



Saint Eleanor Catholic Church

647 LOCUST ST. COLLEGEVILLE PA 19426

Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

Celebration of the Eucharist

April 4, 2021

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN: Jesus Christ is Risen Today

SIGN OF THE CROSS AND GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY of the WORD

FIRST READING:

ACTS 10:34A, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the LORD our God.



SAINT ELEANOR
CATHOLIC CHURCH

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he good,
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

“The right hand of the LORD has struck
with power; the right hand of the LORD is
exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare
the works of the LORD.”

The stone which the builders rejected has
become the cornerstone. By the LORD has
this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

SECOND READING: COL 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised
with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ
is seated at the right hand of God. Think of
what is above, not of what is on earth. For you
have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in
God. When Christ your life appears, then you
too will appear with him in glory.

SEQUENCE: Christ Is Arisen

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL: CF. 1 COR 5:7B-8A

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed;
let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

GOSPEL READING: JN 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala
came to the tomb early in the morning, while it
was still dark, and saw the stone removed from
the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter
and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and
told them, “They have taken the Lord from the
tomb, and we don’t know where they put him.”
So Peter and the other disciple went out and
came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other
disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the
tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial
cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon
Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb
and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth
that had covered his head, not with the burial
cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then
the other disciple also went in, the one who
had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and
believed. For they did not yet understand the
Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

RENEWAL of BAPTISMAL PROMISES

*The Priest begins with a short prayer, then
continues:*

Priest: And so I ask you: Do you renounce
Satan?

All: I do.

Priest: And all his works?

All: I do.

Priest: And all his empty show?

All: I do.

Then the Priest continues:

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his
only Son, our Lord, who was born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried,
rose again from the dead and is seated at the
right hand of the Father?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resur-
rection of the body, and life everlasting?

All: I do.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, The Father almighty, maker
of heaven and earth, of all things visible and
invisible. I believe in one LORD Jesus Christ, the
Only Begotten Son of God, born of the father Be-
fore all ages, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father; through him all
things were made. For us men and for our
salvation he came down from heaven, *(At the
words that follow, up to and including and became man, all
bow.)* and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he
was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered
death and was buried, and rose again on the third
day in accordance with the Scriptures. He
ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to
judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will
have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is

adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins And I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, You have gathered us together as a parish to be Your visible life in our world. Here we unite in worship, proclaim Your word, celebrate the Eucharist, and are sent forth to share Your love and make disciples. LORD, we take your Great Commission seriously and long for our parish to be so on-fire that we draw people to You. Help us in that endeavor, as we strive to work together; ordained, religious and laity. Please make our parish amazing through Your power and Your grace. Amen.

THE LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: Three Days

PRAYER OF THE OFFERINGS

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy LORD God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in
the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

AMEN

THE COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER & DOXOLOGY

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The priest prays: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the
world. Blessed are those called to the supper
of the Lamb.

All: LORD, I am not worthy that you should
enter under my roof, but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION HYMN: Festival Canticle:
Worthy is Christ

HYMN OF PRAISE: *Regina Caeli*

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the
Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all
things and I desire to receive you in my
soul. Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally, come at least
spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as
if you were already there and unite myself
wholly to you. Never permit me to be
separated from you. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

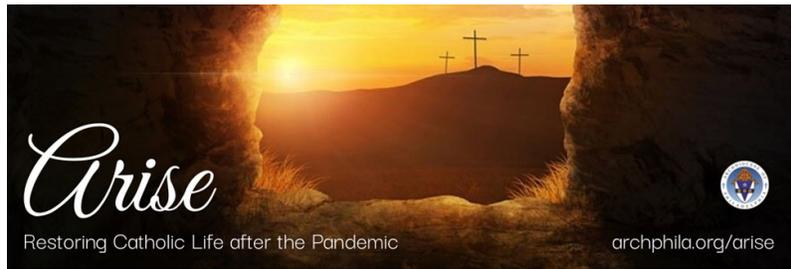
THE CONCLUDING RITE

GREETING, BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Christ, the Lord is
Risen Today

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in
battle. Be our protection against the
wickedness and snares of the devil; may God
rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O
Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of
God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of
souls. Amen



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DIRECTION
ABOUT ATTENDING MASS IN THE MIDST OF THE PANDEMIC
SAINT ELEANOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
COLLEGEVILLE**

