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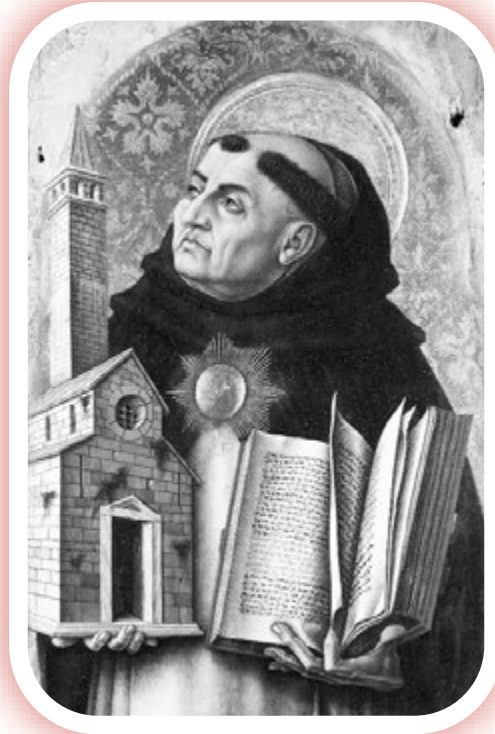
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sundays: 9:00 AM (SETON)
and 11:00 AM (St. Thomas)

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM
Saturday: 9:00 AM
(Chapel at 126 Walnut Ave.)

Holydays: 8:30 AM, 12 noon
AND 7:00 PM
(St. Thomas)



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**CONFESSION
SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 3:30-4:00 PM
(St. Thomas)

Served By:

Rev. David A. Fernandes, Pastor

Rev. Michael J. Lonergan, Pastor Emeritus, (Former St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

Deacon John J. Gallagher

MARRIAGES

By Diocesan policy, a six month advance notice is required to allow sufficient time for the necessary marriage paper work and preparation. Deacons are permitted to witness marriages which are not celebrated during Mass.

BAPTISMS

First and Third Sundays of the month after 11:00 AM Mass. Attendance at Pre-Jordan class, on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 7:30PM, in the Parish Meeting Room at 121 Belmont Avenue, is a requirement. You must pre-register by calling the Parish Office at (215)788-2989.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony, and/or to receive a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent or Sponsor it is necessary for you to be registered in our parish and practice the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office as soon as you move into our parish to schedule a registration meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you move, or change your address or phone number.

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturdays after 9:00 AM Mass (Chapel)
Rosary: Weekdays before 8:30 AM Mass (Chapel) and Saturday before 9:00 AM Mass
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 9:00 AM -3:30PM with Benediction at 3:30 PM (Chapel)
(September to May)

July 1, 2018



Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Office of the Archbishop
222 North 17th Street
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*Attention pastors: Kindly have this letter read at all Masses
on the weekend of June 23/24*

Dear friends:

In the next few days, a Pennsylvania Grand Jury report involving incidents of sexual abuse in six Catholic dioceses over the past seven decades will be made public. The Grand Jury did *not* investigate the Archdiocese of Philadelphia or our clergy; therefore we are not part of the report. Nonetheless, the findings will be a difficult experience for all of us -- especially for survivors of sexual abuse and their loved ones. We deeply regret their pain. We are committed to helping survivors heal. Our efforts to ensure the safety of children and families in our parishes, schools, and ministerial programs will continue.

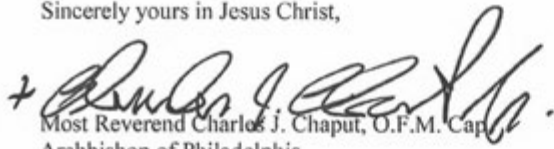
Over the past 15 years, the Archdiocese has put in place a wide range of reforms to protect young people. I want to reassure you today, as forcefully as I can, that we have a zero tolerance policy for clergy, lay employees, and volunteers who engage in the abuse of children or misconduct with minors. We cooperate promptly and fully with law enforcement. And we take immediate action when an allegation is made.

