

ST. FRANCES CABRINI PARISH

Come and See

325 S. Oxford Valley Road, Fairless Hills, PA 19030

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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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



Holy Family Regional Catholic School

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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



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday August 6, 2023

The 7:00 AM Mass will be celebrated for the deceased members of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish.

Week of August 6, 2023

- MONDAY** **Weekday**
9:30 AM Funeral Mass for Norma Lopez
- TUESDAY** **St. Dominic**
9:30 AM Funeral Mass for Edward Rafferty
- WEDNESDAY** **Weekday**
9:30 AM Mary L. Jackson—Mr. & Mrs. Michael Dombrowski
- THURSDAY** **St. Lawrence**
9:30 AM Joe Donahue—Penaranda Family
- FRIDAY** **St. Clare**
9:30 AM Marguerite O’Donnell—Msgr. McCormac
- SATURDAY** **Weekday**
9:30 AM John “Rodger” Clancy—Kathy Johnson & Jean Porter

Sunday August 13, 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
Robert Scordia—Chris Zackowski
and

Dominick Moratti, Sr.—Eugene & Janet Moratti

BREAD AND WINE MEMORIALS

The Bread and Wine is being provided this week for a

Fabian Rozario—St. Frances Cabrini PREP Community



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:

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| Edward Baranoski | Janet Law |
| Harriet Beatrice | Barbara Milorey |
| Marie Breen | Maria Percaccia |
| Betty Brooks | Dennis Pierce |
| Peter Cellucci | Marie Ranniello |
| Josephine Dominick | Mimi Sabol |
| Lorena Goodreau | Justin Saunders |
| Marc Gravante | Janice Sutchko |
| George Kasperitis | Samantha Tomasick |
| Joseph Killian | Jean Wilt |
| Hailey Knorr | |

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 OUR DECEASED

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

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

Maureen Black • Anthony Centafont
Edward Rafferty • Catherine Wolset

Sanctuary Lamp Memorials and Bread and Wine Memorials are available in 2023. In addition, Seminary Masses and other enrollments are available to you. Stop in or call (215-946-4040) the Rectory Office.



Silence in the Liturgy – Part Two
By Jean E. Madden

In the document, *Spiritus et sponsa*, Saint Pope John Paul II addressed a perceived general weakness in the celebration of the Liturgy when he wrote, “One aspect that we must foster in our communities with greater commitment is the experience of silence... The Liturgy, with its different moments and symbols, cannot ignore silence.” Last week, using the General Instructions of the Roman Missal (GIRM) as our guide, we examined the role of silence in the Introductory Rite. This week we’ll explore silence in the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Paragraph 56 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal states: “The Liturgy of the Word is to be celebrated in such a way as to favor meditation, and so any kind of haste such as hinders recollection is clearly to be avoided. In the course of it, brief periods of silence are also appropriate...**It may be appropriate to observe such periods of silence, for example, before the Liturgy of the Word itself begins, after the First and Second Reading, and lastly at the conclusion of the Homily.**” During these periods of silence, we let the quiet settle in the room so that we can hear God’s personal message contained in the readings for each one of us. We need time and quiet in order to internalize the Word and allow it to take root in our hearts.

Paragraph 78 of the GIRM explains the importance of silence throughout the Eucharistic Prayer: “Now the center and high point of the entire celebration begins, namely, the Eucharistic Prayer itself, that is, the prayer of thanksgiving

and sanctification. The Priest calls upon the people to lift up their hearts towards the Lord in prayer and thanksgiving; he associates the people with himself in the Prayer that he addresses in the name of the entire community to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit. Furthermore, the meaning of this Prayer is that the whole congregation of the faithful joins with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and in the offering of Sacrifice. **The Eucharistic Prayer requires that everybody listens to it with reverence and in silence.**” The congregation is far from passive during this prayer. In an atmosphere of reverent silence, we can actively listen to the words of the priest and thus unite ourselves through the priest to Christ Himself.

Paragraphs 164 and 165 of the GIRM call for a period of silence after the distribution of Holy Communion: “After this, the Priest may return to the chair. **A sacred silence may now be observed for some time,**” and “Then, standing at the chair or at the altar, and facing the people with hands joined, the Priest says, ‘Let us pray:’ then, with hands extended, he recites the Prayer after Communion. **A brief period of silence may precede the prayer, unless this has been already observed immediately after Communion.**” While receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus is a communal act, it is also a personal and intimate experience. The silence after Communion provides an opportunity for each person to offer praise and thanks to God in their heart and to offer to God, once again, the personal intentions that were offered during the silence preceding the Collect; bringing us full circle, back to the realities of life that consumed us as we entered church for Mass, but ready to face them with renewed grace and spiritual fortitude.

