

**MARCH 1, 2026-APRIL 27, 2025**



10:00 Souls in Purgatory req. by Trish Cullen—~~Marilyn L. Fluehr~~ req. by Susan Guest  
 12:00 Robert Daley req. by Family ~~Helen & Gerard~~  
 Booklet req. by Family

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 8, 2026-MAY 4, 2025**

Mass	Communion	Lectors
5:00PM	S. Michielli	V. Haggerty
	S. Michielli	S. Donohue
	S. Wilson	S. Wilson
6:30AM	L. Konopka	A.M. Coyle
	S. Brown	M. Konopka
8:00AM		J. Sweeten
	R. Johnson	J. Teson R. Juliano
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10:00AM	T. Cullen	N. Burnosky
	T. Cullen	P. Kolman
	N. Burnosky	P. Cummings
	N. Burnosky	P. Cullen
12:00PM	B. Richmond	D. Bores
	D. Bores R. Spear	B. Gibbons
	J. Spear	

**Monday** March 2, 2026 ~~April 28, 2025~~  
 6:30 Frances E. Marinucci req. by Janda Family  
 8:00 Mark Burgmann req. by Susan Guest  
 6:30 Walter Reilly req. by Family  
 8:00 Ed Kerr req. by Kathy Reilly

**Tuesday** March 3, 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 Jim Francis req. by Lucy DiDonato  
 8:00 Michael DiLauro req. By Denise Herens

**Wednesday** March 4, 2026 ~~April 30, 2025~~  
 6:30 Carolyn McCann req. by Fred & Monica Bloesch  
 8:00 Tiffanie Polidora req. by Colleen & Mike Frisco  
 6:30 Geraldine Smith req. By Joanne & Dan Cistone  
 8:00 Ron Mulray req. By Jim & Cathy Colombo

**Thursday** March 5, 2026 ~~May 1, 2025~~  
 6:30 Dr. Alisa Devlin req. by Monica & Fred Bloesch  
 8:00 Carolyn DeSautel req. by Susan Guest  
 6:30 Srs of the Holy Family of Nazareth  
 8:00 Sr. Marita Christi. IHM req. by Bonner Family

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

6:30 Michael P. Leddy, Sr req. by Debbi Marenbach  
 9:00 Leon Flanagan req. by Mom & Dad  
 8:00 George Sullivan req. by Jim Palumbo  
 9:00 Anne Marie Gorski req. by Kramer Family

**Saturday** March 7, 2026 ~~May 3, 2025~~  
 8:00 Thomas Elmer req. by Mother ~~Rose Ricciardi~~ req. by Colleen & Patrick Ricciardi  
 5:00PM Irene McKeaney req. by Kramer Family ~~Richard Dittert~~ req. by Mena Dittert

**Sunday** March 8, 2026 ~~May 4, 2025~~  
 6:30 Robert O. Schmidt req. by Re & Tony—Sheila Malone req. by Kathryn & Chris Hanratty  
 8:00 Patricia Resnick req. by Gonzaga Family ~~Holy Soules in Purgatory~~ req. by Mary Elmer

**PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026-MAY 4, 2025**

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



On Sunday, February 22, 2026, one girl received the sacrament of Baptism by which she was incorporated into the Body of Christ:

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Sophia Rose Grimmie- daughter of John Grimmie and Elizabeth Duncan

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All sick parishioners, their relatives, and friends:

Theresa Foehltman— 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

John Kubala- brother of Ed & Fran Kubala

All deceased parishioners, their relatives, and friend:

Marie Murray— parishioner

Frank Daley— husband of Lillian Daley

Gerardo LaGrosa- husband of Maria LaGrosa

Frances Sterthous- parishioner

▲ 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 e hospital - we must hear directly from the patient./family.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be on Fridays during Lent with Deacon John Teson. Stations will begin at 7:00PM.

LENTEN HOLY HOUR WITH BENEDICTION will be held at 7:00PM until 8:00PM on Wednesdays beginning:

March 4

March 18

March 25

We begin with Evening Prayer, including Lectio Divina, have a talk, then end with Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. This Lent our Focus is on the Sacraments as Seeds of Grace.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Don't Journey alone this Lent!

Walk with Jesus through the desert and be transformed by the Grace of Easter

Tuesday March 3

Tuesday March 10

Tuesday March 17

Tuesday March 24

Monday March 30

At Our Lady of Calvary Parish Lower Church Meeting Room at 6:30PM.

All are Welcome

Bring your Bible (optional)

No sign-up necessary

Let this Lent transform your heart

See you there! Fr. Ryan

▲ Annual Palm Making at Our Lady of Consolation on

Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> thru Friday, March 27 from 8PM-8PM.

We'll teach you what to do Lots of fun & camaraderie. To

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volunteer, please call Tony 215-837-7666 or email [tonyvolpe22@hotmail.com](mailto:tonyvolpe22@hotmail.com)  
Palm sale on Saturday, Mar 28 and Sunday, Mar 29.

