



Mary, Mother of the Redeemer

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Founded in 1987

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

February 15, 2026

Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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Parish

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www.parishgiving.org/index



Giving

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. Joseph T. Shenosky, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John T. Conway, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Msgr. Philip C. Ricci, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. David O'Brien, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Msgr. Angelo R. Citino, In Residence
Deacon Paul A. Logan, Permanent Deacon
Deacon Christopher T. Parker, Permanent Deacon
Deacon John M. Travaline, Permanent Deacon

Parish Administration

Maria Malone, Director of Adult Faith Formation
Samuel Garrett, Business Manager
Mary Anne Cortez, Parish Services Director
Joyce Kelly, Director of Liturgical Music
Paula McKay, Business Office Assistant
Annette Smith, Communications Assistant

MMR Parish School

Denise Judge, School Principal
Robert Bull, Vice Principal

Office of Religious Education

Lisa Bull, Director of Youth Faith Formation
Bridgit Devine, Secretary, Religious Education

Parish Pastoral Council

Lisa Bull, Austin Chukinas, Mary Anne Cortez,
Joe DiPlacido, Laura England, Melanie Griffin,
Deacon Paul Logan, Renee Pacini-Walters,
Maria Malone, Karen Snow, Joe Tranchida,
Deacon John Travaline, and Chuck Vesay

Parish Finance Council

Tom Alesi, Mike Coakley (Chair), Gary Kennedy,
Barbara O'Donnell, Deacon Chris Parker,
Edward Tofani, and Damian Ward

Mass Schedule and Devotions

Monday Evening Mass: 7:00 pm
Morning Prayer: 7:00 am (Tue., Wed., Thur., Fri.)
Weekday Mass: 7:30 am (Tue., Wed., Thur., Fri.)
Saturday: 7:35 am Rosary, 8:00 am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena.
Saturday Night: 5:15 pm (Anticipated)
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am (Solemn Mass with incense), 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 and comes to a close at 5:00 pm with a simple reposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

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; Mondays, 6:00 to 7:00 pm; 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 22nd bulletin is Monday, February 16th at 8:00 am

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 16

7:00 pm Patricia Tramontana
by Francine Siconolfi

Tuesday, February 17

7:30 am Alma Mongelluzzo by
David & Rita Spinosa

Wednesday, February 18

6:30 am Mary Jane Vitola by
Patricia & Eric Espinosa

12:10 pm Priests & Staff
of MMR Parish
by Francine Siconolfi

7:00 pm Margaret Hyden by
Meghan Modzelewski

Thursday, February 19

7:30 am Ed Hughes
by the Haynos Family

Friday, February 20

7:30 am John & Bernice McCahey
by John McCahey

Saturday, February 21

8:00 am Melva Exner
by Tish & Jay Garner

5:15 pm Brian McGlynn by
Justin & Heather
McGlynn

Sunday, February 22

7:30 am Jerald Reif
by Deborah Billman

9:30 am Virginia Mary Gardner
by Mercedes Desiderio

11:30 am Mary, Mother of the
Redeemer Parishioners



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Week Beginning
Monday, February 16

Church: Thomas J. Carl
by Aunt Val

Chapel: Stephen Mulicka
by the Haynos Family

**The Parish Office
will be CLOSED on
February 16th for
Presidents' Day.**

We Want to Hear From You!

Our parish feasibility study to gauge support for several church enhancements is underway. Thank you to all who have already shared your feedback! Everyone in our parish should receive a letter by early this week inviting you to participate by filling out a survey. Please take a moment to respond and be a part of shaping our future.

We would like all surveys to be returned by Monday, March 2nd. You can mail the survey back, drop it by the parish office, or place it in the offertory collection.

Your input is valuable as parish leadership will review the study results and decide how best to move forward. In the meantime, please pray for God's guidance in this important effort.

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.



Stations of the Cross

Stations will be prayed each **Friday in Lent at 2:15 pm** (with a number of our parish school students) **and 7:00 pm** in the main Church. Watch the bulletin for the exact dates and exceptions.

