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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY:

MASS SCHEDULE:

Vigil Mass: (Saturday evening) 4:30PM, BVM
Sundays: 9:30 AM St. Louis, Yeadon
Sundays: 8:00 & 11:00 AM & 4:00 PM, BVM
Holy Days: 8:15 AM, 12:00 Noon & 7:30 PM, BVM
Daily: 8:15 AM Monday through Saturday

SACRAMENTS:

BAPTISMS: Fourth Sunday of the month
For more information call rectory

COMMUNIONCALLS:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring Holy Communion to any parishioner who cannot attend Mass because of age, sickness or disability. Please telephone the Rectory.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:15 to 4:00 PM on Saturday or call to schedule an appointment during the week.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Do not wait until the day of surgery. Make arrangements to be anointed here after Mass, or contact the Chaplain who serves the Hospital where you will be staying.

MATRIMONY:

Arrangements should be initiated at least six months in advance. Please call the Rectory. Weddings are celebrated on Fridays at 6:00 pm or Saturdays at 1:30 pm.

DEVOTIONS:

Holy Rosary - before 8:15 AM Mass daily
Miraculous Medal Novena - Saturdays after the 8:15 AM Mass
Adoration - 3:15 to 4:00 PM, every Saturday

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

PREP/CCD: kindergarten through 8th Grade.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: for non-Catholic adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and for those who wish to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

PARISH ASSOCIATIONS/

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS:

Lottery Ladies: Barbara Shelly (tickets) 610-237-8479,
Judy McNamee (winners) 610-626-3089
A.A.-meet Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7:30 PM in Rectory Basement.
St. Vincent De Paul Society Food Distribution Program - Monday, & Thursday, 9:30 to 11:00 AM.
Contact: Kathy, 610-848-8080
Home & School Association: 610-586-0638
CYO— Directors are Maria Cavallaro and Tricia Millaway
WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION—Mimi and Linda —call rectory

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:

Call rectory to register.

STEWARDSHIP:

We ask all parishioners to consider "tithing" that is, giving 10% of their income for religious purposes. Contributions are gratefully accepted to the School Endowment Fund and the Church Memorial Fund especially at the funerals of loved ones. Please remember BVM Parish in your will: on request we will be pleased to provide free legal assistance.

E-Giving : text **GIVETOBVM** TO 73256 or
www.abundant.co/blessedvirginmarychu/2128

FLOCKNOTE: text **BVMFLOCK** TO 84576



Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." — Jn 10:27-28a

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MONDAY, May 9th Mary Belong
TUESDAY, May 10th, Dolores & Tom Kane
WEDNESDAY, May 11th, Fr. Robert Straznski
THURSDAY, May 12th, Rosemary McMenamin
FRIDAY, May 13th, Fr. Robert Straznski
SATURDAY, May 14th, Patrick & Bridget Cassidy

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
PEACE BETWEEN RUSSIA AND UKRAINE, Vocations to the priesthood; Respect for Life; an end to Prejudice; the Unemployed; those who are suffering from COVID-19, AIDS or Addictions; for all victims of Abuse; Pray for Peace.

WE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS, ESPECIALLY:
 Tim Anderlonis, US Army; Joseph Barbine, PFC; George Barbine; Aracelis Mari Caceres; PVT. Jason Cavalieri, Jr., US Army; Michael Dixon; Patrick Driscoll, USMC; Billy Farmer; Ian Forbes; Terrance Fossler; Christopher Fry, USN; Charles M. Gallagher; Nicholas Juozda; Staff Sergeant Chris Kinne, USAF; Matthew J. Loheide; James Montgomery; Tim Sechrist; Lieut. Colonel Michael Rasback, USAF; Anthony Sloan, USN; Michael Sweeney, USMC; Franci Ugorji, National Guard; Robert Wilson.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
 We pray that God will give spiritual and physical comfort to all our sick relatives, friends and parishioners, especially:
 A.A.; Frances Afilani; MaryAnn Augustine; Alma Bailey; Anthony Baroni; Rita Beardi; Brian Blong; Mike Brogan; Andrea Brennan; Beckett Campbell; Charlene Campbell; Marge Carney; John Travis Cardillo; Barbara Carr; Saman-tha Casey; Lawrence Cavalieri, Sr.; Lori Cerreto; Jim Deeks; Brian Duda; David Edonick; Donald J. Edonick; Selma Far-rell; Lou Golato; Steven Graci; Darryl Hall; Ronnie Hasty; Mike Hasty; Steven Jackson; Kasey Klineburger; Patricia Lumberg; Stephanie Lumberg; Steve & JoAnn Macowski; Tim Masterson; T. Mc.; Evelyn Miller; Kathryn Miller; Paul & Ruth Meuser; Anne Mullin; Anne Quinn; Bob Quinn; Cathy Ridgik; Lar-ry Richards; Stephen Rozniakowski; Steve Towey; Pat Twil-ley; Anthony Verdini; Jaclyn Verda; Steven Wagner; Lily and Rita Weldon; Joe Capra.

