

ST. ROSE OF LIMA



CATHOLIC CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • FEBRUARY 8, 2026

OUR MISSION

The mission of Saint Rose of Lima Parish is to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to nourish and awaken each parishioner's relationship with Our Lord, with one another and with the Church. We strive to be a vibrant, inclusive Catholic community, revealing the presence of God by the way in which we worship and live in the modern world.

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.
& 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY

Monday—Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAY

Vigil Mass: 7:00 p.m.
Holy Day: 8:30 a.m.

ADORATION

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Eileen Homa

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215-699-4434

Diane McCaughan

Mater Dei Catholic
School President

Elizabeth Waltrich

Mater Dei Catholic
School Principal

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215-368-0995

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CLERGY

Rev. Bernard J. Taglianetti

Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Gregory J. Fairbanks

In Residence

Rev. Msgr. James J. Graham, J.C.D.

Pastor Emeritus

Most Rev. James P. Green

Weekend Assistant

Deacon Joseph V. Hosack, Jr.

Permanent Deacon

STAFF

Maureen Coyne

Parish Secretary; Safe
Environment Coordinator

Amy Juarez

Elder Care Services Director

Jim McCarthy

Bookkeeper

Amanda McDonald

Director of Music and
Parish Discipleship

Paula Weiss

Housekeeping and Maintenance

PARISH OFFICE

Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Closed between:

12 p.m. and 1 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. to

Noon

Closed: Saturday,

Sunday, Holy Days &

National Holidays

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Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary

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610-667-3394



MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary forms missionary disciples who are shepherds after the heart of Jesus Christ — Catholic priests and permanent deacons, religious and lay men and women — for various forms of ministry and service.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

4:00 PM Confirmation Mass All our children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

8:00 AM Dr. Thomas Check

Requested by Diane Sirois

9:30 AM Ronald Meyers

Requested by Greg & Mary Gifford

11:30 AM Patricia K. Moran

Requested by Roger & Alice Barr



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8:30 AM Special Intention



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8:30 AM Helen Moyer

Requested by Regina Foy

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:30 AM People of the Parish

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:30 AM Amy Craine

Requested by Judy Viney

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:30 AM Robert Suter

Requested by Jim & Lisa Hasson



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:30 AM Bridget McCrory

Requested by Ciaran McCrory

4:00 PM Special Intention

Requested by The Heyse Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:00 AM Antoni Jankowski

Requested by Steve & Marie Belcak

9:30 AM Michael Caposole

Requested by Janet Geel

11:30 AM George Hilton

Requested by Pat Kohne

ADORATION FRIDAYS

Come spend time with Jesus every Friday.

Adoration begins after the 8:30 AM Mass and continues until 8:00 PM most Fridays. Come when your schedule allows or sign up for an hour every week to be with Jesus. Sign up in the back of church or scan the QR.



The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, February 16, in observance of President's Day.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE AND ALL OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

1st Lt. Patrick A. Coyne, U.S.A.F

Pvt. Class Jonathan Curtis, U.S.A.

Pvt. Ryan Gilbey, U.S.A.

Sgt. Bobby Hames, U.S.A.

CDR John Joseph Hoy, U.S.N.

Lt. Christopher Kester U.S.N.

Lt. (jg.) James Kester U.S.N.

Pvt. Katelyn Lynch, U.S.A.

SPC Liam Lynch, U.S.A.

SPC Patrick Michael Lynch, U.S.A.

Sergeant Will Maliszewski, U.S.M.C.

Tech Sergeant Tony Nolte, U.S.A.F.

Captain Daniel S. O'Leary, U.S.A.

Petty Officer 1st Class David Peterman, U.S.C.G.

Ensign Connor J. Poli, U.S.N.

2d Lt. Irene Poli, U.S.A.

1st Lt. Ronald Patrick Rajan, U.S.M.C.

Maj. Charles Richards, U.S.A.F.

CDR Patrick Salvitti, U.S.N.

