

PRESENTATION BVM
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Rectory Office Hours

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

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.)
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April 18, 2021 – Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19

Peter's use of several honored titles of God in the Old Testament shows that he is a true Israelite speaking to his own in this sermon, and he urges them to repent and be converted to Christ.

Second Reading: I John 2: 1-5a

Jesus is our true Advocate should we fall into sin. Paul tells us that "to know God" means keeping His commandments.

Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48


Several themes of Luke's gospel come together in this last section. Such are table fellowship, God's promises fulfilled in Jesus; forgiveness of sins; witnessing; the Holy Spirit; Jesus' journey to the Father is complete.

Reflection:

After curing a crippled beggar, Peter announces what the first generation of Christians and we believe: Christ is raised from the dead and a new age has dawned. The old order of death is passing away. Jesus is alive and his followers are showing in their words and actions bold signs of his healing presence working with them.

So we ask ourselves:

- Can I name some ways I witness to my faith in the risen Christ?
- How am I a sign to others of Jesus' healing presence in the world?



Readings for the Week – April 18, 2021

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 18, 2021

8:30 Cyrenian Society
11:30

Monday, April 19, 2021

6:30 Lorrie Lynch
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

6:30
10:00

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

6:30
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, April 22, 2021

6:30
10:00

Friday, April 23, 2021

6:30
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Saturday April 24, 2021

8:00 Hildegard and Zigmantas Jakaitis

REMEMBER OUR SICK

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



Miriam Abaladejo, Joseph Affet,
Sonny & Paul Andris, 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,
Eileen Myer, Andrew Mamrol, Norah Mason,
Mary Ellen Murphy, Theresa Noraka, Anthony
Piotrowski, Mary Rowland, Patty Rowley, Ann Ruocchio,
Ann Schlimer, Aiden Smith-Kirk, Eileen S. Smith,
Michael R. Smith, Theresa and Bill Sheviver,
Josephine D. Smith, Rita Marie Smith, Steven Specht Jr.,
Howard Stickley III, Ethel Thomas, Joan Unterkofler,
Marie Verna, Chris Vogel, James White, Patricia Wilbert

Feast Day Tip - Feast of St. George

On Friday the 23rd, we celebrate the feast of St. George. Nowhere is St. George more celebrated than in England. During the height of this feast's popularity, dishes like roast beef would have been common. However, because it is celebrated on a Friday this year, fish and chips would make a delicious substitute.

Visit feastday.co for more help celebrating the feasts and seasons.



Parish Code: Z4NTN

Visit Presentation BVM Parish's FaceBook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/PresParishCheltenham/>

Pres Events, 04/18 – 04/24		
	Parish	School
Sun., 04/18		
Mon., 04/19		
Tues., 04/20	PREP, 6:45 – 8:05	
Wed., 04/21		
Thurs., 04/22		Earth Day
Fri., 04/23		
Sat., 04/24		

Pray for Life
Fourth Saturday, April 24, 6:30-7:30 A.M., at the abortion clinic on Tabor below Broad (behind Einstein Hospital).

Support Pres! Buy Scrip Online!



Download the app.
 Use the Presentation BVM code:
 A63D89A33749.

Buy gift cards and earn money for Pres!
 Need help? Please contact Nicole Herbert (215) 939-3900 or Kathleen Hurst (215) 870-8251.

Scrip Hours



Monday: 8 am – 10 am; Tuesday: 2 pm – 3 pm;
 Wed.: 2 pm- 3 pm; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
 Thursday: 8 am – 10 am; Friday: 8 am – 10 am;
 Saturday: closed; Sunday: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Scrip is also available on line 24/7. Please sign up at www.shopwithscrip.com.

More Info or Help: Nicole Herbert, 215-939-3900 or Kathleen Hurst, 215 870-8251.

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.

Ans. to this week's "Theology Trivia"

1.Genesis 2. Good News 3. Resurrection 4. Justice 5. Light

2020 Year End Contribution Report

The year-end report of contributions in 2020 is available at now. In order to obtain this report, please complete the information request on the form below and return it to the rectory. For purposes of clarity, this form is the only way we can honor your request.

