

St. Cornelius Parish

SUNDAY BULLETIN

February 11, 2024

7:30 AM
Mass & Ashes

12:00 Noon
Mass & Ashes

7:00 PM
Liturgy of the Word & Ashes

*Remember you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.*

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St. Cornelius Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am 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 after morning Mass to 4 pm

LiveStream www.livestream.com/saintcornelius

Thoughts from the Second Floor Front VI Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024

In the gospel passage we hear this morning we find the first occurrence of what Scripture scholars call the Messianic Secret. In the previous scene Jesus forbids the demons to speak. Here and throughout Mark's account, He forbids people to tell others about him. In the beginning of the 20th century German Protestant theologians were on the forefront of Biblical research. There was an effort among them to come to understand what came to be called the "Jesus of History" as distinct from the "Christ of Faith." The arguments about the person of Jesus ranged widely from some saying that the manner in which Jesus is presented in the gospels is heavily influenced by the early church so it is difficult to know the historical Jesus. One of the theologians, David Strauss, went so far to the extreme in addressing the "historical Jesus" that he eventually denied His Divinity. A corollary point to this was Albert Schweitzer who held that Jesus was a noble character; but sadly, a deluded fanatic who believed he was the Messiah.

A theologian named Wiliam Wrede who initially posited that the Disciples were disappointed charlatans who stole the body of Jesus and made up the story of the resurrection in order to avoid going back to work. When they were questioned as to why they never told anyone what they knew, the response was that Jesus told them to say nothing. Hence, the Messianic Secret. That it was the author's intention to include the Messianic Secret in the gospel account is undeniable. The reasons why are controversial. Some scholars hold that the Messianic Secret was a later addition to the gospel. The Apostles and original Disciples presented to the public that they were told not to let on about who Jesus really is because He told them not to tell anyone. Extremes in theology, as in most areas of life, are rarely beneficial and regularly cause the fog of confusion rather than clarity.

Why did Jesus tell the now cured leper not to tell anyone what had happened to him? It was not His intention to keep the news bottled up. The reality is that no one would have understood what His Messianic claim meant. In Mark's gospel account Jesus is recognized as Messiah because He is willing to embrace all of humanity – even the suffering and death that is part of human existence. Mark presents Jesus as the Suffering Servant; akin to the unidentified character in the book of the Prophet Isaiah "by whose wounds you are healed."

In actual fact, the Messianic Secret brings the reader to the realization that Jesus' claim to be Messiah is not based on anything other than an acceptance of the cross. It is one thing to stand next to Jesus as he expels demons or multiplies bread and fish to feed thousands of hungry followers or stand with Him as He straightens twisted limbs or brings light to where there was once only darkness, sound where there was once only silence. It is another matter entirely to stand next to Him as he hangs on a cross on a hill called Calvary.

As we stand at the threshold of another season of Lent, we call on the Grace of God available to us to willingly embrace the crosses that are ours and not others. To help those in our lives to carry their crosses and never to add to their burden. Beyond that we are to be like the leper spreading the Good News that draws us to the Eucharist and sends us forth into a world that is in desperate need of the Good News. There is only one way that the Good News will be delivered and that is through us. As St. Teresa of Ávila said:

Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond

LENT BEGINS February 14!



Join our faith community in a transformative Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia who are working hard to overcome the challenges of hunger and the impact of climate change. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl on **Ash Wednesday, February 14th**. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on our connectedness as one family in Christ and work together to ensure our sisters and brothers worldwide can thrive. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Food for the Hungry Soul



Join our parish group of St. Cornelius Chefs as we provide a nourishing meal five times each year to the Blessed Dorothy Day Room lunch program in West Chester. There, they serve a meal and offer a caring community to 140 less fortunate every Monday through Friday. Each of our chefs prepares their contribution at their home and delivers it to our PLC parking lot by 10:30 AM. Supply a hot casserole, fruit, veggies, or dessert. Another volunteer then delivers our complete meal to St. Agnes in West Chester. Your commitment can be very flexible and is just 5 or 6 times each year.

Please contact Marilyn Gustin at mgustin05@gmail.com or 484-947-7295 for details.

THANK YOU!



Giving Hope
TO ALL

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 11, 2024

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.