We continue to rejoice here at Saint Eleanor welcoming back so many of our Parish Family week by week. **Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as we celebrate together in-person the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.**

We ask that each one of us do our part to ensure that our continued public celebrations of Mass are a peaceful and safe experience for all. Please take the time to read the instructions below as they have been *updated*. We ask everyone to follow these guidelines when attending Mass at this time. The Archdiocese has reported just recently that “there has not been a known traceable instance of contracting COVID-19 through attending Mass or receiving Holy Communion in the Archdiocese.” We pray that continues to be the case, especially as we continue to follow the guidelines from the Commonwealth and the CDC regarding sanitizing, social distancing, and occupancy numbers.

GENERAL POINTS

The Faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation until further notice. You are **not** required to attend Mass in person at this time.

Please stay home ~ if you are sick, feel ill or have a fever.

Please stay home ~ if you are at higher risk of severe illness with COVID19. If you are uncertain about your risk status, please consult your doctor and also the CDC Guidelines at the link that follows.

Click here to read the CDC Guidelines for those at higher risk: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html>

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass continues to be available to all **via live stream**.

Our **10:30 AM** Sunday Mass is live streamed weekly. You will be able to find it on our website, our YouTube channel, our Facebook page. Once it is aired, it remains available on those various platforms. Remember there are many live-stream Masses around the country including at our Cathedral. Mass is also available on television such as at EWTN.

MASS SCHEDULE ~ All Masses are celebrated in Main Church

WEEKDAY – 6:30 AM – Monday through Friday
9 AM AM – Monday through Saturday

WEEKEND - VIGIL MASS – 4:30 PM Saturday
SUNDAY – 7:30, 9, 10:30 AM and 12:00 PM

BEFORE COMING TO MASS

Please wash your hands for 20 seconds using soap and water.

Before entering the Church, please put on a face mask or cloth covering. Exceptions to this are “children younger than 2 years old, anyone who has trouble breathing, and “anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cloth face covering without assistance” (CDC Guidelines).

Please do not come to Mass if you are sick or are at higher risk for severe illness with COVID19 (see above).

Missalettes are not available in Church. You are welcome to bring your own missal/readings with you. A **WORSHIP AID** (*included in the Parish Bulletin*) is available both on-line and for pick up when coming into Church. When leaving, please take this with you, it cannot be reused.

PARKING & ENTERING THE CHURCH

We recommend parking in the two top level parking lots - the one as you come in off Sixth Avenue and the one off the driveway from Locust Street in front of the Church main entrance.

For now, we continue to use one way into Church – the doors into the Narthex. For leaving Church at the end of Mass, we are using both the Narthex doors and the doors near the cry room to facilitate a faster exit.

Hand sanitizers are available at the Church entrances and throughout the Church. Please use the hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting the Church.

As you enter into the Church proper, you will be able to pick up a Worship Aid (which will be included in the Parish Bulletin) to use during Mass and then to take home with you. Please do not leave it in Church.

Also, as you enter our main Church, there is a basket to accept your Sunday donation envelopes for the Parish as well as for any other collections. *All envelopes for any weekend or even second collections can be placed together in this same basket.* We do not take up a physical collection during the Offertory of the Mass.

You will also notice round disc markers on the tile and floors indicating six feet distancing to help you social distance coming into, going from, and moving around in the Church.

So far, we are accommodating the number of people coming to each Mass in the Church and sometimes a small overflow of people into the Chapel. We continue to be set up to celebrate another Mass in the gym if the need arises due to a larger than expected influx of people. Information concerning that, if needed, will be provided by our team of Ambassadors at that time.

SEATING

When taking a seat in Church, please honor all posted signs and painter's tape markers about where you may sit. Every second pew is available to ensure social distancing. Please do not move the tape on the pews.

Due to these current restrictions, you most likely will not be sitting in your usual place in Church. *Your cooperation is deeply appreciated.*

Members of the same household may sit together as normal, of course. Please allow 6 feet between your household and members of a different household. In an attempt to assist with seating, we have the Church divided into sections, to facilitate areas for families, couples and single attendees. These are not hard fast divisions but an attempt to help navigate within Church.

We have a team of helpers, our Ambassadors, to welcome you and to help you navigate your way into and around the Church, as well as your way out of Church.

