

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **20 OCTOBER 2024**

Readings for Sunday, October 20: Isaiah 53:10-11; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45.

True greatness (holiness) is found in serving one another and by giving ourselves as did Jesus who suffered that we might be justified. He is our compassionate high priest in whom we have placed our hope.

Readings for Sunday, October 27: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52.



**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>
21 Oct.	MON.	9:00 AM	Jack Marshall
22 Oct.	TUE.	9:00 AM	Denise Kemler
23 Oct.	WED.	9:00 AM	Thomas Marcheskie, Jr.
24 Oct.	THU.	9:00 AM	Wife & Children
26 Oct.	SAT.	4:00 PM	Ronald Bernhard
27 Oct.	SUN.	9:00 AM	Lew & Beth Chillot
			Jim & Anna Baldasano
			Anna & Melvin
			Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish



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
Devotion.



Flowers on the Blessed Mother
Altar are in memory of MARIE
RAYSOR requested by Linda &
Dennis Neiman.



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.



Baptism
SUPPC

Congratulations to TALLULAH
BOARDMAN and her family on
her Baptism last weekend.

LOST WEEK

Collections ©PPC *thank you*

DEPOSIT FOR OCTOBER 13, 2024..... \$3,274
2024-2025 Year to Date Collections..... \$61,084

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND, OCTOBER 26 and 27 will be the All Souls Collection.

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

OCTOBER DRAWING - Loretta Gauger - \$309.00.

MASS ATTENDANCE for October 12/13:

4:00 PM Mass - 102

9:00 AM Mass - 149

Total Attendance - 251



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.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES on October 21 and November 4 and 18 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Due to the recent hurricanes, blood drives have been canceled in those areas. We urge you to consider donating blood. Help us help those in need during this difficult time. To donate blood, call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit www.RedCross.org.

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

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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

October 7 - #404 - Theresa Vitacco - \$50.00
October 8 - #264 - unsold
October 9 - #627 - unsold
October 10 - #044 - Theresa Vitacco - \$50.00
October 11 - #595 - unsold
October 12 - #501 - John Norman, Jr.
October 13 - #226 - unsold

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 26/27

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Willemsen

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

Altar Server - Pomponio

Greeter - Bell

9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Boyer

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

Altar Servers - Griffin & Tran

Greeter - Neiman



SAVE THE DATE! We are planning a Bus Trip to Sight & Sound Theatre on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 to see "Noah." Cost: \$170.00 which includes motorcoach transportation,

lunch, tax & gratuity for lunch, show and tip for the bus driver. Leave from Church at 10:30 AM; Family-style lunch at Hometown Kitchen at 11:45 AM; Show at 3:00 PM; Return to Church at approximately 7:00 PM. Reservations and payment due by February 17, 2025. For more details or reservations, contact Kathy at 610-326-5127 or contact@sgsm62.org. Make plans now to attend!

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



THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed Tuesday, October 22 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The office will also be closed on Thursday, October 24.

The Corner

Today is **World Mission Sunday**. As a baptized individual, you are also commissioned as a missionary and a prophet — which is to say, a speaker of God's truth. And the prophetic word is not your own. It is the word of God given to you by God.

ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER PARISH MEMORIAL FUN DONATIONS received in memory of:

DAVID COCCI from Jack Bucciaglia;

PAUL BARR from Barbara & Michael Hipszer.



HAND-MADE BABY BLANKETS are being sold by St. Gabriel 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.

REDNER'S REGISTER TAPE PROGRAM

- Thank you to everyone for collecting the Redner's register tapes for our parish. Money we receive from this program goes towards our

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP). Just a reminder - the Redner's register tapes only count when you use your Redner's card and the information prints out at the bottom of your receipt. Containers for the register tapes are in the vestibule of Church.



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 Church, with the Spirit of courage and love.
Raise up from our families future priests: worthy ministers for Your altars, generous and ardent servants of the Gospel.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CASEY SERVICE CLUB

Sunday Morning Breakfast at Knights of Columbus Casey Service Club on Sunday, October 27 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Bacon, sausage, ham, eggs to order, omelets, pancakes and waffles. Cost is based on your selection. All are welcome!