Finally, the Archdiocese has -- for many years -- published a database of living and deceased priests known to have sexually abused minors that can be found online through our Office of Investigations at <http://archphila.org/archdiocesan-offices/office-of-investigations/>. We also provide ongoing and significant support for survivors of abuse and their families. Details can be found online through our Office for Child and Youth Protection at <https://childyouthprotection.org>.

Research and experience have shown that sexual abuse plagues every corner of society from sports and public institutions, to the entertainment industry and the political arena. Prevention of abuse comes from training and constant vigilance, and the prevention of abuse -- along with support for survivors -- is and will remain a constant priority for our Church.

Thank you for your fidelity to Jesus Christ and his Church under difficult circumstances. May God bless you, your families, and all those you love.

Sincerely yours in Jesus Christ,


Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

July 1, 2018

Mass Intentions
for the Week

Monday July 2, 2018
8:30 AM Theresa McCloskey req by Carol Rodriguez & Family

Tuesday July 3, 2018
8:30 AM Thomas Turner req by Donna Rosselli

Wednesday July 4, 2018
9:00 AM Thaddeus Krolikowski req by M/M Gregory Neuman & Family

Thursday July 5, 2018
8:30 AM Robert Cinkutis Jr req by Tony & Lois Cinkutis

Saturday July 7, 2018
9:00 AM Louis Balot req by Eleanor Keeton
4:30 PM Louis Balot req by Cindy, Lauren & Meghan Balot

Sunday July 8, 2018
9:00 AM Ramona Carillo req by Marta
11:00 AM Louis Balot req by Mary & Bernadette Nastala

Weekend Offerings

06/16	4:30 PM	\$ 1,903.00
06/17	9:00 AM	\$ 1,853.00
06/17	11:00 AM	\$ 1,710.00
Mail Ins/Parish Giving		\$ 1,258.00
Debt Reduction		\$ 101.00
Summer Maintenance		\$ 401.00
Other Collections (Parish)		\$ 0.00
Other Collections (Archdiocese)		\$ 2.00
Candles		\$ 19.00
Poor Box		\$ 12.00

TOTAL for Parish for June 17, 2018 \$7,257.00
TOTAL for Other Collections (Archdiocesan) \$2.00

Thank you for your generosity.
May the Lord bless you.

Lectors

July 7, 2018
4:30 PM J Berna & K Schafer

July 8, 2018
9:00 AM C DelPuerto & T Marion
11:00 AM R Powell & J Howarth

Extraordinary Ministers

July 7, 2018
4:30 PM M Bosco & B Balot

July 8, 2018
9:00 AM R Gutherman & E Callery
11:00 AM A Scheck & E Marra

Altar Servers

July 7, 2018
4:30 PM Lawrence Gabriel, Chasity Gabriel,
Chaston Gabriel

July 8, 2018
11:00 AM Mason McMahon, Effie McMahon,
MaryRose Okwara

Sunday Scriptures July 8, 2018

Reading I: Ezekiel 2:2—5 (101B)
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 123:1—2, 2, 3—4
Reading II: 2 Corinthians 12:7—10
Gospel: Mark 6:1—6a

Remember In Your Prayers



Our men and women in the military:

Many of our parishioners have family members serving in dangerous assignments around the world. Please keep them in your prayers.

Our Sick: Anna Balla, Robin Beerhalter, Francis Breuer, Stephanie Burris, Bill Campanelli, Tama Cary, Thelma Clee, Joe Cochran, Dolores DeBeaumont, Tony DiTommaso, Ruth Donnelly, George Doran Jr., Dolores Doran, Maureen Fenton, Richard Fieramosca, Joseph Hailstone, Jayon & Cheryl Haulchild, Jean Hennessey, Bart Houck, Catrina Hudome, Tom & Rosemary Hynes, Luisa Jabla, Janet Jackson, Tessie Jaen, Regina Lang, Tara Lessard, Duncan Lewis, Angelo & Connie Lombardo, Debbie Lyons, Kathy Maddaloni, Margaret McGrory, Gladys McLean, Carletta Minor, Gen Morrin, Bernadette O'Brien, Casper Pepe, Richard Powers, Mary Beth Rea, Dawn Marie Rogers, Eileen Ryan, Jimmy Simon, Amanda Tees, John Tobar, Kim Vickers, Jack Williams, Jermaine Williams, Denise Wilson, Elaine Wilson, and all their relatives and friends.

