



# Mary, Mother of the Redeemer

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Founded in 1987

1325 Upper State Road, North Wales, PA 19454-1007

March 29, 2020  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

## PARISH OFFICE

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**FORMED**

Website: [MMRedeemer.formed.org](http://MMRedeemer.formed.org)

## Mission Statement

Under the patronage of Mary, Mother of the Redeemer, we are a growing faith community centered in the Eucharist and dedicated to worshiping God, our Father.

In response to our baptismal call, we commit ourselves to promote the gospel of His Son, Jesus Christ, through Christian hospitality, spiritual nurturing, evangelical outreach, and shared social experience.

We call upon each parishioner to share his or her talents in addressing the needs of our parish and society at large. We implore the Holy Spirit to consecrate each of us in this mission.



Mary, Mother of the Redeemer, help us share in the work of redemption.

## Parish Clergy

Rev. Msgr. John T. Conway, Pastor  
Rev. Msgr. Philip C. Ricci, Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. William J. Teverczuk, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Patrick J. Muka, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Paul A. Logan, Permanent Deacon  
Deacon John M. Travaline, Permanent Deacon  
Rev. Mr. Louis Monica, Transitional Deacon

## Parish Administration

Jessica Walters, Director of Parish Services  
Mary Anne Dunbar, Music Coordinator  
Lou Tonelli, Business Manager  
Mary Anne Cortez, Administrative Staff  
Chris Moral, Office Staff  
Annette Smith, Bulletin Editor

## MMR Parish School

Denise Judge, School Principal  
Monica Quarrie, Director of Advancement

## Office of Religious Education

Nancy Franks, Director of Religious Education  
Valerie Haynos, Secretary, Religious Education

## Parish Pastoral Council

Heather Berkey, Christine Beschen, Chris Fandozzi,  
Jeff O'Donnell, Beth Ann Rufo and Renee Walters

## Parish Finance Council

Tom Alesi, Mike Coakley, Tim Gillespie, Gary  
Kennedy, Barbara O'Donnell and Damian Ward

## Mass Schedules and Devotions

**Morning Prayer:** 7:00 am Weekdays  
**Weekday Mass:** 7:30 am (and 9:00 am during  
Advent and Lent)  
**Saturday:** 7:35 am Rosary, 8:00 am Mass and  
Miraculous Medal Novena  
**Saturday Night:** 5:15 pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and  
12:00 pm  
**Holy Days:** (except New Year's and Christmas)  
6:30 am, 9:00 am, 12:10 pm and  
7:00 pm  
**Friday (All day):** *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
begin at 8:00 am through 5:00 pm  
*September (after Labor Day) through*  
*May (Friday before Memorial Day)*

## Sacraments

**The Sacrament of Baptism** is administered most  
Sundays after the 12:00 pm Mass. **Arrangements**  
**must be made in advance by calling the Parish**  
**Office.** First time parents are required to attend a  
Pre-Jordan class before the baptism. They are held  
the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm.  
No pre-registration is necessary.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** is offered every  
Saturday, 4:00 to 4:45 pm; Sundays immediately  
following the 9:00 am Mass; and anytime by appointment.

**The Sacrament of Marriage** may be scheduled by  
contacting the Parish Office. The couple must contact  
the church at least 6 months before a planned wed-  
ding date. No other arrangements should be made  
until the couple meets with a parish priest and the  
date and time are confirmed. One party must be a  
member of the parish. Attendance at a Marriage  
Preparation program is required in accordance with  
Archdiocesan policy.

**Anointing of the Sick** is available to the dying and  
those who are elderly, sick, or preparing for surgery.  
Please contact the Parish Office.

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

## New Registrations

Welcome new parishioners! You may call the Parish  
Office at 215-362-7400 to make an appointment to  
register. In order to receive the sacraments of  
Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage, or Letters of  
Eligibility for sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation,  
you must be a registered parishioner. Also, children  
who turn 26 years of age, or complete higher  
education and continue to reside within our area,  
should become individually registered parishioners.

## Funeral Notices

Scheduled funeral services being held at Mary, Moth-  
er of the Redeemer Church can be found on our web-  
site at: <http://mmredeemer.org/funeral-notices/>.

