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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



Sunday April 2, 2023

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

Week of April 2, 2023

- MONDAY Holy Week**
9:30 AM Elvira Pepe - Monsignor McCormac
- TUESDAY Holy Week**
9:30 AM Roisin McGavigan - Joanne McGettigan
- WEDNESDAY Holy Week**
9:30 AM Robert Kormuth - His wife, Pat Kormuth
- HOLY THURSDAY**
7:30 PM Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Followed by Adoration until Midnight
11:30 PM Night Prayer
- GOOD FRIDAY**
8:00 AM Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
7:30 AM Celebration of the Lord's Passion
- HOLY SATURDAY**
8:00 AM Office of Readings and Morning Prayer
1:00 PM Blessing of Easter Foods
7:30 AM Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday April 9, 2023

The 7:00 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
Linda Kreutzer - Chick and Family
and
John & Angela DeMarchis - Sue Taurino

BREAD AND WINE MEMORIALS

The Bread and Wine is being provided this week for a
Special Intention



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

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| Edward Baranoski | Judy McCormick |
| Harriet Beatrice | Megan McCormick |
| Marie Breen | Maria Percaccia |
| Peter Cellucci | Dennis Pierce |
| Josephine Dominick | Marie Ranniello |
| Lorena Goodreau | 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,
all those who have lost their lives
through war and violence, and

Patricia Patton-Evans

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

*Now, my God,
may your eyes be open and
your ears be attentive
to the prayer of this place.*

2 Chronicles 6:40





Enter Fully

by Theresa Leonetti O'Connor
Director of Parish Services

Greetings to you all, sisters and brothers in Christ

When I was a young girl, I lived for and loved this time of year, not just because it was finally Spring and the world seemed to be waking up from the long winter's nap, but also because of this time... Holy Week. The long and sometimes treacherous sojourn in the desert filled with temptations and challenges was finally coming to an end and the glory of Easter seemed ever so close, except for the final three days of heartache, pain, ultimate betrayal, and death. I seemed to fully embrace the immensity of the Triduum rites and reality. Even though I was such a young kid, I can still remember singing in the St. Anselm's Children's Choir holding back tears through most of Holy Thursday then just completely crying whenever we sang on Good Friday, "Lord, Let Me Walk" and most especially, "Were You There?" My dad, John, would sing out the bass line echo with such sadness and passion that I can still feel it now, all these years later.

We spent most of Holy Week but especially all of the seamless Triduum (Three liturgies in one from Holy Thursday to Good Friday then the Great Easter Vigil) at church whether singing or preparing to sing, since my mom, Diane, was the assistant choir director and organist. No matter what was happening at home or how my brother, John, would try to 'torture' my sister, Marianne, and me, we were safe at church for these three days, we were all together with Jesus when His own friends had abandoned Him. We even got to stay up for a lot longer, if we kept watch with Jesus in church late into Thursday night. Then we even got to sing and celebrate the Great Easter Vigil after a Friday and even most of Saturday filled with silence. Mom had always insisted that we have complete radio/TV silence during the hours that Jesus hung on the cross and then added while He

was in the tomb too. Most of my life has been spent with Jesus during the most trying times of His life so I welcome you all to enter fully into this blessed time and unite your own longings and sadness with Jesus this week.

As we enter the final stretch of Lent and today remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, it's hard to forget that the pain and strife of Good Friday is close at hand. Over the last four weeks, about fifty of our parishioners gathered to learn and reflect on the final words uttered by Jesus while hanging on His cross. Each week, we uncovered not just the biblical significance but more about how human Jesus was and the significant amount of physical and emotional pain that He endured for us all. Then in small groups, we got to share about our own pains in life and offer them all to Jesus for He certainly and absolutely understands the painful things that life can bring. The depth and breath of all that Jesus endured holds new meaning for many of us as well as a deeper appreciation for each person's journey of new life over little deaths. I am grateful for everyone who took the risk to share their stories and come together each week for love, life and Jesus.

We would like to thank Monsignor McCormac and Jean Madden for sharing their gifts and talents with us. We can't thank Rick Trailes and our Hospitality Committee enough for cooking and serving up wonderful soup suppers each week. And finally, to the team of small group facilitators, we are so grateful that you said "YES" and took that chance: Sharon Giardine, Stephen Grauel, Joan Schmidt, Carole Seymour, John McClure, Dianne Tufo, Therese and Tom Byrne, and Marie Maranki.