DURING THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

There is a cantor and organist at all the Masses. However, there is no congregational singing at this time. Some of the music is instrumental.

As noted above, there is no collection taken up during the Offertory of Mass. Please place your collection envelope into the marked basket as you enter the Church.

There is no Sign of Peace during Mass and the Precious Blood is not distributed.

There should be no holding of hands during the Our Father.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you are uncomfortable about receiving Holy Communion during this time, that is fine. You do not have to receive, and you can make a Spiritual Communion in your place.

For the reception of Holy Communion, we are **not** using the main aisle to approach the Sanctuary for the weekend Masses. For Holy Communion, we use the inside side aisles. Please return to your pew either by the center aisle or the far side aisles.

Please maintain social distancing in the Communion line by keeping several pews between yourself and the person in front of you while in line and when returning to your pew. Also, hand sanitizers are available at the front of the Communion line for your personal use if you wish before receiving Holy Communion.

Those in the back of portion of Church, please follow the instructions of the Ambassadors to receive Holy Communion. A Communion Minister will come to each of the sections along the back portion of Church to distribute Holy Communion.

The faithful are asked to receive Holy Communion in the hand at this time. If you will be receiving Holy Communion on the tongue, please wait until a priest or the deacon comes to the center of the Sanctuary at the main aisle. Please proceed up the center aisle to the Sanctuary step to receive Holy Communion.

Those who receive a low-gluten Host are also asked to come to the center aisle and up to the Sanctuary where the priest or deacon with the small pyx will be sure that you receive Holy Communion.

Gloves may not be worn to receive Holy Communion in the hand. Please remove the gloves to receive Holy Communion or consider receiving on the tongue as outlined above.

When you approach the Communion Minister, please keep your mask on until you have responded "Amen." If you wish you may remove the mask as you approach the Communion Minister. Once the Host has been placed onto your hand, move to the side, a few feet to receive Our Blessed Lord, then replace your mask to return to your pew.

EXITING THE CHURCH

At the conclusion of Mass, please exit the Church and proceed to your car, following the guidance of our Ambassadors. Right side of Church, we ask that you exit by the Cry Room doors. Left side of Church, we ask that you please exit by the Narthex doors. Please do not congregate for any reason, nor stay behind inside Church, as the Church needs to be cleaned and sanitized before the next celebration.

Please take the parish bulletin/worship aid home with you.

Please leave your mask on until you exit the Church.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

Our parish staff and team are committed to following the guidelines from the CDC, the Commonwealth, and the Archdiocese for safety of our people.

To view the CDC guidelines, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/faith-based.html>

To view the Archdiocesan guidelines, especially the most recently issued ones, visit: <https://www.archphila.org/arise> . *This is filled with useful and helpful information.*

FINAL THOUGHTS

This is a lot of information, a lot to digest. In this unprecedented time we live with much uncertainty. None of us have ever lived through such an event as the threat this pandemic poses to all. Please check the website of the Office for Divine Worship for a complete listing of liturgical updates during the COVID-19 Pandemic, information on the ARISE initiative of the Archdiocese, and other resources, <http://www.odwphiladelphia.org/home-page/news/>.

We continue to pray for proper vaccines and medications that will help cure the virus. In the meantime, we trust in the Lord Jesus who does not abandon us but walks with us and leads us. We keep our eyes on Him and not on the storm around us. With abiding charity, prudence, patience, and undiminished hope, we rejoice to worship together.

God bless you and God love you!!

CLERGY

Msgr. Michael T. McCulken, Pastor
Rev. John A. Franey, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Alessandro Giardini, Parochial Vicar
Msgr. Thomas A. Murray, In Residence
Deacon John A. Hasson
Deacon Edward T. Hinson

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Linda Coyne, Finance Director
Mrs. Darlene Gaspar
Ms. Janet Genuardi
Mrs. Jean Phillips
Mrs. Jane Watson

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Laura Jusko, Director

SACRED MUSIC

Ms. Elizabeth Calabro, Director
Mrs. Mary Barbuto, Organist
Mr. Frank Orman, Organist

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mr. Matt Kirsch

EDUCATION

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): For adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or adults in need of Confirmation. Meetings are held during the school year.

