# ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH

July 9rd, 2017
The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Director of Teen Ministry

## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2017**
5:00 P.M. - Manuel A. Lacro
**SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017**
7:00 A.M. - Kaila Showmaker
9:00 A.M. –Teodoro Spinosa
11:00 A.M. - Joe Belli ~ 6th Anniversary
**MONDAY, JULY 10, 2017**
8:00 A.M. - Parishioners
**TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017**
8:00 A.M. - Rose Kreuzburg ~ 3rd Anniversary
**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017**
8:00 A.M. - Emily & Edward Fitzgerald
**THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2017**
8:00 A.M. - Catherine Walker Swider
**FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2017**
8:00 A.M. - Mary Ruch
**SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2017**
9:00 A.M. - Living & Deceased Members of the Carmelite Order
5:00 P.M. - Dr. William Bryers
**SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017**
7:00 A.M. - Msgr. Thomas Kelley
9:00 A.M. - Jean Greene
11:00 A.M. - John Crane

### 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!

### CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE ( 7/15/17 & 7/16/17)

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| **5:00 PM** | Msgr. Beisel/Dcn. George | **Cantor** |
| **7:00 AM** | Msgr. Beisel | |
| **9:00 AM** | Fr. Adams ~ Missionary | **Cantor** |
| **11:00 AM** | Fr. Adams ~ Missionary | **Cantor** |

*Subject to change without notice*

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

Prayer Requests

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|---|---|---|
| Nicholas Chess | Frank Waltrich | Pat Ganther |
| Bill Zarkowski | Kevin Christopher Fox | |
| Diane Barbier | Marissa Nero | Jared Callan |
| Margaret Kaiser | Dolores McGrath | Margaret Prendergast |
| Theresa Beisel | Alex DiStefano | Justin Richetti |
| Frank Wagner | Justin Richetti | Baby Landon Gavio |
| Mia Reinheimer | Sherry Burke | Alexis Schirling |
| Elena Sestito | Derek Burgard | Susan Gregory |
| Jean Dixon | Robert Gartner | Norah Claire Mason |
| Vicki Mazzocca | Dominic Visco | Wally Brandt |
| Mike Fitzpatrick | Michael McBride | Caitlin Thomas |
| Taylor Schmidt | Margaret Cunnane | Theresa Ortman |
| Robert Rice | Patricia Wendte | Mariono DiRocco |
| Nora Finello | Peter McDevitt | Baby Carter Watson |
| Brent Belli | Kia Handly | Marie McBride |
| Vincent Mullen | Mary Farano | Carol Max |
| Mia Reinheimer | Leona Finney | Giuseppe DiPalma |
| Arlene Sirow | Susan Schneider | Kelci Cost |
| Bill Lynch | Leslie Crum | Judith Lauria |
| Michael Wiley | Kristin Iadicicco | Michelle Gallagher |
| Michelle Cost | James Kolody, Sr. | |

In an effort to keep our prayer list current, all names will appear 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 strobertsecretary@verizon.net.

**This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of**

**Elizabeth Guglielmi**

### ST VINCENT De PAUL SOCIETY

*In the Gospel today we hear Jesus say: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."*

**Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings peace to those who are overwhelmed with life's burdens.**

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VOCATION OFFICE FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD
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# The Fourteenth Sunday

In Ordinary Time

*Dear Friends,*

*On these midsummer days, taking a break and relaxing becomes a more and more attractive idea. Even Jesus, it seems, wants to give us rest from our labors and burdens. In Jesus' time, plow animals always worked in pairs. The yokes they used were specially fitted to each animal to ease their burden so they could work together more easily and share their load. So when Jesus says to take up his yoke, he is offering to share our burdens, to help carry our load as a partner on the journey. What a comforting message especially for those among us who are currently carrying a heavy burden or cross. Let us always invite Jesus in, in the good times and bad!*

*Our parish will once again participate in the MISSIONARY COOPERATION COLLECTION mandated by the archdiocese. This year we will welcome FATHER CARLO ADAMS, a member of the Oblates of Saint Francis de Sales, who will speak to us about his community's work in the missions in Benin, South Africa, Brazil, Columbia, Uruguay, Venezuela, The Ivory Coast, Haiti and India.*

