

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE PARISH

A Journey Through Lent

Palm Sunday Masses
Sunday, March 20th:
7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 AM

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

School Stations ~ Wednesdays at 2pm
parishioners are welcome

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

Poor Person's Supper ~ Good Friday, March 25, 4pm

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

March 13th, 2016

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2016
5:00 P.M. - Living & Deceased Members of the
Clancy & Coleman Families

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2016
7:00 A.M. - Living & Deceased Members of the
Conte & Crisafulli Families

9:00 A.M. - Theresa Malandra
11:00 A.M. - Francis McLaughlin

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016
7:00 A.M. - Theresa Malandra
9:00 A.M. - Thomas & Lindsey Quinn

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016
7:00 A.M. - Parishioners
9:00 A.M. - Charlotte Verani

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016
7:00 A.M. - Veronica McPartland
9:00 A.M. - Teresa Stollery

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016
7:00 A.M. - Mary Mc Devitt
9:00 A.M. - Deceased Members of the
Arduzzi & Zinni Families

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2016
7:00 A.M. - Emily & Edward Fitzgerald
9:00 A.M. - Louise Wenstrup

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2016
9:00 A.M. - Helen Campisi
5:00 P.M. - Living & Deceased Members of the
Rogan & Purtell Families

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016
PALM SUNDAY
7:00 A.M. - Joanne Paul
8:30 A.M. - Deceased Members of the
O'Brien & Shriver Families

10:00 A.M. - Deceased Members of the
Baloga & Fetch Families
11:30 A.M. - Giacomo Bucciarelli



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 McMahon
Marie McBride	Jared Callan	Elizabeth McGee
Michael Matter	Mary Farano	Michael Lauria
Warren Treanor	Pat Laurich	Margaret Prendergast
Hal Stanton	James Fuges	Pat Ganther
Edward Kiss	Mary Wall	Joe Ankenbrand
Stella Coyle	John Weigner	Walter Brand
Theresa Beisel	Jimmy McIntyre	Konrad Bush
Leo Dennis	Pat Reidy	Carolyn Cole
Margaret Snyder	Elaine Teachout	Lucy McCabe

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.



UPCOMING EVENTS (at a glance)

Mar 16 ~ Confessions
Mar 18 ~ Stations of the Cross
Mar 31 ~ 2017 Mass Book Opens



ST. CYPRIAN FOOD DRIVE will not be held this month. The next collection date will be April 23 & 24th. Thank you for your generosity!



OUR PARISH GIVING



Sunday (3/6/16): \$18,932
Online Bank Services Funds: \$1,425 in 26 envelopes
Year to Date Totals - Sunday Collections:

FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	Difference
\$567,418	\$568,286	\$868

(Fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30)

Thank you for your Sacrificial Generosity

Fifth Sunday

of Lent

Dear Friends,

As Lent moves into its final full week, God has gathered us this weekend to witness and to ponder the new things that God is doing. One question to ask is - how has your Lent been? Have you made progress on your repentance and reconciliation? It is still not too late! God continues to call each of us to this great experience of mercy and forgiveness. Just as we heard that Saint Paul continued throughout his life in pursuit of the goal, so we can continue the journey to grow in our faith and love of God. This month we are going to begin the process for nominations to the Parish Pastoral Council. I am grateful to the members of the council who have provided invaluable guidance to me in my duty as pastor. The purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council is to foster full participation of the entire parish in the life and mission of the parish and the Universal Church. The general function of this Council is to **advise the pastor** in those pastoral matters presented to it by the pastor. It carries out its function by informing the pastor of the needs and concerns, gifts and resources of the whole parish and its members. (Rational, Principles and Guidelines for Parish Pastoral Councils of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia) The current membership on this Council is found on the last page of the bulletin. A nomination form will be found in next week's bulletin with the requirements needed for nomination. Nominations will close the last weekend of March with an election to be held in April. We are currently looking to fill three positions on the Council. Please pray about this and nominate those parishioners whom you think will be able to contribute to the wellbeing of our community. As announced last weekend at all the Masses, **NEXT WEEKEND, PALM SUNDAY**, our Mass schedule will be different. Masses will be celebrated at the 5PM Vigil and Sunday at **7AM, 8:30AM, 10:00AM and 11:30AM**. Palm will be blessed and distributed at all the Masses with the Solemn Procession and Blessing of Palm at the 11:30AM Mass. **For those attending the 11:30 Mass, the Blessing of Palm will take place in Monsignor Marley Hall followed by the procession into church.** For those who are able, please assemble in the hall before 11:30.

