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Parish Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am – 4:00pm

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Parish Staff

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Parish Registration

Welcome new parishioners! Please contact the Office Administrator during office hours to register in the parish. When changing your address, phone number or email address, please notify the parish office to update your information.

Parish Picnic

Third Saturday of July at Basilica Picnic Grove, 3175 Centennial Road, Hanover

Bulletin Submissions

Email your proofread announcement as text (not scanned) by Tuesday 9:00am to Office Administrator.

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am & 10:00am

First Friday of the Month: 7:00pm Weekdays & Holy Days: Check bulletin

Confession

Saturday: 4:00pm; First Friday of the Month: 6:00pm

Baptism of Children

Call the parish office to prepare.

Anointing of the Sick

Notify the office when a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound and wants to receive the Sacrament.

Marriage

The marriage preparation process takes at least nine months. Couples should meet with the pastor as soon as possible after getting engaged.

Christian Initiation

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic Christian, email us: ConewagoRCIA@gmail.com. Meetings are usually Mondays at 6:30pm.

Burial Plots

To purchase a burial plot, please call Jean at the parish office on Wednesday mornings after 9:00am.

Catholic Education

Saint Teresa of Calcutta School: grades preK- 8 717-637-3135; 717-637-8715; Stck8school.org

Delone Catholic High School: grades 9-12 717-637-5969; DeloneCatholic.org

Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday August 31, 2025



Mass intentions:

Saturday August 30

5:30pm - Keith Boniface

Sunday August 31

7:30am - People of the Parish

10:00am - Joseph & Helen Smith Family

Monday September 1 Labor Day

9:00am - Ellen Lee

Tuesday September 2

No public Mass

Wednesday September 3 + St. Gregory the Great +

8:30am - Gary & Keith Adams

Thursday September 4

No Public Mass

Friday September 5 + St. Teresa of Calcutta +

6:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hour

7:00pm—Margaret & Joseph Shrader

Saturday September 6

5:30pm - Clara Todt

Sunday September 7

7:30am – People pf the Parish

10:00am - Dick Neiderer

Flowers

Flowers on Main altar have been designated by Kelly Neiderer in memory of Richard Neiderer.

Special Stations of the Cross

Sunday September 14, 2025 at 3:00pm

The Feast of the Triumph of the Cross

We will have a special Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm to remember the great sacrifice made for us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the King and Center of all hearts.

PA MARCH FOR LIFE

There is still time to sign up for the bus on September 22 in Harrisburg. Flyers are in back of church.

Parish Calendar

Saturday August 30

**Praise & Worship Holy Hour with Emmaus Young Adults after 5:30 Mass in Parish Hall

Sunday August 31

Monday September 1

Labor Day Parish Office closed**

Tuesday September 2

Adult Fall/Winter choir practice begins at 7:00pm

Wednesday September 3

** Mandatory 7th & 8th Grade Parent Confirmation meeting at 6:30pm –Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Thursday September 4

** First Friday Group Rehearsal 7:00pm

Friday September 5

** First Friday Devotions

Saturday September 6

**Sign ups for CCD K-8th grades after Mass

Sunday September 7

**Sign up for CCD- K-8th grades after Masses

Weekly Collection

Sunday Offering	\$9206.83
Building Fund	\$125.00

Special Collection Today

Our Church joins in mourning the suffering of people—especially Christians—in Gaza, where violence and severe humanitarian conditions continue. Pope Leo has called for a ceasefire, noting with sorrow that "Gaza is starving." In response, we will take up a **special collection this weekend** to support relief efforts through **Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA)** and **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**. These agencies are providing emergency food, shelter, medical care, and emotional support. Please give generously and keep those affected in your prayers. To make your donation, please use one of the envelopes in the pew and mark "Second Collection" and/or write "Gaza" on it. Then place it in the collection basket either time it comes around. **Thank you**.



Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions

September 21-23, 2025 Adoration during day 7:00pm Service each evening

Please sign up to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament during the adoration times listed above. Sign-up sheets are in the back of Church. We need at least two adorers at all times while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar.

Parents of 7th & 8th Grade CCD Students

There is a **MANDATORY** Confirmation Parent meeting this Wednesday, September 3 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall for ALL 7th & 8th grade STC and CCD students. Please plan on attending even if you have not registered your child for CCD; we can complete registration that day as well. CCD sign ups will also continue after Mass on September 6 & 7. Registration forms for CCD are also available on parish website. Please contact Travis and Jessica Fitzgerald at conewagoccd@gmail.com for more details.

Visitors of the Homebound

Meeting will be held Thursday September 11 at 2:00pm at the home of Christine Reynold, 2691 Centennial Road, Hanover. All are welcome! If you know of anyone who is homebound, in a nursing home or in the hospital who would like a visit, please call 717-632-5717. We are also in need of volunteers for this group.

Parish Movie Night

Saturday September 13, 2025 at 7:00pm

At the Picnic Woods 3175 Centennial Road, Hanover

Vocation Ministry is organizing a movie night at the picnic woods. The movie is a documentary about Blessed Carlo Acutis— a 15 year old who died of leukemia and who will be canonized a saint soon. He promoted devotion to the Eucharist during his short life. May his saintly example inspire all of us. Please sign up in the vestibule if you plan to attend.

Honoring our Ancestors

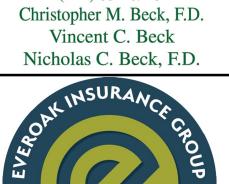
The gravestones of Fathers DeNeckere and Cattani have been in disrepair for some time now. We have now been able to arrange for new gravestones to mark the graves of these two great giants of our parish's legacy. Father Francis Xavier DeNeckere assisted the superior Fr. Enders for many years in the mid to late 1800s. He particularly attended the mission stations (now parishes) in Abbottstown, New Oxford and Littlestown. His reputation for sanctity and pastoral charity lasted long after his death. There are alumni of Sacred Heart School alive today who remember being told by the Sisters, "If you have a great need, go out to Fr. DeNeckere's grave and ask him for whatever you need and he will get it for you." One such 3rd grader tried it and it worked for him! Perhaps a little superstitious- or perhaps it's a matter of the saints looking out for us. After Fr. Ender's time here, Father J.B. Cattani became the superior here (ie. pastor and in charge of the other Jesuits living here). He was born in

Bavaria August 30, 1805 and died here at Conewago on this day - August 31- in 1865. We continue to remember and honor all those who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith, who built this beautiful community and who live on in eternal life. May we all be privileged enough to meet them some day in the next life. Amen.





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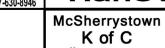
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