



Saint Eleanor Catholic Church

647 LOCUST ST. COLLEGEVILLE PA 19426

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Celebration of the Eucharist

April 25, 2021

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN: Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 4:8-12

Peter filled with the Holy Spirit, said: "Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, namely, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

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.



SAINT ELEANOR
CATHOLIC CHURCH

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118:8-9,21-23,26,28,29
The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

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

It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to trust in princes.

I will give thanks to you, for you have
answered me and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
LORD;

we bless you from the house of the LORD.

I will give thanks to you, for you have
answered me and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his kindness endures forever.

SECOND READING: 1 JN 3:1-2

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL: JN 10:14

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

GOSPEL READING: JN 10:11-18

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they

will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."



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: The King of Love my Shepherd Is

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: Shepherd of Souls

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

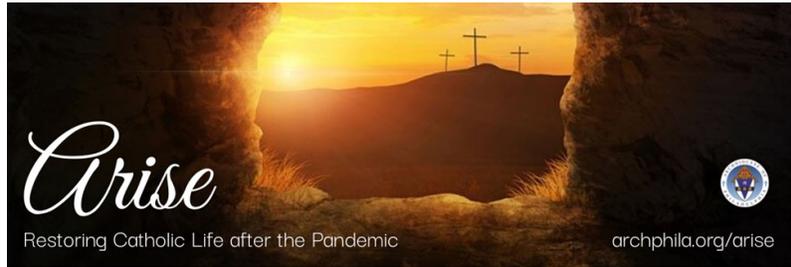
THE CONCLUDING RITE

GREETING, BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL HYMN: The Strife is O'er

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
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.

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 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

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 24

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

7:00 No 7 PM

Monday, April 26

6:30 Phyllis Maniscalco

9:00 Vincent DeBlasis

Tuesday, April 27

6:30 Joan Hindsley

9:00 Beatrice Vogler

Wednesday, April 28

Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr

Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

6:30 Emily Perrone Eckman

9:00 Michael Hudak

Thursday, April 29

Saint Catherine of Siena,

Virgin and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Thomas Cullen

9:00 Dennis Dugan

Friday, April 30

Saint Pius V, Pope

6:30 Joseph Amore

9:00 Michael Krumenacker

Saturday, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker

9:00 James Cowles

4:30 The People of the Parish

Sunday, May 2

7:30 Rodger Devlin

9:00 Albert and Nancy Viola

10:30 Barbara Marosky

12:00 Bridget C. Tobin

7:00 No 7 PM

From
the
Pastor

Dear Friends,

Our first reading this weekend continues from the Acts of the Apostles. It is short, powerful, profound ~ “Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said: “Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, namely, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is ‘the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.’ There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved.”

This is the same Peter who denied our Lord three times to the servants of the High Priest now talking to the Leaders and Elders boldly, courageously, and honestly about Jesus Christ and His power to heal. Because Peter saw, touched, and ate with the Risen Jesus and because of the Holy Spirit coming upon him, he was able to witness to Jesus and to share Jesus with others. The obvious question for us to ponder is ~ where are we in our relationship with Jesus of Nazareth?

The Easter readings seem to be hitting me slightly differently this year. Hopefully, leading me more deeply into our Lord. The resurrection means everything! If Jesus did not physically rise, then our Faith is meaningless and our lives futile. But the Gospels and the Apostles all testify poignantly and clearly to the physical resurrection of Jesus after He was brutally tortured and put to death. This being the case, then Jesus’ question to His startled disciples in the Upper Room on the night of His resurrection is meant for us as well. “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts?”

What troubles our hearts, what causes questions, fears, worries, anxieties to flood our minds and hearts? Perhaps it’s the troubling and discouraging state of society, the country, the world; maybe, the sorrowful effects of the pandemic? Perhaps it’s the uncertainties that arise when we hear within our Church and Faith conflicting explanations, or divisions, or lack of commitment in fully living out of God’s commandments by those identifying as Catholics. Perhaps, it is personal illness, unemployment, the care of an elderly parent or the needs of a child.