Lt. (jg.) Jason Showmaker, U.S.N.

Pvt. 1st Class Christian Sirianni, U.S.A.

Lt. Stephen R. Vitali, U.S.N.

Please pray for our sick:



Nicholas & Ella, Joe Stalfo, Ann Edwards, Steve Moore, Dennis McClellan, Asia Pearcy, Jesse & Janet Montalvo, Susan & James Rankin, Anna Sculatore, David Forte, Bryan Pulaski, James Butler, James Riddle, Rose O'Donnell, Kathy Gosch, Shannon Sanfilippo, Bliss Schmidt, Peg Streng, Helen Markert, Kevin Hogan, Carlos, Melissa Schmidt, Clare Butler, Dorothy Konarski, Les Landes, Charlie Deisenroth, Carl Fisher, Julia Azeff, Barbara Hamme, Marj Koslow, Jeff Wynne, MaryAnne Bradley, Joseph Bradley, Rosie Woodman, Phyllis Miller, Jim Balbassari

YEAR-END TAX STATEMENTS Call the parish office 215-699-4617 if you would like your tax statement for contributions made in 2024 emailed or sent to you.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY



Feb. 8 – Care of the Aging & Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Feb. 22 – Aid to Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Weekly Offerings

Collections for the week of February 1, 2026: Sunday collection was \$18,419.09, the collection for Catholic Relief Services was \$625.00, the Snow Removal collection was \$2,766.00, the Fuel collection was \$390.00, and the Online collection was \$0.00. The total collection was \$22,200.09. Thank you for your generosity.

DAILY ROSARY



Mary, Our Mother, is calling us to pray the Rosary. Come pray with us Monday through Saturday mornings after the 8:30 AM Mass in the Church or use the intention cards located on the church windowsills to pray at home each day.

Sacraments

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is celebrated Sundays after the 11:30 am Mass. First time parents are required to attend **Pre-Jordan**, an instructional/sacramental preparation for Baptism. **Pre-Jordan** classes are held on the first Wednesday evening of each month. Pre-registration is required. Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Requirements to be a Godparent/sponsor:

The Code of Canon Law specifies the following requirements for serving as a godparent or sponsor, so please review them carefully before choosing godparents and sponsors.

- ❖ Must be someone other than the parent of the one to be baptized;
- ❖ Must be at least 16 years of age.
- ❖ Only one godparent is needed. If there will be two godparents (for Baptism), one must be male and one must be female;
- ❖ Must have received all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and actively practicing their faith (attending Mass, receiving Holy Communion and receiving the Sacrament of Penance);
- ❖ If married-he or she must be married in the Catholic Church, or the marriage recognized by the Catholic Church;
- ❖ One godparent may be a non-Catholic Christian Witness with proper proof of his/her baptism. If a non-Catholic is asked to be a Christian Witness, the other godparent **MUST** be Catholic;
- ❖ A person who has left the Catholic Faith for any reason, may not be asked to be a godparent/sponsor;
- ❖ The eligible godparent/sponsor must supply St. Rose of Lima Church with a signed "Certificate of Eligibility" from the Parish where they are registered and attend Mass.

Certificates Of Eligibility: A certificate of Eligibility to be a godparent/sponsor is obtained from the parish where you are registered and attend Mass. If you have been asked to be a godparent/sponsor and you meet all of the above requirements, please call the parish office to obtain a Letter of Eligibility.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is offered every Saturday, 3:00 to 3:45 pm, and anytime by appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE may be scheduled by contacting the Parish Office. The couple must meet with the priest celebrating the wedding at least 6 months before a planned wedding date. No other arrangements should be made until the couple meets with a parish priest and the date and time are confirmed.

Marriage Prep: Marriage Preparation courses can be either through a self-paced, online program, or by attending any in person program offered through a Catholic parish, retreat center, or university within or outside of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, condition that such programs fully and thoroughly cover all the core theological, spiritual, practical, and intimate aspects of marriage, in conformity to Catholic doctrine. Go to this link for more info: <https://phillycatholiclife.org/marriage-prep-classes/>

ANOINTING OF THE SICK is available to the dying and those who are elderly, sick, or preparing for surgery. Please contact the Parish Office.