All parishioners are welcome!

Upcoming Events - This Week at MMR

<u>Sunday, Feb 15</u>	First Communion Retreat	following 11:30 Mass
	ARISE! Archdiocese of Philadelphia Holy Hour for Teens	6:30 - 8:30 pm
<u>Monday, Feb 16</u>	Confession	6:00 pm
	Men's Sport Night	8:30 pm
<u>Tuesday, Feb 17</u>	Bible Study	10:00 am
<u>Wednesday, Feb 18</u>	Ash Wednesday Masses	6:30 am, 12:10 & 7:00 pm
<u>Thursday, Feb 19</u>	Guitar Ministry Rehearsal	7:30 pm
<u>Friday, Feb 20</u>	Adoration	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
	Book Club	10:00 am
	Stations of the Cross	2:15 & 7:00 pm
<u>Saturday, Feb 21</u>	Men's Fellowship & Spirituality	6:30 am
	Confession	4:00 pm
<u>Sunday, Feb 22</u>	Coffee Chat & Today's Gospel for Kids	
		following the 9:30 am Mass
	Dress-A-Girl Pattern Cutting Session	2:00 pm
	Protecting God's Children Class (registration required)	2:00 pm
	Works of Mercy Club Meeting	5:00 pm



Take The 10:10 Challenge This Lent
Join a small group! Lent begins February 18th.
Order Books by February 9th

Lent is a time to turn our hearts back to God, and this year you can do it in a new and powerful way. Join **The 10:10 Challenge: Lent & Easter Experience 2026**, a guided journey to live the abundant life Jesus promised. The experience includes:

- Daily meditations and prayer guides
- Short video reflections
- Weekly discussion guides for use with a group
- A concrete challenge to put your faith into action each week

Take the Challenge with a small group or a friend. Walk alongside a nationwide community and others in our parish doing the same. The experience includes a special *Holy Week Companion* to help you enter deeply into Christ's Passion and Resurrection.

To learn more about our Lenten study and joining a small group, scan the QR code or visit <https://www.mmredeemer.org/lent-opportunities>,

purchase the book by February 9th, and prepare your heart for a meaningful Lent and a joyful Easter! Contact Maria with questions, mariamalone@mmredeemer.org or by phone at 215-362-7400 x 318



"Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works." ~ Hebrews 10:24d

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!

On Wednesday, February 18th, 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



Thursday, February 26th
7:00 pm in Redeemer Hall

Topic: Are You a Closet Catholic?
Getting Out of Your Comfort Zone

Presenter: Joanna Chodorowska,
Encounter School of Ministry Graduate

Join other women of the Parish and friends to discuss topics that will refresh you and your soul.

Light refreshments will be provided.
REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

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



Have you introduced yourself to a new person at MMR?
Say "hello" to someone you don't know.



A Vision for Our Worship Space: Renewal in Continuity

Thank you to everyone who has shared your thoughts and questions regarding the proposed renewal of our church. Your engagement reflects a deep love for our parish, and I am truly grateful for your investment in our future.

As we approach an important anniversary in the life of Mary, Mother of the Redeemer, I would like to explain more fully the purpose of this project and address some of the concerns that have been raised.

The Purpose: Renewal for the Glory of God

The goal of this project is not to change who we are, but to **deepen how our worship space expresses what we believe**. This renovation has two primary aims:

1. **Faithful Stewardship:** After years of use, essential elements—including the carpeting, pews, sound system, and paint—require repair and rehabilitation. Addressing these needs is an act of responsibility toward the gifts entrusted to us.
2. **Elevating the Sacred:** Sacred architecture and art not only beautify the church, but they are also important teachers. In a highly secularized culture, sacred art can help draw our hearts and minds toward God, by fostering reverence, prayer, and an appreciation of the sacred mysteries. This project seeks to strengthen our worship space so that the “sense of the sacred” is even more visible.