**In light of the fact that Governor Wolf now  
has extended his "stay-at-home order"  
to Montgomery County, the  
Parish Office will be closed until future notice.  
Please call the main number and  
leave a message, as we will be reviewing our  
voicemail on a regular basis.**

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, March 30

- 7:30 am Lou Plunkett by  
Bill & Dot Bell
- 9:00 am Karen Tuck by  
Jackie McFatridge &  
Family

### Tuesday, March 31

- 7:30 am Ruth Maxfield by  
Kathy & Kevin Donavan
- 9:00 am Patricia O'Hara by  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph  
Kalkbrenner, Jr.

### Wednesday, April 1

- 7:30 am deceased members of  
the Logan Family by  
the Paul Logan Family
- 9:00 am Holly & Alan Nicolette  
by the Farrell Family

### Thursday, April 2

- 7:30 am Lena Zanghi by  
the Ward Family
- 9:00 am Sister Mary Faith Altemus  
by Tim Haymore

### Friday, April 3

- 7:30 am Theresa O'Brien by  
Frank & Mary Ann Paone
- 9:00 am Nicola Bevivino by  
his wife

### Saturday, April 4

- 8:00 am Angela Magazu by  
Patricia & Carl  
Andrzjewski
- 5:15 pm Bob Satterly by  
Cordelia Satterly

### Sunday, April 5

- 7:30 am Dr. John Quigley, Jr.  
by Dan & Diane Sette
- 9:00 am Mary, Mother of the  
Redeemer Parishioners
- 10:30 am Michelle Travers by  
Mom & Mia
- 12:00 pm Pacia Family by  
the Eiger Family

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## We Remember Our Deceased

Joseph Fitzgerald



## From Our Pastor



Dear Parishioners,

While specific food items and paper products are in low supply, we're able to find substitutes of one sort or another. We Catholics, however, are experiencing a particular hunger which cannot be satisfied right now. We hunger for the Eucharist! I am inspired by the emails, texts, written notes, and telephone conversations I've been having with a number of you expressing this spiritual hunger. Perhaps you and I will never hear or sing the following words with the same feelings ever again: *You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat, come give to us, O saving Lord, the Bread of Life to eat.* As I, along with Fathers Bill and Muka and Deacon Lou celebrate Masses privately (some of which are being live streamed for your benefit), we are appreciating even more deeply the privilege we've been given as ordained ministers. At the same time, our hearts ache because, due to this Coronavirus pandemic, you are unable to receive the precious Body of Christ with us. Little did we all know a few weeks ago that this is the kinds of fasting that would be part of our Lenten journey this year.

Deacon Lou, who has a special interest in the Church's history in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, reminded me that this is not the first time that we Catholics have had to deal with restrictions on public worship. Archbishop Dennis Dougherty, when the Archdiocese was hit with the influenza epidemic in 1918, reluctantly issued an order forbidding church gatherings. During that terrifying time, Catholics found other ways (that were possible over 100 years ago) to feed their souls. The point is that our ancestors went through a similar experience. We, too, will get to the other side of this difficult time; and we will benefit spiritually from it. I really believe this! In fact, I'm seeing and hearing of the wonderful and creative ways that all of you are staying in touch with the Lord and nurturing your Catholic faith. I am so encouraged and motivated by your example!

As in the past during periods of great trial, God's people have responded in prayer. I call upon each of us and all of us to do so now. Together or with household members: view Holy Mass on television or online, pray the Rosary, read and meditate on Sacred Scripture, take advantage of the online service FORMED --- which our parish has had a subscription to for quite some time now. Our parish access code for FORMED is **JYWMJY**.

Please be assured that your parish clergy will continue to remember you and your family in the private Masses we are offering. During these difficult days, while we cannot congregated to celebrate Eucharist, the Lord is inviting us (and challenging us) to be Eucharist to one another. If you become aware of anyone in need (e.g. those home alone or unemployed), and you cannot help them yourself, please do not hesitate to call the Parish Office. We're monitoring the voicemail; and we certainly will do what we can to assist such folks. God bless you all! Be well!

Monsignor John Conway



*A message from  
Jessica Walters,  
Director of Parish Services*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In this Sunday's Gospel (Jn 11:1-45) was there a word, phrase or image that struck you? The word that kept drawing me in me was "believe." With the situation we're facing – isolation, rapid change, and the lack of our usual rituals and sacraments – it feels like we are being stripped bare. How appropriate for Lent.

Without public masses, without being able to receive Eucharist, without gathering, I feel as if the Lord is asking me the same question he asked Martha: "Do you believe?" My answer is "Yes Lord, I believe that you are the Christ." And that answer is my acceptance of the call to continue to be Christ in the world: to bring His love, mercy and healing into my sphere.