HOLY CROSS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Serves the families of Saint Eleanor and Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford. Christ-centered teaching and strong academic emphasis for Pre-K through Grade 8. Mrs. Theresa Healy, Principal. 610-489-9434 ext. 2225

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP: Religious instruction for children in grades 1 and up. The components are Six-week summertime At-Home program, Fall Family Option and Confirmation program. Laura Jusko 610-489-4677 x 31.
Children's Liturgy of the Word: Offered to the younger children during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses on Sundays September through May.

PASTORAL COUNCIL Composed of registered and active members of the parish family who advise the Pastor concerning pastoral circumstances and needs of our parish family.

FINANCE COUNCIL Meets five to six times a year to advise the pastor on financial and administrative matters of the parish.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Scheduled most Sundays at 1:30 pm. Please make arrangements in advance with one of the priests. First-time parents attend Pre-Jordan, a Baptismal Preparation meeting usually held on the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm.

Pre-registration with the parish office is required at least 7 days prior to the class. 610-489-1647.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made with one of the priests or deacons at least six months before the desired wedding date. Couples attend the Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program (also held here at St. Eleanor).

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: For anyone needing the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office or see a priest after Mass.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Communion is brought to the sick in their homes. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

While Masses are being celebrated in person, please check the website for our live stream Masses (9:00 am & 10:30 am, Sunday)- www.steleanor.com.

MASS TIMES

Monday—Friday—6:30 & 9 am

Saturday—9 am

Saturday—Vigil Mass—4:30 pm

Sunday—7:30, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

12:00 pm (no 7 pm)

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:00 to 8:45 am; 3:30—4:15 pm
(Wednesdays after Masses,
by appointment anytime.)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 3

9:00 Morning Prayer only

12:00 Blessing of Food

7:45 Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 4

6:00 Easter Mass

7:30 Easter Mass

9:00 Easter Mass

10:30 Easter Mass

12:00 Easter Mass

7:00 No 7 PM

Monday, April 5

6:30

9:00 Marissa Mazzamuto

Tuesday, April 6

6:30 Donald Duffy (2nd Anniversary)

9:00 William Szulborski

Wednesday, April 7

6:30 Yolanda Sekula

9:00 Charles DeRenzi

Thursday, April 8

6:30 Janet Spring

9:00 The Heil Family

Friday, April 9

6:30 Lynn Pompa

9:00 The Waldron Family

Saturday, April 10

9:00 Mark Carrig

4:30 Rita Gaspar

Sunday, April 11

7:30 Joyleen Branco

9:00 Jim Williams

10:30 The People of the Parish

12:00 Mary Jane Glatz

7:00 No 7 PM

From
the
Pastor



Dear Friends,

Jesus Christ is risen! “The Lord is truly risen, alleluia.” Happy and blessed Easter to you and your loved ones! In the Easter Sequence, we pray these words of profound joy, “Christians, to the Paschal Victim, Offer your thankful praises! ...Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.”

Easter is an earth shattering, history changing event. The sinless One, the eternal Son of the Father, became flesh and blood, went through death, and rose again, destroying sin and death. Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One, the victor King who offers us new life through His Sacraments, new life here and hereafter. We dare not let our eyes dwell only upon the things of this world. We lift up our eyes, our minds, hearts and souls in praise to Him who reigns in heaven and gives us a share in Divine Life.

This Easter Sunday is so different from last. And yet, we still have farther to go. As time continues along, we may find questions arising within. What/where is our foundation? What is the focus of our thinking? The ongoing confusing communications we hear, the divisions that engulf us, the ongoing eroding of moral norms, can easily lead us to become worried, anxious, fearful, discouraged, perhaps even somewhat depressed. That is exactly where the Evil One wants us to be.

But Easter tells a different story, Easter shows forth the Divine power of transforming love, forgiveness, healing through the sufferings of Christ and His resurrection. On Easter we celebrate the explosion of God and His victory in our world. On Easter, and all through the fifty days of the Easter season until Pentecost, we are caught up in the overwhelming mercy and love of God that transforms our lives and enables us to bring Christ to others in our world through our self-sacrificing love.

So, our life foundation is Jesus Christ, Lord and Savior, our victor King. Our thinking becomes filled with His grace so that we see as God sees, we think as God thinks, we speak and act as God does. We cannot do this on our own, by our strength of will. We can only do this by surrendering ourselves to God’s grace offered to us by Jesus Christ, especially in His Sacraments. May the reality and the joy which is Easter renew our mind, heart, body, and soul as we drink deeply from the living waters which flow to us from Jesus!

