



PRESENTATION BVM
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PASTORAL COUNCIL
Vacant

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) Saturday
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 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.

Rectory Office Hours

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

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

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Parish Code: Z4NTN

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Thursday and Friday – No Office Hours
No evening hours

February 26, 2023 - First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7

The first man is created “out of the clay of the ground.” So our human story begins. Soon after, the woman (her origin not mentioned in this account) eats the forbidden fruit and gives some to her mate. “Their eyes were opened” and so the human struggle with slavery to sin begins as well.

Second Reading: Romans 5: 12-19, or 5: 12, 17-19

St. Paul alludes to Genesis here, but he focuses on the theological truth that sin and death entered into the human story and brought on the terrible enslavement of sin.

Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

Jesus’ desert experience closely parallels that of Israel, but where Israel fell into sin and alienation from Yahweh at times, the “New Moses,” Jesus Our Lord, triumphs over Satan’s temptations. In doing so, Jesus quotes from Deuteronomy and declares His own obedience to God’s First Commandment.

Reflection:

That day in the desert – could Jesus have changed stones into bread? Yes. Did he choose to do that? No. Well, not in the way the tempter wanted.

We recall the hard places in our lives when we met rocks on the road, when we stumbled, tripped and got hurt. To our surprise, we found strength and nourishment, sometimes in the most surprising places. Stones were turned into bread when we were in need.

So we ask ourselves:

- Can we name a personal desert period when God gave us strength and faith to see us through?
- This Lent, how can I express my gratitude to God for the bread I received in hard times?

Readings for the Week – February 26, 2023

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 26, 2023

8:30 Cyrenian Society
11:30

Monday, February 27, 2023

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

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 John and Margaret Connolly

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

6:30
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph
7:30 pm

Thursday, March 2, 2023

6:30 Dolores Landgrebe (Third Anniversary)
10:00 Virginia Mamrol

Friday, March 3, 2023

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

Saturday, March 4, 2023

8:00 Helen Nicholson

Quotable

“We must show love for those who do evil to us and pray for them. Nothing is dearer or more pleasing to God than this.”

~St. Bridget of Sweden

REMEMBER OUR SICK

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



Joseph Affet, Sonny & Paul Andris, Matthew Balent, Bill Bambery, Debbie Chakler, Joanna DeNofa, Stanley Grey, Bob Gottschalk, Fred Henderson, Carol Jean Hertkorn, Charles and Donna Frush, Russel Kahny, Joey Lanzi, Mary Hillenbrand, Brian Hinchey, Stanley Hrynko, Donna McGonigle, Bill Mahoney, Angelo Maiale, Norah Mason, Eileen Myer, Mary Ellen Murphy, Mary Rowland, Theresa Noraka, Anthony Piotrowski, Ann Schlimer, Patty Rowley, Ann Ruocchio, John Sheridan, Michael R. Smith, Josephine D. Smith, Rita Marie Smith, Ethel Thomas, Theresa and Bill Sheviver, Tim Thompson, Marie Verna, Steven Specht Jr., Howard Stickley III, James White, Patricia Wilbert, Joan Unterkofler, Chris Vogel

Theology Trivia

1. What is the name of the vestment that is a sign of the priesthood?
2. Name the seventh commandment?
3. How long do marriage vows bind a man and woman?
4. What is the fifth commandment?
5. What is the process in which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church? (Answers on p. 3)

Pres Events, 02/26 – 03/25		
	Parish	School
Sun., 02/26		
Mon., 02/27		
Tues., 02/28	Rosary Club, 6pm, Chapel; PREP, 6:45 pm – 8:05 pm	
Wed., 03/01		H&S General Meeting
Thurs., 03/02		School Mass, 10 am
Fri., 03/03		<i>Terra Nova Testing;</i> Stations of the Cross, 1:30 pm
Sat., 03/04		

Vigil for Life

Christ the King from 7:00-10:00 am, Saturday, March 4.

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. Use your credit card or debit from your bank account, and make a one-time contribution or setup a recurring gift so that Presentation BVM parish, Cheltenham, can receive a steady avenue of support.

Scrip News & Schedule

Sunday: 9:30 am - 11:30 am;
Monday: 7:30 am – 10:30 am; **Tuesday:** CLOSED
Wednesday: 2 pm – 3 pm; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Thursday: 7:30 am – 10:30 am;
Friday: CLOSED; **Saturday:** CLOSED;



SCRIP IS AVAILABLE 24/7 @ www.shopwithscrip.com or by using the Raise Right App on your mobile device. Should you find yourself in need of Scrip, outside of normal business hours, PLEASE CONTACT:

Nicole Herbert (215) 939-3900;
 Kathleen Hurst (215) 870-8251

Any questions? Need help? Call us, text us, email us!

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.



