St. Robert Bellarmine Parish

HOPE

A Woman's Evening of Reflection
Advent by Candlelight
Tuesday, December 4, 6:30pm
Presented by Kate Capato
Must be pre-registered

Coffee, Conversation & Prayer
Wednesday, December 5, 12 & 19~ 9:45am

Immaculate Conception ~ Holy Day of Obligation
Saturday, December 8, Masses 7am, 9am, 12 noon & 5 pm

Christmas Family Movie Night ~
Saturday, December 15th 6:30pm

St. Joseph-St. Robert School Christmas Program
Thursday, December 20 ~ 7pm in Church

Advent Confessions:

- Saturday, December 8 ~3:30-4:30pm
- Saturday, December 15 ~ 3:30-4:30pm
- **Advent Communal Confessions ~ Church & Hall**
  Monday, December 17, 7pm
- Saturday, December 22 ~ 3:00-4:30pm
  (Last Opportunity for confessions)

December 2, 2018
First Sunday Of Advent

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018
5:00 P.M. - Tony Mastrocco, Sr.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Matthew & Barbara McGranaghan
9:00 A.M. - Antonio Maria DiFabio
11:00 A.M. - Dominic Visco
MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Living & Deceased Members of the Conte & Crisafulli Families
9:00 A.M. - Frank & Celestine Noonan
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Mary Williams
9:00 A.M. - Lewis Urbanelli
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Parishioners
9:00 A.M. - Deacon Len Noonan
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklikner
9:00 A.M. - Mary Reagan O'Connel
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Lucy Beisel
9:00 A.M. - Deanne Schmid
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2018
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
7:00 A.M. - Margaret Leven
9:00 A.M. - Michael McCloskey
12:00 NOON - Deanne Schmid
5:00 P.M. - Ida Pfander
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018
7:00 A.M. - Robert Gordish
9:00 A.M. - Mildred Pacek
11:00 A.M. - Living & Deceased Members of the Schena & Lombardi Families

This Week's Sanctuary Lamp Burns in Loving Memory of

Albert Daugert

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

Prayer Requests

Nicholas Chess	Frank Waltrich	
Pat Ganther	Kevin Christopher Fox	Peg Divine
Diane Barbier	Marissa Nero	Alex DiStefano
Dolores McGrath	Theresa Beisel	Nicholas Cipriano
Kelci Cost	Margaret Cunnane	Sophie Ruiz
Alexis Schirling	James Kolody, Sr.	Kathleen McCartin
Patricia Wendte	Robert Gartner	Michael Wiley
Frank Schneider	Catherine Botella	Mike Fitzpatrick
Jeanne Sholes	Tom Altmeier	Tim Schreiber
Harry Lukens	Kelly Hartranft	Barry Newsome
Hal Stanton	Joanne Galganski	Norah Claire Mason
Fran Stanton	Cathy Cipriano	Walter Braithwate
Patricia Steffa	Michael Murphy	Baby Carter Watson
Dan McFadden	Abbey Ceriani	Karen West
Lori Gladnick	Marie McBride	Daniel McDevitt
Mary Farano	Michael McBride	Peter McDevitt
Gloria Gioria	Wally Brand	Kevin Reilly
Susan Schneider	Vincent Mullen	Maureen Brand
Lisa Dilio	Emmi Wickersham	Mary Golaschevsky
Linda Brown	Teresa Stemock	Angel Cruz
Gerrie McMillan	Chas Gilmartin	James Kolody, Jr.
Bill Amisson	Marion Burch	Victoria Ottomanelli
Jim Bailey	Joann Johnston	Brian Gottshall
Ann O'Neill	Steven Scott	Bud Altmeier
Eleanor Coyle	Michelle Velas	Stephen Cunnane

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.

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

H.O.P.E. Captain for the Month of December:

Barbara Palo 215.313.4197

OUR PARISH GIVING

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday 11/18/18: $14,241 ~ 500 envelopes used
Online Bank Services Funds: $1,322 in 33 envelopes
Sunday 11/25/18: $13,912 ~ 488 envelopes used
Online Bank Services Funds: $1,180 in 28 envelopes
Little Sisters of the Poor 11/18/18: $5,000

2018 Block Collection as of 11/28/2018: $60,350
2017 Block Collection as of 11/28/2017: $64,125

Current Weekly Average	Budgeted Weekly Average	Difference
$15,659	$16,443	-$784

The First Sunday Of Advent

Dear Friends,

During Advent, we prepare for Christ's coming in three ways: as an infant who came into this world over two thousand years ago, as our Lord and Savior coming into our hearts right here and now, and as the Son of Man who will come into the world again at the end of time. We don't know when the last of these will occur, so this season is a good opportunity to focus on preparing our hearts for Jesus now, perhaps by looking for his face in those we encounter on our faith journey this week.

