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February 11, 2024 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mission Statement

We, the members of
Mary, Mother of the Redeemer parish,
are committed to giving
glory and praise to God while inspiring
one another to deepen a personal
relationship with Jesus and recognize
Him in all people.



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. Mark A. Tobin, Parochial Vicar Rev. Mr. Bernard O. Ekeagwu,

Transitional Deacon

Deacon Paul A. Logan, Permanent Deacon
Deacon Christopher T. Parker, Permanent Deacon

Deacon John M. Travaline, Permanent Deacon

Parish Administration

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MMR Parish School

Denise Judge, School Principal

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Lisa Bull, Director of Youth Faith Formation **Valerie Haynos**, Secretary, Religious Education

Parish Pastoral Council

Lisa Bull, Joe DiPlacido, Laura England, Melanie Griffin, Deacon Paul Logan, Armando Moral, Renee Pacini-Walters, Karen Snow, Father Mark Tobin, Joe Tranchida, Deacon John Travaline, and Chuck Vesay

Parish Finance Council

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

Mass Schedules and Devotions

Morning Prayer: 7:00 am Weekdays

Weekday Mass: 7:30 am

Saturday: 7:35 am Rosary, 8:00 am Mass and

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturday Night: 5:15 pm Vigil

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, and 11:30 am
Holy Days: (except New Year's and Christmas)

6:30 am, 12:10 pm and 7:00 pm

Friday (All day): Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

begins 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 11:30 am 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. Pre-registration is required, visit the parish website to register online: https://mmredeemer.org/baptism.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered every Saturday, 4:00 to 4:45 pm; Sundays immediately following the 9:30 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 wedding 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 to obtain 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 register individually as parishioners.

Funeral Notices

Scheduled funeral services being held at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church can be found on our website at: http://mmredeemer.org/funerals.

Parish Office Business Hours
Mondays thru Thursdays: 8:30 am to 7:00 pm
Fridays: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Deadline for the February 18th bulletin is Monday, February 12th at 8:00 am

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 12

7:30 am Lydia Fuentes

by MMR Parish Staff

Tuesday, February 13

7:30 am Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, February 14

6:30 am Anne Conroy

by the Conroy Family

12:10 pm William Gwynn by

Henry & Bernie Haefner

7:00 pm Kathleen A. Huckel by

Maureen, Jerry & Patrick Vorobec

Thursday, February 15

7:30 am Maria Nguyen Thi Sun

by the Nguyen Family

Friday, February 16

7:30 am Ellie & Jack Berry by Denise & Steve Kenyon

Saturday, February 17

8:00 am Theodore T. Lamparski

by the Lamparski Family

5:15 pm William & Frances Sikorski by the Cavallaro Family

by the Cavalla

Sunday, February 18

7:30 am Mary, Mother of the

Redeemer Parishioners

9:30 am William Hildebrand

by Betty Wasser

11:30 am Kathleen & James Eccleston

by the DiPlacido Family

Remember to pick up your Super Bowl Hoagie

Thank You for supporting our Youth Ministry.

Unreserved hoagies will be sold on a first-come first-serve basis on February 10th & 11th.

For more information about youth events contact Lisa Bull at Lbull@mmredeemer.org

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday

Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 am, 12:10 pm, and 7:00 pm. Ashes (symbol of repentance) will be blessed and distributed within all the Masses.

Confessions on Sunday Mornings

We remind you that a priest confessor is available each Sunday immediately following the 9:30 am Mass for confession. The confessionals are located in the chapel. Please note that the priest will make himself available immediately following that Mass, and will remain in the confessional only until the last person in line for confession is heard. Thank you for your understanding in light of the decrease in the number of priests.

Monsignor Ricci's New Address

Our pastor emeritus, Monsignor Philip Ricci, recently moved to **Villa St. Joseph** in Delaware County. Villa St. Joseph is an Archdiocesan facility exclusively for our retired diocesan priests. The address is **1436 Lansdowne Avenue**, **Darby**, **PA 19023-1218**.

