

St. Frances Cabrini Parish

"Come and See"

325 S. Oxford Valley Road, Fairless Hills, PA

Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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Office of Religious Education

Phone Number: 215-946-1115

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Monday - Saturday: 9:30 AM

HOLY DAYS: 6:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, 7:00 PM
(except January 1st which follows a Sunday Mass schedule)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

SATURDAY: 4:15-5:15 PM or by appointment

DAILY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL

MONDAY - SATURDAY: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

SUNDAY: 12:30 PM - 8:00 PM



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SAINT FRANCES CABRINI PARISH PURPOSE STATEMENT

The Purpose of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish is to be reverently and passionately committed to the Liturgy and celebration of the Eucharist. Our Parish Community is a Catholic family ignited by the love of Christ, embracing compassion, love, and mutual respect for each other. We encourage and welcome everyone to share our life journey bearing witness to the teachings of Jesus Christ and joyfully praising God in our everyday lives.

Please visit our website: www.saintfrancescabrini.net



Week of February 5, 2023

The 5:30 PM Mass will be celebrated for the deceased members of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish.

MONDAY St. Paul Mikki and Companions

9:30 AM Neil Roach –
Deacon Mace and Carol Mazzoni

TUESDAY Weekday

9:30 AM Maureen Spinosa – Sally & Steve Spinosa

WEDNESDAY Weekday

9:30 AM Lee & Bernice Foran – Bridget Coleman & Family

THURSDAY Weekday

9:30 AM Tomie Miller – Chrissy & Rich Lancaster

FRIDAY St. Scholastica

9:30 AM Marshall Brooks – DiGiovanna Family

SATURDAY Weekday

9:30 AM William Crowell – Anita & Mike O'Brien

February 12, 2023

The 9:00 AM Mass will be celebrated for the deceased members of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish.



SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Lamps are being provided
this week in memory of

James Marterella, by Jeff & Lauren Marterella
and in memory of Margerite Perchy
by the Perchy Family

BREAD AND WINE MEMORIALS

The Bread and Wine is being provided
this week for Alicia Mary Olmo
by her parents, Linda and Carlo Olmo

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for all those listed in our White Intercessory Book. We also pray for the following people and those who care for them:

Edward Baranoski	Judy McCormick
Harriet Beatrice	Megan McCormick
Marie Breen	Joe Merrick
Peter Cellucci	Maria Percaccia
Nicholas Curato	Dennis Pierce
Josephine Dominick	Marie Ranniello
Grace Ford	Mimi Sabol
Marc Gravante	Justin Saunders
George Kasperitis	Robert Scordia
Joseph Killian	Janice Sutchko
Hailey Knorr	Samantha Tomasick
Janet Law	Jean Wilt

Please Note: With regard to parishioners, relatives, and friends who are ill, we invite you to write their names in our White Intercessory Book. Your loved ones will be remembered in each of our weekend Masses.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our own families,
our Parish family,
and all those who have lost their
lives through war and violence.

We especially remember:

Father James Brennan C.Ss.R.
Janice Perkins
Jordan Thompson

May the Lord Jesus bring all our
loved ones into His Kingdom.





Catholic Schools Week
My Vocation Story

For this year's Catholic Schools Week, at the request of Mrs. Gallo, our Holy Family Regional Catholic School technology teacher, Father John Weber, Pastor of Queen of the Universe Parish and I were asked to share part of our vocation story. The question which I chose to answer was: **"When did you decide to join the seminary and what was the catalyst that prompted you to make that decision?"** In addition to providing a video presentation to the School, I also provided the video clip for this past Thursday evening's Weekly Video Message. Today, I am glad to share my answer in today's Parish Bulletin.

I am very pleased to have the opportunity to share with you part of my vocation story. As many of you know, we all have a vocation, a calling from God. The first call was the call to come into this world and along with that call was the call to follow our Lord Jesus. We received that particular call at the time of our baptism. Throughout our lives, we continue to receive calls. Currently, you are called to be students, to study, to be attentive in class, to do your homework, to do your various projects, to learn and to grow, but first and foremost, your call, your parents' call, my call and your teachers' call is to grow in holiness and grow in our imitation of Jesus, that is, to love God and to love one another. For all the students, in time, there will be another call as you begin to figure out what God wants you to do for the rest of your lives.