Just a quick update on our construction projects. As you can see we are making some significant progress with the new narthex (or church entrance and gathering space). The nice weather this past week has allowed for some technical work to be performed under some ideal circumstances considering it is still winter! The dates for completion continue to be altered because of circumstances and the procurement of materials. As of this writing, the new Parish Office Center is scheduled to be completed by the end of April. If all continues to go well, the new narthex will be completed sometime in June. This seems to be the best guess for completion at this time. Please keep praying for good weather and early deliveries! Let's get this project done! As always, I am deeply grateful for the consistent and generous contributions made to this endeavor. I am humbled by the generosity of our faithful parishioners! Many thanks!

May this Fifth Week of Lent find us ready for the week we call Holy by prayer, penance and works of charity!

Saint Robert Bellarmine, pray for us!

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
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

ST. ROBERT'S EP's
Tuesday, March 22nd

Doylestown Thereapy Dog presentation,
Hunterdon Hills ticket sales

Wednesday, March 23rd Eating out Warminster Perkins restaurant. 3-8 pm. Vouchers available from EP members.



Trip to see RUMORS - We are going to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse in Hampton, N.J. on April 26st (a tuesday) to see the play RUMORS, a Neil Simon elegantly funny farce. The price is \$75. and includes a full course luncheon, round trip bus transportation and all tips and taxes. The bus departs at 9:15 AM and returns about 5:00 PM. It should be fun.
Tickets are going fast. Please call Jerry Doyle at 215-343-4865 if you wish to go.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - *In today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental.*

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.

Take a moment to look at the updated web page. Go to www.saintrobertwarrington.org, then Ministries, Service & Outreach, and finally St. Vincent De Paul.

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 Weinbreckt
Max J. Sempowski
Anthony Comtois
Thomas Rook

Francis Lemma
Michael Sempowski
Andrew J. Velas

CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE (3/19 & 3/20)

Palm Sunday

- ◆ **5:00 PM** Msgr. Beisel **Cantor**
 - ◆ **7:00 AM** Fr. Cornely
 - ◆ **8:30 AM** Fr. Stokely/Dcn. Cavara
 - ◆ **10:00 AM** Msgr. Beisel/Dcn. Cavara **Children Choir**
 - ◆ **11:30 AM** Fr. Stokely/Dcn. George **Adult Choir**
- Subject to change without notice*

2017 MASS BOOK will open on Thursday, March 31 at 10am. Please come to the parish office to procure your Mass intentions. Only 2 Sunday Masses will be permitted per family at this time.



ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM

Phone: 215.343.9433



CALENDAR

March

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

Sat. 30 1st Communion-- Group Mass 10:30am

May

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.

INCOMING 1ST GRADE & NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION

Registration for classes beginning in September 2016 will take place on Tuesday, May 10th from 10:00 AM to noon and from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. Registration will take place in the PREP

Office which is located in the school building.

New students who were not baptized at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish need to bring a copy of their baptismal certificate.

Information on tuition can be found on the parish website saintrobertwarrington.org. Click on the PREP tab and scroll down to Registration and Tuition.

For more information you can contact us at strobertyprep@gmail.com or call 215-343-9433.



RE-REGISTRATION FORMS

Re-registration information for our current families will be sent home with the youngest child in the family on Monday, March 14th. All forms need to be returned no later than Monday, April 25th. Tuition information is also included in the packet. Tuition is due no later than Monday, June 13th.



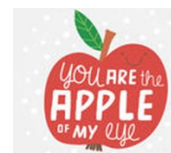
ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL NEWS

Phone: 215.343.5100 Web:

www.stjstr.org

*FROM THE DESK OF
MRS. JASTER*

APPLE OF MY EYE: Congratulations to the students who were recognized for doing something good: Joshua Bethman, Sarah Ferrese, Angela Speranza and Ryan Landry.



HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS:

Chick-fil-a Spirit Night: Congratulations to the following students who won "Lunch with Mrs. Jaster"! We will be dining together on March 22nd:

Luke Shaeffer, Ayden Heim, Haley Stefanik, Ella Traae, and Annie Ellenbach!