2020 YEAR END CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/we request this report for:

Name of Household or Individual _____

Address _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

The Sisters of St. Joseph Invite You to Celebrate *Laudato Si'* Year

Last May Pope Francis designated the period between May 24, 2020, and May 24, 2021, as *Laudato Si'* Year to commemorate the fifth anniversary of his landmark encyclical on the care for our common home. During this year of reflection the Sisters of St. Joseph will be



providing excerpts each week from the encyclical along with reflection questions as one way for our parishioners to participate in this global commemoration. To read and reflect on the full encyclical click here: <https://tinyurl.com/vp3aw7a>

April 18: The ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion. It must be said that some committed and prayerful Christians tend to ridicule expressions of concern for the environment. Others are passive; they choose not to change their habits and thus become inconsistent. What they all need is an "ecological conversion", whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience. (LS #217)

Reflection:

- Conversion means turning away from something that is death-dealing and turning toward something that is life-giving. Adopt one practice this week that will be life-giving for our planet.
- What interior conversion do you need in order to more fully live your vocation to be a protector of God's work?

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, the Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers

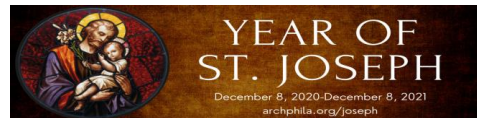
When: Sunday, April 25, 2021, 3 pm; All are welcome.

Where: Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Phila.

Celebrant: Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez

Liturgical Music: St. Christopher Parish Schola

RSVP: opd@archphila.org or 215-587-3530



The entire Archdiocese of Philadelphia is encouraged to spend this year growing closer to St. Joseph, honoring him, imitating his virtues, and asking for his intercession. May this be a year of great grace for all of us as we grow closer to our spiritual father! **More Info:** <http://archphila.org/joseph/>

Archdiocesan Novena to St. Joseph

The Archdiocesan Novena to Saint Joseph can be prayed in any setting, especially before or after Holy Mass and/or at parish meetings, in the classroom and in the family home. The praying of this Novena is to unite everyone in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on the 19th of each month, from March through November 2021, in single petition of confident prayer to the Lord through the heavenly intercession of Saint Joseph. Please keep in mind the monthly Archdiocesan intention, found on page 4 of the Novena below.

Novena Prayers: <http://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Novena-to-St.-Joseph.pdf>

When: Continuing April 19, 2021

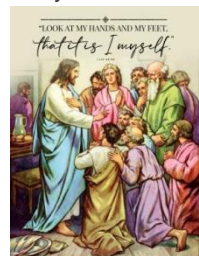
Spiritual Resources during the Corona Virus Restrictions

<http://archphila.org/resources/>

Live stream Mass at [facebook.com/stjoescheltenham](https://www.facebook.com/stjoescheltenham)

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

In my retirement I have learned that I am at least a half decent cook. My loving Mom was prescient years ago when she taught me how to cook a decent breakfast and a few dinner menus under her simple rubric: "You might not be able to get a cook at the rectory." How right she was, as many a priest these days can attest. Over the years I've grown more confident at the job. When I read this week's post Easter appearance of Jesus and how He was handed a piece of "baked fish" to eat, I couldn't help think of the many pieces of fish I have successfully baked.



Of course St. Luke, with his keen and practiced doctor's eye for details, adds this fact to underscore the fact that Jesus' was a true bodily resurrection and not some chimera conjured up by the Apostles. Jesus' body was real enough to grow hungry, even though it had been glorified.

That brings to the fore the whole question of what happens to our own bodies in the next life. Faith provides the main answer. As the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults asserts: "Faith in the resurrection of our bodies is inseparable from our faith in the resurrection of Christ's body from the dead. He rose as our head, as the pattern of our rising, and as the life-giving source of our new life."

Later in the same section the Catechism adds: "In the final resurrection, our bodies will be transformed, though we do not know precisely how. The manner of our resurrection exceeds our understanding and imagination and is accessible only to our faith."

