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Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Friday 8:00 pm to 12:00 pm Noon

Saturday: Confessions 2:30 - 3:30 Vigil Mass 4:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

Weekday Mass: 7:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday's after morning Mass to 4 pm LiveStream www.livestream.com/saintcornelius

Thoughts from the Second Floor Front IV Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

Today, in the liturgy of the Word, we hear from The Word. Jesus, the Word spoken by the Father for all time and peoples to hear, speaks of his sheep hearing his voice. The image of sheep may not fully register with us who live in a 21st century suburban setting. In the contemporary culture in which we live, which values individualism, activity and personal recognition, we may even resist the image in that sheep are often portrayed as simply one among many in a formless flock, characterized by passivity and anonymity.

The image of shepherd and sheep, despite our inability to fully identify with the analogy, does lead us to appreciate the meaning of the idea that Jesus is our shepherd and we are his sheep. Think of it as Jesus being our leader as well as the one who cares for us at the deepest possible level. He calls for us to be with Him, to be one with Him. That is the life that He wants for us. This means that we are to live in a way that is different from those who do not hear or recognize His voice. This is not about winning an argument or voicing an opinion. The world we live in is filled with people who are all too willing to argue or opine, and force that argument or opinion on us. The voice of the shepherd is calling us to live in a manner that demonstrates we live what we believe.

If we are able to respond to the voice we hear, if we are willing to capitalize on the Grace available to us and live courageously as his disciple, that Word and that Voice offer us something.

Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly. (John 10:9-10)

Jesus promises us security, freedom and life. The security is not meant in a worldly sense. As a matter of fact, those who embrace the Gospel fully often become a threat to those around them, making others conscious of how they should be living thus making their own life precarious. Read a life of the martyrs for a demonstration of that. If we embrace the gospel fully we enjoy freedom. Freedom is not to be equated with licentiousness as so much of our culture would embrace. It is freedom to become the person most like the Lord himself. It was St. Athanasius who said of the Incarnation: God became man so that man might become a God. We are called to bring the love of God to others.

The final and greatest gift is life. This is set forth by the evangelist in the prologue of his gospel. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it (John1:3-5). That is what we celebrate in this wonderful season of Easter. The gift that is Jesus and the gift of Life. We may not be able to knead words into a poem like Seamus Heaney Dickinson. We are able to listen to the voice of the Word and allow Him to fashion us into someone worthy of the life He offers us.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond



Hope and Care for Retired Priests

When you give to the Catholic Charities Appeal, you help to honor, care, and support the 121 elderly priests who have dedicated their lives in faithful service to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.



"Thank you to all of those who donate to the Catholic Charities Appeal. Because of your dollars, the Archdiocese can provide for the less fortunate. The Catholic Charities Appeal is a way for every person to connect with the work of the church and to live out their faith by helping those in need."

Most Reverend Edward D. Deliman,
 Retired Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia

CCA Night with the Phillies!

Come out and join the CCA for a night filled with fun, family, and baseball as our National League Champions take on the Chicago Cubs! CCA Night with the Phillies will be on **Friday**, **May** 19th, at Citizens Bank Park! If the CCA



sells 500 tickets, Jay from The Communities of Don Guanella and Divine Providence Village will throw out the first pitch of the game, and the choir from Cardinal O'Hara High School will sing the national anthem. Please consider purchasing tickets today to help us reach our goal of 500 tickets! A portion of all tickets sold will go directly to CCA beneficiaries. Go to:

https://www.phillies.com/catholiccharitiesnight

to purchase tickets today! If you want to show your support but can't make it to the game, consider giving back and donating tickets to CCA beneficiaries. Contact CCA@TheCFGP.org for more information.



Coffee

The St. Cornelius Council of the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a coffee reception in the Holy Family



Portico after the 11:00 Mass on **Sunday, May** 7 Nick Cappelli of Pronto Catering is again supplying us with the caffeine, cocoa and tea. This month our lectors (readers for Mass) will be providing baked goods to share with all our parishioners.

Please join us after Mass with your fellow parishioners.

See you there!!



