

FEBRUARY 8, 2026~~APRIL 27, 2025~~



12:00 ~~Walter & Sigmund Frydlewicz req. by Family~~
~~Helen & Gerard Boeklet req. by Family~~

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2026~~MAY 4, 2025~~

<i>Mass</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
5:00PM	H. Conway	H. Conway
	S. Michelli	S. Donohue
	M. Derbyshire	S. Wilson
6:30AM	S. Brown	J. Robbins
	S. Brown	M. Konopka
8:00AM		J. Sweeten
	Teson	R. Rysak
	J. Sweeten	R. Juliano
	J. Teson	
10:00AM	P. Kolman	P. Cummings
	T. Cullen	P. Kolman
	M. Ciampoli	D. Makowiecki
	N. Burnosky	P. Cullen
12:00PM	D. Bores	B. Gibbons
	P. Cargan	R. Spear
	B. Gibbons	
	J. Spear	

Monday ~~February 9, 2026~~**April 28, 2025**
 6:30 Frances E. Marinucci req. by Janda Family
 8:00 Mark Burgmann req. by Susan Guest
 6:30 Anna Marie Gorski req. by Susan Vass
 8:00 Rev. Louis Kolenkiewicz req. by Fischer Family

Tuesday ~~February 10, 2026~~**April 29, 2025**
 6:30 Sadie & Ed Devlin req. by Monica/Fred Bloesch
 8:00 Anne O'Shea req. by Husband Ron
 6:30 Stratton Family req. by Mary Elmer
 8:00 Ron Mulray req. by TJ Fluehr/ Korinne Jacob

Wednesday ~~February 11, 2026~~**April 30, 2025**
 6:30 Carolyn McCann req. by Fred & Monica Bloesch
 8:00 Tiffanie Polidora req. by Colleen & Mike Friseo
 6:30 Jean Kolb req. by M/M Nick Campagna
 8:00 Bridget Higgins req. by Mom, Dad & John

Thursday ~~February 12, 2026~~**May 1, 2025**
 6:30 Dr. Alisa Devlin req. by Monica & Fred Bloesch
 8:00 Carolyn DeSautel req. by Susan Guest
 6:30 Rimantas Stirbys req. by Trzaska Family
 8:00 Frank Dzwoniarek req. by Linda Dzwoniarek

Friday ~~February 13, 2026~~**May 2, 2025**
 6:30 Linda Dluoik req. by Marianne & Paul Klein
 8:00 Tiffanie Polidoro req. by Jessica & Dennis McKee

6:30 Elmer Family req. by Mary Elmer
 9:00 Leon Flanagan req. by Mom & Dad
 8:00 Linda Palermo req. by Trzaska Family

Saturday ~~February 14, 2026~~**May 3, 2025**
 8:00 Rev. Louise Kolenkiewicz req. by Jean Neary
 Rose Ricciardi req. by Colleen & Patrick Ricciardi
 5:00PM John Lee req. by Nancy Lee
 Richard Dittert req. by Mena Dittert

Sunday ~~February 15, 2026~~**May 4, 2025**
 6:30 Ray Flaville req. by Richmond Family
 Sheila Malone req. by Kathryn & Chris Hanratty
 8:00 Yvonne McGurk req. by Michael McGurk
 Holy Soules in Purgatory req. by Mary Elmer
 10:00 Robert Butler Jr req. by Joan Butler
 Marilyn L. Fluehr req. by Susan Guest

PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026~~MAY 4, 2025~~

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

PRAYER
for the infirm of our parish

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All sick parishioners, their relatives, and friends:

~~Theresa Foehntman~~ — friend of Kilrain Family

~~Carmen Bianco~~ — friend of Kilrain Family

~~Pat Erdman~~ — friend of Zegarski Family

~~Fina Dunleavy~~ — relative of Mary Ann & Karen Zegarski

~~Caroline Conway~~ — friend of Joyce Rainier



All deceased parishioners, their relatives, and friend:

~~Marie Murray~~ — parishioner

~~Frank Daley~~ — husband of Lillian Daley

~~Ed Rapone~~ - husband of Patricia Rapone

For those in the armed forces: ~~Jordan Olszewski~~-Army; Jack Coffey-Air Force; Jacob Gizzi-Marines; Joseph Pitts-Air Force; Brendan Vizza-Marines; Andrew Morrison, Marine Corp; Eric Charles Taylor-Navy; Emma Marks-Navy; Ryan Sylvester-Air Force; ~~Kyle Higgins~~-Army; Justin T. Erbrick-Army; Sean Conroy-Navy; Joseph Erbrick, III-Marines; Joseph Costick-Coast Guard; 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

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 - we must hear directly from the patient's family.

THANK YOU – The Little Sisters of the Poor would like to than Our Lady of Calvary Parish for their generosity from their appeal. We collected \$2,531.00. You are remembered in their prayers.

POSITION OPENING – Our Lady of Calvary Rectory is looking to fill a FT/PT position which includes general office as well as some administrative duties. Knowledge of Quickbooks business system a plus and experience with Microsoft Office necessary. Training on other systems available for the prospective candidate who would be willing to learn. Looking for a motivated individual with a good work ethic and the ability to handle a diversified workload. Please call Kathy at 215-637-7515 for an interview.

CALVARY SENIORS – Meetings are held on Tuesday at Regina Coeli Hall (across from Torresdale train station), 9617 James Street. Doors open at 9:30AM and meetings begin at 10:30AM.



18th Annual Man Up Philly Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2026 at Cardinal O'Hara HS from 8:30AM until 5:00PM. For more information, go to Catholic4men@gmail.com

Parables & Pizza – Young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome to join us for a Bible Study series focusing on the parables of Jesus. The next meeting is February 11, 2026 at 7PM at Resurrection of Our Lord Lower Leve/Life center, 2000 Shelmire Ave. Come for one week or come

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for all. No RSVP required. Email cyanphilly@gmail.com for more information.

TEMPORARY ENVELOPES – Please remember before placing a temporary envelope in the Offertory basket at Mass to write your name and address on the front of the envelope. Temporary envelopes are located right inside the front doors of the Church. Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of Calvary Parish.

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The Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary invite you to join them for a High Tea and raffle to benefit Camilla Hall, the Nursing Facility and Convent Home of Retired and aged IHM sisters. All Funds will be raised for purchasing beds and recliners for our aging and infirmed sisters.

CALVARY SENIORS meet every Tuesday at Regina Coeli Hall (across from Torresdale train station), 9617 James Street. Doors open at 9:30 and the meeting starts at 10:30.

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Sippin' for the Sisters
March 15, 2026 from 1:00PM-3:30PM
At Villa Maria House of Studies-IHM Motherhouse
1 Our Lady Circle
Malvern PA 19355
For more information, call 610-647-2160, x 1926. Tickets are \$40/person and \$20 for children ages 4-12. Men, women, children, dolls and teddy bears are all welcome to this official tea party!

Run for the Roses – Fundraiser to benefit Sr. Joan Ames Scholarship Endowment (Little Flower High School) on May 3, 2025 at The Brookside Manor at Somerton Springs from 5-9PM. Live viewing of the 151st Kentucky Derby, Buffet dinner, dress to impress contest, silent auction, Raffles & DJ Bananas entertainment – tickets \$75/person – cash bar. Tickets <https://bit.ly/RosesEvent>

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ALSO – IRISH CONERT with Internationally renowned Tenor Mark Forrest
4:00PM – 6:00PM
For information, Call Maureen Cislo at 610-647-2160, ext 1926 – M aureen.Cislo@ihmimm.org

ARCHBISHOP RYAN HIGH SCHOOL 50th YEAR REUNION – 1975 will be held on Friday, May 30, 2025 from 7PM to 11PM at the Southampton Room, 2980 Southampton Road. Tickets on sale at www.arhs.me/class75reunion. Email friendsofryan.team@gmail.com for questions.

