

# St. Cornelius Parish

SUNDAY BULLETIN

September 17, 2023



How often must I forgive? As many as seven times?"  
Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.

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## St. Cornelius Parish Office Hours

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](http://www.livestream.com/saintcornelius)

## Thoughts from the Second Floor Front XXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2023

*Wrath and anger are hateful thing,  
Yet the sinner hugs them tight.*

Sirach 27: 30

Old Sirach certainly knew human nature. Recently, I was listening to a lecture by Thomas Merton in a series of talks given to cloistered religious women at Gethsemane in the late 1960's. Merton told a story to illustrate the need for forgiveness and detachment. Two Zen monks were on a journey keeping silent as is their custom. As they walked on in silence, they came upon a beautiful young woman sitting by a riverbank. She called to them and asked them to help her cross the river as she was frightened to go in alone. One of the monks picked her up and carried her across the river to the other side. After putting her down, the two continued on their journey, again in silence. They had walked for a few miles when one monk turned to the other and said: "You should not have touched that young woman." The other monk, the one who carried the young woman said in surprise: "Are you still carrying her? I put her down a few miles back."

Holding onto resentment, hatred or the belief that you have somehow been slighted seems only to bring a unique kind of burden to those who cannot forgive another. Not surprisingly, this most often happens with family members. The community that constituted Matthew's church was certainly a very small group. They were living in an environment that was, in many ways, openly hostile to their very existence through persecutions by both Roman and Jewish authorities. Villages and cities in the ancient world were very small affairs. They were no longer as closely attached to the Jewish traditions and practices and certainly not engaging in the pagan practices of their Roman neighbors. The early Christians would have been known in their communities simply because they were so different from others. Eventually they would be expelled from the synagogues in the year 90 A.D. with the endorsement of the Eighteen Curses and Benediction issued by the Council of Jamnia. The behavior of Christians would have given evidence of who they are - not unlike a family in a small town known for the loud arguments that take place in their home. Christians would be known, not for arguing, but for acceptance and forgiveness.

The issue of forgiveness becomes even more critical when Peter attempts to put a limit on the number of times one forgives another. Commentary on this passage helps us understand the enormity of the challenge to forgive and the importance of forgiving others. Matthew writes that the wicked servant owed ...*a huge amount*. A literal translation is ...*ten thousand talents*. A talent was a unit of coinage of high but varying value depending on its metal (copper, silver or gold). When the same wicked servant claims that *I will pay you back in full*, he is making an empty promise because the debt is too colossal. The other servant we read *owed a much smaller amount*, literally *a hundred denarii*. A denarius was the ordinary daily wage of a day laborer. The difference between the two debts is enormous and brings out the absurdity of the conduct of the Christian who has received the great forgiveness of God and yet refuses to forgive the relatively minor offenses done to him.

Our Holy Father speaks of forgiveness and mercy with great regularity, in homilies, the Angelus address on Sundays and his writings. One of my favorites quotes is this: *The Lord never tires of forgiving. It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness*. May we receive God's mercy and more importantly not only be recipients of God's mercy but vessels of that mercy towards others.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond

## 40 HOURS DEVOTION

The Forty Hours Devotion is a special forty-hour period of continuous prayer made before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition. Of course, the focus of this devotion is on the Holy Eucharist.

*"I myself am the living bread come down from Heaven. If anyone eats this bread, He shall live forever; the bread I will give is my flesh for the life of the world"*

(John 6:51).

The number forty has always signified a sacred period of time: the rains during the time of Noah lasted 40 days and nights; the Jews wandered through the desert for 40 years, our Lord fasted and prayed for 40 days before beginning His public ministry. The 40 Hours Devotion remembers that traditional "forty-hour period" from our Lord's burial until the resurrection. Actually in the Middle Ages, the Blessed Sacrament was transferred to the repository, "the Easter Sepulcher," for this period of time to signify our Lord's time in the tomb.

The Forty Hours Devotion can be seen almost like a parish mini-retreat or mission. This year **Fr. Joseph Morrissey, OSFS**, has agreed to be our homilist and celebrant and he will lead us in three evenings of prayer and reflection.



