

### 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:** 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.

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  
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**Organist:** Stephen Duffy  
**PREP Coordinator:** Mrs. Mary Ciamachelo

### PARISH OFFICES

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### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Vacant

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### 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](mailto:bulletin.pbvm@gmail.com)) or by dropping them off at the rectory. (Previously published bulletins are available on the parish website.)

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

## March 3, 2024 - Third Sunday of Lent

### First Reading: Exodus 20: 1-17, or 20: 1-3, 7-8, 12-17

Yahweh asserts Himself as the only deity for Israel. Three commands pertain to Him, and seven apply to human behavior.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 22-25

Paul declares that God's foolishness is a crucified Christ, and that it is far superior to human wisdom.

### Gospel: John 2: 13-25

After angrily cleansing the Temple of any commercialism practiced there, Jesus predicts His death and resurrection. The disciples will remember His words after the Resurrection.

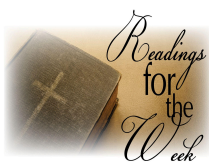
### Reflection:

Jesus reveals the righteous anger God feels when what is good and intended to help people gets infiltrated by human greed. While mercy is always available to those who seek it, still we cannot forget Jesus' indignation when he meets injustice and any restrictions on those seeking God.

### So we ask ourselves:

- Is there a welcome atmosphere at my parish church as people enter the building?
- Do I go out of my way to introduce myself to people at church and welcome them if they are visitors?

### Readings for the Week – March 3, 2024



Monday 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 Lk 4:24-30  
Tuesday Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 Mt 18:21-35  
Wednesday Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 11:14-23  
Friday Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 Mk 12:28-34  
Saturday Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab Lk 18:9-14  
Sunday 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, March 3, 2024

8:30 Cyrenian Society  
11:30

#### Monday, March 4, 2024

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

#### Tuesday, March 5, 2024

6:30 David Sillman  
10:00 Kevin Cole

#### Wednesday, March 6, 2024

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

#### Thursday, March 7, 2024,

6:30 Mary Arzouniaan  
10:00 Loretta E. Walls

#### Friday, March 8, 2024

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

#### Saturday, March 9, 2024

8:00 Greg Roddy

### REMEMBER OUR SICK

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



Rev. Edward Windhaus, Joseph Affet,  
Sonny Andris, Matthew Balent, Bill Bamberg,  
Debbie Chakler, Joanna DeNofa, Carol Firley,

Charles and Donna Frush, Bob Gottschalk, Stanley Grey,  
Fred Henderson, Carol Jean Hertkorn, Mary Hillenbrand,  
Brian Hinchey, Stanley Hrynko, Russel Kahny, Joey Lanzi,  
Patricia McDermott, Donna McGonigle, Bill Mahoney,  
Angelo Maiale, Norah Mason, Mary Ellen Mays, Eileen Myer,  
Mary Ellen Murphy, Florence Niewood, 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

- Lent is a time for believing, for welcoming God into our lives and allowing him to "make his dwelling" among us.
- Fasting, experienced as a form of self-denial, helps those who undertake it in simplicity of heart to rediscover God's gift and to recognize that, created in His image and likeness, we find our fulfillment in Him.
- Living a Lent with hope means feeling that, in Jesus Christ, we are witnesses of the new time, in which God "makes all things new" (cf. Rev 21,1-6).
- In this life we will always have things to do and we will have excuses to offer, but right now, brothers and sisters, today is the time to return to God.

~Pope Francis

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Pres Events 03/03- 3/09		
	Parish	School
Sun., 03/03		
Mon., 03/04	Adoration, 3 pm- 5 pm, Adoration Chapel	Terra Nova Testing
Tues., 03/05	Rosary, 6 pm, Chapel; PREP, 6:45 pm-8:05 pm	Terra Nova Testing
Wed., 03/06		Terra Nova Testing H&S Gen. Mtg., 7 pm
Thurs., 03/07		Terra Nova Testing
Fri., 03/08		Terra Nova Testing Second Trimester ends.
Sat., 03/09		

### Food Cupboard Sunday

"When I was hungry, you gave Me to eat."

