

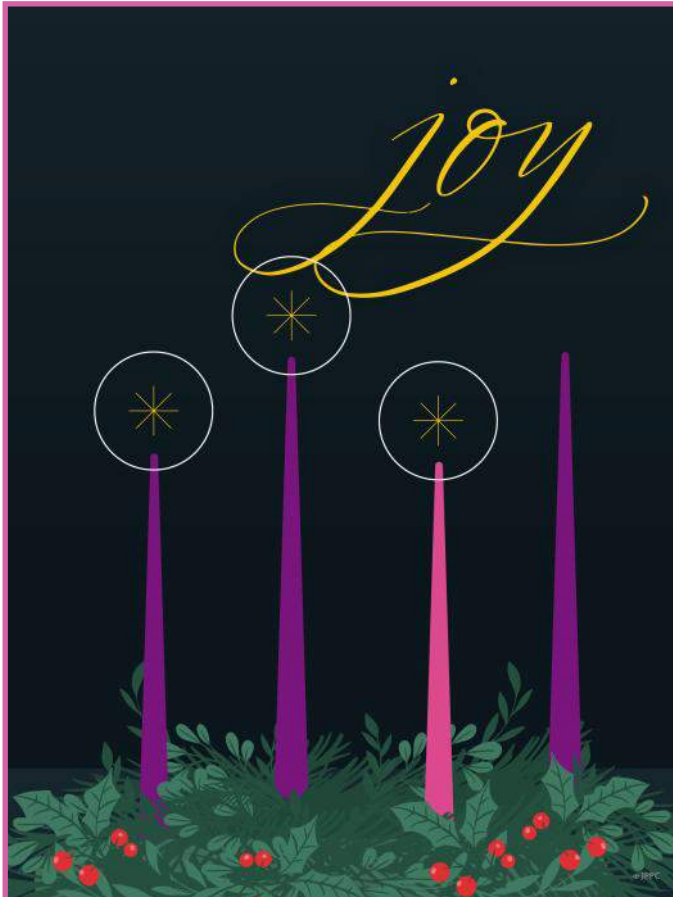
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December 14, 2025

Prayer / Devotion Schedule

Morning Rosary

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
at 7:30 am

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday following 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 10 am—6:45 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Wednesday following 8:00 am Mass

Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm—Chapel

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary

First Saturday of each month at 4:15 pm

Evening Rosary

First Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm

First Friday Night of Reparation

First Friday/Saturday of each month

7:00 pm—2 am

Masses at 9:30 PM & 12 Midnight

Parish Staff

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Daily Mass Schedule:

M, W, R, F at 8 am

T at 7 pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil at 5 pm

Sunday at 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon, 2 pm (Spanish)

Confessions

Tuesdays 6:00-6:45 pm

Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

~ Prayer to Saint Michael ~

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God,
thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

There is a certain plague that has spread across “the fruited plain.” It shows up all over the place in different types and forms. Call it “Impatience.” On our streets and highways, it fosters “road rage.” It pits one driver against another for a variety of annoyances that sometimes become deadly when impatience turns to anger.

A computer breakdown that halts the progress of a sale can lead to impatience as you stand in line and the cashier, who can do little about it, apologizes for the inconvenience.

It takes an intentional step backward in such situations to confront the truth that we often seem to be in a hurry for some unknown reason. Or maybe for a known reason that is disproportionate.

Apply all that rushing around to the spiritual realm and we can see some harmful results. We can miss the chance to meet God on His own terms and in His own good time.

Today’s Second Reading from the Letter of St. James urges us to have a different outlook: the Advent season theme of waiting. “Be patient,” the writer advises, “until the coming of the Lord.”

You can detect the impatience of the Baptist’s disciples in our Gospel Reading, when, noticing it, John tells them to ask Jesus, “Are you he one who is to come, or should we look for another?”

Notice Our Lord’s calm answer. Tell John what you hear and see me doing, and don’t take offense at me.” In other words, “Slow down!” Or, as we might say, “Cool it!”

This virtue of patience takes many forms. At a reunion of retired executives, each of the guests was invited to give a two-minute after-dinner talk on his experiences since retirement. Since some of the former executives were inclined to be rather long-winded, the toastmaster was instructed to rap his gavel when the two minutes had expired. The first speaker was called and, true to his old form, was still on his feet talking well beyond the time limit.

The toastmaster, a kindly old man, couldn’t bring himself to rap his gavel. On and on the speaker droned boringly, until the other guests began to murmur and signal the old man to rap the gavel. Responding to the pressure, he wound up and brought the gavel down full force, accidentally hitting the head of the man sitting next to him. As the victim was sinking under the table he was heard to say, “Hit me again, I can still hear him!”