Renewal Rooted in Our History

In recent years, there has been a renewed appreciation within the Church for the power of sacred art, symbolism, and architecture to evangelize and catechize. This is not a step backward, but a **retrieval of what has always helped the Church communicate the faith across centuries**.

Notably, this movement resonates strongly with **young people and those newly entering the Church**, who hunger for reverence, beauty, and Catholic traditions. Sacred art and architecture transmit the Faith more powerfully than words alone. This includes making the parish’s origin, named after St. John Paul II’s encyclical *Redemptoris Mater*, more visible in our worship space.

A Modern Church, Enriched by Tradition

Some have asked about introducing traditional Catholic elements into a modern, “in-the-round” church design. This is a fair and important question.

Our intention is **not** to erase the original design or impose a conflicting style. Rather, we aim to **enrich** the existing space by adding some visible Catholic elements, while respecting its structure and history. This is an ongoing process. In fact, the previous two pastors continued to make improvements and modifications to the worship space after it was built.

Honoring Our Parish Legacy

I want to affirm my deep respect for our founding

vision and the sacrifices made to build this church. We seek to treasure our past while ensuring the church remains a vibrant home for future generations.

Some Elements Under Consideration

Several proposed changes aim to express core Catholic beliefs more visibly:

- **New Tabernacle:** A more prominent, beautifully appointed tabernacle provides a clearer witness to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.
- **New Statues of Mary and Joseph** Prominent, sacred images of Mary and Joseph remind us of their vital roles as Mother of the Church and Patron of the Universal Church. They teach, inspire, and connect us to the universal Church across time and space.
- **Location of the Choir:** The relocation of the choir reflects current liturgical norms established after this church was built. The choir should not be in the sanctuary, but distinct from it, because the choir is associated with the faithful.

Respecting Attachment to Existing Art

I recognize that many parishioners have a genuine emotional and spiritual attachment to the current art. These connections matter. Any proposed changes are being approached thoughtfully and prayerfully, with respect for both personal devotion and the parish’s shared history. No decisions have been finalized, and nothing is being taken lightly. If any current art were replaced in the church, the current pieces would be relocated to a prominent place on church grounds.

Our Collaborator

To assist us, we are working with **Lawrence Hoy Studios**, a firm specializing in integrating sacred art into existing church spaces with theological depth and architectural sensitivity. His work demonstrates how modern churches can be beautifully enriched by traditional Catholic symbolism. Examples of his work may be viewed at lawrencehoystudios.com.

Next Steps: Continuing the Conversation

The renderings currently displayed in the narthex are **preliminary concepts**, not final plans. They are intended to invite discussion and prayerful reflection.

Your input is essential. **Please fill out the survey that you will be receiving in the mail.**

If the project moves forward, town hall meetings will be held to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to ask questions, share concerns, and better understand the vision.

I ask for your prayers, patience, and trust as we seek to renew our worship space, not for ourselves, but for the greater glory of God and the spiritual good of generations to come.

God bless you and Mary keep you,
Fr. Joseph T. Shenosky
Pastor

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church

Our 2026 Parish Lenten Program

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

FAST AND ABSTINENCE AND 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 people 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 18th: 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 evening at 7:00 pm, Tuesday through Friday at 7:30 am; Saturday at 8:00 am.

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction: 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** March 13th due to scheduled practice sessions for Confirmation).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on **Mondays** of Lent from 6:00 to 7:00 pm, and on **Saturdays** from 4:00 to 4:45 pm. Also, confessions will be heard on **Wednesday, March 19th** from 7:00 to 8:00 pm and on **Good Friday, April 3rd**, from 10:00 am to Noon. Please note that there are no confessions on Holy Saturday, April 4th. As always, our priests are available for confession by appointment.

OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On **Tuesday, March 24th, at 7:00 pm all are welcome** to pray the Stations outdoors. We gather at the marble statue of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. The statue is located next to the old pump house. (This will be coordinated by the Boy Scouts of local Troop #547 and members of our St. Francis Ecology Council.)