*The Oblates were founded in France in 1876 to live and spread the uniquely accessible and optimistic spirituality of Saint Francis de Sales by engaging in various ministries of the Church. At the Pope's request, the Oblates began to send missionaries to Namibia in 1882. The priests, sisters and brothers of the community serve some of the poorest people in the world as parish priests, ministers, educators and social workers. American Catholics have partnered with the Oblates for more than 100 years. Every benefactor becomes a missionary – directly supporting works of justice, mercy and evangelization throughout the world.*

*Father Adams will preach at all the Masses on Saturday, July 15th and Sunday July 16th.* ***THE COLLECTION FOR THE OBLATE COMMUNITY WILL BE TAKEN UP AS THE SECOND COLLECTION ON THE WEEKEND OF JULY 22-23rd. THE ENVELOPE FOR THIS COLLECTION IS THE FIRST ENVELOPE IN THE AUGUST PACKET.***

*Our parish teen group will once again be traveling next Friday to the University of Steubenville for their annual weekend of prayer, worship, conferences and mingling with other young people from across the country who want to grow closer to the Lord. Mrs. Palo, Father Biedrzycki and other chaperones will be attending as well. Please keep all of those participating in this conference in your prayers for safe travel and a fruitful and lasting encounter with the Lord.*

*Next Saturday is also the Physically Challenged Picnic. It is never too late to volunteer. Please contact a committee person to offer your kind assistance with this annual event.*

*May Saint Robert Bellarmine bless all of our summer activities!*

*With prayers,*

Monsignor Beisel

## OUR WEEKLY FACILITY SCHEDULE:

dates to Remember

**Sun July 9, 2017**

All day Pick up hospice trays

11am - 12pm Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Meeting Room

**Mon Jul 10, 2017**

7:30pm - 9pm Afghan Guild ~ Conference Room

**Tue Jul 11, 2017**

6:30pm - 8pm Bucks County Alumni ~ Meeting Room

7:30pm - 9:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group ~ Family Room

**Sat Jul 15, 2017**

All day Physicaly Challanged Picnic

3:30pm - 4:30pm Confessions ~ Chapel

**MOM'S PRAYER GROUP** - The Mom's Prayer Group meets on Thursday evenings at 7pm, Moms gather in the chapel to pray the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. All mothers are welcome to come and pray for children, supporting them on their journey through this tough world.More info: Chris Trodden - 215.491.2542 Terry Funk - 215.343. 9781

OFFICE FOR CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION | ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

**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
select Staff & Volunteers,
then select Checks & Clearances

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

- Disclosure Statement Application for Volunteers

Go to 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
select Staff & Volunteers,
then select Required Training

**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*
*Matthew M. Zarkowski*
*Edward W. Devinney II*
*Connor Fitzgerald*
*Joshua Velas*

**US Army:**

*Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott*
*Danny Pritchard*
*Michael McBride*
*Matthew Sawaya*
*Dylan DeMent*
*Paul Glemser*
*Jack Olsh*
*Robert F. Leimer*
*Keith Carter*
*Ryan T. Krawczyk*
*Philip Mc Cusker*
*Gerry McGowan*
*William Hanna*

**US Coast Guard:**

*Brendan Williams*
*Daniel Moschitti*

**USMC:**

*Joseph Mc Menamin*
*Daniel Harvey*
*Clint Hajek*
*Anthony Taylor*
*Michael Malandra*
*Nicholas Sabatini*
*Mark Geib*
*Austin Kelly*
*James McMenamin*
*Elizabeth Harvey*
*Leo J. Keller Jr.*
*Mark Piccirelli*
*Lisa Ann Burgy*
*Patrick Kilkenny*
*Colin Kelly*

**US Air Force:**

*Karl Weinbreckt*
*Max J. Sempowski*
*Andrew J. Velas*
*Francis Lemma*
*Michael Sempowski*
*Thomas Rook*

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

Next Class – Thursday, July 20th 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.

**ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM**
**Phone: 215.343.9433**

Parish Religious Education Program

**INCOMING 1ST GRADE & NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION**

Contact the Prep office as soon as possible.
For more information, please contact Donna Heeney by email donnaheeneydre@gmail.com or call 215-343-9433.

**SOME MORE SUMMER PREP PICS...**

Serving

Sharing

GROWING IN OUR FAITH

ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION**~ Offers a curriculum from Pre-K – 8th Grade. Registration is open for the 2017/2018 academic year. Call the school at 215.343.5100 to schedule a tour and learn about the highlights of our school.

**2017/2018 Tuition Rates for Parish Families**
**5 Day-Half Day Pre-K & Kindergarten: 8:10–11:45am**
One Child – Monthly - $330
Monthly Tuition - $350 (10 payments)
**5 Day-Full Day Pre-K & Kindergarten: 8:10–3:00pm**
Monthly Tuition - $415 (10 payments)
**Before and After School Program Available**

**Grades 1st – 8th (10 payments)**
Two Children – Monthly - $635
Three Children – Monthly - $715
Four Children – Monthly - $816
** Before and After School Program Available**

**Updates from The Catholic Young Adults of Bucks County**

**Holy Hour with Exposition at OLG, 7/11/2017 at 7:00PM**

Come join us for a Holy Hour with Exposition at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish (5175 Cold Spring Creamery Rd. Ste 5, Doylestown, PA 18902) on **Tuesday July 11, 2017 at 7:00PM** in OLG's Chapel. Following the Holy Hour there will be time for fellowship with other young adults.

**Theology on Tap at Borghi's in Chalfont, 7/26/2017 at 7:00PM**

Come join us for Theology on Tap on **Wednesday July 26, 2017 at 7:00PM** at Borghi's' Restaurant (4 N. Main Street Chalfont, PA 18914).
Our speaker this month will be **Fr. Thomas Dailey OSFS** from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Fr. Dailey will be helping us see how we might "*Live Today Well*" and sanctify the little moments of every day – living the Christian Faith where and how we find ourselves today.
For more information contact **Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki** by phone (215) 343-0315 or email: fathermkb@gmail.com. We hope to see you soon!

**H.O.P.E.** stands for "helping other people everyday" for the greater glory of God. Our volunteers help on a limited basis. Some of the suggested services we can offer to our parish are as follows:

- Share time and visit with shut-ins
- Prepare meals on an emergency basis
- Pick up prescriptions
- Driving people to Mass on the weekend
- Drive to appointments, food store

Our monthly HOPE Captain coordinates requests for the month.

If this ministry is something you would like to get involved with or you know someone who would benefit from it, fill in the form below and return to the parish office or collection basket.

H.O.P.E. Helping Other People Everyday

**H.O.P.E. Captain for the Month of June:**
**Frank Williams**
**215 206 3884**

**Do you know someone who needs H.O.P.E?**

# Parish Youth Ministry

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

## THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!

Thank you for your generous response to the Manna Food Drive. This years total donations were 1330 pounds of non perishable food, WOW! That was more than 2x last years totals. The volunteers at the cupboard were extremely grateful for your support, our help in sorting and dating and they also found a new volunteer. Debbie Fellmeth has joined their volunteer ranks, awesome. This collection helps support those in need during the critical summer months so once again thank you.

**SAVE THE DATE** ~ Saturday, August 19th we will hold a SLEEP OUT FOR COVENANT HOUSE here at St. Roberts. The idea is to bring awareness to the plight of so many homeless teenagers here and around the country. Several of the Bucks county parishes will be doing the same thing on the same night. We also hope to collect donations to help this non-profit organization and the wonderful work they do.

If you would like to volunteer to be a chaperone (many will be needed) or you have any suggestions to make this a really meaningful event, please contact mompalo@aol.com.

