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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

5:00 P.M. - Saturday evening

7:30, 9:30, 11:15 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday 6:30 A.M. (Except June, July, August)

Monday-Saturday 8:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated once a month during a parish Sunday Liturgy. Arrangements are to be made 3 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Our Mother of Good Counsel warmly welcomes new parishioners. We believe in the "Stewardship Program" committed to serving God through offering our gifts of time, talents, and treasure for the good of our parish and those in need. We ask you to register as soon as possible by completing a registration form available in the church office during regular office hours. Parishioners moving should notify the church office of any change in address or phone number.

COMMUNION/HOME VISITS

If you are ill or unable to come to Mass for any period of time, please call the Parish Office (610-525-0147) and we will be happy to visit you and bring Communion to you.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 11:30 - 12:00 Noon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Friday 9:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M.

Parish Office and Rectory Phone: (610) 525-0147

FAX NUMBER: (610) 525-0157

PARISH WEB SITE:

<http://www.OMGCPARISH.ORG>

I PRAY FOR THE ONES YOU HAVE GIVEN TO ME

In all he did and said throughout his life, Jesus was intent upon giving glory to God. Nowhere is that intention more clear than in his final days in the final thoughts he shared with his friends. These thoughts, as interpreted and handed on by Jesus in John's Gospel, indicate that his hour had come and that in that hour, God would be supremely glorified. Jesus' hour was not a specific date or time but the very reason for which he had come into the world. Jesus' "hour" was described as *kairos*, and it was comprised of his passion, death, resurrection and exaltation. Through Jesus' hour, God's intervention on behalf of humankind would reach its climax, and in that hour, God's glory would be ultimately revealed.

A prominent motif throughout both Testaments, *glory* was a term that illustrated God's goodness in providing for the Israelites in the wilderness. God's presence was signified in the fire and the cloud and in the temple was called *glory*. Similarly, God's salvific intervention was said to be a manifestation of the divine glory.

As that hour was about to begin, Jesus prayed for himself, for his followers, and for all those who would come to believe through the efforts of his followers. Today, that prayer reaches out to embrace all who acknowledge that God has been glorified in the saving actions of Jesus. Through his passion, death and resurrection, sinners can *know* God.

In his prayer, Jesus has described the blessings of knowing God in terms of eternal life. Knowing God means that one is privileged to share an intimate relationship with the Creator and Redeemer of all. Knowledge of God was also a blessing associated with the end-time when all the earth would be filled with God's glory. The evangelist, John, was convinced that the end-time had come and that the joy of knowing God and seeing God's glory had been made available to all in Jesus.

Because of its context during the Last Supper and its spiritual and theological time, some have suggested that Jesus' prayer be regarded as a sort of Eucharistic prayer, celebrating the "liturgy" of Jesus' life. As we pray with Jesus in each liturgy, we participate in that same celebration. We become what we celebrate.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are asked to remember in our prayers:

Christian Milton, Ann Dean,
Fr. Michael Scuderi, OSA, Janine Hoffman,
Michael and Andrew McCaughey,
Carol Luty and Lori Lesutis.

Please call the Parish Office (610-525-0147) if you would like to request yourself or a family member be put on our prayer list for the next 4 weeks. You can also make a request that the prayers of the community be renewed for another 4 week period as often as needed or desired.

New Member: We welcome to our parish community Maria Hopgood Mulero who recently registered with us.

Deceased: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Elizabeth Murray and for the consolation of her family.

Baptisms: We welcome to our faith community, Henry Owen Zirilli, son of Michael and Alysa, and Charles Joseph Barrett, son of Paul and Rebecca, who were baptized in our Church recently.

H.O.P.E.

If you need a trip to the doctor, shopping, etc., call Shelley Preston at 484-412-8309 or S. Anne at 610-525-0147, ext 234.

SENIOR COMMUNITY GATHERING

Members of the Senior Community Group will gather for their next event on **Friday, June 2 at 12 noon** in the Social Center of the school building. There is no need to bring a lunch for this gathering since we are providing all that is needed at a cost of \$10.00 for a delightful luncheon and an afternoon of community-building enjoyment. New participants are always welcome. If you have not already registered for this gathering, please do so at 610-525-0147 ext. 234, so that we will know how many to prepare for.



