# HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH

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Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ March 17, 2024

#### Mission Statement

The Mission of Holy Eucharist Parish is to KNOW, LOVE and SERVE Christ and each other as One body in Christ.



### Served By

Reverend Jason T. Rocks	Pastor
Reverend Michael J. Coffey	In Residence
Bob Hamilton	Deacon
Dolores Otterstein	Parish Catechetical Leader
Elizabeth Doan	Music Director
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Denise Rossi Office	Manager/Parish Secretary
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Please see our website for our full Ministry Directory	

#### Masses

Saturday	9:00 am & 5:00 pm
Sunday	8:15 am, 9:45 am & 11:15 am
Liturgy of Word for O	hildren 9:45 am & 11:15 am
Weekday Mass Mon	- Friday 9:00 am
Confessions	

#### Confessions

Saturday ...... 4:00 to 4:30 pm

### Holy Eucharist Parish Welcomes All

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; no matter your current family or marital situation; no matter what your past or present religious affiliation; no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., you are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved and Respected at Holy Eucharist Parish. Please register online at www.holyeucharistcherryhill.org



### Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm. Baptismal Preparation sessions are held on the third Monday at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please call the Parish Office for arrangements.

#### Marriages

Please contact the Parish Office one year in advance of your wedding to arrange for Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Sessions.

### Visitation of the Sick and Elderly

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. The rectory should be called at any time for the Sacrament of the Sick (i.e. as soon as the danger to health is evident)

### RCIA ~Rite of Christian Initiation Adults

Open to unbaptized, baptized, non-Catholics and baptized Catholics. Anyone interested in knowing more about the faith should call the rectory.



#### Religious Education

For all children attending public school in grades one through eight. All classes held in the Parish Center Tuesday and Wednesday based on grade level.

Contact Religious Education Office at: Phone: 856-428-9207 / Fax: 856-428-3012

**Phone:** 856-429-1330 **Fax:** 856-429-8679 **Email:** parishoffice@holyeucharistcherryhill.org **Website:** www.holyeucharistcherryhill.org **Facebook link:** https://www.facebook.com/HolyEucharistCherryHill

### Stewardship

"I will be their God and they shall be my people." - JEREMIAH 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "Stewards" of the gifts God have given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

2023 Income 2024 Income March 12: Sunday Collection \$9,073.00 March 10: **Sunday Collection** \$8,402.00 Catholic Relief Service \$ 573.00 2024 Expenses 2023 Expenses March 12: \$13,135.82 March 10: \$18,621.12

Specific details of weekly income and expenses are available upon request. Please call Anne at rectory office (856)429-1330. Thank you!





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#### **South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal**

If you have not already given, please return your completed pledge card to the parish or give online at

www.camdendiocese.org/sjcma

#### Prayer, Family and Lent

Recently we have been hearing a lot about the *Year* of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope. But how do we pray as family? How do we pray as family during Lent? Here is a video with a couple who have four children ages two to fourteen explaining how they pray as a family. Great ideas! Living Lent as a Family (Part 4 of 4) on http://watch.formed.org/videos/living-FORMED. lent-as-a-family-part-4

Bishop Sullivan invites the faithful of the diocese to



Chrism Mass join him and his priests for the Chrism Mass at 3:30 P.M. on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at Saint Agnes Church (Our Lady of Hope Parish) in Blackwood.

The Chrism Mass is a celebration of the priesthood and the occasion at which the bishop consecrates the sacred oils used in the sacramental life of the Church. Your presence and prayerful support will be greatly appreciated.

PARISH CONFESSIONS: Wednesday Nights during LENT at 7:00 pm, March 20, 27 Saturdays from 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Holy Saturday, March 30 ~ No Confessions

### Something from the Pastor

We read in 1 Corinthians, chapter 11:26-29 "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself."

As we draw close to the Triduum, when we will commemorate the death of Jesus, take some time, and ponder this passage concerning the Eucharist.

This passage connects our Eucharistic sacrifice at the altar with that of Jesus upon his cross. The sacrifice and the body are that of Jesus, now made present for us sacramentally. Saint Paul encourages each of us to discern Jesus' presence in the breaking of the bread. To discern our participation in his sacrifice. To discern the effects of Jesus' sacrifice here and now in our lives.

Saint Paul instructs us to eat the Body and Blood (present in each of the Eucharistic species) worthily. Let us ponder this as well.