— 1 Corinthians 10:31



Lent is the annual preparation for Easter observance calling us to reform our lives and to open our hearts to the spiritual blessings God has promised to bestow on us. Lent begins Ash Wednesday and ends Holy Thursday evening when the Triduum begins.

What Must I do?

According to the Church's Canon Law, all healthy Catholics from age 18 to 59 are required to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and to abstain from meat on all other Fridays of Lent. Youth 14 and older are also to abstain from meat on those days. "Fasting" means that no more than one main meal is eaten daily, while in the same day no more than two partial meals are eaten which together don't equal the one main meal.

What Should I do?

Take the necessary steps to get yourself on the road to conversion and spiritual renewal. To help you do this, the three main Lenten disciplines urged are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We are invited during Lent to practice these disciplines often. But these aren't just chores we must do because the Church strongly urges them; they are above all opportunities to grow in faith and in love for God.

Why Prayer, Fasting and Alms?

The Lenten basic practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving are rooted in Jesus' original guidance about how to be his disciples that we find in the Sermon on the Mount (Mt Chapters 5-7). The Catechism of the Catholic Church (#1966-1972) also reminds us that Jesus here outlines for us the new law which, if we embrace and implement it, will lead us more surely to the interior renewal and growth in holiness and perfection that Jesus expects of us as his disciples.

Should I set Lenten Goals?

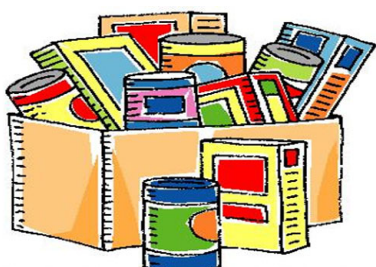
Absolutely. Reflect prayerfully about your Lenten resolutions before making them. Then make yourself a list. But be modest. You may be setting yourself up for disappointment if you set unrealistic goals. And doing a little with love and devotion is spiritually more beneficial than trying to do much but doing it halfheartedly.

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St. Cornelius **FEBRUARY**
Food Drive benefiting:



*(Serving the basic needs of the poor
in the Chester County Area!)*



**FEED THE
HUNGRY**

February 17th & 18th

**(Drop donations off at the Parish Life Center
PRIOR to Mass)**

Suggested donations:

Please, NO glass containers!

Cold Cereals - Low Sugar	Canned Tuna & Chicken
Canned Tomato Products	Canned Soup - Low Sodium
Rice (2 lb. packages)	Canned Fruit - Low Sugar
Dried Beans (kidney, black & pinto) Canned Beans	Canned meals: Beef stew, pasta, baked beans, Spaghetti-Os, SPAM)
Canned Vegetables - Low Sodium	Peanut Butter & Jelly

**For further information or to Volunteer,
please contact:**

**Mary Allen (text 484-432-5098) or
Colleen Zangla (colleenmz@hotmail.com)**

SAVE THE DATE



Women's Lenten Soup Supper
**Thursday Evening, March 14,
6:00 PM**

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LENTEN

14

SOUP SUPPER

Step out of your daily routine to be fed, spiritually, socially and physically, by encountering Jesus while enjoying a traditional Lenten meal of soup, bread and water with friends.

Save the date now and stay tuned for further details in the bulletin and Monsignor Diamond's weekly email.



*16th Annual Archdiocesan
Catholic Men's Conference
Register for
MAN UP PHILLY 2024*

On Saturday March 2, 2024 at St. John Vianney Hall Theater, Cardinal O'Hara High School. The men of the parish are invited to join Catholic men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 16th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men's Conference.

Speakers will include Mark Hartfiel, Vice President of Paradisus Dei. For over 15 years, Mark has worked tirelessly to help thousands of men recognize their calling as authentic leaders in their marriages and families through the **That Man is You!** men's program. He witnessed it from its infancy with one to now 500 parishes across 42 states and over 20,000 men. Other speakers will include:

- **Danny Bader** - Best-selling author whose life was transformed by a near death experience.
- **Mike Schmidt** – Philadelphia Phillies and National Baseball Hall of Fames.
- **Deacon Nathan Gunn** - Initiatives Coordinator for the Young Life Northeast Division which ensures collaboration between Young Life and the Catholic Church.

The return of acclaimed Irish tenor, **Mark Forrest**, who will again provide inspirational accompaniment during a special Eucharistic Adoration.