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

The Lenten Day of Reflection is scheduled for **Saturday, March 21st**, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm in Redeemer Hall and the main church. The speakers will be Rev. Joseph T. Shenosky and Fr. David P. O'Brien with session introductions by Bishop Joseph L. Coffey. The cost is \$20 per person and includes a buffet lunch. See more details in this bulletin and future bulletins. 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 27^h**, 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 watch 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 supper, they give thanks for their blessings and pray for the worlds hungry. 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 in the narthex. A large basket will be at the Holy Family shrine throughout Lent to receive your donations.** A percentage of your contributions feed the hungry in the archdiocese; the rest will be distributed to the poor around the world.

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 MikeCRH@gmail.com or 215-872-7009.

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



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THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.

VIRTUSOnline



OFFICE FOR CHILD AND
YOUTH PROTECTION

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS

MMR is offering Protecting God's Children Classes in Redeemer Hall in the Parish Center. All school employees, parish employees, volunteers, and ministry leaders working with parish youth are required to obtain volunteer clearances.

• **Sunday, February 22nd, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

For a full list of clearance requirements and links to the proper agencies, please visit <https://mmredeemer.org/volunteer-requirements>

Scan the QR Code or visit: virtusonline.org to register for class at either MMR or another location in the archdiocese.



Please email Mrs. Bull at Lbull@mmredeemer.org with questions.

February 22nd, after the 9:30 am Mass



10:30 - 11:30 am Redeemer Hall

**Topic: Sacrifice is the Joy of Love:
Preparing Oneself for Lent**

Speaker: Marisally Santiago, Director for Ministry of Youth, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

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.

Registration is not required.



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

Younger parishioners are invited to join trained catechists for an hour of Gospel Reflection and engaging activities.

A small snack will be provided.

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



Do you like to sew?

Dress A Girl Around the World wants to invite parishioners to join in helping to cut patterns on **Sunday, February 22nd, 2:00 - 4:00 pm** in the Matthew Walsh Room. We are putting together more kits for the sewing group.

No experience is required.

Questions? Email Lucretia lucretiaoreilly@gmail.com.



CYO News - Open Board Position

Our parish volunteer CYO sports board has an immediate open position. The position is the Social Director. The Social Director is a voting member of the board who oversees the social events of the organization, advertising, promoting our teams and their accomplishments, and handles our spirit wear orders. If you have interest in this position, please contact Tina Getman, President, at cscarcelli@comcast.net.





Mary, Mother of the Redeemer

CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Catholic School Week Blessings

Catholic Schools Week concluded with a beautiful Mass celebrated by Bishop Chylinski. We were honored by his presence as he prayed with our school community and affirmed the vital role Catholic education plays in forming students in faith, knowledge, and service. His words encouraged our students and staff to continue living out our mission each day. We are grateful for this meaningful celebration and for the blessing of gathering together as a faith-filled school community.

Forming Students for Civic Engagement

Through a series of visits from District Judge Andrea Duffy, our 7th grade students are gaining first hand insight into civic engagement. Students learn about the structure of government, the responsibilities of its three branches, and the importance of informed participation in elections. We are grateful for this meaningful learning opportunity and preparation for meaningful active citizenship!



Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @MMRschool to see what happens next at MMR!

#MMRPROUD

#WEAREMMR

**Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.
~ Entrance Antiphon - Ps 31 (30):3-4 ~**



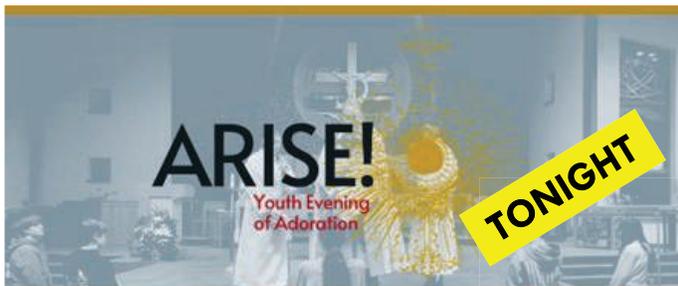
News from
Mrs. Lisa Bull
Director of Youth Faith Formation



**MMR Parish
Religious Education
Program**

There are no PREP classes this week.

