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**June 11, 2017**

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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.

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>

## THE MYSTERY OF THE TRINITY IS VAST, RICH, DEEP AND WONDROUS

Rudolf Schnackenburg, the German theologian whom Pope Benedict XVI recognized as one of the most important exegetes of the latter 20<sup>th</sup> century, called John 3:16 (God so loved the world that God gave his only Son that those who believe...may have eternal life) a short summary of the entire Gospel. In Eucharistic Prayer 4, this one verse is embellished as it reiterates our belief that God has never abandoned us; that from age to age God reaches out to humanity; that God's grace constantly leads us to seek salvation. We recall how time and again God has offered us covenants and sent prophets to remind us of both God's love and our own potential. Finally, as that Eucharistic prayer reminds us, in the fullness of time God sent us the beloved Son.

As we meditate on this reading for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we find ourselves looking over the whole of salvation history. The passage begins with God's love for the world, reminding us of the myths which speak of the wonder of creation: how the great God Almighty tenderly fashioned the universe and created humanity capable of reflecting the divine image. From the beginning, God loved this world with all its potential.

It is to this world with all its good and evil, with all its goodness and potential and with all its destructive tendencies that God became one of us in Jesus of Nazareth. And while preachers have long been famous for highlighting the sin lurking in every hidden corner and calling for the fear of God in the face of the handing over of God's Son, this Gospel proclaims "God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved."

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity celebrates God revealed simply as "God for us." God gave Moses a limited vision but still so overwhelming that his face, his very soul, would never be the same. In Christ, we have received the ultimate image of God's unceasing, invincible and overwhelming love. Paul reminds us that to the extent that we believe in that revelation, God's Spirit can work in and through us, thereby allowing the love of God to be ever more present in our world.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

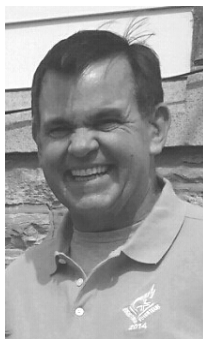
We are asked to remember in our prayers:

Christian Milton, Janine Hoffman,  
Michael and Andrew McCaughey,  
Fr. Michael Scuderi, OSA,  
Carol Luty and Jenny Aron Middlesworth.

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 Members:** We welcome to our parish community Andy D. Bonaventura and Beth and David Ferreira who recently registered with us.

**Baptism:** We welcome to our faith community George Francis Merrick son of Christopher and Hillerie who was baptized in our Church recently.



### FATHER JOHN DENNY, OSA

**First Anniversary Mass  
Tuesday, June 20 at 7:00 PM**

Dear Friends,

Our dear friend and pastor, Father Jack Denny, transitioned home one year ago this month. On the evening of June the 20<sup>th</sup>, we will gather to remember him in prayer and to thank God for all of the graces and love He gave us through Father Denny. Let us also remember his extended family in our prayers during this month.

Peace,  
Fr. Liam

### H.O.P.E.

If you need a trip to the doctor, shopping, etc., call Carol Way at 610-525-5817 or S. Anne at 610-525-0147, ext 234.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2018

The Mass intentions for 2018 will open on **Tuesday, August 1, 2017.**

As in the past, each parishioner may request intentions for up to four (4) Sunday Masses per year. Likewise, in order to ensure fairness for persons at the back of the line, each parishioner may request intentions for up to twelve (12) weekday Masses at this time. Then on **Tuesday, August 22** after everyone has had a chance to make their requests, all parishioners who have already secured 12 weekday Mass intentions will be free to request as many as they need.

Thank you very much for your understanding.

Peace,  
Fr. Liam

### THANK YOU

- 1) On behalf of the Augustinian missions in Japan and Peru, I thank you very much for the recent check in the amount of \$5,739.00, representing the proceeds of the mission appeal given at Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish on the weekend of May 20/21. The generosity of your parishioners is very much appreciated! Be assured of the prayers of our missionaries and the people they serve for your parishioners.
- 2) From the amount of money offered by those attending daily Mass during the season of Lent this year, which amounted to over \$6,000 as part of the Almsgiving pillar of the Lenten Season, our parish is donating \$3,500 to St. Cyprian Parish in West Philadelphia where our former sister parish, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, now participates. The remainder of this contribution will be used for helping those in need as requests are made for assistance.

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE for June 4, 2017

The Gospel today is sometimes called “the Gospel in miniature” because it so concisely sums up the Gospel message. In even more condensed form, “God loved....God gave....,” is the paradigm for stewardship—we give because we love.

Envelope Contributions .....	\$8,077.50
Loose Contributions.....	\$854.00
Mailed in.....	\$2,280.00
Total Offertory Collection .....	\$11,211.50
Offering this time last year .....	\$11,958.00
Electronic giving of June 1.....	\$5,760.00
Parish Giving.....	\$785.00

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

### 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

Any 6<sup>th</sup> to 12th grade student interested in taking a trip to the Phillies on **Friday, June 16 at 7:05pm**, please contact Karen Carey at 610-525-0147. Ticket costs depend on number going, but will run about \$20.

