

# *ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE PARISH*

## *A Journey Through Lent*

**Luke: Stories of Mercy on the Road ~**  
Friday, March 4, 7pm

**“24 Hours for the Lord” ~** March 4th ~ 5th  
Church Open for 24 hours 8pm on March 4th  
Extra Confessional Opportunity  
Saturday March 5th: 9:30 –10:30 am  
& 1:00 - 2:00 pm

**Daily Mass ~** 7 & 9 am

**Morning Prayer ~** Monday thru Saturday 8:45am in cry room

**Eucharistic Adoration ~** Mondays after 9am Mass until 7pm

**Confessions ~** Wednesday Evenings (7pm - 8pm)

Holy Week: Monday (3/21), Tuesday (3/22) & Wednesday (3/23)  
4 - 5pm & 7 - 8 pm

**Stations of the Cross ~** Fridays at 7pm ~ except March 4th

**School Stations ~** Wednesdays at 2pm  
parishioners are welcome

**Lenten Groups ~** Tuesdays 1:30pm & Thursdays 7pm

**Poor Persons Supper ~** Good Friday, March 25, 4pm

**Living Stations of the Cross ~** Good Friday, March 25, 7pm

*February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016*

*Third Sunday of Lent*

*856 Euclid Ave • Warrington • PA*

*www.saintrobertwarrington.org*

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Pastor Emeritus

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Director of Financial Services

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Director of Teen Ministry

**Mr. James Crumlish**  
Facilities Supervisor

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016**

5:00 P.M. - Irene Stieber

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - Mary Williams

9:00 A.M. - Dr. Anthony J. Farenò

11:00 A.M. - Lillian C. Eisenhard

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - James Peacock

9:00 A.M. - Patrick & Catherine Philbin

**TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - Parishioners

9:00 A.M. - Carmen, Lucy & Vince Ritts

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - Thomas Muller

9:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklikner

**THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - Emily & Edward Fitzgerald

9:00 A.M. - Michele Garbarino

**FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - Mary McDevitt

9:00 A.M. - Gerry Haftmann

**SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016**

9:00 A.M. - Leo Wenstrup, Sr.

5:00 P.M. - Theresa Malandra

**SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016**

7:00 A.M. - Karol & Veronica Wrobel

9:00 A.M. - Deceased members of the Tuono,  
Heeney & Altimore Families

11:00 A.M. - Lillian C. Eisenhard

**Please pray for our sick parishioners, relatives, and friends, especially:**

Nicholas Chess	Frank Waltrich	Kevin McDevitt
Bill Zarkowski	Paige LaRosa	Kevin Christopher Fox
Erica Sheehan	Steven Geib	Rita Ann Leonard
Ed Barker	Brendan Mullen	Andreas Shaftacolas
Dolores McGrath	Diane Barbier	Christopher D'Souza
James Kolody	Frank Wagner	Matthew Milosazr
Maria Altopiedi	Wilber McCarty	Joan McMahan
Marie McBride	Jared Callan	Dolores Elliot
Michael Matter	Mary Farano	Elizabeth McGee
Warren Treanor	Pat Laurich	Michael Lauria
Hal Stanton	James Fuges	James Mulherin
Pat Ganther	Edward Kiss	Margaret Prendergast
Stella Coyle	John Weigner	Mary Wall
Theresa Beisel	Jimmy McIntyre	Joe Ankenbrand
Leo Dennis	Pat Reidy	Walter Brand
Margaret Snyder	Elaine Teachout	



In an effort to keep our prayer list current, all names will appear on this list for 30 days and then will be automatically taken off. We are happy to keep a name on the list, just call the parish office or email [strobertysecretary@verizon.net](mailto:strobertysecretary@verizon.net).