Please plan on attending
Ash Wednesday Mass with your family.
Parish Mass times are 6:30 am, 12:10 pm
and 7:00 pm on February 18th.

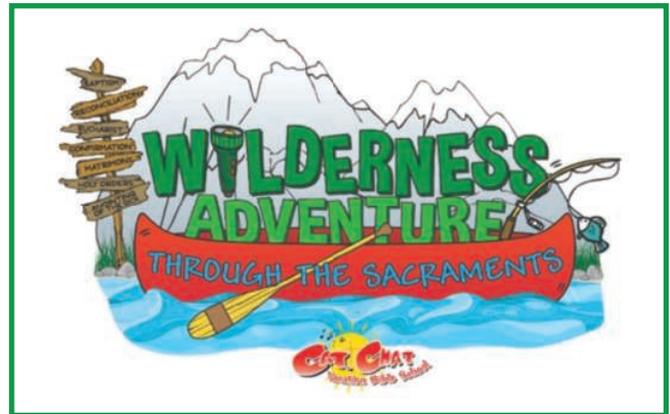


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PhillyOMY.org | @PhillyOMY



Vacation Bible School
July 27 - 31, 2026
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

We are so excited for the return of Vacation Bible School, *Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments* to our parish this year. Children age 5 to Grade 4 are eligible to participate. Grade 5 students are welcome to join our Counselor in Training Program. Space is limited to 15 students per age group. Registration is on the parish website on the Vacation Bible School page under the "School, PREP & Youth" tab. Registration is accepted when full payment of \$185 is received for Grades K - Grade 4. Grade 5 Counselor in Training registration is \$85. CITs should contact Mrs. Bull for a coupon code prior to registering. For questions, please refer to Mrs. Bull at Lbull@mmredeemer.org.

Upcoming Youth Ministry Dates

- **February 15th** - First Holy Communion Family Retreat #1 following the 11:30 am Mass until 3:30 pm in the Matthew Walsh Room.
- **February 15th** - ARISE! Evening of Adoration for Youth sponsored by Teen Leadership Council and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia at 6:30 pm in the church.
- **February 17th** - First Penance and Reconciliation for our PREP second Graders at 7:00 pm in the church.
- **February 20th** - Children's Stations of the Cross at 2:15 pm in the church. **All Parishioners are welcome to join.**
- **February 22nd** - Today's Gospel for Kids after the 9:30 am Mass in the Matthew Walsh Room.
- **February 22nd** - Coffee Chat after the 9:30 am Mass in Redeemer Hall. Guest Speaker is Mrs. Marisally Santiago. Her topic is "Sacrifice is the Joy of Love: Preparing Oneself for Lent". This lecture is appropriate for adults and teens.
- **February 22nd** - Protecting God's Children Class for adults at 2:00 pm. Registration is required.
- **February 22nd** - Works of Mercy Club meeting from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the Matthew Walsh Room. **New Members Welcome.**

We Need Help!

If you are a parent or a Grade 6 - 12 student and you are interested in working with the youth of the parish in this special volunteer way, please reach out to Mrs. Bull.

Adults who volunteer for the full week will receive free registration for their attending children. Student volunteers can receive service hours for this project. Adults please contact Mrs. Bull to volunteer. Teens may register on the parish website VBS page.



RESTLESS HEART

YAMDI RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS
EXPERIENCE THE KERYGMA!



"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you." - St. Augustine



FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 1, 2026



MOTHER BONIFACE SPIRITUALITY CENTER

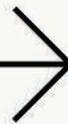
Retreat leaders: Fr. Stephen DeLacy, Fr. Timothy Tarnacki OSPPE,
Andrea Hall, **MORE to be announced!**



WHAT IS KERYGMA?