Welcome New Parishioners

John Howell & Natalie Andinolfi Edward & Lauren McCusker

and daughter, Caroline Catherine O'Reilly

Thomas & Hilary Digati and children, Nathaniel &

Charlotte

Daniel & Jessica Gallaway and

daughter, Evelyn

Sean & Megan Smeltzer and children, Sloane & Campbell

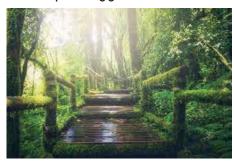
Alexander & Lauren Carroll and children, Gabriella & Sophia

Blessings to the Newly Baptized

Jaxson Andrew Matusow

We Remember Our Deceased

Joseph Pileggi



Upcoming Events - This Week at MMR

Sunday, Feb 11	Appreciation Breakfast	8:00 - 1	1:00 am
Monday, Feb 12	Men's Sport Night		8:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb 13	Bible Study - "Song of Songs"	1	0:00 am
	St. Francis Ecology Council		7:00 pm
	Pre-Jordan Class (registration require	ed)	7:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb 14	Ash Wednesday Masses 6:30 am,	12:10 pm &	7:00 pm
Thursday, Feb 15	Catholic Women's Group		7:00 pm
Friday, Feb 16	Adoration 8	:00 am to	5:00 pm
	Mass & Renewal of Commitment		7:00 pm
Saturday, Feb 17	Men's Fellowship & Spirituality		6:30 am
Sunday, Feb 18	Teen Leadership Council Fun Day (offsite)	6:30 pm

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

How is God inviting you to grow as His disciple?





Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.

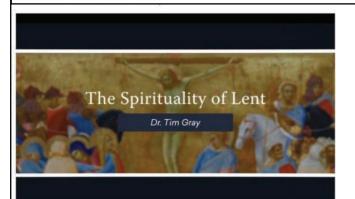
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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and (gracificas proces



The Spirituality of Lent

Looking to take Lent more seriously this year? Join Tim Gray for ideas for a Lenten spirituality.

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Thursday, February 15th - 7:00 to 8:30 pm in Redeemer Hall A

Join us for some quality time with your MMR friends and make some new friends! Be fed spiritually by hearing a brief talk on an inspiring topic followed by some time for faith sharing.

Light refreshments will be provided.

REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

Please contact Maria Malone for more information at mariamalone@mmredeemer.org

Sunday, February 25th after 9:30 am Mass



10:30 - 11:30 am in Redeemer Hall Topic: Lent: The Power of Fasting and Making Sacrifices

Presenter: Maria Malone

Parishioners of all ages are invited to meet over coffee and refreshments while we hear about a topic of faith and engage in lively discussion.

No registration required.



10:30 - 11:30 am in Matthew Walsh Room

Younger parishioners are invited to join trained catechists for an hour of Gospel Reflection and engaging activities, including: theater, art, song, science, and storytelling.

A small snack will be provided.

Registration is not required. However, parents will be asked to fill out a form upon drop off.

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church OUR 2024 PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM

(Please keep this sheet as a handy reference throughout the Season of Lent.)

"Ash Wednesday begins the Catholic season of Lent, a time of examining our consciences, confessing and repenting our sins, and working to change the direction of our lives back toward God through prayer, self-sacrifice, and charitable acts to others.

This is why Lent is so important. It's the season in Church life that calls us to discipline our appetites, put aside our excuses, and take an honest look at the state of our souls."

(Archbishop Emeritus Charles Chaput)

FAST AND ABSTINENCE AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

LITURGICAL SERVICES

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH:

Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 am; 12:10 pm and 7:00 pm.

Ashes (symbol of our repentance) will be blessed and distributed within all Masses.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday at 7:30 am; Saturday at 8:00 am.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND BENEDICTION:

As it does throughout the year, Eucharistic Adoration will take place each Friday immediately following the 7:30 am Mass. Adoration will conclude at 5:00 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Place yourself (in spirit) beside our Savior as He journeys to Calvary. Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday in Lent at 7:00 pm (**except** February 16th due to the annual Mass with married couples, and March 8th due to scheduled practice sessions for Confirmation).

OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

On **Tuesday, March 26**th, at **7:00 pm all are welcome** to pray the Stations outdoors. We will be gathering at the marble statue of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. The statue is located next to the old pump house. (This devotion will be coordinated by the Boy Scouts of local Troop #547 and members of our St. Francis Ecology Council.)

(See the reverse side.)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on the **Wednesdays** of Lent (except Ash Wednesday) from 7:00 to 8:00 pm, on **Saturdays** from 4:00 to 4:45 pm, and on **Sundays** immediately following the 9:30 am Mass until the last person in line for confession is heard. As always, our parish priests are available for confession by appointment.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

The day is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **March** 6th, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm in Redeemer Hall and the main church. The topic will be related to the Eucharistic Revival. The presenter will be Father Thomas Whittingham, pastor of St. Laurence Parish in Upper Darby. The cost is \$15. A boxed lunch is included. All are welcome.

FRIDAY FISH FRY

On the Fridays of Lent, as you know, we are required to abstain from eating meat. On **Friday**, **March 22**nd, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm, a DINE-IN or TAKE-OUT dinner will be held. This is a much-needed fundraiser to support the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus/Council #13126. Please keep an eye on the parish bulletin and other forms of parish communication for details regarding the menu, prices, and the purchasing of tickets.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Operation Rice Bowl focuses on the major Lenten themes: prayer, almsgiving, fasting and a renewed solidarity with the poor of the world. The format is simple. On one evening of each week of Lent, families eat a light, low-cost meal. Before and after the supper, they give thanks for their blessings and pray for the hungry of the world. Money saved by eating a simple meal instead of a regular dinner is placed in a "rice bowl" on the dinner table. Cardboard "rice bowls" are available on tables in the narthex. A large basket will be in place at the Holy Family shrine throughout the Lenten season to receive your donations. A percentage of your contributions will feed the hungry here in the Archdiocese; the rest will be distributed to the poor around the world.

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK

"The Little Black Book" for 2024 is a collection of daily six-minute meditations on the Passion according to Luke. Copies of this extremely popular and inexpensive booklet are **available in the Parish Office**. The cost is \$2.50.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

This program is offered by a team of parishioners to people thinking about returning to the practice of their Catholic faith. Sessions are offered at a parishioner's home. Please contact Mike at 215-872-7009 or MikeCRH@gmail.com.

Please note: Specific details regarding all of our Lenten activities can be found on a weekly basis in the parish bulletin and website throughout the Lenten season.

Update on MMR's Seminary Appeal Giving

As the 2023/2024 Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Appeal approaches its midway point, we share with you our parish's progress. So far, 200 of our members have contributed \$33,973 to the Appeal. While this certainly is good news, this number puts us a bit short of our total contribution to the Seminary last year. Wouldn't it be wonderful to surpass last year's parish contribution --- particularly as the Seminary prepares for its relocation to Lower Gwynedd this coming summer?

If you have not yet contributed to this year's Appeal and wish to do so, or would like to add to your previous donation, please go to www.stcharlesseminaryappeal.org/resources. Donations also can be made via U.S. mail to: The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia, CL#5315, P.O. Box 95000, Philadelphia, PA 19195-0001. Thanks so much for supporting this treasured institution, and its valuable programs of formation and education for seminarians, candidates for the permanent diaconate, and laypersons seeking theological and pastoral degrees!



Most recent photo of the construction of the Seminary buildings on the new Lower Gwynedd campus

Please visit the MMR Parish Website (https://mmredeemer.org/) and view this year's appeal video to become familiar with the mission of St. Charles Seminary.





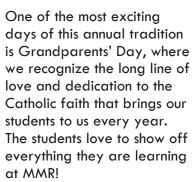
Parish Enrollment is Now Open

Enrollment is now open for families registered in our parish who are interested in enrolling a new student at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer School! If you are interested in completing an application for your new student, please email lgervais@mmrschool.org or call 215-412-7101 EXT 509. Priority enrollment for our MMR Parish families only runs through February so please do not delay in completing an application. Our pre-school and Kindergarten classes are filling fast!

Catholic Schools Week Traditions

The students at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer School had a lot of fun observing Catholic Schools Week the week of January 29th.