**UPCOMING EVENTS (at a glance)**

- Mar 2** ~ Confessions
- Mar 4** ~ Gospel of Luke—Frank Runyan
- Mar 4** ~ Beginning of "24 Hours of the Lord"
- Mar 5** ~ Extra Confessional Opportunities



This weeks Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of:

**Philip Lecklikner**

**CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2015** Statements

were emailed on 1/21/2016. If we you did not receive your emailed copy, please contact us. If you need to provide us with an email address call the parish office or email [strobertysecretary@verizon.net](mailto:strobertysecretary@verizon.net). If you would like a copy mailed to you, you may call the parish office or email us.



**OUR PARISH GIVING**

**Sunday (2/21/16):** \$16,030

**Online Bank Services Funds:** \$1,245 in 30 envelopes



**Year to Date Totals - Sunday Collections:**

FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	Difference
<b>\$531,797</b>	<b>\$534,991</b>	<b>\$3,194</b>

(Fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30)

*Thank you for your Sacrificial Generosity*

## Third Sunday



Dear Friends,

*In the middle of our Lenten journey, we come to celebrate a God who responds to our afflictions and gives us time to repent. In the scriptures, Moses encounters God in the burning bush, and Jesus tells of a patient God who will give us yet one more chance to repent and be fruitful. This week, let us be mindful of how we encounter God in our own lives. How is God patient with us? How do we respond to God's tender care in our lives? What room have we created to hear and respond to God's invitations?*

*Thank you to all who participated in our crab cake fundraiser. I am very grateful to **Donna Heeney**, our Director of Religious Education, who organized this sale. The proceeds will be applied to our capital projects.*

*I am also grateful to those who attended our annual Parish Mission. Your presence was a source of inspiration and encouragement during this Lenten Season. I am sure you would agree, it was time well spent with the Lord and His message.*

*As we head towards Easter, I invite you to hold in prayer our catechumen, **MICHAEL STOLTZFUS**, who will enter the Catholic Church and be one with us in faith at the Easter Vigil. As a catechumen, Mike will be baptized, receive the sacrament of Confirmation and will receive Holy Communion for the first time at the Easter Vigil. In addition to Michael, we have several Candidates that will be received into Full Communion in the Catholic Church during the Easter Season. Please pray for **ERIC GEORGE, CHRISTINE CRIM, LAUREN CRIM, ROSS SUTER and BRYAN ARMAS** as they prepare for this spiritual step in their journey with the Lord.*

*This third week of Lent has several opportunities for spiritual growth; confessions will be heard on Wednesday evening at 7PM in the chapel, Friday we will not have Stations of the Cross but will have a special Lenten event on the Gospel of Luke on Friday at 7PM in church followed by the **"24 HOURS OF PRAYER"** encouraged by Pope Francis. The church will remain open throughout the night for private visits to the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle. On Saturday we will continue the invitation to visit the Blessed Sacrament for quiet prayer and will offer confessions from 9:30 to 10:30 AM, 1:00 to 2:00 PM, and our usual time from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. Please take the opportunity for quiet prayer and reconciliation during these 24 hours.*

*Just a quick update on the parish projects. After last week's construction meeting it was determined that the parish office center should be completed no later than the second week of April. With the delays in fixture production and other building materials, the March deadline seems to be unattainable at this time. However, my staff and I are praying for a little miracle in this regard. As to the narthex, we are now looking at the completion to take place in early June. This date is still not firmly established because of the unknown weather delays which may still occur. Your prayers on this matter would be greatly appreciated! Even though I feel progress has been slow, I am still amazed and very grateful for your consistent support of the projects. Each weekend we continue to receive very generous donations for the projects. Many have chosen not to pledge to the campaign yet are consistently and generously supporting our efforts. We still have not needed to approach the bank to begin borrowing for this endeavor. This has saved us from beginning to pay interest to the bank for monies loaned. **THANK YOU** for helping us reach closer to our goal and the completion of this parish expansion. When it is finished, I think we will all be happy with our new front door as we welcome all to worship the Lord!*

*May Saint Robert Bellarmine inspire us to deeper prayer and reconciliation this week!*

