

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, February 3, 2019

7:00AM Joseph McGovern Hoegen

8:30AM Frank Magee, S.

10:00AM Maureen Cassidy

11:30AM Robert J. Burns

Monday, February 4, 2019

8:00AM John Callanan

1:00PM ADORATION

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

8:00AM Jim O'Brien

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

8:00AM Pasquale Procopio

Thursday, February 7, 2019

8:00AM Rita Moonan

Friday, February 8, 2019

8:00AM Deacon Art McGuire

Saturday, February 9, 2019

8:00AM Michael, Mary, Francis, Joseph  
and Michael Bernot

4:00PM For the People of the Parish

Sunday, February 10, 2019

7:00AM Francesco Aceto (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

8:30AM Daniel McGarvey

10:00AM Margaret and Edward Shane

11:30AM Marie Moore

### THE SANCTUARY CANDLE



This candle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. For the Week of **February 3rd**, the candle will burn in memory of **Edward Dunn** as requested by **Mary Agnes Cutcliff**.

### MEMORIAL FOR FEBRUARY 2019



BREAD ~ John & Cecilia Drabyak

WINE ~ Joseph & Nancy Massa

### †REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED†

*Especially, William P. Carroll, William Woolard, Gerard Paradis,  
Jeanette Perkins, Ellen Carbin  
May they rest in God's peace and  
May their families be comforted.*



Home Sales: Monday-Thursday; 9AM-5PM

Debbie Peterson at [fsascriptsales@gmail.com](mailto:fsascriptsales@gmail.com) call 484-432-1472

Sunday hours: CCR (building behind Church): 9-11:15AM.

### ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA--TELEVISION MASS

Sunday mornings at 5:30AM: WPVI—Channel 6

The Archdiocese thanks Channel 6 for its generosity in broadcasting the Television Mass.

## BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ February 10, 2019

**Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8**

The prophet Isaiah saw the glory of the Lord and, after being purged of his sins, gladly accepted the Lord's challenge to be sent out on a holy mission. Are you as willing to do God's will? How quickly do you respond to His voice?

**1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

Like Isaiah, St. Paul is humbled by his own unworthiness, since he had persecuted the church. Now he is an even stronger apostle and preacher, by the grace of God. How do you repay the Lord when He wipes away your blindness and increases your faith?

**Luke 5:1-11**

The theme continues as Peter feels unworthy and sinful after Jesus tells him to try again to catch fish after an unsuccessful night of fishing. The astonishing catch is a preview of the spreading of the faith in Jesus. When has your faith helped you in an impossible situation? Consider spreading this example of God's love as encouragement to others.

### CELEBRATE YOUR MARRIAGE

SFA will extend Valentine's Day festivities until **Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>** when we will celebrate in a special way with all of our married couples at the **11:30 Mass**. Couples will be invited to renew their marriage vows and to receive a special blessing. Following Mass there will be a reception in Leonard Hall. There is no charge for the reception, but *please clip out the response form below and return to the rectory by February 14<sup>th</sup>*.



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### RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS AT THE 11:30 MASS ON FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup>

FAMILY NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAMES \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDITIONAL GUESTS? YES NO  
IF YES, HOW MANY? \_\_\_\_\_

## All Are Welcome

Coming in the Spring. Life in the Spirit, Part 2  
"TASTE AND SEE THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD"

**If you desire Peace, Healing and Contentment in a world that only gives confusion, ...COME**

Dates: April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6 (Each session includes a time for fellowship with light refreshments.)

Location: Holy Cross Parish Center

Time: 6:45 to 8:30 pm

Did you miss Part 1? Join us for Part 2 anyhow.

