

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

29 JUNE 2025

Readings for Sunday, June 29: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19.

Peter, rescued from the power of Herod, and Paul, protected from his enemies, proclaim with their lives that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God..

Readings for Sunday, July 6: Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20.



St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.



<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
30 June	MON.	9:00 AM	Joyce Mahon
1 July	TUE.	9:00 AM	Husband, Charles
2 July	WED.	9:00 AM	Daughter, Kathy
3 July	THU.	9:00 AM	Anne Chizauskie
5 July	SAT.	4:00 PM	Tim O'Brien & Len Steranko
6 July	SUN.	9:00 AM	Rev. Patrick A. Duddy
			Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish
			Those Enrolled in St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Memorial Fund



ETERNAL REST grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.
PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.
REMEMBER OUR TROOPS: Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.



NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL on Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to join in this special Marian Devotions.



LOW GLUTEN HOSTS - We have low gluten hosts for those who need gluten free. Please see Father before Mass to let him know you require the low gluten host.



THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP leads the recitation of the Rosary every Sunday before the 9:00 AM Mass. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join in these Marian Devotions.

MAGNIFICAT BOOKS - Those who purchased the Magnificat can pick up their JULY issue at the Parish Office.

LOST WEEK

Collections ©PPC *thank you*

DEPOSIT FOR JUNE 22, 2025..... \$3,325
2024-2025 Year to Date Collections..... \$232,409

WINNER OF THE GOLD 50/50 ENVELOPE DRAWING to support Religious Education:

JUNE DRAWING - M/M Lewis Chillot - \$256.00

CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
Call the Parish Office for more details.

"ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"

ON THE THIRD DAY
610-705-0130

MASS ATTENDANCE for June 21/22:

4:00 PM Mass - 135

9:00 AM Mass - 99

Total Attendance - 234



APPAREL ALERT! Orders are being accepted for our parish apparel. Items available are: T-Shirt - \$10; Sweatshirt with hood - \$25; Men's and Women's Polo Shirts - \$25. Colors available are Kelly Green and Sunburst Yellow. 1/4 Zip - \$35; Full Zip hoodies - \$30 - color

is Forest Green. Logo on all apparel is in the upper left corner. Sizes: S to XL - larger sizes are available (just add \$2) and we have youth sizes too! **PROMOTE YOUR PARISH!!!** Complete the order form in the vestibule of Church and return to the parish office along with payment or contact Maria Boyer (mboyer@sgsm62.org).



CHURCH MAGNETS are available at the Parish Office. They can be placed on your car or refrigerator. Cost is \$5.00 each.

ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER PARISH MEMORIAL FUND DONATION received in memory of:
PATRICIA DEL NERO from Steve, Maria & Tyler Boyer.



PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are sold on a monthly basis.

The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. **This is our major fund raiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month.** Your support is greatly appreciated.

LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

June 16 - #605 - unsold

June 17 - #917 - unsold

June 18 - #567 - Judy Leister - \$50.00

June 19 - #846 - unsold

June 20 - #226 - unsold

June 21 - #360 - unsold

June 22 - #570 - unsold



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Our Annual Parish Golf Outing will be held on Friday, September 19 at Blackwood Golf Course. More details in the coming weeks.



American Red Cross

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD

DRIVE on July 7 and 21 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. The American Red Cross is kicking off Camp Do Good! Summer is almost here, and we're calling on you to help us make a real difference when it's

challenging to keep the blood supply afloat. Just like campfires and s'mores, blood donations are essential for a successful summer. Consider donating blood for those in need. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - JULY 5/6

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Vitacco

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Tammaro & Tammaro; Choir - Bracaglia

Altar Server - Nester

Greeter - Scheidt

9:00 AM Mass

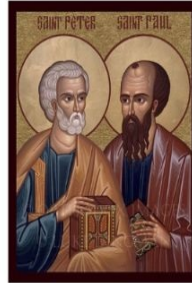
Lector - LaRosa

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Carr & C. Bucciaglia

Altar Servers - Morris & S. Logoivau

Greeter - Neiman

The Corner



Today we observe the **Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**. Tomorrow we observe the **Memorial of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**.

The first Christians were ordinary men and women just like us. They had families and jobs, doubts and fears, sins and failures.

And God used them! He gave them His Spirit and changed their lives.

"Holy Spirit, give me the courage to share all you have done for me. Amen."



REDNER'S REGISTER TAPES -

Thank you to everyone for collecting the Redner's Register Tapes for our Parish. Money we receive from this program goes toward our Parish Religion

Education Program (PREP). Containers for the register tapes are in the vestibule of church.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY NEWS

Santina Kitchen and Douglassville Café Gift Certificates continue to be sold. The Women's Society will be in the vestibule on July 12 and 13 to sell the certificates. Certificates are also available at the Parish Office. Pick them up for the summer.



God our Father,
in Your plan for our salvation
You provide shepherds for Your
people. Fill Your Church in the
Archdiocese of Philadelphia,
especially St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish,
with the Spirit of courage and love.
Raise up from our families future
priests: worthy ministers of Your
altars, generous and ardent
servants of the Gospel.
We ask this through
Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Grotto is in need of some minor repairs: patching, washing, and painting. If you can be of help, please call Lori (610-326-6030).



HAND-MADE BABY BLANKETS are being sold by the Women's Society. Cost is \$10.00. The blankets make a very nice gift for a new baby or as an additional something when giving a gift card.



SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

on July 6 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Stowe. Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Bacon, Scrapple, Eggs your way, a variety of Omelets and different types of Breakfast Bowls. Breakfast served from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Come and enjoy a breakfast of your choice.



