

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.

Formed.org Parish Code: Z4NTN

Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Friday, 9 AM - Noon

PRESENTATION BVM

100 Old Soldiers Road
Cheltenham, PA 19012

<http://www.presentationbvm.org>

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. William S. Harrison
Parochial Vicar Retired: Rev. John R. McFadden
Deacon Retired: William A. Cella
Principal: Mrs. Joyce Flanigan
Business Manager: William Boyce
Coord. of Liturgical Music: Mrs. Melanie Capoferri
Organist: Stephen Duffy
PREP Coordinator: Mrs. Mary Ciamachelo

PARISH OFFICES

Rectory: 215-379-1364; Fax: 215-379-2054
PREP Office/Youth Ministry: 215-379-2054
School: 215-379-3798
Convent: 215-379-8343
Bulletin Info: bulletin.pbvm@gmail.com

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Vacant

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Servers: Father Harrison 215-379-1364
C.Y.O.: cyoboard.presentation@gmail.com
C.Y.O. Athletic Dir.: Dawn Kessler. 267-934-3366
Environmental Helpers: Ethel Burke: 215-725-5973
Gabriel Project: Annie Byrne 215-379-6830
Home & School: Heather Martinez
hspbvm@presbvmschool.org
Lectors: Father Harrison: 215-379-1364
Liturgy: Father Harrison: 215-379-1364
Mary's Helpers: Ethel Burke: 215-725-5973
Music Coord., Melanie Capoferri : 215-379-1364
Pastoral Council, Father Harrison: 215-379-1364
Phone Prayer Line, Ethel Burke: 215-725-5973
P.R.E.P. Coordinator, Mary Ciamachelo: 215-749-0804
Scrip: PresBvmScrip@gmail.com
Spiritual Life Committee, Fr. Harrison: 215-379-1364

Deadline for Publication

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

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

January 21, 2024- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Nineveh was famous for its enormous violence and cruelty. That fact underlines the miracle of that city's sudden and total conversion based on repentance.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Paul believed in an imminent parousia, or end of the world. Therefore, he recommended detachment as essential preparation.

Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

The fate of John the Baptist "being handed over" foreshadows Jesus' passion and death. Repent and believe will frame everything that follows in this earliest and shortest gospel.

Reflection:

We hear Jesus' invitation, "Come follow me," each day, as life presents us with choices. Shall we forgive when asked? Shall we help someone in need? Shall we buy less for ourselves and give more to the poor? Shall we see the injustice or turn a blind eye? In these, and so many other occasions, we hear the same invitation Jesus made to those fishermen and like them, we put other considerations aside to follow him.

So we ask ourselves:

- What recent choices have I made that show my desire to follow Christ?
- What changes do I have to make in my life to follow him more fully?

Readings for the Week – January 21, 2024

Monday, January 22, 2024 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 2 Sm 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 25, 2024 Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Mk 16:15-18

Friday, January 26, 2024 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27, 2024 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 28, 2024 Dt 18:15-20 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 21, 2024

8:30 Cyrenian Society
11:30

Monday, January 22, 2024, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:30 Dolores McPoyle
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

6:30 John Taylor
10:00 James Cole

Wednesday, January 24, 2024, Memorial of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Fergus Mzae
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, January 25, 2024, Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

6:30 Gloria Schoppe
10:00 Catherine Boyce

Friday, January 26, 2024, Memorial of Sts. Timothy and Titus, bishops

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

Saturday, January 27, 2024

8:00 Quint Harper Gallagher

REMEMBER OUR SICK

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



Joseph Affet, Sonny Andris, Matthew Balent, Bill Bambery, Debbie Chakler, Joanna DeNofa, Charles and Donna Frush, Bob Gottschalk, Stanley Grey,

Fred Henderson, Carol Jean Hertkorn, Mary Hillenbrand, Brian Hinchey, Stanley Hrynko, Russel Kahny, Joey Lanzi, Donna McGonigle, Bill Mahoney, Angelo Maiale, Norah Mason, Eileen Myer, Mary Ellen Murphy, Theresa Noraka, Anthony Piotrowski, Mary Rowland, Patty Rowley, Ann Ruocchio, Ann Schlimer, John Sheridan, Theresa and Bill Sheviver, Josephine D. Smith, Michael R. Smith, Rita Marie Smith, Steven Specht Jr., Howard Stickley III, Ethel Thomas, Tim Thompson, Marie Verna, Chris Vogel, James White, Patricia Wilbert

Quotables

"Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do, but how much love we put in that action."

~Fulton Sheen

"The world is changed by your example, not your opinion."

~St. Teresa of Calcutta

"If God causes you to suffer much, it is a sign that He has great designs for you and that He certainly intends to make you a saint."