These students won an ice cream treat:

Gianna Anzideo, Patrick Birkhead, Shannon Birkheard, Brylee Briggs, Kendrick Brookerson, Martha

Brookerson, Mavis Brookerson, Christian Fuller, William Fuller, Michael Holly, Brendan Kearney, Ella Lombardi, Sofia Mazzarella, Danny Speranza, Angela Speranza, Julia Yogus, and Jake Zook.

SJR'S GOT TALENT: Come and join the fun for our Talent Show on Friday April 1st at 7pm – no fooling!

MATH AND SCIENCE BOWL: We would like to take this opportunity to wish our 7th grade teams GOOD LUCK when they compete in the Math & Science Bowl Competition being held at Lansdale Catholic High School tomorrow afternoon! The teams have been preparing with a series of questions and videos on many different topics.

Student representing SJR on our Science team are:

Michael Darcy, Carly Kimball, Ryan Landry, and Julianna Schweizer. The SJR Math team includes Tom Christie, Grace Moffett, Lauren Scott, and Samantha Waltrich. Our alternate for both teams is Julia Fellmeth.

SeCOND TRIMESTER: Marks closed for the second trimester on Friday, March 11th.

JUST A THOUGHT: Last week, I had the pleasure of meeting with our newly reconfigured Advisory Board.

The members of this group represent the many stakeholders in our school community. The greatest part of our discussion was how to best "market" our school. The emphasis seemed that our school has all of the elements of any good school – public or private. The "intangibles" that we have seemed to be what sets us apart. Our shared faith, value system, and expectations of our children are what makes us strong.

May I ask that families in our school share their pride and satisfaction when speaking with others? We truly want to spread the word that SJR is treasure of great value.



Parish Youth Ministry

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

PRAISEFEST

Praisefest an evening of prayer, music and reconciliation followed by a social will be held this Sunday March 13 from 7 to 8 at Our Lady of Guadalupe open to all high school students and young adults rsvp for social to youthministry@olguadalupe.org

THE LIVING STATIONS

* The Living Stations will take place in the church on Friday, March 25th at 7pm. All 7th thru 12th grade students are invited to participate in our annual reenactment of our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. Practice will be Sunday afternoon March 20th from 1 to 3 and Wednesday March 23rd from 5 to 7 pm

* Good Friday March 25th we will attend the Passion service at 3p, and the Poor Man's Supper at 4p and then prepare for the show which will be held at 7p

Please contact mompalo@aol.com to sign up or request more information.

Steubenville 2016

There are a few spots available for our trip which will be held June 22 to June 26. We are excited to have extended our trip to include a mission/service activity. We will be attending the Queens, NY conference and final registration is due at the end of March. If you would like more information or would like to register please contact Mrs. Palo at above email address 8th thru 12 gr students eligible to attend.

St. Patrick's Day March 17th

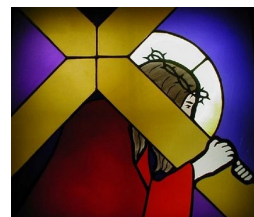
The teen ministry will have a party from 7:30 to 8:30 in the hall. All students in 7th to 12 gr are invited. Bring a snack to share and wear your green proudly....

SAVE THE DATE ...

 Remember!

APRIL 16TH - for a day with Chris Padgett, musician, speaker, commedien.. check him out on FB. More info to follow

Next week's bulletin will have all the pictures and updates from a fun and successful Trivia Night 2016.



FOCUS ON FAITH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11



JESUS AND THE WOMAN TAKEN IN ADULTERY
Jesus, dressed down, and with his right arm on the ground, and with his left hand on the woman's head, says to her: 'Woman, where are you?'

This week's Gospel of John 8:1-11 is the account of the woman caught in adultery. Jesus' words of conversion and forgiveness and admonition to lead a new life. First Jesus challenges her accusers to announce themselves to be without sin – they cannot. Jesus, *who knows their hearts and hers*, finds her true in repentance...accusers walk away, apparently unrepentant. This is what we need to remember when we approach the Sacrament of Penance — **Jesus knows our heart!**