Helping Hands and Hearts

This ministry offers temporary help (meals, errands, etc.) to individuals and families in need! If you are aware of someone in need or would like to be a volunteer helper, please contact Marilyn Gustin at mgustin05@gmail.com (484) 732-8842.



"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Let the light of your marriage sacrament shine for all. Make your light bright by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience at the Sheraton Great Valley, Frazer, PA.

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- Anytime is the perfect time to romance your spouse.
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- Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at:

website at wwme-philly.org

Or call (610) 449-1859 for more information.





!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!

American Red Cross Blood Drive St. Cornelius!

Thursday, May 25, 2023 2PM to 7PM - Parish Life Center

Registration opportunity: May 6th & 7th after all Masses!

Or register at redcrossblood.org using St. Cornelius as the sponsor code or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733 -2767) Call Marilyn at 484-732-8842 leaving your name and phone number with any questions.

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds. Blood cannot be manufactured. It can only come from generous donors like YOU.

Be that Good Samaritan! Be a donor on May 25th !!!

Eligibility questions?

Call the Red Cross Donor Center @ 1-866-236-3276

Matthew XXV Garden





Garden cleanup was a success! Our next event is scheduled for **April 30th at 3 pm**. We will be spreading compost, rototilling, laying weed cover, edging the rows and replacing water lines. Continuing our readiness for planting in Mid-May (date TBD). If you have stopped by the greenhouse you can see we have plenty to plant. Our seedlings have taken off and are looking very healthy. Many thanks to the PREP Students. We are currently looking for newspapers (black and white only, no color print) to use for ground cover/weed control. We have a bin in the garden area to collect newspapers. We will be locating another bin in the narthex soon.

We can use all the help we can get. After planting in May we will have the routines of watering, weeding, staking, and eventually harvesting. If you would like to be included in the garden sign-up genius please email joburns66@gmail.com. Otherwise look for updates in the Bulletin and via Monsignor Diamond's Thursday email.

Children working on volunteer projects / hours are welcome.

Want to get involved, but not sure how? Click on the QR code to go to our site and sign up for either planting or grass cutting.





In our charity, let us pray for the repose of the soul of

Raymond Ramunno

Husband of Lorraine Ramunno Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord. May he rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS First Holy Communion!



Please join us in extending congratulations and prayers for the following members of the St. Cornelius Parish Community who are making their First Holy Communion today.

Emily Abbott
Jack Ashenfelter
Violet Badeau
Brayden Bienick
Kayleigh Bohinick
Lucas Carriel
Gemma DelGrosso
Adriana Furman
Marcos Garzaron
Julius Guarino
Kelsey Hanigan
Lena Harrison

Emily Lalli
Sadie Lambert
Asher Maas
Vincenzo Manley
Cecilia Mattock
Hannah Rinaldi
Hudson Shea
Olivia Smialowicz
Conor Sullivan
William Thomas
Talia Williams
Francesca Zazzera

Many thanks to their parents and teachers who worked so closely with these children to grow in their faith and prepare them for this special sacrament.

Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church.

Join us for Adoration on Friday mornings after Mass. You are welcome to visit anytime during the day until we repose the Blessed Sacrament at 4:00 PM.

If a funeral is scheduled for a Friday, there will be NO exposition.





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Fourth Sunday of Easter



The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, *ENJOY*; but remember *YOUR* church.

April 23, 2023

WeShare eGiving Envelope Offering \$6,241.50 \$10,154.50 \$16,396.00



"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

Luke 12:34

St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

Saint Cornelius Early Learning Center Job Opportunity

Assistant Teacher

Saint Cornelius Early Learning Center is now accepting applications for part time assistant teachers for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. We are looking for candidates, who are enthusiastic, energetic, and flexible. We are looking to hire individuals who are available Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. Hours can be made flexible.