As we navigate the conflicts of this world, as we endure the sufferings of life, we disciples join ourselves to the Cross of Christ, seeing all things through the gift of Jesus’ bodily Resurrection. No death, no suffering, no evil, no illness, no affliction is the full or final story. Jesus is risen. He is Victor. In His resurrection is our hope, our trust of final victory for ourselves and for God’s plan.
God bless you, God love you,
Monsignor McCulken

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Counting Our Blessings

Week Ended April 9, 2021

Regular Sunday	\$	23,097
Other Collections	\$	2,201
Easter	\$	29,875
Easter Flowers	\$	1,540
Total	\$	56,713
Diocesan Collections	\$	2,169

Regular Sunday Collections

Fiscal Year-to-Date

July 1, 2020—April 9, 2021	\$	1,042,351
July 1, 2019—April 9, 2020	\$	1,126,317

YTD Tithing

July 1, 2020—April 9, 2021	\$	30,510
July 1, 2019—April 9, 2020	\$	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.

Audrey Elizabeth, daughter of Dennis and Melissa Hannigan
Emerson John, son of William and Laura Hughes
Raymond William, son of William and Laura Hughes
Samuel Donald, son of Brenton and Krista Russell

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

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:

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, Lisa Hendricks, 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

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 Feeney
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 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 25: Available
May 2: Erin Eperthener
May 9: Denise Stein
May 16: Amanda Hernandez
May 23: Donna Kolb

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 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 mail-box. 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.



PREP NEWS

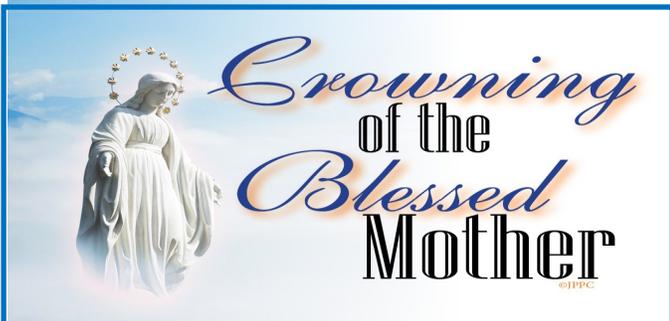
FAMILY Virtual Learning Program for Levels 1 – 6 is presently in full session! Also, the Level 7 Confirmation Virtual Program is in session preparing candidates to receive the *Sacrament of Confirmation* this fall. Online Registration is always OPEN to all parish families.

Contact Laura Jusko with questions at 610-489-4677 x 31.

HELP WANTED

Saint Eleanor PREP program is seeking a part-time administrative assistant in the Religious Education Program. Contact Laura Jusko, Director of Religious Education, with questions or to submit resume and cover letter:

ljusko@stleanor.com.



Please join us for the Crowning of the Blessed Mother at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, May 9, Mother's Day

Mass for Healing

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

Please note: all monetary donations need to be made in American bills, coins or checks only. We cannot deposit or use foreign coins, bills or any type of debit cards. Thank you.

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@stleanor.com.

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us. Shepherding is serious business. It means that we cannot run away. It calls us to commit ourselves to good deeds such as feeding the hungry, visiting the sick, and clothing the poor. These good deeds are the very stuff of our everyday living. Your generous donations of Scrip cards enable SVdP to bring Jesus' care and loving to our neighbors in need by gifting them with the ability to purchase those items they need the most. Thank You!

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 a neighbor who needs a car to get to work. Contact 610-489-1647 x 43.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Here in the United States there are great needs for evangelization and sharing the message of Christ and the beauty of the Church. The Church at home needs to be strengthened. Soon, as a diocese, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA), which supports the neediest dioceses in the United States. This appeal makes the most basic faith programs possible and shares the Gospel message with our brothers and sisters in dioceses where Church communities are struggling.

