



PRESENTATION BVM

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 8:30 and 11:30 AM

St. Joseph: 10 AM

Daily: 6:30 AM (Adoration Chapel) Mon. through Fri.
10:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Tues. and Thurs.
8:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Sat.

St. Joseph: 10:00 AM Mon., Wed., Fri.

Holyday: No Vigil Mass at Presentation

Holyday: 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM

(Except Christmas & New Year's Day)

St. Joseph: Vigil Mass, 7:30 PM

Holyday: 10:00 AM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Each Saturday following the Rosary at 7:30 AM

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM

BAPTISM: Third Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM

Baptismal Instructions: 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the rectory. Pre-registration is required; please contact the Rectory.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made at least six months before the date of the wedding.

Deadline for Publication

The deadline for publication in the parish bulletin is Monday at 11am. You can submit your notices either by email or by dropping them off at the rectory. (Previously published bulletins are available on the parish website.)
bulletin.pbvm@gmail.com

Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Wednesday, 8 am - 1 pm
Thursday and Friday – No Office Hours
No evening hours

August 16, 2020 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

Foreigners, or Gentiles, living within Palestine were given limited rights by the Jews. This arose because a certain universalist tendency now held sway among the Jews of this prophet's time.

Second Reading: Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

God's gifts and calling are given both to Jews and Gentiles. Paul definitely believes this. For him, who was always conscious of his Jewish origins, it became a clear belief that Jews and all others will be saved through God's mercy.

Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28

The Canaanite woman is doubly marginal: she is a woman in a man's world and a Gentile. She uses Our Lord's "dog" imagery to make a frank but humble reply. He recognizes the universality of His Father's call, admires the woman's faith, and immediately heals her daughter.

Reflection:

The Canaanite (Gentile) woman comes to plead for her tormented daughter. Her hunger and need are great. She comes to Jesus, the source of nourishment and healing. She is considered an outsider and not one of "the chosen." But she is focused on Jesus and will not be dissuaded. She represents each of us today hungry for the bread from the table and longing for God.

So we ask ourselves:

- Where and when in our lives have we experienced being an "outsider?"
- Who offered us a welcome?
- Shall we give thanks today for the welcome we received?

Readings for the Week – August 16, 2020

Can be found at <http://www.usccb.org/>. Just click on the calendar date.



Monday: Ez 24:15-23; Deut 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Deut 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Daily Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel except for Saturday morning. Then it is celebrated in the Church

Sunday, August 16, 2020

8:30 Cyrenian Society
11:30

Monday, August 17, 2020

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

6:30 Broni and Adolf Altmann
10:00

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

6:30 John Connolly
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, August 20, 2020, Memorial of St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00

Friday, August 21, 2020, Memorial of St. Pius X, Pope

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Saturday, August 22, 2020, Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Jodi Maslow

REMEMBER OUR SICK

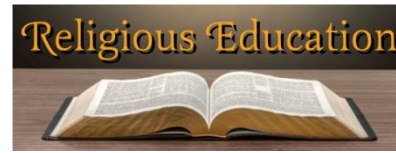
Please keep in your daily prayers, those who are sick and in need of God's healing touch.



Joseph Affet, Edward Anstotz, Matthew Balent, Bill Bambery, Regina Carberry, Sr. Marie Cella, Debbie Chakler, Joanna DeNofa, Bob Gottschalk Stanley Grey, Fred Henderson, Carol Jean Hertkorn, Mary Hillenbrand, Brian Hinchey, Stanley Hrynko, Ethel Iannuzzi, Russel Kahny, Joey Lanzi, Jaime Loyola, Mary McGlenn, Donna McGonigle, Bill Mahoney, Andrew Mamrol, Norah Mason, Julia Michel, Mary Ellen Murphy, Eileen Myer, Theresa Noraka, Anthony Piotrowski, Mary Rowland, Patty Rowley, Ann Ruocchio, Ann Schlimer, Aiden Smith-Kirk, Eileen S. Smith, Josephine D. Smith, Michael R. Smith, Rita Marie Smith, Steven Specht Jr., Howard Stickley III, Ethel Thomas, Joan Unterkofler, Marie Verna, Chris Vogel, James White, Patricia Wilbert.

one word
can change
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Pres Events, 08/16 – 08/22	
Parish	School
Mass schedule as usual. No evening meetings or services until further notice.	Check the school website for important opening information. presentationbvmschool.org



PREP Registration 2020-2021

PREP registration is due for the 2020-2021 school year. Please send Mary Ciamaichelo an email or call for more information. This includes Levels 1 – 7 & HS.