Now is a time to shine Christ, our Light, into the dark places – to those who are scared, hurting, in need, sick, vulnerable. I am making a point of reaching out to people very intentionally right now, especially those in my life who are most vulnerable and lonely. I said to my husband that I have talked to more people on the phone in one day than I usually do in a week! There is good to be found, blessings for which to be grateful, and always hope in the here and now and on the horizon.

May we all shine forth as beacons in the upcoming days, bringing hope, healing, love, and peace. May we entrust ourselves to the victory that God has promised and stay faithful and steadfast to the One who has first been faithful and steadfast to us.

Peace and blessings on your week!

Warm regards,

*Jessica Walters*

Director of Parish Services  
215-362-7400, ext. 104

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## **Banding Together In Time of Need**

The world may feel crazy right now, and many may feel lost in this time of isolation and feel sadness at the suspension of public Masses. Our prayer during this time is that we can, as a parish family, band together in hope and in love by our actions and our words. We pray for a swift end to COVID-19, for the safety and health of our community, and for a renewed appreciation for all we may take for granted.

**If you or someone you know is in need of assistance** (meals, someone to pray with, pick-up prescriptions, groceries, etc.), we have parishioners who are able and willing to help!

**If you are a parishioner who is able to help those in need during this period of isolation** (to make and/or deliver meals, to pick up prescriptions, groceries, or to pray with someone over the phone) we would like to match you up with a parishioner in need!

Please contact Jessica Walters by email at [jessicawalters@mmredeemer.org](mailto:jessicawalters@mmredeemer.org) or call **215-362-7400, ext 104** if you need assistance or if you can offer assistance.

## **This Year's Rice Bowl Program Continues**



Whether you're utilizing the cardboard "rice bowl" you received at church a few weeks ago, or you're placing your donations into the poor boxes at church (designated for this program), or you're planning to make your Rice Bowl contribution via the second collection, we are most grateful that you are keeping this worthwhile

outreach to the hungry on your radar. A large basket has been placed at the Holy Family shrine throughout the Lenten season to receive your filled cardboard rice bowls.

**Remember that, while all public Masses have been suspended until further notice, MMR Church will be open each day (seven days a week) from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.**

# SPRING 2020 OFFERINGS AT MMR ADULT FAITH FORMATION

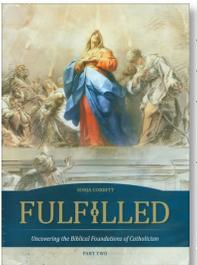
## The Bible Timeline (24 sessions)



In *The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation*, presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end. Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

**Parish Conference Room:** Tuesdays (beginning 4/21, no summer meetings) at 9:30 am, Cost: \$40  
**Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>**

## Fulfilled: Part Two

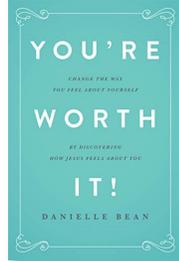


Part Two focuses on the elements found in the inner sanctuary of the Tabernacle and how they connect to the Magisterium, the Eucharist, incense, Mary, and more.

This study program helps participants: Explain how Jesus fulfills the Old Testament; Acquire a thorough knowledge of the tabernacle's design, facilities, and function as the skeleton for true faith; Examine their own faith and grow deeper in their relationship with Christ.

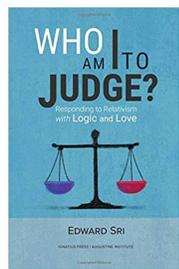
**Parish Conference Room:** Tuesdays 4/21/20-6/2/20 at 4:30 - 6:00 pm, Cost: \$20 - **Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>**

## You're Worth It (A Woman's Book Study)



In this book study, you'll read about women who met Jesus when he walked the earth. Through life-changing encounters with Jesus, their world expanded and they experienced new opportunities to live with dignity and joy. Wherever you are on life's journey, it's not too late to open your heart and let go of fear and insecurity, to begin to know Jesus, develop a friendship with him, and let him change the perceptions you have about God and yourself.

**JP II Room:** Wednesdays 04/22/20-05/20/20 at 10:00 - 11:15 am, Cost: \$5  
**Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>**



## Who Am I to Judge?

What is "right" and "wrong"? Is there a right and wrong for everyone, all the time? These are difficult questions to discuss in our culture. In "Who

Am I To Judge?" with Dr. Edward Sri, we'll explore morality and find that it's not merely a set of guiding principles for theoretical situations — it is an entire way of life.