First, we are to fast one hour prior to receiving Holy Communion. Refraining from ordinary food so that we might direct our hunger for the Bread of Life. This fasting is to be intentional; that is, done for the purpose of preparing to receive our Lord.

To receive Holy Communion worthily, and so to receive all its fruits, one is to be in the state of grace; that is free from grave sin. How important confession is for opening our hearts to receive the full effect of Holy Communion.

When coming forward to receive Holy Communion, we are to make a sign of reverence, which will help us recognize who it is we are receiving: the God-Man, Jesus Christ. This can be the sign of the cross or a bow or even a genuflection.

When we receive, we either do so by hand or by tongue. If by hand, we make a throne for the King of the Universe by placing one hand on top of the other, holding them up to receive our Lord. If we receive on the tongue, we open our mouths and stick out our tongue. If we receive by hand, think of Mary holding the Christ Child or the body of Jesus after being taken down from the cross. If we receive on the tongue, think of the Good Shepherd feeding his sheep.

When the minister states 'the Body of Christ' we respond with 'Amen'. This too is to be intentional. It is a statement of belief: this is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ!

Having received our Lord, we return to our pews, kneel, and spend some time with the Lord. We are encouraged to make acts of love, adoration, and thanksgiving for the work of redemption accomplished upon the Cross. Realize that Jesus is now present within you. Do not be in a rush to leave. Rather, take some time and rest in the presence of God. Recall Revelation 3:20, where Jesus says that if one answers when he knocks, he will enter and dine with that person. Jesus is knocking when you receive Holy Communion, let the guest enter and spend time with the Lord.

#### Announcement



Please join us March 24, Palm Sunday, prior to the 11:15 am Mass, in front of the Annex for our procession with Palms into church.

#### Announcements

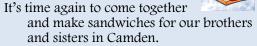


All Food Collected the weekend of *March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>7h</sup> "Feed the Hungry Sunday"* will be weighed and reported to the Diocese's Annual Bishop's Food Drive.

Items especially needed by the Cherry Hill Food Pantry are Laundry Detergent, Toothpaste, Coffee, Pancake Syrup, Jelly, Canned Fruit Cocktail, Pasta Sauce, and Baked Beans (no other beans needed)

Aside from these items, **Cherry Hill Food Pantry** would especially appreciate monetary donations at this time. Please be as generous as possible. **Thank you!** 

# Sandwich Making for Our Homeless Sunday, March 17th ~ Save the Date from 8:00 am to 11:00 am



The next *Prayer Shawl meeting will be Monday April 1st following the 9 am Mass in the parish hall, Room 108/109.* All members of the parish are welcome to join. We are a group that makes handmade shawls to tangibly wrap someone in prayer. We pray as we make these shawls that the recipient may know God's love, warmth, joy and peace. Please contact Debbie Michel at 856-429-2440 or 610-698-3323 or damichel@ptd.net to request a shawl. Thank you!

#### Malvern Retreat House "Come As You Are"

Men of the Parish, we invite you to join Deacon Bob Hamilton and the St. Pius X Retreat Group on a Laymen's Retreat on Friday evening May 24<sup>th</sup> and concluding with Mass at 10:00 AM on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> at the Malvern Retreat House.

For additional information about Malvern, you are encouraged to go to:

http://www.malvernretreat.com

Go to Calendar on the web site to register for the St.

Pius X retreat or call, text or email Tom Donato at
1-856-470-6304 or tdonato14@gmail.com

Pope Francis has declared that all retreat attendees receive
a Plenary Indulgence when attending a retreat.





# Cherry Hill Food Pantry 2023 Summary To all our Parishioners, You are the heart of our mission!





The face of our mission is to serve the less fortunate and to those who suffer from food insufficiency. As partners in the mission, you are the reason we can witness the Compassion of our Lord here in Cherry Hill!

The total pounds collected in 2023 was 13,725! While this amount was much less than last year, the monetary donations have increased. Special thanks to all who contributed! We are onto our last big project, paving the lot next door to make a parking lot for our clients. The total number of client visitors and people receiving food (including those that are out of our zip code) was 2073. During each visit our clients receive at least 150 lbs. of food.

The board has spent the last year working with the township on getting approval, permits and estimates. We are finally in the home stretch!!We look forward to a late spring as the start of this huge project.

