

# St. Cornelius Parish

SUNDAY BULLETIN

October 22, 2023



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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

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**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 XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023

In the first reading this weekend we meet Cyrus, King of the Persians. He is the anointed of God, i.e. Cyrus is recognized as *mashia*, that is Hebrew for Messiah, which is derived from the Greek *Christus* which means Anointed, from which we get our English word Christ. The term *mashia* was applied to kings of this world and carries with it no divine connotations. Cyrus was called the *mashia* because he freed the Jewish people from their enslavement to the Babylonians and because he was God's agent. Immediately after defeating the Babylonians, Cyrus issued an order calling for the repatriation of the Jewish people back to their homeland. He facilitated that repatriation with physical infrastructure as well, ensuring that they could rebuild the city of Jerusalem which had fallen into ruins during the period of their exile.

Do not miss the point. God chose a pagan, a person that the Jews did not expect, to act on their behalf, to do His will.

That is the main problem with the Pharisees and the Herodians. These two groups hated each other with a kind of tribal hatred. The Herodians came to power because they aligned themselves with Rome, the oppressors of Israel, thereby incurring the unending wrath of the leadership. The Herodians hated the Pharisees because they could claim religious superiority because they asserted their religious purity. The fact that they have colluded to entrap Jesus in his speech demonstrates the extent of their motivation to get Him. But Jesus once again bests them just when they believe they have got Him where they want Him. He is the one who draws them into a logical trap from which they cannot escape.

The question Jesus asks seems straightforward enough. It is Caesar's image; it is Caesar's coin. Give it back to him. The religious leadership and their thinking was so fiercely narrowed that all they could see was the hated Romans and their oppressive system of taxation. They think they see Jesus but they do not see who Jesus is. I wonder if they even see who they themselves are. The coin belongs to Caesar because it bears his image. Whose image do they bear? Whose image do you bear?

In Genesis the sacred writer teaches that God made us: *God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.* So there you have it. The coin bears Caesar's image. We bear God's image. That does not mean that God looks like a bald headed man in his mid-sixties, who has poor posture and walks with a slight limp. In a way we have been divinized. Not because we exist but because Jesus exists. It was St. Athanasius, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> century, who said that God became man so that man might become God. Setting aside the lack of gender pronoun inclusivity, you get the point. Jesus became one like us so that we can become like Jesus.

Just as Jesus called the religious leaders in His day to be transformed so too does He call us to a transformation. That change is difficult because, simply put, change is difficult. As you read this column, fold your arms. Once you are settled, fold them the other way with the other arm on top. Not easy to get comfortable, is it? And the call we have received to be like Christ may make us uncomfortable but the call is there. St. John Henry Newman famously asserted: *To live is to change and to be perfect is to have changed often.* That is a call to pursue perfection and it is a dynamic force in the faith of the gospel which is a necessary characteristic of a life of a disciple. And the change that is required is not to drop a few pounds or get a Botox treatment. The image we are to pursue is the image of Jesus. The change is not to make a more polite person with a more appealing personality. The change we are to achieve is to make us more like Jesus.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond





### 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 mid September, 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.



## —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., 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.

## 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](mailto:stcorn1@comcast.net) so we can remove their name.



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

**Peter Kress**

Brother of Marianne Gosnell

**Ju Gyong Lee**

Mother of Melissa J. Deardorff

**James T. McGeehin**

Husband of Mary Jo McGeehin

**Fritz Petroll**

Husband of Pat Petroll

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord.  
May they rest in peace.

## 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.

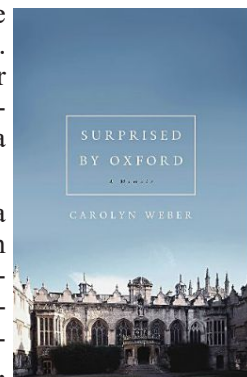
Carolyn Weber arrives at Oxford a feminist from a loving, but broken family, suspicious of men and intellectually hostile to all things religious. As she grapples with her God-shaped void alongside the friends, classmates, and professors she meets, she tackles big questions in search of truth, love,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

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DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD  
Visit our website  
[WWW.HeedTheCall.org](http://WWW.HeedTheCall.org)

## Matthew XXV Garden

The harvest is complete and now it is time to let the garden rest in preparation for next year. We invite you to join us for some clean up activities:

**TODAY, October 22 at 1:00 PM**

If you were not able to participate during the summer, this is a great time to help put our garden to rest.