More Info: marycPBVMprep@gmail.com or 215-749-0804

Parish Support Initiative

The Parish Support Initiative was created to assist parishes in maintaining sustainable financial support throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia launched this program in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. It offers our parish another stream of revenue outside of the ordinary Sunday envelopes. And this is in addition to the current electronic giving platform already in use by many of our parishioners. The added feature of this new initiative is that it opens the door for others to support our parish, i.e. not just parishioners but also businesses and private commercial interests. It is a wonderfully broad instrument for furthering the financial stability of our parish.

THANK YOU to all who have been making sacrifices, as your condition allows, to continue the financial support that we need.

I invite you to consider making use of either of these new projects to help us stay solvent, especially now when actually getting to Mass each Sunday is very difficult, if not impossible. The electronic giving can be arranged with your own bank and the Parish Support Initiative can be accessed at SupportMyParish.org. (presentation bvm-cheltenham.)

~ Father Harrison

An Act of Spiritual Communion

(For the faithful who are temporarily unable to receive the Eucharist)
"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen."

~ News from Presentation BVM School ~

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Full time PreK4 through Grade 8

More Info: Including admission information and forms, visit our website at www.presentationbvmschool.org.

215-379-3798

The Prayer of Pope Francis During the Coronavirus

Lord, may you bless the world, give health to our bodies and comfort our hearts. You ask us not to be afraid. Yet our faith is weak and we are fearful. But you, Lord, will not leave us at the mercy of the storm.

Tell us again: "Do not be afraid" (Mt 28:5). And we, together with Peter, "cast all our anxieties onto you, for you care about us"

(1 Pet 5:7). Amen.



Pray for Life

Fourth Saturday, August 22, 6:30 am -7:30 am, at the abortion clinic on Tabor Road below Broad Street (behind Einstein Hospital).

Spiritual Resources during the Corona Virus Restrictions

The Lord always remains close to us and provides us ways to receive His grace even when we cannot attend Mass in person. <http://archphila.org/resources/> Mass will continue to be available via livestream if you are unable to physically attend Mass. [facebook.com/stjoescheltenham](https://www.facebook.com/stjoescheltenham)



SUPPORT THE PARISH!

Our parish can now offer online giving. Sponsored by the catholic foundation of greater philadelphia, you can support our parish by visiting www.thecfcp.org/parish. Using your credit card or ach/direct debit from your bank account, you'll be able to make a one-time contribution or setup a recurring gift to be processed during the covid-19 pandemic so that presentation bvm parish, Cheltenham can receive a steady avenue of support. **Be sure to select the correct presentation bvm in the dropdown menu** - there are two presentation bvm parishes in the archdiocese - but only one presentation bvm-cheltenham.

Chapel Hours

The chapel will be open from 8 am until 7 pm daily for personal prayer. Should the chapel become too crowded, the Church will open for the same hours;

Scrip Hours until September

Tuesday: 8:30 am – 10:00 am; Wed.: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
 Thursday: 8:30 am – 10:00 am; Friday: 8:30 am – 10:00 am;
 Sunday: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Missing Vases

Two matching clear glass vases are missing from the windowsill in the sacristy. These particular vases, because they are smaller than most on the windowsill, were used for the children's May Procession flowers and also for the Memorial Liturgy held every year in November. They also worked well for flowers donated from parishioners' gardens. The vases were noticed missing on March 16, 2020. If you borrowed them, kindly return them. Thank you.

Presentation Choirs

Adult Choir will resume with practice on Tuesday, September 29th, at 7 pm in church. The first choir Mass will be on Sunday, October 4th: 10:30 practice, 11:30 am Mass. *Please note we will observe social distancing with masks.* If you are ages high school and up, please consider adding your voice to our liturgies. The Adult Choir sings once a month and at Christmas and Holy Week.

Liturgical Children's Choir (Grades 3 – 8) sign-ups and schedule TBA. Please stay tuned and consider joining.

More Info (about either choir): Call Melanie Capoferri at 215-635-1681 or email mcapoferri@juno.com

Ans. to this week's "Theology Trivia"

1. St. Anne 2. Apparition 3. Relic 4. Contrition 5. Creed

An Introduction to Theology

Faith formation series (in person or online)

St. Albert Parish's very own Fr. Alex Gibbs is presenting an adult faith formation series entitled, *An Introduction to Theology, a.k.a. What Fr. Gibbs has been doing in Rome*. The series will be held in church and will be broadcast live via [Facebook Live](#) for those unable to attend in person.