MEMORIAL DAY
Monday, May 29, 2017

One Mass Only at 9:00 a.m.
Parish Office Closed

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council will meet for the last time on Monday evening, June 5 before their summer break. We will discontinue the "Parish Council Contact" weekly feature in our Bulletin until their meetings resume in September.

FIRST SUNDAY LITURGY

Please plan on joining us for our final First Sunday Liturgy for the school year on **June 4, 2017**. We will have a backyard bbq following the 11:15 Mass and **ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED!** Please bring your bathing suit, lawn chairs and attitude for a good time. We will have games, moon bounce, water slide and much more! To sign up to help us out, please use the following link: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080D4EA5AE22A57-june2.

SPIRITUAL READING GROUP

The Spiritual Reading Group will meet on **Friday morning, June 9 at 10:00 a.m.** for the last time before they break during the months of July and August. This group will pick up their monthly gatherings in September.

PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The Peace and Justice committee will meet on **Wednesday evening, May 31 at 7:30 p.m.** at OMGC's Parish Center.

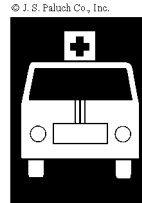


STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
for May 21, 2017

In today's Gospel, Jesus prays, "I have given You glory on earth by finishing the work You gave Me to do." Good stewards follow His example by using their time and talents for the glory of God.

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Parish giving	\$865.00
Augustinian Missions.....	\$4,850.00

Thank you for your Stewardship to your Parish.
Please remember the Church in your will.



RED CROSS
BLOODMOBILE

Blood
Mobile

Please consider donating a point of blood when the Red Cross Bloodmobile comes to OMGC's gym on **Tuesday, June 6th from 2:00 to 7:00 PM.** Please ask a friend to come with you to donate as well. The number of willing donors lessens as the Summer heat arrives. If you can donate, please fill out the pledge form here or one from the pews, and place it in the Red Cross box in the rear of the church. Also, you can phone or email Joe Betz at 610-525-4499 or joseph.betz@villanova.edu. or Frank Quinn at 610-525-7262 or fc.quinn@verizon.net.

Or you can pledge on line at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: our mother of good counsel.

Name: _____

Phone No. _____

Mailing address: _____

E-mail address: _____

I will try to donate blood at OMGC's Gym on **Tuesday, June 6** at _____. (Choose a time between 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. at 15-minute intervals).

BREAD FOR THE WORLD

2017 Offering of Letters

Theme: Doing Our Part to End Hunger

In the 2017 Bread for the World (BFW) "Offering of Letters," we join Christians from across the country to ask Congress to make budget and funding decisions that put our country and the world on a path to end hunger by 2030. Your letters in support of vital anti-hunger and anti-poverty programs and policies will have an impact. Past Offering of Letters and other advocacy efforts have helped cut incidence of hunger in half over the past 30 years. Please join us after Mass on the **weekend of June 10/11** to sign letters to our Senators as we have done for several years.

Why should we care? Why should we act? By doing so, we can follow Jesus' example and help millions like Sarah, a young mother from rural Lancaster County, PA who faced an incredible challenge: her nine-month old daughter couldn't consume food and as a result couldn't grow adequately. But WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children) Mobile of Lancaster, a mobile clinic, could get to Sarah where public transportation did not exist. Sarah received help from the mobile clinic nutritionist and a voucher to purchase Elecase™, a life-saving formula that Sarah's daughter could consume. The daughter has gained strength and her sensitive stomach has become more agreeable to some foods.

WIC is just one of the hunger related programs facing major cuts in the current budget proposals. These programs keep millions of Americans from going hungry. Other related International humanitarian and development assistance programs help millions in poor Countries around the world to help themselves reduce hunger and encourage economic growth. In spite of progress, 800 million people around the world, including 42 million Americans remain concerned about how they will procure food for their next meal.