Looking forward to seeing you!



## 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.*

## Holy Hour - Join Us!

**Monday, November 6, 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.



"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



THANK YOU,  
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DONORS!

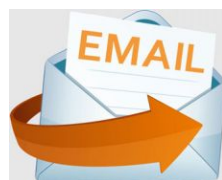


Our parishioners are so generous in every way!

Time, spirit, effort.....!! Many thanks to those who were able to take part in the Parish's Red Cross Blood Drive on October 12<sup>th</sup>. 44 units were collected here at our Parish Life Center. Your donations will impact the lives of local hospital patients! We will sponsor another blood drive in **May 2024!**

The need is constant. Consider donating in the future at a nearby site by calling

**1-800-Red-Cross or register at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)**



## Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1049** 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](mailto:Stcorn1@comcast.net).

## Prayer Shawl Ministry... Come, Join US!



Did you know that each baby baptized at St. Cornelius receives a hand-made blanket made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry? You are welcome to join us in this rewarding ministry. We also make shawls, blankets, scarves, hats, mittens etc. for elderly homes, the Giving Tree and anyone looking for a comforting gift.

**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 narthex, 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





*Welcome to the Parish!*

Joseph & Nancy Barbato  
Michael Barbato  
David & Karen Borda  
Regina Brady  
Raymond & Christine Feehery  
Jerald & Deborah Geppert



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.

**October 15, 2023**

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| WeShare eGiving   | \$9,934.50         |
| Envelope Offering | <u>\$11,012.00</u> |
|                   | \$20,946.50        |

**October 8, 2023**

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| WeShare eGiving   | \$8,157.50         |
| Envelope Offering | <u>\$12,463.00</u> |
|                   | \$20,620.50        |



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



*"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 Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA.

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 the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter listed above.
- ◆ 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               | 2nd Lt. Kevin Malone      |
| SPC Mike Canfield            | Sgt Alexander Marlow      |
| Cpl Michael Castle           | Pfc Zachary Marlow        |
| Lt. Connor Cleary            | LT. Cmdr Daniel McCadden  |
| Fr. Joseph Coffey (Chaplain) | CSM Sean McGlensey        |
| Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr.    | Capt Jonathan McGrath     |
| Capt Joshua deFreitas        | LT Molly K. McGuckin      |
| SSGT Michael DiVernieri      | LCDR Ryan A. McGuckin     |
| Cadet Emily Fanning          | Maj. Sean P. Noll         |
| Ens Ryan Gallagher           | Lt. Col Brian J. O'Shea   |
| SSG. Eric Gardner            | Lt. Cmdr Inga O'Shea      |
| Capt Matthew Gibbons         | Maj James O'Shea          |
| Ens Patrick Gibbons          | PFC L Roland              |
| Ens John Paul Gibbons        | LTJG Christian Samulewicz |
| Maj Rachel Gonzalez          | 2nd LT Olivia Samulewicz  |
| SPC Logan Hannum             | Capt. Neal F. Schubert    |
| Sgt Andrew Hart              | HM3 Charles Schwartz      |
| Devin J. Hunt                | Ens Nicholas Spadaccini   |
| PO1 Nathan R. Keller         | MSG Thomas Stone          |
| Lt Lauren Kinnee             | Cpl Mark Truex            |
| Capt Daniel Kohli            | Lt. Christopher Vish      |
| Maj. Chris Love              | 1st Lt Aidan Walsh        |
| Maj. Megan Love              | Capt Jennifer Wynn        |
| Sgt Jason Lyons              |                           |



**Rachel's Vineyard**

A PLACE TO HEAL FROM ABORTION

**NOVEMBER 3 - 5, 2023**

IHM SPIRITUALITY CENTER

210 IHM DRIVE MALVERN, PA 19355

If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of an abortion – no matter how much time has passed – please know that a Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend will help your soul transform that pain into hope for the future. Rachel's Vineyard retreats bring healing and God's forgiveness to the trauma and darkness of abortion for those who think they have committed the unforgivable sin. God's mercy is greater than sin and is waiting for us to reach out for it. Join us for a safe, loving, and confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's infinite mercy.

