

I am the living bread that came
down from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread
will live forever.

John 6:51



ST ELEANOR CHURCH

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AUGUST 12, 2018

Welcome!

August 12, 2018
Nineteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

PARISH REGISTRATION: New to the parish? Please call for an appointment with one of the priests

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 8am to 7pm, Friday: 8am to 4pm, Saturday: 9am -1pm

CLERGY

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

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Linda Coyne, Finance Director
Mr. Ted Locker, Facilities Manager
Ms. Janet Genuardi
Mrs. Jean Phillips
Mrs. Melissa Sinner
Mrs. Madelyn O'Hara

SACRED MUSIC

Ms. Elizabeth Calabro, Director

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mr. Matt Kirsch
Mr. Alex Price



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Week Ending July 27, 2018

Regular Collection	\$ 27,746
Other Collections	\$ 159
Total	\$ 27,905
Diocesan Collections	\$ 70

Regular Sunday Collections

Fiscal Year-to-Date**

June 30, 2018—July 27, 2018	\$ 109,716
June 30, 2017—July 27, 2017	\$ 112,307

Mass Schedule

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am,
12:00 Noon and 7:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 6:30 am
Monday to Saturday: 9:00 am

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Scheduled most Sundays at 1:00 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 in Holy Cross school Library.

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.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

PERPETUAL ADORATION

In Our Lady Chapel
(except 9am Saturday—2pm Sunday)

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. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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

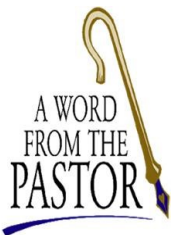
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP: After-school religious instruction for children in grades K - 6. Classes held on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. Contact Ms. Teri Lahey, Director of Religious Education at 610-489-4677 x31.

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 elected and appointed members who advise the Pastor concerning the pastoral circumstances and needs of the parish and parishioners.

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



Dear Friends,

Well August is flying by. The hot, humid weather has reminded me that it is indeed August. Most college students will be returning to campus by next week and it won't be long before the grade and high schools will open their doors for a new school year. Holy Cross Regional opens after Labor Day.

Just a reminder again of our upcoming Forty Hours Devotions, September 9 – 11 with Father Chris Moriconi as our homilist! The dates of these devotions coincide with our Parish Feast Day of September 14, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. We will celebrate our feast day on Sunday, September 9 to open these devotions. These three days are special blessings for our parish family as we worship Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and give public witness to our unshakeable belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. It is like a mini-retreat to strengthen us for the work ahead.

As in the past, we will have an outdoor procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the front of school for the final Benediction. Once again, we will have the Verdi Band accompany us and afterwards invite everyone into the school for a "Cider Social" with some light refreshments. We are most excited that our various ministries and parish groups will gather together as a group before the Tuesday night services to process into Church and to walk in the procession. We trust that you will mark these dates on your calendar and be present to lend your voice and faith to these devotions.

Wednesday, August 15 is a holy day of obligation, the solemn feast of the *Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary* into Heaven. Where she has gone, indeed we hope to follow, especially by imitating her gentle and strong faith and humble surrender to God's will. Masses are on the day itself, 6:30, 9 am, 12:05 and 7 pm.

The feast of the Assumption is a day when traditionally many people try to get to the sea. An ancient tradition (around 1000 AD) from Venice, the Wedding of the Sea celebration, is still celebrated at various New Jersey communities as well. In Atlantic City, this is the fiftieth anniversary of the event. May God bless and protect all sailors, fishermen and those dependent on the abundance of the seas.

May these days of August allow for some relaxation, rest and recreation. As I mentioned in my homily last weekend, I encourage you to open your Bible to the Gospel of Saint John and read straight through Chapter 6. We are hearing it at the weekend Masses throughout the month. In it Jesus explains that He is the Bread of Life. This week He tells us, "*I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.*"

That brings us back to our Forty Hours and Eucharistic Adoration ~ the Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ really, fully and substantially. Don't be confused. In our Catholic Faith, Communion is not symbol, not a memorial, not a remembrance. To receive Holy Communion in the Catholic Church is to receive the risen Jesus Christ, Lord and Savior, into our bodies and souls. What a communion, what a union ~ all in love!

God bless you, God love you,
Monsignor McCulken

Rose of Resurrection in Memory

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.