On the cover of this bulletin you see some of the opportunities to encounter Jesus during this special season of preparation. Please keep these opportunities before you and see them as an invitation for your participation as well as an opportunity to invite others to join us in preparing the way of the Lord for his coming to us at Christmas and beyond! Also, Daily Reflection booklets are available at the doors of the church while the supply lasts. This is a wonderful tool to keep us focused during Advent. Let's truly make this a season for Jesus in our minds, hearts and souls as we navigate the "business" that the worldly forces thrusts upon us in December!

This Monday the priests of the archdiocese will gather with Archbishop Chaput for the annual Day of Sanctification for Priests. This annual event occurs at Saint Charles Seminary and is an opportunity for spiritual growth through adoration, spiritual talks, confession and a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament. It is also a time for a fraternal gathering of priests to share a meal and fellowship. Please continue to pray daily for all priests that we may respond with generous hearts to the call to minister in the name of Jesus.

Next Saturday, December 8th is A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION even though the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception falls on a Saturday. The bishops of the United States decreed that since our country has been placed under the protection of our Blessed Mother, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, that this day would always carry with it the obligation to attend Mass no matter the day of the week. To this end, ***MASSES FOR THE HOLY DAY WILL BE CELEBRATED IN CHURCH ON SATURDAY AT 7AM, 9AM, and 12 NOON. THE 5PM VIGIL MASS IS THE MASS OF THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.***

I am grateful to all who participated in the annual Thanksgiving Turkey Raffle. Because of your generosity, the parish realized a profit of over $10,000 to assist in meeting our financial obligations for the annual budget. To all the winners, congratulations! To all of us who did not win, better luck next year!

Also, many thanks for your kind and generous support to the Little Sisters of the Poor and Holy Family Home on the weekend of November 17/18. Your support amounted to $5,000. This total does not include donations that were mailed directly to Holy Family Home. Sister Veronica and Sister Christine were very impressed with your welcoming spirit and kindnesses to them. May God bless your sacrifices!

We were recently notified by LIFETOUCH that the parish history book and photo directory will be shipped to us during the week of December 3rd. If the books come in early in the week it is our hope to begin the distribution process in the narthex beginning the weekend of December 8/9. Thank you for your patience with this project. I am grateful to the hard work of the committee who have been advocating for the delivery of these books for many weeks now!

May Saint Robert Bellarmine bless our Advent journey!

With prayers,

Monsignor Beisel

THANKSGIVING RAFFLE
~ Final Drawing

Congratulations to our winners:

$1,000 - **Clara Smith**
$1,500 - **C.H. McMillan**
$2,000 - **Lisa McGowan**

The 2019 Mass Book is completely filled for intentions. The 2020 Mass Book will not open until Spring. Please keep in mind that unannounced Masses are available as well as memorials for sanctuary lamp candles and altar flowers.

OUR WEEKLY FACILITY SCHEDULE:

dates to Remember

Sun Dec 2, 2018
Pick up Hospice Trays
9am Family PREP ~ Church
10am Family Prep Special Program ~ School Dining Hall
11am Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Meeting Room
12pm Baptism ~ Church
1pm CYO Basketball ~ Msgr. Marley Hall

Mon Dec 3, 2018
9:30am Adoration ~ Chapel
3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Chapel
4pm CYO Basketball ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
5pm PREP Catechist In-service ~ School Library
7pm Teen Ministry ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
7pm St. Vincent DePaul ~ Family Room

Tue Dec 4, 2018
10am EP Board Meeting ~ Meeting Room
6:30pm Advent Evening of Reflection ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group ~ Family Room

Wed Dec 5, 2018
8am SJR School Gym Day ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
9:45am AFF ~ Meeting Room & Lounge
4:30pm Altar Server Practice ~ Church
4pm CYO Basketball ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
7pm Adult Choir Rehearsal ~ Church