Contact our team to register or for questions:

Susan at (610) 716-4795

Georgeann (484) 955-4278

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

The children learn all about St. Francis and his love for animals. They were so excited to bring their favorite stuffed animals to school on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, October 4. Monsignor Diamond held a special prayer service and blessing for all the children and their favorite stuffed animal. It was beautiful to watch the children and Monsignor take part in this special prayer service. We are so thankful for Monsignor and his support and love of our school and students!!



## CYO Basketball Tryouts

The leaves are changing and that means basketball season is getting closer.

Boys and girls grades 5-8 and boys grades 9-12 are invited to join us for a great season of St. Cornelius basketball. Tryouts will be held at Garnet Valley Middle School. Tryout dates will be published shortly. If your child is interested, please register at:

<https://forms.gle/6r3FiPsxEgPHZMS96>

Additional information on times will be sent to all registrants. Questions? Contact Tara Faccenda at [tfaccenda@comcast.net](mailto:tfaccenda@comcast.net).



## 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. If you were not able to make our first meeting, please consider joining us for any other Tuesday.

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>



## CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

In Pope Francis's new apostolic exhortation, *Laudate Deum*, the pope again calls us to action, highlighting the urgent need to care for our planet as the climate crisis deeply affects our global communities, especially the most vulnerable. At Catholic Relief Services, we stand with those communities facing the harsh impacts of the climate crisis, from deadly droughts to forced migration. This unity drives our push for policies that lessen climate impacts and encourage sustainable development. In fact, *Laudate Deum* is fundamentally a rallying cry for the crucial policy work needed to change paths. He invites leaders everywhere to rise above self-interest and imagine a future shaped by the common good.

*"If we consider that emissions per individual in the United States are about two times greater than those of individuals living in China, and about seven times greater than the average of the poorest countries, we can state that a broad change in the irresponsible lifestyle connected with the Western model would have a significant long-term impact. As a result, along with indispensable political decisions, we would be making progress along the way to genuine care for one another."*

~ Pope Francis, *Laudate Deum*



### 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.



## 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:

*Wow - That is the first time in a long Time that I have heard everything at Mass.*

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

Lillian Corbett, Eileen Kane, C. McCollum, Joshua Gidlewski, Denise Banta, Patty Burke, Tom Eno, Raul Gesmundo, 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, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Matthew Hess, Bryan Thompson, Cindy Ficca, 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, 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 **November 18, 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.

# RESPECT LIFE

When battered by life's storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances. Yet with words that echo through thousands of years into the corners of our hearts, the Lord says to us, "Do not fear: I am with you" (Isaiah 41:10).

He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God.

Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.

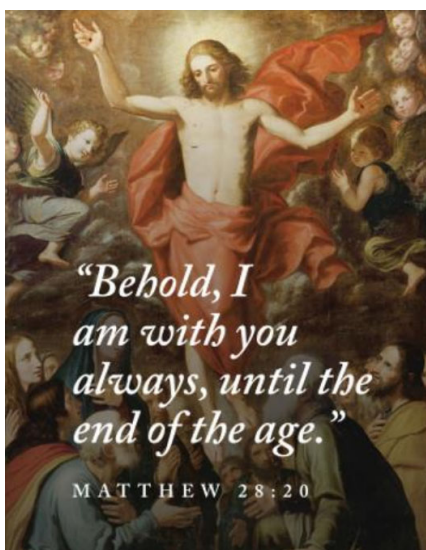
He is always with us. Jesus promised this when he gave the disciples the same mission he gives to each of us: Go.

Go be my hands and feet to a world enslaved by fear. Go to the woman who is unexpectedly pregnant and fears the future. Go to your friend who fears reprisal at work because he takes a stand for the protection of human life. Go to your aging parent in failing health who fears being a burden. And go to others, too, for their support.

We don't need to have everything figured out. We can simply follow the guidance of Our Blessed Mother, the first disciple: "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5).

Walk with each other. Do not be afraid to embrace God's gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us.

"Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20).



## PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

Saint Cornelius Parish

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

## PREP

We welcome back our Sunday PREP families to class today at 10. Please make sure that your child(ren) are coming on time and are prepared to learn about their faith since we only have an hour together.

Our July Follow Up Session will be held on Sunday October 22 in the Parish Life Center from 10-11:15. Please save the date and keep an eye out for future emails.