The Conference will conclude with Saturday Mass (not the Sunday Vigil) celebrated by Archbishop Nelson J. Perez.

What better gift can you give the important men in your life than an opportunity to grow deeper in their faith?

To register go to <https://manupphilly.com/registration>

St John Vianney Hall Theater
Cardinal O'Hara High School
1701 S. Sproul Road
Springfield, PA 19064



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.

February 4, 2024

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\$29,871.00



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

Luke 12:34



"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 609-234-1193

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

SSG Ana Brunal	Sgt Jason Lyons
SPC Mike Canfield	2nd Lt. Kevin Malone
Cpl Michael Castle	Sgt Alexander Marlow
Lt. Connor Cleary	Pfc Zachary Marlow
Fr. Joseph Coffey (Chaplain)	Lt. Cmdr Daniel McCadden
Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr.	CSM Sean McGlensey
Capt Joshua deFreitas	Capt Jonathan McGrath
SSGT Michael DiVernieri	LT Molly K. McGuckin
Cadet Emily Fanning	LCDR Ryan A. McGuckin
Lt. Ryan Gallagher	Maj. Sean P. Noll
2nd Lt. Nicholas 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
1st Lt Lauren Kinnee	Cpl Mark Truex
Capt Daniel Kohli	Lt. Christopher Vish
Maj. Chris Love	Capt. Aidan Walsh
Maj. Megan Love	Capt Jennifer Wynn



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

As the National Eucharistic Revival (June 2023 - June 2024) moves into the Parish phase of this national effort, I invite you to share a reflection of the Eucharist. As you compose your thoughts, these bullet points below may help to guide you in your reflection.

- What does the Eucharist mean to you?
- How does the Eucharist help you in prayer and your spiritual life?
- Any memories of your First Holy Communion?
- How does the Eucharist strengthen you or how does the Eucharist challenge you?

It can be prose or poetry or another form of expression. About 250 words. Please give a title to your contribution. Submissions may appear in the bulletin and/or our website. Who knows, your words may inspire someone else to reflect on the importance of the Holy Eucharist. Share them with others. Please send submissions to stcorn1@comcast.net.

Submitted by one of our parishioners, a reflection on *Four Words*. As we enter into Lent this week, may we all be touched by the Sacrificial Gift of the Eucharist. Thank you Kevin for sharing your reflection on the Eucharist..

Four Words

Kevin Kelly

*Before birds flew in the sky
And fish swam in the sea
Before animals roamed the land
Like you and me
Before the sun and moon
And day and night
Before space and time
There was "Let there be Light"*

*A Light destined to walk this earth
To draw both simple and wise to His birth
A Light to illuminate Prophecy and Law
To dazzle Peter and convert Paul
A Light, so brilliant - yet never haughty,
Gifted us a humble "This is my body"*

*A Gift of Four Words
Efficacious and true
A Gift when consumed
Fulfills "Peace be with you"*



St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

The children were entertained by music therapist, Jacqueline, last week to kick off Catholic Schools Week. They absolutely loved her angel voice! Jacqueline sang songs, played guitar and played many songs that the children interacted with and even used their shaker eggs.

We had a blast singing along and dancing to all of Jacqueline's songs. We can't wait until she comes back to school again. Jacqueline put music in our little hearts and smiles on all our faces!



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.

Sunday February 18 12:00 Noon

Join our Parish Pro-Life Group in the church on Sunday, February 18, 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 scheduled every 3rd Sunday so please mark your calendar now. Bring a friend.

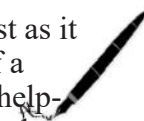


We are happy to announce there is a new, easy way to help support St. Cornelius Early Learning Center! The new and improved app uses technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. 1.To participate in the new digital program 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



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 name.



CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

This month, we begin our Lenten Journey with CRS Rice Bowl. We'll encounter communities in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia who are overcoming hunger and the impacts of climate change. Your family can participate through prayer, fasting and almsgiving! Please visit www.crsricebowl.org for more information and to see how you can participate in CRS Rice Bowl!



"Food shortage is not something natural, it is not a given, something obvious or self-evident. The fact that today, well into the twenty-first century, so many people suffer from this scourge is due to a selfish and wrong distribution of resources, to the 'merchandising' of food. The earth, abused and exploited, continues in many parts of the world to yield its fruits, offering us the best of itself. The faces of the starving remind us that we have foiled its purposes. We have turned a gift with a universal destination into a privilege enjoyed by a select few."