*With prayers,*

*Monsignor Beisel*



**SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM**

On December 31, 2014, 23 pieces of Pennsylvania State legislation were enacted that impact the way we prevent and report child abuse. As a result, all people who volunteer for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are required fulfill the following obligations:

**CLEARANCES:**

- ◆ PA State Police Criminal Record Check
- ◆ PA Department of Public Welfare Child Abuse Clearance Check
- ◆ Federal History Fingerprint Clearance ~ ONLY if you lived outside of PA within the last 10 years

Go to [childyouthprotection.org](http://childyouthprotection.org)

select Staff & Volunteers, then select Checks & Clearances

**\*\*\* MUST BE RENEWED EVERY 5 YEARS \*\*\***

- ◆ Disclosure Statement Application for Volunteers

Go to [childyouthprotection.org](http://childyouthprotection.org)

select Staff & Volunteers, then select Information for Volunteers

**TRAINING:**

- ◆ Safe Environment Training
- ◆ Technology Addendum
- ◆ Mandated Reporter Training
- ◆ Signed Mandated Reporter Acknowledgement Form

Go to [childyouthprotection.org](http://childyouthprotection.org)

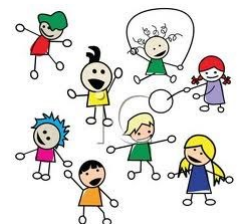
**8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEN'S SPIRITUALITY ~ CONFERENCE-SAT, MARCH 12**

Man Up Philly presents Transforming Men, Transforming Families ~ Enrich your faith and the faith of your family through your participation in this year's conference. This will be at St Joseph University Hagan Arena, the men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 8th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference. Speakers include Curtis Martin, founder of FOCUS - Fellowship of Catholic University Students, Rich Gannon - NFL Quarterback and St Joe's Prep grad, and Father George Grima - Missionary Priest working with African orphans. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered, and the Conference will conclude with Mass. For more information and to register go to the website:



**ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL - OPEN GYM & PLAY-JOIN THE FUN**

“Open Gym & Play”, a playgroup for young children to come together to play, and make new friends during these cold winter days is now in happening. All children ages 6 and under are welcome, accompanied by an adult. **Families do not have to be members of the school or parish to participate.** The group is free and no registration is required. The playgroup will gather on Mondays from 12:00 Noon – 1:30 pm at Monsignor Marley Hall on the follow dates: 2/29, 3/7, & 3/14. Please spread the word and share with friends.



**FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES**

Please call the parish office with the name and branch for relatives who are on active duty.

**PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS :**

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. AMEN*



**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**US Navy:**

- Michael W. Zarkowski
- Barbara Ann Mullen
- Jenny Malandra
- Joshua Velas

- Edward W. Devinney II
- Connor Fitzgerald
- John Wurtenberg III

**US Army:**

- Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott
- Danny Pritchard
- Michael McBride
- Matthew Sawaya
- Dylan DeMent

- Robert F. Leimer
- Keith Carter
- Ryan T. Krawczyk
- Philip Mc Cusker
- Gerry McGowan

**US Coast Guard:**

- Brendan Williams
- Todd J. Warga

- Daniel Moschitti

**USMC:**

- Joseph Mc Menamin
- Daniel Harvey
- Clint Hajek
- Anthony Taylor
- Michael Malandra
- Nicholas Sabatini
- Mark Geib

- James McMenamin
- Elizabeth Harvey
- Leo J. Keller Jr.
- Mark Piccirelli
- Lisa Ann Burgy
- Patrick Kilkenny

**US Air Force:**

- Karl Weinbrecht
- Max J. Sempowski
- Anthony Comtois

- Francis Lemma
- Michael Sempowski
- Andrew J. Velas



**CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE ( 3/5 & 3/6)**

<b>5:00 PM</b>	Msgr. Beisel/Dcn. Cavara	<b>Cantor</b>
<b>7:00 AM</b>	Msgr. Beisel/Dcn. Cavara	
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Fr. Cornely/Dcn. George	<b>Cantor</b>
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Fr. Stokely	<b>Adult Choir</b>

