



**PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023**

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



**All sick parishioners, their relatives and friends:**

Giovanni Maysonet – husband of Samantha Maysonet

**All deceased parishioners, their relatives and friends:**

**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.

**MEMORIAL FUND**

Thank you to Jackie Szostak for her donation in memory of *Kevin Casey*.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following Cash Calendar winners for the month of January - \*850, 285, 129 and 585.



**Monday February 20, 2023**

- 6:30 Eileen Sylvester req. by Cistone Family
- 8:00 Souls in Purgatory req. by Joan

**Tuesday February 21, 2023**

- 6:30 Sr. Jane Reardon req. by Teson Family
- 8:00 Mabel E. Abrams req. by Terri Donnelly

**Wednesday February 22, 2023**

- 6:30 Tom Berry req. by Kathy Reilly
- 8:00 Margaret Yacovett req. by MaryAnn & Ed Murray
- 9:00 Thomas Loughlin req. by Janda Family
- 12:00 Joan Babowitch req. by Kathy Reilly
- 7:00PM Zachary Soussa req. by Gajdowski Family

**Thursday February 23, 2023**

- 6:30 Mary Peppelman req. by Sinko Family
- 8:00 Regina Long req. by Linda Dzwoniarek & Family

**Friday February 24, 2023**

- 6:30 Joseph Ryan req. by David & Caroline Gunn
- 8:00 Dorothy Kiesel req. by Arpino Family

**Saturday February 25, 2023**

- 8:00 Mary Ellen Bonner req. by Family
- 5:00PM Audrey McShane req. by Alicia & Brian Graham

**Sunday February 26, 2023**

- 6:30 James McGraw, Jr req. by David & Caroline Gunn
- 8:00 Daniel DiSalvio req. by Eileen DiSalvio
- 10:00 Carol McTague req. by Mary Vogt
- 12:00 Dr. William Gibbons, Jr req. by Family

**LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 26, 2023**

<i>Mass</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
<b>5:00PM</b>	D. Haggerty V. Haggerty	A. Bell
<b>6:30AM</b>	S. Brown	K. McNab
<b>8:00AM</b>	J. Teson M. Bloesch	R. Johnson
<b>10:00AM</b>	N. Burnosky T. Cullen	C. Comly J. Lynch
<b>12:00PM</b>	D. Bores M. Hall	J. Guiffre



**ASH WEDNESDAY** is February 22 – Masses are at 6:30AM, 8:00AM, 9:00AM, 12:00PM and 7:00PM. Ashes will be distributed during Mass. If you have palm from last year to be burned for ashes, please bring them to the rectory by Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

On Ash Wednesday, Lenten Crosses will be placed in a basket in the front of Church. Fill in your intention(s) and hang it on the large wooden Cross at the front of the Altar. Your intentions will be prayed for at all Lenten Masses. We also invite you to help those bearing the cross of hunger with supermarket gift cards and/or cash donations which can be placed in the donation box located next to the Cross.



Our Lady of Calvary is hosting an **ITALIAN DINNER NIGHT** in the OLC Gym on Saturday, April 1, 2023. Time will be from 5:00PM to 7:00PM, dinner may be purchased as a “To Go” also. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children (12 and under). Tickets will be on sale in the rectory until March 25<sup>th</sup> and after masses on Sunday. Dinner includes all of the following: chicken parmesan with pasta and meatballs, bread, dessert, and a non-alcoholic beverage. If you are dining in, BYOB is optional.

**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](mailto:deaconjpteson@gmail.com)

**CUB PACK 460** would like to invite all to our ALL YOU CAN EAT Ice Cream Social on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8PM in Our Lady of Calvary Gym. Enjoy ice cream with lots of toppings, as well as homemade hot waffles. Cost is \$8.00 per person, children 4 and under are FREE.

**Parent Auxiliary of Cub Pack 460** is sponsoring its *Purses and Power tools Bingo Fundraiser* on Saturday, April 22, 2023 to support the Cub Pack 460. Bingo is from 7-11PM at OLC School Gym. Tickets are \$45.00 – door prize, raffle baskets and 50/50. For tickets, questions, or to donate a basket text or call Christine Fahy 215-479-2773 or Gina Gorski 215-806-2644. Tickets can also be purchased on Thursday nights from 7-8:30PM.

Looking for a **Communion suit or Dress?** Consider the St. Katherine of Siena Communion Closet. We have over 100 dresses and suits for you to choose from. The Communion Closet is free and open to everyone. To make an appointment to visit the closet, please call Colleen Sharp at 215-817-9497.

