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Vigil Mass (Saturday Evening):
5:30pm

Sunday Masses:

7:30, 9:30, 11:00am, 12:30pm

Weekday Masses

(Monday through Friday):

6:30 & 9:00am

Saturday Mass

& Miraculous Medal Novena: 8:30am

Holy Days

(Except Christmas & New Year's)

Vigil Mass: 5:30PM

Holy Day Masses:

6:30, 9:00am, 5:30pm, 7:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Saturday): 4:00 to 5:00pm

(or by appointment with a priest)

Parish Rosary (Tuesday) 7:00pm

Perpetual Adoration Chapel:

7:00am to 9:00pm (open to all)

9:00pm to 7:00am

(During this time period, only members of the Adoration Society who commit to the late night and early morning hours for adoration will know the combination to the new door lock)

Sacramental Sponsorship - For letters of eligibility, one must be a registered member of the parish for six months or more (a reference letter from your previous parish will be accepted). Please contact the Parish Office five days in advance.

Baptism - Usually celebrated on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, at 1:30pm. MANDATORY Pre-Jordan Classes are held on the 2nd Sunday of the month, at 12:15pm. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - please call the Parish Office to make arrangements (215-357-5720).

Marriage - Saturday weddings are 10:00AM, 12:00 Noon, & 2:00 PM. It is Diocesan policy that arrangements must be made AT LEAST 6 MONTHS prior to the wedding. Information on Marriage Instructions can be obtained from the priests. For information on music, call Susan DiFlorio at 215-891-0869.

Anointing of the Sick - In case of serious illness (or advanced age), please call the priests.

Hospital cases should contact the Chaplain, but the Parish Office should be notified so one of the priests may visit the patient.

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN (SUBJECT TO SPACE AVAILABILITY) MUST BE AT THE RECTORY BY MONDAY, 12:00 NOON.



Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time February 19, 2023

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you...”
(Matthew 5: 44)



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PASTOR



Rev. Monsignor
John C. Marine

My dear parishioners,

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday! I know what you are thinking – it’s hard to believe. After all, we just put away our Christmas decorations, paid our Christmas gift expenses on credit card, and now Lent is upon us. It’s one of those many reminders that life is going by quickly.

In fact, that is one of the purposes of Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent. It’s message to us, symbolized so vividly by the imposition of ashes on our foreheads is echoed in what the priest or extraordinary minister of the Eucharist says to us: “Remember that you are dust, and unto dust you shall return.”

I’m always amazed how many people come out to get ashes. Sometimes I wonder if it’s just a feel-good, easy thing to do. You know, not much required of you, just step up and get a cross on your head to show everybody you went to church. Believe me, I’m happy as a pastor to see so many people, no matter the motivation for coming. God is happy to see us come through the doors.

But Lent calls all of us to be conscious that life is temporary. Life in God’s plan has a final destination. When I was a kid we had a catechism question and answer that summed up what I’m implying, with perfect words: “Why did God make us?” The answer: “God made us to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him in this world, so as to be happy with Him forever in heaven.”

The holy season of Lent is a gift from God and His Church, to get our lives back on track, with its real purpose. Traditionally, the Church has urged four ways to observe Lent: **pray, fast, learn, give.**

Four Ways to Observe Lent



- ◆ **Pray:** Try to come to daily Mass. Say the rosary one day a week as a family, or access the app “Halo” and discover ways to pray and meditate, just for a few minutes.
- ◆ **Fast:** Try watching a little less news. Or less time surfing the internet.
- ◆ **Learn:** Try reading your bible, for just 15 minutes per day. Or go on YouTube to Fr. Mike Schmitz’s 20-minute per day video or podcast, “**The Bible in a Year.**” I visited a family the other day, who have been dedicating 20 minutes a day to this YouTube video and have learned so much about sacred scripture, and in such an easy way.
- ◆ **Give:** There are many ways to give to those in need. Giving is a real act of trust in God that when we give to others, God watches over us, that we have what we need.

When we see so many frightening things happening in our country and in our world, we often feel helpless. We say, “What can we do?” But we are not helpless. For Jesus, through His Church, has given us the holy season of Lent. Let the change begin with us. Don’t curse the darkness – light a candle in your life and truly make a difference this Lent.

May God bless you.

Monsignor Marine

Remember The Deceased

Antonio Resende

We are united in prayer with their families and with one another as we and all the faithful departed await our rising with the Lord.