WHAT IS YAMDI?

MORE QUESTIONS? SCAN TO LEARN MORE





A Message from the Catholic Social Teaching Committee

The Catholic Social Teaching Committee reminds you that the **Principle of Solidarity** is a commitment for the welfare of others. ***It is not doing something for someone, but rather doing it with them.*** We continue our series of local opportunities to work with/help those in need in the community. **In every season and in every sport, there is a need!** Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA) seeks volunteers of all ages and abilities, in the field, on the court and behind the scenes. Bucks and Montgomery Counties, part of SOPA's Greater Philadelphia Region, conducts sports programs for athletes with disabilities throughout the year. Information regarding Unified Sports (ages 14+) and other SOPA volunteer opportunities can be found at <https://specialolympicspa.org>.

Note: Background checks for volunteers are required and will be paid by and submitted through Special Olympics PA.

Leave a Legacy of Faith

Including Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish in your will or estate plans is a beautiful way to support our faith community for generations to come. A gift in your will is a powerful way to continue our mission of worship, education, and service well into the future. To learn more about how you can make a planned gift to MMR, please contact the Parish Office at 215-362-7400, or email mmr@mmredeemer.org.

Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!



2027 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 2027. When the **2027 Mass Intention book opens on Tuesday, February 17th**, 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.

Remembering Loved Ones

While having a Mass said for a deceased family member or friend is the most common way to honor them, there are other ways to memorialize our deceased loved ones.

Cards with Masses that will be said at the **St. Charles Seminary** are available, too. There are different levels of donations that may be given, depending on what you would like. A packet is given to you to fill in on your own.

MMR has an option to reserve a **7-day Sanctuary Candle**. You may select the candle in the church or chapel (suggested stipend is \$10). Your intention will be printed in the parish bulletin the weekend prior to your reservation.

The Sanctuary Fund was established for the purpose of routinely refurbishing and replacing items in our church that need attention. Donor acknowledgement cards are available to commemorate your donation.

You may want to consider donating a **Paving Stone** to memorialize a loved one. The form to fill in is available on the parish website (mmredeemer.org). Look for it under the “About MMR” tab, then look for “Mary’s Rosary Garden: Paver Donation Form”.

For more information about any of these options, stop by the Parish Office during business hours. We will be happy to assist you to remember your loved one(s) in the manner that you feel is best.



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The Archdiocese Wants to Hear From You!

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez has proposed a bold vision for the future of the Catholic Church of Philadelphia in his pastoral letter, *Trust and Hope* (more information can be found at TrustandHope.org). The Catholic Church of Philadelphia is not defined by its structures, but by its greatest treasure – its people. To plan its future, the Church of Philadelphia is working with the Steier Group, a national Catholic fundraising firm, to conduct a campaign planning study. Please accept the invitation to share your feedback on the Catholic Church of Philadelphia’s proposed plans. This is our moment to renew the Catholic Church of Philadelphia – to strengthen parishes, form missionary disciples, and bring Christ to a world in need.

Our Faith is our most priceless possession. We have been entrusted to guard, nourish, and share it with others. In the Sacrament of Baptism, the presider declares, “This is our faith. This is the faith of the church. We are proud to profess it, in Christ Jesus our Lord.” We live out this gift of faith in our parish communities by worship, praise, service and sharing it with family, neighbors and all those we encounter every day.

Help shape the future of our faith and the Catholic Church of Philadelphia by sharing your feedback. Please complete the planning study survey at: <https://forms.office.com/r/9fcs95U5B4> or scan the QR code.



Your voice matters!

CRS Spotlight

In Honduras, the El Coyol Habanero Pepper Producers Association is proving that agriculture can drive innovation and growth. Through Isidro LEAP, 146 producers are learning Water Smart Agriculture techniques, restoring soils, and building stronger businesses. These changes mean more than better harvests — they mean stability, income, and opportunity for rural families, helping farmers thrive while promoting sustainability. Visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

“Love for the poor — whatever the form their poverty may take — is the evangelical hallmark of a Church faithful to the heart of God. Indeed, one of the priorities of every movement of renewal within the Church has always been a preferential concern for the poor.”