Reflection from Pope Francis (October, 2014): "We need to guard our hearts, where the Holy Spirit dwells, so that other spirits do not enter. To guard the heart, as a house is guarded, with a key. And then to watch the heart, like a sentinel: How often," do wicked thoughts, wicked intentions, jealousy, envy enter in? So many things that enter in. But who has opened that door? Where do they enter from? If I do not realize [how much] enters into my heart, my heart becomes a piazza, where everything comes and goes. A heart without intimacy, a heart where the Lord cannot speak and cannot even

be heard." Jesus says something else here – doesn't He? – that sounds a little strange: 'He who does not gather with me scatters.' He uses the word 'to gather.' To have a gathering heart, a heart in which we know what happens, and here and there you can perform a practice as old as the Church, but good: the examination of conscience. Who of us, at night, at the end of the day, remains by himself, by herself, and asks the question: what happened today in my heart? What happened? What things have passed through my heart? If we don't do this, we have truly failed to know how to watch and guard [our hearts] well."

2016 Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy Archdiocesan Pilgrimage

Holy Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy

Saturday, April 23, 2016

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, DC
Program begins at noon and includes confessions, procession and crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the holy Rosary, and concludes with a Solemn Mass at 3:00 PM.

Archbishop Charles Chaput, celebrant and homilist

If you think you would like to go, please email Joan Fitzpatrick or call the parish office no later than March 18. If we have enough people we will book a bus. Cost TBD.

The Palm Sunday Procession on March 21 will take place before the 11:30 AM Mass. If you would like to be part of the procession, please go the MMH, for the Blessing of the Palms and then procession to the church.



Have you signed up for FORMED yet?

Go to www.formed.org and go to Sign-Up. St. Robert's Parish Code is **46KPWV**. You will then be asked to register.

Weekly Suggestions as we approach Holy Week—

• **Symbolon: Living the Faith—Session 2: THE EUCHARIST and/or Session 3: A WALK THROUGH THE MASS**

Good to watch in preparation for Holy Thursday when we celebrate the Institution of the Eucharist and Holy Orders.

• **Lectio: PETER** — Check a few of these sessions of Peter, the stubborn and impulsive fisherman who became the "rock" upon which Jesus built his Church — good preparation for Good Friday

• Suggested movies: SAINT PETER starring Omar Sharif and MARY OF NAZARETH

• Questions: Joan Fitzpatrick:
jfitzaff2@verizon.net

We are getting plenty of positive feedback don't delay ... register now!



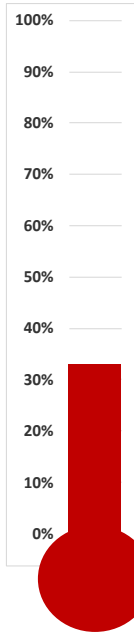
2016 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

- "A NEW VISION". Every day Catholic Social Services (CSS) provides help and creates help for more than 3500 people across our five-county region. They are homeless and hungry, at-risk youth and neglected children, struggling families and single parents, immigrants and persons with intellectual abilities pregnant teens and court-adjudicated delinquents. Now CSS has partnered with Veterans Multi-Service Center (VMC) to serve those who have served – our military veterans.

This joint initiative, working out of the former St. Cecilia School in Coatesville, serves as a life-saving outreach to veterans and their families who are homeless or at risk of becoming so. The program assists veterans to locate and maintain permanent housing, provides furnishings, household goods and groceries, guides them in applying for benefits and offers job search assistance, including training, resume writing and interview skills.

One recent beneficiary was Justin, an Iraq War veteran, and his family that narrowly avoided homelessness. Though mortified to ask for help, they were grateful for the loving way they were treated, which maintained their dignity and restored their hope. CSS and VMC have joined resources to do more good for people like Justin, to more effectively transform lives.

As of today we are at 33% of our \$65,364 goal with \$21,436. Even with last year's increased parish goal, our final total was \$70,910. OUTSTANDING! As a parish we are at approximately 2300 families. With this number we have the very strong potential of exceeding the goal once again. This will definitely give the needed support to the expanded NEW VISION. Should you have any questions please contact the Appeal office at 215.587.3651 or visit www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org



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.

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



RESPECT LIFE

BABY'S BREATH IN WARMINSTER

600 Louis Drive Ste 206B

Open House

Wednesday, April 6 from 1 - 3:30 pm

Friday, April 8 from 10 am - 12 noon

Please join us. Come and see what your local crisis pregnancy center has to offer. Learn of the good works being done by our **volunteer staff**.

We are in need of more volunteers to staff our center and help mothers choose life for their babies. Training is available. **Volunteers are essential to our mission!**

Call **267/275-4097** or join us at the Open House. We are eager to meet YOU!

