distribution center at Sacred Heart.

As schools begin to open, the rules from the USDA are changing. Children can still receive meal support even if their schools are closed to in-person learning, but they can only receive meals FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THEY ARE ENROLLED IN. We encourage parents to connect with their school or district websites or on social media about their plans for meal distribution.

Sacred Heart Parish will continue to help support families experiencing food instability - please contact the Parish Office for assistance at 610-932-5040.



Mercy Hospice
334 South 13th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
mercyhospice@chs-adphila.org

VIRTUAL WALK WITH MERCY HOSPICE IN SEPTEMBER!

For over a decade, Mercy Hospice has participated in the annual Pro-Act Recovery Walk, which this year is going virtual. Join in by telling others you are going to walk in support of those in recovery. You might walk with a few others, even someone you know who is in recovery, or in memory of someone you knew who succumbed to addiction/substance use disorder.

MAKE A DONATION BY SOLICITING SPONSORS TO PLEDGE SUPPORT FOR YOUR WALK.

Your gift to Mercy Hospice is a concrete way of letting the women we serve know that they are not alone, that others are "walking with them" in their steps toward sobriety and independent living.

JOIN US AS AMBASSADORS FOR THOSE WHO BATTLE ADDICTION

Together we can show the world that "Recovery IS Possible!" Register with Mercy Hospice as a "Virtual Recovery Walks Participant" this year, and/or simply make a donation to our work with women in recovery.

To make a donation or register for the walk, visit:

[MercyHospicePhilly.org/walk](https://www.mercyhospicephilly.org/walk)

Welcome Back To Mass

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, & 12:00 noon
Daily Mass Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:00 am, Tuesday at 7:00 pm

As our county shifts into the "Green Phase" of statewide reopening as of Friday, June 26th, all of us need to do our part to make sure the return to Mass is a peaceful and safe experience for all. We ask everyone to follow the established guidelines when attending Mass during this period as these three areas of caution and responsibility remain in effect:

*Social Distancing *Sanitation *75% Gathering Capacity

General Points

- ◆ The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days continues to be lifted until further notice.
- ◆ Please stay home if you are sick, feel ill, or are at high risk of serious illness with COVID -19.

Before Coming to Mass

- ◆ Please wash your hands for 20 seconds using soap and water
- ◆ Before entering the Church, please put on a face mask or cloth covering. Exceptions to this are "children younger than 2 years, anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, and anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cloth face covering without assistance" (CDC Guidelines)
- ◆ Missalettes will not be in the pews during this period. You are welcome to bring your own missal/readings with you.

CDC Guidelines for Those at Higher Risk for Severe Illness:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html>