Do you want to review any of the Part 1 sessions? They are available at <https://thewildgooseisloose.com>

**Registration:** Email invitation will be sent to all Life in the Spirit participants. You can also call or text **215-531-3266** giving your name and parish to register. Or send your name, phone number, and parish to [dcinspringfield@gmail.com](mailto:dcinspringfield@gmail.com)

## FOOD COLLECTION

Thanks again for your support to our Food Drive. The food goes to help many needy families. The Food Collection will be next weekend, **February 9 & 10**. Thank you!  
*God Bless!*



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**



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|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Baby Michael Farley | Lexi Cable            | Baby Caroline Ferry |
| Shiloh Cronck       |                       | Evan Farrington     |
| Timothy Duke        | Dominic Rosini        | Gino Francisco      |
| Meghan Rauchut      | Diane Colgan          | Marjorie Silli      |
| Isabella Carullo    | Emilee Serrano        | Carrie Serrano      |
| Mag Post            | Robby Wonder          | Bill Colgan         |
| Pam Flood           | Susan Marcantonio     | James Fox           |
| Rich Buckley        | Doreen Grafstrom      | Monique Carpenter   |
| Peter Minnis        | Marie Brown           | Andrew Barna        |
| Bridget McHugh      | Stephen Spence        | Jack Valvardi       |
| Steven Little       | John Harlow           | Jackie McPeake      |
| Anna Rokos          | Richard Gildea        | Bill Seavey         |
| Daniel Fahey        | John Conforti         | Colleen Minnis      |
| Bob Iatesta         | Phyllis Dunn          | Violet McGeever     |
| Nicole Vela Small   | Thomas Nolan          | Terri DeSantis      |
| Diana Nardello      | Ryan Montgomery       | Christopher Biddle  |
| Alan Lauer          | Robert Busch          | Barry Hill          |
| Kathy Fritz         | MaryLou Dellipriscoli | Jim McDonnell       |
| Kenneth M. Siebert  | Jeannette Siebert     | Shealyn Mencil      |
| Rev. Mark Kunigonis | Cynthia Fries         | Henry Gray          |
| Rita O'Donnell      | Judy Devine           | Dr. Bill Hushion    |
| Frank Canavan       | Doris O'Hara          | Joy Van Berg        |
| Cass Johnston Lavan | Beth McCarron         | Mary Benedetti      |
| William Teste       | Laura Howarth         | Jon Grady           |
| Jean Gallagher      | Lauren McRae          | Stephen Marchini    |
| Kathleen Mullin     | Ralph Feindt          | Marty Meenan        |
| Anne McGlone        | Nicholas Panichelli   | Kate Ciavarelli     |
| Amy Faulls          | Alan Marabito, Sr.    |                     |

If you have someone you would like prayed for, OR have removed from prayer list, please email Joan Curtis at [sfbulletin@hotmail.com](mailto:sfbulletin@hotmail.com) or call the Rectory at 610-543-0848. Thank you for your prayers.

**HOPE IN CHRIST:**

**SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR ADDICTIONS**

*"I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security."*

*~Jeremiah 33:6*

Seeking solace and spiritual support in the journey towards recovery? Many local parishes are offering ways to experience Christ's extended hand of love and mercy in your time of need. Find Catholic resources for addiction for you or your loved one at [www.archphila.org/hope](http://www.archphila.org/hope)

**MEN'S RETREAT AT MALVERN**

**COME AS YOU ARE**

Please join many of our neighbors on the weekend of **February 22-24**, at the Malvern Retreat House. **Retreat Director:** Monsignor Mannion is a priest of the Diocese of Camden presently serving as Diocesan Director of Community Relations. He enjoyed a 29-year friendship with Mother Teresa, which began in Rome while serving the poor and studying for the priesthood. Monsignor shares his personal experiences with this newly proclaimed saint, as well as the spiritual insights that he gained from her.

Cost: \$250/person, High School students/FREE, College students/\$100. For questions/register: visit [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com) or contact Ray Kenney 610.328.7987 or [rhkenney1@verizon.net](mailto:rhkenney1@verizon.net) or Denis Reilly 484-574-2592 or [ddreilly15@verizon.net](mailto:ddreilly15@verizon.net). You can find the 60+ year history of our group under PECO/Good Shepherd Retreat Group. Hope to see you there.

**Catholic Charities Appeal 2019 – Giving Hope to All**



This weekend marks the kick-off of the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal. Please join us in supporting the Appeal as it continues to impact those in need all over the Greater Philadelphia Area.

Visit [www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org) to make a Donation today!

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS ~ PREP**

A high school student is needed as a one-on-one classroom aide for a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader in the Parish Religious Education Program which is held on Tuesdays from 4:30-5:45.

If interested, please contact Madelyn McBride at [sfare@sfaparish.org](mailto:sfare@sfaparish.org).



