

MASS AND SACRAMENT **SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil Mass, Upper Church: 4:30 PM Sunday Masses, Upper Church: 8, 9:30, 11 AM; 12:30, 7 PM

Old Church: 10:30 AM (First Sunday of the month from April-June and October-December)

Holy Days: Upper Church

Holyday Masses: 6:30, 8, 10 AM; 7 PM

Weekday Masses: Lower Chapel

Monday-Friday: 6:30, 8 AM; Saturday: 8 AM

Baptisms: First and Third Sundays of the month,

1:30 PM, Upper Church

Reconciliation (Sacrament of Penance): Every Saturday from 3 to 4 PM in the Lower Chapel, and any time by calling the Rectory

Anointing of the Sick: The Sacrament is given to seriously ill Catholics by calling the Rectory and arranging for this by appointment or whenever there is an emergency.

Pre-Jordan Class:

After meeting with a priest and prior to their child's Baptism, parents are required (Godparents are encouraged) to attend this Program, held in the Rectory on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 PM. Next class is May 3.

Parish Registration: Welcome all new members to our Parish. Register at the Rectory; please call for an appointment during Office Hours.



Easter Sunday

This is the Day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!

Today's readings describe the effects of Jesus' Resurrection on

those who walked with Him, and also what the Resurrection has accomplished for us. In Acts, Peter testifies that belief in the Risen Lord leads to the forgiveness of sins. Saint Paul tells the Colossians that our death and life in Jesus will result in our glorification. Everything that Jesus did, He did for us!

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Holy Saturday, April 8 7:00 PM UC Easter Vigil Mass

April 9: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord

All Mass Intentions 8:00 AM UC are for our Living 9:30 AM UC and Deceased Parish 11:00 AM UC 12:30 PM UC Members and Benefactors.

Please Note: There is no 7 PM Mass.

Easter Monday, April 10, UC +Brian McGuinness 8:00 AM

Easter Tuesday, April 11, UC 8:00 AM +Joseph R. Daulerio, Sr.

Easter Wednesday, April 12, UC +Joseph P. Mack 8:00 AM

Easter Thursday, April 13, UC 8:00 AM +George Scavuzzo

Easter Friday, April 14, UC 8:00 AM Donna Blee and Family

Easter Saturday, April 15, UC

8:00 AM Living/Deceased Members of the Sandusky & Betteridge Families 4:30 PM +Joan McCarthy, 3rd Anniversary

Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 16

8:00 AM +Steven Drazul, 25th Anniversary

9:30 AM +LaVerne Mueller

11:00 AM +Joaquim and Maria Luis Living and Deceased Parish 12:30 PM Members and Benefactors

+Lodise Giovanni Family

7:00 PM

+Denotes Deceased



Pray for our deceased Parishioners, victims of Covid 19, The Ukraine Invasion, and victims of natural disasters, that they may know God's eternal love of Heaven.



Sanctuary Candles Bread and Wine Offerings Week of April 9. 2023

Sanctuary Candle, Upper Church:

In Loving Memory of

Brian McGuinness

Sanctuary Candle, Lower Chapel:

In Loving Memory of

Our Deceased Parishioners

Sanctuary Candle, Rectory Chapel:

In Loving Memory of

Doris Kerker

Bread and Wine Offerings:

In Loving Memory of

Thomas P. O'Malley

To participate in our Candles and Gifts Programs, call the Rectory at 215-673-8127.

Easter Holiday Schedule

School resumes class on Tuesday, April 11.

The Rectory Office re-opens on Tuesday, April 11.

SCRIP Hours will resume hours on Wednesday, April 12.

Divine Mercy
Devotions:
Sunday,
April 16,
Lower Chapel

1:30 PM Divine Mercy Adoration and Confessions

3 PM Chaplet and Benediction



EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE



HOLY SATURDAY, April 8 7 PM: SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL

LITURGY with the Service of Light, Liturgy of the Word, Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation and of the Rite of Reception into Full Communion, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9

Schedule of Masses (8, 9:30, 11 AM and 12:30 PM), with the Renewal of Baptismal Promises at all Masses.

Please Note: There is no 7 PM evening Mass on Easter Sunday.

EASTER MONDAY-SATURDAY, APRIL 10-15

8 AM Mass only, Upper Church

Weekly Events Calendar

Monday, April 10

School, Rectory Office and SCRIP are closed. No Exposition; Rosary prayed privately.