Scripture Readings

**First Sunday of Lent
February 26, 2023**

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

Psalm 5: 3-6, 12-14, 17

Romans 5: 12-19 OR 12, 17-19

Matthew 4: 1-11



The readings start in a garden and end in a desert. In the garden with Adam and Eve, we encounter temptation, disobedience and ultimately shame. In the desert with Jesus we also encounter temptation, but instead of disobedience we see Jesus’ radical obedience to the Father’s will. Saint Paul tells us about the meaning of this contrast: the disobedience of one brought sin into the world, and the obedience of the other brought us salvation. Let us listen for how we fit into God’s saving plan.



Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Altar Candle Dedication

Feb. 20-26, 2023

In Thanksgiving

(Req. by Sophia Simon)

All 2024 dates are now available! Just come into the Parish Office. Candle dedications are a \$30 donation for the week.

Altar Flower Dedications

Feb. 19, 2023

In memory of Ray O’Donnell

Req. by Dorie O’Donnell

Dedicated flowers remain on the altar during the entire weekend. Many dates are still available in 2023, and the cost is \$50 per side. Altar flowers cannot be ordered during Lent or the Easter season. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 215-357-5720.

Ash Wednesday

Masses and Services February 22, 2023

All Masses and Services will be in our church
Ashes will be distributed during the
6:30am, 9:00am and 7:30pm Masses, and at the
4:30pm Ash Wednesday Liturgy of the Word Service

Lenten Confessions

Every Saturday at 4:00pm
Every Sunday During Lent, after the
9:30am Mass, before the 11:00am Mass,
in the church (excluding Palm Sunday)

PARISH CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 7:00pm in the church
(Extra priests will be available to hear confessions)

Stations of the Cross

Every Wednesday During Lent - 2:00pm
(with the school)

Every Friday During Lent - 7:00pm
Including Good Friday



ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA BEGINS 48th ANNUAL RICE BOWL INITIATIVE

For the 48th consecutive year, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia has kicked off Catholic Relief Services' (CRS) Rice Bowl, the nationwide Lenten program that provides people of all ages with ways to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

This year, Rice Bowl will officially begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22 and conclude on Holy Saturday, April 8.

At St. Bede Parish, Rice Bowl envelopes were included in everyone's March collection envelope packet. They can be used to contribute at any Mass during the month of Lent. Thank you!

Fast and Abstinence, and Other Acts of Penance for Lent

The Bishops of the United States 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, Feb. 22, 2023 on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all 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, when possible, 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 encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.



PARISH LENTEN MISSION

ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE CHURCH
Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings
March 12, 13, 14, 2023
(Services begin at 7:00pm)

Theme: *How to Live a Life of Grace this Lent*



Using the imagery of icons, the writings of saints like Thomas Aquinas, and Louis de Montfort and references to the artwork of the Dominican artist Fra Angelico.

Guest Preacher:

Fr. Dominic Joseph Bump, OP



Fr. Dominic Joseph, O.P. was ordained to the priesthood in 2013. Before entering the Dominican order, he earned a B.S. in Industrial Design and worked in the field as a designer and as an artist. In the last three years, Fr. Dominic has resumed painting and has been teaching and preaching about God's Divine Loving Plan through the Cross. He is currently in residence at St. Patrick Church, Philadelphia.

Living Intention Mass Cards On Sale!

If you want to send a gift of congratulations, a prayer of healing, or even just a present for somebody you care about, there's nothing better than the gift of a Mass!



St. Bede offers Living Intention Mass Cards which can be used for any occasion. The Cards are \$10 each and can be purchased at the Parish Office.

Principal's Corner

As we enter the holy season of Lent on Wednesday, we remember how Jesus stretched out His arms on the cross to show us how much He loves us. The entire school community will attend Mass on Ash Wednesday. Our teachers will be guiding their students as they determine how to best observe this time of preparation. Some students will make small sacrifices while others will try to do something special. Increased prayer is always encouraged, and I will be hosting a weekly Holy Hour with some of our students during this season. Students in grade 3 through 8 will participate in Stations of the Cross during the afternoon on Wednesdays throughout Lent.



Ms. Laura Clark

It is a blessing that we can express our faith and live Lent fully in Catholic school. In the words of Saint Katharine Drexel: *"If we wish to serve God and love our neighbor well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them. Let us open wide our hearts. It is joy which invites us. Press forward and fear nothing."*

May God bless you and your families and please be assured of our continued prayers for you each day.