Please bring your food donations to Mass next weekend. Items most in need at the cupboard are peanut butter, jelly, mac and cheese, juice, cereal, rice, canned beans, and evaporated milk. Thank you for your generosity.

### 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 Phila., support our parish by visiting [www.thecfcp.org/parish](http://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, receives 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](http://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.

### Cabrini Opens in Theaters

Born Francesa Cabrini, Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini founded the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in 1880 with seven other women. The film follows Mother Cabrini as she sets off on her mission to secure housing and healthcare for societies most vulnerable.

**More Info:** Visit <https://www.angel.com/watch/cabrini>

### Theology Trivia

1. Jesus was arrested as He prayed in which garden?
2. Who was the woman to discover the empty tomb?
3. Name one non-synoptic Gospel writer.
4. What action did Jesus perform to teach His Apostles that they must serve others?
5. What is the greatest truth of our faith? (Answers on p. 4)



### Lent at Presentation BVM

#### Stations of the Cross,

Tuesdays, 7:15 pm; Fridays, 1 pm

**Rice Bowl,** Collection Boxes in Church vestibule)

**Eucharist Adoration-** Monday afternoon, 3 pm - 5 pm.

The chapel is open every day until 7 pm.

**Reflection Booklets-** available in the Church Vestibule

**Parish Lenten Sacrifice-** Food assistance program to assist parishioners with food insecurity. (Explained below.)

Dear Parishioners of Presentation BVM,

In recent months, members of the Pres community have seen a great need in the parish for certain families and individuals facing economic hardship. In some instances, these individuals have sought the parish's help for basic necessities like groceries. With the hope of meeting this present need, Fr. Harrison and parishioners would like to begin a new collection effort as we enter into the 2024 Lenten season. Beginning on the first Sunday of Lent, we ask parishioners to consider purchasing a supermarket gift card from our Scrip Office as an additional part of their parish contribution..These gift cards would be set aside for anyone facing food insecurity due to an economic hardship.

How do I participate in this effort?

1. Purchase a gift card from the Scrip Office (or from the supermarket itself, although you will get a better deal at the Scrip Office!). The Scrip Office is open six days a week, including Sundays. Review the Scrip Office schedule included in this bulletin for details.
2. Place your purchased gift card in the collections box located in the Church vestibule when you attend Mass.
3. Repeat as often as you feel called to do so.
4. We suggest a minimum amount of \$25 per gift card donation.

A person who finds themselves in need should not feel ashamed to seek support during a trying time in life. The Presentation BVM community seeks to be a refuge for those suffering from any kind of material hardship, especially food insecurity. This is an especially timely opportunity for those of us with means as we enter into the Lenten season. It is a time that calls us to a spirit of repentance and renewal, of sacrifice and almsgiving, for the good of ourselves and our neighbor. We ask that you prayerfully consider participating in this collection effort as we strive to embrace the Lord Jesus in each and every member of our community, especially those in greatest need.

How can I benefit from this collection effort if I am in need of assistance?

You may request a gift card(s) by doing one of the following:

1. Approach Fr. Harrison after a scheduled Mass and let him know that you are in need of support from this effort.
2. Call the Rectory during the scheduled office hours noted on the front cover of this bulletin to request support and to make arrangements to pick up a gift card.

Anyone that requests assistance from this new collection will not be turned down so long as gift cards are available for distribution. Fr. Harrison will determine the amount of the gift card(s) to be distributed based on gift card availability and individual need. May God bless you and may the Holy Spirit guide you!



## Fast & Abstinence Obligations during Lent

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards.



## RAISING CHICKENS TO SUPPORT HER FAMILY



Nowadays, in Morazán, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services' project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community.

Visit [csrkricebowl.org](http://csrkricebowl.org) to read this week's Story of Hope.