Tuesday, April 11

Noon: Rosary, Lower Chapel

5 PM: Jr. CYO Basketball, Parish Hall

6:45 PM: PREP, School

7 PM: Respect Life Group, Rectory Meeting Rm. 1

Wednesday, April 12

11 AM: Seniors Meeting, Parish Hall (See page 6.)

5 PM: Jr. CYO Basketball, Parish Hall

7 PM: Bereavement Series, Rect. Mtg. Rm. 1 (p. 4)

Thursday, April 13

5 PM: Jr. CYO Basketball, Parish Hall

7 PM: RCIA, Convent

7 PM: Boy/Cub Scouts, Cafeteria

Friday, April 14

Saturday, April 15

3-4 PM: Confessions, Lower Chapel

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16

1:30 PM: Divine Mercy Devotions (Refer to the

Schedule on left)

1:30 PM: Baptisms, Upper Church

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Pray for Peace!

Pray the rosary, go to Mass, fast, pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet or Pope Francis'
Prayer for Peace.

Queen of Heaven, restore God's peace to the world.

Eliminate hatred and the thirst for revenge, and teach us forgiveness.

Free us from war, protect our world from the menace of nuclear weapons.

Queen of the Rosary, make us realize our need to pray and to love.

Queen of the Human Family, show people the path of fraternity.

Queen of Peace, obtain peace for our world.

— Excerpt from Pope Francis'
Consecration Prayer for Ukraine and Russia

MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCES Remembrance envelopes are in your monthly mailing packets. Return them to Church and they will be placed on the Blessed Mother's Altars throughout May. Mothers, living and deceased, will be remembered at all and specific Masses during May. Mother's Day Cards are available at the Church's Main Entrance, the Rectory Side Entrance of the Lower Chapel and the Rectory. There are cards and enrollment envelopes for living Mothers and enrollment envelopes for deceased Mothers. Please take only what is needed and return your offering in the envelope provided to the Rectory or place it in the Collection. Thank you!

The Priests, Deacons,
Sisters and Staff wish
you and your family a
Holy and Blessed Easter!





PROJECT HOPE and RIDES FOR MASS

Project HOPE volunteers provide transportation to parishioners who are in need of assistance. They offer rides

to the doctor, dentist, hospital and medical treatment centers within a 5-mile radius. Drivers may also be available to provide rides to Church for Sunday Mass. Call Joe and Cheryl Vozzelli (215-725-1360) at least three days before.

YOU NEED NOT GRIEVE ALONE!

Our Bereavement Support Group is conducting a six-week session on Wednesday evenings. The session has begun, but there are several more topics scheduled.

These meetings are open to anyone grieving the death of a loved one. Our program offers information about the grief process and gives an opportunity to share thoughts and feelings in an environment of understanding and empathy.

People of all faiths and neighboring parishes are welcome. Grief has no time limit. People who attended previously are most welcome to return. Meetings are held in Rectory Meeting Room 1 (lower level of the Rectory) and begin at 7 PM, lasting approximately one hour.

TOPICS INCLUDE:

April 12: Surviving Stress & Loneliness

April 19: Feelings of Denial, Bargaining and Guilt

April 26: Feelings of Anger & Depression

Mary 3: Spiritual Elements of Grief and Healing

Please contact a Bereavement Team Member if you plan to attend or for more information: Eileen Keenan, 215-677-6582; Jane Passaglia, 215-676-1423; Connie Terzyk, 215-206-1412.

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MATERNITY B.V.M. CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Offering a Catholic, disciplined education since 1948

Pre-K 3 to Grade 8

For more information, please contact Mr. Michael McDonough, School Advancement Director, AT 215-908-3329. 9322 Old Bustleton Avenue, Philadelphia PA 19115 215-673-0235 <u>www.maternitybvm.net</u>



Your Lenten Sacrifices Are Most Appreciated!

A special 'thank you' to all who donated generously to our collection for the Earthquake Victims, donations to St. Francis Inn, the Baby Items for Respect Life Group and Monetary donations and Hams for Easter for our own St. Vincent de Paul Society to be given to our Parishioners in need.

And thank you for keeping current with your Weekly Contributions, and especially for your increasing in-pew presence at Holy Mass each week!
Your goodness is a blessing; so are you!
Know you can also contribute on line via our Parish Website: www.maternitybvmchurch.net.

One day at a time with the Lord! God bless you and yours always!



CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Regular Scrip Hours will resume on Wednesday.

Sunday: 8:45 AM-12:30 PM

Drop-off forms are available

for quicker pick-up;

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9-11 AM;

Thursday evening: 6:30-8 PM;

Friday: 8-11 AM; Saturday: 9:30-11:30 AM.

2023 Catholic Charities Appeal

The 2023 Appeal has begun. Please give to those whose needs are much more than ours. 090 Maternity BVM



St. Vincent de Paul Society SPRING FOOD DRIVE

Saturday/Sunday, April 29/30



We need to replenish our food supply in order to continue to serve those parishioners who rely on our help. Volunteers will be at the Rectory Parking Lot during the Weekend of April 29/30 at all Masses.