An atmosphere of reverent silence within the church at the conclusion of Mass is encouraged so that those who wish to extend their post-Communion, personal conversation with God may do so without distraction.

We live in a culture of constant noise. The Church, in Her wisdom, calls us to step away from the incessant sounds of people and technology and to make space in our lives so that God can speak to us in the silence.



Walking with Purpose continues...

A study of

Grounded in Hope

We are pleased to say that our Parish Community’s **Walking with Purpose** will continue in September. This year we will be having a **17-week study the Letter to the Hebrews**. *Do you long to know Jesus with greater intimacy? Are you ready to grow in your true source of hope? Have you grown weary as you run your race, and need some encouragement to preserve and finish well?* The cost of

the book is \$40.00.

The lesson dates are as follows:

Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 11, 25, Nov. 15, 29,
Dec. 06, Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31, Feb. 28,
Mar. 06, 13, 20, Apr. 10.

Although it not necessary to participate in every session, it is certainly encouraged to do so. All women are most welcome to come and see.

If you are interested, please see the insert in today’s Parish Bulletin for more information and



The Father instructs us to listen, and the Son encourages us, do not be afraid. On the mountaintop we hear two direct commands: Listen to him and Do not be afraid. Think of what we might be afraid of. Maybe following Jesus will change us. Perhaps God's call will mean facing things that are unpleasant. We may even be afraid that decisions made on the mountaintop with Christ will be hard to live out in normal life. Listen to the Lord, and fear not – trust in the power of God.

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

2 Peter 1:16-19

Matthew 17:1-9

Our first reading is a vision in the Book of Daniel. The Ancient One takes his throne and the Son of Man receives an everlasting dominion. In the second reading, Peter instructs the beloved to be attentive to his prophetic message, as he was an eyewitness to Jesus' majesty. In the Gospel is the story of the Transfiguration. Peter, James, and John climb a mountain with Jesus, who then converses with Moses and Elijah while a voice speaks from a cloud. The voice claims, This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Come and See!

Plans are well underway for our Parish Enrichment Series on the Eucharist.



Leaders have prepared sessions that will deepen participants understanding of and faith in Jesus' Eucharistic presence. Session information:

Wednesdays 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

October 4, 18; February 7, 21

Saturdays 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

October 7, 21; February 10, 24

Sundays 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

October 8, 22; February 4, 25

Please plan now & mark your calendars today!



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

*a journey
of faith*

**A Journey of Faith into our Catholic Community
can begin with 1 phone call or 1 email.**

If you or someone you know has either not been baptized or has been baptized in another Christian tradition and would like more information about becoming Catholic, please contact:

Theresa Leonetti O'Connor

Director of Parish Services

215-946-4040 or

tleonetti@saintfrancescabrini.net

*Finding God often happens in the midst of a community—
with a "we" as often as an "I". (Fr. James Martin, SJ)*



MARTHA'S CUPBOARD

Thank you for your continued support of the Martha's Cupboard ministry!

The Cupboard is now open on Mondays from 12:00 PM-2:00 PM in addition to Saturdays from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM.

Although the third weekend of the month is the designated collection period for the Cupboard, any donations, whether food, household products or gift cards are welcome at any time and may be dropped off at the vestibule of the church or at the rectory.

Please keep the Cupboard in mind when you are out shopping at the store. If you see any items that you think may be good for the Cupboard, pick them up.

Anyone in need of food assistance may contact us at MarthasCupboard@saintfrancescabrini.net or at the Rectory at 215-946-4040, Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, 1:00 PM-8:00 PM.

The next collection for the Cupboard will be August 19 and 20.

Thank you again for your support!

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Clare and Francis

This outstanding movie is unique among films about St. Francis because of the historical accuracy of the story and its authentic spirit of joy and piety so characteristic of Francis, as well as the major role played by Clare. Both founded major religious orders, and together they inspired many to follow their radical call to live the Gospel.

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Join Us For A Presentation Of
"NEFARIOUS"
A Fictional Movie About The Real Power Of The Devil.
(The movie is rated 'R' for content and language.
The movie is approximately ninety minutes in length.)