Ms. Laura Clark, M.S., Ed.
Principal, SKD School
215-357-4720 / skdschool.org



St. Bede CYO

Congratulations to our Varsity Boys and Girls Region Basketball teams who, on Sunday Feb. 12, won their respective Region 19 Championships! The girls were victorious over St. Ignatius while the boys defeated St. Andrew's. With the victory both teams also qualified for the Archdiocesan Tournament, which starts next Saturday. Congratulations boys and girls and good luck in the city tournament!



SAVE THE DATES: SKD Performing Arts Musical:



Friday March 3rd 7pm
and Saturday March 4th 7pm
Villa Joseph Marie High School

Sunny Days Summer Camp

**AN EPIC SUMMER OF FUN IS COMING!
REGISTER YOUR CHILD EARLY TO SECURE
YOUR SPACE AT OUR ONE-OF-A-KIND
SUMMER CAMP!**

We are excited to bring back Sunny Days Summer Camp at St. Katharine Drexel School for another fun-filled summer! Our goal is that every child has a positive and engaging experience while meeting new friends and having fun!

All registration is on a first-come-first-serve basis. Our program is open to St. Katharine Drexel students who have completed Pre-K 3 to those entering 4th grade. Our hours of operation are 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. In addition, we offer before and after care from 8:00 am to 9:00 am and 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Weekly Themes

- Week #1: Under the Stars June 19th – June 23rd
- Week #2: Party in the USA June 26th – June 30th.
- Week #3: Super Safari July 3rd – July 7th
(Camp Closed July 3rd and 4th)
- Week #4: Under the Sea July 10th – July 14th
- Week #5: Let's Go to the Movies July 17th – July 21st
- Week #6: Operation: Celebration July 24th – July 28th
- Week #7: Sunny Days Olympic Games
July 31st – August 4th

Special Event Fridays

Each week concludes with a special event that comes to visit our camp. These events will be unveiled on the camp calendar you receive before the beginning of camp.

Full and Half Day Options are Available!
Sibling discount!

Please visit our camp website for more information.
<https://sunnydayssummerfun.weebly.com/>

Religious Education

Dear parishioners,

Lent starts this Wednesday. Consider coming out to the 6:30am, 9:00am or 7:30pm Masses to start off your Lenten journey with Jesus himself in the Eucharist and receive ashes. Ashes will also be distributed at the 4:30pm service. Lent is a time to grow in God and yourself, through prayer, fasting and almsgiving and a time for us to grow in the human virtues (chastity, temperance (self-control), charity, diligence, patience, kindness, and humility), which help us fight against the seven deadly sins of pride, envy, anger, sloth, gluttony, avarice (jealousy), and lust.



Mr. Shawn Tobin

Resources to check out for Lent on Formed.org:

1) Consider watching Chosen on Formed (<https://watch.formed.org/the-chosen>) to draw closer to God as a family with Catholic commentary; 2) Lent with Brother Francis for the kids (<https://watch.formed.org/lent-with-brother-francis>) and 3) Return with Father John Burns (<https://watch.formed.org/return-with-fr-john-burns/season:1/videos/introduction-return-lent-with-fr-john-burns>) there is an accompanying journal you can purchase on Amazon or Ave Marie Press.

VBS: Mark it on your calendar for these dates: Monday 6-19-Friday-6-23 23! VBS will be from 9:30 am to 12 noon each day! Please reach out to me if you can help out!

CCD Highlights: Congratulations to all the 2nd graders and students that received their First Reconciliation last week! (101 children!) Mrs. Loranger 4th Grade class went on a tour of the church with Father Ryan to learn more about the Eucharist and the faith.



CCD Upcoming Events: NO CCD-2/19, 2/20 & 2/22; Ash Wednesday-2-22-23, Safe Environment training 2/26, 2/27 & 3/1; Confessions-3/6 & 3/8; Parish Mission-3-12-3-14-23; Confirmation-3-18-23; Presentation of First Holy Communicants-11 am Mass-3-26-23

All families new to the parish please contact me to discuss your child's religious education. I may be contacted at 215-357-2130 or stobin@st-bede.org. May St. Maximilian Kolbe and St. Therese of Lisieux bless you!

Shawn P. Tobin MAPS
Director of Religious Education

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Join the St. Joseph's Men's Faith Sharing Group!