God love you and pray for Advent patience.



ADVENT MEDITATIONS

Christ and Mary’s Love For Us
Join us **December 16th and 23rd**
5:45-6:40pm in the Parish Hall with
Sue Mathews.



There will be several priests available to hear confessions on **Thursday, December 18th** beginning at **7:00pm** in the parish hall.



The Christmas Bell Choir will be performing before the **8:00 PM Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve** beginning at **7:30 PM**. Come early to secure a seat for Mass and enjoy the festive sounds of the Christmas Bells ringing out the Good News of the birth of the Christ Child!

Spirit of Christmas Giving Tree



Please remember to bring the gift cards back by Sunday, December 21st.

We will be joyfully serving our parish and community families as well as Ware Manor, Oxford Neighborhood Services, Lighthouse Youth Center, Divine Sent Food Bank, and Cornerstone Pregnancy Center.

If you have any questions please text or call Jen Tipton at 610-547-9234.

Thank You!

CLERGY SCHEDULE

December 13	5 pm Mass	Fr. Anthony
December 14	8 am Mass	Fr. Eschbach
	10 am Mass	Fr. Anthony
	12 Noon Mass	Fr. Anthony
December 15-19	Daily Mass	Fr. Anthony
December 20	5 pm Mass	Fr. Eschbach
December 21	8 am Mass	Fr. Anthony
	10 am Mass	Fr. Anthony
	12 Noon Mass	Fr. Eschbach



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 Kurt Strohmaier, Marie Strohmaier, Kara Tabella
 Sandra and Jerry Treon

Please contact the office to add, renew or remove a name.

MASS INTENTIONS *(Requested by)*

Saturday, December 13		
Nancy Poliski (<i>Mike Poliski</i>)		5 pm
Sunday, December 14		
Carmelite Hermits of Lake Elmo (<i>Marie Dunn</i>)		8 am
The People of Sacred Heart		10 am
Joseph Edward Dunn (<i>Guss Family</i>)		12 Noon
Monday, December 15		
Amalia Blellini (L) (<i>Tim Lamb</i>)		8 am
Tuesday, December 16		
The Living and Deceased Members of the Husson, Budzynski & Brumbaugh Families		7 pm
Wednesday, December 17		
Sister Anne Marie Mack, CBS (<i>Peggy Roach</i>)		8 am
Thursday, December 18		
Wedding of Enrique & Laura Pallares (<i>The Pallares Family</i>)		8 am
Friday, December 19		
Corrine Smith (<i>Smith Family</i>)		8 am
Saturday, December 20		
John J. Kenny IV (<i>John & Debra Kenny</i>)		5 pm
Sunday, December 21		
William Quigley (<i>Kevin & Carol Quigley</i>)		8 am
Connie Merkel (<i>Charlie Merkel</i>)		10 am
The People of Sacred Heart		12 Noon

Holiday Bulletin Submission Schedule

Our bulletins are due to the publisher earlier than usual during Thanksgiving and Christmas. If you would like something placed in the bulletin please use the following schedule.

SUNDAY BULLETINS	PLEASE SUBMIT BY
Sunday, December 28	Tuesday, December 16
Sunday, January 4	Monday, December 22

Ads should be fully complete with all information/details (date, time, location, group/event name), fully edited, and in Microsoft Word format, if possible. Ads will be placed as space allows. Please email ads to

lbrown@sacredheart.us

PRAYER / FAITH FORMATION

3rd Sunday of Advent– December 14, 2025

Introit:	Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.
First Reading:	Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
Responsorial Psalm:	Lord, come and save us.
Second Reading:	James 5:7-10
Gospel:	Mathew 11:2-11
Communion Antiphon:	Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

Night of Reparation Vigil
At Sacred Heart
First Friday and First Saturdays
Our next Night of Reparation will be
January 2nd-3rd, 2026



Join the alliance of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary in a Communion of Reparation Vigil.

7:00pm - Rosary, 9 Offices of the Sacred Heart, Consecration Prayers, and Adoration.

9:30pm - First Friday Mass, Confession, and Fellowship.

11:45pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

12:00am - First Saturday Mass for the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Offices of the Immaculate Heart, and Rosary.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesdays 6:00-6:45pm

Saturdays 3:30-4:45pm

Thursday, December 18th Penance Service at 7 pm

The Nativity of the Lord

Wednesday, December 24th

4:00 on 6:00 pm & 8:00 pm

Thursday, December 25th

8:00 am & 10:00 am

The Solemnity of Mary

Wednesday, December 31st at 4:00 pm

Thursday, January 1st 9:00 am & 12:00 noon

Planning for Your Child's Baptism



Congratulations on the upcoming baptism of your child!