The Bishops of the U.S. prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are 14 years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. A

Persons 18 years of age and older, up to and including their 59th birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended. All are also encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl

Answers to this week's "Theology Trivia"

1. stole
2. Thou shalt not steal
3. Until death
4. You shall not kill
5. RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Lent at Presentation BVM

Stations of the Cross

Tuesdays, 7:15 pm; Friday, 1:30 pm

Rice Bowl Collection Boxes- in Church vestibule (in English and Spanish)

Eucharistic Adoration

Sign-up sheets for Adoration are in the vestibule beginning this weekend. We do encourage you to sign up so we know that someone will be with the Blessed Sacrament throughout the afternoon. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on **Monday afternoon from 12 -5 pm beginning on February 27th**. Also the Adoration chapel is open every day until 7 pm. Although the Blessed Sacrament is not exposed, it is still a beautiful and peaceful place to be still and talk with Jesus, your friend and Savior.

So, how's your relationship with Jesus? You may know all the rules of our Faith, you may attend Mass and participate in the Sacraments, you may recite rosaries and novenas, but **how is your personal relationship with Jesus?** Spouses and friends must communicate in order to maintain their relationship. The same is true for you and Jesus. Carving out some time in your day to spend with Jesus is fundamental to maintaining and growing your relationship with him.

Take advantage of Eucharistic Adoration this Lent to keep company with Jesus. **The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on Monday afternoon from 12 -5 pm starting February 27th**. Stop in. Imagine Jesus is sitting next to you. Let him know what is bothering you, what is going well, what scares you, where you are looking for direction. He really cares. Listen. Be still. Enjoy the moment!

Lenten Resources

Lent: Through the Eyes of Mary

A 2023 Lenten Series from the Miraculous Medal Shrine

Each year during Lent, we present an original video series to inspire our Catholic family and help you through your personal and spiritual growth during this time of prayer, reflection, charity, and sacrifice. This year, we will focus on the guidance that Our Blessed Mother has bestowed upon us through her 16 Vatican-recognized earthly apparitions.

[Lent: Through the Eyes of Mary - The Miraculous Medal Shrine](#)

Dynamic Catholic

It's not what you give up this Lent, it's who you become. Sign up for a free daily Lenten reflection from Matthew Kelly.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html>

Go Forth:

Deepen Your Discipleship • Grow in Mission

Join Archbishop Pérez in his mission to create a culture of missionary disciples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia! Subscribe to receive a weekly text from the Archbishop with one action step you can take that week to deepen your friendship with Jesus or grow in your mission to bring Jesus to others. It's a simple and great way to grow in your vocation as a missionary disciple! Texts begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb 22, 2023, and continue weekly for one year.

To subscribe to the Archbishop's texts

to 84576 or go to the website:

English: Text *goforth* or phillydisciples.org/goforth

Spanish: Text *vayanpues* to 202-765-3441 or phillydisciples.org/vayanpues

**FIRST WEEK OF LENT:
A SEASON FOR SLOWING DOWN**



During this sacred season, we will intentionally slow down so that we can pay closer attention to our relationship with God, our neighbors, and our planet.

Reflect on how the pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving can guide your journey for a more enriching Lenten experience. How can practicing these pillars help you to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit [crsricebowl.org](https://www.crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

<https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/intro>

PRESENTATION BVM SCHOOL - REGISTER NOW!

Accommodating the educational needs of children beginning in Preschool (3 & 4 year old programs) and continuing through 8th grade, Presentation BVM School, offers a nurturing, faith-filled environment rooted in strong Catholic traditions. With a dedicated faculty committed to achieving high standards of academic excellence, Presentation BVM is a Middle States Accredited school that offers many curricular and co-curricular opportunities for your child to be a well-rounded individual: academically, spiritually, and socially. Tour our school, meet faculty members, and find out what makes *Pres* the best fit for your child!



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- 1:1 Chrome books
- Fine Arts Program
- Free breakfast and lunch
- Hands on Science Lab
- After School CARES Program
- Active Home & School Association
- Honors Math Program
- Catapult
- MCIU Services
- Award winning band
- Anti-bullying Program

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For more information call 215.379.3798.

Visit us at www.presentationbvmschool.org

Lansdale Catholic News

7th Grade Practice Scholarship Exam

LC will hold their 7th Grade Practice Scholarship Exam on Saturday, March 4 from 8AM – 11AM. Students from regional public, private and parochial schools are encouraged to register online at

<https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/portal.php>, please USE ACCESS CODE Z8 or call Meghan Callan, Director of Admissions at 215.362.6160 x1850 for information.

2022 Year End Contribution Report

The year-end report of contributions in 2022 is available 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.

2022 YEAR END CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/we request this report for:

Name of Household or Individual _____

Address _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

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THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**
Week of February 26, 2023

Father Michael McGivney: An American Blessed
In May 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. Michael McGivney, paving the way for his beatification. This documentary highlights Fr. McGivney's fraternal charity, evangelization, and empowerment of the laity.

Session 1: Jesus: Model and Master of Prayer
In this episode of his course on the Our Father, Dr. Ben Akers teaches us what we can learn from the perfect model and master of prayer, Jesus himself.

Discerning God's Will by Fr. Larry Richards
Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories. Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories!

Holy Martyrs



**Tuesday, March 14th & 28th
April 11th & 25th, 2023**

Doors open at 6pm
B.I.N.G.O. begins at 7:00 pm

* BYOB/BYOS Food & Drinks available for purchase
Hot Dogs, Sausages, Popcorn, Stock's Pound Cake,
Soda, water, coffee, tea, hot chocolate...
* Cash prizes

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