

# *Sacred Heart Parish*

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## MEMORIAL DAY

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**Leo Brady**

*Sacristan*

### *Sacramental Schedule*

#### **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

or by request

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*Directors of Parish  
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# SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022 ~ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Memorial Day Mass** will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. We will remember all those who have given their lives in the service of our country.

The parish office will be closed for the day.



## Join us for a *PARISH FEAST DAY DINNER*

*Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>*

*5:00 PM Church Service*

*5:30 PM Dinner*

*Dinner to be held at the Swedesburg Fire House*

*Dinner includes:*

*Hors D'Oeuvres*

*Caesar Salad*

*Ravioli & Penne*

*Chicken in White Wine & Hand Carved top round*

*Grilled Vegetables, Roasted Potatoes*

*Fresh Rolls & Butter*

*Soda, Coffee*

*Assorted Italian pastries and cakes*

*Cash Bar*

*Tickets will be available after Masses and in the rectory.*

*\$35. per person*

*\$15. 12 & under*



*Music provided by Fasano Entertainment*

*"My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God."*

*- Our Lady to Lucia*



***Come to the 8:00 AM Mass on Saturday, June 4***

*& Pray the Rosary after to make reparations for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.*

*The Marian Society will lead the Rosary following the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, June 5*

*"The Rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our redeemer, who loves His Mother."*

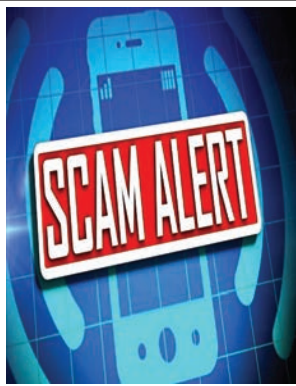
*- St. Louis de Montfort*



**Companions in Prayer and Ministry**— Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> will be our last "Companions" meeting until the fall of 2022. At this inspiring time of Pentecost, you are invited to

attend our meeting after the 10:15 Mass in the Rectory Meeting Room. Our focus will be the Holy Spirit and the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please consider joining us!

***Sister MaryAnne***



## SCAM ALERT!

Please know that Father DiMaria and the Sacred Heart staff will never email or text requests for money, gift cards, or help in any way. If you receive one, please DO NOT respond to these requests!



**PREP** (religious education program for children) will be held beginning Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and concluding on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. The program will

begin each day at 9am and finish at 2:00 pm.

**Summer Bible Camp** - All children Kindergarten through 8th grade are invited to join our parish's summer bible camp from June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>. Staffed by the Sister, Servants of the Sacred Heart from Cresson, PA. This event is open to every child regardless of parish affiliation.

All who are interested are asked to sign up by Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**PREP & Summer Bible Camp Registration forms are available at the back of church or visit our parish website at:**

**[unitedinthesacredheart.com](http://unitedinthesacredheart.com)**



**ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL MEN—JOIN THE VOCATION OFFICE AND PHILADELPHIA**

**SEMINARIANS FOR OUR ANNUAL QUO VADIS DAYS CAMP** to be held from Monday, June 27 to Thursday, June 30 at Black Rock Retreat Center, Quarryville, PA.

Registration deadline is this **Wednesday, June 1.**

Questions & Registration, please contact Jillian Minnich at 610-667-5778.

## 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 19<sup>th</sup> to Pat Moletzsky at [patandy820@gmail.com](mailto:patandy820@gmail.com) or return the following RSVP slip to the rectory. We hope many will be able to join us.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

Please RSVP by June 19<sup>th</sup>



O Lord Jesus Christ  
Grant peace and protection  
to the people of Ukraine.

Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right, and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual.



From a prayer written by Carrie Chuff, a Ukrainian Greek Catholic mom.  
<https://www.catholicicing.com/catholic-prayer-for-ukraine-printable/>

**St. John the Baptist/Sacred Heart  
Evangelization Day in Bridgeport**

**Saturday, June 11, 2022**  
**502 Ford Street, Bridgeport PA 19405**

**Agenda**

**8:30 a.m. Rosary**

Father Cantrell will be available for *Confession* from 8:00-8:45 a.m.

**9:00 a.m. Mass** in St. John the Baptist Church  
**Breakfast and Training Session** in the hall

**10:30 – 1:00 Visiting Homes** with partner  
(New workers will be teamed with an experienced partner, assignment times will be slightly staggered, teams will visit for two hours each during this window of time.)