Jacomina Milusick given by The Murphy family on the 1st anniversary of her death

Rose for Life

To reserve a Rose for Life, please call Donna Kolb, 610-948-3955



**Feast of the Assumption
Holy Day of Obligation
Wednesday, August 15th**

**Mass Times
6:30 & 9:00 am
12:05 & 7:00pm**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 11

Saint Claire

9:00 Frances Krensavage
4:30 Mary Mann

Sunday, August 12

7:30 Joyleen Branco
9:00 Barbara Kalinowski
10:30 For the People of the Parish
12:00 James V. Nash
7:00 Craig Killough

Monday, August 13

Saints Pontian & Hippolytus

6:30 Charles Heil
9:00 Margaret Kean

Tuesday, August 14

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

6:30 Ernie DiGenova
9:00 Thomasina Morano

Wednesday, August 15

The Assumption of the Virgin Mary

6:30 For the People of the Parish
9:00 Jack Russo
12:05 Mary Rosalie Milligan
7:00 Frances Krensavage

Thursday, August 16

Saint Stephen of Hungary

6:30 Salvatore DiBattista
9:00 Jack Russo

Friday, August 17

6:30 Frances Krensavage
9:00 Raymond Smyth

Saturday, August 18

BVM

9:00 Jack Russo
4:30 Anna Hertzog

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.

Addison Kearney, daughter of Timothy and Courtney Wetzel

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, August 5th, at 2 PM in Kateri Hall. First-time parents need to attend & may attend this program before the birth of your child.

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

Baptismal paperwork is due **two weeks** prior to Baptism.

PRAYER



FOR OUR DECEASED: Rita Fiori, Rose Massino, mother of Bob

FOR OUR SICK: Matthew Aaron, Catherine Alexander, Ann Marie Allen, Nathan Allen, Joseph Art, Jr., Elizabeth Ashenfelder, Kathleen Bani, Lori Bani, Lisa Caruso, Christine Barrett, Kaitlyn Barrett, Rachel Beck, Michael Bell, Jackie Bielski, Cindy Borowski-Burns, Arthur Buben, Bob Buda, Diane Burg, Florence Burkett, Sandy Burns, Marcia Capaldi, Rosemary Carney, Anne Cartenuto, Trish Caufield, Marc Chevrier, Michael Christie, Monica Cipriani, Joseph Clarke, Doris Coffey, Gerald Collins, Lori Craig, Mike Creeden, Kathy Cronin, Marie Cunningham, Mary Ann Daley, Sheila Davis, Denise DeCaro, Todd DeMent, Mary Derivan, Deacon Joe DeRosa, Rosemarie DeRosa, Isabella DeSimone, Vince DiDonato, Ron DiNicola, Pat DiPiano, Rachel Doran, Christopher Dorman, Betty Dougherty, Linda Dougherty, John Doyle, Claire Esposito, Vito Fabiano, Dorothy Fairbanks, Mary Filippini, John Fitzgerald, Donna Flick, Neil Florio, Sandy Forcine, John Fritz, Stephanie George, Mary Ann Gibbie, Jessica Gladwin, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Shari Richardson Gray, Elizabeth Groff, Helen Guarnaccia, Joan Hallman, Karl Hampton, Marjorie Hebard, Virginia Heinz, Bobby Henzler, Deacon Ed Hinson, Tammy Hockenbrock, Tonia Hopkins, Margaret Huber, Christopher Keirse, Ray Kelley, Carolann Kelly, Joanne Kennedy, Nettie Krall, Eva Kramer, Marilyn Kretzu, Al Lamar, Bud Leo, Linda LeNoir, Ann Lentz, Kathleen Lewis, Stephen Lewis, Carol Logue, Steve Love, Marion Lukens, Joe Lutz, Tom Lytle, Francis Magee, Maryanne Magee, Joan Mahoney, Julia Mahoney, Mary Mahoney, Anthony Maiale, John Mancini, Judi Mandronicho, Marie and Sarah, Barbara Marosky, Rose Massino, Agnes McCarver, Ed McDade, Elizabeth McDade, Kathleen McFadden, Paul McFadden, Jaime McNutt, Martha Meng, Valerie Milne, Allison Leo Mitchell, Flora Monteiro, Francesca Moran, Fr. Tom Morris, Charles Muskovic, Jr., Gene Mullin, Gabe Muscella, Lori Neff, Bob Newton, Marion Niedzolkowski, Pat O'Rourke, Ed Osisek, Mark Osisek, Donna O'Sullivan, Francis Panfile, George Pastino, Ed Pressler, Rachel, Faith R., Joseph Reeves, Carolyn Rider, Marjorie Rigg, Kathleen Riggs, Dick Robbins, Megan Roth, Betty Rowlands, Carol Ann Roy, Linda Sauer, Monsignor Francis Schmidt Paul Schneider, Mary Pat Seiss, David Sebok, Angela Shinal, Andy Smith, Bob Smith, Joseph Smith, Ed Stonier, Anne Marie Stoudt, Yoshiko Strohlein, Brian Sullivan, Dennis Sullivan, Daniel Taormino, Howard Taormino, Ron Tautkus, Maggie Terrance, Michael Troemel, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Jaclyn Tyson, Cristina Utti, Dominic Vacanti, Ted Valis, Jr., Juanita Vasas, Sharon von Clef, Billy Watts, Nancy Wenrich, Barbara Witman, Pat Willits, Beverly Zapata, Albrette Zvarik

