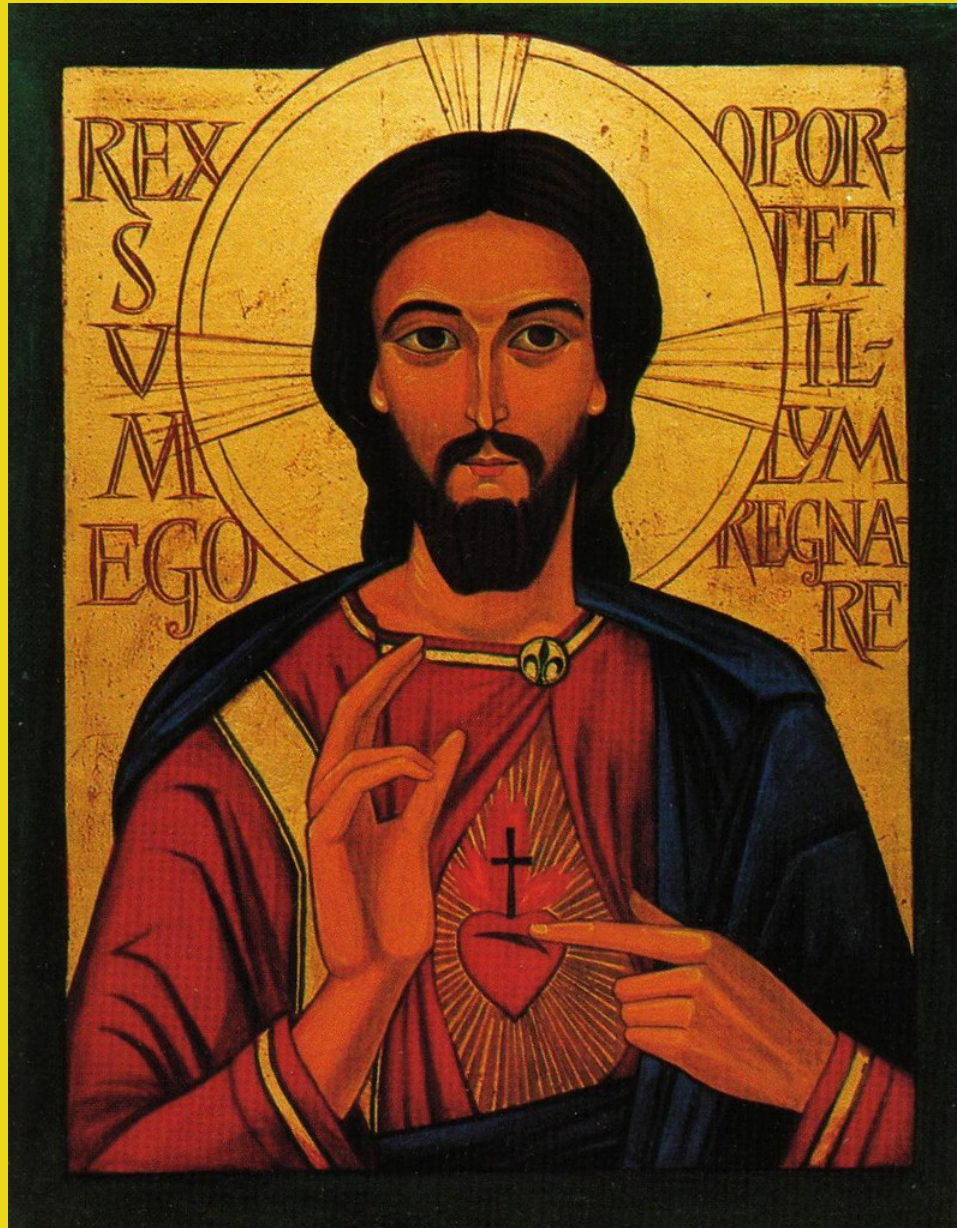




A Weekly Update from St. Cecilia Church  
Knowing, Loving & Serving Jesus  
In Fox Chase, Rockledge, Burholme and Beyond...



[June is the months of the Sacred Heart!](#) May he teach us all to love like he loves. Please visit our beautiful statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and entrust yourself to his care.

***O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I fly, I come to Thee, throwing myself into the arms of Thy tender mercy. Thou art my sure refuge, my unfailing and only hope. Thou has a remedy for all my evils, relief for all my miseries, reparation for all my faults, Thou canst supply for what is wanting in me in order to obtain fully the graces that I ask for myself and others. Thou art for me, and for us all, the infallible, inexhaustible source of light, of strength, of perseverance, peace and consolation. I am certain that my importunity will never weary Thee; certain, too, that Thou wilt never cease to aid, to protect, to love me, because Thy love for me, O Divine Heart, is infinite. Have mercy on me then, O***

*Heart of Jesus, and on all that I recommend to Thee, according to Thy own mercy, and do with us, for us, and in us, whatsoever Thou will, for we abandon ourselves to Thee with the full, entire confidence and conviction that Thou will never abandon us either in time or eternity. Amen.*

Watch a *Weekly Update Video* from Father Chris...