Special days were set aside to celebrate each essential member of our school community - the students, the staff and faculty, and the many people whose vocations inspire our students in their faith.









Follow us on Facebook and Instagram

@MMRschool to see what happens next at MMR!

#MMRPROUD #WEAREMMR



It's time to lace up your sneakers and activate your Fitbit®, Apple Watch® or pedometer!

Join the MMR community as we walk to Jerusalem!

Beginning on Wednesday, February 14th, our parish community will begin its virtual Lenten journey to walk 6,340 miles from North Wales to Jerusalem. We encourage all parishioners to embark on this annual mission to become more physically active while fostering spiritual growth.

How it works: Weekly "walking reflections" will be provided that you may ponder as you walk. You will keep track of your miles and submit them weekly, so we can record how far our parish community has traveled together. Bonus miles will be given for other aerobic activity performed and for joining others for a weekly community walk on the parish grounds.

To register or for further information:

visit the parish website at mmredeemer.org or contact JoAnne at 215-565-6239 or joannehigg115@gmail.com

CYO News

MMR CYO Board Position Opening

MMR CYO is seeking a new Athletic Director for the '24-'25 school year. The AD is a 3-year term on the CYO board. The Athletic Director works closely with the board, parish and other Region 20 parishes in organizing programs, schedules, and budgets. If you are interested in applying or learning more about this position, please contact Tony Gamza, at agamza@mmrschool.org.

Don't forget to Register for Spring CYO Sports by visiting <u>mmrcyosports.sportngin.com</u>

Next Week's Second Collection

Next weekend's second collection will be for the **MMR Education Endowment Fund.** We are most grateful for your generosity.

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

~ Psalm 32 ~



Teen Small Group Forming



Our teens are invited to form their own small group this Lenten season.
Our teen small group will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Matthew Walsh Room of the Parish Center. This group will

meet from February 20th through March 26th. Like the adult small groups, our teen group will also focus on the Eucharist this Lent. For more information about teen small groups, please reach out to Lauren Deutz at lmscioli@msn.com.

St. Jude and MMR Youth Ministries Arcade Game Night Teens in grades 6-12

Teens in grades 6-12 welcome to join!

Cost is \$10

Sunday, February 18 5:30-7:30pm Retroware Arcade

309 W. Main Street, Lansdale, PA (Located INSIDE 'Classic Game Junkie')

Use the QR code to register and contact Ashley Bennett, Coordinator of Ministry with Youth and Young Adults at St. Jude, with any questions!

abennett@stjudechalfont.org

www.stjudechalfont.org/coordinators-corner



Only TWO Spots Left!!!!

Students in grades 8 - 12 are invited to join Mrs. Bull at Catholic Heart Work Camp this Summer, July 14th - 19th in Wilmington! Transportation will be provided. All information and registration for the



camp can be found on the CHWC page of the parish website under youth ministry. Please direct all questions to Mrs. Bull at Lbull@mmredeemer.org.

Family Holy Hour February 25th 7:00 - 8:00 pm



As we continue on the Lenten journey, families are invited to Family Holy Hour, Sunday, February 25th. Families are invited to visit the Blessed Sacrament in praise, meditation and Benediction. Father Tobin will

also be available for Confession. This evening we will have live music. There will also be a small social following in Redeemer Hall. We hope your family considers this as part of their Lenten journey.

Congratulations to our Tuesday PREP Second Graders as they receive their First Penance this week.



Upcoming Youth Ministry Dates

- Saturday, February 10th Super Bowl Hoagies Saturday pickup after 5:15 Mass.
- Sunday, February 11th Super Bowl Hoagies distribution following all Masses.
- Tuesday, February 13th First Penance for Tuesday PREP second graders. 5:00 pm in the church.
- **Sunday, February 18**th TLC Sunday Fun Day with St. Jude Youth ministry is offsite at Retroware Arcade in Lansdale from 5:30 7:30 pm. \$10 per teen for unlimited play. Registration Required.
- Tuesday, February 20th Teen Lenten Small Group in the Matthew Walsh Room from 6:00- 7:00 pm.
- Tuesday, February 20th & Wednesday, February 21st PREP Grade 5, Take Your Parent to PREP day.
- Sunday, February 25th Today's Gospel for Kids following the 9:30 am Mass in the Matthew Walsh Room.
- Sunday, February 25th Family Holy Hour at 7:00 pm in the church.