40 Hours Devotion  
September 17 - 19  
12:00 pm Sunday

Each evening, at 7pm,  
there will be evening  
prayer, a homily, and  
benediction

### Sunday, September 17

11:00 AM Mass	Exposition at the close of Mass
12 noon	Rosary
3:45 PM	Repose Blessed Sacrament for 4 PM Mass
4:00 PM Mass	Exposition at the close of Mass
7:00 PM	Evening Prayer / Homily / Benediction
	Repose Blessed Sacrament

### Monday, September 18

7:30 AM Mass	Exposition at the close of Mass
8:00 AM	Rosary
7:00 PM	Evening Prayer / Homily / Benediction
	Repose Blessed Sacrament

### Tuesday, September 19

7:30 AM Mass	Exposition at the close of Mass
8:00 AM	Rosary
7:00 PM	Evening Prayer / Homily / Benediction
	Conclusion
	Repose Blessed Sacrament

## — BIBLE STUDY —

We are beginning our fall Bible Study once again with Monsignor Diamond. All women and men are invited to join us each **Thursday morning from 9:00 to 10:30 am.**, beginning **September 14, in the PLC.**

The goal of this Scripture study will be to broaden our knowledge of Scripture, our church's teaching regarding the Scriptures, and how It can enhance our understanding and personal faith life.



If you have questions, please call  
Nancy Todor - cell 609-234-1193.



## walking with purpose

The fall 2023 Walking with Purpose ("WWP") Bible study will be returning soon, and all women are welcome! Our next study titled "**Beholding His Glory**" will explore Scriptures from the Old Testament pointing us to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. We will meet for nine weeks, in the Parish Life Center, starting **Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>** continuing through **Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>**. Morning and evening times are available.

For more information or to sign-up now, please contact one of the WWP Parish Coordinators for your preferred time:

*Tuesday Mornings 10:00 am-12:00 pm-* Agnes Arkus,  
[agnes324@verizon.net](mailto:agnes324@verizon.net) (302) 290-3486

*Tuesday Evenings 7:00 pm -8:30 pm-* Beth Baldo,  
[baldobetha@gmail.com](mailto:baldobetha@gmail.com) (845) 558-7089

The study guide can be ordered at a cost of approximately \$30 from [walkingwithpurpose.com](http://walkingwithpurpose.com)

Our last WWP Bible study had over 40 women that attended. Feedback from the annual participants survey was extremely positive, summarized below:

- 100% say they would recommend WWP to a friend
- 96% say their relationship with Christ is stronger
- 88% of women say their Catholic Faith is now stronger
- 85% say their prayer life has improved

You may also find more information about WWP on the St. Cornelius parish website at

<https://saintcornelius.org/walking-with-purpose>





## 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.*

*N.B.: Adoration will be suspended from Memorial Day to Labor Day and resume on September 8th.*



## RCIA

Meet and Greet

Thursday, September 21, 7:00 PM

Please help us pray for and extend an invitation to all of those whom God is calling into the Catholic Church.

- Are you married to a Catholic?
- Are you a Catholic who has not received the Sacraments?
- Are you someone seeking a spiritual home?

We will be hosting a meeting for all of those who are interested in looking into the Catholic faith or Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

This year I invite any and all members of the parish to consider joining the group as a means of Adult Education and ongoing Faith Formation. The sessions follow the United States Catholic Catechism. We usually meet on a Thursday evening in the Fr. Simon Room. They last for about an hour. There are no tests. The only books you will need are the Catechism and a Bible. Even if you do not believe you can commit to each week, please consider joining when you can.

We will have a Meet & Greet on **Thursday, September 21 at 7:00 PM** in the **Fr. Simon room in the PLC**. Please consider joining us that evening.

Please contact the office at (610) 459-2502 to express your interest and be added to the distribution list.



## Join us for our Fall Program!

This Spring we gathered for our weekly TMIY meeting. We come together each Wednesday morning at 6:00 am for coffee, light fare, fellowship, and program set-up. Promptly at 6:15 am we will begin our program with a video followed by discussion and sharing. The group then closes around 7:20 am in time for daily Mass at 7:30 am.

This year's theme: **"All Things New"**.

If you were not able to participate in the Spring program, no worry, the program is designed to jump in when you can. The Fall 2023 schedule for our TMIY group can be found at

[www.saintcornelius.org/that-man-is-you](http://www.saintcornelius.org/that-man-is-you).

Our first gathering was last week, September 13th, 2023, but you are welcome to join us any Wednesday. Each day is independent so you can jump in when you are able.

Weekly emails are sent out to participants as a reminder of our meeting and the topic for that Wednesday.

