



PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

5:00PM Fr. Monica
 6:30AM Fr. Kirk
 8:00AM Fr. Kirk
 10:00AM Fr. Monica
 12:00PM Fr. Monica

Monday April 17, 2023

6:30 Joseph Reilly req. by Snell Family
 8:00 William Koubek req. by Fran & Ed Kubala

Tuesday April 18, 2023

6:30 Dorothy Devlin req. by C. Grace & A. Kelly
 8:00 Cecelia E. Stratton req. by Mary Elmer

Wednesday April 19, 2023

6:30 Eileen Sylvester req. by Cistone Family
 8:00 Ector Padilla Avila req. by Leo Melecio

Thursday April 20, 2023

6:30 Elmer Family req. by Mary Elmer
 8:00 Rosalie Hunt req. by Fran & Ed Kubala

Friday April 21, 2023

6:30 Elsie Maguire req. by Mary Elmer
 8:00 Henry Cole req. by Patricia Cole

Saturday April 22, 2023

8:00 Janet McNesby req. by Kristen & Steve Hartzell
 5:00PM Jennie, Rene & Elaine Garcia req. by Family

Sunday April 23, 2023

6:30 Janet McNesby req. by Marybeth Shortt
 8:00 Joan Babowitch req. by Donna Daughen & Family
 10:00 Stan Kaluza req. by Debbie Klenieski
 12:00 Joan DePerro req. by Lee & Rita Yacovett



Katherine DiBello & Ryan Kuhn



All sick parishioners, their relatives and friends:

All deceased parishioners, their relatives and friends:

Richard Whitford – husband of Norma Whitford

Norman Haigh – friend of Joyce Ricchini

For those in the armed forces: Andrew Morrison, Marine Corp; Eric Charles Taylor-Navy; Emma Marks-Navy; Sean Sylvester-Army; Kyle Higgins-Army; Justin T. Erbrick-Army; Sean Conroy-Navy; Joseph Erbrick, III-Marines; Joseph Costick-Coast Guard; Tyler Jernigan-Army; Christopher Smith-Navy; Alex McAneney-Air Force; Brian McGinty-Marines; Dan O'Brien-Air Force; Ashley O'Brien-Air Force; Daniel Patty-Navy; Michael Sheppard-Air Force; Hoku Teson-Army; John McFillin-Navy; Trevor O'Malley-Army; Daniel Taylor-Air Force; Stephen Winther-Marines; Bobby Winther-Navy; Amanda Smith-Navy; Joseph Patty-Army; Christian Curtis-Marines; Thomas Campbell-Marines; Michael Bones, Jr-Navy

Divine Mercy Prayers are on the third Sunday of each Month after the 10 AM Mass. All are welcome.

Hospital Visits - If you are in the hospital and would like a visit from a priest, please call the rectory office at 215-637-7515. Due to HIPPA laws we are unable to get information from the hospital, therefore, we must hear directly from the patient or family.

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 23, 2023

<i>Mass</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
5:00PM	R. Gola C. Gola	D. Haggerty
6:30AM	S. Brown	J. Hopkins
8:00AM	R. Juliano J. Robbins	R. Juliano
10:00AM	C. Mulray G. O'Brien	D. Makowiecki N. Burnosky
12:00PM	M. Hall R. Wojtkielewicz	J. Spear





Bereavement Ministry

In the past weeks, months, or years, you or someone you know, may have experienced the loss of a loved one. The process of grieving this loss at the moment of death continues to go on in life. To bring healing to this grief, Our Lady of Calvary Parish established a Bereavement Ministry in 2004. This Ministry is a peer group of OLC parishioners who have suffered the loss of a loved one and now give of their time and talent in helping others cope with their grief.

The OLC Bereavement Ministry sessions this Spring begin on April 18 and continues until May 30 and will take place in the **OLC lower church meeting room from 7:00PM to 8:30 PM...enter by way of the ramp on the rectory side of church.** Please join us! In trying to understand your grief, you could be a source of strength and goodness to others who are grieving.

- April 18 Spiritual Elements of Grief and Healing
- April 25 Crazy is Norm
- May 2 Understanding the Stages of Grief
- May 9 Changed Forever
- May 16 Surviving Stress and Loneliness
- May 23 Feelings of Denial, Bargaining & Guilt
- May 30 The Value of Memories and Personal Bereavement Reflections

No prior signup is necessary – come to whatever sessions you can attend. PLEASE NOTE – Changes in dates of topics scheduled is possible, due to speaker’s previous commitments.

All Catholic men are invited to attend this special retreat on Saturday, April 29, 2023 beginning at 8:00 AM until Noon. The topic is *A Father’s Heart: Celebrate St. Joseph, Protector of the Holy Family*. Fr. Dave Caron, O.P., Missionary of Mercy and Director of Spiritual Outreach at Cross Catholic Outreach, will be the retreat director. The schedule includes Mass, prayer, input and group discussions. This is a free event. To register go to www.eventbrite.com/e/spiritual-morning-retreat-a-fathers-heart-celebrate-st-joseph.tickets-56848385927 This retreat is specifically designed for the Knights of Columbus and for all Catholic men as we extend the “Year of St. Joseph” to help them realize their essential role as spiritual leaders in their families. For questions call Mike Ciampoli at mikeciampoli@gmail.com 215-605-2857.