Our Deceased: Paul Moore, Joseph Powell and all the deceased members of our parish and their relatives and friends.



On Sunday, June 17, 2018, one boy and one girl received the Sacrament of Baptism by which they were incorporated into the Body of Christ:

Louis Osborn
Makayla Osborn

The second collection on the weekend of July 7th and 8th, will be for the Campaign for Human Development. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ "... to bring good news to the poor... release to captives ... sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free." (Luke 4:18) CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out.

St Thomas Aquinas Lottery Ticket Fundraiser

The results for June 20th to June 26th are as follows:

Date	Winning #	Winners
June 20	405	R Spear
June 21	246	Cherry DelPuerto
June 22	462	Unsold Ticket
June 23	101	Dot DeBeaumont
June 24	529	Chris Heaton
June 25	405	R Spear
June 26	034	Unsold Ticket

The Finance and Parish Councils began selling lottery tickets for our Second Annual St Thomas Aquinas Lottery Ticket Fundraiser. Tickets with a three-digit number will be sold for \$25.00 each and will be good for one year (07/01/18-06/30/19). We will sell tickets, after all Masses, until July 1st. Beginning July 2 through July 13, you may still purchase a ticket through the Parish Office.

In observance of Independence Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th.

We wish everyone a Safe and Happy July 4th.



Parish Calendar of Events

The **Knights of Columbus #4765** will hold their next General Membership Meeting on **Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 7:30 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For information, contact Wayne Freer at (215) 266-6423.

The **Croydon Civic Association** will hold their next meeting on **Monday, July 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. For information, contact Donna Cuttle at (215) 788-7828.

The **STA Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society** will hold their next meeting on **Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For more information, please call (267) 554-7109.

The **Women's Bible Group** meets every other Thursday at **7:00 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. Their next meeting will be on **Thursday, July 12, 2018. Beginning June 21st and through the summer, we will be showing faith-filled movies.** All are invited and welcome. We hope you will join us. For more information, please contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331.

The next **Pre-Jordan Class** will be held on **Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 7:30 PM** in the Parish Meeting Room. Parents and Godparents must attend. For questions or to confirm your attendance please contact the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

Separated/Divorced Support Group will meet on **Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in Father Crehan Hall. For more information, please contact Peg Duffy at (215) 788-1947.

The **Ladies of the Knights of Columbus** will hold their next meeting on **Monday, July 30, 2018 at 7:00 PM** at Father Crehan Hall. For information, contact Marie Kelly at (215) 788-3331.

The Giving Tree is Celebrating "Christmas in July"

"Christmas will always be as long as we stand heart to heart and hand to hand" Dr. Seuss

Together we can stand, heart to heart and hand to hand, in sand or snow to help our families in their time of need. With your help, we would like to bring back "Christmas in July" this year. The tree will be decorated with summer ornaments, please take one. These gifts will be for our families this holiday season. It is also a way for you to give a little now and a little later. Less Christmas stress makes "happy parishioners." So, enjoy the summer sun, sand and surf but please remember our families who are in need. Any help we provide is greatly appreciated. Thank you! You are always in our prayers. The Giving Tree Committee, Janice Fratantaro and Donna Pierce-Bongart

Knights of Columbus #4765 "Night of Bowling" at AMF Bristol Pike Lanes on **Sunday, August 5, 2018** from 2:00 to 5:00 PM. \$15.00 Per Person (maximum of 6 people to a lane). If a Private Lane is desired, please contact Wayne Freer or the Parish Office for pricing. Food and Drinks Extra. Names and payment must be received by Friday, July 27, 2018. For reservations, contact Wayne Freer at (215) 266-6423 or the Parish Office at (215) 788-2989.

SETON Seniors & Curran Travel presents **Resorts Casino in Atlantic City on Thursday, August 16, 2018.** \$51.00 per person. Payment due by July 9th. Trip includes Departure from St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parking Lot at 9:00 AM. Arrive at Resorts at 11 AM and receive \$25.00 in Slot Play. Depart for home at 5 PM. For information/reservations, contact Betty Keller at (215) 638-1594.