All of the details will be announced in the coming weeks.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**
**Preparing Adults to Receive the Sacraments**

This is a spiritual journey for one who seeks to be one with the Catholic Church in her prayers, worship and Sacraments. It involves learning, faith sharing and celebrating all that God has already done in your life.
This is an invitation to those who:
*-are not baptized*
*-are baptized in another Christian tradition*
*-are baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation*

***Jesus said to them, "Come and see."*** John 1:39

If you or someone you know is curious about becoming Catholic, you are invited to come and explore your questions. Please join our informal gathering:

***Wednesday, July 19 @ 7:00 PM***
***Parish Lounge***
***(enter through the narthex).***

Please call Joan Fitzpatrick with your questions, etc and for more details @215.343.0315 OR email: jfitzaff2@verizon.net.

**Bereavement Support Group**
**9:45—10:45 AM July 26, 2017**
**in the Lounge**
Join us for this opportunity to share and pray together, supporting one another in our time of grief.
**Please RSVP to Joan Fitzpatrick if you would like to attend: jfitzaff2@verizon.net OR 215.343.0315.**
***May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen, bless and console us, and gently wipe away every tear from our eyes. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.***

Please join us for the Holy Rosary after the 8:am Mass **Thursday, July 13, @ 8:45 am,** in honor of the third apparition of Mary to the shepherd children of Fatima.

## July 2017 Reflection

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Publication

Mary's Immaculate Conception

— As we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, we take a moment to reflect on our belief in Our Lady's Immaculate Conception. This is especially fitting because in Fatima, Our Lady asked all of us to observe the First Saturday devotion specifically in order to repair the damage done by offenses against the Marian dogmas, that is, the truths that we believe about Mary. One of them is the Immaculate Conception.

At the Annunciation, Mary was addressed by the Archangel Gabriel as "full of grace." The Church echoes these words of the angel by firmly professing faith in the dogma of the Immaculate Conception:

"*The Most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of sin.*" (*Pius IX, Ineffabilis Deus (1854)*

This dogma was solemnly proclaimed by Pope Pius IX in 1854. However, the Christian faithful had understood Mary to be preserved from the stain of original sin for centuries, as attested to by Sacred Scripture, Tradition and the desire of the Christian faithful.

Mary was from the early years of Christianity known as *Panagia*: the All-Holy one from whose virginal purity the Son of God took flesh. The Church saw her prefigured in the book of Genesis (3:15) as the woman whose offspring would crush the head of the serpent; whose immaculate purity and intimate unity with Christ would permit her, too, to triumph over Satan. The Fathers of the Church praised Mary in the words of the Psalms and the Prophets as the Enclosed Garden, the Tower of David, and the Temple of God. The Fathers wrote often about her privileges of innocence and sanctity that prepared her to be the dwelling-place of Christ when He was born in the flesh.

Oftentimes, secular culture criticizes the Church for emphasizing the purity and holiness of Mary, as if her perfection made her unapproachable. In fact, the opposite is true. Mary's sinlessness is precisely what makes her the *most* approachable, the *most* understanding of our weakness, the *most* near to us. It is sin that creates distances, making us harsh and judgmental towards each other. Our Lady, in her sinlessness, is free from all of the taints of sin. Her Immaculate Conception means there is no barrier in her heart between her and us. She is perfectly open to us, perfectly loving towards us, perfectly understanding. Our Lady's perfection is not the false perfectionism of the world. It is the perfection of love. Visit archphila.org/fatima.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONERS**

Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Mary Ryan & Family
Miss Melissa Bachman
Mr. Devon Kohler
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew & Lauren Kulp & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Frank & Maria Varanavage & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy & Jennifer Byrne & Family

**THOSE RECENTLY UNITED IN THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Mr. & Mrs. John & Erin (Stacy) Keenan
Mr. & Mrs. Robert & Heather (Panettieri) McDoniel
Mr. & Mrs. William & Elizabeth (Stapf) Glenn

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

Morgan Elizabeth Malley

**THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US IN DEATH AND CONTINUE WITH US IN THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS**

Charlotte C. Feeley
Phyllis Rice
Wilbert McCarty
Martin Westermann
Geralidne Garofalo

Hey you young adults, get involved, participate in this survey, the link is below. check it out

**Synod Survey 2018**

In October, 2018, Pope Francis will convene a Synod of Bishops to discuss how to better proclaim the Gospel to young people. To prepare for the Synod the Holy See has sent us a list of questions which are included in this survey.