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.



POOR PERSON'S SUPPER

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 25

Immediately following the Passion of Our Lord



Each year, immediately following the 3p Passion of Our Lord, we gather for a simple supper in Msgr. Marley Hall. In keeping with our Lenten fast, the supper consists of pasta with or without a red sauce, salad, bread, ice water and coffee or tea. This is a long-standing tradition at St. Robert's and we would love to have you join us. There is no set charge for the meal, however, donations to pay for food and supplies would be greatly appreciated. The remainder of the donations received will be given to the St. Vincent DePaul Society. So that we might plan for dinner, please complete the following information and place the form in the weekly collection basket.

FAMILY NAME: _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

Kindly reply no later than **Palm Sunday, March 20**
Questions: Sallie Theis c:215.696.1477 or
Rosemarie Abecasis h:215.343.8113

WORLD YOUTH DAY PROPOSAL

The Charitable Exchange (TCE), a nonprofit crowd funding organization, is proposing to help raise funds for young people throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to attend World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow, Poland.



Our offer is a matching fund up to \$50,000. TCE will match dollar for dollar up to \$50,000. People will be able to donate any amount they wish.

TCE aims to offer this scholarship opportunity to various parishes through the Archdiocese. This scholarship program will be offered to high school and college-aged students.

TCE was founded in 2013 by Terence Darby and Anna Darby-Matteoda in order to create a crowd funding website and to help selected charities in our area, (and some in other states), increase their fundraising outreach. We are a 501 c (3) organization partially funded by the resources of our principals and actively soliciting funds from the public. Our mission is to support selected Christian charities raise funds online, and we also pledge to match the online donations at various percentage levels.

One characteristic of TCE that makes us different from other crowd funding websites is that we pay all the fees charged by the fund collecting organizations that we employ; in other words, the charity is the beneficiary of the full amount of each online donation, as the collection fees are paid by TCE.

TCE believes that the pilgrimage to World Youth Day can be a life-changing trip for many youth, and we are embarking on this particular fundraising endeavor as a form of the new evangelization for the whole Archdiocese.

The Charitable Exchange website:

<http://www.charitableexchange.org/> and click on **Philadelphia Parishes**

RUN ABOUT CATHOLIC EDUCATION (R.A.C.E.)

- SAVE THE DATE & JOIN THE TRAINING

The SJR 5K R.A.C.E. will be held on Fri, May 20th. This event is a 5K run, or a 2 mile fitness walk. Also, a 1K run is available for the kids. Never run a 5K before or have you run many? Please consider joining our training runs! Training begins in Mar. every Thursday evening at 8:30p. Both training times will include running or walking the course & the group will begin from St. Robert's Church parking lot. All levels of runner/walker are encouraged to join the training. No individual will be left behind! It is a great way to kick off a healthy new year! Questions: Bob Williamson at 215.896.5180 or email kbwrs96@gmail.com.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Saturday, May 7, 2016

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

Cathedral of Ss. Peter & Paul
18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Pkwy
Philadelphia



Registration Required - www.phillycatholiclife.org
Questions: 215.587.0500 or famlife@adphila.org

The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass is celebrated in May to pray for and with married couples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who are newlyweds, who have been married 25 years or more or who have been married 50 years or more.

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.



St. Joseph/St. Robert Catholic School Registration

St. Joseph/St. Robert School offers a curriculum from Pre-K – 8th Grade.

Registration is now open for the 2016/2017 academic year. Please call the school at 215.343.5100 to schedule a tour and learn about the highlights of our school.



2016/2017 Tuition Rates for Parish Families

(5 Day) Half Day Pre-K & Kindergarten: 8:10a-11:45a
Monthly Tuition - - \$310.00 (10 payments)

(5 Day) Full Day Pre-K & Kindergarten: 8:10a-3:00p
Monthly Tuition - \$375.00 (10 payments)
Before and After School Program Available

Grades 1st – 8th (10 payments)
One Child – Monthly - \$300.00
Two Children – Monthly - \$600.00
Three Children – Monthly - \$675.00
Four Children – Monthly - \$770.00

Before and After School Program Available

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
Contact one of the members.	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 Claus
	John Del Vecchio
	Terry Funk
	Robin Killion
	Susan Westermann
	Elmer O'Brien
	Frederick Reed