~ Pope Francis

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

Lorraine Colgan, 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, Mary Harmes, Mary Helen Arthur, Anne Spetzer, 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, 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



Plan for our
Annual Fish Fry
Friday, March 22
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

More information to follow in coming weeks.



Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1061** 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.



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 **February 17, 2024**, 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 assisted hearing devices, which connect directly to the sound system. They are located on the table by the Sacristy entrance.

Easy to operate: take a unit out of the charger, attach the ear piece, turn it on once you are seated. A green light will blink and then remain on, adjust the volume.

Comments from satisfied users:

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



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.

The St. Cornelius Literary Society

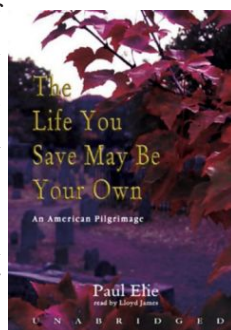
The next read for our Bibliophiles is *The Life You Save May Be Your Own* by Paul Elie.

The story of four modern American Catholics who made literature out of their search for God. In the mid-twentieth century four American Catholics came to believe that the best way to explore the questions of religious faith was to write about them - in works that readers of all kinds could admire. *The Life You Save May Be Your Own* is their story - a vivid and enthralling account of great writers and their power over us.

Thomas Merton was a Trappist monk in Kentucky; Dorothy Day the founder of the Catholic Worker in New York; Flannery O'Connor a "Christ-haunted" literary prodigy in Georgia; Walker Percy a doctor in New Orleans who quit medicine to write fiction and philosophy. A friend came up with a name for them - the School of the Holy Ghost - and for three decades they exchanged letters, ardently read one another's books, and grappled with what one of them called a "predicament shared in common."

A pilgrimage is a journey taken in light of a story; and in *The Life You Save May Be Your Own* Paul Elie tells these writers' story as a pilgrimage from the God-obsessed literary past of Dante and Dostoevsky out into the thrilling chaos of postwar American life. It is a story of how the Catholic faith, in their vision of things, took on forms the faithful could not have anticipated. And it is a story about the ways we look to great books and writers to help us make sense of our experience, about the power of literature to change - to save - our lives.

Our next gathering is **Sunday, February 24th at 2:00.**
We meet in the Fr. Simon Room in the PLC.



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

This week we welcome our Sunday program students to the school at 10 and our Summer session students to the PLC. It is such a joy to have our buildings filled with children experiencing their faith.

We are currently working on our program offerings for 2024-25 and are seeking teachers for our various programs. If you are a current or former educator who is interested in working with our programs, please contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org. Our programs only work with the participation and support of our parish members.

If you have any questions about our current program offerings, please feel free to contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org.

YOUTH GROUP

We would like to wish all of our Youth Group members and their families a blessed 2024. We look forward to getting together more often in 2024.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Welcome to all of our youngest parishioners! Our Children's liturgy of the Word welcomes those 3 years old until they have made their First Holy Communion to join us during the 9 am Mass. We look forward to seeing you all there!



Stay up to date with Catholic news - it's as close as your email inbox. Sign up for **CatholicPhilly.com's** free email newsletter covering local, national and world Catholic news, features and catechesis at CatholicPhilly.com/newsletter. Our parish has been featured in the CatholicPhilly News covering a story on The Matthew XXV Garden and the Early Learning Center.

Good News always attracts an audience. We have a great deal of activity here.



Prayer Shawl Ministry... Come, Join US!



