

Saint Eleanor Catholic Church

647 LOCUST ST. COLLEGEVILLE PA 19426

Third Sunday of Easter
Celebration of the Eucharist
April 18, 2021

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN: Now the Green Blade Rises

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 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: "The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away."

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 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.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM 42:2,4,7-9 Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O my just God, you who relieve me when I am in distress; have pity on me, and hear my prayer!

Know that the LORD does wonders for his faithful one; the LORD will hear me when I call upon him.

O LORD, let the light of your countenance shine upon us! You put gladness into my heart.

As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep, for you alone, O LORD, bring security to my dwelling.

SECOND READING: 1 JN 2:1-5A

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I him." know but do not keep commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL: LK 24:32 Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

GOSPEL READING: JN 24:25-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread. While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything

Here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."



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 Before 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:

Two Were Bound for Emmaus

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: At the Lamb's High Feast

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: Alleluia No.1

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

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 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

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Mrs. Kathleen Aaron

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.

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

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

SACRAMENTS

<u>BAPTISMS</u>: 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).

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

<u>HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS:</u> 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 Monday through Saturday and

10:30 am on 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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

12:00 pm (no 7 pm)

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

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, April 17

4:30 Rosemary Berry

Sunday, April 18

7:30 Francis P. McMahon

9:00 Ella Bidus

10:30 Eugene Joseph Meyers 12:00 The People of the Parish

Monsignor Joseph Murray-Mass

celebrated privately

Monday, April 19

6:30 Alice Hogan 9:00 Kathleen M. Heil

Tuesday, April 20

6:30 James Dougherty 9:00 Marissa Mazzamuto

Wednesday, April 21

Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Alice Hogan 9:00 Rita Gaspar

Thursday, April 22

6:30 Kevin Lally

9:00 Michael Santangelo

Friday, April 23
Saint George, Martyr

Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

6:30 Bill Heck

9:00 Urban DiPasquale

Saturday, April 24

Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen,

Priest and Martyr

9:00 John Kolcun 4:30 Gary Stepnowski

Sunday, April 25

7:30 The People of the Parish

9:00 Helena Poysden 10:30 Eugene Meyers 12:00 Thomas Herbert

No 7 PM



Dear Friends,

In this weekend's Gospel, Luke records another of Jesus' appearances after His Resurrection. The two on the Road to Emmaus

have returned to join the others in the Upper Room. They have recounted their experience of the risen Christ. And then, Jesus stands there in their midst despite locked doors. Again, they all are taken aback. They think He is a ghost. A thought that Jesus quickly disproves by showing the marks of the Crucifixion and that He has flesh and bones. Finally, He eats something before them.

Afterwards, Jesus opens their minds to the Scriptures about Himself ~ His passion and His resurrection which brings forth forgiveness of sins in His name for all the world. And then there is this verse which Jesus speaks, "You are witnesses of these things."

Surely, Jesus addressed these words to those Apostles who went forth to preach forgiveness in His name. But make no mistake about it, Jesus speaks these words to each and every one of us who have received His teaching through Scripture and His grace through His Sacraments! Within the Church, Jesus' Mystical Body, we encounter the Risen Christ, His presence, His majesty, His divinity, His Body and Blood. Are we, you and I, intentional about being His "... witnesses of these things?"

It is easy to get distracted along the way, to let the burdens of life weigh us down, to become anxious, worried, fearful of the things we cannot control in our society, our nation, our world. We can forget that Jesus has conquered sin and death.

When we embrace Jesus, His Cross and Resurrection, we share in that victory. We are conquerors by His Blood, and we transform the fragile brokenness of this world by His power within us and through us. We may not see it personally, but it is true and real. Check out the lives of the Saints.

Intentionally being Jesus' disciples, that is, being His "... witnesses of these things," means we understand and live what Archbishop Pérez repeats to everyone he meets, "Never underestimate the power of the Holy Spirit working in you, through you, despite you."

God bless you, God love you, *Monsignor McCulken*



Counting Our Blessings			
Week Ended April 2, 2021 Regular Sunday Other Collections Easter Easter Flowers Total Diocesan Collections	***	22,107 941 9,569 959 33,576 6,305	
Regular Sunday Collections Fiscal Year-to-Date July 1, 2020– April 2, 2021 July 1, 2019– April 2, 2020	\$ \$	1,019,254 1,103,373	
YTD Tithing July 1, 2020—April 2, 2021 July 1, 2019— April 2, 2020	\$ \$	30,510 33,065	



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.

Morgan Laele, daughter of Michael and Virginia Pascavage

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on May 2 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:

Rose of Resurrection

John Karmazinski on the 15th anniversary of his death, given by his family
Rose Kaeser on the 11th anniversary of her death,

given by her husband, Ěd
To remember those who have passed away, call Paula
Pezzano at 610-489-0533.

Rose for Life

To honor a special occasion, call Donna Kolb, 610-547-0478.

Roses recommended donation is \$8 per request. Please request roses at least one month before the rose is to be placed on the altar.

A Baby's Breath is a Catholic organization that offers life-affirming choices for mothers and fathers in times of crisis. Our Mission is to help a mother see her child take his or her first breath. A Baby's Breath is seeking volunteers to help with planning and facilitating our fundraising events, including our Golf Outing, held in the Fall, and our Silent Auction, held in the Winter. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact abbvolunteer@gmail.com.