*Subject to change without notice*

## ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM

Phone: 215.343.9433



### CALENDAR

#### **February**

Mon 29 Class, Confessions for Grades 4 & 5

#### **March**

Mon 7 Class  
Mon 14 Class  
Mon 21 Class, Stations of the Cross  
Sun 27 Easter Sunday - Happy Easter  
Mon 28 No Class

#### **April**

Mon 4 Class  
Mon 11 Class  
Tues 12 Confirmation and Sponsor Practice--  
6:00 to 7:00 pm -- children only--  
Sponsors 7:00 pm  
Thurs 14 Confirmation 4:00 pm  
Mon 18 Class  
Mon 25 Class  
Thurs 28 Communion Practice  
5:00 to 6:00 pm all students  
6:15 pm Parents of Sunday Communion

#### **May**

Sat. 30 1st Communion-- Group Mass 10:30am  
Sun 1 1st Communion-- Family Mass 11:00am  
Mon 2 Family Closing Prayer Service 5:00pm  
in church. Child(ren) & parent attend  
and sit together as a family.



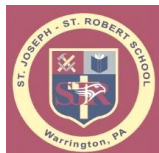
### Little Sisters of the Poor ~ Spring Concert~ RUNA

“Chase away the winter blues by coming to this concert featuring the Irish group, RUNA, a Philadelphia Irish-American roots band. Concert will be held at Villanova University’s Jake Nevin Field House, on Saturday, April 2., doors open at 6pm. General admission is \$50pp (\$20 students, \$10 ages 12 & under) and includes food and beverages. Please send orders to Holy Family Home, Dept. PB, 5300 Chester Ave, Phila., PA 19143 or call Catherine 215.729.5153 or visit

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



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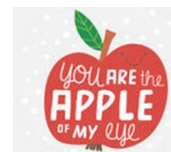


## ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL NEWS

Phone: 215.343.5100 Web:

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

*FROM THE DESK OF  
MRS. JASTER*



**APPLE OF MY EYE:** Congratulations to the students who were recognized for doing something good: Emma Jacobsen, Matthew Gannon, Sofia Mazzarella, Jackson Kiss and Andrew Sorge.

**TERRA NOVA TESTING:** Our students in grades 2 – 7 will take Terra Nova tests next week. These annual standardized tests provide a snapshot of each child’s growth over time and allows the school to analyze areas of strength and challenge.

**TESTING**

**YOUNG REMBRANDTS:** New sessions will begin on March 3rd. Please see this week’s communication for more info.

**HERSHEY PARK:** Enjoy a savings up to 45% OFF regular gate admission. See order form in this week’s communication. Orders are due by April 22, 2016. Remember, tickets are valid through July 31, 2016.

**SCRAP ENVELOPES:** The school is in need of scrap envelopes. If you have any available perhaps from a business, we would be grateful.

**REGISTRATION REMINDER:** In the coming weeks, families may be receiving a communication from the parishes with reference to their weekly contributions.

*Registration*



The ten dollar (\$10) weekly contribution is part of the tuition contract signed each year. In order to receive the active parishioner rate for the coming school year, families must be sure that they have

met this weekly obligation. Should you have any questions about this, please contact the parish offices. Each child enrolled in our school receives a scholarship from the weekly offerings of our supporting parishes. Tuition contracts have not been sent home.

Once they are given out a new due date will be announced for their return.

**JUST A THOUGHT:** Last week, before Stations of the Cross, Father Bordonaro spoke with the children. He likened the Stations of the Cross as an opportunity to be with someone as they suffer. He likened it to having a parent with you when you may be hospitalized. While the parent’s presence may not make any difference medically, their presence helps us to feel better emotionally. He reminded the children that just as we can journey with Christ spiritually on His journey to the cross, Jesus will journey with us as we experience suffering in our own lives.



