Blessed are those who have not seen and have

JOHN 20:29

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

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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 (<u>bulletin.pbvm@gmail.com</u>) 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

April 7, 2024 - 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

First Reading: Acts 4: 32-35

This selection is a summary of the community's support for each other and the power of the Apostles' witnessing the Resurrection.

Second Reading: 1 John 5: 1-6

True obedience to the Lord's love command is shown by interaction with others. Faith opposes the world's ideas about how to live.

Gospel: John 20: 19-31

The author identifies the crucified Jesus with the risen Lord. Thomas' doubt turns into a beautiful act of faith. Jesus' blessing on those "who have not seen" encourages believers down through the ages.

Reflection:

Our ability to forgive is from Jesus himself, who offered forgiveness even from the cross to his executioners. When he breathed on the disciples he gave us his very Spirit, which is now the reason we can offer forgiveness, even to our enemies – just as he did.

So we ask ourselves:

- What person or institution do I need to forgive?
- Jesus is giving his Spirit today so we can do just that: shall I attempt reconciliation?



Readings for the Week - April 7, 2024

Monday Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38 Tuesday Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16-21 Thursday Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 3:31-36 Friday Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15 Saturday Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21 Sunday Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 7, 2024 8:30 Cyrenian Society 11:30

Monday, April 8, 2024, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord 6:30 Souls in Purgatory 10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 6:30 Lucia Mbemba and Susana Mwania 10:00 Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 6:30 Souls in Purgatory 10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, April 11, 2024, Memorial of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr 6:30 Sabrina Kanju and Peter Kithuva 10:00 Souls in Purgatory

Friday, April 12, 2024 6:30 Souls in Purgatory 10:00 Mass at St. Joseph Saturday, April 13, 2024

8:00 James Cole

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Divine Mercy

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 Bambery, China Lick Debbie Chakler, Joanna DeNofa, Carol Firley, Charles Brandley, 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

Prayer for Community

Embracing Father,

You grace each of us with equal measure in your love. Let us learn to love our neighbors more deeply,

so that we can create peaceful and just communities. Inspire us to use our creative energies to build the structures we need to overcome the obstacles of intolerance and indifference.

May Jesus provide us the example needed and send the Spirit to warm our hearts for the journey. Amen

~ Being Neighbor: The Catechism and Social Justice, USCCB, April, 1998

| Pres Events 04/07 - 04/13 | | | | |
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| | Parish | School | | |
| Sun., 04/07 | | | | |
| Mon., 04/08 | Adoration, 3 pm- 5 pm, Adoration Chapel | | | |
| Tues., <mark>04/09</mark> | Rosary, 6 pm, Chapel; PREP, 6:45 pm-8:05 pm | School Mass, 10 am | | |
| Wed., 04/10 | | | | |
| Thurs., 04/11 | | | | |
| Fri., 04/12 | | April Showers Dress Down Day, \$1 | | |
| Sat., 04/13 | | | | |

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.thecfgp.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 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. 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.

Nazareth Academy High School Spring Open House

When: Wednesday, April 24, 2024; 5:30 - 7 pm Pre-registration at

NazarethAcademyHS.org/admissions/visit-us Questions: Ashley Figaniak, 215-268-1026

Theology Trivia

- 1. What occupation did Jesus have before He began His public life?
- 2. How old was Jesus when He died?
- 3. What feast day celebrates the arrival of the Wise Men?
- 4. What saint introduced Forty Hours in the United States?
- 5. What month of the year is dedicated to the holy Souls in Purgatory?



Divine Mercy Sunday

On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. To learn more about Divine Mercy Sunday, visit the USCCB Divine Mercy site.

https://www.usccb.org/prolife/divine-mercy-sunday

PRESENTATION BVM SCHOOL

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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- Hands on Science Lab
- After School CARES Program
- Anti-bullying Program

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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.



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phillyeucharisticrevival.org/pilgrimage

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Save the Date- May 17

The Spring Rummage sale will be here soon! As you begin spring house cleaning and switch your wardrobe from winter to spring, please keep a box or bag nearby for items you may no longer need or want. More details about the hours of the sale, drop off days and times will be announced soon.

Earth Day Mass

Join Father Chris Walsh from St. Cecilia Church for an outdoor Mass at the Medical Mission Sisters. *Give praise to God the Creator of all things and pray for the grace to be better stewards of the earth.* Bring your chair or a blanket. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. If there is inclement weather, the Mass will be inside at the same time. **When:** April 21st, 3 pm

Where: 8400 Pine Road, Philadelphia





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Theology on Tap: "Catholic Life in the New Apostolic Age" (for young adults age 21+)



Do you think about what our Church will be like in 10, 20, 30 years? Are you interested in the future of our Archdiocese? Come hear about an exciting project to engage young adults in planning for our shared future, and

enjoy fellowship & live music! RSVPs welcome & encouraged. When: April 19th, 2024 - 7:00 pm

Where: St. Francis de Sales Church, 4625 Springfield Ave., Philadelphia PA 19143

Speakers: Dan Cellucci, CEO of Catholic Leadership Institute & Brian McCarthy, Chief Strategy Officer of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

More Info: https://shorturl.at/aiHW7

To RSVP: email Morgan Thompson at

morgan.thalia.thompson@gmail.com

Marriage Enrichment Day

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Do you want to renew, strengthen and enhance your Marriage? Engaged and Married Couples of all ages are invited for a heart filled day with Dynamic Speakers, Breakfast, Lunch and Mass.

When: April 20, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Where: St. Helena's Church, 1489 Dekalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422

Speakers: R. & J. Donovan / P. & T. DeMaio

More Info: email: phillymog@gmail.com or

https://shorturl.at/kvPYZ



Answers to Theology Trivia

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Divine Mercy Sunday

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. On this day we thank God for His forgiveness and love. It is the mercy of God that lets all of us come back to Him after we have sinned.

We know how much Jesus loves us because He suffered and died for us. When we have sinned, He wants us to be sorry and come back to Him. No matter how big of a sin you do, if you are sorry for it then God will forgive you. He wants to forgive you because He loves you!

Today we should thank God for His mercy and forgiveness and ask Him to look on us and our friends and the whole world with love and forgiveness! Here is a prayer we can say:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

Answers to Annunciation Puzzle: sent, Joseph, name, Lord, confused, angel, not, God. Son of God

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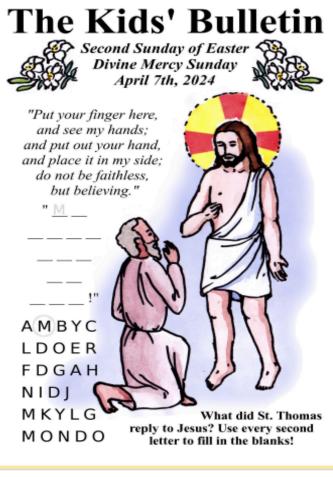
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The Annunciation

This year we celebrate the feast of the Annunciation on Monday April 8th. The Annunciation is the day that Jesus became a tiny baby inside Mary. Finish this story by filling in the blanks with words from the lists and using the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

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