Non-Perishable Food Items Needed:

Cereal, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Canned Goods (such as pasta, stew, soup, tuna fish, vegetables, fruit juice), Instant Potatoes, Noodles, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta, Mac & Cheese, Boxed Cake Mixes and Icing Cookies, Snacks, Coffee, Tea.

Please check expiration dates!

Monetary donations may be put in an envelope marked "St. Vincent de Paul" and placed in the Church Collection or forwarded to the Rectory.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

HASA's Up-Coming Events Car Wash, Saturday, May 20

The car wash will be 'kid-serviced' in the School Lot. \$5 a wash.

Home & School Fair
Save the date: Saturday, June 3
A morning and afternoon event in the School Lot



Archbishop Ryan High School Spring Open House For 7th-, 8th-Grade and Transfer Students Wednesday, April 12

Tours begin at 5:45, 6 and 6:15 PM Register now at arhs.me/open.

FAREWELL AND BEST OF LUCK, RON COLES!

Ron has chosen a new vocation: Marriage... and this takes him to New York.



Ron Coles became our Music Director in the Fall of 2016. He brought with him years of musical experience. On special occasions, Ron's music was accompanied by brass ensembles.

During this past Christmas Season, Ron married Suzanne from New York. And on April 16, Ron will begin his tenure as Director of Music in St. Patrick's Church, New York.

The Parish Family of Maternity B.V.M., thanks Ron for his musical talents in enhancing our liturgies! We wish him the best of luck with his new life in New York!!

Please make it a point to see Ron and bid him best wishes. He will be leaving us after Easter Sunday Masses.

Seniors Club Meetings Wednesday, April 12

11 AM in the Parish Hall
Bring all your favorite
Baked Goodies...
We're doing a Cake Raffle!

Wednesday, April 19

Birthday Bash Luncheon
"Happy Birthday to
All of Us!"
We will enjoy a Catered

Luncheon in the Hall.

All former members and new ones are invited to come and have fun!

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Bishop Timothy Senior Confirmed Thirty-Six Students on Saturday, March 18.























Congratulations
Confirmandi!
May the Gifts of the
Holy Spirit Always
be with You!!

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PARISH POLICIES & PRACTICES FOR RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:30 PM in the Upper Church. Please make arrangements with the staff at the Rectory at least one month prior to the Baptism.

Pre-Jordan Program

After meeting with staff and prior to their child's Baptism, parents are required (Godparents are strongly encouraged) to attend this Session, held in the Rectory on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 PM.

Requirements for Godparents

- 1. A Godparent cannot be the mother or father of the one to be baptized.
- 2. A Godparent must be at least 16 years old, a Catholic who has received the Holy Eucharist and has been confirmed. If married, he/she must be validly married in the Church and must not be cohabitating.
- 3. Although one Godparent is required, there can be two Godparents: a man and a woman.
- 4. Non-Christians cannot be Godparents, but a non-Catholic Christian can serve as a Christian Witness to the Baptism.

Becoming A Godparent or Sponsor? You Will Need a Letter of Eligibility

A letter from your parish is required to become a Godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation. This letter indicates you are a practicing Catholic in good standing. It is therefore necessary to be a registered member of the Parish in order to establish eligibility. All Godparents and Sponsors, even if they are from Maternity B.V.M. Church, must present a letter of eligibility issued by their parish.

Holy Eucharist/Reconciliation

Children of the Parish, including those enrolled in the third grade of the Parish School, PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) and Private Catholic Academies, receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation (usually in the Fall) and First Eucharist (Spring) of each year. Children in Private Catholic Academies should contact the Parish School. Prior to receiving a sacrament, children in PREP must be in the program at least two years or come from a Catholic School or another PREP.

Confirmation

Children of the Parish, including those enrolled in the seventh/eighth grade of the Parish School and PREP, are invited to participate in a program of preparation 090 Maternity BVM

for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Prior to receiving the Sacrament, children in PREP must be in the program for at least two years or come from a Catholic School or another PREP. Parents of students from Private Catholic Academies and students in Grades 7 through 12 who have not as yet been confirmed, please contact the Parish School. Adults wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation must be involved in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Program and are asked to please contact the Rectory.

Sponsors for Confirmation

Qualifications to be a Sponsor at Confirmation and to receive a Letter of Eligibility are the same as those of a Catholic Godparent at Baptism (see section under Baptism). Candidates for Confirmation choose a Sponsor other than a Parent.

Matrimony

Couples planning to marry in Maternity B.V.M. Church should notify one of the Parish Priests as early as possible, and no less than six months prior to the desired wedding date, so that appropriate assistance in marriage preparation may be provided. Please be sure to arrange a wedding date and time with the priest before making any commitment for your Reception. Visiting priests are welcome to officiate, but you must still contact one of the Parish Priests to officially set the parish date.