Young Adults

Metanoia

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County. The group supports Catholics in their 20s & 30s, who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area.



As gathering circumstances are always changing, please be sure you are subscribed to the newsletter to receive access to the latest information by visiting

www.metanoiayoungadults.org.

Questions? Email <u>metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com</u> for more information, or visit the Facebook Page at "Metanoia Young Adults."

Upcoming events (events start at 7:30 pm unless otherwise noted):

Tuesday, February 13th: Bible Study @ St. David's in Willow Grove

Tuesday, February 20th: Theology on Tap @ Local Tap in Lansdale (Doors open at 7:00 pm, Presentation begins at 7:30)



All Married Couples are invited to a Mass and Renewal of Commitment

Friday, February 16th beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm, and followed by a Wine & Cheese Reception

To RSVP, scan the QR code or visit the parish website (<u>mmredeemer.org</u>) before <u>February 12th</u>, or call Deacon Mario Mirabelli at 215-362-7400 x321.



Parents are invited to bring their children.



LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

Wednesday, March 6th
Retreat in Redeemer Hall & Church
from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
(Check in begins at 10:30 am)

This year's guest speaker is

Fr. Tom Whittingham, Pastor of
St. Laurence Church in Upper Darby.

"What the Eucharistic Revival gets wrong...
and the deeper truth gets right."

The day includes a boxed lunch. Cost is \$15.00 per person.

Register online before March 1st by scanning the QR Code (below) or visiting our website at: https://mmredeemer.org/lenten-day-of-reflection

Payment can be made online or by submitting \$15.00 cash or check made payable to MMR at the Parish Office.

All are welcome.

This retreat is sponsored by the Senior Adult Ministry.

Questions, please contact Chris at: chroli@comcast.net



Around the Archdiocese



St. Stanislaus Parish "GIFT" Program Growing In Faith Together

Tuesday, February 13th, 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Topic – Christian Bioethics and End-of-Life Issues
Bioethics is a field of study that examines ethical issues and questions about biology and medicine.
As Catholics, it's important that we apply the Church's moral and ethical teachings to concerns about end-of-life issues. This presentation will cover topics such as suffering and death from a Catholic perspective, bioethical tools, euthanasia, physician-assisted suicide, assisted nutrition and hydration, and the appropriate use of oxygen and ventilators. Deacon Jim Browne, the presenter, is a certified bioethics consultant and is Chairman of the Archdiocesan Diaconate Bioethics Committee.

Lenten Retreat: "Your Heart, Jesus' Kindness, and Easter Hope" Wednesday, February 21st, 6:00 - 9:00 pm St. Jude Church and Shrine 321 West Butler Ave. in Chalfont

- Do you try to do all the right things but still come up half empty?
- Do you more often feel guilt rather than hope or joy?
- Would you like to know what God wants for you?

Presenters Mary Kay and Mike Stebbins come from a place of pain and brokenness. Through their own struggles, they are proof that broken lives can become joy-filled, even in the midst of suffering, through the love of Jesus and the grace of God, and they will help us find this in our own lives. Registration is encouraged but not required.

For more information and registration:

stjudechalfont.org/event

Additional contact info: Mrs. Lori Rawski, Director of Faith Formation lrawski@stjudechalfont.org or 215-822-9225 ext 234

2024 Annual EcoPhilly Conference Saturday, February 24th, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

All who love the Earth and want to involve it in their Catholic faith are encouraged to join the 3rd annual archdiocesan creation care gathering of EcoPhilly.

Location: 1229 E. Lancaster Ave, Rosemont (Harten

Hall, below the chapel in Rosemont)

More Information: Visit <u>ecophill.org/blog</u> and register by emailing <u>info@EcoPhilly.org</u>

Questions: Call John Humphreys at 610-766-1125

Man Up Philly

Man Up Philly invites the men of our parish to the 16th Annual Catholic Men's Conference on **Saturday**, **March 2**nd at Cardinal O'Hara HS.