Join us June 10/11 after the Mass you attend to urge our Senators to provide adequate funding to these programs and continue the progress the US and the world have made these past 30 years. Also consider participating in a joint STV/OMGC Food

Insecurity Advocacy Group that has been formed. You will join others with the same desire to live our faith through working to change programs, policies and conditions that allow hunger to persist. Contact Bill Jones (conbill4@msn.com) or Ann Rafferty (raffertyannh@gmail.com) for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS BACK!

Join us for a fun-filled week at "**Maker Fun Factory VBS – Where Curious Kids become hands-on inventors who discover they are lovingly crafted by God!**" This Vacation Bible Camp is limited to children, ages 4 to 10, as participants. There are many games, songs, snacks and of course, inventions! The camp will take place the week of **August 14 from 9:00am to noon** each day. The cost of the camp will be \$45 per participant. This includes the materials, crafts and snacks for the week. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office for registration forms at 610-525-0147. There is limited space so register early

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

We are in great need of Youth Group members to help hand out the Manna Bags after Masses on the **weekend of June 10-11**. Please let Karen know which Mass you will be attending and plan on spending 10 minutes after that Mass to help hand out bags.

Mark your calendars for a night at the Phillies! We will be taking a trip there on **Friday evening, June 16**. Details to follow.

WE ARE INVITED!

The Visitation Nuns at 5820 City Avenue (between 59th Street and Cardinal Avenue), Philadelphia, cordially invite you to their annual Sacred Heart Novena of Masses at 7:30 p.m. from **Thursday, June 15 through Friday, June 23**, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart.

Since it was a Visitation Nun, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque of the Monastery of Paray-le-Monial, France, who received the Great Revelations of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Visitation Nuns throughout the world honor the Heart of Christ in a special manner, particularly by an annual public novena.

OMGC GOES TO THE PHILLIES

Okay, so they are not so hot right now...but please plan on joining us for an outing on **August 28** to watch the Phillies take on the Braves at 7:05. Who knows what will happen between now and then? Many faith groups, parishes and religious communities will be attending the Phillies Game on Fellowship Night. As a parish, we will be offered discount tickets depending on the number of tickets we need. If you are interested in joining, the Parish Staff and a number of families already signed up, please contact Karen Carey at 610-525-0147 for more information.

SILOAM'S GOLF OUTING

Siloam's 18th Annual Charity Golf Outing, Auction and Dinner will be held on **Monday, June 5th** at the Llanerch Country Club in Havertown, PA. Win a new Audi with a hole-in-one.

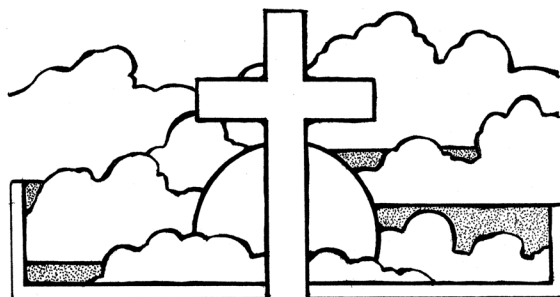
Siloam is the only organization in the Delaware Valley area providing integrative mind-body-spirit service to people impacted by HIV/AIDS. Siloam was founded in 1995 by Fr. Don Reilly, OSA and Sr. Bernadette Kinniry, RSM.

Please contact Tom Rosser at 610-789-1578 or 610-888-0762 or email tpross1947@gmail.com or www.siloamwellness.org for more details.

WOMEN'S SPEAKER SERIES

St. Thomas of Villanova Parish
Wednesday, June 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Book Author, Jennifer Lin, will present a talk entitled "Do you have any idea what happened to us?" Lin, former Asia bureau Chief for the Philadelphia Inquirer, will share the compelling story of five generations of her family, including her grandfather, Rev. Lin Pu-chi, and chronicle the remarkable rise of Christianity in the world's most populous nation.



