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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5 p.m.

Daily

Monday to Saturday

8:30 a.m.

Sunday

8 a.m.

10 a.m.

Holydays

7 p.m. Vigil, 8:30 a.m.
& 12:05 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday

3:30-4:30 p.m. & by appointment

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. & by appointment

Closed for lunch: 12 p.m.-1 p.m.

Saturday: By appointment only

Sunday: By appointment only

*A mail slot is located in the
front door of the rectory.*



Rev. Thomas D. O'Donald, Parochial Administrator

frodonald@epiphanyofourlord.com

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Parish Activities for the Week

Tuesday, May 2—Life in the Spirit Seminar at 7 p.m., C.

Wednesday, May 3—Legion of Mary at 10 a.m., RMR; Young Women's Bible Study at 6:30 p.m., Zoom.

Thursday, May 4—First Holy Communion Rehearsal at 6 p.m., C; Knights of Columbus at 7 p.m., RMR; Women's Bible Study at 7 p.m., PC; Boy Scouts at 7 p.m., UFCW Hall (3031 Walton Rd.).

Saturday, May 6—First Holy Communion at 10:30 a.m., C.

Location Key

C=Church S=School PC=Parish Center GH=Grady Hall
RMR=Rectory Meeting Room

Upcoming Parish Activities & Events

Life In the Spirit

Discover the transforming power of the Holy Spirit and develop a personal relationship with Jesus during a 7-week *Life In the Spirit* Charismatic Seminar beginning **Tuesday, May 2**, at 7 p.m. in the church.

Questions or to register, contact Bobbie Cefaratti (267) 261-8995.

Knights of Columbus Meeting

The next meeting will be **Thursday, May 4**, at 7 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room.

Contact Franks at fxmccreesh@gmail.com.

First Holy Communion

As our students make their First Holy Communion on **Saturday, May 6**, at 10:30 a.m., please keep them in your prayers.

Second Sunday Social

Greet our featured guests, our parish Youth Ministry while enjoying coffee and donuts on **Sunday, May 7**, at 11 a.m. in the church vestibule.

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

All are invited to the next St. Vincent de Paul meeting on **Tuesday, May 9**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room.

Contact Bud at cyanak@gmail.com.

Blood Drive

The next Bernie Toth Memorial Blood Drive will be held **Thursday, May 25**, 2-7 p.m. in Grady Hall.

Sign up at www.redcross.org.

Manna Food Collection
May 20-21. More info to follow.



young adult Bibles & Brews

5 Weeks: Wednesdays Starting May 31st

7:00pm | Rectory Meeting Room

with Fr. Tom

To RSVP or For More Info: youth@epiphanyofourlord.com

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sunday, Apr. 30

The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

PJP II Fundraiser

Pope John Paul II High School invites all to their biggest fundraiser of the year on **Saturday, May 2** called **Savor the Flavor: On Broadway**. 6-10 p.m. in the gym. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Tickets include admission to the event, offerings from the Restaurant Fair, Basket Raffle, Silent & Live Auctions. Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.pjphs.org/apps/pages/tickets>

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 4

For this year's prayer, visit
<https://www.nationaldayofprayer.org/>

Spring Concert

Enjoy the sounds of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons by tribute band Lights Out and support the Little Sisters of the Poor on **Saturday, May 6**, 7-9 p.m. at Villanova University. Cost is \$50/person.

Call the Villanova Box Office at (610) 519-7474.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

The second collection next weekend, **May 6-7**, is for the Catholic Home Missions.

Main Line Singles (Ages 52-67)

Catholic men and women are invited to two May events: a pre-Memorial Day party on **Sunday, May 7**, at 5:30 p.m. at a member's home and dinner at Jin Ding Chinese Restaurant, Bryn Mawr on **Sunday, May 21**, at 5:15 p.m.

Call Barb at (610) 896-6542.

Metanoia Young Adults Group

Upcoming activities for Catholic young adults in their 20s and 30s in Montgomery County:

- **Tuesday, May 9**-Bible Study at 7:30 p.m. at St. David's, Willow Grove.

Contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for more information, or visit www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults.