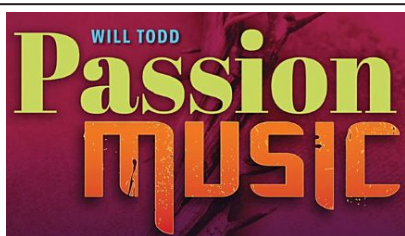
Did you know that each baby baptized at St. Cornelius receives a hand-made blanket made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry? You are welcome to join us in this rewarding ministry. We also make shawls, blankets, scarves, hats, mittens etc. for elderly homes, the Giving Tree and anyone looking for a comforting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

Valerie Childs (610) 213-0515
and Vickie Gambino (317) 440-5210



Thursday, February 15

7:30 pm

Unionville High School auditorium

During this Lenten season, it is important to find ways that help us center our thoughts, bringing to remembrance the gift of salvation given in the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The *Brandywine Valley Chorale*, along with choirs from Unionville, Kennett, and Pequea Valley High Schools, will be performing Will Todd's **Passion Music**. The composer, who is from England, will perform with the choir and a jazz ensemble. The piece is a combination of traditional, jazz, and gospel music which focuses on the suffering and death of Jesus as described in the gospels. Our own cantor, **Renée Gushurst**, and her three children **Vivian**, **Ian**, and **Nathaniel** will be a part of the choral ensemble.

Tickets can be purchased at the bvc.org or at the venue on concert night.

Sunday Mass Intentions

7:30 AM Deceased members of the Gleason family
9:00 AM William Grant
11:00 AM Jenna Honig
4:00 PM Thomas Less

Weekly Mass Schedule (Week of February 12 - February 16)

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Reading: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11;
1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Monday 7:30 AM

Intention: Ted Mulroy
Reading: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76;
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday 7:30 AM

Shrove Tuesday

Intention: Deceased members of the O'Neil family
Reading: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19;
Mk 8:14-21

Ash Wednesday

Fast and Abstinence

7:30 AM Mass & Ashes

Noon Mass & Ashes

7:00 PM Liturgy of the Word & Ashes

Intention: *No Intentions*
Reading: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday 7:30 AM

Intention: Michael Holliday
Reading: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday 7:30 AM

Abstinence from meat

Intention: James Devenny
Reading: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15



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Visit our website
WWW.HeedTheCall.org



PILGRIM STATUE

02 - 11 - 2024 Debbie Brisgone
02 - 18 - 2024 Phyllis Albany
02 - 25 - 2024 Kathy Howley

The new sign up sheet for 2024 is now available. Feel free to pick your dates. Call Carla Santoleri at (610) 361-8447 for more information.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**February 11, 2024****GIVE GOD THE GLORY**

A curious feature of the first half of Mark's Gospel is the pattern of Jesus working a miracle, then telling the recipient of the miracle to keep still about it. Many theories have been offered: Mark is setting the stage for the great "secret" revealed when Peter will proclaim Jesus the Messiah at Caesarea Philippi; more skeptical commentators offer that Jesus, fully aware of human nature, knew that the way to spread the news was to tell people to keep it secret. The insight into this secret-keeping that serves us well, however, is that Jesus was initiating his public ministry according to the pattern that Paul describes. He was doing it for the glory of God—not for his own benefit, but for that of all. Paul would later write in Philippians that Jesus "humbled" himself to become like us. And we see this humility at work in today's healing of the leper. Jesus is trying to reveal the presence of God's reign among the people, not so that he himself might receive the glory, but so that God would be glorified through him. Imitating this pattern, which Paul encourages the Jewish and Greek Christian factions in Corinth to do, still serves us well today.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's Gospel centers on the plight of a leper and Jesus' response of healing. In Hawaii, the bacterium that causes leprosy probably entered from China in the mid-1800s, and the native islanders were susceptible to the dreaded disease. In 1866, the government literally dumped the sufferers

on a remote and virtually inaccessible island peninsula with towering cliffs. Thrown off ships into the sea, the sick people were told to swim for the beach and head for caves, and for seven years the only supplies were similarly cast into the sea to drift ashore. It was then, 1873, that a thirty-three-year-old Belgian priest, Damien de Veuster, went voluntarily to Kalaupapa. Before long, he cajoled the government into funding his mission and its hospital, built a village with proper homes and sanitation, and recruited Mother Marianne Cope to bring sisters from Syracuse, New York, to nurse the sick. Damien, who eventually died of leprosy, has been canonized, and Mother Marianne as well.

Although leprosy has been curable since the 1940s, today a few patients remain in their lifelong home, now a national historic site. The peninsula is still utterly isolated from the outside world, and the speed limit for the few cars there is 5 mph since there's nowhere to go! The hospital is still well-staffed and equipped, but access is regulated and visitors must take an official tour, often involving a descent down the cliffs by "Molakai mule." There are few places on earth that evoke the healing power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than Damien's beloved island mission.

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