Today, very briefly, I am pleased to share part of my call to be a priest. Over the years, I have been asked when did you know that you were being called to be a priest. Well, I can trace my vocation, my calling all the way back to about third or fourth grade when I was an altar server. I liked serving at the altar, I liked watching everything that the priest was doing at Mass. But as I got older and began to look back, I realized that my vocation actually began long before I became an altar server. My vocation began in my home. I was blessed to grow up in a very loving atmosphere. My Mom and Dad were very good and faithful Catholics, taking me and my six brothers and sisters to Mass each week. Often, we prayed the rosary as a family from the time I was very young. Fast forwarding, I remember thinking about going to the seminary as I was finishing high school at St. Joseph's Prep, but knowing that the first four years at the seminary were actually college years, I decided to go to

St. Joseph's University for college. All through college, I thought about going to the seminary but as I was graduating, I thought that I would work for a few years before making a decision regarding the seminary. Well, as I was looking back over the years, back to high school, back to college and then my five years of working, I realized that I was really just postponing making my decision. Throughout these years, I went to Mass, I was praying a lot and I enjoyed going out on dates with a number of young ladies and travelling, but throughout all of this, I still felt the call to be a priest.

In the midst of postponing my decision, I received this poster in the mail: **"Not to decide is to decide."** For many years, I did not know who sent it to me. During my time in the seminary, I found out that it was religious sister, a nun, who sent it to me. The message on the poster was very clear. This religious sister, a nun, and a friend of my oldest sister, Sister Helen, believed that I had a vocation to the priesthood but she and my sister realized that I kept putting off the decision. By putting off the decision for so many years, in reality I was making a decision, a decision not to accept God's call. And so to answer the question, when did I decide to go to the seminary and what was the catalyst that prompted me to make that decision? I was 26 years old at the time and the catalyst was this poster: **"Not to decide is to decide."** And so, on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, January 25, 1975, I sent my application to St. Charles Seminary. I entered the Seminary in September 1975 and I was ordained a priest on May 17, 1980. When I told my parents that I wanted to be a priest and then announced my decision to the rest of my family and friends, including my former girls, no one was surprised. They sensed all along that I had a vocation to the priesthood. Some members of my family just wondered what took me so long to make the decision. And so after almost 43 years as I priest, I know that although it took me a long time to decide, it was the absolute right decision for me.

I thank Mrs. Gallo for the opportunity to share this part of my vocation story and I thank you for listening as well. I am eternally grateful to God for His call to me to be His priest and I am grateful to my dear parents, and my family and friends and parishioners for all their support over the years.

Let me conclude with this prayer and blessing:
Lord God, we praise You and thank You for Your many blessings, especially the gift of our lives. We thank You for our parents and guardians, family members, our teachers and all those who are forming us to be the persons You call us to be. May we always be open to the movement of Your Holy Spirit as You guide us through life and may we always do Your will. And May almighty God bless you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.
God bless you all!

Scripture Readings: **The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: **Isaiah 58:7-10**

The expectations of the covenant were twofold: first, the people were called to fidelity to God and second, they were to care for their fellow members of the community. Isaiah addresses some of those obligations. They deal with most basic and obvious human needs. When the faithful live in this way they are blessed by the Lord, and they will be like a light that shine before others.

Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 2:1-5**

Saint Paul distances himself from the high wisdom teachings of the orators. He humbly admits to his own weakness and anxiousness in their presence, but he boldly affirms that the message of Christ Jesus is what is really important.

Gospel: **Matthew 5:13-16**

The familiar images and ordinary use of salt and light become metaphors of a spiritual identity for Jesus' disciples. Both salt and light cause other things to happen. Salt adds flavor to food and light gets rid of darkness so one can see and move about safely. The task of the disciple is to be an agent of the Kingdom of God so that the lives of others will be enriched.