Save the Date:

*We are making plans and preparations for our **Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 12, 2018 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM.** We hope you will plan on joining us for a day of good food, fun and conversation with family and friends.*

Volunteers for set up/clean up are always welcome.

Donation of Baked Goods is appreciated.

New Horizons Spirit Journey—Ireland Discount

Ireland, September 5-15, 2018. Experience traveling all around Ireland including Belfast in the North; where we get the best of both worlds. A little bit of the sacred and a little bit of the secular. Tour includes round trip airfare with bus transportation to and from the airport, airline surcharges, 4-star accommodations, daily breakfast, Mass and dinners, a Medieval Banquet and so much more. Originally \$3849.

Now until July 4th, there is ONE single supplement waiver of \$875 or a \$500 discount per person on a double occupancy reservation. For reservations, contact Helen at (610) 213-4141.

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist invites you to **Fatima Evening on July 11, 2018** from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Father Harry McCreedy will lead the Fatima Evening of Prayer for Peace and the Protection of the World at Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist in Birdsboro, PA. This event includes Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Praying the Rosary, an Act of Consecration of Our Nation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Eucharistic Benediction, and the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. To register call (610) 582-3333 or visit www.olme.org.

A Perfect Gift of Love—Refresh your marriage relationship on a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is designed to help married couples communicate more intimately with one another in order to deepen and enrich their relationship. The weekend is free from everyday routines, distractions, and tensions. There are no "group discussions". The weekend starts at 8 PM on Friday and runs until 4 PM on Sunday. All faith expressions are welcome! The next Worldwide Encounter Weekends are **July 13-15, 2018** and **October 19-21, 2018** at Our Lady of Czestochowa. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information, visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/> or contact Al & Mary Liz at (610) 449-1859 or Applications@wwme-philly.org.

B.B.V.C. 2018—July 13, 2018. Boys in Grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to a summer day of fun, food, and faith at St Charles Borromeo Seminary with the Philadelphia Seminarians! The registration fee of \$25 includes supplies, lunch and dinner. To register, or for more information, visit: heedthecall.org/event/BBVC. Questions? Contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at (610) 667-5778.

The 11th Annual Jaguar St Ephrem Basketball Camp for boys and girls in St Ephrem's air conditioned facility. Two great weeks for only \$200 or one week for \$125. **July 23-27 and July 30-August 3.** Basketball and T-Shirt included.

Under the direction of former College Coach, Dan Williams. For more information, email DANW1001@aol.com.

New Horizons Spirit Journey. Join New Horizons on a great adventure to Lancaster where we will see the greatest story of all time. The action-packed musical "**Jesus**" at the Sight and Sound Theatre is by far the best show I have ever seen, even better than Broadway. Before the show, we will have a private sit-down lunch at the Eden Resort with your choice of London Broil, Chicken Parmigiana or Raspberry Salmon with salad, vegetables, beverage and dessert. There is even time for shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village. We will depart from St Elizabeth Ann Seton parking lot on **Wednesday, July 25th** at 8am. Cost is \$130 for show, lunch and motor coach transportation. Call Helen to reserve your spot on the bus at (610) 213-4141. Don't miss out....tickets go fast!

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage! Is your marriage going down the right road...or it is a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? **Retrouvaille** can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you 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 origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA on **August 17-19**. For more information, or to register, visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential

The **50 Year Reunion** for Bishops Conwell and Egan High Schools will be held on **October 27, 2018** at 6:00 PM at the Radisson Hotel in Trevoise followed by 4:00 PM Mass at the school. For ticket information, please visit the school's website or contact Drew McQuade at creekmud@hotmail.com.

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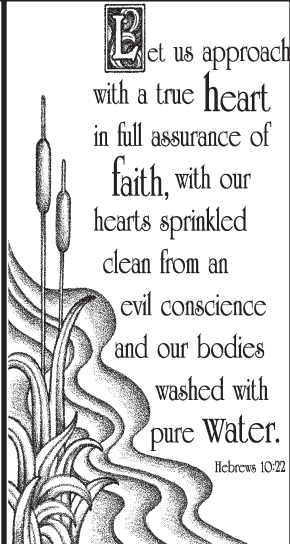
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