# Parish Youth Ministry

Mrs. Barbara Palo (Director of Teen Ministry—mompalo@aol.com) •  Facebook: St. Robert Teen Ministry Program

**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY** During this Jubilee Year of Mercy our Holy Father Pope Francis has given all of us an opportunity to obtain indulgences by visiting national shrine's as well as the Cathedral of Saint Peter and Paul and passing through the Holy Doors usually reserved for certain churches in Rome. Passage through a Holy Door is a sign of our decision to enter into the life of Jesus Christ and make the passage from sin to grace. During a Jubilee, pilgrimage to the Holy Door offers the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions. To take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, a group of us made a pilgrimage to the shrine of our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown. While there we went to confession, attended Mass and received the Eucharist, said the prayers for the Holy Father, passed through the Holy Doors and were able to complete the necessary requirements for receiving an indulgence. We were also fortunate enough to have a tour of the Shrine given by Father Joseph, a Pauline Father, who enlightened us with the rich history of the Shrine . We visited the bookstore and went to lunch afterwards. It was truly a day of grace for all who attended.

We are all encouraged to live this extraordinary Jubilee year of Mercy in five ways. 1. Enter into mercy, 2. Encounter mercy 3. Contemplate mercy 4. Discover the truth about mercy 5. Live mercy.

Visit [archphila.org/mercy](http://archphila.org/mercy) for more detailed information on living the Year of Mercy



## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ◆ Next Teen Mass is Saturday, March 5th at 5pm.
- ◆ Thursdays schedule of meetings in the chapel from 7:30 to 8:30 2/25, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17.  
All 7th to 12th grade students welcome to join us when you can!
- ◆ Living stations 3/25
- ◆ Chris Padgett 4/16

Bring your family together this Lent! Come to this LIVE performance for all ages!

## *LUKE: Stories of Mercy on the Road*

Friday, March 4 @7:00PM in the church

TV Catholic Star: FRANK RUNYEON

As we continue to celebrate the Jubilee Year Of Mercy, Frank will perform Jesus' famous parables, as if we are hearing them for the first time, on the road to Jerusalem...an evening filled with humor and surprising insights...opening our eyes to OUR part in this story...

Frank has won national acclaim for his work as a translator and performer of Biblical texts. He may be best known for his many roles on television. On *As the World Turns*, he starred as Steve Andropoulos, opposite Meg Ryan. Another role was as Father Michael Donnelly on the Santa Barbara and more...check out [www.frankrunyeon.com](http://www.frankrunyeon.com).

**We are requesting a freewill donation at the door of \$5 to cover the cost of this event.**



(Frank will also be performing the Sermon on the Mount at Nativity on Sunday Evening, March 6th)

**Please be sure to sign-up for FORMED, a brand new online resource for parishes for evangelization and faith formation. Here is how it works:**

Go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). Scroll down to "Does your parish already have FORMED?" Type in St. Robert's Parish Code: **46KPVV** and press **SUBMIT CODE**. You will then be asked to register. Next check out the programs. Scroll down to see the different topics and enjoy! Each week part of the program will be highlighted in the parish bulletin. It is LOADED with the BEST Catholic content available and fantastic opportunities to nourish your faith during LENT or anytime.

### **Weekly Suggestions — Give yourself the gift of being inspired!!**

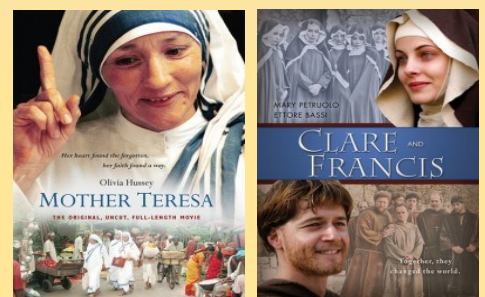
• **Symbolon (each session is 11—15 min)** Too often we try to live a faith we don't know or understand. Some of us stumble along with it, going through the motions. Others simply walk away. This week check out *Symbolon: Living the Faith*. (fyi— *Symbolon* has both *Knowing* and *Living the Faith* and both have 10 sessions) Our faith is explained in a way that will inform our minds and inspire our hearts. For this week I recommend **Session 3: WALK THROUGH THE MASS**

- Check out the movies, CDs and Books available!  
Questions: Joan Fitzpatrick: [jfittzaff2@verizon.net](mailto:jfittzaff2@verizon.net)

**We are getting plenty of positive feedback ....**

**don't delay ...**

**register now!**



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW ALTAR SERVERS

The following altar servers were installed at the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday February 21st.