**WORDS OF TRUTH,
WORDS OF LIFE**

FATHER,
FORGIVE
THEM; FOR THEY
DO NOT KNOW
WHAT THEY
ARE DOING.

WOMAN, HERE IS YOUR SON.
HERE IS YOUR MOTHER.

MY GOD,
MY GOD,
WHY HAVE YOU
FORSAKEN

Wednesdays
March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd
Monsignor Woods Hall
Soup Supper 6:00 – 6:40 PM
Program begins at 7:00 PM
Register on our Parish Website or at the Rectory

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~ St. Frances Cabrini Parish**

Saint Frances Cabrini Parish is looking for a candidate to fill an open Secretary/Receptionist position in the Parish rectory. This position provides clerical and administrative support for the Pastor and Pastoral Staff. Requirements include familiarity with office organization techniques, excellent written and verbal communication skills, proficiency in MS Office with a strong aptitude for learning new software programs and transferring knowledge of one program to another, as well as time management capability.

Interested candidates can send their resume and contact information to bkdavid2@verizon.net

SAINT FRANCES CABRINI PARISH COMMUNITY

POT OF GOLD

WEEKLY LOTTERY PROGRAM

January 30, 2023

6 - 11 - 15 - 17 - 30

JACKPOT PRIZE WINNER

(NONE)

CONSOLATION PRIZE WINNERS

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NEXT WEEK'S JACKPOT PRIZE

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WE ARE A TITHING COMMUNITY

Sunday Collection – January 29, 2023	\$10,926
Parish Giving Electronic Fund	<u>\$ 4,062</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$14,988</u>
Prior Year's Collection	<u>\$ 9,397</u>



**15th Annual Man Up Philly
Men's Spirituality Conference -
Saturday, March 4, 2023**

The Road to Emmaus—

Finding Christ in the Breaking of the Bread

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the **15th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 4th at Cardinal O'Hara HS.** Speakers include **Timothy Cardinal Dolan**, acclaimed speaker, author, and Archbishop of New York City, **Jim Wahlberg**, writer and producer of **Mother Teresa - No Greater Love**, **Deacon James Mahoney**, instructor at St Charles Seminary. **Mark Houck**, pro-life champion, will offer our reconciliation talk. And back by popular demand, **Mark Forrest**, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our **Eucharistic Adoration**. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be available, and the Conference will conclude with **Mass** celebrated by our archbishop **Most Reverend Archbishop Nelson Perez**. For more information and to register go to the website: www.manupphilly.com



**CALLING ALL SAINT HUBERT'S
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Our 50th High School Reunion is June 5, 2024. If you'd like to be included and receive the reunion packet, we need to know how to reach you.

Please call or text: **Sharon (Zawacki) Everly at 215-880-5731** to share your contact information. You can also find us on Facebook at St. Hubert's Class of 1974.

50th Class Reunion
John W. Hallahan Catholic Girls High School

October 14, 2023

4:00 P.M.

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Pictures at the fountain
immediately followed by

5:15 P.M. Mass and Procession

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

October 15, 2023

Noon - 4:00PM

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Marie Angeli: mef51477@gmail.com

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Nancy Stewart: smithers1955@aol.com

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The Knights of Columbus
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Doo Wop Night

When: Sat., February 18, 2023 @ 7PM -10 (doors open-6:30)

Where: St. Ignatius of Antioch Church Auditorium
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Cost: \$15 / per person

- Entertainment: Sounds of Doo Wop (Gary, Joanna & Mary)
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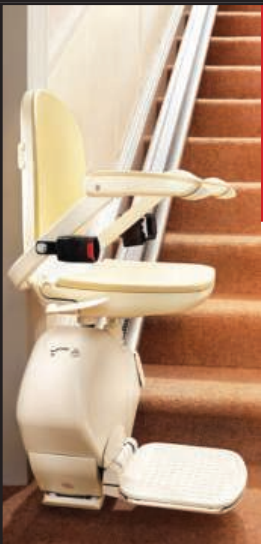
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