Mother's Home Golf Tournament

Please join us for a fun day of lunch, golf, cocktail reception, and outdoor barbeque on **Monday, May 15**, at Paxon Hollow Country Club, Media, 12 p.m. lunch / 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start. To register visit our golf website: www.mothershomegolf.com.

Marian Summit

Join the *Marian Summit: hope for families* for a three-day free online presentation featuring over 20 Catholic speakers offering catechesis, stories, and teaching on the Blessed Mother **May 16-18**, 6-8 p.m. The summit is geared for individuals and families who have faced adversities and challenges and offers hope and healing through talks offered by Catholic presenters.

Register at www.Nonnatus.org. To learn more email director.srnf@gmail.com.

Holy Saviour School Class Reunion

Holy Saviour Elementary School Class of 1966 is holding a reunion on **Friday, May 19** at Steppy's Sports Bar and Grill, Norristown. Cost is \$30pp. Casual dress. Lite fare. Cash bar.

For payment information, please contact the committee at: holysaviour.66@gmail.com.

Quo Vadis Retreat

High school young men are invited to join the Philadelphia seminarians for this 4-day, 3-night camp, **June 26-29**. Opportunities for fun, prayer, and discernment with fellow young men from around the Archdiocese. To register, or for more information, visit HeedTheCall.org/QuoVadis.

Phila. Catholic Scholars

High School young men (juniors and seniors) are invited to gather for a 10-day faith and formation summer program exploring the relationship between faith and reason, **July 5-14**, at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

For more information or to apply, visit philadelphiacatholicscholars.org.

Going Deeper for H.S. young men

Young men going into their junior and senior years of high school are invited to this week of service, fellowship and prayer focusing on the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, **July 16-20**, at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

For details or to register, contact Fr. Friel, Vocation Director, at (610) 667-5778.

Honor Flight

Honor Flight Philadelphia is recruiting veterans for a day of honor in Washington, D.C. on **Saturday, Sept. 9**. Transportation, meals, a USO show, memorabilia will be provided at no cost to the veteran. For more information contact Andrew Schiavello at (610) 662-1812.

Martha's Choice Marketplace

Martha's Choice Marketplace, a part of Catholic Social Services, operates a food pantry on Johnson Highway in Norristown. Food and personal care items are distributed to those in our area who are in need.

Donations of the following would be greatly appreciated at this time: size 5 & 6 infant diapers, shelf-stable whole milk (32oz), shelf-stable orange and apple juice (32oz), cooking oil (preferably canola, vegetable or olive-24oz).

There is a bin in the back of church to leave your donations. Expired food, even in cans, cannot be accepted. Thank you!



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Pre-Kindergarten: Age 4 by September 1, 2023

Kindergarten: Age 5 by September 1, 2023

First Grade: Age 6 by September 1, 2023

To complete the application process, the parent/guardian will need to provide copies of the following:

- ☐ Birth Certificate
- ☐ Certificate of Baptism
- ☐ If your child has received additional sacraments, we must have their complete dates
- ☐ Immunization Record
- ☐ PK-8 Registration Fee – \$125 per student (nonrefundable)
- ☐ Letter of subsidy payment from your pastor, K-8, if applicable
- ☐ Custody Papers, if applicable
- ☐ If your child has an IEP, please submit the Evaluation Report and most recent IEP.

Holy Rosary is considering the addition of a PreK 3 program to their Early Childhood Program for the 2023-24 school year. Students must be 3 years old by September 1, 2023.

A transfer grant is being offered for transfer students from public school, grades 2-8. A welcome grant is being offered for new incoming kindergarten students.

If you have any questions regarding registration or PreK3, please feel free to contact the office at office@holynosaryregional.com or by phone at (610) 825-0160.

From Father:

It would like to try and use incense every Sunday at the Principal Mass (10 am). The use of incense is a very ancient part of Christian worship and is woven within the liturgy.

The smoke of incense is symbolic of sanctification and purification. It also symbolizes the prayers of the faithful. It is an outward sign of spiritual realities, which is why it has its place in Christian liturgy. These two purposes reveal a deeper truth: that prayer itself purifies and sanctifies us, making us worthy of worshiping God in heaven for all eternity with the angels and saints.