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**You Tube**  
CHANNEL

We have 868 Subscribers.

**We need 1000 in order to do live videos  
like Mass and Bible Study.**

Please visit our [Channel and SUBSCRIBE.](#)

***It costs nothing but will help many!***



Dear Friends in Christ,

Blessed Trinity Sunday! Praise God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit! We are blessed to worship a community of love and be drawn into that love. While the doctrine of the Trinity is a “mystery”, that does not mean we cannot understand it. Over time, with prayer, study and reflection, we can not only understand it but actually be blessed to live within their community of love.

Next weekend the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) and we will delight in this precious gift of our Lord. The feast is significant this year as we are in years of Eucharistic Renewal throughout the United States. In the weeks and months to come Fr. Phong and I will be offering many opportunities to reflect more on the precious gift of the Eucharist and what it means to have the Eucharist as the “source and summit” of our Catholic Faith.

Next weekend we will thank God for Fr. Lucas’ nine years of priestly ministry. Please join us at the 11am Mass and for a reception following in the Auditorium. Please RSVP for the Farewell Gathering by calling the Parish Office or using the link emailed in the Weekly Update. I am grateful to all who have volunteered to assist with the reception. Fr Lucas will love to his new assignment and Fr. Phong Le will arrive on Monday, June 19th.

*Father Chris*

ALSO....On June 24th the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia will host the BIGGEST baby shower in Philadelphia’s history. You can be a part of the excitement by bringing baby supplies (diapers, wipes, baby bottles, baby clothing and gift cards) to Church before June 18th (Father’s Day). Members of Humanitas will bring them to the Philadelphia March for Life that day (join us for Mass at the Cathedral at 8:30, March starts at 10:30; ends at Independence Hall with a Rally at Noon). When you bring items to the Church, please place them in front of the St. Joseph Altar in Church.



**Have you joined us for Adoration on Mondays?  
Jesus wants time with you.  
Join us from Noon to 7pm.  
Come for 10, 20 or 30 minutes. Maybe even an hour!  
Look at Him. Let Him look at you!**

**COME AND ADORE THIS SUNDAY NOON TO 5PM**



ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA  
*Eucharistic Congress*

“THE GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT:  
*This is My Body Given Up for You*”



**THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 | 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM  
654 FERRY ROAD, DOYLESTOWN, PA

PLAN NOW TO BE A PART OF THE EUCHRISTIC  
CONGRESS AS A FAMILY AND WITH FRIENDS.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- **Holy Mass** at 9:00 AM celebrated by Archbishop Pérez begins the day
- **Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament** at 4:00 PM concludes the day
- **Talks on the Mystery of the Eucharist** by compelling speakers
- Opportunities for **Adoration, Confession and other Devotions**
- **Special track of events** in Spanish and for the Youth



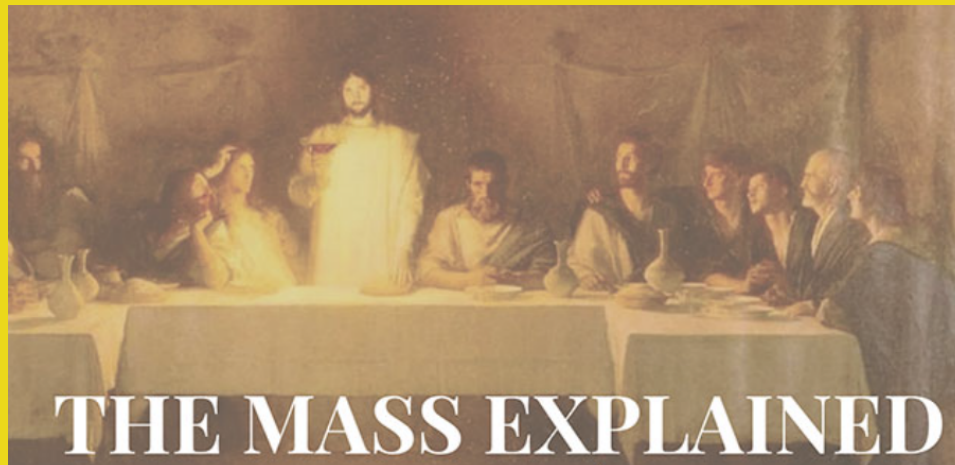
For additional information about the 2023 Eucharistic Congress and to register, please see: <https://www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/congress>.

Please bring your own lunch. Plenty of parking is available.