**JP II Room:** Thursdays 04/23/20-06/11/20 at 10:00 - 11:30 am, Cost: None  
**Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>**

## CST 101: An Intro to Catholic Social Teaching



CST 101 is a video and discussion series, which brings the themes of Catholic Social

Teaching to life and inspires us to put our faith into action. The seven short videos allow viewers to hear from Catholic leaders and witness the development of a beautifully painted representation of the featured Catholic social teaching. Join us to watch and discuss the series and bring our Gospel call to action to life!

**Matthew Walsh Teen Center:** Thursdays 4/30, 5/21, 6/10 at 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Cost: None  
**Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>**

## 33 Days to Merciful Love



This Group Retreat goes deeply into and explores new material on the heart of St. Thérèse of Lisieux's Little Way, uncovering the power of trust in the face of personal darkness, inspiring participants to become great saints amid ordinary circumstances, and laying the foundation for a personal consecration to Divine Mercy.

**Matthew Walsh Teen Center:** Mondays, 04/20 to 06/01 (no meeting on 05/25) at 7:00 pm, Cost: \$30  
**Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>**

Contact for all studies: Jessica Walters 215-362-7400 x104 or [jessicawalters@mmredeemer.org](mailto:jessicawalters@mmredeemer.org)

## SPRING 2020 OFFERINGS AT MMR ADULT FAITH FORMATION

To register, select the study you wish to attend and complete this form. Payment due with registration. You can drop the completed form in the collection basket at Mass, or at the Parish Office during business hours. Questions? Contact Jessica Walters at 215-362-7400 or send email to: [jessicawalters@mmredeemer.org](mailto:jessicawalters@mmredeemer.org).

**Register by April 13<sup>th</sup>.**

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**Mary, Mother of the Redeemer**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



## **MMR Leads the Way in Cyber Learning during Coronavirus**

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish School received the unprecedented news from Governor Wolf on Thursday, March 12, 2020 that they and all



other schools in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania would be closed for two weeks beginning Friday, March 13, 2020.

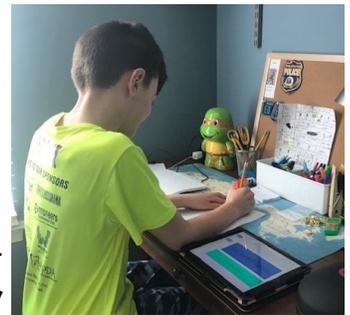
Immediately, the teachers and staff at MMR rose to the occasion. Principal Denise Green Judge met with teachers well into that evening and

throughout the weekend to plan for all learning for students in Pre-School through Eighth Grade to occur online. MMR teachers took this idea of cyber teaching a step further. Their weekly schedules included live interactive lessons throughout the week with classmates, assignments posted online with pre-recorded lessons for students to refer back to that explained difficult concepts, recordings of their live lessons for those who could not attend class in-person, as well as a myriad of other resources made available on teacher's Google Classroom. The schedule took into account the needs of families with the goal that the continued education of their child(ren) would be something that all students and families would be able to access and successfully utilize.

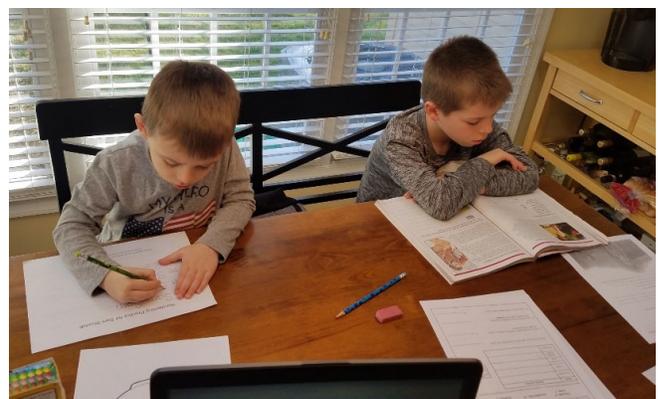
Teachers and staff worked through the weekend to ensure that MMR's Cyber Learning would be ready to premiere on Monday, March 16, 2020. That morning, students in Ms. Reardon's Honors Fifth Grade Math Class logged on to Zoom and were able to tune in with their fellow classmates to learn together. Being able to connect with their classmates online and continue to learn together in real time helped remind students of the strong MMR community supporting them through this difficult and unprecedented time.