Veterans Fundraiser Dinner on Saturday, November 9 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Come join us for a Baked Ziti and Meatball Dinner with a salad and dessert. All money collected goes to Local Veteran Center. Cost is \$20.00. Reserve your spot at www.caseyservice.net or call Franco (484-433-9160).



POPE JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL

PAWS PROGRAM - The PAWS (Panthers Achieving Worthwhile Success) Program at Pope John Paul II High School supports the individual needs of students with learning differences

through instruction and academic accommodations within the Panthers' Learning Center, our hub of academic support. We will be hosting an information session about the program on Thursday, November 7 at 6:00 PM in the Panthers' Learning Center at PJP to outline the program objectives and support structure, enrollment process, fee, and financial aid opportunities. To register and for more information, contact Mr. Joseph Rogers, Director of Academic Support (jrogers@pjphs.org).

St. Aloysius Parish School Holiday Craft and Vendor Fair



St. Aloysius Parish School
844 N. Keim Street
Pottstown, PA 19464

**Jewelry, Candles, Soaps, Wreaths,
Hand Crafted Items, Home Decor,
Food Items, and so much more!!**



For more information please contact
craftfair@santalloysius.net

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Taking your
Faith to the
Next Level

Move beyond simply
believing and
practicing your faith
and begin radically
living it!
Overcome obstacles
that keep you from
being the disciple you
are made to be.

5 meetings:
Oct. 20
Nov. 17
Dec. 15
Jan. 19
Feb. 23

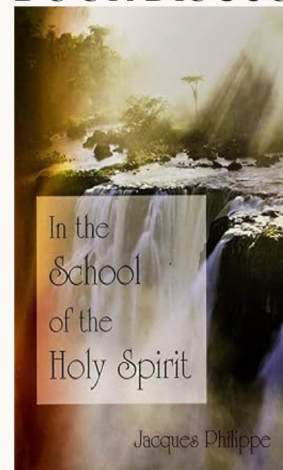
Cost: \$15
for the
book

SUNDAYS,
8:45A.M.-10:00



Register using QR code or
contact Sophie Schneible:
610-326-5877 x426
Sschneible@santalloysius.net

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



Participants will need to purchase
the book on their own

In the School
of the Holy
Spirit
by Fr. Jacques
Philippe



When: Mondays 1:30 p.m.
October 28 - November 11

Where: St. Aloysius Parish
Lower Level of Gathering Center

For more information or to
register contact Sophie Schneible:
610-326-5877 ext. 426
Sschneible@santalloysius.net

RESTORE: A WOMEN'S HEALING RETREAT - Held Thursday, October 31 to Sunday, November 3 at St. Mary of Providence Center, Elverson. Retreat Leaders: Fr. Stephen DeLacy and De Yarrison of You Are Made New Ministry. We invite you to join us if you are seeking Christ-centered healing from the emotional and spiritual effects of trauma and past wounding. Visit www.youaremadenew.com/restore-womens-retreat or email De at de@youaremadenew.com to learn more or to register.

ST. MARY POLISH AMERICAN SOCIETY RAFFLE - Raffle will feature \$10,000 in prizes paid out to seven winning tickets. Tickets are \$50.00 each. A total of 500 tickets will be sold. Drawing will be held on Sunday, December 15 at St. Mary Hall. To purchase tickets, contact Dorothy Swedkowski (610-630-0861 or at raffle@stmarypolish.org).

RACHEL'S VINEYARD - A place to heal from abortion. Held November 8-10 at IHM Spirituality Center, Malvern. Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring healing and God's forgiveness to the trauma and darkness of abortion. To register contact Susan (610-716-4795) or Georgeann (484-955-4278).

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER is an enrichment for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend will be on November 15-17 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more information visit the website www.wwme-philly.org or contact Al & Mary Liz (Applications@wwme-philly.org or 610-449-1859).

Archdiocese of Philadelphia



Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Leadership Day - Archdiocese of Philadelphia Catholic Charismatic Renewal on Saturday, November 9 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Plymouth Meeting. Speakers:

Rev. Stephen DeLacy, Main Celebrant and Maria Richardson, Emcee. To learn more or to register visit www.archphilaccr.org/events/.

Inviting all missionaries Nov 1st!