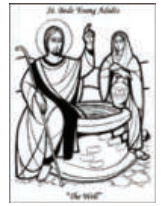
Men come out and join us to move forward in a year of encounter with each other and Jesus in His Word and in the struggles of daily life. Lent starts February 22, consider coming out to the Men's group as part of your Lenten journey.

Our next meeting is Saturday, Feb. 25, at 7am in the Drexel Center- Room A. Meetings are every Saturday, except holiday weekends.

Feel free to just show up! Please reach out to Shawn P. Tobin in the Religious Education Office (215-357-2130) or by email at stobin@st-bede.org for more information.

Come to "The Well" Young Adults Group

Please see the schedule below for the young adults group, The Well. (meetings are in the Drexel Center at 7:30pm, unless noted)



- Feb. 23: Discussion - Lenten prep

For more information, email to thewell.sbya@gmail.com

Catholic Charities Appeal



Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide vital support to almost a million people in need. These individuals are served by a range of organizations, programs, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal focus on five key areas:

- Education
- Social Services
- Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life
- Clergy
- Local Mission Activities

Many of you will have received an envelope at your homes for this collection. It can be brought to the church, or mailed. Extra envelopes will also be available at the church exits. These envelopes can be brought to the church and put in the collection at any time.

You can also contribute through electronic giving, fund transfer, planned or pledged gifts, matching gifts or gifts of security. For more information about any of the ways you can support the 2023 Catholic Charities Appeal, please call the Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia at 215-587-5650 or email at cca@thecfcp.org

Journey to the Permanent Diaconate: *Another Milestone*

By Matthew J. Ruel

The journey to the Permanent Diaconate has three important steps or milestones. They are Candidacy, Lector, and Acolyte.

Back in 2018, I began my discernment and formation at St. Charles Seminary. Then, in September 2020, I humbly received the Rite of Candidacy, the formal call by the Church, and my commitment to study for Holy Orders as a Permanent Deacon.

In October 2021, I was called by Archbishop Perez to be instituted to the ministry of Lector, which allows a candidate to proclaim the readings from Scripture, except for the Gospel, along with teaching & instructing the faithful outside Mass, among other responsibilities.

With great joy, the third step was completed Saturday, February 11, as 13 seminarians in priestly formation, seven other deacon candidates, and I were called by Archbishop Perez and instituted to the acolyte ministry by Bishop James D. Conley. As part of the rite, the bishop handed each of us a Sacred Vessel with the following instruction: "Take this vessel with bread for the celebration of the Eucharist. Make your life worthy of your service at the table of the Lord and of his Church."

An acolyte's function is to assist the priest or deacon at the altar. His primary duty is ordered towards the Eucharist and the care of the Sacred Vessels. It is his place principally to prepare the altar and Sacred Vessels and assist priests and deacons in distributing Holy Communion to the faithful. Furthermore, if a deacon is not present, the acolyte may assist the priest by performing other functions such as incensation, purifying, arranging the Sacred Vessels after Communion, etc. The acolyte is also, in the absence of a priest or deacon, entrusted with other duties,



such as the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the distribution of Holy Communion to the sick.

I am grateful to be called to this ministry, and I take seriously the words which the bishop spoke at the Mass of Institution:

"As a person chosen for the ministry of acolyte, you will have a special role in the Church's ministry. The summit and source of the Church's life is the Eucharist, which builds up the Christian community and makes it grow. You are responsible for assisting priests and deacons in their ministry. You should strive to live more fully by the Lord's sacrifice and to be molded more perfectly in its likeness and offer yourself daily to God as a spiritual sacrifice acceptable to him through Jesus Christ."

My formation and studies will continue for another few years when, God willing, I am ordained to the Diaconate.

**St. Bede's Knights of Columbus
Council 15478**

**TOM SMITH MEMORIAL
10th Annual Charity
Golf Outing**

Spring Mill Country Club • Ivyland, PA
Monday, April 24, 2023
12:30pm Tee Off - Shot Gun / Scramble Format



Schedule of Events	
11:00	Registration
11:30	Lunch
12:30	Start: Golf w/Cart Snacks, Beverages & Beer Included
5:00	Hors d'Ouvres & 2 hour open bar
6:00	Dinner

\$175 per person • \$700 per Foursome

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Chris Morano.....(215) 817-0810

To register or become a sponsor, visit our website
<https://bit.ly/KofC15478Golf> or scan the QR code:



I thank my wife Rachel, Monsignor Marine, Fr. Ryan, and all of you for your prayerful support, and ask you to continue to pray for the other men at St. Charles Seminary and me as we pursue this vocation of service.



