

**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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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**Rectory Office Hours**

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

## January 9, 2022 – Baptism of the Lord

### First Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7

The servant whom the prophet speaks of is a “chosen one,” just like Moses and David. He contrasts his gentle ways with a military method. Nevertheless, he will still “bring forth justice.”

### Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-38

Peter acts as a missionary preacher in this scene at Cornelius’ house announcing the original proclamation of God’s working through Jesus, who was “anointed with the Spirit and power.”

### Gospel: Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22


John proclaims that One is coming who will baptize “with the Holy Spirit and fire.” Then Jesus submits to John’s baptism to endorse all that John preached. Notably Jesus prays at this time of His own endorsement by the Father and the Holy Spirit.

### Reflection:

We might consider ourselves quite ordinary Christians, but the fact is, through our baptism, we have been anointed by the Spirit. So we always have with us the intimate presence of God, the foundation of our lives and the driving energy that sends us into the world. After Jesus’ baptism he went on mission. Our baptism impels us to do similarly in the many and diverse places God has sent us.

### So, we ask ourselves:

- What difference does my baptism make in my everyday world?
- Do I feel anointed by the Spirit to be more of a witness to my faith? How?



### Readings for the Week – January 9, 2022

**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14--20  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21--28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29--39  
**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1--12  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13--17  
**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, January 9, 2022

8:30 Cyrenian Society  
11:30

#### Monday, January 10, 2022

6:30  
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

#### Tuesday January 11, 2022

6:30  
10:00

#### Wednesday, January 12, 2022

6:30  
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

#### Thursday, January 13, 2022

6:30 Joseph Tuyen Dinh  
10:00

#### Friday, January 14, 2022

6:30 Joseph Adams  
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

#### Saturday, January 15, 2022

8:00



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THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

### REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Pray for all members of the Presentation Faith Community who have been welcomed into the happiness of eternal life, especially Philip McPoyle.

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

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<https://www.facebook.com/PresParishCheltenham/>

Pres Events, 01/09 – 01/15		
	Parish	School
Sun., 01/09		
Mon., 01/10		Ring in the New Year Dress Down Day! \$1
Tues., 01/11	PREP, 6:45 – 8:05 pm	
Wed., 01/12		8 <sup>th</sup> grade graduation pictures
Thurs., 01/13		
Fri., 01/14		
Sat., 01/15		

### Tabor Home Sunday

Next Sunday is **Tabor Home Sunday**. Socks and underwear—both men’s and women’s—would be appreciated. Thank you for your faithful support of Tabor Home.

### SUPPORT THE PARISH!

Our parish offers online giving. Sponsored by the Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia, support our parish by visiting [www.thecfcp.org/parish](http://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 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.



### SCRIP NEWS and Fall Schedule



**Monday:** 8 am – 10 am; **Tuesday:** 2 pm – 3 pm  
**Wednesday:** 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

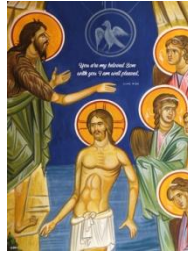
Our scrip sellers are local and very passionate about our Scrip Program. Should you find yourself in need of Scrip, outside of normal business hours, PLEASE CONTACT:  
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 Any questions? Need help? Call us, text us, email us! We will help you earn money for yourself and also for our school!  
 The Scrip program is the easiest, no cost fundraiser there is. There is no gimmick, no catch. It takes a few minutes of pre-planning and a smidge of discipline, but the payoff is great!!!!  
 Monies earned through Scrip can be used at ANY school (AOP, Private Schools/Academies, etc)...from Pre-School through College, student loans, and any school related fees.  
 And one last reminder: It is much easier to support your school while it is open than it is to save it from closing.

“The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven, and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel.”  
 ~Pope Francis

### Answers to this week’s “Theology Trivia”

1. Ten Commandments/Decalogue
2. Four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
3. Epistles
4. New Testament
5. Bishop

### Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



I recently enjoyed reading TV newsman Chris Wallace’s book *1945*, which chronicles the events marking the creation and use of the first atomic bomb. Along the way, the author gives us insights into the ways of the various characters involved. Singular attention is given to the controversial decision of President Harry S. Truman to use the awful weapon against Japan, which was at the time our sworn enemy. How different today with our roads traversed by Honda, Toyota and Nissan cars.

As we know, the president’s decision changed history, and its propriety is still the subject of debate. But we learn as well of Truman’s troubling internal quandary beforehand and the various positions of his trusted advisers. Yours truly was only three years of age at the time, so the book shed light on what went on then.

At this early day in a brand new year, most of us already know that we will be making all kinds of decisions in the months ahead. Some will be delightful; others daunting. May I propose what Jesus did before every major decision in His life as our model? It was prayer. Our Lord prayed at the moment of His baptism, when God the Father and the Holy Spirit manifested their approval of Him as He began His public ministry. A few short years later Jesus would pray as He begins to close His ministry in the garden of Gethsemane. Prayer before decision-making. It makes perfect sense on one level. It demonstrates faith on another. Why then is it so often neglected even by believers? I put the blame squarely on that pragmatism embedded in our American psyche. It’s the same notion that promotes rugged individualism as the ideal way to live. So, it is better to be known as an independent than a dependent. Leave religion and God out of it.

That’s sad not only for relegating God to the sidelines, but also for denying the way we are “hard wired” as creatures for God. You could not ask for a more independent-minded person than Jesus. Note how little He cared for the opinions of others. But, oh, did He ever pray!