**OPEN HOUSE**  
**MARCH 20TH**  
**5PM-7PM**  
**REGISTER NOW**

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- Guided Ambassador Tour
- Information Session
- Meet With The Principal
- Scholarship & Grant Opportunities

**CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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## Catholic Preaching Institute Survey

The new Catholic Preaching Institute (CPI) at Saint Charles Seminary invites you to participate in what could be the largest-ever study of its kind in the nation. Using the survey below, tell us what you think about the homilies you hear at Mass – really! honestly! It only takes 10 minutes to do! To take the survey, go to <https://catholicleaders.online/phillypreaching> or visit <https://www.scs.edu/preaching/>

Then invite each of your family members to do the same and share this with all your Catholic friends and contacts! With everyone's input, CPI will design programs to make preaching in the archdiocese more compelling ... so that your experience of the Word of God becomes even more inspiring. *Don't wait – the survey closes March 22!*

## Answers to Theology Trivia

1. Garden of Gethsemane
2. St. Mary Magdalene
3. St. John
4. Washing of the feet
5. Resurrection

## PRESENTATION BVM SCHOOL

Accommodating the educational needs of children beginning in Preschool (3 & 4 year old programs) and continuing through 8<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.

## Presentation BVM School Needs You!

Do you have any interests that you can share with our students? Presentation BVM School is looking for volunteers to moderate our after school clubs. All you need to volunteer are your clearances and scheduling is flexible. If interested, please contact Mrs. Flanigan at 215-379-3798 or [mrs.flanigan@presbvmschool.org](mailto:mrs.flanigan@presbvmschool.org)

## Catechetical Institute April Courses

The Catechetical Institute (CI) at the School of Theological Studies at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary provides affordable on-line, non-credit courses designed for parish catechists, Catholic school teachers and all adult Catholics who want to learn more and grow in their Catholic Faith. CI will be offering the courses "**Foundations of the Church**" and "**Sacraments of Initiation**" in April.

**Cost:** Per course is \$60.00. **Where:** Online

**More Info:** Registration is open online. Please visit <https://www.scs.edu/school-of-theological-studies/catechetical-institute/> to register. Please contact the School of Theological Studies at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary at 610-785-6287 or by email at [sts@scs.edu](mailto:sts@scs.edu) with any questions or for more information.

## 2023 Year End Contribution Report

The year-end report of contributions in 2023 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.

## 2023 YEAR END CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

I/we request this report for:

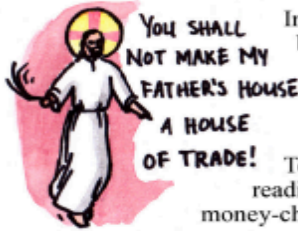
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## Sacred Places



In the old times, people would bring animals to offer as sacrifices to God. By the time that Our Lord was born, there were people who were selling animals right in the area of the Temple. In today's Gospel reading Jesus drives the animals and money-changers out of the sacred space.

At one time the men who sold the animals for sacrifices were probably really helping the people who came to the Temple from far away. But now they were just trying to make money, and they were taking up space that was supposed to be used for people to worship God.



We also have sacred spaces like the Temple. Every Catholic church is a special place made for worshipping God in the Mass. We should always behave respectfully in church, and remember that Jesus is really there in the tabernacle. We can show our respect by walking quietly, not talking inside the Church unless it is necessary, and by paying attention when Mass is going on. Maybe you can be a good example to your friends of how to act in church!