To arrange for this blessed occasion, please pick up a **Baptism Registration** form that can be found in the church narthex. After the form is completed, please personally give it to **Fr. Anthony Raymundo** right after any of the weekend or weekday Masses at which he presides. This meeting will give the parents and Father Anthony an opportunity to get to know one another as well as to go over preparation details for this joyous day.

God bless your entire family in this first step in your child's spiritual life!! Your parish family celebrates with you!!!



Congratulations and welcome to our newly baptized.

Mackenzie Liberato
Henry Jonathan Akers
Owen Joseph Hackett

STEWARDSHIP / PARISH COMMUNITY

Campus Happenings

Sunday, December 14		Breakfast with Santa after 8 am & 10 am Masses
	8:40 am	Prep (Parish Center Gym)
	2:00 pm	Spanish Mass (Church)
	6:30 pm	AA Christmas Party - Open to All (Parish Hall)
	7:00 pm	Youth Group (Youth Group Room)
Monday, December 15	1:00 pm	Young at Heart (Parish Hall)
Tuesday, December 16	10:00 am	Adoration followed by Benediction and Mass at 7:00pm
	5:45 pm	Advent Meditation with Sue Mathews (Parish Hall)
Wednesday, Dec. 17	9:00 am	AG Quilting (Parish Hall)
	6:30 pm	Adult Choir Practice (Church)
	7:00 pm	Evangelization Meeting (Parish Center Café)
	7:00 pm	Charismatic Prayer Group (Cry Room)



Set the Lord's Table

Volunteer as a Sacristan.
Men or women please call
Paul McGrath 443-761-5530 or
Rich Hackett 443-206-6171

The next **Young at Heart** meeting will take place **Monday, December 15th at 1:00pm** in the Parish Hall.

Young at Heart is an organization for people of a certain age in our parish who get together twice a month to socialize, plan, and have fun.

Young at Heart meets the first and third Mondays of each month, September through May at 1:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Please come to a meeting and enjoy the camaraderie and fun. There is coffee and tea, and members always bring treats to share.

Advent Confession Prep Work

A big thank you to the men of the parish who helped with some assembly required for advent confessions! We put together 14 privacy screens, some belt barriers and a cart to help make logistics flow even better this year.

So far 13 priests have RSVP'd to help you "take out the trash" from your soul.

Come Wednesday, December 18th from 7-8:30pm and clean house before Christmas.

From left to right: Guillermo Bernal,
Dennis Brown, Pat Carnivale,
Brandon VanWagner,
Fr. Anthony, Romer Lacek, John Anderson



FAITH IN ACTION in the Community

CYACC Christmas Cookie Party-Wednesday, December 17 from 7:00 – 9:00pm at Saints Peter and Paul Parish, 1325 Boot Rd, West Chester. 'Tis the season for our Annual CYACC Cookie party! Please bring cookies as a dish to pass to share amongst our fellow friends. All young adults are welcome from the ages 18-35. It will be a joyful celebration with games, prizes and fellowship. We encourage you to come wearing festive clothing but if you don't have anything feel free to come casual.

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The Trust and Hope initiative launched by Archbishop Nelson J. Perez invites us to take a step forward in faith. The initiative is a concerted process to renew the Church of Philadelphia over the next 20 years and invite everyone to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ. Currently, 83% of baptized Catholics are not participating in the sacramental life of the Church. The mission of the Church has always been to announce the resurrection and foster closer relationships with Jesus. This initiative aims to support the growth of the Church of Philadelphia in a way that best meets the needs of the souls entrusted to its pastoral care.

Visit catholicchurchofphila.org/trust-and-hope/ to learn more about the initiative so you can confidently share the vision.

The website addresses questions like:

- *Why are we doing this?
- *What is a missionary hub?
- *Does this mean my parish is closing?
- *How are we going to pay for this?
- *How can we measure the success of the initiative?

The renewal of our Church is ongoing. It begins with each of us as integral members of the body of Christ.



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Join **Philly Catholic Singles** for events like trivia, speed dating, and adoration in 2026! PCS hosts fun social events for the 30-45 age group, 25-40 age group, and 40+. We have over 400 members from all 5 Philadelphia area counties, and host events all over the diocese. Our chaplain is Fr. DeLacy.

Sign up at www.PhillyCatholic.Singles.
Tell your single friends / children!

CHARITY WHEEL

Tickets On Sale Now!

The 2025 Knights of Columbus Charity Wheel tickets are on sale after all Masses. Sales will go until all 180 are sold or the last weekend of 2025 whichever comes first.

Tickets are \$60.00 and are good for all of 2026.





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