All men – husbands, fathers, sons, and friends – are encouraged to attend for an inspiring day of faith and fellowship. Speakers include Philly's Hall of Fame Mike Schmidt; Danny Bader, survivor of a near-death experience; Deacon Nathan Gunn, youth coordinator from New York; and Mark Hartfiel, VP of "That Man Is You". Closing Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Perez. Register online at ManUpPhilly.com.

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Volunteer Opportunity

Father Chuck's Challenge, a Catholic based non-profit, collects funds to build houses, community centers, and other supplies that support communities in Haiti and Honduras. They have

traveled to both countries to assess what the needs are for the poorest of the poor. Father Chuck's Challenge is looking for more volunteers to join them at home in their quest to help as many families as possible in two of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere. If you feel God calling you to be of service, please contact Kathy J at 215-327-6954 or visit fatherchuckschallenge.com to learn more.

Donations Wanted

Please consider donating any gently used First Communion dresses, suits and other accessories. Donations are being accepted until March 1st at Gwynnedd Mercy Academy High School, 1345 Sumneytown Pike in Lower Gwynnedd. All collected items will be donated to Mercy Neighborhood Ministries in Philadelphia.



2025 Announced Mass Requests

There are less available opportunities for announced Mass intentions. This is the reality here at MMR Parish as well as in many parishes across the Archdiocese and beyond. This is because the number of scheduled Masses during the week and on weekends has had to be reduced, due to the fact that there are fewer priests available to celebrate Masses.

In light of this situation, a limit must be placed on requests for announced Mass intentions for the calendar year 2025 and beyond. When the 2025 Mass Intention book opens on Monday, February 5th, know that we can fill no more than ten requests for an "announced Mass" from any given household.

Please receive this information with a charitable heart. When requesting announced Mass intentions, remember that your fellow parishioners have requests as well. And, again, pray for more vocations and promote vocations to the priesthood.

Men's Spirituality Group Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Catholic Church



Our Mission is to inspire Christcentered friendships that grow over time, pointing us all to being the men Christ wants us to be. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month at 6:30 am in Redeemer Hall in the Parish Center.

Meeting Times:

6:30 am Fellowship and Coffee 6:40 am Prayer Reflection and

Breakout Groups

7:30 am Group Discussion,
Prayer and Dismissal

For more information please visit www.sites.google.com/view/
mmrmen/home

2023 Tax Information

For those who use Parish Online Giving to contribute to MMR and Archdiocesan collections, you can generate a 2023 year end tax report by going to the website www.parishgiving.org and

- Enter your username and password in the upper righthand corner of the website.
- Click on the contribution history tab.
- Enter Start Date of 01/01/23 and End Date of 12/31/23.
- Click on the PDF icon.

If you do not use Parish Online Giving and need a 2023 contribution report from the parish, please contact the Parish Office and you will receive one via e-mail.

Prayer for Vocations

O God, we earnestly ask You to bless our Archdiocese with many priests, brothers, sisters and deacons who will love You with their whole mind and heart and gladly spend their entire lives serving Your Church and making You known and loved. Bless our families, bless our children and choose from our homes those needed for Your work. Mary, Mother of the Redeemer, pray for us; pray for our priests, religious and deacons. Obtain for us many more. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.





Seeking Prayer Warriors

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer has an active Prayer Ministry, where parishioners pray for world, local & personal needs. To join, send an email to: deaconmariomirabelli@mmredeemer.org to receive an email with the weekly prayer intentions.

Are you, a loved one, or a friend in need of prayer?
Send prayer intentions by email to prayer@mmredeemer.org.

If you wish a family member or friend to be placed on either of the Bulletin Prayer Lists, please call the Parish Office at 215-362-7400.

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

Pray for Our Sick

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.

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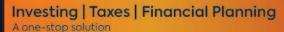
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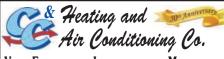
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