Pre-Cana Instructions

Each couple is required to attend a Pre-Cana Program of Marriage Preparation. Our Parish offers Pre-Cana Sessions in the Fall and Spring. Registration forms can be obtained at the Rectory. Our next scheduled Pre-Cana Session will be held on September 30.

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament is given to seriously ill Catholics by calling the Rectory and arranging for this by appointment or whenever there is an emergency. Parishioners scheduled to undergo surgery should contact one of the priests so that they may be anointed before their medical procedure. This can also be done at Church when you come to Mass.

Holy Orders

Those who think they may have a calling to the Priesthood can contact one of the Parish Priests in order to discuss this matter and receive appropriate direction for pursuing such a calling. They may also call directly to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA.



Please pray for all sick parishioners and benefactors, especially:

John Jacober Robert Nedl Alessa Abruzzo Sarah-Jane Nedl Ben Apolinario Johamma James Mary-Beth Baries Thomas James Barbara Nolan Joanne Barnes Zeke Arthur John Jim Nolan Sam Battle Diane Keaveny Lisa Pabon Rosemary Bennett Joan & Pete Kelly Al Parisse Greg Bentz Thomas Kelly Jane Passaglia Sharon Birch Barbara Kennedy Jerry Passanante Patrick Kennedy Jackie Borkowski-Grier Janelle Pepper Joseph Brown Pete Keohane Pat Pilkington Julia Buck Baby Claire G. Kessler Cynthia Pinto Jessie Butler Jane Pinto Fran Kowalski Shirley Callahan Frank Kowalski Brian Prechodtko Jane Marie Coyle Renee Lane Bill Raybold Quinn Danieluk Amelia Langan Dan Reichardt Merry Derham Noah Langan Claire Reinsel Lisa Dillon Connie Lanzano Elizabeth Richards Lorraine Dimeo Amelia Lewis Terry Rosengarten Carly Rose Di Zio Sophia Lewis Joan Ruch Colleen Dougherty Alice Loglisci Ella Ryan Elizabeth Drobonick Doris Londer Regina Sands Fr. Daniel Dwyer Robert Londer Jim Scott Gina Feldman Patricia Longenecker Rich Scott Marianne Ferezan Emily Ma Billy Seifert Mae Fischer Ruijinga Ma Dee Seifert Diane Fox Cindy Maguire Joe Seifert James R. Frev Lynda Marshall Margaret Sheedy Sr. Miriam George, IHM Marie Mauro Kathleen Snore Susan Georgio Thomas McCabe Debra Sokorai Bernard Gerasimas, Jr. Maryann McCauley Carmella Sorrentino Jean Gianfortune Megan Thrash McElvaney Beth Stoddard **Anthony Granato** Connie McGinn Kimberlee Stuart Mildred Granato Kim McKee Mary Sucich Jimmy McNamara Lisa Gribbin Felix Sundaram Peggy Guckin Leonard McTaggart Rosammal Sundaram Kathleen Lynch Hagan Sophie Mechell Jasmine Taimanglo James Henkel Florence Milewski Hailey Tajeda Sherry Hanlon Deborah Miller Dina Tampone Nikki Harper Joan Miller Katelyn Tampone Raymond Harrison Beth Montgomery John Thompson Marge Hartley Joan Morris Cristal Valeit Baby Ryan Hayes, Jr. Charlotte Mroz Cynthia Veal Lori Hippel Lorraine Mulligan Olivia Ward Margaret Horbury Daniel Murphy Brian West Roberta Muscheck Albert Iannacone Mary Wood Maryann Iannacone Jean Napoli Angela Wray Richard Nathaniel Connie Iuliano Michael Young

CONTACT PARISH CLERGY OR OUR RECTORY OFFICE

To leave a message for Rectory Staff: Call 215-673-8127, 10#; or

VIA E-MAIL: www.church@maternitybvm.net.

Visit our Parish Website:

maternitybvmchurch.net, and

Join us on Facebook: maternitybymphilly.

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School Website: www.maternitybvm.net;

Facebook: Maternity BVM School;

Twitter: Maternitybvm1.

PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Paul S. Quinter, *Pastor*Fr. Dominic Ishaq
Deacon Charles R. Lindsay
Deacon Joseph W. Bernauer, Jr.
Deacon Raymond Scipioni
Fr. Michael Shea, C.M., Weekend Helper

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Adoration Society: Lety Apolinario	215-939-7888
Altar Servers: Lesley Cavallo	215-668-7550
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Bereavement Group: Eileen Keenan	215-677-6582
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Caring for Friends: Pending	
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C.Y.O. Jr. (Gr. 5-8): Maryellen Di Pinto	484-340-6047
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Faith Sharing Group: Lety Apolinario	215-464-4723
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