God bless you, God love you,
Monsignor McCulken

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Who am I... in the mind of God. Where do I come from? What is the foundation of my identity, and that of everyone else’s

around me? In the Mind of the Artist is a unique look at who we are now, and, long before the universe even existed, and consequently, the incomprehensible dignity that comes with every human person.

Have you considered e-giving?



Parish Giving offers secure online giving for our parishioners who would like to make their donations online using a credit card or bank transfer. You never have to bring cash or checks to church. Giving electronically also helps the church save money and plan the budget.

<https://www.steleanor.com/egiving>
and use the link to sign up.

 A first aid kit and an AED are available in the Narthex across from the chapel.

Baptisms

Congratulations and prayers from our Saint Eleanor Family to the parents, godparents, and families of the newly baptized incorporated into the Body of Christ.

Our next Pre-Jordan Program April 11th at 2 pm in Kateri Hall. First-time parents need to attend & may attend this program before the birth of their child. **Pre-registration with parish office is required at least 7 days prior to the class.** Baptismal paperwork is due **two weeks** prior to Baptism.

Rose of Resurrection in Memory and Rose for Life:

Chris Cusatis on the anniversary of his death given by his family

For a **Rose of Resurrection** to remember those who have passed away, call Paula Pezzano at 610-489-0533. Please request roses at least one month before the rose is to be placed on the altar.

Rose for Life

To reserve a Rose for Life, call Donna Kolb, 610-547-0478. Roses recommended donation is \$8 per request.

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OUR LITTLE ONES: Baby Clara Krsnich, Corey Gramazio, Noah Ellingsworth, Erica Roque

When your loved one recovers, please notify the Parish Office so we can offer a prayer of thanks!

PRAY for THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Sgt. Thomas Albany	Alexander Franke, SN
Ist Lt. Andrew Bone	Lt Sean Feeny
Cpl. Bryan Luther	Specialist Nicholas Bielski
Andrew Somplasky	Ryan Somplasky
Sgt William Ronan	Ist Lt. Connor Lyons
CDR Wendy Arnold, MD	Ens. Katherine Heacock
CM/Sgt Charles Gordon	Jeremy Somplasky
Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini	LCpl Thomas Busfield
Ens. Henry Schweizer	LCpl Jacob Coppola
Sgt. Daniel Stein	Sgt. Shane McDevitt
Captain Steven Levine	Captain Lisa Levine
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LEGION OF MARY

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation, under the guidance of the pastor, in Mary's work of crushing the head of the serpent and advancing the reign of Christ.

Visit us at one of our meetings all Catholics are welcome
Meetings are held weekly Monday 10:00A to 11:30A
Come PRAY with us in the Kateri Room

PERPETUAL ADORATION

The Adoration Team is excited to announce that Adoration has resumed in the Chapel on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Each day Adoration will begin after the 6:30 AM Mass and close at 9 PM. This time frame contained the fewest number of Open Hours for both days. Depending on the response, we will expand the number of hours each day and/or include other weekdays. We look towards a full restoration of our Adoration schedule as we are able to do so. Please respond to perpetualadoration@stleanor.com if you are able to cover one of the hours and sit with our Lord.

The Divine Mercy Devotion

The theme for the month of April is *Trust*. Jesus told St. Faustina: "Let the weak, sinful soul have no fear to approach Me, for even if it had more sins than there are grains of sand in the world, all would be drowned in the unmeasurable depths of My mercy". Please join us in Our Lady's chapel on Thursday evenings at 7 pm for Divine Mercy Devotions. Divine Mercy Sunday is April 11. For more information call Mary Ann at 610-409-2622

Padre Pio Prayer Group Zoom Meetings

3rd Saturday of the month
10:30 AM

Contact Bob at 610-948-4153 or flyfishin2day@comcast.net. Information regarding the Zoom Meeting contact Betty Rowlands 610-489-3742 or bttyflwr@yahoo.com.

ROSARY

All are welcome
Monday thru Friday after the 9am Mass;
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm;
Saturday 8:30 am

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

Call Kevin 610-489-4412 to schedule a week to host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. We will deliver the statue for those who need assistance. April 4: Ken Strnad, April 11: Amanda Hernandez, April 18: Lisa Fuges, April 25: Available, May 2 Erin Eperthener

PRAYER WHEEL FOR PRIESTS and DEACONS

For the month of April, we will be praying for Rev. Alessandro Giardini and all his intentions. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons, please call Betty Rowlands at 610-489-3742.