**12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Teams return and submit report forms to Edel**

**Please Register before 6/6/22 by emailing the information below to [r.edel.lukens@gmail.com](mailto:r.edel.lukens@gmail.com)**  
**For more info: 610-256-7125**

**St. John the Baptist/Sacred Heart  
Evangelization Day Registration**

**NAME:**

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**Email address:**

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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If legionary, which council?**

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**If non-Legion parishioner, SJB or Sacred Heart?**

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**First time doing door-to-door evangelization? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_**

**Need experienced partner? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_**

**Have car? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_**

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*ASL Keynote*

*Opening Mass*



Michelle Bersinger  
Finding Your Freedom in Christ



Sr. Mariam James Heckland, SOLT  
Jesus, Our Healer



Martha Reyes  
Encontrando tu libertad en Cristo



Sue Gulerkauf  
Be Not Afraid: Finding Your Freedom in Christ



Archbishop Nelson J. Perez  
Celebrant

*Breakout Sessions*

*Holy Hour*



Katie Weiss  
Visio Divina for Healing



Regina Boyd  
God Heals Through Relationship



Matt & Jenni Lozano  
Helping Kids Find Freedom in Christ



Sr. Cora Caels, SV  
Healing for Others: Reflective Listening



Bishop John J. McIntyre  
Presider

*Location*

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa  
654 Ferry Road  
Doylestown, PA

*Registration*

- \$60 general admission
- \$50 groups of 5+
- \$20 college students
- \$15 religious sisters

Register online:  
[catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org)

Questions? Send us an email:  
[archphillycwc@gmail.com](mailto:archphillycwc@gmail.com)

Registration includes light breakfast, lunch, hospitality bag and full-day conference access.

[www.catholicwomensconference.org](http://www.catholicwomensconference.org)



## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, May 28**

**4:00pm Michele (Halas) Paul**  
*Requested by Mom & Dad*

**Sunday, May 29**

**8:00am Mary & Joseph Gasko**  
*Requested by Joe & Kathy Gasko*

**10:15am For the People of Our Parish**

**Monday, May 30**

**9:00am For All Those Who Died in Military Service**

**Tuesday, May 31**

**8:00am Stephanie & Benjamin Zugay**  
*Requested by Edward & Maria Zugay*

**Wednesday, June 1**

**8:00am Gertrude Bolibruch**  
*Requested by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Bruno & Family*

**Thursday, June 2**

**8:00am Elizabeth Czapla Pohransky**  
**(Anniversary Remembrance)**  
*Requested by The Smith Family*

**Friday, June 3**

**8:00am Health Blessings for Lynn Phillips**  
*Requested by Susan Cash*

**Saturday, June 4**

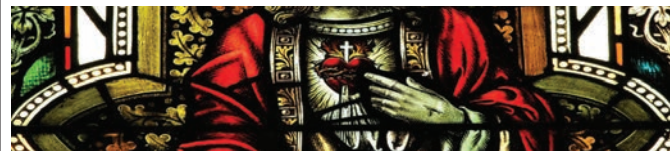
**8:00am Andrew & Steve Lucas**  
*Requested by Dorothy Glinski*

**4:00pm For the People of Our Parish**

**Sunday, June 5**

**8:00am For the Intentions of the Members of the Marian Society**  
*Requested by Sacred Heart Marian Society*

**10:15am Robert Murphy**  
*Requested by The Murphy Family*



## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



*Let Us Serve The Lord With Gladness!*

The following Ministers are scheduled for our Parish Masses.

**Saturday evening, June 4:**

**4:00pm**

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:**

Andy Moletzsky

**Lector:** Helen Surman

**Sunday morning, June 5:**

**8:00am**

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:**

Larry Kilian

**Lector:** Rich McVoy

**10:15am**

**Lector:** Danielle Cantando

### Celebrant's Mass Schedule

**Saturday evening, June 4:**

4:00pm - Father DiMaria

**Sunday morning, June 5:**

8:00am - Father DiMaria

10:15am—Father Shea



*Weekly Report*

May 21—22, 2022

\$5,608.00

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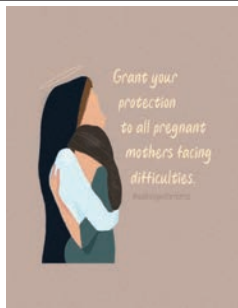
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Online giving allows us to better stabilize our finances so we can continue to focus on the mission of the church.

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Click on "ELECTRONIC GIVING"



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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“Serving Moms in Need: Living the Gospel of Life”

For more information visit: [www.walkingwithmoms](http://www.walkingwithmoms)



### 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.



Hope you can join Sacred Heart’s Caring for Friends ministry on **Tuesday**, June 7. Doors open at 6:00PM. Come out for an hour of fellowship with a great group of people while helping our neighbors in need!