I find myself asking fanciful questions after reading those serious statements. Are we to enjoy good food like baked fish or grilled steak in heaven? Are all the desserts there to have no caloric effects on our avoirdupois? Will we be cooking our food, or will it just appear at our place on celestial china? What is certain here on earth is that phrase in our Nicene Creed that we profess every Sunday which states our belief in "the resurrection of the body."

I close with one more citation from the Catechism. "It (our resurrection) is a sobering belief because it reminds us of the judgment yet to come, and at the same time it is a joyful belief that heralds life everlasting with God." Good for all of us to bask in that belief this April weekend.

God love you and give you His peace.

Virtual Marriage Encounter Weekends

Being together all day doesn't guarantee a great relationship. If your marriage is pandemic weary, maybe a little outside inspiration can bring back the romance. Learn how to make your best life together a reality on a virtual WWME experience—either over a Weekend, or over the course of 8 evenings.

Virtual Weekends coming up in this region:

4/30- 5/02, Contact Michael & Marge Walsh 609-741-8012;

Virtual 3RE (Restore, Rekindle, Renew Experience)

4/11- 5/05, Contact Tom & Ruth De Falco 732-904-9636.

More information: visit <https://wwme.org/>

Archbishop Chaput's New Book

Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap, Archbishop Emeritus of Philadelphia, has published a new book, *Things Worth Dying For: Thoughts on a Life Worth Living*. In the book, Archbishop Chaput delves richly into our yearning for God, love, honor, beauty, truth, and immortality. He examines the chronic questions of the human heart; the idols and false flags we create; and the nature of a life of authentic faith. Ultimately, with compelling grace, he shows us that the things worth dying for reveal most powerfully the things worth living for.

More Info: <https://us.macmillan.com/books/9781250239778>.

Blindsided by gender ideology? Have hope: The Person and Identity Project

This project's mission is to assist the Catholic Church in promoting the Catholic vision of the human person and responding to the challenges of gender ideology. Gender ideology has permeated the culture with stunning speed, influencing medicine, business, media, entertainment, government and education. Because it is sowing confusion and undermining the Church's mission of evangelization, the rise of gender ideology has created an urgent need for clarity, education, and compassionate guidance for Catholic families and young people. It provides formation, resources, and pastoral guidance on issues of faith, "gender," and sexual identity. **Website:** <https://personandidentity.com/>

Easter Season Bible Study on Zoom

Why not prepare for the feast of Pentecost by enrolling in "The Trinity in the Letters of St. Paul"? We will discover how St. Paul presents our salvation as the work of God the Father, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. This program, led by Sister Sara Butler, M.S.B.T. will meet on Zoom.

When: Tuesdays, April 13 – May 11, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

To register, call Joanne Nesbitt at 267-350-1831 or email mbcretreat@msbt.org.

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The Annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul with Archbishop Nelson Pérez presiding. This Mass will be commemorating all married couples who are newlyweds or celebrating their 5, 10, 25 or 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. Wedding vows will be renewed. Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend.

When: Saturday, May 1, 2021; 5:15 pm Vigil Mass

More information: Please RSVP by calling The Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500. Visit our website at <http://phillycatholiclife.org/>

Golf Outing Benefit for the Gianna Center of Phila.

Come and celebrate the Gianna Center's second anniversary at the Suburban Community Hospital by participating in the first annual Golf Outing Benefit. The Gianna Center is dedicated to providing women's health care and infertility treatment that honor the sanctity of each human life, the dignity of women, and the sacramental integrity of marriage.

When: Monday, May 3, 2021, 11 am

Where: Lulu Country Club, 1600 Limekiln Pike, Glenside, PA

More details, visit <https://www.phgiannacenter.org/event-details/first-annual-golf-benefit-3>

Theology Trivia

1. Which book of the Bible contains the Creation stories?
2. What does the word Gospel mean?
3. What event in Jesus' life do we celebrate each Sunday?
4. What is the virtue of fairness?
5. The Easter Vigil begins in the back of the Church with the Service of the _____?

(Answers on p. 3)

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