If you have any questions about any of our PREP programs or if you have a student in grades 1-7 in a private or public school needing religious education, please contact Julie Sullivan at [stcornprep@scornelius.org](mailto:stcornprep@scornelius.org).

## YOUTH GROUP

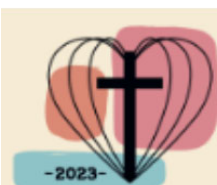
Please make sure to register for the St. Norbert's Youth Event tonight! The QR code to register is on the Youth Group Page of our website.

Calling all 7th-12th graders! Our Garden needs your help! We will be gathering on Sunday October 22nd at 1 to winterize the garden. Please enjoy fellowship with others while doing a great service to our parish. If you need service hours, we are happy to sign off on that as well. Please see Julie Sullivan or Joellen Muntz on the 22nd.



## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Please join us for our Children's Liturgy at 9 am each Sunday. We invite all children ages 3-7 to join our leader to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word on their level. All are welcome!



**CATHOLIC  
CHARITIES  
APPEAL 2023**  
[catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://catholiccharitiesappeal.org)





**St. Cornelius Church**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Drive**  
*To benefit*  
**Mercy Neighborhood Ministries**

*The Mission of Mercy Neighborhood Ministries of Philadelphia, Inc. is to create partnerships and services that respond to the needs of those who are poor in the North Philadelphia community, especially women, children and persons with special needs.*



Interested in community outreach ministries,  
 please call:

Jean Burke (610) 220-6646 or  
Nancy Todor (609) 234-1193

**Donations will be collected the weekend of**  
**November 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>!!**

**SUGGESTED NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS**

|                   |                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Canned vegetables | Muffin mix                 |
| Instant potatoes  | Canned cranberry sauce     |
| Turkey gravy      | Low sugar breakfast cereal |
| Stuffing mix      | Instant pudding            |
| Goya beans        | Unbreakable juice bottles  |

**Please bring donations to the PLC**  
**(Parish Life Center)**  
**PRIOR to ANY Mass.**

**NOTE:** Should you wish to contribute toward the perishables necessary for the baskets, please donate cash or a gift card to Shop Rite which is the only market located near the Mercy Neighborhood Ministry.

**May God bless you for your generosity!**

**Sunday Mass Intentions**

|          |                         |
|----------|-------------------------|
| 7:30 AM  | Alex & Jennie Palovitch |
| 9:00 AM  | Frank Marciano          |
| 11:00 AM | Robert Williams         |
| 4:00 PM  | Joseph Boyle            |

**Weekly Mass Schedule**  
**(Week of October 23 - October 27)**

**Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning**

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*  
 Reading: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;  
 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

**Monday 7:30 AM**

St. John of Capistrano

Intention: Nancy & Joseph Yankoski  
 Reading: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday 7:30 AM**

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Intention: Floyd Bosserman  
 Reading: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;  
 Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday 7:30 AM**

Intention: Florence Bosserman  
 Reading: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday 7:30 AM**

Intention: James Albany  
 Reading: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53

**Friday 7:30 AM**

Intention: Frank Marciano  
 Reading: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94;  
 Lk 12:54-59

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Power struggles occur on every level of society, from the world stage to relationships at work, to our own homes. We struggle for position in the hierarchy of power: Who has power over whom? How do they wield it? What is the source of that power? What is the healthy response?

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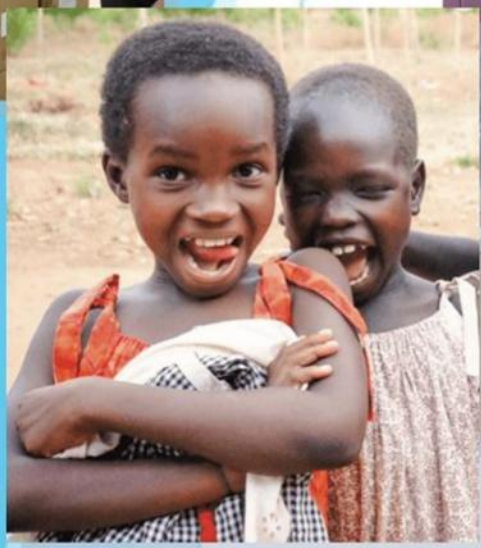
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