OUR LITTLE ONES: Elizabeth DePaul, Damien John Erskine, Brandon Gallagher, Baby Corey Gramazio, Maggie Lutz, Baby Nicholas Manzi, Kiera McMahon, Nicholas Rutherford, Baby Zachary Sinnk, Isaiah Thoxton, Baby Dell Tolas, Justin Wichner, Baby Evan Gerhold, Kate Greco, Kyce Christopher Younossi

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



Tweeted by Pope Francis on August 2nd
Charity is the most effective form of witness, because in it people see the love of God.

DIVINE MERCY

The Divine Mercy theme for the month of August is: "Union" St. Faustina's union with God was unparalleled. One day in 1937, after Mass, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and said, "You are my great joy. Your love and your humility make Me leave the heavenly throne, and unite myself with you. Love fills up the abyss that exists between My greatness and your nothingness."

Want to know more about St. Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy, please join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Thursday at 7:00 P.M. in Our Lady's Chapel. For more information, please call Mary Ann at 610-409-2622.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We need a few good men and women! Our parish is greatly blessed to offer perpetual adoration; very few parishes in the Archdiocese do so. We have some times, especially in the overnight hours, that have your name on them!

Monday: 1 am, 2 am, Tuesday: 3 am, Wednesday: 2 pm, 4 pm

Thursday: 12 am, 4 pm, Friday: 12 am, 2 am, 8 am, 10 am

Saturday: 2 am, 3 am—perpetualadoration@steleanor.com

FAMILY ROSARY

Join us on **Sunday, August 19th**
After the 12 noon Mass—Chapel

ROSARY

All are welcome Monday thru Friday
after the 9am Mass;
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM- Chapel

PRAYER WHEEL FOR PRIESTS and DEACONS

For the month of **August**, we will be praying for **Msgr. Michael T. McCulken** 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.

PRAY for THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Sgt. Thomas Albany
1st Lt. Andrew Bone
Cpl. Bryan Luther
Andrew Somplasky
1st Lt Brian Davis
Cmdr Wendy Arnold, MD
CM/Sgt Charles Gordon
Specialist Michael Thomas
Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini

Alexander Franke, SN
Lt Sean Feeney
Michael Thomas
Ryan Somplasky
Sgt William Ronan
Katherine Heacock
Jeremy Somplasky
Private Nicholas Bielski

Growing as a Disciple of Christ

August 12, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I appeal to you today to give generously to the National Collection for The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. As the only institution of higher education founded by the U.S. bishops and chartered by the Vatican, Catholic University is the national university of the Catholic Church, charged with educating the future leaders of the Church, the nation, and the world. Here are just two ways Catholic University is educating the next generation of clergy, religious, and young lay men and women from every geographical region of the United States:

Catholic University serves the Church by engaging its students to discover knowledge and truth through excellence in teaching and research. The University continues to expand its academic and research offerings and through new programs in business and music; classical architecture; intelligence studies; neuroscience; Spanish language and Hispanic ministry; social service; and Catholic clinical bioethics, the University strives to be the voice of our Church in response to the issues facing society today.

Catholic University trains the leaders of the Church. Through its national seminary, the University provides graduate degrees for seminarians sponsored by numerous Catholic dioceses in the U.S. More than one-third of all the active and emeritus bishops and archbishops in the country are Catholic University alumni, including five of the six sitting cardinal archbishops. Our national university is educating an important generation of lay and ordained leaders within the United States. The Collection for The Catholic University of America will be held in parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on the weekend of August 18 and August 19, 2018.

Thank you and God bless you for supporting America's Catholic university and the countless number of students who will experience an education grounded in Catholic tradition.