Thu Dec 6, 2018
8am SJR School Gym Day ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
4pm CYO Basketball ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
4:30pm Altar Server Practice ~ Church
7pm Mom's Prayer Group ~ Family Room

Fri Dec 7, 2018
4pm CYO Basketball ~ Msgr. Marley Hall

Sat Dec 8, 2018
Immaculate Conception ~ Holy Day of Obligation
Pick up Hospice Trays
7am Men's Prayer Group ~ Lounge
1pm CYO Basketball ~ Msgr. Marley Hall
3:30pm Confessions ~ Chapel
5pm Giving Tree Sorting ~ Msgr. Marley Hall

Sun Dec 9, 2018
Pick up Hospice Trays
11am Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Meeting Room
10am Giving Tree Sorting ~ Msgr. Marley Hall

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

US Army:
Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott
Danny Pritchard
Michael McBride
Matthew Sawaya
Dylan DeMent
William Hanna
Michael Gannon
Brandon Heist
Robert F. Leimer
Keith Carter
Ryan T. Krawczyk
Philip Mc Cusker
Gerry McGowan
Jack Olsh
Nicky Gannon
Sean Sutton

US Coast Guard:
Brendan Williams
Daniel Moschitti

USMC:
Joseph Mc Menamin
Clint Hajek
Mark Piccirelli
Patrick Kilkenny
Colin Kelly
Joe Gannon
James McMenamin
Leo J. Keller Jr.
Nicholas Sabatini
Mark Geib
Austin Kelly
James Kolody III

US Air Force:
Karl Weinbreckt
Max J. Sempowski
Andrew J. Velas
Francis Lemma
Michael Sempowski
Thomas Rook

CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE 12/8 & 12/9

5:00 PM Fr. Biedrzycki **Cantor**
7:00 AM Msgr. Beisel
9:00 AM Fr. Biedrzycki/Dcn George **Cantor**
11:00 AM Msgr. Beisel **Cantor**

Subject to change without notice

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

All people who volunteer for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are required fulfill the following obligations:

CLEARANCES:
- PA State Police Criminal Record Check
- PA Dept. 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

OFFICE FOR CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION | ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM
Phone: 215.343.9433

PREP TRADITIONAL CALENDAR:

DECEMBER

Mon	3	NO Class, Teacher Inservice
Mon	10	Class, Confessions Grades 4-6
Mon	17	Class
Mon	24,31	NO Class Christmas Break

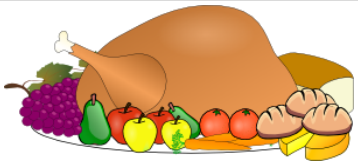
JANUARY

Mon	7	Class
Sat	12	First Penance-- 10:30 AM in church
Mon	14	Class, Tour of church with Fr. Matt-- Grades 1 & 2
Mon	21	NO Class- Martin Luther King Holiday
Mon	28	Class

PREP FAMILY CALENDAR:

Sun	Dec 2	Special Family PREP Sunday attend 9am Mass and come over to school
Sun	Jan 6	Family PREP Sunday -attend 9am Mass and come over to school
Sat	Jan12	First Penance - 10:30 AM in church
Sun	Feb 3	Family PREP Sunday attend 9am Mass and come over to school
Fri	Feb 22	1st Communion Parent-Child Retreat 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Child and at least one parent attend

FEAST (Feed Everyone At Special Times)



If you or someone you know would like a prepared and packaged Christmas Holiday Meal, please notify Pam or Sheila at St. Robert Bellarmine rectory with the family name, number of meals and a contact phone or email. Meals will be distributed on Sunday December 23rd from 3:00 – 7:00 at St. Robert Bellarmine Hall. Donations of gently used winter coats may be placed in the box located in the Narthex, checks made out to FEAST may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off in the Parish Office.

ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL – THE SEASON OF GIVING!

The school is having a BANNER YEAR having received the coveted 2018 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence award & voted "Best of Bucks" Private School. Please help our school continue a tradition of excellence & join us during this charitable season of giving. Every gift counts, no matter the size! Our school has a secure online site in which to donate to the future of our students: www.stjstr.org/donate. Thank you for your daily prayers & ongoing support of our school.