Catholic Charities Appeal

Catholic Charities Appeal Update—Our parish response to the Catholic Charities Appeal this year is off to a solid start. Thank you to all of you have taken the time to make your pledge or send in your donation. This is a vitally important Appeal that allows us to participate in the Archdiocesan efforts to share the love of Jesus with countless numbers of people who are in need.



As of 3-19-21, our parish family has:
254 donations (3rd in the Archdiocese)
\$53,345 pledged (5th in the Archdiocese)
Achieved 40% of our parish goal

Please prayerfully consider your gift and participation in this beautiful work of Catholic Charities, Giving Hope to All. You may use the envelopes sent to your homes or pick up one at the Church entrances. You may also go online to donate at catholiccharitiesappeal.org. Each and every gift, large or small, has an impact and accomplishes so much good. May God bless all our efforts on behalf of those in need.

www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org

Mass Card and SCRIP HOURS: Monday-Friday: 9am to 4pm

Other parish office visits are by appointment.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

New to the parish? Please call for an in person or Zoom appointment with one of the priests.

Note: When dropping something off to the Parish Office when we are closed, please *do not* place it in the mailbox. There is a mail slot at the bottom of the front door for items delivered during off hours. We would hate to see your materials get into the US Postal system by accident.

What Makes for a Good Homily?

Your insights on this question are sought through a national study partially funded by a grant from the Confraternity of Christian Faith of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Catholic Biblical Association. This effort, called the Parables Project, is focusing on the preaching of Jesus' parables. Please help us gain new insights by going to www.parablesproject.org and completing a 15-minute survey. Thanks!

The study results will be shared widely, but a special report will be shared with our seminary. It will provide insights into how parishioners understand the parables, which will undoubtedly help in crafting homilies on these provocative stories used by Jesus to proclaim the Kingdom of God. We look forward to communicating the report's results with you in the future.

Questions? Comments? Feel free to reach out to the research team at parablesproject@shsst.edu.

Bulletin: All info and announcements to be published in the bulletin are due to the Parish Office by the Thursday ten days prior. Flyer inserts are due to the Parish Office two weeks ahead of the desired bulletin date. Bulletin information and inserts should be e-mailed to jgenuardi@stleanor.com.

Divine Mercy Sunday



Our Lord's words to St. Faustina:

"On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."

Sunday, April 11, 2021, 3 pm

Don't Miss the amazing special graces.

**Divine Mercy Sunday Happens
Only Once A Year!**

Special Request

One of our SVDP Neighbors in need has asked our St Eleanor Conference if anyone in our parish would donate a used car in running condition for her adult son who needs transportation for work.



Contact 610-489-1647 x 43.

Spiritual Support for Addiction: Hope in Christ.

Our webpage provides a central location for Catholic resources, ongoing support, testimonies and events that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to spiritually support you in your journey towards recovery.

Visit archphila.org/hope



text to give

We are grateful for your generous financial support. Without your sacrificial giving we would not be able to accomplish our mission.

In order to facilitate your donations to the parish, we have added a new convenience, an E-giving Text number for your mobile phone.

610-347-8333

Hey! Have you tried text to give yet?
Yes! It's super easy to use. You should sign up.

SCRIP

The Parish office is open to sell scrip gift cards; hours are 9-4pm Monday through Friday. Another option is to buy scrip online either on Shopwithscrip or using the mobile app, RaiseRight. Be sure to use our enrollment code, EC593LC44847.

Orders can be placed to pick up at the parish office or using ecards. Families can get gift cards delivered right to their homes or delivered right to friends and family as gifts. It's convenient and contactless. Families must pay with a bank account or credit card. A small shipping fee applies. See Shop with Scrip website for details.



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Can I have your ATTENTION PLEASE!

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NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

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WWW.HCRC.SCHOOL

Full day Pre-K and Kindergarten openings are available!

Holy Cross Regional Catholic School sends Easter blessings to all the families of St. Eleanor Parish.

Easter brings New Life and Hope.

May you all experience the Joy and Hope of the Risen Christ, this Easter season.



Visit our website to see the **NEW Virtual Tour of HCRC!**

Catholic schools help grow our community of Faith. Visit www.hcrc.school/support-us-1 to learn how you can support Holy Cross Regional Catholic School.

