

Church of the Holy Family

Parish Rectory

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Rev. Francis X. McKee

Sunday Visitor

Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director

and

Permanent Deacon

Mr. James Browne

Day Care & Summer Camp

Ages: Infant (6 weeks) through PreK-4

Hours: 6:00am to 6:00pm,
year round care

Director: Cyndi Manley

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Welcome

We welcome all who join us for worship and we invite you to become part of our parish family. You may register as a parishioner in the rectory on any Sunday morning after the 8:00am or 11:00am Masses or any time in the rectory.



CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday Evening Mass 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 and 11:00am

Weekday Mass: 8:00am

Holy Day Vigil Mass: 7:00pm

Holy Day Mass: 8:00am

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass. Please contact the rectory for details about the Pre-Jordan program which is held on the first Sunday of the month at 12:00pm in the rectory.

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45pm

After Stations on Wednesday evenings during Lent and any time upon request.

MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements with one of the priests at Holy Family at least 6 months prior to the wedding. Call the rectory at 215-482-0450 for an appointment.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

We visit the homes of those unable to attend Mass due to sickness or age on the first Monday of each month from 11:00am to 12:30pm and every Sunday after the 8:00am Mass.

Holy Hour: second Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena: every Friday after 8:00am Mass

Alter Servers: serve at Mass

Cantors: lead singing at Mass

Choir: sings at Mass & Liturgical Services

Extraordinary Ministers: bring Holy Communion to the sick

Guitar Group: sings at the 11:00am Mass once a month

Lectors: read at Mass each Sunday

RCIA: prepares and instructs converts to enter the church and for Catholics not yet Confirmed; Wednesday at 7:00pm

PREP: teaches students' not attending Catholic school; Sundays from 9:30 to 10:45am

Pre-Cana Team: workshop for engaged couples

Ajax Committee: cleans sanctuary and church twice each month

ALPHA: discuss religious matters in a relaxed setting

Finance Committee: meets six times per year to advise the Pastor

Liturgy Committee: plan religious services

Parish Pastoral Council: meets several times per year to confer on Pastoral planning

Women's Club: meets six times per year and sponsors social activities

Seniors: meets twice each month in the convent

* **Please note:** if you are interested in participating any of these activities, please contact the rectory at 215-482-0450

A wooden cross stands in a field, with a purple cloth draped over its horizontal beam. The background shows a landscape with trees and a clear sky. The word "Lent" is written in a large, elegant, black cursive font in the upper left corner.

Lent

First Sunday of Lent

CLPPC

MARCH 1, 2020

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29th - 4:00 PM

Lou Mueller, requested by his family

SUNDAY, MARCH 1st

8:00am

Theresa Murray, requested by Prechtel Family

11:00am

Our Parishioners

MONDAY, MARCH 2nd - 8:00am

Michael Gallagher, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

TUESDAY, MARCH 3rd - 8:00am

Aloysious P.J. O’Harra

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4th - 8:00am

Richard Levering, requested by Joe and Mary Ellen Aylmer

THURSDAY, MARCH 5th - 8:00am

requested by Tom and Jeannie Cassidy

FRIDAY, MARCH 6th - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, MARCH 7th - 4:00 PM

JAMES GERARD, requested by Joyce and Vern Kaiser

SUNDAY, MARCH 8th

8:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Alexander Montanez, requested by Marie Mueller

CHURCH PARKING LOT**

If you find that the church parking lot is filled there is additional parking down at the Day Care Center

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

February 22 nd /23 rd (108)	\$ 3,375.00
Second Collection	\$ 260.00
Aging and Infirm Priest (11)	\$ 146.00
Catholic Relief (1)	\$ 25.00

Total \$ 3,806.00

The second collection this week will be the Archdiocese Military Collection.



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Anna Marie Barry, Theresa Barthold, Robert Brecht, Jr., Linda Brown, Christopher Browne, Ed Cameron, Christina Dougherty Gailey, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Jackie Jordan, Anne Marie Kearns, Lisa Long, Erin McFarlane, Kristin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Helen Nagle, Jim Parrella, Ronald Rigler, John David Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Ed Speece, Frances Sprengle, Eileen and Joe Szewczak, Fran Thomas and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr..



Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed especially, James Curtain and Joseph McGann.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, A1C Matt Dandrea, Nicholas DiCicco, PFC Michael D’Intino, PFC Chase Dixon, PFC Tyler Manigly, Sr. Master Sergeant Jason Otto, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 29th – 4:00pm

Makayla Serbin – Makenzie Serbin - Kylie Graff

SUNDAY – MARCH 1st

8:00am

Michael Torna – Charlotte Welsh

11:00am

Grace Welsh – Jocelyn Welsh

ORGANIST

4:00pm - Joseph O'Brien

8:00 – 11:00am Isaac Young



SUNDAY, MARCH 1st

8:00am - 11:00am

Julia Bokunewicz



SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 29th - 4:00pm

Sister Mary Jo Larkin – Anthony Turino

SUNDAY – MARCH 1st

8:00am

Mitch Yanak

11:00am

John Naab



Lectors

SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 29th - 4:00pm

Judy Erich

SUNDAY – MARCH 1st - 8:00am

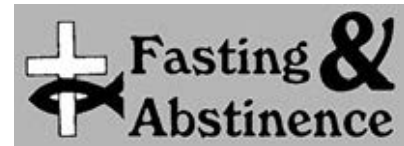
Mitch Yanak

11:00am

John Delaney



The distribution day is the Fourth Sunday of the month. The Distribution day for March is Sunday, March 22nd after the 11:00 am Mass. Food can be picked up at the convent. Our Food Cupboard needs to be stocked. Some suggestions for donations : boxes of cereal, pancake mix/syrup, cake mixes/frostings, crackers, jellies/jam, peanut butter, cookies, tune fish or canned meats, rice, noodles, cans of juice or juice packs, tea bags, salt/pepper. **NO BABY FOOD IS NEEDED.** We hope this action will help someone in need.



The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligations, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all Fridays of Lent including Good Friday. Further, all those eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth 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. These obligations are binding for meatless Friday and Ash Wednesday.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist, to celebrate frequently in the Sacrament of Penance, 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.



Deacon Jim Browne will facilitate a 5 week Bible Study on the Catholic Epistles, (James, Jude, and John 1,2,3) on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm in the Rectory, beginning on March 3rd and ending on March 31st. Please consider attending one or more of these sessions during lent.

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The Mount, a catholic preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls.

The Pre-HSPT (high school placement test) is a seventh grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. It is scored with seventh grade norms. The purpose of the test is for students to become acquainted with the test format and to gain insight into strengths and weaknesses. The **7th Grade Practice Test (Pre-HSPT)** to be given on **Saturday, March 21, 2020 - 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

Registration for the Pre-HSPT is only online. There is a \$45 non-refundable test registration fee payable online. You will receive registration and payment confirmation via email. **Register at: www.msacad.org/practicetest**



Merion Mercy Academy is seeking an innovative faith-filled and student centered Theology teacher well versed in best practices in independent education to begin in March of 2020 and work to the end of the year,

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Interested candidates should send a resume, cover letter and statement of educational philosophy along with three professional references to Valerie Pruenal, the Interim Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, at vpruenal@merionnerct.com

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**AN EVENING OF SONG AND PRAYER
TO CELEBRATE
THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT KATHARINE
DREXEL
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020 AT 7:00 PM**



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DEVOTIONS DURING LENT



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Will be held beginning on Wednesday, March 4th at 7:00pm and every Wednesday thereafter during Lent followed by Benediction.



CONFESSIONS: Will be heard on Wednesday Evenings after Stations. **Confessions will also be heard on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am (prior to the 11:00am Mass) starting on March 1.** **Forgiven Series** (Sessions on the Sacrament of Reconciliation) following **Stations of the Cross on - March 11, 18, & 25.**



BIBLE STUDY ON CATHOLI EPISTLES: On **Tuesday evenings** in the **Rectory at 7 PM-March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31.**

LOOKING FOR PEACE?

Looking for peace? There is a lot of turmoil in the world...and sometimes even in our families and in our own hearts. Come and learn about the single most effective way to bring God's peace into your life: the Sacrament of Reconciliation. No matter how long it's been since you've been to confession, come and ask your questions, learn how this sacrament of healing sets you free, and discover how it can bring profound peace to your life, your relationships and even to the world. Join us at Holy Family Church at 7 PM for Stations of the Cross followed by the **Forgiven Series:** March 11-**Where Are You?** March 18-**An Encounter with Mercy;** and, March 25-**The Rite Explained.**



CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. Through CRS Rice Bowl, faith communities in every diocese throughout the United States put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lenten alms donated through CRS Rice Bowl support the work of CRS in roughly 45 different countries each year. 25% of all donations to CRS Rice Bowl stay in the local diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Since its inception in 1975, CRS Rice Bowl has raised nearly \$300 million. **Rice Bowls will be distributed and available in the back of the Church starting on Ash Wednesday.** Please take one home and bring it back to Church no later than **Holy Thursday, April 9.**

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