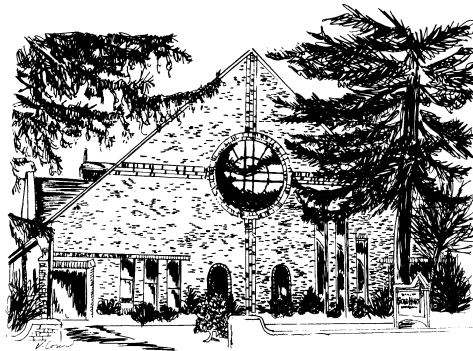


# Sacred Heart Church



260 High Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060-1404

Telephone: 609-267-0209 • FAX: 609-267-9293 • Website: [www.parishofsacredheart.org](http://www.parishofsacredheart.org)

Office Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9:00am - 5:00pm (Closed for Lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm)

Evening Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 6:00pm - 9:00pm • Sunday 8:30am - 1:00pm

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday: 4:30pm (Vigil)**

**Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 7:00pm**

Weekday: Mon.-Fri. 7:00am & 8:30am

Saturday: 8:30am

## Confessions

**Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:00pm**

(Reconciliation Rooms are to the right of the Eucharistic Chapel)

## Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. John P. Czahur ext. 308

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Director of Rel. Ed: Mrs. Jessica Donohue ext.307

Admin. Assistant: ext. 324

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs. 9:00am – 2:00pm

### **Fall Program Class Times**

Grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Tuesday: 5:30pm to 6:45pm

Grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Wednesday: 5:30pm to 6:45pm

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### **Parish Registration**

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please register at your earliest convenience by stopping by the Parish House during the office hours.

### **The Sacrament of Baptism**

We welcome new life into the Church through the sacramental sign of Baptism which is celebrated **every Sunday of the month at 1:00pm** with the exception of Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. We encourage parents who wish to have their child baptized to call the Parish Secretary, Michele O'Toole, at 609-702-1848 ext. 301 or stop in and pick up a Baptism packet.

Once the Baptismal Preparation class is attended, the form completed and the Godparent Eligibility Certificates are turned in then a date for your child's Baptism will be set.

### **Baptismal Preparation**

Catholic Godparents are required to complete an Eligibility Certificate and have the certificates signed by the pastor of the parish where they are currently registered and practicing their faith.

We offer a Baptismal Prep Class for parents as a way of preparing them for their child's journey of faith. Classes are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm. Please contact the Parish Secretary to register.

### **Sacramental Sponsorship Letter**

This is a form required to be a Godparent or Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. To receive this form the following requirements must be met:

- If married, be in a valid marriage according to the laws of the Catholic Church.
- Be at least 16 years of age.
- Completed the Sacraments of Initiation; Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation
- Be a registered, active participant of a Parish.

### **The Sacrament of Marriage**

Couples wishing to celebrate and consecrate their love in the Sacrament of Marriage are asked to call the Parish Secretary, Michele O'Toole at 609-702-1848 ext. 301.

**Arrangements are to be made with the Pastor a year in advance of the requested date.** At least one person should be a registered member of the parish. All couples are required to attend preparation sessions.

### **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**

Any Catholic who is seriously ill, advanced in age, or who feels the need for the comforting presence of the Church's sacramental prayer life may be anointed. Please contact the Parish Office at 609-702-1848 ext. 301 during office hours. In the case of an emergency, please call and follow the instructions listed on our telephone message.

### **Funerals**

In all cases, the family of the deceased parishioner should contact the funeral home directly. They will contact the Church to make further arrangements. For information regarding our Parish Cemetery, please call the Cemetery Office at 609-702-1848 ext 304

### **Care of the Sick, Homebound and Elderly:**

The sick, the homebound and the elderly are valued members of our parish. Please call the Parish House at 609-267-0209 ext. 305 for a visit.