For more information about the position and necessary qualifications, please contact: Abigail McCusker at akohlbrenner@scornelius.org or call 610-459-8663

Let us pray for our Men and Women serving in the Armed Forces. Especially for:

SSG Ana Brunal SPC Mike Canfield Cpl Michael Castle Lt. Connor Cleary Fr. Joseph Coffey (Chaplain) Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr. Capt Joshua deFreitas SSGT Michael DiVernieri Cadet Emily Fanning Ens Ryan Gallagher Sgt Eric Gardner Capt Matthew Gibbons **Ens Patrick Gibbons** Ens John Paul Gibbons Maj Rachel Gonzalez SPC Logan Hannum Sgt Andrew Hart Devin J. Hunt PO1 Nathan R. Keller Lt Lauren Kinnee Capt Daniel Kohli Capt Chris Love Capt Megan Love

Sgt Jason Lyons 2nd Lt. Kevin Malone Sgt Alexander Marlow Pfc Zachary Marlow LT. Cmdr Daniel McCadden CSM Sean McGlensey Capt Jonathan McGrath LT Molly K. McGuckin LCDR Ryan A. McGuckin Cpt Sean P. Noll Lt. Col Brian J. O'Shea Lt. Cmdr Inga O'Shea Maj James O'Shea PFC L Roland Capt. Neal F. Schubert HM3 Charles Schwartz Ens Nicholas Spadaccini MSG Thomas Stone Cpl Mark Truex Lt. Christopher Vish 1st Lt Aidan Walsh

Capt Jennifer Wynn

Sunday May 7 12:00 Noon

Join our Parish Pro-Life Group in the church on Sunday, May 7, at noon, as we pray a Rosary and the Litany of Loreto for the unborn and an end to abortion. It is a perfect way to perform a spiritual work of mercy for the most vulnerable.

This event is usually scheduled every 3rd Sunday, however, this month we have a scheduling conflict.



YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

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In a world that can be void of meaning and leave young adults restless and dissatisfied, Young Catholic Professionals Philadelphia brings together young professionals in their 20s and 30s into a community of belonging, support, and encouragement at all stages of your faith journey. Young Catholic Professionals empowers and equips you to live your Catholic faith through everyday work and to perform all work with excellence for the glory of God.

Our patron saint is Saint Joseph the Worker. Our mission calls upon the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker, a simple carpenter who reminds us of the importance of stillness, reflection, and prayer.

Young Catholic Professionals mission is to challenge, train, and inspire young adults working in various professional careers to work in witness for Christ. For more information go to our local Philadelphia website at

www.ycpphiladelphia.org/cpages/home



We are happy to announce there is a new, easy way to help support St. Cornelius Early Learning Center! The new and improved app uses technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. 1.To participate in the new digital program simply, download and use the Box Tops App! 2.Find St. Cornelius and connect your box tops app to our school. 3.Start scanning your paper or digital receipts and earn money for our school





St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

Explosive Volcanic Learnings in the ELC!

The children LOVED our volcano science lesson this week. The children learned that a volcano is a mountain or hill with an opening. When a volcano erupts, magma is pushed up through the opening with great

force. When magma reaches the Earth's surface, it is called lava. We made a volcano that erupted in class, the children's reactions were priceless!













"Help provide home cooked meals to neighbors in need! Caring for Friends (formerly Aid for Friends) is collecting frozen meals and soups for homebound seniors and food insecure individuals. Meal trays and soup containers can be found in the utility closet on the right of the side door of the narthex. Consider putting aside an extra dinner or soup portion, freeze it and then bring it to the freezer also located in the utility closet. PLEASE sign the meals and soup in on the list attached to the shelves next to the freezer. The food is distributed all over the Greater Philadelphia Area. This effort is on-going at our parish. We invite you to contribute what you can." If you have questions, please contact Nancy Todor 609-234-119

Holy Hour - Join Us!

Monday, May 1, 8:00 am

After the 7:30 Mass, the Pro-Life Group is hosting a Holy Hour. We will pray a rosary for the unborn, and an end to abortion. We will also pray the Miraculous Medal Novena for the unborn. There will be time for silent prayer. The hour will close at approximately 9:00 am.



Look for this event monthly on the first Monday of the month.



A Good Neighbor to the Homeless Opportunity to help a homeless family!