*Archdiocese of Philadelphia*  
*Eucharistic Revival*



**St. Cecilia will have a bus to and from this wonderful day at the Shrine. More information to come very soon but please save Saturday, September 30th on your calendar.**



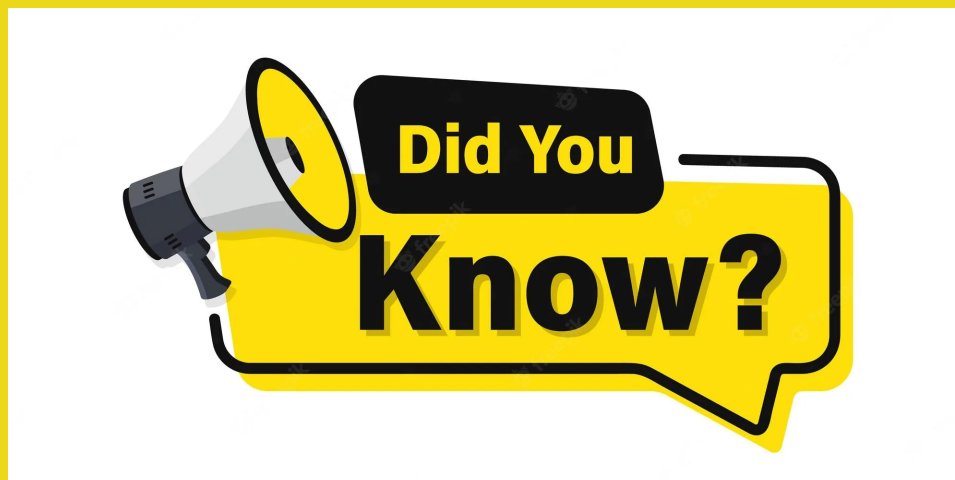
## THE MASS EXPLAINED

**Kyrie Eleison** is Greek for “Lord, have mercy.” After we confess our sins at the start of Mass, we then beg God for mercy. The opening scene of the 1963 film “Lord of the Flies” shows British prep school boys in uniform marching in formation on the beach of a South Pacific island as they

cheerfully sing their upbeat version of “Kyrie Eleison!” By the end of the movie, they are behaving like savages: no uniforms, no marching in formation, no singing, for their teachers had been killed in the plane crash and only the boys survived. The movie is a metaphor for the effects of Original sin, and what the human race would be like without our divine Savior. When we honestly come to grips with the reality of our situation – fallen human nature as a result of Original sin – how can we fail to cry out, “Lord, have mercy!” *This brief teaching is part of a series as we seek to grow in understanding the Mass throughout the Year of the Eucharist. Content is taken from Father Rocky at Relevant Radio.*



- Pope Francis' Intention for MAY: *For church movements and groups -*  
*Let us pray that ecclesial movements and groups may daily rediscover their evangelizing mission, placing their own charisms at the service of the world's needs.*
- For Christians being persecuted in China, Pakistan, Sudan, Nigeria and Syria.
- For priests and sisters who are being missioned to new places - including Fr. Lucas, Fr. Phong, Sr Carolyn, Sr Marita and Sr. Bernadette.
- For the soul of STANLEY CZAJKA who is being buried from St. Cecilia on Thursday at 10:30am
- For those who are sick - especially Anna, Mary, Bill, John and Mary
- For the safety of all who travel and who celebrate this weekend
- For God to use our parish to draw many souls to Him and to salvation



- The parish received a lovely thank you letter from Father Fisher, Pastor at **Our Mother of Consolation** (who suffered a fire in their school). He is grateful for your thoughtful generation!
- Our pro-life ministry **HUMANITAS** meets this Saturday, June 3rd at 9am in the Rectory. All are most welcome to join them in planning great things for the people of God!
- The LA Dodgers recently has a horribly anti-Catholic bigoted group honored at a game. Christians have spoken up in defense of our Lord and his Church. [Read about some of the story!](#)
- There are many wonderful opportunities to grow in your faith throughout the Archdiocese in the weeks to come [CHECK THEM OUT](#)
- **WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CHURCH BELLS?** We were informed that our bells were destroyed by an electrical surge (possibly lightning). We are in the process of purchasing a new set and getting them installed to serve our community. Thank you for your patience!
- How does a faithful Catholic navigate [Pride Month](#)?
- Through your generosity to our Social Ministry Fund (including the Poor Boxes and Candle donations) our Parish was able to assist a single mom pay her rent for the month of May (she missed work due to an illness). Thank you for being a blessing to our sisters and brothers!
- We are grateful to those who have inquired about supporting our school through the Tax Credit Scholarships (possible donations are now in excess of \$8,000). [Want to learn more \(if you are a business owner or have a personal tax liability to the State of PA](#) in excess of \$1,000), please contact [Father Chris](#).
- Fr. Chris and Fr. Lucas are available for [CONFESSION](#) on Monday (6pm to 7pm); Wednesday (7am to 8am) and Saturday (4pm to 4:50pm). Please make use of this wonderful Sacrament in order to grow as a Disciple of Jesus Christ.
- Did you read last Sunday's [Church Bulletin](#)? Be sure to take a minute to keep up on the great things happening at St. Cecilia
- You can name St Cecilia Parish or School in your will or planned giving? [Father Chris](#) is happy to introduce you to professionals who will assist you in making these planned gifts.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S  
CONFERENCE 2023