When: Mondays, August 17, 24, and 31 at 7:00 pm

Where: [St. Albert the Great Parish](#), Huntingdon Valley, PA

More Info: Precautions will be in place for those attending in person, which includes proper social distancing and wearing of masks. The series is free, but **if you plan to attend in person, please call the rectory at 215-947-3500 to RSVP.**

New! Institute for Christian Formation

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary will begin the **Institute for Christian Formation** for *all those interested in going deeper in their faith*. The program is designed for practicing Catholics and offers the brightest and best Catholic professors around to examine the essential areas of proper Christian life, including Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist to provide a fuller understanding of our dignity as Christians, a more conscious participation in the Sacred Liturgy, and appreciation for the call to live and witness to a moral life in interior communion with Christ.

This is a non-credited program that meets once a week on Thursdays for 16 weeks spread over 2 years. **Courses are expected to begin in January 2021.** For more information about the topics, cost, schedule and contact information, please visit scs.edu/icf.

Eucharistic Congress Postponed

The Eucharistic Congress that was scheduled for October 9-10, 2020 at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul has been postponed due to COVID-19 virus. The Mayor of Philadelphia has issued a mandate "no large gatherings of 25 or more inside or outside." We will let you know when a new date has been set. Please continue to pray for an end to COVID-19 and may the Lord bring healing to our Nation and City.

~Sister Gabrielle Mary, RSM Delegate for Consecrated Life, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
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Temple University Hospital-Jeanes Campus Hosts Farm Stand.

When: Thursdays, June through Oct., 11 am - 5 pm

Where: Next to Parking Lot C on the TUH-Jeanes Campus grounds (7600 Central Avenue)

More Info: Rosemarie Schlegel, 215-728-2131



LOOKING AHEAD...

[Wedding Anniversary Mass](#)

October 17, 2020, 5:15 pm

Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul,
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Theology Trivia

1. What is Mary's mother's name??
2. What do you call an extraordinary visible appearance that is seen by one or more persons?
3. What is a part of the physical remains of a saint or an object closely associated with a saint?
4. What is sorrow for sin with the intention of sinning no more?
5. What is a summary of the truths that we believe.

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Reflection on Sunday's Gospel by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The concept starts out innocently enough. The patient elementary school teacher says: "Boys and girls, when you color, try not to go outside the lines." Later on in life, other teachers come along with a direct order: "People, maintain a margin when you write by hand or type a text on your computer. It is an expected courtesy."

We learn on our own that polls feature another type of margin, what the industry jargon calls "a margin of error." One more instance of margins appears with the sad fact that in our American society certain of our brothers and sisters are actually "marginal people." That's a euphemism for people who, for predetermined reasons, are considered "the outsiders."

The Gospel perspective detests that label. Because Jesus did. It is true that His Jewish contemporaries held that Gentiles, as idolaters, were of a lower class. They had no such word as "marginalized" in their language, but they would recognize the concept. It would take the example of Jesus Himself, and later on of St. Paul, to break down that inherent hostility.

It seems that Our Lord Himself had to learn in His human nature that His mission was not to be boxed in by this kind of thinking. It was to be universal. Listen to that reaction of His to that unnamed Canaanite woman who is the unsung hero in the story. After all, she had a lot against her in making a request of this famous Nazarene. She had reason to be nervous. First of all, she is a woman alone in man's world. But if that were not enough, she is a Gentile. Do those impediments stop her? Definitely not! Being a maternal caregiver with a very sick daughter, she works up the courage to ask this popular Nazarene to cure her charge. Then He retorts with a line that would put off any sensitive type: "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." *Dogs, you say?* She thought. Undaunted, she pipes up: "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the tables of their masters." Respectful but insistent. Ultimately very faith-filled. Our Lord zeroes in on that faith of hers and cures her daughter instantly. Any onlookers among the audience, both Jew and gentile, had to have been stunned and puzzled.

So where does that woman's story leave us? For one thing, it's an opportunity to examine our list of labels for other people. Even the best of us have them, deep inside and mostly muzzled. But they're there. Who do we "marginalize?" Who are "outside the lines" that we draw in our imaginary album of people we know or even don't know? Who are the good and the bad in our "book?" Does this gospel make us uncomfortable? And where does our faith in Jesus fit into the picture? Good questions. But tough questions. It's always going to be that way for people with a right conscience who claim to follow Christ. People like you and me.

There is a call here to consider what being grateful for your gift of faith means as you approach that same Nazarene in the Eucharist today. I'm always a bit nervous as I near Him. But that that long gone Canaanite woman is my hero. She inspires me to get out of my preconceived notions. Past any trace in me of that nasty margin of prejudice. I can add to that the definite truth of what an unknown wag hit upon when he opined: "Some people's minds are like concrete: thoroughly mixed up and permanently set." God love you and give you His peace!

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