### BFW LETTERS AND FOOD BAGS

Bread for the World letters which were taken home today and the Manna Food Bags distributed today can be returned to the Church over the next 2 weekends: June 17/18 and June 24/25. Thank you.

### PEACE AND JUSTICE

The Peace and Justice Committee will meet again on **Wednesday, June 21 at 7:30 p.m.** at St. Thomas of Villanova Parish Center.



### OMGC GOES TO THE PHILLIES

Win or lose, a night at the ballpark is always a fun time! Mark your calendars for **August 28** and plan on joining us, along with several other

parishes and faith groups, to watch the Phillies take on the Braves at 7:05. Who knows what will happen between now and then? 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 REQUEST

Siloam, a ministry to persons and families infected with or affected by the HIV/AIDS virus, has requested some supplies from our parish. They are presently in need of paper towels and toilet paper. As most of you know, this ministry was begun by the Augustinian and Sisters of Mercy Communities and continues to be staffed by them. They do appreciate our assistance in lightening their financial expenses. These supplies can be bought to church on Sundays or brought to the Parish Office during the week. Thank you.

### CAMP CURTAIN CALL A Theatre Camp for Children

Camp Curtain Call, a theatre camp for children ages 5 – 14 will be held at St. Denis Parish Gymnasium/Theater in Havertown from July 10 to 14th from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Daily sessions in voice, dance and acting. A performance will be held at the end of the week.

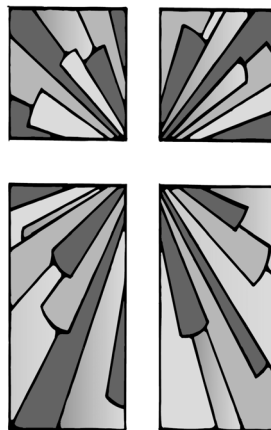
Cost for the camp is \$200/camper before June 15th; \$220 after June 15th; discount for 2 or more per same family - \$180/camper. Brochures and details are available. Contact Mary Agnes Ostick at 610-446-4736 or [campcurtaincall1@gmail.com](mailto:campcurtaincall1@gmail.com).

### MASCULINE GENIUS INSTITUTE

You are invited to join us at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Masculine Genius Institute summit in Villanova, PA from **July 12 – 14**. Enjoy the many presentations and research as we unpack our theme: Boys to Men: Molding Manly Character. Great speakers and opportunity to discuss the journey that men take from boyhood to manhood. This program is great for men of all ages, especially young fathers and men who are influencing the lives of boys in schools, athletics or extra curricular setting such as cub and boy scouts. Women are welcome to join us! For more information visit: [www.masculinegeniusinstitute.com](http://www.masculinegeniusinstitute.com).

### JOB OPENING

Merion Mercy Academy High School is looking to hire an assistant varsity tennis coach. Please contact Athletic Director, Barbara Clarke at [bclarke@merion-mercy.com](mailto:bclarke@merion-mercy.com).



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son



## AN INVITATION

If you are interested in learning more about the Augustinian Order and what it means to be an Augustinian, please visit this website: [www.augustinianvocations.org](http://www.augustinianvocations.org).

## THE MYSTERY OF THE TRINITY

A story is told about St. Augustine, one of the great theologians of the church, who one day was walking on the beach contemplating the mystery of the Trinity. He came upon a boy who was digging a hole in the sand. The boy was pouring water from the sea into the hole. When St. Augustine asked him what he was doing, the lad explained, "I'm going to pour the ocean into this hole."

"That's impossible," St. Augustine declared. "The whole ocean will not fit in the hole you have made." The boy replied, "And you cannot fit the Trinity into your tiny little brain."

The legend then says the boy vanished, leaving St. Augustine to wonder if he had been talking to an angel.



## "BURRS AT THE BEACH"

The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual "Burrs at the Beach" celebration, presented by the Alumni and Friends of West Philadelphia Catholic High School, will be held, rain or shine, on **Sunday, June 25 from 1:00 PM until 7:00 PM** at WESTY'S IRISH PUB, in North Wildwood, NJ. Proceeds assist needy Catholic students with tuition financial support.

Tickets are \$20.00 in advance (\$25.00 day of affair). For tickets and/or information, please contact either Tom Dorrian '61 at 484-431-0781 or Peg (Sheffield) Panichelli '65 at 610-420-0987.



## 2nd ANNUAL PADRE PIO FESTIVAL

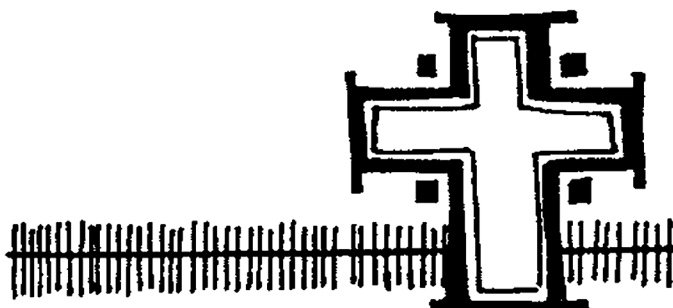
The Padre Pio Festival will be held at St. Bede the Venerable Parish, 1071 Holland Road in Holland, PA on the weekend of June 23, 24 and 25. Activities are held on Friday evening; Saturday: 5:30 pm Vigil Mass (blessing with relics); and Sunday 12:30pm Solemn Mass followed with a 2:30 pm Healing Service.