If you have not had the chance to participate in this survey, please click the link below!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H2KR8LT

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR RAFFLE** - Please join in their ministry of carinf for the needy elderly by participating in the St. Jeanne Jugan—Pot of Gold Raffle! Besides helping our 97 residents live in a secure and compassionate home you have a chance to win 1 of 10 prices, with a grand prize of $25,000! Only 2,000 tickets will be sold! This years honorees are Fr. William Kaufman, Don Hopkins and Pat Zubyk. To purchase a ticket please send your name, address and check for $100 to: Holy Family Home– Dept. PB, Attn: Sr. Veronica 5300 Chester Ave, Phila., PA 19143. Or visit **www.littlesistersofthepoorpiladelphia.org**.

**Don't forget the opportunity to honor or memorialize your loved ones through altar flowers or sanctuary lamp dedications.**

**BROTHERS OF BORROMEO VOCATION CAMP**

ATTENTION: 6th, 7th & 8th GRADE BOYS

**SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2017 - 10 AM - 5 PM ST. CHARLES BORROMEO SEMINARY**

The Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood is sponsoring a one-day event led by our Philadelphia Seminarians which will provide 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys an opportunity for a summer day of fun, food and formation. The day includes great music & food, sports, games, powerful prayer, and Mass. Registration fee is $10 and deadline is June 30, 2017.

For more information or to register please call 610-667-5778 or go to: HeedTheCall.org/BBVC

**FOOD DRIVE FOR ST. CYPRIAN FOOD PANTRY** - We will be collecting non-perishable food items for St. Cyprian Parish's food pantry the weekend of July 22 & 23. Please place your bagged food items in the narthex after all Masses that weekend.

Suggested food items are: complete meals in a box, canned meats (ham, chicken), canned tuna, canned soups/stews/potatoes/fruits/vegetables/milk, complete-just add water pancake mix, pancake syrup, coffee, powdered coffee creamer, dry milk, Gatorade, juice (other than apple, which is donated from another source), peanut butter, pasta sauce (only need sauce-pasta is donated from another source), boxed potatoes, crackers, cereal, pop tarts, animal crackers, pretzels, cookies, lunch box size puddings, juice boxes and snacks. Pop-up cans and items that can be micro waved are helpful.

Any questions, please call Patti Hessler 267.250.5721.

**Let's save lives!**

- Every 2 seconds someone inAmerica needs blood.
- The Red Cross must collect 14,000 units of blood each day.
- Each blood donation can help save up to three lives.
- It only takes about an hour to give blood.
- 80 percent of blood donations are given at blood drives hosted by organizations like ours.

St. Robert's Parish is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive on July 18th from 2pm-7pm. Please consider being a donor. Even if you are unable to donate blood, please consider helping in a non-donor capacity with this worthy cause. Let us know how you'd like to help. Call Mary Marquis at 215-539-0516.

* Donate blood * Volunteer my time
*Promote the drive using social media

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# GIVING HOPE to All

## 2017

The Catholic Charities Appeal is the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important annual fundraising initiative and we're counting on your support. This year, the Catholic Charities Appeal will be a channel of hope for tens of thousands of people through countless organizations and ministries in the Archdiocese, and a positive source for good in all facets of the Church in Philadelphia. We ask you to look deep in your heart and be as generous as you can to help us reach our $12.5 million goal. So many people are counting on us. So we're counting on you to give hope this year to those who need it the most.

## Supporting OUR PARISHES

### LOCAL MISSION ACTIVITIES

Sundays at Our Lady of Hope Church on North Broad Street are an amazing mix of multiculturalism. The 8:30 AM Mass features an African-American gospel choir. At 10:30 AM there's a Mass in Spanish. At 12:30 PM the Filipino faithful gather for Mass in their native Tagalog. And on special feasts, the entire parish community is brought together when these cultures are highlighted in the celebration of the Eucharist with different languages, truly celebrating "the Tables of Faith, Hope, and Love."