COMMUNION CALLS are made by clergy and by Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. To place a homebound individual on the Communion Call list, call the Parish Office.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

You are warmly invited to join our Christian Initiation (OCIA).



OCIA is for:

- ~non-Catholic adults who are not baptized or are baptized in another Christian tradition and wish to become Catholic
- ~baptized Catholics who have not yet received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Holy Communion and desire to be fully initiated into the Church
- ~those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and what it means to be a Catholic



Whether you're ready to begin the journey or just exploring, please contact the St. Rose of Lima Parish Office at (215) 699-4617 or stroselima@srol.org. OCIA will meet on the 2nd and 4th

Mondays of each month at 7pm in the Parish Center. Classes will run until just after Easter.



Can you find Fr. Taglianetti's kitten, Marcella Carmella, hidden in the bulletin?

AN UPDATE & THANK YOU FROM OUR PASTOR



The finance council and I are very grateful to our dedicated parishioners who make Saint Rose of Lima Church a special place to worship God, celebrate the sacraments, deepen our faith

and be a welcoming community. In August, I spoke at the Masses about some of the projects that Saint Rose needed to complete and I am grateful for the generous response. We were able to install digital access to the parish center. (We are still putting the final touches to this project.) A new roof for the rectory will be installed once this winter weather eases. The initial leak in the rectory was repaired, and the interior painting of the rectory has been completed.

There are several projects that still need to be completed. These include new exterior doors for the parish center, a boiler replacement for the rectory and the resurfacing of the parking lot. We are in the process of receiving bids from vendors for these projects. These projects are necessary, but costly. Once again, thank you for your generous support of our parish. We have made great financial progress in the past eighteen months because of your financial support. Sincerely, Fr. Taglianetti



Scan here if you would like to make a one-time donation to St. Rose of Lima Parish. Thank you for your generosity.

Weekly Meetings & Events

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- ◆ PREP, Classrooms, 10:30 AM-12 PM
- ◆ CYO MASS, Church, 11:30 AM
- ◆ Walking With Purpose, FMR, 10:30 AM-12 PM
- ◆ The Chosen, FMR, 1 PM-2:30 PM



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- ◆ LENT, FMR, 7 PM-8:30 PM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- ◆ Men's Group, FMR, 7 PM

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- ◆ Discovering Christ, Parish Center, 6:30 PM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- ◆ Prayer Shawls, FMR, 9:30 AM
- ◆ Legion of Mary, S/T Rm., 1:30 PM
- ◆ Followers of Mary, Church, 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- ◆ Discovering Christ Retreat, Parish Center, 9 AM

Ministries News & Activities

ALTAR LINEN PICK UP SCHEDULE

February 8 Lori Lanzilotta
February 15 Linda McGarry
February 22 Dana Morrissey



Save the date

CONGRATULATIONS ARCHBISHOP GREEN!

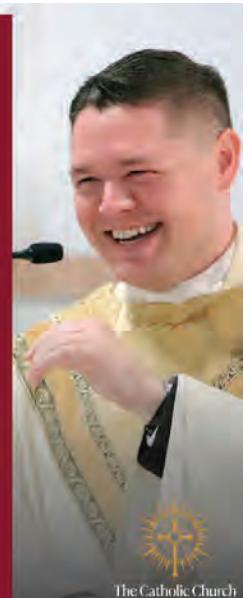
All parishioners
are warmly invited to attend
Most Reverend James P. Green's
Golden Jubilee Mass
celebrating the 50th Anniversary
of his Ordination
into the Priesthood.
Mass is May 3 at 11:30 AM.

Details to follow!

Share your valuable feedback by completing the Archdiocese' planning study survey. The deadline to participate is February 27.