St. Bede Knights of Columbus Council 15478




SAVE THE DATE

March 24, 2023

**Annual Lenten Fish Dinner on
Friday, March 24th at 7PM
in the St. Katharine Drexel
School Cafeteria benefiting
Legacy of Life Foundation.**



03.04 2023




MANUP PHILLY

PHILADELPHIA'S ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Man Up Philly 2023 invites the men of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to the 15th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference to be held on Saturday, March 4th at Cardinal O'Hara's St. John Vianney Hall Theater.

We encourage all men – fathers, sons, brothers, friends – to join us *On the Road to Emmaus*, for an inspiring day of faith and fellowship.


Come back to the Lord. Join your brothers in Christ!



Cardinal Dolan Deacon Mahoney Jim Wahlberg Mark Forrest Archbishop Perez

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER
VISIT MANUPPHILLY.COM



Please contact Jim McMonagle (jimmcmonagle@verizon.net) or Tom Bresnahan (tbresjr@verizon.net) if you would like to join the St. Bede's Men's group as they travel down to experience the life changing grace of Man Up Philly.



WHY Confession?

THURS FEB 23 AT 7:00 PM

PANEL DISCUSSION ON ZOOM

Join four priests of the Archdiocese for a webinar discussion on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It's a chance to ask all of your questions about a sacrament that many people want to know more about. Submit your questions in advance or in realtime during the webinar.

- Who do I have to confess my sins to a priest?
- What is the "seal of confession" and why is it so strict?
- I have confessed my sins but still can't forgive myself...what do I do?
- I keep confessing the same sins over and over...why can't I change?



Fr. Eric Banecker
Fr. Addisalem Mekonnen
Fr. Mariano Dellagiovanna
Fr. Stephen DeLaacy

REGISTER AT THIS LINK:
<http://bit.ly/3kveUBk>

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

EMAIL YOUR QUESTIONS IN ADVANCE TO:
revival@archphila.org



Go Forth

Deepen Your Discipleship • Grow in Mission

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The Archbishop wants to text you!
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! Full details can be found at the website below. **Texts begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb 22, 2023 and continue weekly for one year.**

To subscribe to the Archbishop's texts in English:
Text *goforth* to 84576 or go to the website:
phillydisciples.org/goforth

Kindness
is in your blood.




Blood Drive

Friday March 10, 2023
2:00pm to 7:00pm
In the Katharine Drexel Center

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: StBedeVenerable to schedule an appointment.

Or contact Kris Ingle (215-357-4113)
parishnurse@st-bede.org


Maximize your blood donation and help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B, or A donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component. Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RecCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Quotable...

"He alone loves the Creator perfectly who manifests a pure love for his neighbor."

-St. Bede the Venerable



BEDE'S TEENS

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Hello Everyone

I had a thought this week and I thought I would share it with you.... We say the **St. Michael prayer** every week before we leave church but do we, particularly our youth, really pay attention to what we are saying?

“St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil..... Cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen”

First, I wonder if young people believe we are in a “battle”? It’s a battle for their souls (all of our souls). There are so many ways that the devil is attacking us and if we are not aware of what we let into our minds and hearts, we may be participating and allowing the devil to slowly win the battle.

Secondly, I wonder if our young people believe there is a devil? They love horror movies and the idea of evil that lurks around the corner but do they **REALLY** believe the devil is alive and active in our world? There are some studies that show they actually do believe (Satanism has increased steadily over the last 5 years). The appeal seems to be leaning toward their youth who don’t want the structured, dogmatic religion. I wonder if we make Satan more appealing by not discussing the “enemy” or “devil” with young people today. Are we making him seem unreal and abstract?

Lastly, we say that this devil and evil spirits “prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.” Again, do we/our youth believe this? I trust we have a sense of the evil that exists, especially when we hear horror stories of inhumane treatment of others in our world. We express it when we hear of cruelty toward animals, killing of babies, trafficking of women or other inhumane treatment of people in the world..... But do we see that as happening “over there” and not something that our families, our children are affected by? If we are honest, we know that “evil” exists and if we are to protect our families we realize that we **MUST** be Sacramental people of prayer, peace and love. This is how we can’t “battle” the evil in the world. Here is a portion of a quote from Pope Francis: *“Every threat to the family is a threat to society itself. The future of humanity, as St. John Paul II often said, passes through the family..... (many families) be sanctuaries of respect for life, proclaiming the sacredness of every human life from conception to natural death.”*

I spoke to the Confirmation students a week ago about the “battle” for their souls. I expressed that from my years of working with young people it seems to me that after Confirmation and especially the High School years are when young people need Jesus more than ever. I truly believe they have to stand firm in their faith and on the foundation of what they have been taught to win the battle.... because their lives depend on it.