Saint Ephrem Church
Wednesday, August 30, 2023
7 :00pm in Church
(Feel free to bring a cushion to sit on in your pew.)

After The Movie Presentation
You Are Welcome To Participate in a
'Question and Answer' Session Regarding
Demonic Possession and Evil With

Monsignor Michael Magee
CHAIRMAN OF SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY
Saint Charles Seminary

**SAINT FRANCES CABRINI PARISH COMMUNITY
POT OF GOLD
WEEKLY LOTTERY PROGRAM**



July 24, 2023
15 - 20 - 24 - 33 - 35
JACKPOT PRIZE WINNER
(none)

CONSOLATION PRIZE WINNERS
7 @ \$143

WINNER	SELLER
Linda Ricciardi	Naylor
Ryan Trojan	Ron Trojan
Bill Simms	T. Quinn
Lynne Vandergrift	Cyndi LaPenna
Kathy Schafer	Kathy Schafer
Jim DiLoreto	DiLoreto
Camden Torres	Martina Findlay

NEXT WEEK'S JACKPOT PRIZE
\$14,000

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.

WE ARE A TITHING COMMUNITY

Sunday Collection—July 23, 2023	\$10,268
Parish Giving EFT	\$3,184
Total	\$13,452
Prior Year's Collection	\$12,782

As always, we thank you for your generosity and support of our St. Frances Cabrini Parish Community.

St. Frances Cabrini provides the opportunity to use Electronic Funds Transfer as a method of giving. For information or to get started go to saintfrancescabrini.net, click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps. If you have any questions, please contact our Business Manager, Karen

As you travel through the summer, we wish you safe travels. Please remember that your parish remains here and open to serve the people of God. We ask that you continue to support us while away by dropping off the envelopes for the weeks you miss. Use of the electronic giving option is advantageous as, once set up, it's one less thing to think about.

While vacationing be sure to keep in touch with God. If you need to find a Mass while away, check out Mass-Times.org to find a Catholic church nearby.



Be Encouraged:
Catholic Support for Mental Health

Resources to assist with healing,
accompaniment and flourishing

archphila.org/support



CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
Upholding the Principles of the Catholic Faith in the Science and Practice of Medicine

The Catholic Medical Association is the largest association of Catholic individuals in health care. We help our members to grow in faith, maintain ethical integrity, and provide excellent health care in accordance with the teachings of the Church. We represent faithful Catholics in the medical community; create and organize educational resources and events; advocate for members, the Church, and the medical professions in public forums; and provide guidance for bishops and other national leaders on healthcare ethics and policy. For membership information, please visit: www.cathmed.org/membership. For those interested in learning more about our Annual Educational Conference, which will be held from September 7-9 in Phoenix, Arizona, please visit the CMA website at www.cathmed.org

REUNITED *and* IT FEELS FEELS SO GOOD
Conwell Egan Class of 1983

\$75 pp <i>Open Bar Dinner Dancing</i>	40th High School Reunion	10.21.23 6:30 pm
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GEORGINE'S Bristol, PA

RSVP Venmo: Elizabeth-Prior-2 or Paypal (friends & family): conwelleganclassof1983@gmail.com

Communion with God; Communion with Each Other
October 10-12, 2023



Our Lady of Confidence Retreat for Persons with Disabilities

is a three day midweek retreat for adults with intellectual, physical or emotional disabilities. The retreat will be directed by a team: Fr. Dennis Weber, Fr. Amal Sawarimuthu, Fr. Mike Speziale and Fr. Steve Surovic. The theme is: **Communion with God; Communion with Each Other**. If you or someone you know would enjoy having their faith in God refreshed and strengthened, register online at: www.opdarchphilly.org.

For more information, contact 215-587-3530 or OPD@archphila.org If you would like to be a volunteer companion on this retreat contact, Jenny Mars at marsfam1@gmail.com.



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August 18-20, 2023
The Family Life Center at Malvern

For more information, call: 215-766-3944
Or email: 3037@HelpOurMarriage.org
All calls are kept strictly confidential.

**What are you waiting for?
A better marriage is waiting for you!**

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND - LENT, 2024
March 1-10, 2024, Visit Bethlehem, Jericho, Cana, Nazareth, Galilee, Mount Tabor, Jerusalem and more. Price from Philadelphia is \$4196. For more information or to register, please visit www.QoHtours.com or call 1-800-213-4295