Support the Priests Who Have
Supported You Throughout
Your Lifetime

The Catholic Church of Philadelphia is committed to strengthening support for our priests – future, active, and retired. This includes educational support for seminarians, professional development and sabbaticals for active priests, trained Parish Life Coordinators to assist with parish operations, and dignified healthcare and retirement for those who have served. Share your thoughts by completing the planning study survey.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together." **USCCB, Married Love and the Gift of Life**

ST. ROSE OF LIMA PREP PROGRAM 2026



**NO PREP CLASSES SUNDAY, FEB. 15
PRESIDENTS DAY**



Questions? Contact Mrs. Homa
at 215-699-4434 or srolprep@gmail.com.

Please continue to pray for our
children as they prepare for
First Holy Communion.



**Congratulations to our parish children who
received the Sacrament of
Confirmation on February 7, 2026. We
pray that the Holy Spirit will help them
to grow in faith, hope and love.**



All are Welcome to

The CHOSEN LAST SUPPER Viewing Party



**See you
on Feb. 8!**

- ◆ Sundays at 1:00 PM in the Fr. Murphy Rm.
- ◆ Each episode is approx. 1 hour long
- ◆ With a 1/2 hour afterwards for genuine conversation

It is not necessary to have seen any episodes of The Chosen to view The Last Supper. Come join us, as we prepare our hearts and minds for Holy Week.

**Take Note: There will be no viewing
on February 15.**



TRIVIA NIGHT

CALL FOR RAFFLE BASKET DONATIONS!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL!

Once again, we are requesting donations for baskets and prizes. Please consider asking for donations from businesses that you regularly patronize. Donation items that would go with the themed basket ideas below would be great too!

Some ideas include:

- Gift cards to your favorite restaurant, spa, hair salon, etc.
- Phillies basket
- Penn State basket
- Museum passes
- Longwood Gardens passes
- Easter basket
- Spa basket
- Wine lover basket

**We appreciate
your help.
Thank you!**



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

We invite all adults to join us for this meaningful opportunity to grow in faith during the Lenten Season.

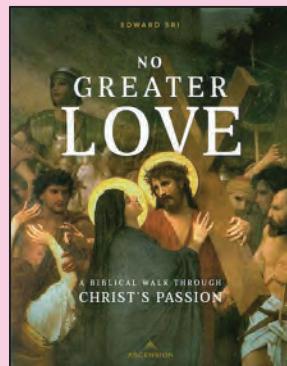
Sessions will take place on Monday evenings at 7pm.



Join a 5-week video/discussion/workbook study,

"No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion",

beginning on March 2.



For those interested in attending the 5-week program the cost is \$30.

Call or visit the parish office to sign up asap as we need to order books. Contact Karen Haynie at 215-317-6697 with any questions.

JOIN FATHER TAGLIANETTI FOR A PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL CENTRE FOR PADRE PIO

We will be traveling on **Tuesday, March 3**, to the National Centre for Padre Pio. We will meet in the church parking lot at 9:00 AM.

We will then follow each other to the Padre Pio Centre in Barto, PA. The day will include confessions, Mass, rosary, Stations of the Cross, and time at the Padre Pio Museum. We plan to stay together through lunch (around 12:15 PM). Lunch can be brought from home or pre-ordered at the Centre. All activities after lunch are optional and flexible, including the museum tour, gift shop, outdoor grounds, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 PM.

Participants are welcome to stay for as much or as little of the afternoon as they'd like. 111 Barto Road, Barto PA



SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Help a Brother In Need...

Consider **Donating NEW socks, underwear, undershirts & NEW or gently used gloves, scarfs, hats, sweatshirts/hoodies, shoes, backpacks and jeans for homeless men that visit Brother House. Drop off donations to the bins in the Church vestibule and outside the Parish Center doors.** St. Rose also collects donations of snack foods the 2 & 4 Wednesday of each month to provide the men with snack bags filled with healthy food. **Next Date for Snack Donations Is February 11**

If you would like to donate food items contact amanda@srol.org or scan the QR code here to sign up.



ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH REGISTRATION

A warm welcome to all who recently moved into a home within our Parish neighborhood. We invite you to register. You can register in person at the Parish Center Office or by calling 215.699.4617. Please note that young adults over 21 (25 if in college) need to register separately.

Welcome!



PARISHIONER SHARES “PICK A SAINT” STORY

In 2025, I picked the piece of paper that had the name Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein). Within less than 36 hours, I realized as Fr. Taglianetti says, "the saint picks us". Edith Stein was a Jewish convert to Catholicism who became a

Discalced Carmelite nun and was martyred by the Nazis in 1941. What made me know she picked me was first, that same afternoon I listened to a sermon by Bishop Robert Barron in which he preached about Adoration. He mentioned only two saints by name that practiced long hours of Adoration. St Teresa Benedicta was one of them who according to him, often spent three hours at a time in Adoration. I too had been recently spending more and more time personally in Adoration. It became a priority and intentional on my part. Second on the slip of paper that I picked up from the basket, Saint Teresa was quoted as saying...."May the Lord accept my life and death for the *honor and glory* of his name....". She said these words prior to her being sent to the gas chamber. Ten years or so ago I heard Fr. Canavan as a visiting priest use the words for the *honor and glory* of God fairly often and for some reason they stuck with me. Any time I was praised for saying or doing some work of mercy or witnessing my faith, I would give the praise to God by saying it is for the *honor and glory* of God. And finally, St. Teresa was a Jew and her whole family was Jewish. I have been to Israel four times and walked among the Jewish people and throughout the Holy Land. I have a special place in my heart for the Jewish people. On that same slip of paper I received, Edith Stein was quoted as saying "for the Jewish people, that the Lord may be received by his own and his kingdom come in glory."

Finally, I might mention that each morning of 2025, I asked for Saint Teresa to intercede to Jesus that he would hear my prayers that morning and then answer them according to his most perfect will. I must say that many of my requests including some long-standing requests have been joyfully completed or are in process.

Thanks, and God bless. Francis Novak

We are excited to hear how the saint you picked but **who really picked you** has “shown up” in your life. Share your experience. You can email us at stroselima@srol.org.

ATTENTION ST. ROSE MEN, we are meeting on **Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 7:00 PM** in the Father Murphy Room. All adult men of St. Rose of Lima Parish are invited to attend. For more info, contact Jim Roper at jpcbroper@verizon.net.



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THE KNIGHT'S KORNER



Updates from Council #9715

WOULD YOU LIKE SOME EXTRA CASH FOR YOUR SUMMER VACATION?

The Knights of Columbus have begun their annual "**CHANCE OF A LIFETIME**" **SWEEPSTAKES (COAL)**. The sweepstakes has a 1 st prize of \$15,000.00 in cash with a total of \$60,000.00 in prizes to be given away. The drawing will be held on May 15, 2025. Tickets cost only \$5.00 and you may purchase as many as you would like. Contact Fred Hencken at 215-260-6767 or email him fredhencken@gmail.com. You can also order tickets by sending your check and self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Fred Hencken, COAL Tickets, 802 Clover Drive, North Wales, PA 19454. Please include your name, address and phone number. Please make your check payable to: Knights of Columbus # 9715. Proceeds go to the Scholarship Program for the children and grandchildren of The Knights of Columbus attending Catholic Schools. Thank you for your support!

CRAB CAKE SALE The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Lenten Crab Cake Sale featuring Capt'n Chucky's Famous Smith Island Crab Cakes along with many other tasty items that we have carried in the past. You may order on line by visiting our website at <http://www.kofc9715.org> Order forms are also available by contacting Fred Hencken at 215-260-6767 or email him at: fredhencken@gmail.com. Orders must be received by Friday February 20th. Orders must be picked up on **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27 th**, at Corpus Christi Church between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm outside Corpus Christi's Parish Center "Entrance A" near the parish office.