BLOOD DRIVE at Our Lady of Calvary on Thursday, April 20, 2023 from 2:00PM to 7:00PM. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCross Blood.org and enter: OLOC to schedule an appointment.

The **Trinitarian Sisters** (next to Fr. Judge HS) are looking for drivers on Wednesdays to bring food packages to their retired Sisters at Wesley Enhanced Living. Companions are needed for doctor visits and to read to our blind Sisters. If interested, kindly contact Sr. Flo Waters at 215-335-7596.

Calvary Seniors meet every Tuesday at Regina Coeli Hall, 9617 James Street, 19114. Doors open at 9:30AM – Meeting starts at 10:30AM.



Thank you to everyone who came to the ITALIAN DINNER on Saturday, April 1, 2023. We hope everyone enjoyed their meal. A special thanks to Macaroni’s for the entree and DNH for the salad. OLC Parish greatly appreciates all you did for our First Italian Meal.



Save the dates – **NIGHT AT THE RACES** – on May 20, 2023 from 7PM-11PM. Tickets are \$20.00 with more information to follow. Horses are for sale for \$10.00 each (if your horse wins the race, you win \$50.00). Anyone interested in purchasing a horse, please contact Kathie McGinley at 215-901-3094.

RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) -RCIA is the vehicle that the Church uses to bring adults into full communion through theological teaching, education, prayer, and community. Are you or do you know someone who is interested in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation? Our Lady of Calvary has our own Christian Initiation Group. If you have questions, but are not sure what the next step should be, contact the office at 215-637-7515 or stop in any day from 9AM to 3PM or email Deacon John at deaconjpteson@gmail.com

GRADUATION SCHOLARSHIPS – Every year at this time we ask parishioners and friends of OLC to consider a donation of any amount toward a Memorial Scholarship for a deserving OLC 8th Grader to assist with their high school tuition. The Class of 2023 has many deserving students that would benefit from your generosity- if you are able to do so. Checks may be dropped off at the school or rectory and made payable to Our Lady of Calvary School. Any consideration to invest in their future Catholic education would be greatly appreciated.

St Martha Parish is sponsoring a *Flynn & O’Hara Raffle* – Got kids in school? Family’s or Neighbors kids? If they are wearing a uniform, you can help pay - \$5.00 each chance – proceeds benefit St. Marth “Raise the Roof” Campaign – 1st prize-\$300 gift certificate; 2nd prize-\$200 gift certificate; 3rd prize-\$100 gift certificate (only 300 tickets sold – drawing June 9, 2023) Contact Art Calvo at 215-290-2449 or acalvo@stmarthapa.org

BLESSED AMONG US

Kathe Kollwitz – Artist (1867-1945) Kathe Kollwitz, one of the great artists of the twentieth century, lived most of her life in Berlin. Her husband was a doctor who practiced in a working-class section of the city, and his patients served as models for many of her drawings and lithographs. Few other artists were ever so committed to representing the private struggles and suffering of the poor. Her depictions of hunger, unemployment, domestic violence, and the oppressive burden of despair are among the most poignant images in all modern art.

Kollwitz was particularly sensitive to the experience of women, especially the aspects of maternal love. She depicted a mother's delight in the presence of her children as well as her fierce determination to protect her young. She herself was not stranger to loss. In World War I her youngest son, Peter, was killed at the front. His death was a "thunderbolt." Peter, she wrote, "was seed for the planting that should not have been ground." Eventually she transformed her grief into a passionate commitment to peace. In 1932 she unveiled a commissioned war memorial entitled "The Mourning Parents," its figures modeled after herself and her husband.

With the rise of the Nazis her work was banned. Somehow, she survived the years that followed, the terror, the hunger, the devastation of war (which cost the life of her grandson, another Peter), all the while holding intact her faith in a new world. She died on April 22, 1945, days before the Armistice.

"One day, a new idea will arise and there will be an end to all wars. I die convinced of this."
-Kathe Kollwitz

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

No Greater Gift than Mercy

When I was a teenager, I was involved in an accident which was not my fault, but which aroused anxieties about how my father would respond. As it turned out, I had not really known my Dad until that day. He heard about the accident before I told him, and he called me on the phone. His first words were, "Son, are you alright?" I broke into tears and peace flooded my heart.

I can understand how the apostles felt in the split-second before Jesus spoke to them. They had abandoned him, and even betrayed him. What will he do now?" Peace be with you," he said. Not only do I not reject you, but I send you forth in my name.

There is no gift greater than mercy. In the Old Testament, the brothers of Joseph had sold him into slavery, and suddenly, years later, he stood before them in power. What will he do to us?" I am Joseph, your brother," he said, "Do not be distressed." When many centuries later Jewish leaders came to meet the new pope, John XXIII, they were worried about rumors that the new Council was going to condemn the Jews. He allayed their fears immediately by spreading his arms wide and repeating that greeting they all knew so well: "I am Joseph, your brother."

Jesus warned the apostles that the spirit of the world is to "lord it over" those under us. "It shall not be so among you." (Matt 20:26). In human relations there is rarely an absolute balance of power, but the dilemma is solved by mercy. "Be merciful, as your heavenly Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36).

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