### **Bulletin Articles**

Articles for the Bulletin need to be submitted **No Later than Friday** to appear the next weekend (**9 days prior**). Articles can be emailed to

[bulletins@parishofsacredheart.org](mailto:bulletins@parishofsacredheart.org)

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**  
March 12<sup>th</sup> – March 18<sup>th</sup>

**MONDAY**

7:00am **Margaret Brock** Req. By the Redder Family

8:30am **Concha Rustia** Req. By the Rustia-Relevo Family

**TUESDAY**

7:00am **Anthony Falcone** Req. By Evelyn & Louis DellaVelle

8:30am **Martin O'Connor** Req. By Wife Vicky

**WEDNESDAY**

7:00am **Katherine Merz** Req. By Jim & Dottie Westlake

8:30am **Patricia Sickles** Req. By Patti & Buddy Burns

**THURSDAY**

7:00am **Vincent W. Muldoon** Req. By The Prescavage Family

8:30am **Harper Mae Graham** Req. By Janice Campagna

**FRIDAY**

7:00am **Anthony Conte** Req. By The Pruna Family

8:30am **Bernadine Jadney** Req. By Bernadine Eppolito

**SATURDAY**

8:30AM **Elizabeth M. Dougherty** Req. By Tricia & Steve Eakins

**Carmela Boggi** Req. By Andromida Foley

4:30PM **Daniel & Veronica Schweikert** Req. By Their Family

**SUNDAY**

7:30am **Maria S. Trojak** Req. By Jeff & Teresa Redder

9:30am **The People of the Parish**

11:30am **Elvira Leo** Req. By Regina & John Broccoli

7:00pm **Srecko Saric** Req. By The Saric Family

*The Devotional Candle in the Chapel of the Two Hearts*



*Will Burn in Loving Memory of:  
Daniel & Veronica Schweikert*

**Eucharistic Adoration**



**Eucharistic Adoration** – Come and spend time in the quiet with Our Lord in the Chapel of the Two Hearts located next to the Parish House.

Our Chapel is open for you and Jesus to spend some time during the following hours:  
Monday through Friday 9:00am to 8:30pm  
Saturday 9:00am to noon.

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday:** Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

**Weekly 3/4– 3/5 \$ 15, 307.35**

**Easter Flowers \$ 1, 212.00**

*Thank you for the faithful and generous support that you continue to give to our Church.*



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Fridays during Lent Stations of the Cross will be held at 4:00pm and 7:00pm in the Church.

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**THE SEASON OF LENT**

During the holy season of Lent, from Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, to Holy Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, you are strongly encouraged to participate in Mass and receive Holy Communion daily, to receive the Sacrament of Penance, to attend Lenten devotions and the Stations of the Cross, to read the Scriptures prayerfully, and to perform acts of self-denial and works of mercy.

**PRAYER:**

Daily Mass is celebrated at 7am & 8:30am. Weekend Mass and Confession times can be found on the front of the bulletin.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena is held every Wednesday at 7:15pm in the chapel. Stations of the Cross are held at 4pm & 7pm every Friday during the Lenten Season.

Eucharistic Adoration is Monday through Friday from 9am to 9pm in the Parish House Chapel.

**FASTING:**

The days of fast and abstinence are ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY.

The other Fridays of Lent are DAYS OF ABSTINENCE.

**ALMSGIVING:**

Give of your time, talent and treasure. Donations of canned or boxed food to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry can be made by placing the items in the collection bins in the vestibule of the church. Monetary donations are accepted at the Parish House or you may mail them to The Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

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**LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**

**MONDAY, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

Following a brief prayer service and examination of conscience, priests from around the region will be available to hear private confessions.