610-489-9434 | www.hcrc.school

Programs for Young Disciples

During this time while many regular programs are suspended, the Youth Ministry program is a conduit to online activities. Contact Matt at mkirsch@stleanor.com



BOLD (Becoming Our Lord's Disciples) is Saint Eleanor's high school youth group. All students in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for BOLD nights and high school events.

4Thirteens St. Eleanor's junior high youth group. All students grades 7-8 are invited for 4Thirteens nights & junior high events.

GIFT (Growing in Faith for Teens) is St Eleanor's service program for youth. All students grades 7-12 who wish to serve are invited to participate in GIFT programs.

We have 1 registration for all 3 programs. Registration is online and it is free!

Please follow this link to register for the Youth Ministry programs: <https://tinyurl.com/y6vopyrt>

Th NEW P.R.E.P. **Pray FAMILY Virtual Learning Program** for Levels 1 – 6 is presently in full session! Also, the Level 7 Confirmation Virtual Program is in session preparing candidates to receive the *Sacrament of Confirmation* this fall. Online Registration is always OPEN to all Parish families. Contact Laura Jusko with questions at 610-489-4677 x 31.

Congratulations to the following parishioners for achieving academic excellence at **Villa Maria Academy High School:**

Distinguished Honors: Jocelyn Wolfe, Allison Pancerella, Elizabeth Sharp, Brigid Touey, Vanessa Truscello

First Honors: Madeline Borzillo, Nicolette Morello, Gabriella Yacovelli

Children Attending Private Schools



If your child attends a private school (Grade 2 or Grade 7) and you are a member of *Saint Eleanor Church* please contact Laura Jusko at 610-489-4677 x 31 for Sacrament registration and information.

Junior Legion of Mary

Interested in growing in your relationship with our Lord through the guidance & love of the Blessed Mother? Our Heavenly Mother is waiting for the youth of our parish to aid her in good works and prayer. Meetings are Mondays 4:30-5:30 pm.

Contact Laura at laurajusko@gmail.com or 215-390-0933



CYO NEWS

<http://www.stleanor.website.sportssignup.com>

St Eleanor Catholic Youth Organization is open to all 5th through 8th grades, 9th through 12th grades (Basketball only & Co-Ed Volleyball in Spring), and 1st through 3rd (Pee Wee Track/Cross Country) children of our PARISH. Please visit our web-site for more information.

- **Looking for CYO SPIRIT WEAR for your Son or Daughter?** Maybe for a birthday, Christmas or Graduation Gift? St. Eleanor CYO Gear can be ordered on-line here: <https://ragtee.com/store/index.php/portfolio/stecyo/>
- **UNITED WAY** is an important source of funding for our program. Please consider SE CYO when you are making charitable donations, this includes company matching thru United Way. Our agency name is, St. Eleanor, and please specify CYO. Our number is 08018. Thank you!

Has your email address changed? If so, please visit our web-site and update your profile so we can keep you informed.



MINISTRIES

Altar Cross Society	Takes care of altar linens	Irene 610-287-8552
Ambassadors	Welcomes and assists those attending Mass	Patty- 610-489-6633
Ancient Order of Hibernians, Div 6	Irish Catholic charitable organization; Meet last Thurs ages 16 and up	Mike Brown 610-324-0486
Charismatic Prayer Group	Strives to develop a deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit, Scriptures & the Mass. Wednesdays 7:30pm Vianney Hall	Joann 610-306-6934
ChristLife	Helping people discover, follow & share Christ as members of the Church.	Frank 610-650-8457
Couples for Christ	Couples & families supporting each other in the quest to live for Christ	Jinky 610-454-5754
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	Provides opportunities for children to participate in spiritual, social and athletic activities	Jim DeBald 610-476-6756
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	Assists with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and/or to our homebound.	Nancy 610-659-0237
Gardening Angels	Help keep our campus beautiful.	Rachel 610-409-9408
Knights of Columbus	Meet 2nd Sunday of each month serving St Eleanor & St Mary	Robert 215-783-4106
Lector Ministry	Read at weekend Masses, Holy Days and other special Masses.	Mark-610-792-1679
Legion of Mary	Lay ministry giving service to parish, visiting parish households and meeting for weekly prayer	Richard 610-489-3891
Lupus Support Group	Providing support, prayer and hope for those with this autoimmune disease	Christie 610-489-2761
Men of St Joseph	Meet for prayer & reflection on the Sunday readings every Friday virtually	Anthony 610-489-8812
MOSES. (Men of St Eleanor)	Strengthen and encourage men to be strong husbands, fathers and neighbors	Sandy 610-409-0587
Pilgrim Statue	Traveling blessed image of the Virgin Mary	Kevin 610-489-4412
Pray the Rosary	M-F after 9:00 Mass; Wed evening 7pm, Saturday 8:30 am	am Betty 610-489-3742 pm Angie 610-489-9903
Respect Life Committee	Promotes Gospel of Life through prayer, witness and education	Chris 610-409-0179
St Vincent DePaul Society	Through corporal works of mercy, SVDP bears witness to love of Christ by helping those in need	Helen— helenmfornal@gmail.com
Ushers	Assist during weekend liturgies, Holy Days & special occasions	Butch 610-584-0225
Walking with Purpose	Catholic women's Bible study	Maureen—610-454-0650
Welcoming Ministry	Greet and welcome parishioners before Mass	Parish Office- 610-489-1647
Women's Guild	Gather to celebrate fellowship	Celeste 610-937-9479