Treats and Truths

SUMMER ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

...feeding the soul and the sweet tooth!

Each night will feature a short presentation about the topic with dessert and discussion time

Saint Aloysius Church
Lower Level of Gathering Center
223 Beech St.
Pottstown

JUNE 10



FEMININE GENIUS AND FIERY REBELS
Who are the Four women Doctors of the Church and why do they matter?

JUNE 17



THE EUCHARIST
In preparation for upcoming Solemnity of Corpus Christi, how do we respond to Jesus in the Eucharist?

JULY 15



SAINTS OF THE UNITED STATES
from Kateri to Junipero to Elizabeth, let's get to know the saints who shaped our nation's history.

JULY 22



WHAT IS A RELIGIOUS VOCATION?
Can I really be a hermit?...and other burning questions answered about religious vocations

More to follow in August!

Tuesdays 6:30-8p.m.

For more information Contact Sophie Schneible,
SSchneible@saintalloysius.net OR 610-326-5877 ext 426

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS at the National Centre for Padre Pio, Barto on July 5. 9:30 AM to 10:15 AM - Sacrament of Reconciliation. 10:30 AM Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Devotional Prayers, Benediction. Rosary and Veneration of the Relic Glove of Padre Pio following Benediction. For more information contact angela@padrepio.org.



Be Encouraged:

Catholic Support for Mental Health

Resources to assist with healing,
accompaniment and flourishing

archphila.org/support




WHAT IS THE LEGION OF MARY?

- The Legion of Mary is unknown by many people and is generally not recognized for what it truly is. It is a Catholic LAY organization of those who love Jesus and Mary and desire to grow in holiness. It was founded in Ireland on September 7, 1921. Worldwide, it has ten million members in countries around the world. It believes in the teachings of St.

Louis De Montfort and has as its motto "To Jesus through Mary." The purpose is to give GLORY TO GOD and to promote PERSONAL HOLINESS, through the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Holy Spirit. Works include distributing Miraculous Medals, Rosaries, Scapulars and Religious books, visiting nursing homes, hospitals, prisons and sharing the faith in many individual homes (evangelization). The two types of membership are: Active (attending meetings) and Auxiliary (praying only). Is Our Lady calling you? Are you a Catholic looking for deeper meaning of your faith and a way to actively serve Jesus and Mary? For more information contact www.LOMNorristown.org or email LOMNorristown@gamil.org.

HOPE IN CHRIST:

Spiritual Support for Addiction



Find Catholic support for you or
your loved one struggling with addiction at:

archphila.org/hope

Catholic Events • Support Groups
Retreats • Personal Stories
Patron Saints • Healing Ministries
• and more •

A website provided by the
Archdiocese of Philadelphia



I don't think that I'm going totally crazy...not yet anyway! Sometimes it seems like that because life can be so overwhelming at times. You know what I mean...so much to do and only twenty-four hours in a day. But, such days only remind me of just how dependent I am upon Our Lord and that He's the One *really* in charge. Those twenty-four hours ultimately belong to Him. Anyway, in the midst of such days, I find myself not only realizing once again my dependence upon Our Lord and talking with Him – but, also talking with Mother. Now, I love Our Lord's mother and frequently make intercession of her, too – but, I'm referring to my own mother. You know, the one that gave birth to me – and she's long with God, Himself! Usually, I'm just crying out to her as I so often did as a kid. *Mommmmm! Maaaaaaa!* Or just, *Hey Ma!* One fact of life is that mother's always respond to their crying children. This is true of our birth mothers and of Our Blessed Mother as well. It's what mothers do. As I call out to mom (when I'm alone in the rectory or in my car when you're not around lest you think that I really am ready for *Happy Acres Rest Home*), I think of my childhood and the comfort that my mother so, so often gave.



Whether kissing and binding a crying child's wound, feeding a hungry boy's growling tummy, or inviting a tired tike to rest his little head on her lap – my mother was always ready to comfort and calm. Again, it's what mothers do. Now, in the midst of all of life's craziness even during these weeks of summer, I was reminded of childhood motherly moments recently. It was a warm evening. I was outside sitting on the patio by the pool at my friends' house. Ahhhh, a little downtime! That's when I took particular notice of little Axel. The little guy of pre-school age is a happy-go-lucky little kid...most of the time anyway...so his parents tell me. He absolutely loves, loves, loves the

outdoors. I can picture him having his own very successful lawn care or outdoor construction business in the future. This particular moment found him in his happy place. He was outside and sitting on a little toy truck – the kind that a kid rides while pushing along using one's feet. He would push along for a bit and then stop pressing one of the many buttons on the truck which would then play a short bit of music. Think of a neighborhood ice cream truck making its rounds. With each stop and push of a button, Axel would laugh and gyrate – doing a little dance to the music! It was so cute! He wasn't "performing" to be seen as kids can sometimes do. He was simply in his own content little world. It was where I wanted to be too. All of watching did. His own mother and the rest of us watching simply laughed too! It brought us all back to our own childhoods and times of simple, happy contentment when everything was just right and there was no thought whatsoever of how many hours were in a day. During these weeks of summer that so quickly pass by, seek a bit of contentment, rest, and refreshment. Get outside, ride your "toy," listen to some music and "gyrate" a bit! You may even find yourself crying out happily to your mom and doing a little dance with her, while remembering that what time we do have on any given day is, in the end, not yours, mine, or mom's – but belongs to the One, Who created all time to begin with! Enjoy all of your times this summer!



Peace!

Fr. Wilson