**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**St. Francis of Assisi Parish is a Stewardship Parish**

*...Okay, so what does that statement mean?*

A stewardship parish is one where the pastor, parish leaders and staff seek out and support parishioners in their involvement in the ministries of the parish, while encouraging them to develop a relationship with God.

*...But what is Stewardship here at SFA?*

Catholic Stewardship is a way of living as a disciple of Jesus Christ by recognizing that all we have is really a gift from God; not the product of our accomplishments. And our generous God expects us to return a generous portion of His gift, to us, by sharing our time, talent, and treasure with others. So Catholic Stewardship calls us to develop a *need to give*, rather than merely giving to a need!

Tune in to a future **Stewardship Corner** for more details on stewardship at St. Francis of Assisi Parish.

**SFA = Stewardship Faith in Action**

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

Our conference of The St. Vincent de Paul Society assists the parish in performing the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Due to these difficult times, we have been unable to provide needed help to some clients in need. Donations to the St. Francis Conference would be appreciated. 100% of all donations have always been distributed to those in need; there are no middleman costs or overhead. We acknowledge donations over \$50.00 and we are a Section 501 © (3) charity. Vincentians practice the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy in helping those in need. Our assistance is given confidentially. We are always open to new members who have a desire to aid those in need. We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month in Conway Hall at 7:30PM.



**GREENDROP CLOTHING PICKUP**

Donate your gently used CLOTHING every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. GreenDrop Clothing pickup will be at the White Elephant from 9AM for an hour (sometimes longer). ONLY CLOTHING WILL BE ACCEPTED. Collections benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

**PRO-LIFE INFO...**  
**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PRAYER PROGRAM**  
***Fourth Month***

Your spiritually adopted baby's mother can finally feel the movements of her baby within her womb. By the time this fourth month is over, your baby is 6 inches long. Their tiny heart has been beating since they were 21 days old. Now this stronger little heart pumps 6 gallons of blood each day (picture 6 milk cartons—your baby's heart is a pumping miracle)! Your baby is becoming stronger and they like to turn somersaults. Your baby has lots of nice skin, but not much fat to fill it out so they look a little wrinkly. Their skin is covered in vernix, a thick white cream which protects their skin from the salty amniotic fluid. Your baby's face is becoming prettier and they begin to resemble their parents.

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PRAYER**

**Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child whom I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.**

**JOINT PARISH PRO-LIFE MEETING**

Please join us for our monthly Pro-life Meeting on **Wednesday, February 6, 7pm** at St. Dorothy's Parish Rectory. The entrance is from the parking lot. Your prayers and suggestions are most welcome. For more information, please contact Regina Scheerer at 610-328-2463 or Lori Cotterall at 610-328-6054.

*Jesus, protect and save the unborn.*

**SFA PRO-LIFE ESSAY, POEM & POSTER CONTEST**

Please see the winning Pro-life essays, poems and posters from our 7th & 8th grade students in the back vestibule of the church.

This year's theme was *"I'm a child, not a choice"*.

**"THE ART OF PERSUASION" SEMINAR**

At Villanova University, *"The Art of Persuasion"* Seminar sponsored by Generation Life, Villanovans for Life, Pro-Life Educational Foundation and the Villanova University's School of Business. Saturday, February 9, from 9:30AM - 12:00 PM. O'Dea Terrace Lounge in the Tally Athletic Center at Villanova University which overlooks the Villanova Football Stadium. Professor Matt Manion will direct this Seminar, with the support and sponsorship of Villanova University School of Church Management. It will be targeted toward advancing the Culture of Life. Kim Savage, the Founding Director of Generation Life, will also be presenting. Cost is \$25.00 for adults and \$15 for students. Here is the direct link to register:

<https://www.hv50philly.com/leadership-seminar/>

**THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!!**

We would like to thank Tom Curtis and our parish Knights of Columbus San Domingo Council once again for providing the costs of our parish bus to the March for Life in DC. Their generosity for all these years had been such a blessing to us! If anyone is interested in joining the Knights please contact Tom Curtis at 484-432-2094.

**"PRO-LIFE" LINES"**

Crisis Pregnancy Resource hotline: 610-626-4006.

Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortion healing: 877-HOPE-4-ME

[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).