The psalmist prays, "Let my prayer be counted as incense before thee, and the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice!" —Psalm 141:2

In the Old Testament, we see how God commanded Moses to make an Altar of Incense for worship in the Tabernacle (Exodus 30:1-10). The New Testament also records the use of incense. Frankincense was one of the precious gifts brought by the Three Kings to the Baby Jesus—a sign of His role as priest in addition to His roles as prophet and king. Also in the Book of Revelation, St. John the Apostle recorded that he saw incense being used at God's heavenly throne: "And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer; and he was given much incense to mingle with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar before the throne; and the smoke of the incense rose with the prayers of the saints from the hand of the angel before God."- Revelation 8:3-4

When we see incense at Mass, it reminds us of heaven; indeed, it should remind us that our worship of God in the Christian liturgy is divine in origin.

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Oremus pro invicem, Fr. O'Donald

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 1

8:30 a.m.

George Leidig

Tuesday, May 2

8:30 a.m.

Jack Fessler

Wednesday, May 3

8:30 a.m.

José Maria, José Luis,
Benito, Armando, & Fer-
nando Aladro Aguirre

Thursday, May 4

8:30 a.m.

Shirley Blomstrom

Friday, May 5

8:30 a.m.

Helen and Joseph Nealis

Saturday, May 6

8:30 a.m.

Ann M. Padova



Adoration Chapel Votive Candles are Dedicated for:

Anthony Vigna

Daniel J. O'Connor



Joe DeChristopher

Elaine Thorpe

Baptisms

We welcome to our parish family

Emma Duk Leone

Baptized Apr. 23



Please Remember in Prayer

In Loving Memory

Elaine Thorpe, Who died Apr. 16

Mother of Clarence "Jim", Scott and Denise.



Weekly Tithing Report—Apr. 16, 2023

Sunday In-Pew Collections: \$ 5,927

Sunday Mailed in Envelopes: \$ 2,310

Sunday E-Giving: \$ 1,938

TOTAL: \$ 10,175

Pregnancy Hotline

Pregnant and need help? Call or text the hotline at (610) 626-4006 or text (484) 451-8104, 24/7, for assistance with pro-life options, supportive counseling and other resources.

Need Assistance?

Are you, or is someone you know in our community, in need of financial assistance? The St. Vincent de Paul Society may be able to help!

We encourage to call or email us. All requests are kept in the strictest of confidence.

Phone: (267) 627-4436

Email: eolsvdp@gmail.com

Please Pray for the Sick

Parishioners listed in bold.

Linda Aladro

Chad Caparo

Mary Keating

Antonietta Pendlton

Albert Sinopoli

Frank Campolongo

Joe DeChristopher

Josephine Paoletta

Virginia Sherbert

Contact the Parish Office to update the list.

USCCB Prayer for an end to the Pandemic

Almighty and merciful God, source of all life, health and healing, look with compassion on our world, brought low by disease; protect us in the midst of the grave challenges that assail us and in your fatherly providence grant recovery to the stricken, strength to those who care for them, and success to those working to eradicate this scourge. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Parish Office Requests

To register in the parish, arrange for a baptism, or request a Certificate of Eligibility for sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office during office hours at eol@epiphanyofourlord.com.

Also, please advise our office staff of any change of address, telephone number or family status.

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday of the month after 8:30 a.m. Mass or by request. Please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible when any parishioner becomes seriously ill or is admitted to the hospital.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays upon request. Both first-time parents need to attend a Pre-Jordan class, which is held the first Wednesday of every month.

Pre-Registration for the class is required by contacting the Parish Office. Sponsors not from Epiphany are required to submit a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish two weeks prior to the Baptism.

Matrimony

Notify the Parish Office of your intention to marry at least six months before the date of the wedding to assure sufficient preparation and to arrange for Pre-Cana sessions.

Miraculous Medal—Perpetual Novena

After 8:30 a.m. Mass every Saturday.

Holy Communion for the Sick and Homebound

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion to the sick and homebound. Call the Parish Office at (610) 828-8634 to provide the office staff with the name, address and phone number of the sick or homebound parishioner.

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