A general absolution will not be given

**Please remember in your prayers:**

Connie Vazquez, Vinnie Vazquez-Garcia, Anne Marie Whelan, Josephine Dowches, Michael Fitzpatrick, Donald McGhee, Jenise Labron, Vickie Robles, Richard Dow, Clarence Pugh, III, Margaret & Gaylord Jeffers, Joel Rivera, Fred Hammer, Stephanie James, Eric Wall, Caellie Boyd, Nicholas Gonzalez, Dawn Vota, Betty Doviak, Ed Ciletti, Michael Dow, Marie Chirico, Karen McDonald, Melissa Currie, Janice Staff, Christine Taintor, Pat Adornetto, Nadia Nieves, Trey Nieves, Talia Rosko, Bobby Sumanga, Garrett Schwab, Frank Anton, Christopher Pierce, Renate Conners, Freddie J. Faber, III, Arleen Bishop, Maria Wolfe, Matthew Ottenwess, Tracy & Erica Schwab, Matthew McDonald, Kristal Faber, Alice Farkas, Justin Beckett, Robert Lally, Tonya DeMaio, Olga Aponte, McKenzie Hunter, Gail Reilly, Alva Marino, Wayne Potts, Stephanie Martin, Corey Kaiser, Stella Grundahl, Daniel DeMaio, Doris Gallo, Matthew Wernoch, Kay Weiss, Casey Davitt, Fredrick Naphys, Clara Hynes, Herbert Cucuini, Daniel Toussaint, Zoey Reed, Mason Damico, David McCoy, Lois Pedrick, John Rubino, George Sampson, Evan Martinez, Sabrina Kaiser, Camila Doris Perez, Celeste Bunn, Jenny Hand, Annabelle Ochipinti, Arthur Netti, Loretta Minakee, Christine, Patricia Parker, Wilma Peterson, Morgan Ackerman, Raymond Bishop, Dylan Crespo, Patricia O'Connor, Sharon Carroll, George Schneider, Marie Donahue, Peggy Stewart, Don & Mary Hartman, Michelle Schafle Reed

As a parish family we remember all who are struggling or suffering in mind, body, or spirit, especially those who have requested our prayers.

**Please pray for the men and women now serving in the military, especially the loved ones of our parishioners who are serving overseas:**

TSgt. Paul J. Stoshak U.S.A.F.  
Capt. Robert J. Boccio, U.S.A.F.  
Michael Bakker, Isaac Paredes  
Douglas Schwenck, Army Reserve  
Richard DeLorge U.S.M.C.  
Peter Liedman, Dorinia Dibuono  
Capt. James Rankin U.S.M.C.  
SSgt Daniel E. Naro, Sgt. Alison Lyport  
Sgt. Stephanie Robertson, U.S. Army  
Sgt. Russell Norton, NG Army  
Sgt. Marshall Norton, U.S.M.C.  
Corporal Maxwell Hughes, U.S.M.C.  
Lt. Matthew Carr, U.S.M.C.  
Lt. Victoria Carr, U.S.M.C.  
Capt. Anthony D'Errico II, U.S.A.F.

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**SERRA VOCATION PRAYER CHALICE**



***Prayer for Vocations***

O God, You have called us to salvation and have sent Your Son to establish the Church for this purpose, and You have provided the sacred ministers. The harvest is ever ready but the laborers are scarce. Inspire our youth to follow Jesus in the priesthood and religious life. Amen.

*Bishop John C. Reiss*

***Thank you  
for praying for vocations.***

To learn more about the Vocation Prayer Chalice, please call Ann (609)-267-5836

**OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT**

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at [abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org) The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

**HOLY WEEK CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 9:30am  
Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm – 3:30pm  
Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm– 5:30pm  
Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 9:30am  
Holy Thursday March 29<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm–12:30pm  
Note that confessions will *not* be available Good Friday or Holy Saturday:  
*The dates & times above will be the last opportunity for confessions before Easter.*



**“For God so loved the world  
that He gave His only Son.”**

*John 3:16*

St. Paul speaks of God's mercy, grace, kindness and enormous love for us. St. John's Gospel puts things in perspective for us to believe in the overwhelming love displayed by God in giving us eternal life by sending us His only Son.

May we pray that during this Lenten season our belief grows stronger and we respond in penance, fasting and almsgiving with grateful hearts.

In living today's Gospel account, we demonstrate that we accept the gifts of light and faith by doing good works. We live in the truth as our works are clearly seen as done in God.

**The SVDP Pantry is in need of the following:**

Peanut Butter, Canned Soups, Cereal, Mac & Cheese, meal in a can, baked beans, rice (1lb or 2lb bags, please), toilet tissue, bar soap.