The Psalms of Scripture are unique because Jesus prayed them. You could say they were His prayer book of David’s poems. Other poets over time have extolled prayer as well. I have always liked this one from George Herbert, the 17<sup>th</sup> century Anglican priest, who gives us images that make us pause:

“Prayer the church’s banquet, angel’s age,  
 God’s breath in man returning to his birth,  
 The soul in paraphrase, heart in pilgrimage,  
 The Christian plummet sounding heav’n and earth  
 Engine against th’ Almighty, sinner’s tow’r,  
 Reversed thunder, Christ-side-piercing spear,  
 The six-days world transposing in an hour,  
 A kind of tune, which all things hear and fear;  
 Softness, and peace, and joy, and love, and bliss,  
 Exalted manna, gladness of the best,  
 Heaven in ordinary, man well drest,  
 The milky way, the bird of Paradise,  
 Church-bells beyond the stars heard, the soul’s blood,  
 The land of spices; something understood.”  
 God love you and give you His peace.





### MARRIED COUPLES

Resolve to "Live your best life in love" in 2022: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? In-person experiences in the New Year are:  
**When:** February 11-13 and April 22-24  
**Where:** Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown.  
**More Info:** <https://www.wmme-philly.org/>.



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### Lottery Calendar Fundraiser



**31 chances to win —  
 \$2,700 in total prizes  
 ranging from \$50 to \$500!**

Winner based on the daily 7pm  
 Pennsylvania Evening Pick 3  
 (straight as drawn)

**Your \$10 donation supports  
 the students and staff at Presentation BVM School.**

Calendars are available to purchase at school, at the Scrip office  
 or after Mass on the weekends.

If you are interested in selling/buying calendars,  
 please contact Bill Boyce at [wboyce@presbvmschool.org](mailto:wboyce@presbvmschool.org)

**Thank you for your support!**

### National March for Life in Washington, DC

The March for Life is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mall and march on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It's the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world.  
**When:** Friday, Jan. 21, 2022; **Location:** Washington, D.C.  
**More Info:**

Mass begins at 10 am, and ends at 11am  
 Face masks are optional at this time in the Basilica  
 For more information, contact the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500  
 or email Cassandra at [cdoughty@archphila.org](mailto:cdoughty@archphila.org)

### Young Adult Retreat

Come join other young adults (ages 22-35) married or single, to take a step back from our busy lives. This will be a time to examine your personal faith and your relationship with God, your family members and yourself. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun!

**When:** February 11 - 13, 2022  
**Where:** Marianist Family Retreat Center  
 Cape May Point, NJ 08212  
**Cost:** \$140 per person;  
 Some financial aid is available.  
**Register at:** [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org)  
 or call 609-884-3829



### Bishop McDevitt Class of '70 Save the Date- Saturday, April 30, 2022

Celebrate our delayed 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion. Join your classmates at Lulu Country Club for a night of fun, food, music, and reminiscing. Please email Rosemary Reynolds Goodwin ([goodwinre@gmail.com](mailto:goodwinre@gmail.com)) or Terri Gasbarra ([terrigasb@gmail.com](mailto:terrigasb@gmail.com)) with your information to help us update our class list and spread the word.

### Sacraments - Do You Understand What They Do?

"The Seven Sacraments continue the saving work of Jesus until he comes again...Participation in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, is not simply an option; rather, it is foundational to sustain the faithful in union with the very life of the Trinity and to strengthen them for the rigors of living their faith as committed disciples." USCCB Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis. Join Dr. Joe Zalot to learn more about what the Sacraments do in the Adult Faith Enrichment series. From 2004 to 2015, Dr. Zalot was a tenured professor at Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati. He joined The National Catholic Bioethics Center as a staff ethicist in July 2017.

**When:** Sundays Jan. 9, 16, and 23 at 10:30 am  
**Where:** Saints Simon and Jude Parish,  
 West Chester in the Meehan Center. All are welcome.  
**More Info:** [www.simonandjude.org](http://www.simonandjude.org) or contact Sister Mary Agnes at [smaryan@simonandjude.org](mailto:smaryan@simonandjude.org) / 610 696-3624

### The Chosen- Bible Study

Join us for an 8-part video series as we watch, reflect, and discuss each episode from the first season of *The Chosen*. Light refreshments will be served, but participants are welcome to bring their own snacks. This event is free, but free-will donations are always appreciated.

**When:** Mondays in January and February 2022 beginning January 3, 1 pm – 2:30 pm  
**Where:** The Miraculous Medal Shrine (Lower Shrine)

### Come and See Weekends- For Men Discerning a Call to the Priesthood

Come & See events offer men considering a vocation the opportunity to visit the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary to see what seminary life is like and explore a possible call to the priesthood.

**When:**  
**High School Men**  
 January 22 - January 23, 2022  
 February 12 - February 13, 2022  
 April 2 - April 3, 2022

**Post High School Men**  
 February 25 - February 27, 2022  
 March 25 - March 27, 2022

**Where:** St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnwood, PA  
**More Info:** <https://heedthecall.org/comeandsee/>  
**Registration:** Click on the date or contact Fr. Friel,  
 Vocation Director ([fr.dfriel@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dfriel@archphila.org))

### Theology Trivia

1. What do we call the guidelines God gave to Moses on Mount Sinai?
2. Where in the New Testament will we find the life of Jesus?
3. What is another name for the letters written to encourage the early Christians?
4. What is another name for the Christian Scriptures?
5. Who is the leader of a diocese?

(Answers on p. 3)