Scan the QR code to the right and join us!

All men are welcome to join this enriching experience of faith and fellowship.



## Enthronement Weekend October 7 & 8

Devotion to the Heart of Jesus has existed throughout much of the history of the Church, however in France in June of 1675, Jesus instructed Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque that He wished devotion to His **Sacred Heart** be made known to the world. He gave her Twelve Great Promises for those devoted to His Sacred Heart. One of those promises



is, **"I will bless the homes in which an image of My Heart is exposed and honored"**. It is this promise that forms the basis of the parish's Enthronement Weekend. At all of the Masses on October 7 & 8, Enthronement Packets will be distributed, which will include beautiful images of Jesus and Mary. You are encouraged to have the images framed and then gather as a family to put the images in a place of honor while saying prayers to enthrone the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the home and consecrate your family to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This is a simple, yet very powerful way to obtain blessings and graces for your families. This was first done in our parish in September of 2003. This is an opportunity for family renewal.



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.

**September 10, 2023**

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\$17,908.00



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

Luke 12:34



*"Just so, your light must shine  
before others, that they may  
see your good deeds and glo-  
rify 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 Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA.

Oct 6-8 • Nov 10-12

- ◆ Anytime is the perfect time to romance your spouse.
- ◆ Worldwide Marriage Encounter puts the spark back in your marriage.
- ◆ Get off the treadmill of life and focus on each other.
- ◆ Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on
- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at:

website at [wwwme-philly.org](http://wwwme-philly.org)

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

*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  
SSG. 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  
Maj. Sean P. Noll  
Lt. Col Brian J. O'Shea  
Lt. Cmdr Inga O'Shea  
Maj James O'Shea  
PFC L Roland  
LTJG Christian Samulewicz  
2nd LT Olivia Samulewicz  
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



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

**Susan Reagoso**

*Long time member of the parish  
and friend to many*

Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord.  
May she rest in peace.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

American Red Cross Blood Drive  
St. Cornelius!!

Thursday – October 12, 2023  
1:00PM to 6:00PM

**Registration: Sept. 16th & 17th after all Masses!**

OR....Register at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) using St. Cornelius as the sponsor code or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) Call Marilyn at 484-947-7295 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 October 12th!**

Eligibility questions?

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



**Caring  
for Friends™**

"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





## St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

Our school year is in full swing! We love playing inside in our playrooms when it is raining or too hot, but we absolutely love running and playing in our playgrounds even more! This is the time where we can run, jump, climb, swing, slide, but mostly we just love being with our friends!



## The St. Cornelius Literary Society

When Carolyn Weber set out to study Romantic literature at Oxford University, she didn't give much thought to God or spiritual matters - but over the course of her studies she encountered the Jesus of the Bible and her world turned upside down. Surprised by Oxford chronicles her conversion experience with wit, humor, and insight into how becoming a Christian changed her.

Carolyn Weber arrives at Oxford a feminist from a loving but broken family, suspicious of men and intellectually hostile to all things religious. As she grapples with her God-shaped void alongside the friends, classmates, and professors she meets, she tackles big questions in search of truth, love, and a life that matters.

From issues of fatherhood, feminism, doubt, doctrine, and love, Weber explores the intricacies of coming to faith with an aching honesty and insight echoing that of the poets and writers she studied. Surprised by Oxford is:

The witty memoir of a skeptical agnostic who comes to a dynamic personal faith in God. Rich with illustration and literary references, gritty, humorous, and spiritually perceptive.

Weber eloquently describes a journey many of us have embarked upon, grappling with tough questions and doubts about the meaning of faith—and ultimately finding it in the most unlikely of places.

Barnesandnoble.com



### 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](mailto:colleenmz@hotmail.com) or call 610-361-9412.

Please keep our family in your prayers.

## CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

To an outsider, an orphanage is a last resort. But that's not always true. 80% to 90% of kids living in orphanages have a living parent who would like to take care of them but often can't because they're too poor. At the age of 5, Stephen Ucembe lost his mother to violence. He also lost his sense of a home when he was sent to stay in an orphanage in Kenya. Stephen and two of his siblings lived in the orphanage despite the fact their father was still alive in another part of the country. Stephen's father visited him once in the institution. The next time he heard about him, his father was dead.