A Baby's Breath 24-hour hotline: 484-580-6436, [www.ababysbreath.org](http://www.ababysbreath.org).

Delaware County Pregnancy Center: [www.dcpchester.org](http://www.dcpchester.org).

Mother's Home: 610-583-HOME, [www.mothershome.org](http://www.mothershome.org).

Pro-Life Union of Delaware County: 610-789-LIFE, [www.prolifedelco.org](http://www.prolifedelco.org).

**11th Annual Man Up Philly**  
**Men's Spirituality Conference-March 9**



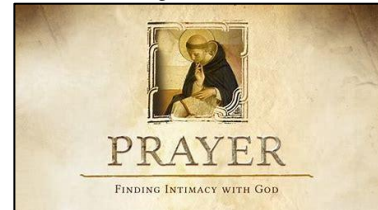
**MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE!**

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the **11th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 9<sup>th</sup> at Neumann University**. Speakers include **Matthew Kelly**, acclaimed speaker and author of **Rediscover Jesus** and **Rediscover Catholicism**, **Ron Jaworski**, former Eagles star quarterback and TV personality, **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers**, Catholic author and evangelist, host of EWTN's **Behold the Man-Spirituality for Men**, 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 the **Most Reverend Timothy Senior**.

For more information and to register go to the website: [www.manupphilly.com](http://www.manupphilly.com)

**UPCOMING THREE-PARISH ADULT**  
**FAITH FORMATION STUDY**

*Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God*



**Wednesday Evenings: March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17**  
**7:00-8:30PM in SFA Conway Conference Room**

Using the clear teaching and artistry of the Augustine Institute's Lectio Series, Dr. Tim Gray masterfully uses the discipline of Lectio Divina to show us how to make prayer an effective effort of love and intimacy.

In 6 video sessions, *Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God* captures the secret to opening our hearts and minds to Scripture as the means to hear from God and then respond in conversation, basking in his presence and resolving to live in and through his love.

Materials Fee: \$9.00. Register by calling:

St. Francis of Assisi Rectory 610-543-0848, ext 118 or e-mail [sfare@sfaparish.org](mailto:sfare@sfaparish.org).

**LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary presidium, called Our Lady Queen of Peace, meets every **Thursday evening at 7:00PM**, in Conference Room 'A' of the Rectory basement. We welcome those interested in becoming members and auxiliary members. Members do two hours a week of good work for the parish; auxiliary members pray for the universal Church and the intentions of the Blessed Mother. Come and see what you can do for Our Lady.



### WELCOME NEWLY BAPTIZED!

We welcome into God's family and into our Parish family those who have been baptized in *January*:

- James Patrick Fredericks**
- Mack Thomas Meehan**
- Molly Clare McPhillips**
- Vincenzo Robert Pascal**

*May the Lord bless their families and keep them close to Him.*

### ST. FRANCIS FAMILY ROSARY GROUP

Father Patrick Peyton is known for saying, "The family that prays together stays together." The St. Francis Family Rosary Group meets to bring families together for the purpose of prayer – to pray for families and youth, the parish, our priests, bishops, our Holy Father Pope Francis, the Universal Church and peace in the world as requested by Our Lady of Fatima. If you have any questions, please contact Anita Galligan at [anitagalligan1@verizon.net](mailto:anitagalligan1@verizon.net) or Beth McCarthy at [mccarthy9022@aol.com](mailto:mccarthy9022@aol.com)

*Family Rosary group meets Fridays at 7pm in the church. Families and individual parishioners of all ages are all welcome to join us!*

### WEEKLY MEN'S GROUP AT SFA

Weekly Men's Group meets here at St. Francis every **Saturday, 7-8AM** in "Conway Conference Room" (building behind Church). Experience the power of investing one hour a week with men who share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, grandfathers, leaders, followers, sons and friends. Free material is supplied. For more info, call Rob Longo 610.544.2103.

### FLAME OF LOVE CENACLE at ST. FRANCIS

The parish Cenacle Group meets each **Monday at 1:30PM in the Church** for Adoration and the Rosary. Join us to pray for priests, the dying, the souls in purgatory and for our parish. All are welcome.

### BABYSITTING DURING MASS

Babysitting is available during the 8:30-10:00 Mass. Babysitting is now taking place in the *Pre-school room of St. Francis School*. Please enter by the gate to the little playground. Infants to age 4 years old are welcome. No registration is necessary.