If you would like to make a monetary donation please make checks payable to:

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL**  
***Thank you!***



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# Join Our Golf Outing



## Sacred Heart School PTA 4th Annual Golf Classic Tuesday May 22, 2018

Registration: 11:30 am  
Shot Gun Start: 1 pm  
Award Reception Dinner: 6 pm  
Rancocas Country Club  
12 Club Ridge Lane, Willingboro, NJ 08046

The Golfer Package includes 18 hole round of golf, shared riding cart, and unlimited driving range. PLUS a full buffet with NY strip steak, boneless chicken breasts, sautéed mushrooms and onions, parsley buttered potatoes, macaroni salad, garden salad, rolls, dessert, and condiments with unlimited beverage (soda). Including 2 beers in the cart per golfer. Cash Bar for Dinner. Beer Tickets can be bought at Registration and used on the course in designated Tee areas.  
Foursome Cost - \$400  
Individual Golfer Cost - \$100

The dinner ONLY package features A full buffet with NY strip steak, boneless chicken breasts, sautéed mushrooms and onions, parsley buttered potatoes, macaroni salad, garden salad, rolls, dessert, and condiments with unlimited beverage (soda). Due to alcohol being consumed, this is a 21 year or older dinner. No one under 21 allowed.  
Dinner Only - \$25

For more info and to download the form, click on this link <http://www.sacred-heart-school.org/4th-annual-golf-classic>

# 10th Annual St. Patrick's Day BEEF & BEER Sacred Heart School Auditorium Beer, Wine, DJ, Dinner and Dancing! \*No one under 21 yrs of age permitted\* **MARCH 17 7pm**

10th Annual  
St. Patrick Day's  
Beef and Beer  
March 17, 2018 - 7 pm  
\$30 Per person  
Sacred Heart Auditorium

Beer, Wine, DJ, Dinner and Dancing  
\*No One under 21 years of age permitted  
Please contact Rob Kelly  
[ptapresident@sacred-heart-school.org](mailto:ptapresident@sacred-heart-school.org)  
609-203-1951

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**Sacred Heart School  
8th Grade – Spirit Night  
Wednesday, March 21, 2018  
Chick-Fil-a Spirit Night  
Wednesday, March 21, 2018  
5 pm to 8 pm  
Chick-fil-A  
Centerton Square  
58 Centerton Road  
[www.mtlaurelchickfila](http://www.mtlaurelchickfila)**

Join us for food and fun! Come support your Sacred Heart 8<sup>th</sup> grade class, and a portion of tonight's sales will be donated accordingly.

***Congratulations to Sacred Heart School's championship teams! Girls Varsity and Boys JV had a great season together and ended up winning their divisions!  
GO CHARGERS!***

***Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for more updates on the exciting things happening at Sacred Heart School!***



## SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

### PARISH CHICKEN DINNER

Saturday, April 7th at 6pm  
In the Sacred Heart Auditorium



Dinner includes: salad, baked and fried chicken, green beans, potatoes, rolls, beverage and dessert.

Price is \$11 per person, children under 6 are free

If you are attending, please call the Parish House at 609-702-1848 ext. 488 or by email [brianjcurtis45@gmail.com](mailto:brianjcurtis45@gmail.com) Please give us your name, the number of people in your party, and the number of children under the age of 6. We need volunteers. If you are able to help, please use the contact information above. This is a social event and not a fundraiser.

## EASTER FLOWERS



There is a special collection envelope for those who wish to make a donation towards the Easter Flowers which will decorate our church. Please place your envelope marked "Easter Flowers" in the basket at the usual collection time. Donations will be accepted throughout the Lenten Season.

On the back of the envelope is a space for names "in Loving honor/memory of". These envelopes will be placed in the Eucharistic Chapel at Easter.

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## Altar Rosary News



Join us on our September 27 to October 4 Trip  
To Cowboy Country;  
South Dakota and Wyoming!  
Some of the sights we will see:  
Mt Rushmore, Grand Tetons, Yellowstone and  
more!  
for Information  
**Call Terry Rensman for more information.**  
**609-284-2517**

## Sacred Heart Yarn Ministry



Thank everyone for the generous donations. NO MORE YARN donations. We still need members to complete the prayer patches and I can give them yarn to complete them. Please reach out to Laura Jean Beierschmitt @ 609-560-0956 or [laurajean42@comcast.net](mailto:laurajean42@comcast.net) to request the pattern and learn more about The Yarn Ministry.

