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Eucharistic & Devotional Celebrations

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.



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2024



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever."
John 6: 51



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PASTOR

My dear parishioners,

Starting two Sundays ago, and continuing through this month, we begin a series of weeks where we hear from St. John's Gospel, with passages from what is known as "The Bread of Life Discourse." How appropriate and timely that we hear these reading during this National Eucharistic Revival, taking place in the United States of America.

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus speaks of Himself as "The Bread, come down from heaven." The Jewish people to whom He first spoke these words would have known intensely the stories of the Manna, coming down from heaven during the Exodus. So one can understand why they would find Jesus' words puzzling and strange. And murmur about them to one another.

After all, Jesus was clearly not bread, but flesh and blood, standing before them. And Jesus could not have come down from heaven because, as they point out, they know His parents from their town. So was Jesus lying? Was He confused? But Jesus did not back away from what He said, nor apologize if He offended them.

Why should He, and why should we think of backing off of His words, when others confront us by saying that, "The Eucharist is just a piece of bread, made here on earth? It's not from heaven." All of Jesus' words could be debated, except for one important fact that is a game changer: **Jesus rose from the dead.** And hundreds who saw Him risen would not back off from proclaiming it. His resurrection confirms all that He said and all that He did throughout His life.



And that is why we believe that He is the Bread of Life, come down from heaven. Because He said at the Last Supper, "This is My Body," and to His apostles, "Do this in memory of Me," we can be sure that the incarnate Word of God is still present among us, really and substantially, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, at every Mass.

Yes at every reception of Holy Communion, the Son of God takes up residence in our hearts, to rule and guide us. Like Mary, whose Assumption into heaven we celebrate this week, we carry Him in our own body, as she did. What an honor, when you think of it! But what a responsibility it entails.

For like Mary, we are now called to be true disciples, carrying His message, His example, His hope. Not only for ourselves, but for all we meet in this world, which has so often lost its hope and its direction. As we come forth to receive Jesus or kneel before Him in adoration, let us do so with hearts hungry for His forgiveness, His love and His strength, to love and sacrifice as He did.

May God bless you.

Monsignor Marine

Bereavement Group Ministry

The August meeting of the Bereavement Group has been cancelled. The next meeting will be on Thursday Sept. 19 at 10:00am, in the St. Francis Center. Please call Lynn O'Brien if you plan to attend: 215-504-4718.

Remember The Deceased

**Reinaldo V. Paluzzo, Joseph P. Hand, Jr.,
John D. Ruhl, Joseph M. Gagliardi**

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 for Next Sunday

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 18, 2024**

Proverbs 9: 1-6
Psalm 34: 2-7
Ephesians 5: 15-20
John 6: 51-58



Saint Paul once again provides us a key insight into our celebration. We are to "be filled with the Spirit . . . giving thanks always and for everything." Knowing that "Eucharist" means to give thanks, let us listen to these readings, grateful for God's holy word and eager to respond in the Eucharist to which Jesus invites us.



**Perpetual Adoration Chapel
Altar Candle Dedication**
Aug. 12-18, 2024
**In Memory of Walter & Harriet Mezzak
(Req. by their loving children)**
2025 dates are now available! Just come into the Parish Office.
Candle dedications are a \$30 donation for the week.

A Note of Thanks

Dear Monsignor Marine,

We want to thank St Bede the Venerable Parish for supporting our Mother's Day Rose Sale and for the additional \$2140 sale proceeds. These funds are strongly needed so we can continue our monthly commitment to support several agencies in Bucks County and nearby counties.

Planned Parenthood on Louis Drive, Warminster is officially closed. We are planning to focus our efforts on Planned Parenthood in Bensalem. The battle continues since over 70% choose medication abortion. Your support helps us to continue the fight to defend life.