Immediately, Principal Judge's email began to flood

with emails from parents thanking her and the MMR teachers for stepping up and going above and beyond in such a short period of time. They expressed their relief that their children would not only continue to receive an education, but one that met the high standards held at MMR. Parents also thanked her for the continued feeling of community that MMR cultivates regardless of the outlying circumstances. One parent said, "Just wanted to let you know we are extremely impressed and grateful for MMR's commitment to providing a meaningful learning experience for the children during this unprecedented time. You guys pulled this off in an amazingly short period of time. Glad we have the A-Team! Again, many thanks for your hard work and dedication!" Emails like this continued to pour in as families settled into the new reality of cyber learning.



We are currently living through a reality that we have never seen before. Seeing, however, how teachers, staff, and families at MMR came together to work towards creating a sense of normalcy for our students highlights not only the educational value we bring, but also the power of the entire MMR community when we work together. We are truly grateful for the support that we have received from everyone. We know we will continue to stay true to our mission, to recognize the uniqueness of each child and to provide a quality Catholic Education, enlivened by faith, hope, and love, that is proud, progressive, and motivated to meet the needs of our 21<sup>st</sup> century students, regardless of the circumstances. We are, MMR!





## Please Give Further Thought to Online Giving

We readily acknowledge and appreciate the fact that many households will be experiencing a financial strain during this time. But, in light of the temporary suspension of public Masses throughout the Archdiocese and beyond, we respectfully ask that those who have not yet done so seriously consider the “Parish Giving” program that has been in place for a few years here at MMR. “Parish Giving” is an electronic funds transfer program whereby you can make your church contributions automatically from your checking account or credit card. It’s times like this, as well as vacation times and other times away from home, that such a financial arrangement makes so much sense. We still have bills to pay (as you surely do, too). Know that your consistent and sacrificial giving to MMR Parish is never taken for granted. This is true now more than ever.

God bless you for your generosity!



## A Prayer for Those Worried about the Spread of the Coronavirus

Heavenly Father,  
Worry and fear are not of Your heart. Sacred Scripture reminds us that “perfect love casts out all fear” (1 John 4). We pray Your perfect love upon the hearts of all those who are burdened with fear of this virus. Lord, we know without doubt that You are bigger than the threat of anything, especially illnesses. Please comfort those who are living in fear; free them from the bondage that anxiety creates within. Remind them that You are still in control. Fully rain down the serenity that comes only from the Prince of Peace. Help those who are living in unease to trust You in this time, so that in times to come we may rest assured that You will be faithful to be with us until the end of age. We cast all our worries upon You, knowing that You care for us (1 Peter 5:7). This prayer we make in Jesus’ name. Amen.



All of us struggle with something. It might be that nagging resentment towards a family member, a painful or broken relationship, a fear that keeps you from doing what you want, or that same sin you keep committing even though you know it’s wrong. Whatever your struggle, the good news is that Jesus Christ wants to set you free from the things that bind you. Come learn about the Five Keys of Unbound, a simple process of prayer that will help you unleash the liberating power of the Gospel into your life and find greater freedom. Meghan Cokeley, Director, Office for the New Evangelization in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, will speak about this important ministry. Please RSVP at [www.phillyevang.org/events](http://www.phillyevang.org/events) or call Jessica Walters at 215-362-7400 x104.

Learn more about the Five Keys at [phillyevang.org/unbound](http://phillyevang.org/unbound).

## Senior Adult Ministry Shrine Tour to Our Lady of Czestochowa



All parishioners are invited to join our Senior Adult Ministry for a guided tour of The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, 654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, on **May 7<sup>th</sup>**. Our group will meet at 9:30 am at the Visitor’s Center. The day will include a short film, a guided tour, Mass, lunch, and time to visit the gift shop. *Transportation on your own – directions can be picked up at the Parish Office.*  
**Cost: \$15.00 (includes lunch).** For questions, contact Barbara Vesay at 215-771-8653. Send in the registration form found below to the Parish Office with payment (checks should be made out to “MMR”).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# People attending: \_\_\_\_\_

@ \$15 per person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## When to Make an Act of Spiritual Communion?

The most common occasion for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when we cannot fulfill our obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation, whether because of illness or bad weather, or some other reason outside of our control. You can make an Act of Spiritual Communion at any time and make it multiple times a day - even on days when we have been able to receive the Eucharist. Each Act of Spiritual Communion that we make increases our desire to receive sacramental Communion, and protects us until we can receive Holy Communion sacramentally again. To view the Mass live or a previously recorded Mass go to MMR's website ([mmredeemer.org/mass-times](http://mmredeemer.org/mass-times)), and below is a copy of a Spiritual Communion card you can print or view as you participate.

### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(St. Alphonsus Ligouri)

*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 into 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.*

## Continuing to Feed the Hungry in Our Area

Remember that two large white bins for collecting groceries for the poor are permanently located in our church narthex. This is so that we can make donations at any time of the week or month. **While all public Masses have been suspended until further notice, MMR Church will be open each day (seven days a week) from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.** The items you place in these bins are distributed to food cupboards in Norristown and the Olney section of Philadelphia, as well as to people in our own neighborhood. God bless your generosity!

## Feelings of Anger and Depression

During the grief process, feelings of anger and depression frequently emerge because we feel helpless and powerless. Sometimes we're angry at God, at the doctors who cared for a lost loved one, or toward life in general. Join us in our next Bereavement Support Group meeting, **Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**, when we will discuss these feelings and how to cope with them. There will be a morning session at MMR Parish from 10:00 - 11:30 am in the Parish Conference Room. There will be an evening session at St. Stanislaus Parish from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Parish Center. No registration is necessary, just come if you can.

Our next two meetings are:

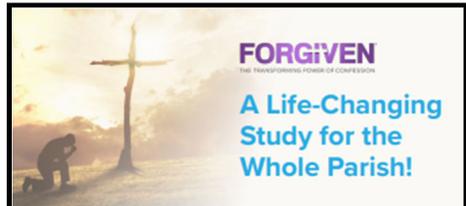
**May 14<sup>th</sup>:** Connecting with God through Grief

**June 11<sup>th</sup>:** The Many Faces of Loss



With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

~ Psalm 130 ~



Join us for a 3-session, video series on [formed.org](http://formed.org) from the comfort of your own home! Forgiven is a beautiful presentation of the transforming power of Confession. No matter what you have done, no matter how long you have been away, Jesus is waiting for you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Go to [formed.org](http://formed.org) and search for Forgiven:

Session One: Where Are You?

Session Two: An Encounter with Mercy

Session Three: Embraced in Mercy: The Rite Explained

It's easy and free to start enjoying FORMED!

1. Go to [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org)
2. Select our parish
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

## St. John's Hospice in Philadelphia thanks you for your continued support!

Please note that, as of Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, St. John's Hospice has suspended accepting pre-made casserole donations. Please watch the bulletin for updates.

**Thanks again for your continued support!**

SAINT **John's**  
HOSPICE

## Early Deadlines for Future Bulletins

Due to early submission times to our bulletin publisher the deadlines to submit articles for Palm Sunday and Easter are accelerated. The Palm Sunday bulletin has already been sent to the publisher. Articles for Easter should be submitted by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Keep in mind that the bulletin is only as accurate as the date of submission. Events may be cancelled at the last minute due to circumstances beyond our control.

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## Divine Mercy Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm Holy Hour (If Circumstances Allow)

The message of Divine Mercy is that God loves us all no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others.

Jesus told St. Faustina about his Divine Mercy and asked her to say the Novena of Divine Mercy starting on Good Friday and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday. Each day the Lord asks to pray for a particular intention.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, all are invited to a special Holy Hour in the Church at 3:00 pm for Eucharistic Adoration, veneration of the Divine Mercy Image, and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Confessions will also be available.

For more information and to obtain an 8x10 picture of Jesus as the Divine Mercy or the novena pamphlet, please stop by the Narthex table on April 19<sup>th</sup> after all masses. For additional information see: <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/>

## Pray for Our Sick

If you wish that a family member or friend to be placed on the Bulletin Prayer List, please call the Parish Office at 215-362-7400. Please keep us informed of any changes in your loved one's status. Thank you.

*Loving and compassionate Lord Jesus, You brought strength and healing to the afflicted. Through Your healing touch and words, You restored sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf, strength to weakened limbs, and wholeness to those afflicted with disease. Look mercifully upon those named here in their time of need. Grant them the patience they need to carry their cross. If it be Your holy will, grant them Your healing. In all things, we pray that Your will be done. Amen.*

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## Pray for Our Service Men and Women

*Almighty God, we ask for your divine mercy and protection.*

*Embrace with your invincible armor our loved ones in all branches of the service.*

*Give them courage and strength against all enemies, both spiritual and physical, and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families.*

*Amen.*

Please keep the Parish Office informed of any changes in your loved one's status. Thank you.



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