Saint Cornelius has four families who are serving as a support team for a local family experiencing homelessness. They have received training with Bridge of Hope and have been assigned a family to serve as good neighbors. Bridge of Hope provides case management for the vulnerable family and guidance for the volunteers, who meet with the family regularly.

Our family had a new addition in January! We continue to deliver meals to the tired mom and to search for needed baby items for the family. We received a donation of a requested double baby stroller from one of our parishioners . Thank you so much - our family is so grateful and appreciative!!

For more information email colleenmz@hotmail.com or call 610-361-9412.

Please keep our family in your prayers.

CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) recently urged Congressional lawmakers to increase funding for international humanitarian aid and development assistance in the 2024 foreign aid appropriations, citing the devastating impacts of climate change on the world's most vulnerable families. "We witness the devastation of drought and desertification, flooding and cyclones, and food insecurity and famine," the testimony stated. "We urgently take up the Pope's call to combat climate change and ensure food security for all."

CRS serves over 250 million people in more than 100 countries. According to CRS' testimony, farmers around the world are seeing their livelihoods depleted by record temperatures, high variability of rainfall, and more fre-

quent and intense weather events. "Overwhelmingly, those most impacted are the world's poorest and already most vulnerable communities, who have contributed the least to climate change," the testimony stated. Please visit www.crs.org for more infor-



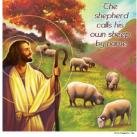
mation and to see how you can help!



The Faith Community Nurse Holistic Health Ministry

On request, Faith Community Nurses are making home visits to families who may be experiencing medical or social difficulties. The nurses confidentially address the needs holistically through bringing with them prayers from the parish, a knowledge of the medical field and process for providing support. If you know of anyone in the parish or beyond who would from these services, please stcfcn@gmail.com. Contact person is Joan Holliday, RN/FCN at (610) 717-2180.

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023



He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, So that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

— 1 Peter 2:24a

Updating Our Prayer List

We are attempting to update our prayer list as it has grown over the years. If you know of a loved one listed whom you feel has been helped by our prayers and are now recovered, please email the office at stcorn1@comcast.net so we can remove their

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

Fr. Locke, Jeff Behm, Mary Harmes, Mary Helen Arthur, Charles Foster, Anne Spetzer, Pete Petroll, Ginger Casey, Deacon Richard Wirth, Lawrence Ramunno, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Matthew Hess, Bryan Thompson, Cindy Ficca, Carol McKnight, Paul Lucas, Carla Santoleri, Richard Meccarrielli, Edward Field, Judy Field, Joyce Monaco, Matthew Hurst, Leonard Smith, Jr., Jim Waters, Kathie Buckley, Bernice & Arthur Hindle, Sean Mulvey, George Butler, Margaret Butler, Patricia Wells, Kathy Williams, Michael Gibbons, William Grant, Shirley Masse, Ellen Brisgone, Laura O'Brien-Black, Elizabeth Kephart, Tina Landis, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Michelle Dillione, Chris Roe, Frank Kuders, Kylee Dougherty, Dave and Ronnie Pryce, Rosemary Brennan, Ellie May McGrath, Vicki Wojdak, Deacon Clem McGovern, Andrea Bateman, Brandon Heacock, Brittany Lott, Nancy Young, Peyton Lott, Billy Lott, Nanci Ehmer, Peggy Peters, Paul McEneaney, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Connie Carney, Luke Post, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard, Mary Rose Salisbury, Margery Butler, Charlotte Kensicki, Jim Barr, Jerome Lichard, Lisa Winkleblech, Aaron Winkleblech, Patricia Butler



The Ministry of Consolation

A St. Cornelius community response to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person/persons in their lives, the ministry honors the words and example of the Lord Jesus:

"Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled" (Matthew 5:4).

A team of four St. Cornelius church members have been trained to set up and facilitate a Support Group for the Consolation Ministry.

On May 20, 2023, the Consolation Group will meet at the Parish Life Center, Fr. Simon Room from 2:30pm to 3:30pm.