Sincerely,
Christina Doherty
Treasurer
Bucks County Pro Life Coalition

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary A Holy Day of Obligation



**Masses at St. Bede
the Venerable Church**
Wednesday, Aug. 14:
5:30pm (Vigil)

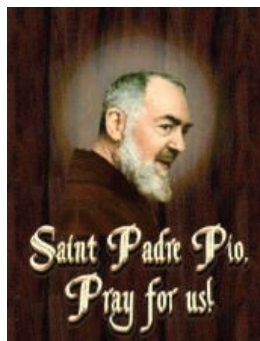
Thursday, Aug. 15:
6:30am, 9:00am, 5:30pm, 7:30pm

St. Bede Padre Pio Prayer Group Meets August 13

The next meeting of the Padre Pio Prayer Group will be held on **Tuesday Aug. 13 at 7pm** in the Padre Pio chapel (lower church). The meeting will be preceded by the praying of the rosary.

Rosary will be followed by an opportunity to hear a short teaching on our Catholic faith which will include questions and discussions. The meeting will conclude with time to remember our loved ones by name, and other intentions for Padre Pio's intercession.

For more information, please call the Parish Office at **215-357-5720**.



Paving Has Begun!



The Capital Campaign Drive for our Parking Lot repaving project continues to be a success! At this time, over 90 percent of our goal has been reached, and work began this past Wednesday.

You can still contribute to the Drive - just drop your contribution in the Sunday Collection.

We will continue to provide updates on the paving's progress. Until then, we offer the following information to all parishioners and visitors, since the construction will temporarily impact our lives:

1. Work on the Parking Lot will start on Wednesday August 7, weather permitting. It will be completed within 2 ½ to 3 weeks.
2. Paving will be done from 7:00am to around 3:00pm, Monday to Friday.
3. Work will be done in phases – there will always be a part of the parking lot that will be open.
4. Work will be planned to not interfere with the 9:00am Mass, and any funerals that may come up.
5. There will be access to all buildings (church, school, Drexel Center, Adoration Chapel) at all times. But not all entrances will be open, and there may be a distance from available parking.
6. There will be access to the soccer fields for evening practices and games.
7. Meco will provide regular scheduling information on which sections will be under construction.
8. Noise- Milling is very noisy. Meco will schedule to, as much as possible, avoid milling in the area around the day chapel or church during Daily Mass or funerals.
9. Please avoid the active construction areas! Meco will mark work areas with visible barrier installation and maintenance in the form of post stanchions and caution tape.
10. During much of the construction, parking spaces will not be marked. Please use extra caution when driving and parking especially for Weekend Masses.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this very important project.



St. Bede the Venerable Parish and Knights of Columbus
Council 15478 present the 9th Annual

PADRE PIO FESTIVAL

Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 14-15, 2024

1071 Holland Rd. * Holland PA (Southampton on GPS)

www.padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com

Relics of Padre Pio on display all weekend in our Padre Pio Chapel

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

NOON-5:00pm: All American Picnic Buffet

(Catered by McCaffrey's Markets)

(wrist band is good from Noon to 5:00pm)

- Karaoke Contest
- Live Entertainment by the Willie Lynch Band (3:00pm - 5:00pm)
- Bingo
- Field Games
- Games
- Inflatable Amusements



NOON-7:00pm

- Café Pio - Italian Pastries & Coffees
- Religious Articles for sale
- Raffle Baskets
- Food Vendors (until 9pm)
- Craft Vendors (until 9pm)
- 5:30pm Mass in Honor of PADRE PIO
- Followed by a blessing with Padre Pio relics



Festival Continues 7:30pm - 9:00pm

- Special FREE Concert by the "Jersey Tenors"
(Singing everything from Opera to Rock 'n Roll)



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

NOON-5:00pm:

- Café Pio - Italian Pastries & Coffees (opens at 8am)
- 12:30pm Solemn Mass in Honor of Padre Pio Guest Celebrant/Homilist: Fr. PIO MANDATO!
- 1:30pm Street Procession (accompanied by the Verdi Band of Norristown)



- 2:30pm Healing Service with Padre Pio relics
- 4:00pm Special Event for Teens, with Guest Speaker
- Italian food service by Maggio's Italian Restaurant in Southampton
- Specialty food vendors
- Games, inflatable amusements
- Craft Vendors
- Religious articles for sale
- Padre Pio Kid's Pavilion
- Raffle Baskets



MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

- Sinatra Tribute Singer Steve Ritrovato
- Jazz/Standards Singer Jessica DiDonato



2024 Padre Pio Festival

Festival / Picnic Sponsorship Opportunities

The planning for the 2024 Padre Pio Festival / Parish Picnic is well under way. Sponsorships play an integral part in helping to defray expenses and contribute to the overall success of the weekend. But Sponsor donations don't just happen. Each year we as a Parish reach out to past Sponsors and potential new ones to participate in the program. Also the Sponsors themselves need time to plan and allocate resources for the program.