~St. Ignatius of Loyola

Pres Events, 1/21- 1/27		
	Parish	School
Sun., 1/21		
Mon., 1/22	Adoration, 3 pm- 5 pm, Adoration Chapel	
Tues., 1/23	Rosary, 6pm, Chapel; PREP, 6:45 - 8:05	
Wed., 1/24		
Thurs., 1/25		
Fri., 1/26		
Sat., 1/27		

Vigil for Life

Christ the King from 7:00-10:00 am, Saturday, January 27th.

Adoration

We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday from 3-5 pm in the Adoration Chapel. But Jesus is always present there and the Chapel is a beautiful place for silent prayer. So come visit!

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

SCRIP IS AVAILABLE 24/7 @ www.shopwithscrip.com or by using the Raise Right App on your mobile device.

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

Nicole H. (215) 939-3900; Kathleen H. (215) 870-8251

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 preschool through college, student loans, and any school related fees.

The Catechetical Institute

The Catechetical Institute (CI) at The School of Theological Studies (STS) at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary offers affordable online non-credit courses for Catholic adults 18+ with a high school diploma or equivalent who are seeking to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic Faith or who are required to obtain catechetical certification in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Registration is now open for the February courses *Person of Jesus* and *New Testament*. The cost is \$60.00 per course. Please visit <https://www.scs.edu/school-of-theological-studies/catechetical-institute/>

Answers to Theology Trivia

1. Acts of the Apostles
2. The Gospels
3. The Beatitudes
4. Hail Mary / the Angelus
5. Sacramentals

JANUARY

Prayer for Radical Solidarity

O Blessed Mother, at the angel's word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own.



By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations. Ask your Son to give us unflinching determination to witness to the profound dignity of every person, at every stage and in every circumstance.

In that first Eucharistic procession, you carried Jesus to Elizabeth in her time of need. Obtain for us the grace to bring Christ to any expectant mother who is alone and afraid.

May our support help them to find hope and strength in the Lord. Amen.

<https://www.respectlife.org/radical-solidarity>

Copyright © 2023, USCCB, Washington, D.C. All rights reserved.

Catholic Grandparents Ministry

Grandparents, you have a great influence for evangelizing the family. Please join the Catholic Grandparents Ministry to support other Grandparents and to pray for our children and grandchildren. You can help build a vibrant Grandparents ministry and become equipped to pass on the faith.

When: First Tuesdays through May 2024

Location: Zoom meeting

More info: Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm by zoom. If you need more information, want to be added to our email list and get the zoom link, please contact Lidia Manieri 610-350-7232 lidia@mmanieri.com.

Supporting Those with Mental Health Struggles

*A workshop for parish leaders,
family members, and friends.*

It is estimated that one in five adults in the U.S. lives with a mental illness. Among children and teens, the numbers are increasing dramatically. This means that every parish and church institution has many members who suffer in this way, and often in silence. This workshop is designed to give parish leaders, as well as family members and friends, practical tools to help you support those who experience mental health struggles.

Speaker: Dave Eckert, Intersect Network

When: Saturday, January 27, 2024, 9:15 am-2:30 pm

Where: St. Cecilia Parish Auditorium, Philadelphia

More Info: Workshop topics, <https://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Event-Jan-2024-flyer.pdf>

Registration: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=dFwo6c>

Sponsored by: Office for the New Evangelization and Office for Persons with Disabilities of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

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 9 - 11, 2024

Where: Marianist Family Retreat Center
Cape May Point, NJ 08212

Cost: \$145 per person

Register: www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829

Some financial aid is available.

015 p. 3

PRESENTATION BVM SCHOOL

Registrations for the 2023-2024 academic year are now being accepted. Grants and scholarships are available!

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!



- AOP School of Distinguished Instruction
- Middle States Accredited
- 3 & 4 Year Old Preschool Program
- 1:1 Chrome books
- Fine Arts Program
- Free breakfast and lunch
- Hands on Science Lab
- After School CARES Program
- Anti-bullying Program
- Active H&S Association
- Honors Math Program
- Catapult
- MCIU Services
- Award winning band


105 Old Soldiers Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012

Visit us at www.presentationbvmschool.org

Tours available every Tuesday and Thursday.

For more information or to schedule a tour, call the school at (215) 379-3798 or visit the website.


Temple University Hospital - Jeanes Campus
in partnership with the American Red Cross



**BLOOD
DRIVE**

GIVE BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY

Monday, January 29, 2024
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Cheltenham Friends Meetinghouse
7600 Central Ave
Philadelphia, PA 19111



Scan this QR code to register or find more information on this blood drive. Or please visit www.redcrossblood.org. Enter "TUH Jeanes Campus" for location.

Temple Health
Jeanes Campus

Choose Life: A Discernment Day with the Little Sisters of the Poor for Catholic Young Women Ages 18-35

When: Saturday, January 27, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

Where: Holy Family Home, 5300 Chester Ave, Philadelphia

More Info: <https://shorturl.at/dJNSU>

Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center,
Stone Harbor, NJ,

Close up of friends of Jesus: Mary, Martha and Lazarus

Jesus shared a special relationship with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. He needed and valued their friendship. What can be learned from the close friendship, the intimacy, the sacred bonds? This Lent, explore your friendship with Jesus and others. Coffee and check-in begins at 8:45 am. It includes Mass and lunch.