Sincerely in Christ,
Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap



SUMMER YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays – 7-8pm in Parish Office
Join us to reflect on God's word and consider His presence in our day-to-day lives. A great opportunity to meet & socialize with fellow young adults of the St. Eleanor's community. All newcomers and first-timers welcome! Contact Connor at (610) 564-1492

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 can not manage its size & weight.

Week of:

Aug 19: Karen Cedrone

Aug 26: Sandy Maiale

Sept. 02: Open

Catholic Women's Conference 2018

Join us for a day of friendship, prayer and growth in your faith at the 2018 Catholic Women's Conference. This year's theme is "Daughters of the King" and will be devoted to helping women discover their foundational identity as daughters of the King of heaven and earth. Sat, October 27, 2018, 9am-4pm, at National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown. Offered in English, Spanish, American Sign Language. Register today at: catholicwomensconference.org.

SACRED MUSIC MINISTRY

SACRED MUSIC SUMMER WORKSHOPS

All parishioners are invited to attend the Sacred Music Summer Workshops. Two workshops remain this summer to explore different facets of sacred music and the role of liturgical musicians.

BEING CONNECTED

Characteristics of liturgical musician
August 13—7:00pm—Guadalupe Hall

STAYING CONNECTED

To sing and pray twice
August 29—7:00 pm Church



We invite you to share your talents?

Did you know that there are over 1000 verses in the Bible that reference music—singing hymns of praise, blowing of trumpets, making a joyful song unto the Lord! You are invited to share your talents and become a member of St. Eleanor's Sacred Music Ministry. All involved seek to celebrate the Liturgy in a manner that promotes participation by all with exultation and reverence. **Please join us!**

Youth Choir

Information Session and Member Registration

Thursday, September 6th

6:00 PM

Main Church



All inquiries for all Sacred Music Ministries, contact Elizabeth Calabro at 610-489-1647 x 22.
ecalabro@stleanor.com



COMING SOON

August 13—Being Connected Sacred Music Workshop
 August 19—Family Rosary
 August 29—Staying Connected Sacred Music Workshop
 September 6—Youth Choir Information Session
 September 9—Cub Scout Registration
 September 9-11—40 Hours Devotion
 September 11—Cider Social
 September 15—Padre Pio Prayer Group
 October 6—Amazing Harvest Festival

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Next Meeting and Mass September 15th

9:40—Prayer & Confession
 10:30—Mass & blessing with Padre Pio's relics

CHAPEL CLEANING MINISTRY

If you are interested in helping out around the parish, the Chapel Cleaning Ministry is in need of some helpers on Saturdays at 11:00am.

Call Ginny at 610-539-9543.
 Thank you for your consideration of this request.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING

Where: Sacred Heart (Royersford)
 When: Wednesday, November 7, 6:00 PM
 Estimated length of session: 2 hrs 30 min
 Notes: This session will be held in the cafe, located at 838 Walnut Street, Royersford
 ALL WHO WISH TO ATTEND THIS SESSION MUST BE REGISTERED. No children under the age of 18 should attend this session. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the session to sign in and pick up materials used in the training. PLEASE BE PROMPT. LATE ARRIVALS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED. If you are not able to arrive by the scheduled time, please reschedule for another date. To register visit: <https://www.virtusonline.org>



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Follow us!

Save the Date!
Amazing Harvest Festival
 Saturday, October 6

10:30am—1:30 pm- Games for Adults and Children

6-9pm—Comedy Night Dinner

Going somewhere this summer?

Don't forget to go to Mass!
<https://masstimes.org/>

SCRIP

SCRIP Gift Cards are available for a variety of items: tools, clothes, entertainment, favorite restaurants & more.
SCRIP HOURS Mon.—Thurs., Noon— 7:00 pm and Friday, Noon—4:00 pm in the Parish Office; Before and after the Saturday Vigil Mass & Sunday 8:00 am—12:00 Noon in the Church Narthex.

Souderton Adult Day Care Center

Located at 228 Ridge Avenue in Souderton, is Catholic Housing and Community Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's quality, compassionate care for frail seniors. Our services include: nursing services, assistance with medication management, activities focused on cognitive, social, sensory & physical needs, full noontime meal and afternoon snacks, gentle physical exercise, individualized care planning and family support group.
 Deb Lytle at **267-219-7986**.