Stephen founded the *Kenya Society of Care Leavers* in 2009. He says people in their late teens and early 20s leaving institutional care did not have a strong voice or platform to express themselves. He works at **Hope and Homes for Children**, which specializes in placing children with families and ending institutionalization. Visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) to see what you can do to help!



## 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](mailto:mgustin05@gmail.com) (484) 732-8842.



## 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 benefit from these services, please email: [stfcfn@gmail.com](mailto:stfcfn@gmail.com). Contact person is Joan Holliday, RN/FCN at (610) 717-2180.

## Baptisms

Baptized in Christ

**Finley Doris Downs**

Daughter of Brendan and Sarah Downs

**Adley Lynn Schmidt**

Daughter of Eric and Kristen Schmidt

Let us pray for our newly baptized Christians.



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

Eileen Kane, C. McCollum, Joshua Gidlewski, Kathy Silvon, Denise Banta, Patty Burke, Tom Eno, Raul Gesmun-do, David Weber, Diana Duffy, Isaac Burks, Suzanne Agren, Gabe Grant, Nancy Cunningham, Jay Holland, Thomas Drane, Kara Ulatowski, Harold Von Brockdorff, Jeff Behm, Mary Harmes, Mary Helen Arthur, Anne Spetzer, Pete Petroll, Ginger Casey, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Matthew Hess, Bryan Thompson, Cindy Ficca, Paul Lucas, Carla Santoleri, Richard Mccarrielli, 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 Bris-gone, 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, Andrea Bateman, Brandon Heacock, Brittany Lott, Nancy Young, Peyton Lott, Billy Lott, Nanci Ehmer, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Connie Carney, Luke Post, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard, Mary Rose Salisbury



## 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 **September 16, 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  
[docholliv@aol.com](mailto:docholliv@aol.com) or call (610) 717-2180.



## Matthew XXV Garden

### Garden Continues to Provide!

We are still adding to our harvest totals!! These photos capture the latest harvest by our faithful volunteers last Monday. That brings the harvest total to 1,348 lbs. As the images suggest we are turning the corner, dare I say, to the fall harvest - Pumpkins! We do have "a most sincere pumpkin patch" as Linus would say. The recipients at the Dorothy Day Room at St. Agnes Church in West Chester are always thrilled and grateful for the gift of God's bounty.

Congratulations to all our gardener's, weed pullers, grass cutters, vegetable pickers, crate carrying muscle people and supportive families. You are making a change in our local community.

*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me,*  
Matthew 25:35

Please feel free to be a part of this most rewarding cause and volunteer on the sign-up Genius or just drop by the garden and pull a few weeds or weed whack a row or two. Harvest time is usually Monday evening at 6:00 weather permitting. Thank you for your consideration and God Bless you.

Children working on volunteer projects / hours are welcome.



## THE Eucharist IS EVERYTHING

A SPECIAL Eucharistic Event  
for Youth & Families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023  
At Malvern Retreat House

Meet Blessed Carlo's Mom!

MRS. ANTONIA ACUTIS

Learn about Carlo's beautiful life, his deep Love for Jesus Alive in the Eucharist - and how the Eucharist became his highway to heaven.

Blessed Carlo believed we are all called to be saints, and that as we grow closer to Jesus in the Eucharist, we become more like him.

Malvern Retreat House  
315 S. Warren Ave.  
Malvern, PA

**Event Details:** 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
**Includes:** Adoration, Carlo's Mother will speak and we conclude with Mass  
For more information visit:  
[www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com)



### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

Saint Cornelius Parish

You can contact Mrs. Sullivan at  
[stcornprep@scornelius.org](mailto:stcornprep@scornelius.org) or by calling  
the PREP office (610) 459-7723

### PREP

Welcome to all of our Sunday PREP families! We are so excited to see all of you in our classrooms today from 10-11. Our teachers have been preparing for your time together and are thrilled to see you all today!

As a reminder, our first summer session follow up class is September 24th at 10. More information will be coming shortly to those families. Please keep an eye out in your email.

If you have any questions about our programs, please contact Julie Sullivan at [stcornprep@scornelius.org](mailto:stcornprep@scornelius.org).

### YOUTH GROUP

We are excited to welcome back so many students and their families in a few short weeks. Our program is still in need of a few volunteers to teach. If you are passionate about your faith and would welcome the opportunity to work with the youth of our parish, please contact Julie Sullivan at [stcornprep@scornelius.org](mailto:stcornprep@scornelius.org) for more information.