## CEMETERY NEWS



Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day decorations may be placed one week prior to holiday and must be removed two weeks after holiday.

Please call Paula Powell, Cemetery Manager, at 609-267-0209 x 304 if you have any questions

### **Sisters' Night – Friday, March 16, 6:30-8:30pm, Camilla Hall, 1145 W. King Rd., Malvern, PA 19355**

Single young women ages 18-35 are invited to spend an evening of prayer, pizza, and St. Paddy's Day fun with the Immaculate Heart of Mary sisters, novices, and postulants. This is a great opportunity for young women who may be curious or thinking about a vocation to the religious life to spend some time informally with the IHM sisters.

### **Discernment Retreat-March 23 (6pm)-March 25 (1pm), Villa Maria House of Studies, 1140 King Rd., Malvern, PA 19355**

Experience a weekend retreat at the IHM Motherhouse with the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary sisters, novices, and postulants. Single young women ages of 18-35 are invited to come for a weekend of prayer, spiritual conferences, meals, and times of recreation with the sisters. Daily Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, and Eucharistic adoration are included in our weekend retreat.

**Contact: 610-889-1553 or**

**[ihmvoc@gmail.com](mailto:ihmvoc@gmail.com)**



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**Living the Good News Today**

*"By grace you have been saved through faith."*

When our family moved to the Mt. Holly area in the summer of 1983, there were many other active duty and retired military families living nearby. Over the years, we became very good friends with many of our neighbors as we shared celebrations and our children's activities. Three active duty USAF families, who were especially close because of their shared Baptist faith, decided to host a weekly Bible study, hosted by two of the families (complete with potluck suppers) and facilitated by the husband of the third family. Even knowing that we were Catholic, they welcomed us into their rich appreciation of their own Christian faith and they valued our contributions.

This weekend's readings remind me of those three families because of the quote from John 3:16 (*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish.."*) This quote was at the heart of their faith—treasured beyond measure and the focus of their desire to share their faith with others so that they, too, might come to appreciate God's gift to us.

During our weekly gatherings, we had several interesting discussions about what St. Paul expressed to the Ephesians when he wrote *"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God."* In their Protestant viewpoint, they thought that this understanding of faith and God's grace was a point of great separation between Catholics and Protestants. On many occasions, we were able to share with them how central God's grace is to Catholics and that faith leads us to a life's journey with Christ in grace.

Two of the families retired from the USAF and moved back to their home states. For more than 20 years, we have remained friends through cards and letters. The recent death of the Rev. Billy Graham on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> reminded me again of one of those couples, who remained as faithful to their Christian call to live and spread the Good News as they had done in the 1980s by volunteering with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. They had passed on their strong faith not only to their three adult sons and their families, but also to many other families in their community.

While watching both seasons of *"The Crown"* on Netflix, my husband Jeff and I were pleasantly surprised to see the interest that Queen Elizabeth II had in Billy Graham's 1956 spiritual crusade in London, during which she invited him to preach in her private chapel and to meet with him, poignantly asking him to reflect upon forgiveness. It was the beginning of a long friendship for them.

One of the things that I admired the most about Rev. Graham was his fidelity (faithfulness) to Jesus Christ. His biography on his ministry's website reveals that he made

a genuine commitment to Christ in 1934 when he was only 15 years old (a year older than most of our confirmandi) and was ordained into ministry five years later. We can learn a great deal from the life and legacy of this man in keeping Jesus Christ at the center of our lives and our faith—the person through whom we are saved by grace and faith. Under the link *"Grow Your Faith"* on his website was this excellent starting point:

**How to Know Jesus**

1. *God loves you and has a plan for you.*
2. *Here's the problem: man is sinful and separated from God.*
3. *God sent His Son to die for your sins.*
4. *Would you like to receive God's forgiveness?*

We are now in the fourth week of Lenten—a season of repentance, renewal, and reconciliation. What a grace-filled moment there could be every single day if we opened ourselves through prayer to the love and mercy of God! Are we making sacred space during our daily activities to **know** Jesus Christ? Are we willing to share the joy of Christ's love with others? How much time are we willing to give to God to deepen our faith?