Bulletin—All info and announcements to be published in the bulletin need to be in the Parish Office by the Thursday that is ten days prior. Flyer inserts need to be in the Parish Office two weeks ahead of the desired bulletin date. Bulletin information and inserts should be e-mailed to jgenuardi@steleanor.com.



Programs for Young Disciples

YOUTH MINISTRY

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 night and high school events.

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

GIFT (Growing in Faith for Teens) is Saint 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 at Saint Eleanor Parish:

<https://tinyurl.com/y6vopyrt>



Upcoming Youth Ministry Events

August 22- BOLD Barbecue

August 23 - 4Thirteens Barbecue

Register NOW for the new season of Youth Ministry programming. Go to... <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-3627722/>

PREP

Parish Religious Education Preparation (PREP)
Registration for 2018/19 now open

NEW FAMILY Applicants for P.R.E.P. should complete the application at the following website:

<https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-3714406/>

RETURNING FAMILIES should have received an e-mail from **Parish Giving** directly to register and pay for Religious Education Classes for the fall 2018.

To receive the **early** Registration **discount**, register on/before **August 12th**.

Volunteers are always welcome! Please contact Teri Lahey at lahey@steeleanor.com with questions

CYO—<http://cyo.steeleanor.com>

St Eleanor Catholic Youth Organization is open to 5th – 12th graders and 1st – 3rd (Pee Wee Track/Cross Country) children of our parish.

JV Girls Volleyball Players (5 & 6th grade) We still have room to add 6-8 more girls. ALL PARISH members are welcome to play REGARDLESS of the school they attend. If you'd like to register your daughter to play CYO Volleyball, please email Jim DeBald at jdebald@yahoo.com. We guarantee your daughter will have a wonderful experience learning a great sport.

-The CYO Board is looking for a NEW volunteer to join our team We are in need of someone who would like to run the dances. Thank you for your consideration. If interested please contact Jim DeBald at jdebald@yahoo.com.

-Please update information, including e-mail address so that we contact you as needed.



Saint Eleanor's Conference of Saint Vincent DePaul would like to say **THANK YOU** to Holy Cross' Girl Scout Juniors Troop # 7945 and their leader, Melissa DiRado, for all of their hard work and support with their generous Food Pantry donations. Their Corporal Work of Mercy will help feed many local families.

CUB SCOUTS

Are you interested in joining the Cub Scouts? We currently have dens for grades 1-5 and could form a Kindergarten level if there is interest. We will hold registration for new and current families on Sunday, September 9th from 8:30am to 12noon in the Kateri Room.

Leaders are also welcome and needed! Contact our pack directly to find out how you can help! Our email is: pack707.steeleanor@gmail.com

HOLY CROSS REGIONAL SCHOOL

It's Not Too Late to Register Your Child at Holy Cross! Spots Remaining for 2018-2019 School Year



Registration for New Families remains OPEN at Holy Cross Regional Catholic School. We have limited spots available for students in grades Pre-K through 8. For more information about Holy Cross or to schedule a tour, please call 610-489-9434, ext. 1, or visit our school web site at www.hcrc.school.

Holy Cross offers Full-Day programs for PreK and Kindergarten, as well as our after-school CARES program. Holy Cross has a proud academic tradition, and is fully accredited by Middle States. Our strong Catholic identity is rooted in our belief that God is at the center of who we are and all that we teach. We offer an Accelerated Reading program for grades K-8; an Advanced Honors Mathematics program for those that meet the criteria, starting in 4th grade; and weekly instruction in Music, Art, Computer Technology, Physical Education, Library Skills, and Spanish.



MINISTRIES

Altar Cross Society	Take care of altar linens	Irene 610-287-8552
Aquinas Group	Men's group of spiritual study & fellowship	Ray 610-489-4167
Cenacles of Life	meet each week to pray the rosary to end abortion. Tuesdays, 6:00 PM, Chapel	Rita 610-489-1929
Charismatic Prayer Group	Strives to develop a deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit, Scriptures & the Mass. Wednesday nights 7:30 pm Vianney Hall	Joann 610-584-6552
Church Cleaning Ministry	Group who beautifies our church each Monday	Ginny 610-539-9543
Church Decorating Group	Enhance our church each season	Margaida 215-888-7509
Couples for Christ	Couples & families supporting each other in the quest to live for Christ	Jinky 610-454-5754
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
Hospitality	Plans events to make all parishioners feel welcome.	Leslie 610-948-9122
Knights of Columbus	Meet 2nd Sunday of each month serving St Eleanor & St Mary	Robert 610-783-4106
Lector Ministry	Read at weekend Masses, Holy Days and other special Masses. Must be age 14.	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 after the 6:30 am Mass	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, chapel	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	Maureen 610-489-1647
Ushers	Assist during weekend liturgies, Holy Days & special occasions	Butch 610-584-0225
Welcoming Ministry	Greet and welcome parishioners before Mass	Bettie 610-933-7243
Women's Guild	Gather to celebrate fellowship	Celeste 610-409-8808