- Front Row :** Mavis Brookreson  
 Albert Funk  
 Michael Funk  
 William Fuller
- Back Row:** Connor Lavin  
 Scott Lavin  
 Timothy Clift
- Not Pictured:** Andrew Schmidt  
 Brian Schmidt



### ELECTRONIC FUNDS GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS MADE EASY

Simplify your life, and support our parish! St. Roberts will accept your bank's online bill payment to support our parish. This will allow you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash!



### WOULD YOU LIKE THE BLESSED MOTHER STATUE VISIT YOUR HOME?



St. Robert's parish has a beautiful little statue of the Blessed Mother of Fatima available. Simply make a request, and the pilgrim statue will be brought to your home for a week or two. Families are encouraged to display the statue prominently and to say the Rosary together.

Contact Bernadette Repisky at 267 261 4612, repisky@aol.com.



Archbishop Wood High School Performing Arts Department Presents:

### **Into The Woods JR.**

A new take on Stephen Sondheim's and James Lapine's groundbreaking musical fairytale  
 Friday & Saturday, March 11 and 12 - 7:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, March 12 - 2 p.m.

Tickets:

Pre-sale: Reserved Seating \$10, General Admission \$6  
 (by March 6: contact ABWTICKETS@gmail.com)

At the Door: \$12 / \$8

Archbishop Wood High School Auditorium  
 655 York Road, Warminster, PA

**CYO SPRING** - SJR Hawks Spring sports registration is now underway. SJR CYO offers baseball for grades 5 - 8, softball for grades 4 - 8 and track & field for grades 1 - 8. SJR CYO also offers high school co-ed volleyball for grades 9 - 12. Please register at



[www.wagdogs.com](http://www.wagdogs.com). Registration will remain open for baseball & softball through March 15th, track &

field and high school volleyball registration will remain open through March 31st.

### **Together Towards Tomorrow 90th Anniversary Gala**

to benefit St. Martin of Tours School  
 April 16, 2016 | 6:00 PM Cocktails, 7:00 PM Dinner

Williamson's | Horsham PA

\$75.00/per person

For more information contact  
 Brenda Greene, Development Director  
 267-992-4823

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS** Next Class –

Thursday, March 31st at 7:00 pm in chapel. Pre-registration is necessary in order to attend the class. No date for Baptism can be set until parents fulfill this requirement.

**Parents and Godparents should register for this class as soon as they know of the upcoming birth, and always prior to the**

**actual birth of the child.** Register by calling the parish office between 9a & 4p weekdays. Classes are held every other month - Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov.

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**2016 CATHOLIC CHARITIES  
APPEAL - "A NEW VISION"**

This year's video highlighted some of the areas where Catholic Charities is able to touch people's lives.

MaryAnne and Matt Roberto, who already had four biological children of their own, adopted a deaf girl, Sophie, and a blind boy, Vincent from China. Today Sophie, now 14, and Vincent, now 8 attend, respectively, Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf and St. Lucy's Day School for Children With Visual Impairments. In Sophie's first months at the school she was, in the words of her mother, "wild, impetuous, boisterous and undisciplined." But with patience, guidance and love from the staff at ARAD she has blossomed into a loving, disciplined young lady who has come to love the Catholic Faith. Vincent is also flourishing at St. Lucy's, proving to be an eager and talented student. MaryAnne and Matt consider it an "unbelievable blessing" to have these schools, and are profoundly grateful for the support that the Catholic Charities Appeal provides. Our donations help to supply the unique technologies these students require. The children are being taught in the Faith, regardless of their special needs. Adopting special needs children is a very special calling, but each of us is called to help in whatever way we can. Being generous to the Catholic Charities Appeal in one of the most effective ways to answer the call.