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MATERNITY B.V.M. Pre-Cana Session- attending a Pre-Cana Session is required for all engage couples preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. Maternity B.V.M. will be holding their Spring Pre-Cana Day on Saturday, February 28, 2026. Advance registration is necessary. To register, please call 215-673-8127.

Alumni Mass & All-Class Reunion for St. Charles Borromeo School, Bensalem, PA on Saturday, May 17, 2025 – 5:00PM Mass – gathering immediately following Mass in the Cafeteria. BYOB, appetizers, hoagies and wraps, dessert, music, school tours, 50/50. Suggested donations \$ 10 per person. RSVP to Colleen at 215-606-5396 /

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Divine Mercy Novena – starting Good Friday (immediately following the Good Friday 3PM service) as our Lord instructed St. Faustine to Pray! The Novena will continue thru Divine Mercy Sunday on April 27.

Al Anon meeting at 7:00PM on Sundays (in person) in the lower church meeting room.

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Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for Life and Family is sponsoring **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS** on May 3, at 5:15PM at the Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter and Paul, 1723 Race Street. This is celebrating couples who have been married 1-5 years, 10, 25 and 50 years. Register at Phillycatholiclife.org

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
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Limits to Technological Manipulation of the Human Body. Previous editions of the ERDs (in 1995, 2009, and 2018) had not explicitly addressed the transgender issue in health care.

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Celebrating the New Revision of the Ethical Religious Directives

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) voted overwhelmingly to approve the seventh edition of the *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services (ERDs)* at its November 2025 meeting. The ERDs now notably includes an explicit prohibition against "gender-affirming care" at Catholic hospitals as well as many other beneficial updates to the text.

The prohibition on interventions or actions supportive of the transgender ideology is framed in the context of Catholic theology and anthropology. **The Church views the human person as a unity of body and soul and affirms that one's biological sex is a gift from God when we are created that should be accepted and respected.** Directive 28 references both the encyclical *Amoris Laetitia* and the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith's 2024 declaration on human dignity, *Dignitas Infinita*. This seventh edition of the ERDs constitutes the most extensive revision since 1994 with changes to four of the six component parts of the document. Below are just a few highlights of other modifications.

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The National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC) issues a press statement welcoming the new ERDs and expressing gratitude to the bishops for consulting with the NCBC during the drafting of the new document. The NCBC's president, Dr. John A. Di Camillo, emphasized that the ERDs "are a major touchstone for the mission and work of the NCBC." He added, "We are ready to assist with the implementation of this seventh edition of the ERDs in dioceses and health care systems around the country. Now more than ever, our world needs this clear-sighted moral guidance rooted in the dignity of the human person."

The seventh edition explicitly prohibits Catholic health care professionals and institutions from referring patients for interventions that violate the moral law. It also shortens and sharpens Directive 39 with clear condemnation of the cryopreservation of embryos and gametes and post-mortem gamete retrieval. Voluntary Stopping Eating and Drinking (VSED) is included and defined as a form of suicide that should not be facilitated by Catholic health care institutions, and Catholic health care professionals are exhorted to make every effort to dissuade patients from VSED. The full range of ethical multidisciplinary palliative care was endorsed for the first time in this latest edition of the ERDS.

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Since 1971, the USCCB has published the ERDs to distill magisterial teachings and the Catholic moral tradition into a practical and succinct normative guide for Catholic health care in the United States. The ERDs are the most comprehensive and consistent framework of Catholic health care ethics serving not only Catholic health care ministries and professionals but also for ethicists and lay people seeking to apply Catholic moral principles in health care decision-making.

Directive 45 was edited to clarify the definition of abortion and is now even more comprehensive than in past editions. Procured abortion is now defined as the "deliberate and direct killing, by whatever means it is carried out, of a human being in the initial phase of his or her existence, extending from conception to birth." The text affirms that "the removal of a living embryo or fetus from the uterus before viability in an abortion." They added that the "removal after viability with the intent for it to result in the death of a living fetus is also an abortion."