### CATHOLICPHILLY.COM

Stay up to date with local Catholic news from CatholicPhilly.com. Use your computer or smart phone to read about parish news, Archbishop Chaput's column and other commentary, plus information on activities throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Sign up for a free newsletter sent by email twice a week at [www.catholicphilly.com/newletter](http://www.catholicphilly.com/newletter)

**SFA CYO** is the recipient of the United Way under the Honor Option Plan. Your donation supports our activities for youth of our parish. If you wish to support the CYO, please indicate:  
**CYO/ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI/SPRINGFIELD #7046 SFA CYO**

### God Bless All Who Serve Our Country



- Davidson Cox ~ Skip Turner ~ Kevin Geiger ~ Jon Hylton
- Connor Lyons ~ Michael McGarvey ~ Steven Ramoni
- Mike Froeter ~ Daniel McLee ~ Bill McDermott ~ Dan Marchini
- James McDonald ~ Timothy McCans ~ Patrick J. Ryan, Jr.
- Sean Sweeney ~ Michael Jones ~ Peter Quinn ~ Joseph Spence
- Mitch Devine ~ Rick Kern, Jr. ~ Cale Amador
- Timothy Drabyak ~ Daniel McGonigal
- James M. Ketler, Jr ~ Jonathan Butterfield
- Shawn McConaghy ~ Colin Butler ~ Liam Golden
- Jake & John-Michael Bartivic ~ Nicholas & Stephen Peranteau
- Anthony Del Vecchio ~ Shane Donnelly
- Jesse and Chase Stewart

*Let us pray for those who SERVE and PROTECT...  
Dear Lord, bless our soldiers, protectors of our land.  
Servants called to battle when our country takes a stand.  
Please give them the strength and courage and hearts that will forgive. With peace and understanding in a world for all to live. Our country's prayers are with them, no matter where they roam. Please listen when they are lonely and return them safely home. Amen.*

### ST. FRANCIS OVER 50



The next meeting is **February 14**. We will be entertained by **Bobby Jones**. Tickets for **Hoagie Day (Feb. 28)** will be on sale.

### UPCOMING TRIPS:

**Casino Trips:** (2/18~Resorts) (3/18~Resorts) (4/15~Resorts) Cost: \$23 with a return of \$25 in slot play. Bus leaves at 10AM. Call Bob Hodgson at 610-449-2956.

**The casino trips leave from the Springfield Country Club (400 W. Sproul Rd.) Use the parking lot near the Ice Rink and park in spaces facing Sproul Rd.**

**March 31:** "Late Nite Catechism" comedy show called Sister Rolls the Dice. For more info or reservations, contact Maria Santone at 610-544-7664 or 610-745-0820.

**May 16:** Hunterdon Hills Dinner Theatre for a show called Over the River and Through the Woods. It is a funny comedy about an Italian-American family. The grandparents scheme to keep their grandson from moving to the West Coast for his new job. Cost is \$88 (includes bus, show, full course luncheon with a dessert buffet). Bus leaves at 9 am from the Springfield Country Club (400 W. Sproul Rd.) Park near the Ice Rink and in spaces facing Sproul Rd. Boarding is at 8:45 am. Call Maria Santone at 610-544-7664 or 610-745-0820.

**For Rosaries:** call Claire Doyle at 610-604-0160

**For Membership:** call Betty Pote at 610-544-7570

*The club is non-denominational and all are welcome!*

### PARISH CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB



**Coordinated by the Three Parish Adult Faith Formation Team**  
 The Three Parish Book Club meets on the last **Wednesday** of the month at 7pm in the Parish Center of Holy Cross Church. At each meeting, we not only discuss the selected book(s) but also offer suggestions of books we personally enjoyed. You need not have read the month's selection to attend. We would love to have you join us for refreshments and conversation!

