



PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

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

Monday March 18, 2024

6:30 Rita Belfiore req. by Lina Rossi
 8:00 Kevin Berk req. by Marlene & Joe Colantonio

Tuesday March 19, 2024

6:30 Helen Buehler req. by Lina Rossi
 8:00 Joseph Bilikiewicz req. by Linda Dzwoniarek

Wednesday March 20, 2024

6:30 Joe Reilly req. by Family
 8:00 Danuta Cieslik req. by Children

Thursday March 21, 2024

6:30 Martin Schlosser req. by Lina Rossi
 8:00 Leona Zatkis req. by Linda Dzwoniarek

Friday March 22, 2024

6:30 Dec'd Members of Kirk Family
 8:00 James Rainier req. by Family

Saturday March 23, 2024

8:00 Colleen Everly req. by Dinger Family
 5:00PM Catherine Sutter req. by Duggan Family

Sunday March 24, 2024

6:30 Walter & Sophie Zegarski req. by Family
 8:00 Sharon Martin req. by Bob & Bev Sottung
 10:00 Tom & Joanne Kilian req. by Joan Schaffling
 12:00 Dec'd Mem of Knecht Family req. by Family



On Sunday, March 10, 2024, one boy received the sacrament of Baptism by which he was incorporated into the Body of Christ:
Dillon Patrick Grow – son of Ryan Grow & Miranda Rodriguez



All sick parishioners, their relatives, and friends:

All deceased parishioners, their relatives, and friends:

Tom Kilian- brother of Peg Wierzbicki

For those in the armed forces: 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; 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 - we must hear directly from the patient/family.

CONGRATULATIONS to our FEBRUARY CALENDAR WINNERS - #913, 417, 440, 5116.



LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 24, 2024

<i>Mass</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
5:00PM	C. Gola S. Wilson	C. Gola
6:30AM	L. Konopka	A.M. Coyle
8:00AM	J. Sweeten M. Hatfield	J. Teson
10:00AM	M. Bateman J. Hopkins	C. Comly J. Lynch
12:00PM	J. Spear R. Spear	J. Guiffre



Stations of the Cross

7:00PM with Benediction on Friday during Lent with Deacon John Teson.

Lenten Holy Hour with Benediction – 7:00PM
Tuesday, March 19 – Bread for the Journey

Novena for Divine Mercy Sunday will begin on Good Friday – March 29 immediately following the 3PM service

Holy Saturday- March 30 – 6:00PM (before the Easter Vigil)

Easter Sunday – March 31 – after the 10AM Mass
During Easter Week April 1 thru April 5 at 6:00PM in the Chapel or the back of church

The Catholic Preaching Institute – The CPI at Saint Charles Seminary again invites you to participate in what could be the largest-ever study of preaching in the nation! Tell us what you think in a 10-minute online survey at <https://catholicsleaders.online/phillypreaching>. Please share this info with your family members, friends, and contacts so that we receive maximum input...to help us better design programs that will make your experience of homilies more compelling!

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 2024 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.

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

ATTENTION ALL YOU PHILLIES FANS!!! Our Lady of Calvary Home & School Association is sponsoring a Sunday season package for 5 People! Wheel raffle tickets are \$25.00 each for a chance to win tickets for 14 Sunday games for 5 people. Cut off to purchase tickets for the wheel is March 24, 2024. Please Venmo OLCHands or contact us at Homeandschool@olcalvary.org

The Parent Auxiliary of Troop/Cub Pack 460 is holding an ADULT SOCIAL NIGHT FUNDRAISER on Friday, April 12, 2024. All proceeds benefit Troop/Cub Pack 460. The Adult Social (21+) is from 7:30PM -11:30PM at St. Dominic’s Marian Hall located at 8532 Frankford Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19136. Tickets are \$45.00 in advance and \$50.00 at the door unless sold out. Tables can be reserved with the purchase of 10 tickets. Food, beer, wine, and soda are included. There will be a DJ, games, raffle baskets, and a 50/50. For tickets, questions, or if any business or person would like to donate to our basket raffle, please text or call Stephanie West at 267-688-5334, Marisa Johnson 267-216-4653 or Beth Molloy 215-281-3365. Tickets can also be purchased in the OLCY gym on Thursday nights from 7PM-8:30PM

CALVARY SENIORS meet every Tuesday – doors open at 9:30AM and meetings begin at 10:30AM. We meet at Regina Coeli Hall, 9617 James Street. Come join us and enjoy playing cars and bingo.