This weekend's Gospel shows how Jesus cared for Nicodemus and wanted him to understand what Christ offers to those who believe: light, Truth, and salvation. Our faith is indeed a gift of God. When St. Paul wrote his epistle to the Ephesians, he elaborated on those intrinsic relationships between faith, grace, and salvation. This was the same understanding that Rev. Graham held closely, that we who were once *"dead in our transgressions"* have been saved by God's grace and brought to new life in Christ Jesus. This fundamental understanding through our faith changes not only who we are, but also what we do. Just imagine the extraordinary possibilities for the world if every Christian reminded themselves daily:

*"For we are His handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance that we should live in them."*

Remembering the long and faithful life of Billy Graham the evangelist, we see in him a kindred Christian spirit who spread the same Good News taught in our *Catechism of the Catholic Church*:

*"God, infinitely perfect and blessed in Himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in His own blessed life. For this reason, at every time and in every place, God draws close to man. He calls man to seek Him, to know Him, to love Him with all his strength. He calls together all men, scattered and divided by sin, into the unity of His family, the Church. To accomplish this, when the fullness of time had come, God sent His Son as Redeemer and Savior. In His Son and through Him, He invites men to become, in the Holy Spirit, His adopted children and thus heirs of His blessed life." (1)*

*"It [faith] is the gift of God."*

Teresa S. Redder, OFS

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**WEEKLY PLANNER**

SUNDAY March 11<sup>th</sup>



**Fourth Sunday of Lent**



RCIA Adults 10:00am LIB  
Mass Music Practice 6:30pm Church

MONDAY March 12<sup>th</sup>

Cub Scouts 5:00pm – 8:00pm PHMR  
Confirmation Reconciliation 7:00pm Church  
Knights of Columbus Basketball 7:30pm AUD

TUESDAY March 13<sup>th</sup>

Religious Ed. Fall Program 5:30pm - 6:45pm  
Legion of Mary 7:00pm PHCR  
SVDP 7:00pm Center  
Confirmation Reconciliation 7:00pm Church  
Knights of Columbus 7:30pm PHMR  
Columbiettes 7:30pm LIB

WEDNESDAY March 14<sup>th</sup>

Religious Ed. Fall Program 5:30pm - 6:45pm  
Basketball 6:30pm AUD  
OLPH 7:15pm Chapel

THURSDAY March 15<sup>th</sup>

Basketball 6:30pm AUD  
Boy Scouts 7:00pm PHMR  
Music Practice 6:00pm Church  
Adult Choir Practice 7:30pm Church

FRIDAY March 16<sup>th</sup>

Stations of the Cross 4:00pm and 7:00pm

SATURDAY March 17<sup>th</sup>

RCIA Penance Service 10:00am Church  
Sacred Heart PTA Beef & Beer 7:00pm AUD  
Mass Music Practice 3:30pm



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

SUNDAY March 18<sup>th</sup>

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**



RCIA Adults 10:00am LIB  
Mass Music Practice 6:30pm Church

MONDAY March 19<sup>th</sup>

Cub Scouts 5:00pm – 8:00pm PHMR  
Parish Penance Service 7:00pm

TUESDAY March 20<sup>th</sup>

Religious Ed. Fall Program 5:30pm - 6:45pm  
Legion of Mary 7:00pm PHCR  
SVDP 7:00pm Center  
High School Youth Group 7:00pm LIB

WEDNESDAY March 21<sup>st</sup>

Religious Ed. Fall Program 5:30pm - 6:45pm  
Daisy Troup 6:00pm to 7:30pm PHMR  
OLPH 7:15pm Chapel  
Bible Study 7:30pm LIB

THURSDAY March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Boy Scouts 7:00pm PHMR  
Music Practice 6:00pm Church  
Adult Choir Practice 7:30pm Church

FRIDAY March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Stations of the Cross 4:00pm and 7:00pm

SATURDAY March 24<sup>th</sup>

**3:00pm-3:30pm Confessions**



*Keeping  
a Holy Lent*