**FEBRUARY: The Diary of Ann Frank**

**MARCH: Rejoice and Be Glad** by Pope Francis

*For more information, please call Angie Homony at 610-328-1054.*

**Request for Year-End Financial Statement**

If you would like a statement of your yearly contributions for tax purposes, please complete this request form and either mail it, drop it off at the Rectory, or place it in the collection basket.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Pick-Up \_\_\_\_\_ Mail \_\_\_\_\_

*To request your year-end statement or for any questions, please call Joan Fogarty at 610-543-0848 ext. 117.*

**what's happenin'!**

**ST. JAMES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HS 2019-20 SCHOLARSHIPS**

Once again, the St. James Alumni Association will be sponsoring **high school scholarships for the 2019 – 2020 school year**. The scholarship applications are available upon request beginning in January 2019 (phone: 610-876-2006 or email: [stjdoghouse@comcast.net](mailto:stjdoghouse@comcast.net)). These are partial 4 year high school scholarships with required enrollment at a Philadelphian Archdiocesan High School. The scholarship applicant must be a practicing Catholic from a Delaware County parish. The students eligible are graduating 8th graders and current high school students. All applications with the complete requested information must be returned by Friday, April 5, 2018. The St. James Alumni Association will host a **Scholarship Program Open House** on **Tuesday, February 19th** at 7 PM. The Scholarship Open House will be held at the St. James Headquarters, the "Doghouse" located at 1499 E. 9th St. Eddystone, PA.

**THE CALIX SOCIETY:** Are you currently in a 12-Step Program? Would you like to be able to freely discuss how your Catholic Faith, Christ and His Sacraments nourish your recovery? If so, The Calix Society is for you! We welcome participants from other 12-Step Programs and those concerned with addiction. We meet on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Monday** of each month, at 6:15PM in the Adoration Chapel at Nativity B.V.M. Church, located at Monroe and Franklin Streets, Media, PA. We follow our Holy Hour with discussion from 7-8PM in the brick building. For more details, please contact Harry at 610-316-5560. All are welcome!

**TWILIGHT VALENTINE EVENING OF REFLECTION** – Sunday, February 10, 5PM-9PM.

Includes Mass celebrated by Fr. James McGuinn and Renewal of Wedding Vows, a five-star dinner and inspirational talk international evangelist and author, Damon Owens and his wife, Melanie. \$100/couple. Register early at [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com). or call (610)-644-0400.

**DESIGNER BAG BINGO** to be held at St. Eugene School, 110 S. Oak Ave., Primos. **Feb. 23, 7:30 PM**. Doors open at 6PM. Tickets are \$35/advance, \$40/at the door. BYOB and food. Must be 21 to attend! Contact Jen-Bellalogan@comcast.net.

**ST. MARY POLISH AMERICAN SOCIETY'S 3RD ANNUAL POLISH MARDI GRAS POLKA PARTY**

TK Club at 521 East Hector Street, Conshohocken, on **Sunday February 24, 12N-5PM**. Admission is \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the event. Admission for children 6 to 12 years old is \$7 each and free for children under the age of 6. For tickets, please email [stmaryconshy@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryconshy@gmail.com) or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.

**ASH WEDNESDAY LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION-**

**March 6, 9AM-3PM**. Directed by Fr. James McGuinn, this is the perfect day for you to begin Lent with the distribution of ashes, a sit-down lunch with Mass and Confessions. \$40.00 per person. Register at [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com). or call (610)-644-0400.



**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION COMPANIONS FOR THE JOURNEY**

Spiritual Direction is the contemplative practice of helping others to awaken to the mystery of God in their lives. The Spiritual Direction Ministry at the Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA offers trained and experienced Spiritual Directors for those seeking to revitalize their relationship with God and for those who want to deepen their spiritual lives. For more information on how this ministry can enrich your life, contact Daylesford Abbey at 610-647-2530 ext. 102 or at [spiritualdirector@daylesford.org](mailto:spiritualdirector@daylesford.org).

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**A PRAYER TO SAINT BLAISE**

O glorious Saint Blaise, who by your martyrdom did leave to the Church a precious witness to the faith, obtain of us the grace to preserve within ourselves this divine gift, and to defend, without human respect, both by word and example, the truth of that same faith, which is so wickedly attacked and slandered in these our times. You who did miraculously restore a little child when it was at the point of death by reason of an affliction of the throat, grant us your mighty protection in like misfortunes; and, above all, obtain for us the grace of Christian mortification together with a faithful observance of the precepts of the Church, which may keep us from offending Almighty God. Amen. 5-175