**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.

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for Life and Family is sponsoring WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS on May 3, at 5:15PM at the Cathedral Basilica of St. 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](http://Phillycatholiclife.org)

**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.

**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.

**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 151<sup>st</sup> Kentucky Derby, Buffet dinner, dress to impress contest, silent auction, Raffles & DJ Bananas entertainment — tickets \$75/person — cash bar. Tickets <https://bit.ly/RosesEvent>

**ARCHBISHOP RYAN HIGH SCHOOL 50<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.arhs.me/class75reunion) Email [friendsofryan.team@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofryan.team@gmail.com) for questions.

**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 /

**FUEL COLLECTION** will be the second collections on the weekend of March 14 and 15, 2026.

The three recent snowstorms and cold weather have wreaked havoc on our expenses at the Church and School. Aside from the very costly heat, snow removal and salting expenses, the decline in our Mass attendance and the related weekly offerings have put us in a vulnerable position with regard to meeting our expenses. I implore you to be a generous as possible in your offerings and make up any you may have missed. Our Church and School budget depend on your generous commitment to your parish.

Following is the expenses we have incurred since December, 2025 until February, 2026 (not including the last snowstorm).

Church Heat	\$1,972.75
School Heat	\$24,926.70
Snow Removal/Salting	\$12,500.00

May God bless all of you and keep you safe and warm until the joy of Spring is upon us.

**St. Matthew Parish** is having a TRIVIA NIGHT on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>! This is a TEAM event, so gather friends and family to assemble a team of 8-10 people. Each table is \$250. There can be NO MORE than 10 People on a team. Email [rectory@stmmayfair.org](mailto:rectory@stmmayfair.org) to arrange to purchase your table before March 4<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

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~~MARCH 1, 2026~~ APRIL 27, 2025

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

conversation with some of the health policy team at the White House as they considered possible strategies for increasing the supply of live donor kidneys. We discussed the ethical, legal, economic and health implications of some proposed solution, including the proposal to reward organ donation by providing various non-cash benefits.

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**Can We Pay Others to Donate a Kidney?  
Making Sense of Bioethics Fr. Tad Pacholczyk**

During the White House meetings, some parties to the discussion offered recommendations that the government provide lifetime guaranteed coverage of all future medical expenses, or lifetime health insurance, to every person who becomes a living kidney donor. I emphasized that we should not be "encouraging" donation by offering a sacrificial act and for a proportionate reason, such as saving "incentives" to donors as a direct benefit at all. Offering lifetime health insurance or similar proposals would, in my view, constitute a form of payment "valuable consideration" offered to the donor, and would again raise the problem of improperly incentivizing the donation of organs, pressuring someone to consider donating as a way to secure lifetime health insurance coverages.

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Often we envision donating our organs after we are dead, but we can also choose to become an organ donor while we are alive if we share part of our liver or donate one of our kidneys. The proposal to give one of our two kidneys away, though, does raise some ethical and safety concerns. There can be long-term risks for the donor. Donating a kidney, moreover, would not be therapeutic for us – only for someone else – and in fact might slightly increase our own risk for experiencing renal failure in the future

Clearly we have a general duty to respect the integrity of our body. This means we shouldn't cause injury to it, or damage it, for example, through surgeries or treatments that are not necessary to preserve our health or save our life. In light of these considerations, donating one of our kidneys would seem to run counter to our responsibility to maintain bodily integrity.

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Yet the notion of integrity can also be understood in a broader sense, namely, as functional integrity, so that if one of our kidneys were removed without imposing undue risk, and without a significant loss of blood filtering function, then we could say that the functional integrity of our renal system was preserved. In that case, the removal of one of our kidneys, as or improving another person's life, could be justified. This is what the Church affirms.

A further ethical concern, however, centers on the fact that the decision to donate must be made freely by the donor, and consent should be given without any undue pressure. This means that offering payments for organs is fundamentally coercive and unethical.

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We face a serious shortage of available kidneys for transplant in the U.S. Average wait times for a kidney are approaching five years, and about 15-20 people die each day while waiting for an organ – the majority for a kidney. In August of 2018, I participated in a

Providing reimbursement of expenses should not be viewed as encouraging or incentivizing the donation itself, but rather as "eliminating disincentives," or "removing hindrances or roadblocks". An organ donor should not have to assume extra person expense or take on other heavy burdens to be able freely to help out another patient who would benefit from receiving his or her kidney.  
From the ethical point of view, our ultimate goal should be not so much to "incentive donation," as to "support or encourage personal generosity" on the part of those individuals who may desire to donate freely one of their kidneys. The distinction is an important one. At the end of the day, we want people to become organ donors, not organ vendors. Human

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organs and tissues, because of their close proximity and connection to our human identity, cannot be reduced to commodities to be acquired or sold on an open market. We must do what we can, legally and otherwise, to safeguard the generosity of the organ donors freely chose act and prevent others, especially the poor and disadvantaged, from being exploited because they need money, health care, or other "incentives".

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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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