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Third Sundays of every month at 11:30 AM. **Secular Carmelite Meetings.** Secular Carmelites live in allegiance to Jesus, seeking to imitate the Virgin Mary's contemplation of the word of God and detachment. We meet at the Carmelite Monastery, 1400 Old York Road,. For information call Maribel at: 215-431-2817.



Nourish is for anyone juggling the challenges of life, health, career and caring for an aging parent, grandparent or spouse in town or at a distance. Nourish provides family caregivers practical tools and shared experiences all with a Christ-centered view. Discover the blessings that come from caring for another. www.nourishforcaregivers.com



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VILLA MARIA ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCES SPRING ADMISSIONS EVENTS -Two spring Virtual Preview Breakfast events will be held Tuesday, April 20, and Wednesday, April 28, for 6th and 7th grade students and their parents/guardians. Information or to register, vmahs.org or (610) 644-2551.



Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our upcoming events begin at 7:30pm on most Tuesdays. As the current gathering restrictions in our area are frequently changing, please be sure you are subscribed to our newsletter by heading to <http://www.metanoiayoungadults.org>. Contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com, or Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults)

Thursday, May 6 – 6:30 - 8:30 PM. **Women's Evenings of Reflection** with Father Scott Reilly, LC (in person or livestreamed). Schedule: 6:30 PM - Mass in church; 7:15 PM - Father Scott's reflection; 7:45 PM - Confession will be available after 7:15 PM in the parish center. Topics: 2/4 Compassion --- St. Josephine Bakhita; 3/4 Persistence --- St. Francis de Sales; 4/15 Poverty --- St. Bernadette; 5/6 Courage --- St. Joan of Arc. RSVP for in person— pattyclerkin@gmail.com



Restore: A Women's Healing Retreat. May 21-22, 2021 at Shrine of St. Therese in Nesquehoning, PA (or attend virtually). Restore: return to its original condition; return what was lost, stolen, or taken away. God longs for us to believe that we indeed are who He says we are: His beloved daughters, carefully created, infinitely loved and valued beyond measure. Yet, here amidst the din of distortion, lie-based beliefs and the darkening caused by sin and trauma, we struggle to experience the Truth of who we are. Our pain and woundedness distort the lens through which we look at ourselves, others and the circumstances of our lives. Come...and let Him Restore you! Retreat talks and experiences will reconnect us with the Truth of our inherent dignity, beauty, and wholeness. Retreat also includes: small groups, individual healing prayer, Mass and Adoration. Retreat leaders are Father Allen Hoffa, De Yarrison of You Are Made New Ministry and Laura Ercolino of Hope's Garden. Join us in-person or virtually! Find the full schedule and register at <https://youaremadenew.com/restore-womens-retreat> or email De: de@youaremadenew.com.



Families of Children with Disabilities Support Group will reconvene this month via Zoom . If your family or someone you know has a family member (or any age or disability), please tell them about our group! They can reach out to Maria Miller, group facilitator, at sharinglifewithdisabilities@gmail.com or 215.791.5113 or at the Facebook group "Families of Children with Disabilities."