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

Phone: 215.343.5100 Web:www.stjstr.org

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. JASTER

Early Childhood Registration is now open for PreK & K at St. Joseph/ St. Robert School.
Kathy Williamson, Director of Advancement, is available to answer school questions and schedule tours. Please call 215.343.5100, ext. 209 or email at kwilliamson@stjstr.org.

St. Joseph St. Robert School:

*Offers education to grades Pre-K through 8th
*Options for five half day or full day Pre-K and Kindergarten
*Faith based values integrated into education and activities
*Challenging curriculum based on Common Core State Standards
*Innovative use of technology including SMART Boards, Surface Tablets, Chromebooks and iPads in all grades
*Specialty teachers for weekly Spanish, Library, Technology, Art, Music & Physical Education in all grades

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SJR CAST AND CREW OF THE WIZARD OF OZ ON A GREAT PERFORMANCE!!!!

Parish Youth Ministry

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

Thanksgiving celebration teen ministry style, was everything from turkey to dessert. Thanks to everyone who brought a delicious dish to share. We gave thanks to God for all his blessings and prayed for our families and friends and those in need. Our thanks also to Vicki Speranza who shared some thoughts on the meaning of

December's TEEN MASS will be on Sunday Dec 9th at 11am.

Please join us for this Liturgy and help usher, Lector and present the gifts. Following Mass there will be a light breakfast and then **we will go caroling** (approx. 1 to 3) at the Solana nursing home on Rt 611. Bring your Santa hats and bells and join us for a great Christmas celebration.

The Christmas movie The STAR will be shown on Saturday, December 15th in the parish hall. Doors open at 6:30 movie begins 7:00. Don't miss this beautiful story of the 1st Christmas…

all are welcome!!!

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3: 12-4:2; Luke 21:25-28

This week's Gospel reading is frightening in many ways. We have a presentation of the Second Coming of Christ that sends shock waves through all of creation. We're told that "[men] will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the earth." Our first inclination is to ignore the stronger language in this reading. But our faith includes the whole of the Gospel, which means "good news." This doesn't mean that we should live in fear of God, but rather it reminds us that fear of the loss of God is the beginning of real living. Jesus promises that whoever seeks will find. If we seek sin we get sin; if we seek God we find him. We ought to fear offending God because it can only bring us harm. Keeping God's commands is an important part of seeking and loving God. Jesus is saying that those who haven't used their capacity to fear properly by fearing sin will be incapable of using that emotion properly at the Second Coming. They'll fear him whom they should love: God. All the frightful events that Jesus mentions in connection with his Second Coming will be greeted with joy by those who seek him. (FORMED.org)

Lord Jesus,

Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas. We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day. We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us. We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom. We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence. We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light. To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen. —The Advent Prayer by Henri Nouwen

BLESSING OF THE FAMILY ADVENT WREATH

1. Sing an Advent Song like **O Come, O Come Emmanuel** OR **Jesus Come To Us.** Read one of the readings from Mass. (www.usccb.org/Sunday readings)

2. Intercessions — Response: *Come, Lord Jesus*

- For the Church, working to share your Good News with all, we pray –
- For the world, especially places longing for peace, we pray –
- For the hungry, the homeless, the sick and all who care for them, we pray –
- For each of us gathered here today (Add your family's own intentions here)

3. Prayer: *Loving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, is the Light of the world. Bless us as we light this wreath and enter into the season of Advent. May its candles remind us to share Christ's light through our words and deeds. Amen.* (**Light the first candle)**

4. Blessing: Everyone makes the Sign of the Cross as the prayer is read:

Now may Jesus, the Light of the world, guide our words and actions and fill our hearts with peace. Amen.

Suggestion: Throughout Advent, use the Advent wreath as a focus of prayer before the evening meal. As you light each candle, pray "Come, Lord Jesus." Then, bow your heads and observe thirty seconds of silence before you begin to eat.

ADVENT RELECTION BOOKLETS

Remember to pick you your Advent Reflection booklet in the Narthex— Advent begins TODAY!

COFFEE, CONVERSATION AND PRAYER

Opening the Word of God for Advent

Wednesdays,
December 5, 12 and 19
9:45—10:45 AM
Parish Meeting Room
No need to RSVP!