To that end we are now reaching out to past Sponsors and looking for additional new ones to again insure the success of the Festival. If you know of a potential Sponsor or you feel you might be interested in becoming a Sponsor, please contact us so we can give you all the necessary information and benefits of the program. We are also looking for a few more people to help us contact potential Sponsors, so please if interested feel free to contact John Lutz at (215) 266-8891 (jwl2271@outlook.com) or Barb Rogowski at (215) 357-5720 (brogowski@st-bede.org)

Thank you for your continued support. (Opportunities which are already sponsored are in RED)

GOLD SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES		
The Jersey Tenors (Sponsored by St. Bede Knights of Columbus)		\$6,500
Township Police - Traffic (Sponsored by John & Susan Richardson)		\$3,000
Township Police - Security (Anonymous Sponsorship)		\$2,000
Willie Lynch Band (Sponsored by Kampus Klothes)		\$2,000
Monster Obstacle Course/with Slide (Sponsored by Dr. Maria Sicut)		\$2,000
Marble Castle Combo Obstacle Course		\$1,700
Verdi Band (Sponsored by the Chicago Fitz's)		\$3,146
Port-a-Potties (Sponsored by Louis P. Chiarlanza)		\$1,200
Carnival & Circus Combo		\$1,100
Carnival Midway Kid Zone Combo		\$1,050
Dumpster Rentals (Sponsored by WSFS)		\$1,000

SILVER SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES		
Ambulance Emergency Service - Sat. (Sponsored by Robert & Elaine Dekezel)		\$900
Ambulance Emergency Service - Sun.		\$900
Carnival 3-in-1 game (Anonymous Sponsorship)		\$700
Connect-a-Shot		\$600
Event Signage (Sponsored by Rowland Smith, CPA)		\$500
Steve Ritrovato - Sinatra Tribute Artist (Sponsored by Bob & Suzanne Weckenman)		\$600
Jessica DiDonato - Singer		\$600
Pony Rides / Saturday (Sponsored by Kennedy Ford)		\$500
Pony Rides / Sunday		\$500
"Puppet Pizzazz" Show (Sponsored by Msgr. Marine)		\$500

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES		
Kids' Fun Soap Bubble Dance Party		\$450
Strolling Magician (Sponsored by Bob & Suzanne Weckenman)		\$400
Karaoke		\$400
Field Events (Sponsored by the Millevoi Brothers)		\$350
Sand Art (Sponsored by St. Bede Women's Club)		\$350
Teen Volleyball (Sponsored by James & Susan Kelly)		\$350
Animal Balloon Artist (Sponsored by Ed & Jane Bagdon)		\$325
Chucklin' Chickens		\$300
Face Painting-Sat.		\$300
Face Painting-Sun. (Anonymous co-sponsor)		\$200
Face Painting-Sun. (Anonymous co-sponsor)		\$100
Basketball Hoop Game (Sponsored by Bill & Mary DeHaven)		\$300

NOW AT THE CHURCH EXITS - PADRE PIO RAFFLE BASKET BOARDS! DONATIONS FOR RAFFLE BASKETS

STEP 1: Please select a tag from one of the four peg boards located at the church's entrances/exits. If tag for money or gift card donation is selected, be sure to take white envelope on peg board and return with tag enclosed. All other tags selected should be returned and attached to the item(s) purchased.

STEP 2: Write your name on the reverse of the tag and return with your selected donation.

STEP 3: Monetary/gift card donations (placed in white envelope) can be placed in Sunday collection baskets or dropped off at Parish Office.

PLEASE NOTE: All non-monetary gifts must be NEW

All other donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office from 9:00 am through 9:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

OR Contact Nancy Marchese at 215/738-5452 to arrange for pick up.

Once again we appreciate your ongoing generosity and ask that all donations be returned no later than Friday August 23, 2024.