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

**Man Up Philly** - Men’s Spirituality Conference on Saturday, March 4, 2023 at Cardinal O’Hara HS. There will be speakers, reconciliation and Mass. For more information and to register go to [www.manupphilly.com](http://www.manupphilly.com)

**Archbishop Ryan HS Lacrosse Team** is sponsoring *QUIZZO NIGHT* on Friday, March 10, 2023 in the south cafe \$10 Advance Ticket - \$15 at the door. BYOB/Snacks/50/50/Raffle Baskets/Cash prizes Contact [ARCHRYANLAX@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ARCHRYANLAX@GMAIL.COM) for tickets

**Nazareth Academy High School** is sponsoring a 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> *Grade Scavenger Hunt* on Friday, March 3, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:30PM. The event is free of charge; prizes will be awarded to winners and pizza and refreshments will be served. To register visit [NazarethAcademyHS.org/Scavenger Hunt](http://NazarethAcademyHS.org/Scavenger Hunt) or call Ms. Derassouyan 215-268-1026  
6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> *Grade Practice Test* on Saturday, March 18 from 7:34AM to 12PM. This is a beneficial opportunity to practice skills needed to prepare for the 8th Grade Entrance Exam. Register at [NazarethAcademyHS.org/PracticeTest](http://NazarethAcademyHS.org/PracticeTest).

**FORMED** – signing up to enjoy FORMED is easy, and FREE!  
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2-Select your parish  
3-Register with your name and email address  
4-Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED!  
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BLESSED AMONG US

**Paul Farmer** – Doctor, Cofounder, Partners in Health (1959-2022) Dr. Paul Farmer died suddenly of a heart attack on February 21, 2022, in a hospital in Rwanda that he had helped to found. It was difficult to account for all he had accomplished in his sixty-two years. Advocating for high-quality health care to some of the poorest people on earth, he was a transformative figure who touched the lives of millions – not only those who were sick and poor but also countless young people he inspired with his confidence that another world is possible.

After graduating from Duke, Farmer began volunteering in a hospital in rural Haiti. There he began to realize how much health disparities were a factor of wider social issues – lack of food, transportation, disregard for human rights – as well as social attitudes toward those who were considered expendable. “The idea that some lives matter less is the root of all that is wrong with the world,” he observed.

While a medical student at Harvard, he commuted to Haiti to develop new methods of grassroots care. Eventually, these principles became the foundation of Partners In Health, a global organization devising new strategies for addressing such diseases as tuberculosis, AIDS, and Ebola. While shouldering an enormous teaching load at Harvard, he continued to divide his time with primary care of patients around the world.

Farmer’s life work was deeply shaped by the influence of liberation theology. In a book written with Fr. Gustavo Gutierrez, he noted, “If I am hungry, that is a material problem; if someone else is hungry, that is a spiritual problem.”

*“People call me a saint and I think, I have to work harder. Because a saint would be a great thing to be.” -Paul Farmer*

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

**Mercy Garden**

*Be perfect, Jesus says. Pray for those who persecute you. I try to pray for the perfectionist who persecuted me, projecting shame on me like violence on a movie screen. But flashes of memory intrude on my prayer: images of eyes shadowy with judgment, and teeth, pointed and bared. I unbow my head instinctively, unfold my hands to shield my vulnerable cheeks.*

Unprepared to offer prayer for the one who harmed me, I widen my petition:

*May the sun rise tomorrow, may the rain fall on us all.  
Let there be light, indiscriminate and warm. Let there come  
storms to drench the merciful and cleanse the mean alike,  
to baptize the seemingly irredeemable  
as well as the merely imperfect.  
Let the scorched earth of persecuted souls  
be transformed by your gaze into a garden  
where long-buried seeds of compassion  
germinate at last, grow and flower,  
and humankind, driven to persecute our own kind,  
turns finally in blossoming surrender to you,  
who give us power, intending it for mercy,  
only for mercy, like yours toward my persecutor and me.*

In the clearing after prayer, my mind’s eye sees the perfectionist who persecuted me cloaked in a hairshirt inherited from parents who never cared for their child. Now all the meanness I experience makes sorrowful sense. Now forgiveness like rainfall soaks into my skin and rinses shame away that was never mine to bear.

*In your mercy, comes a new prayer,  
Let your face shine on my enemy through me.*

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