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Retrouvaille help learn tools of communication, build intimacy & healing. Welcomes all faiths as well as non-religious couples. . Family Life Center, Malvern, Aug 17-19. 800-470-2230 www.HelpOurMarriage.org
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Polish-American Family Festival & Country Fair Sept 1 -3 & 8-9; 12 -8 pm; Our Lady of Czestochowa, Ferry Road, Doylestown. Music, rides, dance groups, food, crafters & more. \$12pp. <http://www.polishamericanfestival.org> (215) 345-0601
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We Thirst: Christian Reflections on Addiction. Sept 4-25 & Oct 2nd, 7-9 pm Saints Peter & Paul Parish, West Chester 610-692-2216, x 263. www.ninamariacorona.com. Sept 10, 17, 24, and October 1, 15, 2018 – 7-9 pm Our Lady of Good Counsel in Southampton 215-870-0525 or KCLA.OLGC@GMAIL.COM.
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Annual Bazaar, Regina Nursing Home E. Fornance St, Norristown. Sept 8th, 8:30 am—2 pm. Also, consider being a vendor—\$20/space. Nancy 610-272-5600
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Five Keys to Freedom Unbound presentation- For relationship problems, habitual sin, chronic anger, fear, or other areas of life. Spker: Meghan Cokeley. phillyevang.org/events. Wed, Sept 12, 7-9pm, Archdiocese Pastoral Center, Phila & Sat, Oct 13, 9-11am, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Doylestown
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St. Bede Parish, Holland, Pa **Third Annual Padre Pio Festival**. September 14-16. Exhibit of relics, procession, healing service, confessions & blessing with relics. padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com or 215-357-5720.
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Holy Martyrs **Fall Carnival**, Oreland, Pa September 18-22. Rides, games, food and more. 215-884-8575, Holymartyrschurch.org

Volunteers needed for Abbeyfest—
September 22

Go to <https://norbertinecommunity.volunteerhub.com/lp/AbbeyFest2018/account/signin?ReturnUrl=%2f%2fAbbeyFest2018%2f>

Stewardship: A Mission of Faith Fall Conference. Sept 19 & 20. Join Bishop Schliert and others. Star Barn Village. Men and women welcome. www.stewardshipmission.org
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AbbeyFest - Sept 22, 1-9:30 pm: Faith, Music, Family – Catholic/Christian music: Matt Maher & more. Food, activities, Confession, Adoration & Mass 484.320.7879 at Daylesford Abbey. TheAbbeyFest.com.
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Mass for Those Suffering From Addiction— Sept 22, St Mary's Schwenksville. 9:30—confessions, 11:00 Mass. Father Louis Bellopede.
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Contemplative Prayer Retreat, Sept 24–27 Marianist Family Retreat Center – Cape May Point 609-884-3829. \$150/pp www.capemaymarianists.org
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Tolton: From Slave to Priest, Lasalle University, Sept 25, 7pm; Live drama on Fr Augustus Tolton by actor Jim Coleman -courage, & reconciliation. Dan Rodden Theater, W Olney Ave. ToltonDrama.com
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Special Needs Planning Workshop Wed, 9/26, 7pm St Teresa of Calcutta. Charles Rick, attorney & Thomas Kalejta, FA. janeleonard@kalejta.com
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Thinking of Sisterhood? Daughters of St Paul: Media Evangelization & Eucharistic Adoration Sept 28-30, Toronto for ages 18-34; daughtersofstpaul.org
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Corpus Christi Parish **Lunch & Bingo**. Sept 29, doors open 9:00 am \$25/pp. Laurie 610-584-5694, geraldponticello@comcast.net
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Capuchin Sister "Come and See" **Retreat Weekend** for women 15-25. Oct 12 -14. Mother of the Eucharist Convent, Williamsport. 570-745-3334; www.capuchinsisters.com
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Rachel's Vineyard **Retreat for Healing after Abortion** Oct 12 – 14. National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa. Evelyn 215- 317-5752.