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Holy Mass:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:15 am

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 am

Sacrament of Penance:

Each Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm

Wednesdays:

7:30 to 7:50 am & 6:30 to 7:00 pm

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SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022 ~ THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate Trinity Sunday...officially called "The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity."

It is one of the few celebrations of the Liturgical Year that commemorates a reality and doctrine rather than a person or event.

On Trinity Sunday, we remember and honor the eternal God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday is celebrated the Sunday after Pentecost, and lasts only one day, which is symbolic of the unity of the Trinity.

The Trinity is a mystery. By mystery the Church does not mean a riddle, but rather the Trinity is a reality above our human comprehension that we may begin to grasp, but ultimately we will only know through worship, symbol, and faith.

If we reflect on the mystery of the Trinity, we can see also that it is the way in which God has been revealed to us, as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We can never fully understand the mystery of the Trinity, but we can sum it up in the following formula: God is three Persons in one Nature. The three Persons of God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—are all equally God, and They cannot be divided.

This week take some time to meditate on the place of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in your life.

I would also invite you to pray the following prayer given by Our Lady at Fatima:

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

God love you!
Father DiMaria



You are kindly asked to pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mrs. Margaret O'Sullivan who was called from this life on the great Feast of Pentecost.

Mrs. O'Sullivan was the mother of Father Timothy F. O'Sullivan who formerly served as pastor of Sacred Heart from 2014-2017.



If you would like to send Father O'Sullivan your condolences, you may address your cards or letters to him at the following address:

St. Ephrem Rectory
5400 Hulmeville Road
Bensalem, PA 19020

May the dear soul of Mrs. O'Sullivan, the mother of a priest and five other children, rest in the eternal embrace of the Triune God!

Congratulations!

Our parishioner Michael Livingston, who is a freshman at Archbishop Carroll High School, was confirmed by Archbishop Perez last Sunday at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul in Philadelphia. We extend our congratulations and prayers to Michael and his family!



Welcome Sister, Servants of the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

We are pleased to welcome Sr. Mary Joseph, SSCJ, Sr. Jana Paula, SSCJ and Sister Keli Jo Connor who will be with us from June 25 to July 2 to conduct our first children's summer bible camp. There is still room for more children so please encourage your family members, neighbors, and friends to join in the fun!



Parish Feast Day Celebrations

Our parish is blessed to be dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sacred Heart, pierced by the soldier's lance on Calvary, shows forth the sacrificial love of Christ. It is this love known as "Agape" in the New Testament which is honored in our patronal Name.

While the feast of the Sacred Heart is a movable one as it always falls on the Friday that follows the second Sunday after Pentecost, this year the feast will take place on Friday, June 24th. We will celebrate our patronal feast in the following ways:

1. 8:00 a.m. Mass on Friday, June 24th
2. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 5:00 p.m.
3. A short church service at 5:00 p.m. with a sermon preached by the newly ordained priest Fr. Andrew Lane followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
4. A parish dinner held at Swedesburg Fire House catered by PTG Caterers. Tickets are available after Masses and in the rectory.
5. Music provided by Fasano Entertainment.

Liturgical law also permits parishes to celebrate their patronal feasts on the Sundays closest to their feast. Therefore, so that more people may rejoice in the love of the Heart of Christ, our Saturday 4 p.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. and 10:15 Masses will also be in honor of the Sacred Heart. Special worship aides will be distributed at these Masses.

Following the 10:15 Mass on Sunday there will be a reception in the air-conditioned parish hall so that our people may enjoy one another's company and together rejoice in the goodness of God.

Please consider joining us for these parish community building events!



May Poor Box Offering

We collected \$270.00 in the poor box during the month of May. Thank you for your generosity. May's collection will be given to Our House Ministries located in the Grey Ferry's section of Philadelphia. Located directly across the street from Saint Gabriel's church, Our House Ministries was founded by Father Douglas McKay who is a priest of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who has faithfully served the poor and those suffering from any form of addiction. They describe their mission in the following way:

Our House Ministries give witness to the peaceful Gospel of joy and love to the people of God. We see in each person, especially the ones who come to us, the image of Jesus Christ whose compassion we share. The charity of our Lord's benefactors enable us to build up the Body of Christ by providing both spiritual and corporal support for our needy brothers and sisters in our Grays Ferry facilities. May the God we know, love and serve in this life bless our mission for His honor and glory and lead us all to our eternal home to be happy with Him forever in heaven.

Parish Sunday Social to celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart!



On Sunday, June 26, immediately following the 10:15 Mass please join us in the air-conditioned Parish Hall for a light reception to celebrate our patronal feast. Suzy-Jo donuts, pastries, soft pretzels, fruit, etc. and drinks will be provided.

In order to help us plan for the event, please either **RSVP by June 19th** to Pat Moletzsky at patandy820@gmail.com or return the following RSVP slip to the rectory. We hope many will be able to join us.

Name _____

Number attending _____



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June 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The annual Peter's Pence Collection provides essential support for the Holy See's relief efforts around the world activities and helps Pope Francis assist victims of wars, oppression, and natural disaster .