### Children's Liturgy of the Word

We are hoping to have our children's liturgy begin again in late September/early October during the 9 am Mass. Our children's liturgy welcomes those 3 years old - 8 to join us for the Liturgy of the Word in the Chapel. In order for this program to begin again, we are in need of volunteers to help lead this wonderful experience for the children. If you are interested in learning more about how you can get involved in this role, please contact Julie Sullivan at

[stcornprep@scornelius.org](mailto:stcornprep@scornelius.org).

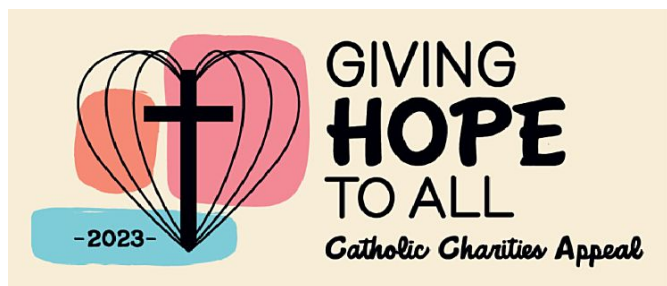


## CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2023

[catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://catholiccharitiesappeal.org)







## MARTHA'S CHOICE MARKETPLACE

"This summer, activities were in full bloom at Martha's Community Farm. The incredible work of Martha's Choice Marketplace, the largest food pantry in Montgomery County, PA was complemented by the addition of the farm located at the Saint Gabriel's property in Audubon, PA. This was the third growing season for Martha's Community farm, and our prayers were answered because our summer harvest was truly very bountiful! This summer, we raised thousands of pounds of fruits and vegetables for distribution at the pantry and in the community. We were excited to serve an all-time high number of children and families who enjoyed the delicious sweet potatoes, tomatillos, tomatoes, hot peppers, and cilantro freshly grown at the farm.

We are also excited to share that later this year, our new website will launch, as will a fresh and innovative podcast, "Awesome Sauce". **None of this work would be possible without the tremendous participation of our volunteers and donors. We are so grateful for all your support".**

James J. Black, Ph.D., Director,  
Youth Services Division, Catholic Social Services



## Sunday Mass Intentions

7:30 AM	Michael J. Wysocki
9:00 AM	Clare Wirth
11:00 AM	Anne Fanning
4:00 PM	Jenna Honig

## Weekly Mass Schedule (Week of September 18 - September 22)

### Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*  
Reading: Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;  
Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

### Monday 7:30 AM

Intention: Michael J. Wysocki  
Reading: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

### Tuesday 7:30 AM

#### St. Januarius

Intention: Vantie & Elvera Felicione  
Reading: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6;  
Lk 7:11-17

### Wednesday 7:30 AM

#### Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn

#### Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5778)

Intention: Lawrence Ramunno  
Reading: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

### Thursday 7:30 AM

#### St. Matthew

Intention: Giuseppe Danzi  
Reading: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

### Friday 7:30 AM

#### Autumn begins

Intention: Roberto Bolinas, Sr.  
Reading: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

## PILGRIM STATUE

09 - 17 - 2023	Kathy Howley
09 - 24 - 2023	Shirley Snyder
10 - 01 - 2023	Kathy Howley

**Dates are available for November.**

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



**Twenty fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time****September 17, 2023****FORGIVENESS**

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As Saint Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

We've seen how the rescue of Eucharistic Prayer II from the mists of history changed the style of our prayer, introducing a sleek simplicity to the prayer said aloud by the priest. Remember, before the reform of our prayer in the late 1960s, the priest whispered the words of the Roman

Canon, Eucharistic Prayer I. His voice was not amplified, his back was to the people, who could only tell what was going on by a shift in his posture as he bowed and genuflected and as bells were rung to indicate his progress through the prayer.

With the emergence of the new prayers, some feared that the old prayer would be lost forever if it weren't somehow changed. The reformers asked that it be streamlined a bit by omitting the repeated "Through Christ" at the end of various intercessions, and trimming the list of somewhat obscure saints. The new edition therefore brackets parts of the two lists of saints in the prayer, unfortunately dropping all the women from the second set. The decision was also made to keep the Lord's words at the consecration exactly the same in every Eucharistic Prayer, although there is precedent for more variety. On November 2, 1968, Pope Paul VI signed off on the plan of the new Mass, and by April 1969, the publication of the revised order of Mass was announced.

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