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A revision of the ERDs was initiated in 2023 principally to provide clear guidance on medical interventions related to gender identity. The revised Directive 28 now proscribes "interventions, whether surgical, hormonal, or genetic, that aim not to restore but rather to alter the fundamental order of the body in its form or function." This includes procedures and treatments intended to transform a person's distinctive sexual traits to resemble those of the opposite sex or to nullify the body's sexual characteristics. This formalizes earlier guidance from the USCCB Doctrine Committee, notably the *2023 Doctrinal Note on the Moral*

It is a blessing for Catholics to have updated ethical guidance from U.S. bishops in the fast-evolving area of biomedicine. The Church seeks to ponder will before pronouncing herself, but also to provide timely instruction. This latest revision of the ERDs was the fruit of a more than two-year process originating with the Doctrine Committee of the USCCB and included input from the Roman Curia. Given the increased pace with which

science and technology are developing, one can reasonably expect that the ERDs will require another update in the next few years. The average time between revisions has been decreasing. One of the most likely areas needing to be addressed soon is the ethical use of Artificial Intelligence or AI that is emerging as a new challenge in health care and many other fields.

Joseph Meaney, PhD, KM Dec 10, 2025
National Catholic Bioethics Center ncbcenter.org

followed by a closing prayer.

1. Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. Optional Opening Prayers

St. Faustina's Prayer for Sinners

O Jesus, eternal Truth, our Life, I call upon You and I beg Your mercy for poor sinners. O sweetest Heart of my Lord, full of pity and unfathomable mercy, I plead with You for poor sinners. O Most Sacred Heart, Fount of Mercy from which gush forth rays of inconceivable graces upon the entire human race, I beg of You light for poor sinners. O Jesus, be mindful of Your own bitter Passion and do not permit the loss of souls redeemed at so dear a price of Your most precious Blood. O Jesus, when I consider the great price of Your Blood, I rejoice at its immensity, for one drop alone would have been enough for the salvation of all sinners. Although sin is an abyss of wickedness and ingratitude, the

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited using ordinary Rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska and

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price paid for us
can never be
equalled. Therefore,
let every soul trust
in the Passion of
the Lord, and place
its hope in His
mercy. God will not
deny His mercy to
anyone. Heaven
and earth may
change, but God's
mercy will never be
exhausted. Oh,
what immense joy
burns in my heart
when I contemplate
Your
incomprehensible
goodness, O

Jesus!
I
desire to bring all
sinners to Your feet
that they may
glorify Your mercy
throughout endless
ages (Diary, 72).

You
expired, Jesus, but
the source of life
gushed forth for
souls, and the ocean
of mercy opened up
for the whole
world. O Fount of
Life, unfathomable
Divine Mercy,
envelop the whole
world and empty
Yourself out upon
us.

(Repeat
three times)

O Blood
and Water, which
gushed forth from
the Heart of Jesus
as a fount of mercy
for us, I trust in
You!

3. Our Father

Our
Father, Who art in
Heaven, Hallowed

be Thy name: Thy
kingdom come;
Thy will be done on
earth as it is in
Heaven. Give us
this day our daily
bread; and forgive
us our trespasses, as
we forgive those
who trespass
against us; and lead
us not into
temptation, but
deliver us from
evil, Amen.

4. Hail Mary

Hail Mary,
full of grace. The
Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou
amongst women,
and blessed is the
fruit of thy womb,
Jesus, Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour
of our death, Amen.

5. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in
God, the Father
almighty, Creator
of Heaven and
earth, and in Jesus
Christ, His only
Son, Our Lord, who
was conceived by
the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered
under Pontius
Pilate, was
crucified, died and
was buried; He
descended into hell;
on the third day He
rose again from the
dead; He ascended
into Heaven, and is
seated at the right
hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there He will
come to judge the
living and the dead.

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I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

6. The Eternal Father
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

7. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. Repeat for the remaining decades
Saying the
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