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FOR OUR DECEASED: Johanna Krisch; Theodore Kensicki, husband of Mary Beth; Lillian Perrone, mother of Michael; Renaldo Mendoza, father of Abigail Gancayco; Xiangfeng (Kevin) Cao, brother of Rebecca Shelton

FOR OUR SICK: Anthony Adamo, Rita Adams, William Adams, Catherine Alexander, Bob Bielski, Henry Blaney, Joseph Brignola, Ralph Bucher, Connie Clarke, Georgia Cordrey, Ruth Daukus, Ron DiNicola, Myra DiNicola, James Donaldson, Molly Enright, Doods Fetalvero, Pat Fillipini, Jimmy Fink, Tom Fuller, Leroy Gallus, Betty Gephardt, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Amy Hahn-Kirsch, Bill Howat, Francis Jackson, Helen Karchner, Ann Kupetz, Kathleen Lawler, Mary Marinari, Patricia Martin, Msgr. James McBride, Agnes McCarver, Martha Meng, Chris Negro, Rebekah Nester, Marie Oakes, Patrick O'Rourke, Debbie Palumbo, Doris Palumbo, Albert Petucci, David and Mary Grace Phillips, Steven Pinto, Paul Schneider, Rebecca Shelton, Jeanne Sproat, Maryann Staret, Anthony Stumpo, Dr. Edward J. Szymala, Mary Tybeski, Bernadine Wahalla, Joan White

<u>OUR LITTLE ONES</u>: 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
1st Lt. Andrew Bone
Cpl. Bryan Luther
Andrew Somplasky
Sgt William Ronan
CDR Wendy Arnold, MD
CM/Sgt Charles Gordon
Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini
Ens. Henry Schweizer
Sgt. Daniel Stein
Captain Steven Levine
A1* C Joshua Colliluori

Alexander Franke, SN Lt Sean Feeney Specialist Nicholas Bielski Ryan Somplasky Ist Lt. Connor Lyons Ens. Katherine Heacock Jeremy Somplasky LCpl Thomas Busfield LCpl Jacob Coppola Sgt. Shane McDevitt Captain Lisa Levine

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 on Thursdays
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM
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@steleanor.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. 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 18: Lisa Fuges April 25: Available May 2: Erin Eperthener May 9: Denise Stein

May 16: Amanda Hernandez

PRAYER WHEEL FOR PRIESTS and DEACONS

For the month of April, we will be praying for **Reverend 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 4-8-21, our parish family has: 349 donations (2nd in the Archdiocese) \$80,830 pledged (3rd in the Archdiocese) Achieved 60% 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.

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Although the Eucharist appears to be resence simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist explores the truth and

beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

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 church@steleanor.com.

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.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all who donated to our Easter Program. Because of the generosity of parishioners of our amazing parish, the Society was able to assist 33 families with Easter Gift Bags during the drive-by event held on Saturday, March 27th. In addition to the donated grocery store and Walmart or Target gift cards, the bags contained an Easter Prayer to be said before the Easter meal and an Easter card which



highlighted the St. Eleanor Mass and Holy Week schedules. Once again, "thank you" and please know we are very grateful for you support. May God continue to bless vou this Easter season!

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



SCRIP

The Parish office is open to sell scrip gift cards; hours are 9am-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.



HOLY CROSS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Check out our Virtual Tour online



Full day Pre-K and Kindergarten openings are available!

Did you know?

Holy Cross Regional Catholic School is a fully accredited school through the Middles States Association Commissions on Elementary and Secondary. We were accredited November of 2015 for seven years, lasting through December 1, 2022.

The teachers of Holy Cross Regional School are all degreed and state
-certified. HCRC teachers and students are ready to start the

3rd Trimester!



Our Annual Advancement Fund will close in May 2021.

Help us Spring forward and reach our goal
of \$50,000. We are currently at 75%
of our goal with \$37, 485 raised. Thank
you to all those who have generously
supported our annual effort this year.



You truly have made an **İMDACT!**

To make a gift now, go to our website: www.hcrc.school/support-us-1

610-489-9434 | www.hcrc.school

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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@steleanor.com



events.

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

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

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.

The NEW P.R.E.P.

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.

Mass for Healing

The next Mass for Healing is Tuesday, June 8th 7:00 pm

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 praver. Meetings are Mondays 4:30-5:30 pm.

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



CYO NEWS

http://www.steleanor.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

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



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 7:30pmVianney 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



Third Sunday 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. They meet at the Carmelite Monastery, 1400 Old York Road, Call Maribel at: 215-431-2817.

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, supporting 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 www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults

Thursday, May 6 – 6:30 - 8:30 PM. Women's Evening of Reflection with Father Scott Reilly, LC (in person or livestreamed). Topics: 4/15 Poverty --- St. Bernadette; 5/6 Courage --- St. Joan of Arc. RSVP for in person—pattyclerkin@gmail.com

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The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is Sun., April 25, 2021 at 3 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Phila. Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. All are welcome. To RSVP email opd@archphila.org or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number coming.

Saturday, April 24: Rosary Procession for Life 10:30-11:45am Come pray all four sets of mysteries of the rosary for the protection of life and for the healing of the culture. Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul 1723 Race St, Philadelphia, PA **Meet in front of the cathedral. KINDLY RSVP: philly@sistersoflife.org *Please wear a mask.

Restore: A Women's Healing Retreat May 21-22 at Shrine of St. Therese in Nesquehonig, PA (or attend virtually). 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 Yarrison at de@youaremadenew.com.