It goes without saying – our thanks as always to Fr. Rocks for his continued support, Jim Scheiner and the Boy Scouts, and to Dee Otterstein for all their efforts. And, last but not least, our faithful volunteers who, regardless of the weather, served our clients

The events of last year have only reinforced our belief when God calls us, we are united in prayer and good works. We thank you for witnessing God's love with us. Your prayers, donations (large and small) and selfless commitment to the pantry will be the gifts that make a difference!

Many blessings to all – Gini Baker, Carol Marlowe & Don Duffy.

#### Announcements

#### EVENING HOLY HOURS



Holy Eucharist Parish Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Silent Adoration, Benediction Whatever time you can spend with the Lord is invaluable.



Join us on Friday STATIONS evenings during Lent CROSS for Traditional Sta-

tions of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. ALL ARE WELCOME

### Join us for Taizé **Prayer Around the Cross**

With Josemon Abraham



**Sunday, March 17 ~ 5:00 pm** This Lent join us for this powerful prayer around the cross. It is a special way of expressing an invisible communion not only with the crucified Jesus but with all who suffer.



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#### Suggestions for this week:

- 1. Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ. Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth! https://watch.formed.org/videos/joseph-of-nazareth-thestory-of-the-man-closest-to-christ
- 2. An Encounter with Mercy. We are not defined by our mistakes. In Confession, Jesus invites us to encounter his mercy and be healed by his love. When he tells us "Go and sin no more," he also gives us the grace to do so. https://watch.formed.org/ videos/an-encounter-with-mercy
- 3. The Trials of Saint Patrick. The Trials of Saint Patrick, a powerful journey through hardship, loss, mercy, and forgiveness. With skilled actors and cinematic elements, this captivating story comes to life, stirring the imagination and sparking inspiration. https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-trials-of-saintpatrick-1

March 17: St. Patrick, pray for us & . March 19: St. Joseph, pray for us.

Need to explain Lent to a non-Catholic family member or friend? Why not share this: 10 Things You Might Not Know About Lent on FORMED. http://watch.formed.org/videos/10-things-youmight-not-know-about-lent

Pope Francis's prayer intention for the month of March is for the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

#### Announcements

Holy Eucharist Parish Young Adult Group invites ages 21-45 years old to join us for

Faithful Footsteps -Nature Walk & St. Pat's Social

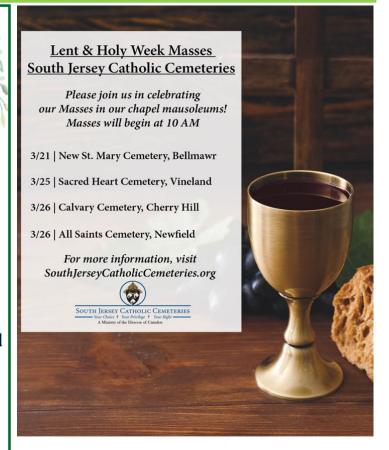
St. Patrick's Day, March 17th at 12:30pm

We will meet at Croft Farm by the basketball courts 101 Bortons Mill Road Cherry Hill Drive to the end of the road (2 mins from the Parish)

Following the 30-40 minute walk we will head over to Kaminiski's 1424 Brace Rd Cherry Hill for a St. Pat's Social \*Incase it rains we will cancel the walk and meet for the social at 12:30pm\*

> For more information or to RSVP please contact-AnneShorr@mainlineaquatics.com

Your presence is the best gift! Please note each participant covers their own food and drinks for outside events



Saint Mary's Youth Group in Cherry Hill presents their Youth and Parent Breakfast on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am. Come for great breakfast favorites and Daniel Palmeri of JMJ Missions! Tickets are only \$8 each, and is designed for teens in middle and high school along with parents, but everyone is invited! Contact Stan Thompson

at <u>sthompsoniii@aol.com</u> to get your tickets (must purchase before event).



You are invited to join us as we pray the Rosary <u>Via</u> Zoom Monday Evenings - 6:30-7:00 p.m. If you are interested, send your email address to: Evelyn Cuttino



at <a href="mailto:evelyn@holyeucharistcherryhill.org">evelyn@holyeucharistcherryhill.org</a> You will receive a Zoom link every Monday to join in!! With Mary, may our souls proclaim the greatness of the Lord!

### REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588





#### Saturday, March 16

9:00 Scott Peeler by Robin & Lance Heisler

5:00 Maddelena Leone by Family

#### Sunday, March 17

8:15 Stephen Dumser by Leusner Family

9:45 Charles Heuisler & Karen Murphy by Achey Family

Tom, Tim & Bern Goldschmidt by Family Dr. John Marchesani by Gini & Paul Baker

Angeline Alleva by Donna Alleva Eleanor McKeaney by Family

11:15 Lutgardo Tagle by wife, Sonia

#### Monday, March 18

9:00 Pro Populo

#### Tuesday, March 19

9:00 Deacon Ernest Picknally by Valle Family

#### Wednesday, March 20

9:00 Yolanda La Rocca by Scheiner Family Robert McAllister by Debbie Gallagher Margaret Allen by Holy Eucharist Parish Karen Murphy by Pat & Phil Savage

William Busch by Lucy Librizzi

#### Thursday, March 21

9:00 Dolores Widmeier by Dee & Bill Otterstein & Family

#### Friday, March 22

9:00 Den & Ginny Gray by Kelly & Anne Young

#### Saturday, March 23

9:00 M/M Leonard D'Orlando by Elaine O'Brien5:00 Special Intentions of Dileo & Cantrell Families

#### Sunday, March 24

8:15 Anthony & AJ Valle by Family

9:45 Mari Family by Dolores & Thomas Colace

Tom DeLuca by Scheiner Family

Scott Peeler by Phyllis & Bob Cianciarulo
Lysander Abraham Camba by Fontanilla Family

11:15 Mendoza & Tagle Families by Sonia Tagle

#### A Prayer for our Military

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior...Amen.

#### Especially:

Megan Niece and Joseph Niece -deployed NJ National Guard

### To Everything There is a Season and a Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven

A Time to be Born:

A Time to Welcome:

A Time to be Wed:

A Time to Heal: Grace Bailey, Mario Barnaba, Ernie Barrett, Paul Batastini, Cathy O'Brien Betz, Sharon Bramblett, Msgr. Brennan, Kathy Busser, Jack Cianafrone, Bob Cianciarulo, Elvira Costabile, Betty Cotilla, Carol Dann, Inez Davis, Kathleen Joyce Deltiano, Diane DeFranzo, Jeanne Degnan, Marie DelRoccili, Mary Dougherty, Glen Eaton, Linda Etkin, Marlene Fanelli, Richard Flowers, Brett Ford, Kathy Ford, Robert J. Frett, George Gadren, William Gahm, Kevin Gallagher, Michael Gavin, Beatrice Geiger, Becky Gibson, Harry Gibson, Christina Graham, Jeannine Greco, Michael Grecco, Jayne Gubelman, Nicholas Hicks, Gregory Hill, John Hill, Patricia Hoffman, Cathy Huff, Frances leardi, Sandra Indelicato, Bud Kaliss, Billy Kelly, Linda Knox, Joseph Kovalevich, Susan Kujawa, Charles Lafferty, Erin Elizabeth Lafferty, Dina Lazer, Katie Leahy, Vivian Lindenmuth, Charlotte Long, Sam Loperfido, Jr., Sylvia Lopez, Elaine Lutringer, Maryann Lutringer, Marie Marchesani, Patty Marden, Meghan McClellan, John McCord, Sr., Liam McGuire, Jeanette McMurtrie, Bill Mitchell, Lynn Mondel, Natalie Deal Mullen, Felicity Orzechowski, Elaine O'Brien, Tom O'Brien, Tess Osborne, Ed Patzer, Troy Pelfrey III, Stephen Pellegrino, Sue Perrotto, Ann Pilla, Don Praiss, Marion Reitz, CJ Rice, Daniel Reilly, Kate Sandlu, Susan Santola, Max Schaffer, Thomas Schillinger, Louise Schmidt, Laura Seiffer, Rosanna Slobodian, Ron Spata, Zach Sternin, Jeanne Storholm, Robert Tobin, Ryan Wallace, Kerry Ann Walsh, Grace Ward, Mollie Ward, Haley Worrell, Karen Joy Wright, Chris Wieliczko.

May God heal them in mind, body and spirit!

Thank you for your prayers for our sick and shut-ins. PLEASE call the Rectory @ 856-429-1330 when your loved one has recovered!

A Time to Die:

Altar Wine and Host for the Month of March In Loving Memory of Anthony & AJ Valle and Deacon Ernest Picknally

Sanctuary Lamp from March 17 to March 24
In Loving Memory of Deceased Members of
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