REMINDER:

ALL Youth currently in 8th grade to 12th should register NOW for the Steubenville Youth Conference trip. We are going July 14-16 to Franciscan Univ. in Steubenville, Ohio. **PLEASE REGISTER NOW!!!!**

God Bless you!!
Maritza

February 19, 2023



Maritza
Carmona-Kelly

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEWS!

The next gathering of the Middle School Youth Group is Sunday, February 26 at 7pm in the Drexel Center

We are making Jared Boxes at this meeting! Jared Boxes are small shoeboxes filled with small toys, games, puzzles, etc. for children who are undergoing treatment at the hospital. Youth are asked to donate items and plastic shoe boxes for this project. Parishioners are welcome to donate items also.

ALL DONATED ITEMS SHOULD BE DROPPED OFF IN THE PARISH OFFICE BY FEB. 21, SO THEY CAN BE SORTED BEFORE THE MEETING.

Questions about this group, to receive registration forms and/or if you would like to be added to the Middle School Youth Group e-mail list to receive news of upcoming events, send an e-mail to middleschoolyouthgroup@gmail.com

TRIPLE T

*Triple T gatherings
For Youth in High School!
(Weekly Dinner & Discussion gathering)
All are welcome*

**The Next Triple T gathering
Thurs. Feb 23, 2023
At 6pm in the Youth Center**
We are watching a video series called ALPHA Youth—Life Revealed. It’s Great, it is diving into the Gospel of Luke.

*@Triple T
Friendships are formed & strengthened
Faith is better understood & deepened
& FUN is always on the menu!!*

HELP WANTED: FACILITIES ASSISTANT

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Mass Intentions This Week

The 6:30am Mass Monday through Friday is celebrated in the Daily Mass Chapel. The 9:00am Mass is celebrated in the Upper Church. The Sunday 9:30am Mass will be livestreamed, and also available to view online all day Sunday, and throughout the week.

Monday, Feb. 20

- + 6:30am - Constance Quilty (Req. by Michelle Kershaw)
- + 9:00am - Michael Ledva (Req. by Barbara & Ed Rogowski)

Tuesday, Feb. 21

- + 6:30am - Charles Glosson (Req. by Ed & Jane Bagdon)
- + 9:00am - Stanley Szczesniak (Req. by his mom & family)

Wednesday, Feb. 22 (ASH WEDNESDAY)

- + 6:30am - Jacqueline Wintch (Req. by her parents)
- + 9:00am - Nancy Marriott (Req. by Maureen Duffy & family)
- + 7:30pm - Grant McDermott (Req. by Dan & Donna Lusardi)

Thursday, Feb. 23

- + 6:30am - Brian Gelb (Req. by Jeanne Gelb)
- + 9:00am - Tommy McAvinue (Req. by Gloria McAvinue)

Friday, Feb. 24

- + 6:30am - Joseph Pontarelli (Req. by his wife & children)
- + 9:00am - Anne & Richard Donaher (Req. by the Blessington family)

Saturday, Feb. 25

- + 8:30am - Janet Donohue (Req. by The Rappo family)
- + 5:30pm - Bracken O'Neill (Req. the Wansor family)

Sunday, February 26, 2023

- + 7:30am - For the People of the Parish
- + 9:30am - Catherine McNally (Req. by Ed & Marge Prawdzik)
- + 11:00am - Bernard Flynn (Req. by Monsignor Marine)
- + 12:30pm - Dennis McDonald (Req. by his mother Jessica)

Weekly Stewardship Report

(Week of Feb. 12, 2023)

FIRST COLLECTION / ENV. AND LOOSE BILLS:	\$19,733.00
FIRST COLLECTION / E-GIVING:	\$6,957.00
TOTAL FIRST COLLECTION:	\$26,690.00
Last year's First Collection Total:	\$35,107.00
FIRST COLLECTION AVG. (includes e-giving):	\$24,945.00
Second Collection - Care of Aging Priests	\$4,300.00
Christmas 2022 (so far):	\$102,738.00
Christmas 2021 total:	\$111,013.00
Parish Stewardship so far (includes e-giving)	\$111,185.00
Stewardship total for 2021:	\$114,960.00
Grade School Collections:	\$0.00
2022 Catholic Charities Appeal Total:	\$95,512.00
2021 Catholic Charities total:	\$101,885.00

Don't forget to Order Scrip!