Homemade soups are needed for distribution at Martha’s Choice Marketplace located at St.

Paul’s parish in Norristown.

Just make your favorite homemade soup and bring the pot to the gathering. Soup containers will be provided.



After you scoop your soup you can jump in the snack bag line as we assemble 350+ snack bags.

The following donations are needed:

- Feminine hygiene products
- Diapers
- Shampoo, deodorant, body wash

If you can’t make the meeting, please consider a monetary donation made payable to Sacred Heart and mark CFF in the memo and just drop it in the collection basket.

You can also have any items shipped to my address: Elisa Pagnotti

335 Kings Ridge Road  
King of Prussia, PA 19406



### In Your Charity, Please Pray For Our Sick



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 Keszcyk; 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); Ayden Boone (Great Great-Grandson of Armando Delmoro); 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.

## May 29, 2022 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

I wondered for quite a while how I would begin this reflection when early one morning I happened upon the last column of Charles Krauthammer on my iPhone. Fortuitous yes, but I believe that only happened because the Blessed Mother knew I had writer's block.

In case you don't recognize his name, Charles was a long time Pulitzer Prize winning conservative columnist for The Washington Post, and a frequent pundit on Fox News. His political positions were frequent causes for controversy, I admit. But I admired his intelligence and his deft handling of our language. Add to those his wry sense of humor and a fan's love of baseball. He died in June of 2018.

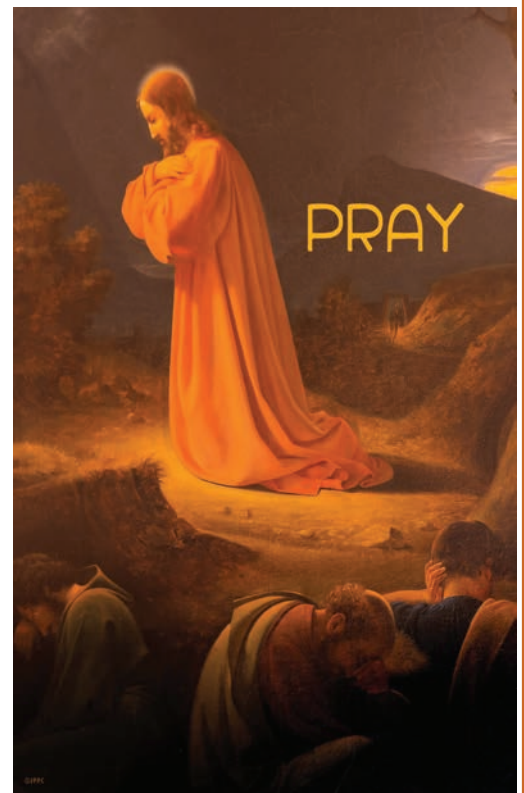
His final column was typical, in which he recounted his doctor's forecast of a few weeks left for him to live due to cancer with a matter of fact candor. But without weeping. What struck me the most was his final paragraph: *"I leave this life with no regrets. It was a wonderful life—full and complete with the great loves and great endeavors that make it worth living. I am sad to leave, but I leave with the knowledge that I lived the life that I intended."* True to form for him, yes, for me as a believer in Christ I was disappointed that he made no reference to the God of his Jewish inheritance.

Fortunately for us, we have a good Lord Jesus who left us with many memorable references to God His Father, not the least of which is the prayer recorded in today's gospel selection from St. John. Here Jesus characteristically lifts His eyes to heaven, and then prays for the chosen disciples present there. He wants them to be one with Him as He is with His Father.

To our ultimate delight, we "overhear" Jesus acknowledge to the Father that they, and by implication we too, are a *gift* to Him. Imagine that! We, who so often make a mess of our baptismal commitment, are considered a gift! That alone is both humbling and encouraging for as we live in this centuries long post Easter time. Not just for the seven weeks since April 17, but in this forever post Easter time of our lives.

Of course, Our Lord's perspective is unique. But note also how His warmth practically radiates off the page of the bible as we read or hear His prayer. It is such a comfort, especially because this present very secular world offers so many reasons for Christians to cave in to defeat. To yield to their silly deduction that Jesus was just a person from long ago and far away locked in the mists of history with no other significance.

Rather, does His pre-Easter prayer underscore the wonderful fact that in the Eucharist Jesus is very much with us. He is as aware of our cultural hindrances as He was with that of the days when He walked our earth with the men gathered around Him that evening. That's what motivates our perseverance and sparks our courage. All told, yet another reason for our unending "Alleluias!"



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