Presenter: Sr. Mary Henrich IHM

When: Tues., Feb. 20, 2024, 8:45 am—2:45 pm **Cost:** \$60*

"The Lord is Kind and Merciful"

In a contemplative atmosphere, we will use Scriptural passages as well as other writings for our reflections. Coffee and check-in begins at 8:45 am. It includes Mass and lunch.

Presenter: Sr. Pat McDermott IHM

When: Wed., Feb. 28, 2024, 8:45 am—3:00 pm **Cost:** \$60*

*You may opt to stay overnight the evening before these day events for an additional \$95.

More info or to register: www.VMbytheSea.com.

**Far Across the
Western Ocean**

**A Concert of Celtic &
American Tunes**

Featuring local band
Friends of Eric



2pm
Sunday, February 4th, 2024

Conahan Hall
Immaculate Conception Church
606 West Ave., Jenkintown, PA

Freewill donations accepted
Snow date 2pm February 11th

Interested in Volunteering?

Presentation BVM School is looking for volunteer librarians to encourage a love of reading in our students.

More Info: Please call Joyce Flanigan at 215-379-3798 or email mrs.flanigan@presbvmschool.org.

Theology Trivia

1. In which book of the New Testament do we find an account of the early history of the Church?
2. Where in the Bible can we find the life and teaching of Jesus?
3. What do we call the guidelines for Christ-like living found in the Sermon on the Mount?
4. What prayer commemorates the Annunciation?
5. What do we call blessed persons, places, or objects?
(Answers on p. 3)

Come, follow Me...



If God asked you to come and follow Him right now would you be ready to drop everything and follow? In today's Gospel reading that's exactly what happened to Simon and Andrew and James and John.

They had been working at their fishing nets when Jesus walked past and called them to follow Him.

We are all called to follow Jesus in some way. God wants some people to give up their lives for others like Jesus did, and some people He wants to look after the poor and sick. Some people are called to care for children and some to build things. Some people are called to be special followers of Our Lord as priests and religious.



Do you know how you can best follow Jesus? When you're young the best way to be like Him is to be kind to everyone and honour and obey your parents like the Child Jesus did. Also, you can already start praying that when the time comes you will be know how to follow Our Lord in the way that you can serve Him best.



Answer to front page puzzle: I will make you fishers of men.
1. True; 2. false; 3. false; 4. true; 5. false; 6. true; 7. true.

www.thekidsbulletin.com

The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 21st, 2024

What else did Jesus say when He called the fishermen?
Find the letters that match the numbers in the net to fill in the spaces in the net and find out!



A E F H I K L M N O R S W U Y
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Saint Francis de Sales January 24

FRANCIS WAS BORN TO AN IMPORTANT FAMILY IN 1567 IN WHAT IS NOW FRANCE. HE WAS EDUCATED SO THAT HE COULD BECOME A MAGISTRATE.

IN SCHOOL HE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT PRE-DESTINATION THAT HE BECAME AFRAID.
What if God decided that I would go to Hell?

BUT HIS FEAR LEFT WHEN HE PRAYED TO OUR LADY.
I will give my life to God!

Don't be ridiculous!
FRANCIS DECIDED TO BECOME A PRIEST.

AT LAST HIS FATHER AGREED. FR. FRANCIS PREACHED TO THE HERETICS.
Here's some information.

SOON HE WAS MADE BISHOP. HE TRAVELLED TO TEACH THE FAITH AND WROTE BOOKS.

ST. FRANCIS HELPED ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL START A CONVENT FOR WOMEN WHO COULDN'T JOIN OTHERS.
Women who are too poor or sickly can come here.

BEFORE HE BECAME A PRIEST, ST. FRANCIS WORKED AT TRYING TO BE HOLY IN ORDINARY LIFE. HE TRIED TO SHOW PEOPLE THAT HOLINESS IS NOT JUST FOR RELIGIOUS MEN AND WOMEN BUT FOR EVERYONE. YOU CAN PRAY TO ST. FRANCIS TO HELP YOU BE HOLY IN EVERY DAY LIFE.

JONAH GOES TO NINEVEH: TRUE OR FALSE?

How well do you know the second part of Jonah's story?
Which of these are true and which are false?

1. After Jonah's incident with being inside a whale for three days, God asked him to go to Nineveh again. True or false?
2. Jonah refused to do what God asked this time too. True or false?
3. Nineveh was only a small city, so Jonah walked across it in a couple hours. True or false?
4. Jonah cried out that in forty days the city would be overthrown. True or false?
5. The people ignored Jonah and went on with their lives. True or false?
6. All the people believed in God, proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth. True or false?
7. God saw what the people were doing and decided that the city would not be overthrown. True or false?



015 p.5