For example, the Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS) share the Gospel and minister to the temporal needs of people in places that the Church designates as mission lands. The individuals in these countries lack access to basic resources and face levels of poverty we cannot imagine. When the COVID-19 pandemic swept across the world, the Holy Father established an emergency fund at PMS to address needs in areas of Latin America, Africa, and Asia where the pandemic posed a grave humanitarian crisis.

Your contribution to Peter's Pence helps fund numerous initiatives like the one outlined above in addition to many other worthy projects that build up the Church and lift up those most in need. To learn more about the ways in which Peter's Pence supports the Holy Father's ministry of mercy, visit <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html> (English) or <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/es.html> (español).

Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's collection as an act of mercy and charity. Join our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help Pope Francis carry out his ministry to the Universal Church and reach out to the most marginalized in our world. Thank you and may God bless you abundantly.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,

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Summer Time Support



We pray that you have a relaxing and rewarding summer. Please remember that we can never take a vacation from God, however, so please continue to pray, worship, and receive the sacraments wherever you chose to vacation.

We also ask that you continue to generously support our parish in your absence. Our operational expenses are many and we continue to be dependent upon your generosity.

You may always mail your contributions to the rectory or place them in the mail slot at the rectory front door. You may also wish to consider electronic giving which is easy to use and has proven to be a reliable source of income for many parishes throughout the country. For more information about our electronic giving program please see the parish website.



CLASS Reunion Looking for Bishop Kenrick Class of 1970

The Class of 1970 turns 70 and several events have been planned.

A memorial service for deceased members of the class on Saturday June 25th at 10 AM at St. Patrick's Cemetery followed by an informal gathering at Peppers in King of Prussia from 1:00 - 4:00. Just drop in. We'll have cake!

A larger event is planned for Saturday, September 10 1:00 - 5:00 at our legacy school Pope John Paul HS, Royersford, PA. Save the date!

Contact bishopkenrick1970@gmail.com with your email to receive updated information. And have a look at our Class of 70 website with lots more information. www.bkhs-1970.net.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 11

4:00pm Edward & Mary Jane Bowe
Requested by Pat & MaryCatherine Murphy

Sunday, June 12

**8:00am For the Living & Deceased Members
of the Holy Name Society**
Requested by Sacred Heart Holy Name Society

10:15am For the People of Our Parish

Monday, June 13

8:00am Kurt Krueger
Requested by Susan Cash

Tuesday, June 14

8:00am Sophia Kurpiel
Requested by Spike & Joan DeStefano

Wednesday, June 15

8:00am Annunziata DiNenna
Requested by Chris, Ross & Joe Russen

Thursday, June 16

8:00am Elizabeth Thummel
Requested by Lou Puco

Friday, June 17

8:00am William Calderwood

Saturday, June 18

8:00am John & Philomena Kurcik
Requested by Daughter, Mary Ann

**4:00pm For the Living & Deceased Fathers
of Our Parish**

Sunday, June 19

**8:00am For the Living & Deceased Fathers
of Our Parish**

**10:15am For the Living & Deceased Fathers
of Our Parish**



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



Let Us Serve The Lord With Gladness!

The following Ministers are scheduled for our Parish Masses.

Saturday evening, June 18:

4:00pm

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:
Valencia Zaremba

Lector: Walt Fromm, Jr.

Sunday morning, June 19:

8:00am

Lector: Rich McVoy

10:15am

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:
Dolores Burton

Lector: Danielle Cantando

Celebrant's Mass Schedule

Saturday evening, June 18:

4:00pm - Father DiMaria

Sunday morning, June 19:

8:00am - Father Shea

10:15am—Father DiMaria



Weekly Report

June 4—5, 2022

\$5,685.00

Thank you for your support of Our Parish!



Upcoming Monthly Special Collection

In your generosity, please remember

The Weekend of June 18 - 19, 2022

Peter's Pence



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PEACE**

JUNE 12, 2022

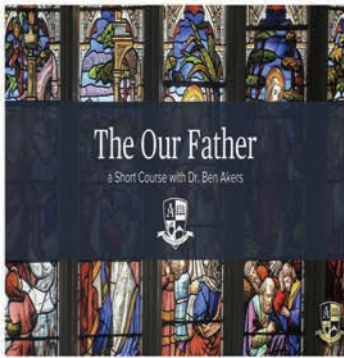
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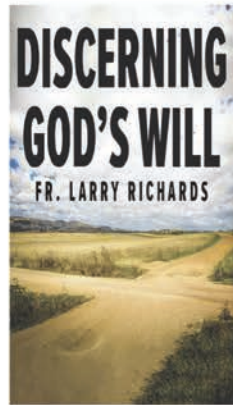
JESUS: THE MODEL AND MASTER OF PRAYER

In this episode of his course on the Our Father, Dr. Ben Akers teaches us what we can learn from the perfect model and master of prayer: Jesus himself.

LISTEN

DISCERNING GOD'S WILL BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS

Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories!



Please Pray For All Who Protect Our Country, especially...