August 11, 2024

Adult, Teen Volunteers Needed

We are in need for a couple of Adult volunteers to help with Children's Field Events on Saturday Sept. 14, from 3:15pm to 4:30pm. Youth volunteers (grades 7 & 8) are also needed to help with events (It's a great way to accumulate service hours!). If interested, please contact Nancy Carberry at 215-322-9951, and leave a message.



Raffle

Enter to win!

\$10,000 Raffle

Tickets NOW on sale in the Parish Office
Tickets NOW on sale after the 5:30pm, 7:30, 9:30,
11am and 12:30pm Masses

Any special or "lucky" numbers? Call Nancy Carberry
at 215-322-9951 for special requests!
(you can leave a message)

Only 400 chances will be sold
Donation: \$100
(Support the sweepstakes - it helps us
to keep Parish Picnic ticket prices low)

Join with your friends and neighbors - Buy tickets as a group!

(Anyone who would like to help to sell Raffle Tickets on weekends after Masses or if you would like to take some tickets to sell at work etc, both ways of support are appreciated. Any tickets taken, that are not sold can be returned to the Parish Office by Friday September 6, 2024 and calling Nancy Carberry at the above number)

Padrefestivalhollandpa.com

Religious Education

Dear Missionary Disciples,

August is the month that the Catholic Church traditionally dedicates to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This is a reminder to all of us that Our Lady, after Jesus, is the ultimate model of love for all us. A love that says yes when God asks and stands by her children in their time of need. Consider praying a Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary during August for peace in the world or a special intention.

Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: Most Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayer. As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son. Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today, especially... (Your intention).

WOMEN'S RETREAT-SAVE THE DATE! We are excited to offer a half day **Women's Retreat** on Saturday, **September 28th** in the Drexel Center from 8:30am to 12:30pm. More information to follow!

For now, save the date and please reach out to Kathleen Tobin at ktobin@st-bede.org for sign-up information.

THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL: The Eucharistic Revival has moved into its third year, the year of Mission. This is the year that we take what has been given to us from God over the past two



Mr. Shawn Tobin

years of the Revival and give it away to the world. The revival will live or die based on our response to it! So what are you going to do today to keep the revival alive! **If you heart is called to help the children, the CCD program is in need of catechists, hall monitors and parking lot monitors.** **Catechists:** Sundays: one Kindergarten, two 3rd grade, one 5th grade, one 6th grade, one 7th grade, one Special Needs; **Mondays:** 6th grade, one Special Needs; **Hall Monitors:** **Sundays:** two regular and two subs; **Mondays:** two regular and 2 subs; **Parking Lot Monitors:** **Sundays:** 1 regular and 1 sub; **Mondays:** 1 regular and one sub;

CCD: Registration for Traditional Fall CCD started. Sign up now for the best discounts! If you have not previously been enrolled, please reach out ASAP for assistance. **RCIA/OCIA:** Please contact me if you are interested in exploring the Catholic faith or completing your Sacraments!

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. John Paul II and St. Teresa of Calcutta bless and pray for you!

Shawn P. Tobin MAPS
Director of Religious Education

OCIA STORIES OF FAITH

O.C.I.A. Stories of Faith is an outreach of St. Bede the Venerable to open the doors to the Catholic Church by explaining the O.C.I.A. process to our community and spreading the stories of our parish members who have participated in the program here or as part of their own personal faith journey into full communion with the Catholic Church.

What is O.C.I.A.? (Previously named R.C.I.A.)

O. C. I. A. stands for the Order of the Christian Initiation of Adults. The USCCB changed the name from R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) to OCIA to better represent the Latin name (*Ordo Initiationis Christianae Adultorum*) and the new curriculum approved in 2022. OCIA is the process established by the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation-Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. This initiation process involves a parish community experiencing a renewal of faith as it prepares and welcomes new members into the Church. The Order speaks of conversion as a "spiritual journey." St. Bede's 2024 O.C.I.A. program runs from September 19 to May 1 on Thursday nights at 7:00 pm in the Drexel Center.

Who is O.C.I.A. for? (Previously named R.C.I.A.)

1. Persons interested in exploring the Catholic faith;
2. Persons in need of Baptism;
3. Persons baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic; and
4. Persons baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/or Confirmation.