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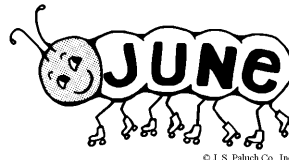
ST. RAPHAELA CENTER

Program Offerings

Summer Directed Retreats/Ignatian Spiritual Exercises: St. Raphaela Center offers summer retreats as well as the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises retreat for an extended time of prayer and silence, accompanied by a Spiritual Director. Visit our website for July and September retreat dates at www.straphaelacenter.org or call 610-642-5715.

Centering Prayer: Formation, contemplative prayer and reflection led by Sr. Julia Grey, OP are held on Mondays from 10:30am – 12 noon at the Center. To register, call 610-642-5715 or www.straphaelacenter.org.

Monthly Taize with Nocturnal Adoration: Come to join us for a monthly Taize prayer, including Eucharistic Adoration that will extend to midnight. The Center is located at 616 Coopertown Road in Haverford. **Dates:** 2nd Wednesday of the month from 7:30 – 8:30pm. No registration needed. **Next Taize:** June 14, 2017. www.straphaelacenter.org



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MALVERN FAMILY FESTIVAL

Malvern Retreat house will host a Family Festival on Sunday, June 11 from 1:00-6:00pm. The day will kick off with outdoor Sunday Mass, presided by Bishop Edward Deliman at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine. After Mass, other activities that will be offered include performances by the Donut Man and Grammy-Nominated Singer/Songwriter Marty Rotella, children's games, food and DJ-directed music and activities. The cost is only \$25 per car, including food. Please visit www.malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

IMPORTANT REQUEST

Please do not bring food that contains peanuts, nuts, peanut products or nut products inside the church; someone sitting near you may have a serious allergy.

A “MEMORIAL DAY” PRAYER

God of all nations, we ask Your blessing
of peace, happiness and rest
for those who gave their lives
for our country and for us.

Make us worthy of their sacrifice.

Unite us in our determination to live in peace
and harmony with one another.

Give us the will and the courage
to make justice and freedom realities,
not only for ourselves, but for people the world over.

Guide us in our efforts toward the formation
of not only a better America but a better world,
a world in which all of us can see Your presence
more clearly; can share Your love more fully; and
reflect more faithfully through the quality
of our lives

the concern for the common good
as expressed by the founders of this nation
and by all those who died to make
freedom and peace our heritage. Amen.

WINE

Women in the New Evangelization

Join women from the greater Philadelphia area and across the country for the first-ever National Catholic Women's Conference hosted by WINE: Women in the New Evangelization! Dynamic Catholic speakers Kelly Wahlquist, Teresa Tomeo, Kitty Cleveland and Sarah Christmyer will inspire you and musician, Amanda Vernon, will rejuvenate your spirit. The day will include time for Mass, Confession, prayer, rest, socializing and shopping. **Saturday, October 21 from 8:30am to 4:00pm**, National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA. Special group rate available, so bring your friends! For more information and to register, visit www.wineconference.org.

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*Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*



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SUNDAY, MAY 28

- 7:30 BERTIE PEREIRA
9:30 KAY CARKEEK
11:15 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL
PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, MAY 29—MEMORIAL DAY

- 9:00 IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE MEN AND
WOMEN WHO LOST THEIR LIVE
WHILE SERVING IN OUR COUNTRY'S
ARMED FORCES

TUESDAY, MAY 30

- 6:30 SPECIAL INTENTION
8:00 ROBERT BUCHANAN, SR.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

- 6:30 MARY AND VERONICA CASSIDY
8:00 CONNOR P. DAY

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

- 8:00 MARGARET ROSSER
(23RD ANNIVERSARY)

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

- 8:00 BRIAN MOONAN

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

- 8:00 DECEASED MEMBERS AND
BENEFACTORS OSA

SUNDAY JUNE 4

- 7:30 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL
PARISHIONERS
9:30 JAMES AND PATRICIA SCHIMMINGER
11:15 SALVATORE PETROCCIA
(BIRTHDAY)

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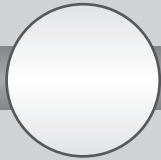


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