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Rosary Group

Every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm we will meet to pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. We are now meeting in the Daily Mass Chapel. We have rosaries and prayer handouts if needed. Please join us and friends are welcome.

Pray for the Sick

Marty Carr	Lily McNulty	Joseph Glatz	Frances Barckocoy
Brooke Cheney	Lauren Boyd	Nolan Curran	Renee Ricci
Samantha Sampieri	Betty Walsh	Fr. McDonald	Angelique Couturier
Anaya DePrince	Carolyn Baxter	Joshua Chattley	Sr. Frances DeSales
Jack Moody	Judith Ginther	Nyjak Longsdorf	Richard Kern
Guy Donaker	Mary Canino	Mila Szymaniak	Baby Hanna Smith
Kathleen Gola	John Doyle	Eugene Hummel	John O'Connor
Francis Butler	Eileen Finnerty-Smith	Patty & Tom Sexton	Amy Boland
Maryann Duvall	Kristin Kelso	George Clarke	Shaun Lambert
Lois Reso	John Orobono, Sr.	Megan Michevich	Cailyn Stratton
Charles Branson	Tim Ward	Joseph Corsello	Terry Miller
Joan Decker	John Bates	Thomas Bogdan	Drew Miller
Beth Arnold	Lonnie Lonergan	Michelle Polesinski	Dwayne Schwarz
Gloria Merron	Frank Sexton	Darell Linder	William Kilroy
Mary Knesis	Eleanor Dougherty	Coleen Leszczynski	Hugh McConville
Mary Thoma	Mike Ahern	Leo Oliver	Msgr. Robert Grudowski
Nina Lachowicz	Erich M. Burke	Bob Casselberry	Thomas Weir
Florence Hearn	Marie Szczesniak	Anthony Magallanes	Baby Curston
Barbara Riches	Ray Robbins	Baby Molly	Boland
Lyne Telerico	Elizabeth	Dougherty	Leslie Kobsina
Jean Marie Majcjt	Vandenburg	Willard Turner	Kathryn Potok
Deborah Kiermicki	Frances Tarallo	Barry Weidner	Jennifer Johns
Dylan Pontarelli	Alan Eck	Rita Chmielewski	Joseph Burke
Dr. Carl Kaschak	Bill Rodgers	Anne Tuohy	Nicholas Liddy
Frank Flanagan	Ella Mac Thompson	Frank Colantuono	Mary Kraft
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Kelli Martin	Denise Oxenford	Jennifer Shultz	Shirley Blackburn
Adele Boylin	Laurette Purcell	Ron Kaufman	Sheila Connors
Ted Beres	Elizabeth Polis	Eugene Boisvert	Johari Crews
Eleanor Geisheimer	Georgeanna Smith	Sean Marriott	Lorraine Waters
Patricia Hynes	Julia Pirolli	Dan Miller	Andrew Lis
Cody Kearns	Cathy Chestnut	Marie Egan	Marian Boess-Winter
Joseph Pistelli	Terry Webster	Linda Brassington	Nancy Carberry
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Chris Zalewski	Bill DeHaven	Thomas Cawley	Leona Wolanin
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Mark Caputo	Stella Pettinelli	Carolyn Vizzard	Virginia Samhour
Alexa Caputo	Irene Brusco	Lauren Rada	Ana Paula Escalera
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Kane Madden	Mickey Murtaugh	Vincent Ciriti	Danielle Fish
Raymond Glenn	Judy Mooney	Kadence Lawson	
Patricia Glenn	Cookie Fullam	Norine Cross	
Annalise Dubeck	Sandy Termini	Peggy Haley	
David Lindenmouth	Regina Cahill	Michael Corless	

Names can be put on the prayer list by contacting the Parish Office in person, by phone (215-357-5720) or by email (pmcnally@st-bede.org). All names will be left on the list for a period of 4 weeks. If you would like the intention to stay on for more than 4 weeks, please contact us again.

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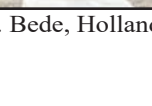
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