Saturday and Sunday afternoon and evening outdoor festival will be held with several food/beverage vendors, craft vendors, inflatable children's amusements and live entertainment) for further information: please email [www.padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com](mailto:www.padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com).

This invitation was extended to us by Msgr. John C. Marine, Pastor of St. Bede Parish.

## NEEDED: A FEW GOOD MEN AND WOMEN

Dolphin Companions, formerly Dolphins of Delaware Valley, reach out in friendship to elderly residents of nursing and retirement homes by volunteers who visit on a one-on-one basis. Thus, while most nursing homes seek Volunteers to participate in many aspects of resident life, the Dolphins' one-on-one program is unique in that it focuses on elderly residents who might otherwise not be visited. Each of us has experienced some isolation and loneliness at some point in life. Magnify that experience and add to it the fact that the situation will never change for the better, and you will begin to approach the experience of many elderly people. Learn more about being a volunteer by checking out our website [www.dolphinsofdelawarevalley.org](http://www.dolphinsofdelawarevalley.org) or contact Marilyn Knox at 610-585-7141 or [MarilynK@ecsphilly.org](mailto:MarilynK@ecsphilly.org).



## ORDINARY TIME: SUMMER

The Monday after the celebration of Pentecost Sunday, we found ourselves at daily Mass returning to Ordinary Time in our daily readings. What do the words Ordinary Time mean? Dorothy Day said, "The words 'Ordinary Time' in our prayer books put me in a state of confusion and irritation. To me, no time is ordinary." She was right. The Ordinary in "Ordinary Time" refers to ordinal - counted time - not to a lack of something to celebrate. The celebration of Sunday liturgy during Ordinary Time is devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

How do we celebrate the mystery of Christ in all its aspects? We gather every Sunday. Sunday is our original feast day. Christians have gathered every Sunday - the day of Christ's resurrection, the first day of the week - ever since there were Christians. When we gather on Sundays in Ordinary Time, as always we hear the scriptures proclaimed. The church reads straight through the gospel of the year, concentrating on the public life of Jesus of Nazareth. This year, we are in Cycle A and therefore, we continue to listen to the Gospel of Matthew, each week often picking up where we left off last week.

The first reading, from the Hebrew Scriptures, has been chosen for its relationship to the gospel passage. Many voices are heard throughout summer Ordinary Time. We also read through some of the letters of the New Testament, usually from St. Paul, so that the mystery of Christ in all its aspects can unfold for us Sunday after Sunday.

What is the heart of our Sunday celebration? We do our eucharist; that is, we do our thanksgiving. We praise and thank God for all creation; we pray for the whole world, as we remember Christ's life, death and resurrection. We share the bread and wine, Christ's body and blood. We are sent forth to be the body and blood of Christ in our homes, our workplaces, our neighborhoods, our towns, our cities, our country, and our world.

What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of the week past is the beginning of the week to come. Sunday is simultaneously a point of arrival and departure for Christians on their way to the fullness of the kingdom. This is not ordinary at all. This is the fabric of Christian living."

(St. Andrew Bible Missal -  
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## Mass Intentions For The Week

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### SUNDAY, JUNE 11

- 7:30 EDWARD FANELLI  
9:30 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL  
PARISHIONERS  
11:15 VERA GALLAGHER

### MONDAY, JUNE 12

- 8:00 JOHN DESCANO

### TUESDAY, JUNE 13

- 8:00 CHARLES E. DAGIT

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

- 8:00 JOHN AND JANET PHILLIPS

### THURSDAY, JUNE 15

- 8:00 THE BUCHANAN & HALLER FAMILIES

### FRIDAY, JUNE 16

- 8:00 ANGELO, ANTOINETTE AND  
DOMINIC SCHINA

### SATURDAY, JUNE 17

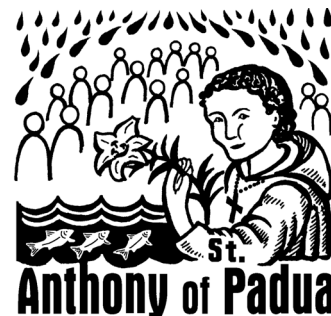
- 8:00 DOROTHY AND JOHN GORMLEY

### SUNDAY, JUNE 18

- 7:30 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL  
PARISHIONERS  
9:30 JEAN RANDAZZO  
11:15 THOMAS L. HAGAN

## Feast of St. Anthony of Padua

Tuesday, June 13



St.  
Anthony of Padua

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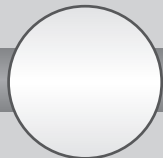


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