Are you interested in getting more involved with the parish or community? Visit www.kofc.org/joinus to enroll in our digital program that allows you a chance to become engaged in K of C spiritual and council life. The next meeting is **7:00 PM, on Monday 2/16**- location TBD. Please direct questions to the Round-table Leader Pete Mazzeo at 215-205-8278 or by email at koc.srol@gmail.com.

BECOME AN INSTRUMENT OF CHRIST!



MATER DEI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

5TH GRADE COMPLETES D.A.R.E. PROGRAM

Each year, the 5th grade students participate in the DARE program sponsored by the Lansdale Police Department. This 10-week program provides students with tools for making good decisions and tips for avoiding stressful or dangerous situations. Last month, our 5th graders graduated from their program at Lansdale Borough Hall. The students celebrated with a tour of the Police Station and a pizza party!



WITH GRATITUDE...Thank you to all who supported Mater Dei Catholic's canning at the St. Maria Goretti, St. Rose of Lima, and St. Stanislaus masses last weekend, whether in person or virtually. We are so grateful for your generosity and support of Catholic education at Mater Dei Catholic!

NEW STUDENTS CAN REGISTER NOW FOR THE 26-27 SCHOOL YEAR New students entering Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grades 1 to 8 in the 2026-27 school year can apply now. 80 new students have already been accepted! Please contact Janna Kerr in the Enrollment Office at 215-368-9787 or jkerr@materdeicatholic.com for more information about enrollment at Mater Dei Catholic.

FOLLOWERS OF MARY

Parishioners are welcome to join our prayer group.



We meet in church at 7pm on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month and each 1st Saturday for devotions before the 8:30 Mass.

The purpose of this group is to pray for priests in accordance with guidelines established by the Marian Movement of Priests. Meetings consist of praying the Rosary, prayers for the Holy Father, and more.



HOME ENTHRONEMENT- What is it?

To Enthrone your home is simply to make the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary's presence noticed in your home by displaying their pictures somewhere where they will be seen. You can obtain these pictures by spending about 45 minutes with a representative who has been given permission to act as ministers of this service by the pastor. This representative will pray the prayers of consecration from a booklet which you will be given. In doing so, Jesus and Mary are then recognized as "first" in your home, by you and your family or by others. One or two of you can participate if you do not have a family living with you. There is absolutely no charge for the pictures, the prayers, or the visit. If you are interested, please contact the parish office and they will direct you.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Do you know someone that needs "a hug from God" this new year? The Prayer Shawl



Ministry members knit and crochet prayer shawls, scarves, baby blankets, lap blankets and mini squares. Shawls are free and available for any family member, friend, co-worker, neighbor, etc. who might be comforted receiving one. Future recipients of prayer shawls are prayed for from the first stitch, and their special intentions are remembered in prayer by the members of the ministry prayer community. **If you know someone in need of prayer and God's loving embrace, select a shawl to give to them as a gift.** Mini shawls are in the Church vestibule and larger shawls are available at the Parish office.



GIVING MARRIAGE A VOICE

Announcing a reading group for conversations about marriage culture from a natural law and research-based perspective in alignment with the Magisterium of the Church.

We will be meeting every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Splendor of Truth Room in the St Rose of Lima Parish Center. For more info and to get the links for the topics to be discussed, please contact Mary at mrmcnmr834@gmail.com.

CanaVox is open to adults of all ages, welcome, and bring a friend!



THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolate which was formed over one hundred years ago in Ireland and has spread to many countries in the world. One responsibility of the Legion is to make the Blessed Virgin Mary known and venerated. It is also responsible for evangelization in private homes, nursing homes and hospitals. Included in the works of the Legion are distribution of the Miraculous medal and the Scapular and the statue of the Blessed Virgin upon request. We also assist with Enthronement of Homes to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Legion of Mary organizes its works by meeting every Thursday at 1:30 pm in the Parish Center. We begin every meeting with recitation of the Rosary. If you wish to attend a meeting to see how we operate, you are always welcome. If you need more information, please TEXT Sandy, at 267-252-5249 or email at sandybrave@comcast.net.