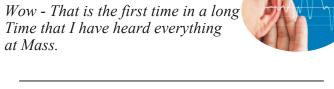
> Contact Joan Holliday for any questions dochollisv@aol.com or call (610) 717-2180.

Assisted Hearing Devices

We have 4 assisted hearing devices, which connect directly to the sound system that are available for use at each Mass. They are located on the table by the Sacristy entrance.

Easy to operate: put 2 batteries in and you are good to HEAR!

Comments from satisfied users: Time that I have heard everything



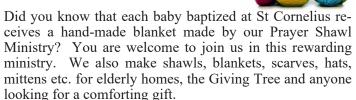


Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1047** people who receive his email each Thursday afternoon. If you would like to be on our distribution list, please call the office at (610) 459-2502 or send your request to be added to our distribution at

Stcorn1@comcast.net.

Prayer Shawl Ministry.. Come, Join US!

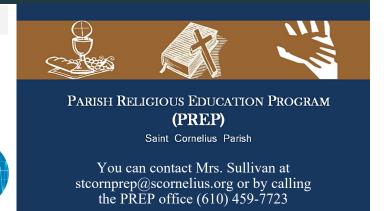


Every 4th Monday of each month 1:30pm to 3:00pm

We find ourselves in need of white acrylic yarn or funding to help continue this wonderful ministry. Please prayerfully consider donating to our ministry or purchasing a "Pound of Love" or "Caron Pound" of white acrylic yarn. We have a basket set up in the narthax, below the large TV monitor, to offer our works and for your donations. Also, you are welcome to drop off any yarn donations to the Parish Life Center. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Shawls and blankets are available in the Bethany Room. If you have any questions, please contact

> Mary Jo Shell, (610) 361-8198 or Joanne Fonash, (610) 299-9694



PREP

Please join us in congratulating the students in our Sunday PREP program who will be receiving First Holy Communion this week. What a special time for our parish!

We look forward to seeing our Sunday program students in the classroom at 10.

Our PREP program for this year will be closing out their year with our final class on May 7th at 10 and mass at 9 on May 14th. We hope to see families from all of our programs join us and invite our First Communicants and Newly Confirmed to come dressed for the celebration.

We are currently looking for teachers for our Sunday program for next school year. If you are interested in sharing your faith with the youth of our community, please reach out to Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org.

If you have not yet registered for our upcoming program 2023-24 year our offerings are:

- June 26-30th Summer Session is FULL.
- July 10-14 8:30-2:30 Summer PREP session with follow ups throughout the year. This program is open to students in grades 3-7 including Confirmation preparation. Our Confirmation class is FULL
- Our Sunday program, which meets each Sunday from 10 -11 from September - May is open to students in grades 1 - 7, including sacramental preparation.

Our registration forms are available on the PREP page of the St. Cornelius Website, in the Parish Life Center upon request, or by contacting Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scorneius.org.

YOUTH GROUP

There are several opportunities for our youth group to get involved with the garden. Please check your email or our webpage to sign up.

If you have suggestions of other activities for our program, please contact Julie Sullivan at stocornprep@scornelius.org.



Children's Liturgy of the Word:

We invite the children in our parish ages 3-7 to join us in the chapel for the Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 am Mass. All are welcome!

If you are interested in helping out with our Children's liturgy of the Word during the 23-24 year, please contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

April 30, 2023

While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

2023 marks the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Prayer for Vocations

O God, Father of all Mercies, Provider of a bountiful Harvest,

send Your Graces upon those You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor; preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of you.

Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your Holy Will; inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in



the name of Your son, Jesus Christ.

Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life guided by Your Divine Word and Truth. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sunday Mass Intentions

7:30 AM Rita Healy
9:00 AM Eileen Murray
11:00 AM Wesley Harper
4:00 PM Brendan Patrick Daly

Weekly Mass Schedule (Week of May 1 - May 5)

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)

Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

> Monday 7:30 AM St. Joseph the Worker

Intention: Alex & Jennie Palovitch Reading: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;

Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday 7:30 AM St. Athanasius, Bishop

Intention: Andrew Miller

Reading: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday 7:30 AM Ss. Philip and James, Apostles

Intention: Alicia Carrero

Reading: Acts 12:24 - 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday 7:30 AM National Day of Prayer

Intention: Joseph & Nancy Yankoski

Reading: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;

Jn 13:16-20

Friday 7:30 AM Cinco de Mayo

Intention: Joseph Banduniak

Reading: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

TABERNACLE CANDLES

In loving memory of Joseph & Nancy Yankoski Req. by the family

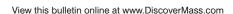
PILGRIM STATUE

04 - 30 - 2023 Shirley Snyder 05 - 07 - 2023 Kathy Howley 05 - 14 - 2023 Mary Chuchma

05 - 14 - 2023 Mary Chuchman

The sign up sheet for 2023 is available.

Call Carla Santoleri at (610) 361-8447 for more information.



THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Em-That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

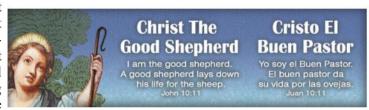
The fact that many monastic churches do not have a prominent tabernacle shapes the patterns of liturgical prayer. Monastic communities often protect the ancient value of "receiving from the same sacrifice," meaning that the communicants are assured that what they eat and drink in the Holy Mysteries actually comes from the same celebration. It surprises many to learn that the Church does not foresee, nor does it provide for, Communion of the faithful from the reserved Sacrament. Liturgical laws have long defended your right to receive from the same sacrifice, the

same Mass, that you attend.

At one time, of course, the bread for the Eucharist psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The was the ordinary bread of the day, except unleavened, probably prepared at home. It was broken and distributed to the faithful. Early on the loaf itself was referred to as the *hostia* staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this in Latin, meaning the "sacrifice," the same word for the sacrificial animal in Jewish worship, and for Jesus as the maus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Lamb of God. By giving his life on the cross, Jesus became Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by the hostia for us. To this day in the Greek Church, one of name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. the tasks of the priest's wife is to bake the bread for the Divine Liturgy, sometimes in a bakery oven dedicated to that purpose and called a "Bethlehem."

> Today's familiar individual hosts first appeared in the eleventh century at about the time when tabernacles were coming into use. The turn away from "bready" bread allowed the hosts to be reserved since they did not spoil like regular bread, and made the annual "Easter duty" counts easier.

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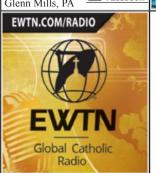
















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Monsignor Diamond's 40 Year Ordination Anniversary Sacrament of Holy Orders Commemoration May 21, 2023

"God didn't call me to be successful, He called me to be faithful"
-St. Mother Teresa

Fellow Parishioners,

On May 21, 1983, our Pastor – Reverend Monsignor David Diamond – faithfully answered God's call to the Priesthood in the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

St. Frances De Sales once observed that there is nothing small in the service of God. Over the past 40 years, Monsignor Diamond has humbly dedicated himself to embracing each call to serve our Lord by His grace, both in and through his vocation.

Please join us at Mass on the weekend of May 21st, as we commemorate the 40th anniversary of our Pastor's Ordination to the Priesthood. Immediately after the Vigil and all Sunday Masses, there will be opportunity to greet our pastor Msgr. Diamond and share in refreshments, as he continues to serve the Lord through his pastoral ministry at St. Cornelius.

As we commemorate our Pastor's 40th Anniversary of Ordination, our Parish is also opening opportunities to participate in donations which will help meet a vital parish need. The parish vestments worn by the assigned and visiting Priests and Deacons in service of our parish have deteriorated after decades of use.

Vestments that are replaced will continue to be kept in the service of our parish. Among the many ways to contribute, for example, parishioners will have opportunities to have embroidered labels sewn into vestments, as a lasting tribute or memorial to a loved one. Our parish will provide further information soon.

We thank our Lord Jesus for Monsignor Diamond's faithful service to God and His people. It is our honor and joy to help celebrate this milestone with him. We continue to look for his help as we Go Forth – to deepen our friendship with Jesus and grow in our mission to bring Jesus to others!

Sincerely,

ST CORNELIUS CHURCH

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