These are just a very small sampling of the services that are provided through Catholic Charities. With our help we have the ability to sustain, and hopefully **expand** these worthy services. This is the "**NEW VISION**". Please pray for the success of this year's campaign and be as generous as you can to this worthy cause.



**MEN'S PRAYER GROUP -**

The Men's Prayer Group will meet every Saturday during Lent, starting the 7:00 AM and ending by 9:00AM. Either in the School Library or in the Church:

**March 5th** - Church- Deacon George; Stations of the Cross, Adoration, Gospel Reflection

**March 12th** - No Meeting; Catholic Men's Conference

**March 19th** -School Library - Presenter to be announced: Last Supper – Eucharist



**RESPECT LIFE**

Think of abortion as you read this: *"He who passively accepts evil is as much involved in it as he who helps to perpetrate it. He who accepts evil without protesting against it is really cooperating with it."*

Martin Luther King Jr.

***We have lost these virtues. We must fight to regain our religious and moral freedoms.***

***Become more involved in Pro-Life activities!!***

Come to the

**Bucks County Pro-Life Coalition Meetings 7:30pm - last Monday of each Month**

**Nativity of Our Lord's Parish Community**

**PRAYER VIGILS**

Every Friday Morning(the morning abortions are performed) at the Louis Drive PP a Prayer Vigil is held. Please mark your calendars and try to be present if only for 30 minutes.

**THREE IMPORTANT WEBSITES TO VISIT**

If you or someone you know has received a **poor prenatal diagnosis** please check out these websites for support and encouragement:

**[www.lilysgift.org](http://www.lilysgift.org)** **[www.benotafraid.net](http://www.benotafraid.net)**  
**[www.isaiahspromise.net](http://www.isaiahspromise.net)**

**A BABY'S BREATH**

*"to help a mother see her child take his/her first breath."*

600 Louis Drive; Ste. 260B, Lower Level  
Warminster, PA 18974 - 267/275-4097

**Hours**

**Monday: 1pm to 3:30 pm & 5:30 to 8pm**

**Wednesday: 1 pm to 3:30 pm**

**Friday: 9:30am to 12 noon**

(Other times available by appointment)

**24 Hour Phone Line**

Registered Nurse attending) 484/571-5540

**email: [help@babysbreath.org](mailto:help@babysbreath.org)**

We supply hope for mothers/fathers/families in crisis pregnancies & continued support for new mothers.

**Keep Adding to Our Votes-Voting Ends February 29**

St. Joseph/St. Robert School has been nominated for Bucks Happening 2016 under the category of Private Schools!

Please take a quick minute to vote! Just go to the school website: [www.stjstr.org](http://www.stjstr.org) and click the 2016 Happening Logo and register your vote. There is one vote per email address. If you have more than one email address, please cast a vote with each email! Facebook email addresses are not valid. Voting ends at midnight on Feb. 29th. Thank you for taking the time to make every vote count! Also, please share our website or Bucks Happening Link with all those you know so they can support us with their vote.



## IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 7:00 am  
 9:00 am  
 11:00 am

### WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 & 9:00 am - Monday/Friday  
 9:00 am - Saturday  
 Summer:  
 Weekday - 8:00 am  
 Saturday - 9:00 am

### HOLY DAYS

*(Except Christmas & New Years)*  
 7:00 am & 9:00 am  
 12:00 noon  
 7:00 pm

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm  
 Closed on Holy Days

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First & third Sundays of the month at 12:15 pm. Baptism Classes for parents and godparents are held on an announced day in January, March, May, July, September and November at 7 pm in the Church. Call the Parish Office to pre-register.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

**You must be a registered member of the Parish** and must notify the priest **at least six months** prior to your marriage date. Visit the parish website for detailed information