Matthew D. Baxter (Staff Sergeant, U.S. Air Force), grandson of Peg Palmer; **John F. K. Benedict** (Major, USAF ANG), son of Christine & Vince Benedict; **Anthony C. Brandt** (CW3 Warrant Officer, U.S. Army Reserves), son of Eileen & Nesbur Brandt; **Zachary T. Brandt** (Sergeant U.S. Army), grandson of Eileen & Nesbur Brandt; **LCDR Matthew J. Capaldo** (U.S. Navy) son of John & Connie Capaldo; **Michael DeStefano, Jr.** (Sergeant U.S. Army) grandson of Jack & Sue DeStefano; **Darius A. Garey** (E3, U.S. Navy), great-grandson of Peg Palmer; **Michael Gutkowski** (Lieutenant, U.S. Navy), grandson of Pat Gutkowski; **Noel Irizarry** (Lance Corporal, U.S. Marine Corps), son of Patricia Epright; **Shane Jones** (Sergeant US Marines), grandson of Fran Toth; **Gregory Kantz** (Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force), grandson of Rose Kantz; **Stephen Kantz** (Commander, U.S. Navy), grandson of Rose Kantz; **Matthew McNulty** (Chief Warrant Officer 3 U.S.M.C.), son of Irene McNulty; **Michael McSweeney** (Commander, U.S. Navy); **Rick McVoy** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy) son of Rich McVoy; **Jonathan D. Palmer** (Sergeant, U.S. National Guard), grandson of Peg Palmer; **Greg Philips** (Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy); **Jessica Prostack** (CW2 Warrant Officer, U.S. Army), daughter of Richard Prostack; **Jeffrey Seamans** (Captain, U.S. Army), son-in-law of Dolores Burton.

In Your Charity, Please Pray For Our Sick



Ayden Boone (Great Great-Grandson of Armando Delmoro); Butch Rodenbaugh; Nicholas Janicki; Edith Barbone; Catherine Bankowski; Michael Myers and Melissa (Myers) Sillah (Grandchildren of Dora & Armando Delmoro) George Estock; Helen Bednar; Nicholas Yacovelli; Kyle Kolva (Friend of Kathy Smith); Barbara A. Burkert (Daughter of Dora & Armando Delmoro); Cody Taylor (Nephew of Michael & Eileen Bralski); Melonie Mitchell; John Smoczylo; Teddy Swede (Brother of Gloria Swede); Laurie Ronan (Niece of Gloria Swede); David Degulis (Brother-in-law of John Puzio, Jr. & Kathy Smith); Edward Keszczyk; Terry Stephenson (Brother-in-law of John Puzio, Jr. & Kathy Smith); Michael Dulaney (Brother-in-law of John Puzio, Jr. & Kathy Smith); Kerry Link (Daughter of Irene McNulty); Lorraine Farrell; Gary Gutkowski; Rose Coscia; Francis Coscia; We are happy to keep your loved ones on our Parish prayer list for four weeks. If they would benefit from remaining on our prayer list after this period of time, please call the rectory.

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To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

The Sacred Heart Pro Life Holy Hour

All are welcome to join us at 12:00 pm noon each Wednesday to gather in prayer to ask for God's help on issues affecting our nation and families.



THE MOST HOLY Trinity



June 12, 2022 - The Most Holy Trinity

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Part of what makes us a mobile society is our automobiles. If that mobility is ever hampered by any “geographical disability” on our part, there is always our GPS device handy and helpful. Or is it always? This marvelous device, a real boon to anyone timid about setting forth into the unknown destination, sometimes just doesn’t work.

I experienced that recently when I was enroute to a wedding hotel site. Luckily, the tech savvy bridegroom talked me right to the door of the place using my smartphone, which itself is another modern marvel. Even the best gadgets are vulnerable and can never replace a helpful human being.

But here’s a question. What or who do we turn to for guidance on our life’s spiritual journey homeward? There are trustworthy spiritual directors, yes. But many people go through life without one. There are professional guidance counselors, but they might not be people of our Faith. We trust our saints to fill the bill, but their help depends on our diligent research for their words of wisdom.

In the end, it is the divine Trinity whom we celebrate today who are the first and best guides, easily accessible through prayer. For the moment I would like to highlight the Holy Spirit’s role as guide for our lives, He whom we celebrated for His dramatic showing only last Sunday on Pentecost.

We can understand how the chosen Twelve needed deeper insight into what they witnessed when they were with Jesus along with the preaching skills to deliver their message. The Holy Spirit was their inspiration.

But today we have the perfect opportunity to assess our personal devotion to the entire Blessed Trinity. Do we pay attention to the words of the “Glory be” prayer when we pray it? Do we seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit before making a big decision? Or, perhaps as a student, before taking an exam? Just two instances when our need is the Spirit’s call for His help.

On our life’s spiritual journey homeward to heaven, the Blessed Trinity knows best how to get there. The Holy Trinity is our best personal guide. But we do have to ask for their help. Finally, my advice to any of you who think of God as your Copilot—it’s time to swap seats!

God love you and give you His peace.

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