Prayers for all the recently deceased family, friends, and members of the parish.
 Especially Angela Afilani

Church Support

E-Giving (Abundant): April, 2022.....\$2,005
 BVM SUNDAY/ST. LOUIS: May 1,, 2022..... \$4,797
 BVM SUNDAY/ST. LOUIS: May 2, 2021.....\$4,640



LOTTERY WINNERS:

4/25	437	Debbie Loftus	Seller: J. Wyatt
4/26	211	no winner	
4/27	802	no winner	
4/28	160	Elizabeth Castelli	Seller: V. Nardi
4/29	544	no winner	
4/30	833	no winner	

NO JACKPOT WINNER FOR APRIL 2022

WHERE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS WENT FOR APRIL (Does not include School)

AQUA \$106
 Archdiocese of Phila. (Assessment) \$4,450,
 Archdiocese of Phila. (Priest Health-) \$642,
 Archdiocese of Phila (liab, WC, Disab) \$2,926,
 Archdiocese of Phila (Latin America) \$839,
 Archdiocese of Phila (Church in Europe) \$873,
 FJ Remey \$1,038, GLA Publications \$11,
 Home Depot (includes St. Louis) 393,
 Keystone Health Plan East \$503, Lawn Care \$150,
 L&R Securities \$228, PECO (2 months) \$7,041, ,
 Pennserv \$1,016, Primepay \$98
 Right Network \$84 St. Jude Shop \$684
 Taddeus Greenhouse \$997,
 US Postal Service \$116 VANCO (online giving fees) \$57
 Waste Management \$477
 Total: \$17,991

Readings for the week of May 08, 2022

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father,
 From the beginning, you have chosen to entrust the human person to mothers in a special way. We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers for their tenderness, care, and compassion, for their intuition and encouragement, for commitment and sacrifice.



Bless all mothers this day. Keep, strengthen, and refresh them in your loving care. May they be blessed by our openhearted love and gratitude.
 Amen.

A Note from the Desk of Fr. Mariano...

What is the Neo-Catechumenal Way?

My dear parishioners, I hope this brief explanation of the Neo-Catechumenal Way gives you some background to help you to come and to invite others to the series of talks we have just begun in the parish.

I have been part of this experience since 1990 and it has been the most forming, rewarding and faith building experience of my life and the life of my family. The Neo-Catechumenal Way is one of the fruits of the Second Vatican Council aiming to foster a spiritual and liturgical renewal within our Parish community. The word *Catechumenate* refers to an extended itinerary of formation to the adult faith.

In the primitive church, no one could be baptized without going through a Catechumenate. But beginning with the time of Christendom, in the Constantine Age (5th century and forward), since the Church opened the door to the masses, it was more difficult to instruct the people into the faith. Thus, the transmission of the faith was assumed and delegated to the family. **In modern times, we cannot presume anymore that the family faced with the challenge to modern culture, will be able to form our children to faith.** Thus, the need for a Baptismal Neo-Catechumenate, which will help us to rediscover the richness of our Baptism.

As Pope Paul VI put it, "The 'before' or 'after' the Baptism [of the Catechumenate] is secondary, I would say the fact is that you aim at the authenticity, fullness, coherence, the sincerity of Christian life," (Paul VI audience 8/5/74). **And aren't we all aware of the need for an adult faith formation in our life?** When we stop to think of the reason of our believing, or when someone asks us why we practice our faith and why we believe what we believe, we find difficulties to give reason for our faith. Even more when we are hit by events that are difficult to understand (tragic event, death, sickness, the abandonment of one who is dear to us, all that we call the crosses in our life). We become puzzled about our faith and some even stray from their belief.

The Neo-Catechumenal Way aims to build up in us such a deep relationship of faith with the Lord which will allow us to be confident in his Fatherhood for us no matter what. It is an experience of eternal life already here on earth. It is important for each one to **discover that God is our Father who provides for all our needs and always decides what is best for us. It is also important for us to discover that the Church is our mother**, who always teaches and feeds us with the Word of God and the sacraments.

I invite everyone from my heart to participate in this experience which is already giving fruit in our parish and will give much hope to all the far away and suffering people who will meet the Lord through us.

God Bless,
Reverend Mariano Dellagiovanna



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **St. Barnabas 1st Annual Flea Market Season**
Starts the weekend of May 7-8 thru weekend of Nov.26-27. Vendors are welcome. For more information contact Allyson Gayle @ 267-453-6962
- **PRIESTS' CONVOCATION:** Pray for the Diocesan priests who will be in a convocation Monday, May 9th to 11th. The convocation called by Archbishop Perez for all diocesan priests is mandatory.
- **If you want to deepen your FAITH.** You are invited to begin a journey to experience the **RISEN CHRIST.** This series continues on Mondays and Thursdays, @ 7:30 pm in the Msgr Corley Hall.
- **SUNDAY, MAY 15 at 3 pm**—"We Find Hope in You" a concert for racial healing with words of inspiration & hope offered by Archbishop Nelson Perez. Free admission at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, 18th & Parkway.
- **SATURDAY, MAY 14**—30th Anniversary of the National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger food drive. Please leave non-perishable food items at your mailbox for your Letter Carriers to pick up.

Congratulations

TO BVM STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED High School HONORS:

⇒ From Monsignor Bonner/Archbishop Prendergast

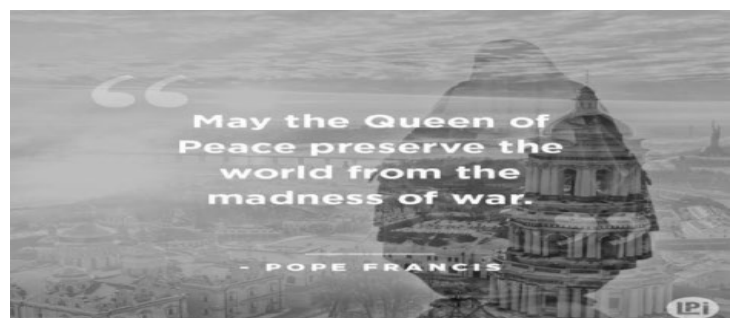
First Honors, Class of 2023: Genevieve Marvil-Arakelian, Elswin Serrao and Victoria Ugochukwu

Second Honors, Class of 2022: Donnye Cuffie

Class of 2025: Cordelia Adenuga

⇒ From Father Judge

First Honors, Class of 2023: Nicholas Do



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