STORY OF FAITH- BRIGHAM "JOSEPH" BREINER (ST. BEDE MISSIONARY DISCIPLE)

Who or what led you to enter the OCIA process?

I grew up in a Protestant family, Methodist and Baptist, "being saved" as a Christian. I had a strong faith throughout my childhood years, up until a life changing event occurred and I lost my connection with God. Fast forward to today, May 17, 2023, my Wedding



Brigham "Joseph" and Valerie Breiner.

Anniversary. My wife and I have been married for 26 years. I spent many years during our marriage going to church with my wife and children only on the holidays. I never felt that I belonged at a Catholic church while I was with my family, even though I wanted to. Over the years, I wanted to reach out to Monsignor D'Angelico from Our Lady of Good Counsel, which was my family's parish at the time. However, I never did. I was not fully ready at that point in my life. When my daughter met Father Ryan (Then, Deacon Ryan) on her Steubenville retreat that eventually led to a friendship between Father Ryan and my family. I finally realized after all that time that I needed something more in my life and that "something" was that I needed to strengthen my relationship with God. So, I made a personal decision to join the RCIA program at Saint Bede Parish in September 2022.

Was there any point of the process that you found helpful?

I really enjoyed the Symbolon videos that we needed to watch weekly to prepare for class. I found them very informative and easy to understand in learning the faith. Shawn Tobin was "awesome, awesome" in cheering us on, and keeping us on track with a weekly email on what we needed to do to prepare for the upcoming classes. All the catechists who gave their time to come to class were always very knowledgeable and supportive. I had many conversations with both Monsignor Marine

and Father Ryan inside and outside of class. They were always very helpful and an inspiration to me. I would also like to mention Seminarians Drew and Santiago. They were very friendly and knowledgeable and brought a different perspective into the group.

What would you tell someone who might be inquiring about the Catholic faith or the OCIA Process? "Don't Wait", "Getter Done". It is a faith process that is by far the most important thing to bring anyone closer to God. As Monsignor Marine would say, "You will receive the full banquet...appetizer, entree, and dessert".

How has the OCIA program helped you understand your faith and grow closer to God? The discussions with the group taught me to further understand my relationship with God, through the eyes of the Catholic Church, and helped me to build upon my current beliefs as a Christian.

How do you plan to live out your faith going forward? I would like to continue to grow closer to God in prayer. I would also like to continue to grow closer to my family through my faith, and to help others to know Jesus, how I have come to know him, especially when they don't think it could be possible.

What is your favorite story in the Bible or about the Catholic faith? I love the story about when Jesus spoke to the thousands. The people came from afar just to hear him speak. They were hungry and he turned a small amount of food into more than enough to feed them all!

If you were to write a story about your faith journey what would be the title of your story?

"54 Years to Becoming a Catholic"

What do I do if I am interested?

Please reach out to the religious education office for further information at 215-357-2130 or stobin@st-bede.org and/or come to the O.C.I.A. information night on Thursday September 12th at 7:00 pm in the Drexel Center Room A.

Pilgrimage to Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help



You are invited to join Monsignor Marine at the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help (La Madonna del Soccorso) held at Holy Saviour Church in Norristown on **Sunday, August 18, 2024**. This traditional Italian Festival starts with Solemn Mass at 11:30 a.m. followed by a procession through the streets during which 25 men carry the Statue of Our Lady. The procession concludes with Solemn Benediction followed by social festivities.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office (215-357-5720).

Donate Blood in Memory of John Toner and Bob Toner

Tuesday August 13, 2024

St. Bede the Venerable Cafeteria

2:00pm to 7:00pm

Please call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter TONER to schedule an appointment.

Cornerstone for Life

Iowa's Heartbeat Abortion Ban Takes Effect

Thousands of unborn babies will likely be saved in Iowa now that the state of Iowa's heartbeat law has finally taken effect today after years of legal battles.

The law, which Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds signed in July 2023, bans abortion once a baby's heartbeat can be detected, which is as early as five weeks of pregnancy.

The governor had signed a similar heartbeat ban in 2018, but the Iowa Supreme Court failed to uphold it in a deadlocked 3-3 ruling on procedural grounds last year, and it never took effect.