VENDOR/CRAFT FAIR – sponsored by St. Hubert High School Parent Association on April 6, 2024 from 9AM to 2PM. Contact Sheila Picinic at s.picinich@olcalvaryschool.org for more information.

Calvary A.A. Mother’s Club 3rd Annual Easter Eggstravaganza sponsored by TJ Fluehr on Saturday, March 30th from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the upper fields outside gym doors - \$25/child – Bunny photos, face painting, crafts, snacks, goody bags...All included -PreK-6th Grade. Cash or Venmo @CalvaryAA include names, ages, contact info. Questions – Amber Simone at Mrssimone0514@aol.com – Register no later then 3/27.

Nazareth Academy HS will be hosting SPRING OPEN HOUSE on Wednesday, April 24, 2024. Pre-registration is required – NazarethAcademyHS.org/admissions/visit-us. Or call Ashley Figaniak at 215-268-1026.

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Proportionate and Disproportionate Means of Care

One of the most difficult circumstances we may encounter when deciding how to best care for a loved one is differentiating between *proportionate and disproportionate* means of care. The following points highlight the difference and whether or not that particular means of care is obligatory.

What is the difference between proportionate and disproportionate means of care?

Proportionate intervention refers to “ordinary means” of care, those procedures which are easy to do and likely to be beneficial to the patient. The term “disproportionate intervention” refers to “extraordinary means” of care, those procedures that may be difficult and may not prove beneficial to the patient. *Thus, proportionate means of care, or ordinary treatments, will offer a reasonable hope of benefit to the patient, are not excessively costly, and are not unduly burdensome.*

Why is proportionate means of care obligatory but disproportionate means of care is not?

“Proportionate interventions” are obligatory because we have a duty to preserve our lives. A procedure or treatment that is likely to be successful, is not painful, is not psychologically disturbing, and is not expensive would be “ordinary means” of care and, thus, obligatory.

“Disproportionate interventions” are not obligatory, however. Although we have a duty to preserve our lives, we are not required to resort to these procedures or treatments that may be “extraordinary” in character for such reasons as: they may be procedures that are rarely done, experimental, long and difficult to carry out, and/or have a low probability of success. Also, it may be too painful, and/or it may be psychologically disturbing (as some patients have very strong reactions to particular procedures), and it may be expensive. In these circumstances, there is no moral obligation to allow or pursue “extraordinary means” of treatment. We can pursue them, but we are under no obligation to do so.

If an individual comes to the realization that a proposed medical intervention is disproportionate, is he morally obligated to decline it?

No, an individual is not morally obligated to decline a disproportionate means of treatment. As stipulated in the document by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*, “A person may forego extraordinary or disproportionate means of preserving life” (ERS #57). The decision whether or not to pursue and endure a disproportionate means of treatment is optional and personal, as it should take into consideration the patient’s personal, financial, family, and social circumstances. “The free and informed judgement made by a competent adult patient concerning the use or withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures should always be respected and normally complied with, unless it is contrary to moral teaching” (ERD #59). Additionally, Pope Pius XII noted in his address to Catholic physicians and anesthesiologists, that “...one is not forbidden to take more than the strictly necessary steps to preserve life and health, as long as it does not fail in some more serious duty.”

Once you begin a particular medical procedure, deemed to be a proportionate intervention, does that mean you are thereby obligated to continue the procedure in continuity afterwards?

Once a particular medical procedure, deemed to be a proportionate means of treatment, is begun *you are obligated to continue it until it no longer meets the criteria of being a proportionate intervention* (beneficial, not painful nor causing psychological distress, and not expensive). However, *you are not obligated to continue with said procedure when it is no longer “proportionate” but becomes a “disproportionate intervention”* (in that it is not beneficial, is painful and/or causes psychological distress and/or is expensive). Pope Pius XII clarifies this in his address to Catholic physicians and anesthesiologists, “While one can forego extraordinary means to begin with, one may also cease such lifesaving attempts once the means (already initiated) are determined to be extraordinary.