Mass: Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul | 6:00

Dinner: Sheraton Hotel | 7:00

Missionary Mass

Celebrated by Archbishop Pérez

RSVP!

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Brock Martin



Peter Blute



Lillian Fallon



Archbishop Pérez





The Well

Young Adult Conference



SHERATON HOTEL
DOWNTOWN PHILADELPHIA &
CATHEDRAL BASILICA
OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

SATURDAY
1:00 PM - 10:30 PM
NOV 23

REGISTER:
PHILLYAM.ORG/THEWELL/
QUESTIONS:
PHILLYOMYA@ARCHPHILA.ORG



Christmas

Craft Show & Bazaar

Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024

9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Cedarville United Methodist Church

1092 Laurelwood Rd., Pottstown, PA 19465

Free Parking & Admission

Over 50 tables of handcrafted items

(New Crafters contact: Sheila@cedarvilleumc.org)

Baked Goods Lunch

Attic Treasures

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM



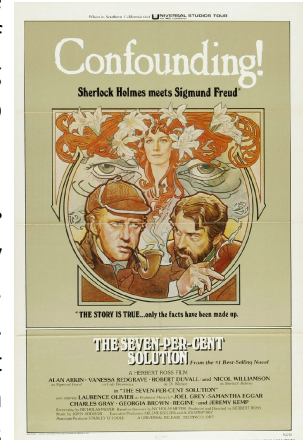
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The game is afoot! It's elementary, my dear Watson! It is elementary -- or at least, it should be! I've always been a big fan of Sherlock Holmes. I've enjoyed and continue to enjoy the various interpretations of the character that emerged



from the depths of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's imagination. I have also enjoyed the various actors that have played the part of Sherlock Holmes over the years with one of my favorites being Jeremy Brett. And yes, of course, I too played Holmes long ago during one Halloween night of my youth. *Trick or treat indeed, my dear Watson! There's candy to be had!* Also in my youth, I remember pleading with my parents to **please** take me to see *The Seven-Percent-Solution* when it came out in the theater. To my delight, they couldn't turn down their young Sherlock enthusiast. Holmes' "Science of Deduction" always fascinated me. Mr. Holmes would simply observe very keenly and then connect what he observed reaching a very logical conclusion – and solving a



difficult case. Holmes may have called it the "Science of Deduction," but I always knew it as "Common Sense." I still do. In a more recent portrayal of the mythic figure in a series that I have been watching on television, I must admit that I am somewhat disappointed with the interpretation of the famous sleuth. Holmes, whose character might be said to be the *Mr. Spock* of the Nineteenth Century



minus the alien blood, is portrayed as an atheist. There cannot be and are not any ghosts or spirits, he claims. This contradicts the facts observed and one can only conclude that the only "gods" are of man's own making. God "exists" because we want Him to "exist." I beg to differ Mr. Holmes. It's all rather elementary. I've never taken Holmes to be a *nihilist* and my own interpretation of Holmes and his "Science of

Deduction" would lead not only to a solution – but would lead to *The Solution* solving the most "difficult case" of all time! In my version of Sherlock, the famed sleuth with the deerstalker cap roams the environs of Jerusalem of old where within the walled city he



occupies a small flat the address of which is 221B Baker Street. Out and about trying to solve a mystery of some water changed into wine, his investigations quickly lead him to one Jesus of Nazareth. The sleuth then conducts an interview. Observing keenly, he immediately deduces that this individual is no ordinary man and when this Man even more so keenly observes *him* in return revealing his heretofore known-to-none seven-per-cent solution along with an accurate recounting of his every case including several unrecorded, the world's most famous detective is led to an utterly astounding conclusion. This **is** no ordinary man! Indeed, He is the very Son of God! Sherlock then falls to his knees and sheds uncharacteristic tears as he acknowledges his discovery. ***It is all so elementary, my dear***



Watson! The Solution to the Mystery awaits us! It is time for us and our world to employ Common Sense and the Science of Deduction once again in order to discover anew that which a First Century Semitic Sherlock Holmes most surely would and solving the most challenging case ever known – The Mystery of Life! ***Come now, Watson! The Game is afoot!***

Peace!
Fr. Wilson