*Created for Love*

Daughter • Sister • Friend • Bride • Mother

*English Keynotes*



Sr. Mary Madeline Todd, OP  
Created for Love:  
Daughter, Sister, Friend, Bride, Mother



Sarah Swafford  
Our Mission of  
Spiritual Motherhood



Sr. Mary Peter, SOLT  
Creada para el amor:  
Hija, Hermana, Anija, Novia, Madre



Fr. Remigio Morales  
Hija:  
Construida sobre roca

*Spanish Keynotes*

*Opening Mass*



Archbishop  
Nelson J. Pérez  
Celebrant



Claudine Noel  
Daughterhood:  
Built Upon Rock



Mallory Smyth  
Reclaiming  
Friendship



Sisters of Life  
What It Means to  
Be a Sister



Bishop John J.  
McIntyre  
Presider

*Breakout Speakers*

Saturday, October 28, 2023  
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

National Shrine of  
Our Lady of Czestochowa  
654 Ferry Road  
Doylestown, PA

- \$60 general admission
- \$50 groups of 5+
- \$20 college students
- \$15 religious sisters

Registration includes light breakfast, lunch, hospitality bag and full-day conference access.

*Registration*



Register online:  
[catholicwomensconference.org](https://catholicwomensconference.org)  
Questions? Send us an email:  
[archphillycwc@gmail.com](mailto:archphillycwc@gmail.com)

[www.catholicwomensconference.org](https://www.catholicwomensconference.org)

Calling the women of our parish! Please consider joining us for the Annual Women's Conference on October 28th. Tickets sell fast so sign up NOW! St. Cecilia will be offering a bus to make travel easier and there are some scholarships available as well. Interested? Please email [Theresa Kuhar](mailto:Theresa.Kuhar@stcecilia.org)





As we prepare to bid farewell to Fr. Lucas, please make time to express thanks to him through a note or an email ([frlucas@stceciliafc.org](mailto:frlucas@stceciliafc.org)). Never under estimate the value of sharing with someone how they blessed your life: perhaps through his pastoral care at a time of illness, in confession, through a homily or some other way. Planning to be with us for his farewell gathering on June 11th (after the 11am Mass)? Please [SIGN UP HERE](#) or call the Parish Office and let us know so that we can plan well!

Please note that after June 19th Fr. Robert Lucas can be contacted at: St Frances de Sales Church 4625 Springfield Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143 (215) 222-5819. Please keep Fr. Lucas and all priests moving to a new assignment in your prayers. These times are not easy, but God's grace is amazing!



## SUMMER BOOK CLUB IS COMING SIGN UPS WILL START NEXT WEEK (really!!!)

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**Anointing of the Sick** If you are having surgery, or experiencing declining health, please ask Fr. Lucas or Fr. Chris for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick (before or after Mass). Allow the grace of God to bring you comfort, healing and the grace to be faithful in the midst of suffering.



**Blood Drive**  
**St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic Church**

Auditorium  
535 Rhawn Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19111

**Tuesday, July 11, 2023**  
**1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: st cecillas phila to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.  
If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.  
Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Come give 7/1 thru 7/11 for an exclusive Red Cross dry bag, while they last! See [rcblood.org/gifts](http://rcblood.org/gifts).



**Be part of something big. Make an appointment.**

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**WE NEED YOU!!!** As we continue to develop the experience of worshipping God each weekend, we need more help. In particular, we would like to add 15 more readers to our rotation so that each person only needs to proclaim



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*What a great way to wrap up the school  
year!!!!*



*St. Cecilia's Night at Citizens Bank  
Park !!!!*

**Friday June 9, 2023**  
**Phillies vs. Dodgers @7:05 pm**  
**\$17.00 per ticket/person**

**Link for purchase:** <https://scsfoxchase.org/phillies-tickets>

**Sections: 430 & 431**

**\*\* Tickets will be sent home with your children closer to  
the event\*\***



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# **Don't just invite people to church.**

Invite them to lunch.

Invite them to your table or patio.

Invite them into your life!

***Be there for them.***

**We—**

**not our building  
—are the church!**



***Humor...even in the Church bathroom!***