OUR ANNUAL PARISH GIVING TREE:

Once again we invite all parishioners to join in the Spirit of Christmas by helping families in need. We are grateful for your past generosity and ask that you continue to support our efforts to assist parish families, a Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Center in Warminster, our sister parish, St. Cyprian in West Philadelphia and the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Please select a tag, purchase and wrap the St. Cyprian's gift (gifts for the Pregnancy Center do not need to be wrapped), tape the tag back on the gift and place the present under one of the Giving Trees no later than Sunday, December 9th. Store certificates can be placed in the box under the tree. Additionally, there will be a large box available for the donation of winter hats, mittens/gloves and socks ~ infants, children's & adults!

Returning the gifts by the 12/9 due date will enable us to meet our 12/15 delivery date! **Please mark your calendar!**

Any parish family that may be in a difficult situation this year that would benefit from the services our 'Giving Tree' provides; please call Msgr. Beisel at the rectory to discuss. All requests will be kept confidential.

Please call Sallie Theis 215.696.1477 or Rosemarie Abecasis 215.343.8113 with any questions.

The EP News

Dec. 11 – 12:00-3:00 p.m. Christmas Luncheon

REMINDER

There are no other meetings during the month of December. We will see you in January. May you have a very Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy New Year.

RESPECT FOR LIFE *John the Baptist, while still in the womb of Elizabeth, recognized Jesus in the womb of Mary and leapt for joy. This Advent season may we recognize Jesus as our Savior and be open to His joy, peace and love.*

40 DAYS FOR LIFE SINCE 2007

- 14,643 Lives Saved (plus 558)
- 177 Abortion Workers Quit
- 96 Abortion Centers Closed
- 750,000 Volunteers
- 19,000 churches
- 769 Cities
- 50 Nations
- 5,605 Local Campaigns

MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS
ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM CHURCH
FRIDAY, DEC. 28 @ 7:00PM

On this Feast of the Holy Innocents come celebrate Mass to remember all those innocent pre-born children who were lost to abortion.

MARCH FOR LIFE
FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019
2019 MFL THEME

UNIQUE
FROM DAY ONE

Saving lives, ending abortion, and promoting a culture of life is why we march each year. But we need **YOU** to be part of this effort! Make plans to join us on January 18 now!!

Congratulations to:

Vincent Pignatelli

from Boy Scout Troop #139 for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout on Nov. 12th.

Dear Msgr. Beisel,

Many thanks for the donations of toiletries for which we are happy to give to al in need.

Thank you , too, for all those plastic bags. We get a lot of bread so the bags are very handy.

May god bless all of you for your generosity.

Gratefully,

The Franciscans

Parish Pilgrimage to Poland with Fr. Matthew Biedrzycki
In the Footsteps of Divine Mercy
May 20 – May 29, 2019

Join Fr. Matt and others this coming May as they travel the same paths once trod by the three modern missionaries of Divine Mercy: St. Maximillian Kolbe, St. Faustina Kowalska, and St. John Paul II. Sites include:

Warsaw, *Poland's Capital City*
Our Lady of Czestchowa, *The Miraculous Icon Itself*
Krakow, *the home of St. John Paul II and cultural capital of Poland*
And much, much more!

Questions? Contact Fr. Matt directly at 215.343.0315 or by email: fathermkb@gmail.com. ***Space is <u>limited</u> so act now!***

HEED THE CALL
VOCATION OFFICE FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD
Www.headthecall.org

The **Sisters of the Holy Cross** from Notre Dame, Indiana deeply appreciate your donation of stamps which benefit their Ministry with the Poor Fund. They would be **VERY GRATEFUL** if you leave a **1/4 inch space around each stamp.**

WOULD YOU LIKE THE BLESSED MOTHER STATUE TO 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 267261.4612, repisky@aol.com.

<u>Monday Exposition/Divine Mercy Chaplet</u>

Come join us at 3:00PM every Monday during the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Jesus, speaking to St. Faustina, forcefully speaks to us about the great mercy He has for us.

From the diary of St. Faustina; I heard these words in my soul: **Say unceasingly the chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy** (*Diary*, 687).

Pamphlets will be available in the chapel to help you along with the prayers that are said using a Rosary. You may keep it for your personal use.

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-Thursday 9am-4:30pm
	Saturday - 9:00 am	7:00 pm	Friday 9am-1:00pm
			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

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)	Bill Walker	215-672-3272
Extraordinary Ministers	Deacon George Morris	215-343-0315
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