The pastor at Our Lady of Hope, Father Efren V. Esmilia, or simply Father Efren as everyone calls him, is committed to shaping this diverse and sprawling parish into one Eucharistic community. Father Efren and his Director of Parish Evangelization and Social Justice, Sr. Gertrude Borres, R.A., are dedicated to promoting inclusivity, embracing immigrants and creating a parish life that allows the world to see how the mission is lived.

One unique way Father Efren reaches out to the community is at the annual Broad Street Run. The race begins virtually at the front door of the church, and in recent years, Father Efren has celebrated a pre-race Mass and welcomed runners to attend. Each year it has become more and more popular among the runners and their family and friends.

Our Lady of Hope, one of 16 mission parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, runs on lay volunteers from all different backgrounds and ethnic groups. Most evenings the parish hall is busy with meetings and classes such as ESL (English as a Second Language) and even SSL (Spanish as a Second Language). Our Lady of Hope and other mission parishes throughout the Archdiocese are able to continue their work through the generosity of sister parishes and also through your generosity to the Catholic Charities Appeal. Please help us continue the vital work of this and other mission parish communities.

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide support needed to tens of thousands of people through countless organizations, programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries are grouped into five key areas:

- EDUCATION
- SOCIAL SERVICES
- EVANGELIZATION, PARISH AND SPIRITUAL LIFE
- CLERGY
- LOCAL MISSION ACTIVITIES

To see a full listing of 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal beneficiaries visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org.

## WAYS to Give

The Catholic Charities Appeal is recognized as a non-profit institution. As such, all gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. It has its own Employer Identification Number (EIN) and receives a separate financial audit. Besides gifts of cash, donors to the 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal may contribute in many other ways, each offering tax advantages according to their circumstances:

- Pledge Gift
- Gifts of Cash
- Matching Gifts
- Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)
- Gifts of Security
- Planned Gifts

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL
GIVING HOPE TO ALL
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For more information about any of the ways you can support the 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal, please call Sarah O. Hanley, Senior Director of Strategic Partnerships, at 215.587.5650 or email **cca@catholicfoundationphila.org**.

## IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

| WEEKEND MASSES | WEEKDAY MASSES | HOLY DAYS | CONFESSIONS |
|---|---|---|---|
| Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m. | 7:00 & 9:00 am - Monday/Friday | *(Except Christmas* | Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm |
| Sunday: 7:00 am | 9:00 am - Saturday | *& New Years)* | |
| 9:00 am | Summer: | 7:00 am & 9:00 am | **PARISH OFFICE HOURS** |
| 11:00 am | Weekday - 8:00 am | 12:00 noon | Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm |
| | Saturday - 9:00 am | 7:00 pm | 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.

**EUCHARISTIC 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 strobertsecretary@verizon.net.

**PARISH RESOURCES**

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| 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 | Patricia Neely | 215-343-2873 |
| Crisis Pregnancy | 24 Hour Hotline | 610-626-4006 |
| E.P.'s (Seniors) | Joann Crescenzo | 215-491-4288 |
| 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 Brian/ | Colleen Zook | 267-483-8409 |
| 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 |
| Visiting Mary Statue | Bernadette Repisky | 267-261-4612 |

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:**

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|---|---|---|
| (Elected Position) | Joann Crescenzo | 215/491-4288 |
| ***Pastoral issues*** | Sheila Fehrman | 215/343-1752 |
| ***to be discussed?*** | Joanne Galganski | 215/343-4173 |
| | Bill Gibbons | 215/343-4066 |
| | Ginny McDevitt | 215/343-3362 |
| **Contact one of the** | Amy Moffett | 215/343-5436 |
| **members.** | Betty Santoro | 215/ 343-6747 |
| | Mike Speranza | 215/956-9769 |
| | Joe Tate | 267/808-4913 |
| | Tom Utermark | 215/343-9528 |
| | Brian Zook | 267/483-8409 |

**FINANCE COUNCIL:**
(Appointed Position)
Carol Bauman
Jesse Brookreson
Thomas Castaldi
Ed Clark
Kirk Clauss
Terry Funk
Robin Killion
Tony Mastrocco
Elmer O'Brien
John Prendergast
Susan Westermann