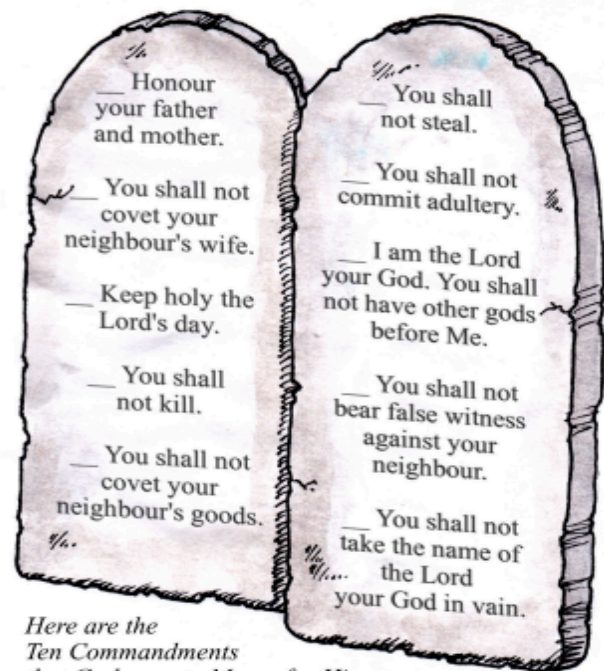


Answers to Word-Find: the Temple (or) His Body. 9, 3, 5, 10, Right: 7, 6, 1, 8, 2.

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

## The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Lent  
March 3rd, 2024



Here are the Ten Commandments that God gave to Moses for His people. The only problem is that they are in the wrong order! Can you put the right numbers in the spaces?

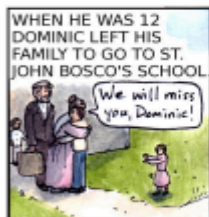
## Saint Dominic Savio March 9



DOMINIC SAVIO WAS BORN IN 1842 TO A PEASANT FAMILY IN ITALY. HE BECAME AN ALTAR BOY WHEN HE WAS ONLY FIVE.



DOMINIC LOVED GOD AND WANTED TO BECOME A PRIEST. First I will have to go to school...



WHEN HE WAS 12 DOMINIC LEFT HIS FAMILY TO GO TO ST. JOHN BOSCO'S SCHOOL. We will miss you, Dominic!



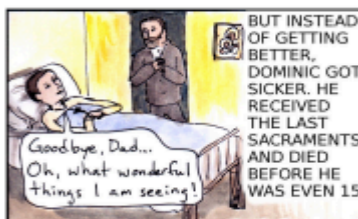
You'll have to throw the first stone at me. HE WAS A GOOD STUDENT AND STOPPED FIGHTS BETWEEN OTHER BOYS.



WHEN HE SAW SOME BOYS LOOKING AT BAD MAGAZINES HE TOOK THEM AND TORE THEM UP. You know looking at them will stain your soul!



DOMINIC FELL SICK WHEN HE WAS 14 AND WAS SENT HOME. Goodbye! Hopefully he'll be better in a few weeks.



BUT INSTEAD OF GETTING BETTER, DOMINIC GOT SICKER. HE RECEIVED THE LAST SACRAMENTS AND DIED BEFORE HE WAS EVEN 15. Goodbye, Dad... Oh, what wonderful things I am seeing!

WHEN DOMINIC DIED, SOME PEOPLE THOUGHT HE WAS TOO YOUNG TO BE CANONIZED. BUT THE HOLY FATHER KNEW THAT BEING YOUNG DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN'T BE HOLY ENOUGH TO BE A SAINT. HOW OLD ARE YOU? ARE YOU TOO YOUNG TO BE A SAINT? YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT DOMINIC TO HELP YOU!

## Jesus at the Temple Word-Find



DROVES OCT F  
HEVTEPXOTA  
MZEALIEIET  
FORTY LNNMH  
OUTABLESPE  
PSULEEHLR  
THREEDOVES  
MONEYIUSIX  
SWEJEWSTOP  
BODSHEEPDY

Find all the words in CAPITALS and then use the letters that are left over to fill in the blanks at the end.

Jesus made a whip out of cords and DROVE them all out of the TEMPLE area, with the SHEEP and the OXEN, and SPILLED the COINS of the MONEY-changers and OVERTURNED their TABLES, and to those who sold DOVES he said, "Take these OUT of here, and STOP making my FATHER'S house a market place." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, ZEAL for your HOUSE will consume me. The JEWS said to Him, "What sign can you SHOW us for doing this?" Jesus answered them and said, "Destroy this temple, and in THREE days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for FORTY - SIX years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But He was speaking of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

