St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST
JUNE 3, 2018

Newtowne Mission from 1640 ♦ First Chapel Built 1662
Current Church Built 1731

OLDEST CATHOLIC CHURCH
IN ORIGINAL THIRTEEN COLONIES
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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!
Registration forms are in the church vestibule
and on our parish website

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday 4pm (Anticipated), Sunday 8am and 11am

DAILY MASSES
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8am

HOLY DAY MASSES
As announced in the bulletin

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays 3:15-3:45pm and by appointment

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
Following the 8am Mass until 5pm

BAPTISMS: By appointment with Father
MARRIAGES: Make arrangements with your Pastor
    at least six months in advance; call the Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
Email Paula McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com

BULLETIN ITEMS
Deadline is Friday, one week before Sunday date
Send items to sfx1640bulletin@gmail.com
**THIS WEEK**

**JUNE 3: SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**  
CORPUS CHRISTI)  
Collection for Father Andrew White School

**PARISH MISSION WITH FR. CHARLES CONNOR**  
June 6: 7PM Holy Hour & Talk  
June 7: 7PM Holy Hour & Talk  
June 8: 7PM Mass for the Feast of the Sacred Heart  
The original statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will return to its former place in our main sanctuary. It is being restored now and will be re-dedicated and blessed for our church along with the statue of St. Therese.  
Book signing and reception follows Mass in the Parish Hall  
[Please note: No 8am Mass on June 8]

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**JUNE 10: TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
Collection for the Maintenance Fund

**JUNE COLLECTIONS**

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“When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now!”  
—St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Parish Mission with Fr. Charles Connor**  
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church & Compton

**June 6, 7, and 8 at 7pm** each evening with Fr. Charles Connor on devotion to the Sacred Heart.  
The final night of the mission will be a Mass for the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please see the flyer below (also in the back of the church) for more details.

**Wednesday June 6:**  
What is Devotion to the Sacred Heart?  
7:00 – 8:00 p.m. - Holy Hour & Talk

**Thursday, June 7:**  
The Devotion to the Sacred Heart through the Ages  
7:00 – 8:00 p.m. - Holy Hour & Talk

**Friday, June 8 - Feast of the Sacred Heart:**  
Living in Union with the Sacred Heart  
7:00 p.m. - Holy Mass followed by book signing & reception in the Parish Hall

Fr. Charles Connor was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Rochester in 1980. He has authored numerous Catholic books and co-produced several series for the Eternal Word Television Network. He currently teaches theology and Church history at Mount St. Mary’s Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland.
Allow God to give you grace in abundance and transform your marriage relationship by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Weekends on August 3-5, in Hanover, MD, or November 2-4, in Gaithersburg, MD. Go to moments4marriage.org to sign-up or call 301-541-7007. It’s not too early to sign-up! Early registration is highly recommended. For more info visit our website at moments4marriage.org.
QUO VADIS CAMP “Where are you going?”
The Office of Priest Vocation’s annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school-aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary’s Seminary July 15-18. For four days, high school aged young men who are mature and desire to grow in holiness will have an opportunity for Mass, prayer, and Eucharistic adoration, as well time for recreation, sports, and fraternity. Bus transportation is available. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org! Questions? Contact the Office of Priest Vocations, vocations@adw.org, 202-636-9020.

FIAT CAMP “Let it be done”
For High School Women, rising 9th through 12th Grades, July 27-29, at Mount St. Mary’s University, Emmitsburg, MD “Let it be done” was Mary’s response to the angel Gabriel when she was asked to become the mother of Jesus. Mary was called to live courageously, to give her whole life. Her response changed the world. This July, young women from across the Archdioceses of Washington and Baltimore are invited to be challenged to become fully who they are – to embrace the unique gifts given to them by God and to discover the great dignity of their vocation as a woman. The camp includes prayer, talks, and discussions with religious sisters, games and sports. Fee is $150; sibling discounts & scholarships available. Details and registration at www.quovadisfiat.org.

OVERCOMING POLARIZATION IN A DIVIDED NATION THROUGH CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT
Join the Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life for a Public Dialogue this Monday, June 4, at 4pm in Gaston Hall at Georgetown University. Speakers include Cardinal Cupich of Chicago and member of the Vatican Congregation for Bishops, Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles and Vice President of the USCCB, Helen Alvare of the Scalia Law School of George Mason University, and Sr. Teresa Maya the president of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious. For more info or to RSVP, email cathsocialthought@georgetown.edu.

Do This in MEMORY of Me

NEWS FROM OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Honor your father this Father’s Day
Place a carnation(s) on the altar in memory of Dad or that special man who played an important role in your life. Envelopes are on the table in the narthex of the church. Place in the collection basket by June 10. Call Jim Howe, 301-904-9041.

Newtowne Manor House Restoration
Donations to:
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Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi — the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This is a good time to remind ourselves of the outward signs of reverence due to the Most Blessed Sacrament. We as Catholics believe that Jesus is truly present — Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity — in the Eucharist. Our interior attitude and exterior actions should reflect that belief.

Upon entering and leaving the church, we always greet Our Lord in the tabernacle by genuflecting on one knee. If you are unable to genuflect, due to illness or disability, then a reverent bow from the waist is appropriate. The way we dress for Holy Mass is a sign of respect for others and for Our Lord, calling for “Our Sunday Best.” Something to keep in mind as the warmer summer months allow us to dress somewhat more casually, but always with good taste and modesty.

A respectful silence in church allows others to pray and creates an atmosphere of reverential awe in the presence of God. This is true not only before Mass begins but after Mass as well. These outward signs of reverence toward Our Lord in the Eucharist show our great love for Him who loves us beyond measure.

And this week begins our Parish Mission (Retreat) with Fr. Charles Connor at 7pm each evening on June 6, June 7, and culminating with a special Mass for the Feast of the Sacred Heart on June 8. Immediately following Mass on Friday there will be a reception and a book signing in the Parish Hall. I hope to see you there!

Peace and blessings,
Fr. Rob