**Pre-Cana classes (2nd Sat. in March. & 2nd Sat. in November) are required.** Contact Parish Office or visit the parish website for registration forms. Forms are due 2 weeks prior to the Pre-Cana Class.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Available to those who are preparing for surgery, sick, elderly or dying. Please contact the parish office to receive this sacrament.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration - **Each Monday (except Summer & National Holidays)** after the 9 am Mass, with simple Reposition (No Benediction) at 4 pm. **At 3 pm the Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited.**

### COMMUNION CALLS

Monthly to homebound by the priests. Weekly - Extraordinary Ministers if requested. In an Emergency a Priest Should Be Called Immediately call parish office and dial 400.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome new parishioners! Please ask one of the priests after a weekend Mass to register your family. Please notify the parish office if you are moving from the parish or if you have changed your address. Also, Children who turn 26 years of age, or have completed higher education and continue to reside with in our area, should become individually registered parishioners.

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

**All parish staff and volunteers** who have **regular contact with young people** must have their background checks and training to volunteer with our youth. **For more details look in the bulletin or visit our website, click on Community, then Safe environment. It will direct you to the Child and Youth Protection Site.**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** - Monday 11am - Turn in material typed, with your name & phone number at the parish office or

### PARISH RESOURCES

Adult Faith Formation	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
Afghan Guild	Claire Coleman	215-343-2299
Al-Anon Contact		215-222-5244
Altar Servers	Deacon George Morris	215-343-0315
Bereavement Committee	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
Bloodmobile	Mary Marquis	215-343-8635
Catholic Charities	Bill Fehrman	215-343-1752
Charismatic Prayer Group	Dolores Seif	215-343/8775
Christ's Housekeepers	Eleanor Crowley	215-675-8955
Crisis Pregnancy	24 Hour Hotline	610-626-4006
E.P.'s (Seniors)	Jack Forbes	215-343-1625
Extraordinary Ministers	Deacon George Morris	215-343-0315
Family Fellowship	Bob Abecasis	215-343-8113
Knights of Columbus	Rob Hessler	215-491-0648
Liturgical Environment	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
Men's Prayer Group	Norman Racine	267-968-5905
Minister of Hospitality	Peter Vreeland	215-343-2091
Ministers of the Word	Deacon George Morris	215-343-0315
Mother's Prayer Group	Chris Trodden	215-491-2542
Msgr. Marley Hall	Jonathan DeMent	215-421-4407
Music Ministry	Kevin Lutz Kevinlutz920@yahoo.com	
Parish Youth Ministry	Barb Palo	215-343-2083
Pastoral Council	Tom Utermark	215-343-9528
Pre-Cana	Ellen/Don Cericola	215-343-3275
Pre-Jordan/RCIA	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
Prison Ministry	Ray Rugarber	215-672-7678
Respect Life	Len Cline	215-343-4572
St. Cyprian	Patti Hessler (cell)	267-250-5721
St. John's Hospice	Msgr. James Beisel	215-343-0315
St. Francis Inn	Candy Bakasy	215-343-1002
St. Vincent De Paul Society (Answering machine)		267-644-8189
Vocation Office - Priesthood Fr. De Lacy		610-667-5778

### PASTORAL COUNCIL:

(Elected Position)	Bob Abecasis	215/343-8113
	Joann Crescenzo	215/491-4288
<i>Pastoral issues to be discussed?</i>	Sheila Fehrman	215/343-1752
	Bill Gibbons	215/343-4066
	Amy Moffett	215/343-5436
<b>Contact one of the members.</b>	Dottie Prior	215/328-9406
	Betty Santoro	215/ 343-6747
	Mike Speranza	215/956-9769
	Tom Utermark	215/343-9528
	Brian Zook	267/483-8409

### FINANCE COUNCIL:

(Appointed Position)	Carol Bauman
	Ed Clark
	Thomas Castaldi
	Kirk Clauss
	John Del Vecchio
	Terry Funk
	Robin Killion
	Susan Westermann
	Elmer O'Brien
	Frederick Reed