Woman, here is your son...
Son, here is your mother

*Father, into your hands
I commend my spirit*

Father, forgive them;
they do not know
what they are doing

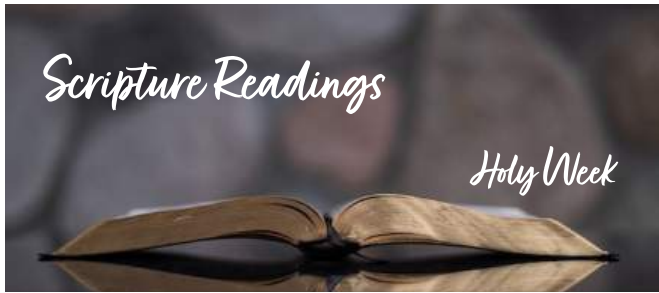


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*Truly I tell you, today you
will be with me in Paradise*

My God, my God,
why have you
forsaken me?

IT IS FINISHED.



First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

The prophet's particular ministry is to speak the word of the Lord; his gift is a "well-trained tongue." Every day, the word of the Lord comes to him; his proclamations rouse the people, encouraging them to hear the word and live by it. Then another reaction ensues. He is insulted and abused, yet, he stands firm, affirming his trust in the Lord.

Second Reading: Philemon 2:6-11

Saint Paul in this passage offers a Christological reflection. In the first part, he describes the divine-human nature of Jesus. Although Jesus was "in the form of God" he took on the human form of a slave; he "humbled himself" and became obedient "to the point of death." The action of God is described in the second part of the text. Jesus is exalted and His name placed above every other name; every tongue, every knee will honor Him.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

Matthew's Passion narrative is a series of events that unfold in several locations. As Jesus and His disciples move from one situation to the next it becomes obvious that Jesus is in charge of the events, surrendering to the outcome of the actions of others. He is not a victim but a servant choosing to do the will of the Father. This supreme expression of love, for the Father, for His followers, and for us is the heart of this narrative.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

On Wednesday evening, **April 5, beginning at 7:00 PM**, Monsignor Michael McCormac will be available in Church for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Since there will be no Confessions on Holy Saturday afternoon, this will be the last opportunity to receive the Sacrament before Easter. Monsignor McCormac will remain in Church until each person has had the opportunity to celebrate this Sacrament.

BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOODS

We will have the blessing of Easter Foods on Holy Saturday afternoon, April 8th, at 1:00 PM in the church. All are invited to bring their baskets of Easter food items for the blessing.

DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER!

COME ONE, COME ALL!

All are invited to come and assist with decorating the Church for Easter. No experience is necessary. We will gather in the church on Holy Saturday morning, April 8th at 9:30 AM. Help is needed to organize and distribute the flowers throughout the church, as well as change banners, set up candles, etc. If you have questions, please call the rectory at 215-946-4040.

SPECIAL COLLECTION NOTES

The Operation Rice Bowls can be returned to the basket in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you for your support of Catholic Relief Services. Donations to CRS Rice Bowl help communities in Honduras, the Philippines, Kenya and other countries overcome hunger and malnutrition, poverty and the impacts of climate change. Your almsgiving will make a difference for families trying to escape poverty and thrive.

The Collection for the Holy Places in Palestine takes place on Good Friday, April 15th. *If you have not already done so*, your Church envelope can be placed in the basket on Good Friday. Your generosity supports the struggling Christian community and protects Christianity's holiest places. Thank you for your generosity!

On Easter, there will be two collections. The first collection will be for the regular Sunday offering and the second collection at post communion will be for the Easter offering. We thank you for your continuing financial support of our Parish Community!

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

The Rectory Office will be closed on Holy Thursday, April 6th, Good Friday, April 7th and Easter Monday, April 10th. The Pot of Gold Drawing will still take place Monday evening as scheduled. Pot of Gold Tickets can be dropped off at the Rectory by using the drop-off slot in the front door. Have a Blessed Easter!



THE LIVING STATIONS

A cast of over fifty will offer a dramatic presentation of our Lord's suffering, death and resurrection with song and Sacred Scripture. All are welcome to this presentation of the Way of the Cross during our holiest week of the year.