In their 2000 pastoral letter Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration, the bishops of the United States called the faithful to embrace an approach to criminal justice that takes into account the dignity of crime victims and their families, communities, and offenders.

The Catholic Home Missions-funded Diocese of Santa Rosa is answering this call for an approach that upholds justice and healing in its six counties of northwestern California, stretching from Napa in the south along the coastline to the Oregon border. The diocese's Catholic Restorative Justice Ministries program (www.restorejusticesantarosa.org) works to fulfill the bishops' vision through various activities that include support for inmates reentering society, as well as pastoral ministries for crime victims and their families, justice system personnel, and inmates. The program's broad range of goals are being implemented, expanded, and refined yearly with financial assistance from the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. When you participate in the appeal, you join in the Church's healing mission of mercy to all.

Your support of this appeal makes a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters right here in the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year.

Thank you for strengthening the Church at home.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,
+Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

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The bulletin sponsors on the back of our bulletin support our parish. Download and use the FindingFABER™ app for realtime promotions and specials offered by your favorite sponsors. Thank you.

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 to their homes or 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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Check our website at www.hcrc.school under Academics to see an overview of our Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten classes

Our full day program fosters a natural curiosity which allows our students to develop intellectually, independently, and creatively. As new members of the Holy Cross community, students learn to use their unique talents and abilities as well as recognize the gifts and talents of others.

Contact Susan Mollahan at smollahan@hcrc.school to schedule a tour.



Follow us as we highlight the

Class of 2021

8th grade spotlights NOW
on Facebook and Instagram.

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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@steeleanor.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>



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.

Join us for a Mass in support of those suffering from addiction. All are invited.

St. Eleanor Catholic Church
Saturday, May 8, 2021
11:00 AM

Rosary and Confession
10:30 AM

Celebrant is Rev. Alessandro Giardini

Addiction has touched far too many families and taken far too many of our loved ones. Join us that we may draw strength from one another in the power of our faith.

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13

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.steeleanor.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 website for more information.

SPRING CYO Athletes & their Families are invited to attend mass in-person or virtually during any of the May 1/2 masses. Saturday, May 1: 4:30pm. Sunday, May 2: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am (in-person or virtual), 12pm.

- The athletes will sit with their families throughout the church and won't sit together as a team at this time. There is currently no offertory presentation of the gifts.
- The Spring CYO athletes will be recognized at each mass.
- The athletes are encouraged to wear their CYO jersey or spirit wear.

Looking for CYO SPIRIT WEAR for your Son or Daughter? Makes for a great birthday or Graduation Gift. 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 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



Pope John Paul II High School Summer Camp Want to have some Panther fun this Summer or know anyone that would? Visit the link below to view all the camps offered and register!! <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=6205ec>



Vendors wanted! St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Schwenksville, is hosting a flea market on Monday, May 31, 2021 (Memorial Day) from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. Each space is \$15.00 and consists of two parking spaces (approximately 16' by 18') and an adjacent parking space for your vehicle. Tables and chairs are also available for rent. For additional information or to reserve a spot, please contact Jeff Goudsward at jgoud@yahoo.com or Susan Rodzewich at srodz@churchofsaintmary.org. For more information call 610-287-8156.

Restore: A Women's Healing Retreat May 21-22 at Shrine of St. Therese in Nesquehoning, 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.

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

Wedding Anniversary Mass

ARCHBISHOP NELSON PÉREZ
PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT

May 1st, 2021

5:15 pm Vigil Mass

CATHEDRAL BASILICA SS. PETER AND PAUL
18TH STREET & BENJAMIN FRANKLIN PARKWAY
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

The Wedding Anniversary Mass is held annually for couples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who are newlyweds or celebrating their 5 year, 10 year, 25 or 50 year wedding anniversary milestones.

Please **RSVP Here** for the Wedding Anniversary Mass or contact the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500
www.phillycatholiclife.org