Clean House Recycling

Start the new year off by cleaning out your closet and raising funds for local charities & our parish at the same time. Bring your used clothing and shoes (that might otherwise be discarded) to the church parking lot and place them in the collection bin. **Look for the green bins in our parking lot which are located next to the garage closest to the main street entrance. These bins are for clothing and shoes ONLY.** Thank you!

Area News

VALENTINE COUPLES' RETREAT

Sunday, February 15, 1:00-6:00pm



In the spirit of Valentine's Day, St. Raphaela Center invites married and engaged couples to join us for an informal celebration of your love and commitment. Our gathering will begin with light refreshments, followed by a short, informal presentation, reflecting on God's care and affection for us in Scripture and how it relates with your own personal experience as a couple. There will be an opportunity afterwards to connect with other couples in conversation. During the afternoon, you will also have time to visit our peaceful grounds and beautiful chapel. Later, a liturgy of gratitude will be offered for your intentions. Finally, we will come together for a romantic candle-lit dinner, provided by our chef, Steven Molinari. **616 Coopertown Rd | Haverford, PA www.straphaelacenter.org**



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FEB. 21, 2026

9:30 AM

Join us for an engaging and relevant event featuring:
Dr. Monique Ruberu & Keri Weiss.
Sharing medical insight, personal experience, and a message rooted in God's design for life.



DR. MONIQUE
RUBERU
OBGYN | MONTCO.



KERI WEISS
NORTH CARE WOMENS
CLINIC | LANSDALE

9:30 AM Dr. Monique Ruberu

10:10 AM Refreshments

10:30 AM Keri Weiss

11:15 AM Q & A

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ONGOING AROUND ARCHDIOCESE

- Catholic Support for Mental Health: archphila.org/support
- Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction - archphila.org/hope
- Eucharistic Revival: phillyeucharisticrevival.org
- Young Adult Groups & Events: phillyyam.org
- Events for Teens: phillyomy.org/events/
- Institute for Christian Formation - [Click here for website](http://www.phillycatholiclife.org)





18th Annual Man Up Philly
Men's Spirituality Conference
Saturday, February 28, 2026

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 18th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at Cardinal O'Hara High School.

For more information and to register go to the website: www.manupphilly.com

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CORPUS CHRISTI BINGO

Presents

LUNCH & BINGO



Saturday, April 11, 2026

Doors Open: 9:00 A.M. Bingo starts at Noon.

Admission: \$40 (Includes Lunch & Bingo)

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Contact Laurie Ponticello at 610-584-5694 or geraldponticello@comcast.net

5th Annual Marriage Enrichment Day
Saturday, April 25, 2026
8:30 am to 1:00 pm



Speaker: Steve McClatchy
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Deepen your Faith &
Transform the Way You Love

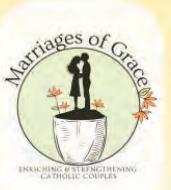
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\$85 per couple / \$45 per person
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How to Register:



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Gospel Today

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus says His disciples should enhance the world with goodness, light up the world with love, and influence the world for positive change.

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"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Matthew 5:16



Salt of the Earth... Light of the World



If God's love was in a popcorn kernel...



It would get all heated up, ready to burst out and **expand** enormously.



A few tablespoons (unpopped) = a whole bowl (popped)

The aroma generates some curious attention, people gather, sensing a good thing - **just a bit of salt enhances the goodness!**



yum yum
yum

Offer Grace...
Giving thanks
to God...



Share the LOVE!

LET'S MAKE POPCORN



With adult help, pop some popcorn your favorite way... kettle, air, microwave. Think of God's love being in each kernel, bursting out with each **pop, pop, pop**.



Share your light, salty snack and your thoughts...

Think: What are some things you can do to make God's world a better place? Do the words you speak bring out the best in another person, like salt brings out the flavor in popcorn? Do your actions light up the world with love and kindness improving other people's lives?



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