Performed by the Parishioners of
St. Ephrem Parish
 5400 Hulmeville Road, Bensalem
7:00 PM Monday April 3 or
7:00 PM Tuesday April 4

Congratulations to Christopher Marshall who received First Honors for the first semester of the 2022-2023 School year at Holy Ghost Preparatory School.

SAINT FRANCES CABRINI PARISH COMMUNITY POT OF GOLD



WEEKLY LOTTERY PROGRAM

March 13, 2023

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Helen Placidi	T. Quinn
Joanne Adams	Kane Family
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NEXT WEEK'S JACKPOT PRIZE

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Thank you for participating in the Pot of Gold Program. For more information, contact the Rectory at 215-946-4040.

We are not responsible for typographical errors.



CONWELL-EGAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

GOLF OUTING

Monday, May 8, 2023

REGISTRATION	11:00 AM
LUNCH	11:30 AM
REGISTRATION	12:30 PM
COCKTAIL HOUR	5:30 PM
DINNER/AWARDS	6:00 PM

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For more information, contact the CEC Advancement Office at 215-945-6200 Ext. 415 or email bburns@conwell-egan.org

We invite you to play in and sponsor one of the most significant fundraisers of the year!

All proceeds from the Annual Golf Classic benefit much needed tuition assistance to CEC students. Your support will make an enormous impact on the lives of our current students and families.

BROTHERS OF BORROMEIO VOCATION CAMP

Young men in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to join the Vocation Office and Philadelphia seminarians for BBVC! Held on April 22, 2023 at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, BBVC is a day filled with faith, fun, fellowship and food.

For more information or to register, visit:
HeedTheCall.org/BBVC

WE ARE A TITHING COMMUNITY

Sunday Collection—March 26, 2023	\$9,856
Parish Giving EFT	\$3,706
TOTAL	\$13,562
Prior Year's Collection	\$13,725

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and graculus press

A flyer for a 'Wedding Anniversary Mass' with a floral border of pink and white roses. The text includes: 'ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA', 'Wedding Anniversary Mass', 'The Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass is celebrated with couples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who have been married 1-5 years, 25 years and 50 years.', 'Saturday, May 6, 2023', '5:15 pm Anticipated Mass', 'Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul', 'Archbishop Nelson Pérez Principal Celebrant', 'RSVP', and 'To RSVP, click the link above or call 215-587-0500'.

Consider deepening your spirituality and your relationship with God by attending a retreat. Below are a few upcoming options that may be of interest.

MOTHER BONIFACE SPIRITUALITY CENTER PHILADELPHIA, PA 19136

**A Discerning Heart,
April 20 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

Come for a morning filled with prayer, reflection, storytelling and engaging conversation.

Cost: \$35 (includes morning muffins and beverages, lunch and program resources.)

For more information or to register:

msbt.org/mbsc or 267-350-1830.

MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER CAPE MAY POINT, NJ 08212

**Spirituality of Knitting & Needle-Crafting Retreat
May 5 – 7**

Come explore how the work of your hands is also the work of our Creator's hands! Through shared prayer services, presentations, daily Mass and plenty of time to craft in community, we will explore the Spirituality of Knitting. All who knit, crochet or needle-craft with some experience are welcome!

Cost: \$150 per person (includes program, lodging & meals; please bring your own craft supplies.)

**Mother & Daughter (age 16+) Retreat
May 12 – 14 (Mother's Day Weekend)**

Knowing that your relationship is special, and the need to nurture it throughout the years, this is a wonderful opportunity to walk upon common ground while celebrating your differences. Eucharist, small group sharing, prayer experiences, socials and fun are included - beach walks too!

Cost: \$150 per person (includes program, lodging & meals.)

For more information on the Marianist retreats above or to sign up: capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829

VILLA PAULINE RETREAT AND SPIRITUAL CENTER MENDHAM, NJ 07945

**Ephiphanies of Beauty
Saturday, May 20, 2023**

10:30 AM - 3:00 PM
In-Person or Zoom

Sr. Geryl Schmidt is an artist who strives to reflect God's love and mercy in her art, will lead a discussion on the purpose of Sacred Art with an emphasis on deepening our love for God and finding the ways God touches our soul through art.

Cost: \$50 includes lunch/coffee at 10AM (Zoom \$35)

For more information or to sign up:

scus.org/retreats-and-programs or 973-738-4266

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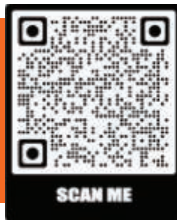
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