However, the court ruled in favor of the new heartbeat law in a 4-3 decision this month in a victory for pro-lifers.

The Iowa Supreme Court, which has a 7-0 Republican majority, had declared in 2022 that Iowa's Constitution does not include a "fundamental right" to abortion, reversing an earlier pro-abortion precedent.

Unlike some states that have enacted pro-life protections, Iowa does not allow initiated constitutional amendments that could overturn its heartbeat ban.

Conservative leaders celebrated the Iowa Supreme Court's decision to uphold the law, which is the strongest pro-life legislation to take effect in the Hawkeye State in more than 50 years, while calling for the state to protect life from the moment of conception.

In states where they have been enforced, heartbeat laws have reduced abortions by around 50 percent, as in Georgia, to nearly 80 percent, as in South Carolina.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEWS!

If you have a child in Middle School (6, 7 or 8 grade) PLEASE make sure you get on our email list so you can receive updates on the activities and events we have during the the school year.

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 Summer Gatherings resume on Thursday, Sept. 12 AT 6PM!!!!

Meet in the Youth Center (St. Francis Center)

ALL Youth in High School are welcome!

(Each week is different, we will have dinner, a discussion & play Games)

@Triple T

Friendships are formed & strengthened, Faith is better understood & deepened, & FUN is always on the menu!!



Saturday, September 7

5:30 Mass followed with Food • Music • Games

Free Admittance

Grades 6 to 12 invited

5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



Contact Maritza @ 215-357-5113 or email youthminister@st-bede.org St. Bede's Parish 1071 Holland Road, Holland

ADVANCE SIGN UP IS CRUCIAL FOR ALL EVENTS.

BEDE'S TEENS

Maritza Carmona-Kelly, Youth Minister
youthminister@st-bede.org
www.st-bede.org/youthministry
215-357-5113



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Facebook - BEDES TEENS
Twitter @ BedesTeens
Follow us on Instagram @ stbedeyouthgroup
Snapchat - BedesTeens

Hello Everyone

Last week several of our youth went to Hatboro Community Food Pantry to help distribute food. They had a great experience. Here are a few photos.



Maritza Carmona-Kelly



A small group of teens and parishioners went to the Trenton Thunder game last week. We had a great time even though it rained and the game was delayed. Oh, they won the game! Here are some photos.



This is our last week of activities
Upcoming Activities:
Tues. Aug. 13 @ 3pm - Holland Village
Thurs. Aug. 15 @ 9am—Mass & Breakfast

ADVANCE SIGN UP IS REQUIRED FOR ALL SUMMER ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

God Bless!
Maritza

Mass Intentions This Week

6:30am weekday Masses are in the Lower Chapel.
The Sunday 9:30am Mass will be livestreamed, and also available to view online all day Sunday, and throughout the week. Find the link on our website: st-bede.org (*Living intentions in italics*)

Monday, Aug. 12

+ 6:30am - Maureen Donaher McHale (req. by Jack & Linda McHale)
+ 9:00am - Frederick & Diane Remsing (Req. by Antonio Siravo)

Tuesday, Aug. 13

+ 6:30am - Francis Cantwell, Jr. (Req. by Judy Hawthorne)
+ 9:00am - Charlie Fote (Req. by Paul & Rosanne Fenn)

Wednesday, Aug. 14

+ 6:30am - Maryann Giandomenico (Req. by Barb & Ed Rogowski)
+ 9:00am - Ray O'Donnell's father & brothers (Req. by Dorie O'Donnell)
+ 5:30pm - Stephen, Sophie & Jerry Lezinski (Req. by Joan Meyers & family)

Thursday, Aug. 15 (Feast of the Assumption)

+ 6:30am - Nancy & Steve Mandrack (Req. by Msgr. Marine)
+ 9:00pm - Margaret M. McHale (Req. by Jack & Linda McHale)
+ 5:30pm - Bill Ruhl-52nd anniversary (Req. by daughter Kathleen M. Gordon)
+ 7:30pm - Mary S. Goodman (Req. by the Nachtman family)

Friday, Aug. 16

+ 6:30am - Maria Udel (Req. by the Mueller family)
+ 9:00am - Antonio Siravo (Req. by Assunta Bucci)