~ Pope Leo XIV ~



Next Week’s Second Collection

Next weekend’s second collection will be for **Rice Bowl**. To learn more about the collection, please visit www.crs.org. Thank you for your generosity.

Next Week’s Poor Boxes

Any donations made to the poor box next weekend will be to support Operation Rice Bowl. **Thank you for your generous support of this important collection.**

2025 - 2026 Monthly Sunday Collection

January 2025 (4 Sundays)	\$99,879
January 2026 (4 Sundays)	\$106,918

January 2026 Weekly Collection Detail

January 4	\$39,165
January 11	\$26,205
January 18	\$17,496
January 25	\$24,052

2025 Tax Information

For those who use Parish Online Giving to contribute to MMR and Archdiocesan collections, you can generate a 2025 year end tax report by going to the website www.parishgiving.org and

- Enter your username and password in the upper right-hand corner of the website.
- Click on the contribution history tab.
- Enter Start Date of 01/01/25 and End Date of 12/31/25.
- Click on the PDF icon.

If you do not use Parish Online Giving and need a 2025 contribution report from the parish, please contact the Parish Office and you will receive one via e-mail.

Men's Spirituality Group

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Catholic Church



Our Mission is to inspire Christ-centered 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/mmmen/home

Welcome New Parishioners

Kevin & Valerie Connor and daughter, Cora
 Zachary & Jennifer O'Malley and sons, William & Connor
 Brian & Lauren Titus and son, Miles

We Remember Our Deceased

Constance "Connie" Perrong
 Sylvia Gwynn



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.

Tina Davis, Rosario Azcona, Sean Devine, Joan Ryan, Patricia Gottschall, Linda Haselbarth, Carrie O'Connor, Mary Bowen, Gina Bowen, Joseph Savin, Russell Savin, Mary Lou Bolognese, John Vikingstad, Ed McGlynn, Betty Wasser, Ron Bertotti, Jennifer Ristine, Gordon McKay, Harry Mozi, Deborah Billman, Mary Gilardi, Barbara Coder, Bob Fox, Cherrie Fox, Ian Griffin, Nancy Bowen, Andie Lombardi, Ruth Wilson, Ronald Miscalco, Greta Pablo Estacio, Richard McMullen, Jo Ann Zavesky, Theresa Young, Dan McGlynn, Kathleen Christiansen, Cheryl Kurpiel, Cindy Coleman, Joseph Coccio, Christopher Caniz, Henry Haefner, Ester Fuhrman, James Slowikowski, Kaiya Trinity, Donald Campbell, Jim Gardner,

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Babies, Children, and Teens:

Ellie O'Leary, Roake O'Leary, Dane O'Leary, Owen Barone

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.

Capt. Scott Fentress, USN
Major Nicholas Greco, USArmy
Capt. Maddie Wawrzyniak, USAF
2nd Lt. Brendan Wawrzyniak, USMC
Conor Plasha, USCG
SFC Jonathan Lehman, USArmy
ET2 (SW) Sean Michael Isabelle, USN
CPT Ryan O'Reilly, USAF
CPT Clare O'Reilly, USSF
Major Daniel Pierson, USAF
Staff Sgt. Robert B. Cortez II, USAF
Capt. Danielle (Cortez) Breske, USAF

Capt. Tyler Breske, USAF
Ensign Connor J. Poli, USN
2nd Lt. Irene S. Poli, USArmy
SPC Antonio Carannante, USArmy
CW2 Landon Goodwin, USArmy
Capt. Benjamin McCloskey, USAF
PV2 Angelo Carannante, USArmy
Lt. Henry Hoffman, USArmy
Lt. Benjamin Hoffman, USN
Lt. Joseph Hughes, USN
Lt. Amy Hoffman, USN

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.**



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