Saturday, Aug. 17

+ 8:30am - For the unborn & all who have died through abortion (Req. by St. Bede Respect Life Committee)
+ 5:30pm - Rowland Smith, Jr. (Req. by Elaine & Rowland Smith)

Sunday, August 18, 2024

+ 7:30am - Special Intentions
+ 9:30am - John Gallelli (Req. by Barbara Gallelli & family)
11:00am - For the People of the Parish
+ 12:30pm - Bill & Marie Drobile (Req. by their daughters)

"Lest We Forget"

Let us keep our brave young men and women who serve our country both here and abroad in our prayers:

SN Angela Barber, USN Cpl. Dolores C. Bowers, USMC Lt. Col. Anissa Buckley (RN), US Army Senior CPO James Buckley, USN Col. Charles B. Chalfont, US Army PO3 Jonathan Chisholm, USCG Capt. James Devlin, US Army SSG Matthew DiFlorio, US Army Col. Michael Erlandson, US Army Lt. Col. Stephen Finn, USAF Lt. Thomas Gaus, USN TSgt. Scott Grove, USAF TSgt. Timothy Harman, USAF MSgt. Austin Heacock, USAF LCDR Jenny Held, MD, USN Capt. Craig Hensel, USCG Cpl. Ethan Himes, USMC SN R.J. Johnson, USCG CDR Keith Krouchick, USN Col. Anthony Kurz, US Army Capt. Luke Ledva, USMC Maj. Daniel Andrew Lusardi, USAF Maj. Crystal Lusardi, USAF MSgt. David Marcella, USAF	BM-2 Kirsti Mendez, USN Maj. John Nachtman, Jr., USAF ENS Jessica L. Nangle, USN Sr. Airman Sean Olah, USAF LCDR Parker Pouser, USCG 2Lt. James Reitter, US Army Maj. Allison Riley, USAF SGM Steven Rodriguez, US Army SrA Alicia Sabatini, USAF-National Guard SPC Matthew Sawaya, US Army Maj. Valerie K. Smith, USMC Capt. James Edward Stepenosky MD, USN Pfc. Austin Sypek, US Army ENS Harry F. Theurer, IV, USN LCpl. Matthew Thibault, USMC 2ndLt. Daniel Wood, USMC Maj. Jacqueline McDermott-Wintch, USAF Lt. Col. Timothy Wintch, USAF SGT Charles Wood, US Army PO-2 Frank Young, USN
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Weekly Stewardship Report

(Week of Aug. 4, 2024)

FIRST COLLECTION / ENV. AND LOOSE BILLS:	\$19,975.00
FIRST COLLECTION / E-GIVING:	\$10,890.00
TOTAL FIRST COLLECTION:	\$30,865.00
Last year's First Collection Total:	\$22,939.00
FIRST COLLECTION AVG. (includes e-giving):	\$25,356.00
SECOND COLLECTION (none last Sunday):	\$0.00
2024 Catholic Charities Appeal (as of 08/02/2024):	\$65,375.00
2024 CCA Goal:	\$96,417.00

Welcome Our New Parishioners

Antonina Brown

New parishioners can register by seeing one of our priests after Sunday Mass. Or call the Parish Office at 215-357-5720 to speak to a priest.

Altar Flower Dedications

Aug. 18, 2024

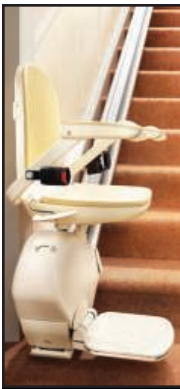
In memory of Carolyn N. Thompson
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Dedicated flowers remain on the altar during the entire weekend. Dates are still available for 2024 and 2025, and the cost is \$70 per side. Altar flowers cannot be ordered during Advent and the Christmas season, or during Lent and the Easter season. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 215-357-5720.

Pray for the Sick

A name will stay in the bulletin for FOUR WEEKS. The contact person must notify the Parish Office if the person needs to stay on the list, or they will be removed. 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).

Kellie Martin	Marie Kinsley	Ron Kaufman
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Frances Osiecki	Rita Chmielewski	Shirley Blackburn
Chuck Hahn	Jack McHale	Sheila Connors
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