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**SAVE THE DATE**

*Our Parish Centennial  
"Closing Mass"  
will be celebrated on  
Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> 4:00PM  
with Archbishop Perez.*

For Information regarding  
Upcoming Funerals & Services,  
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[www.sfaparish.org](http://www.sfaparish.org)  
and click on...



# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY



**Sunday, May 26, 2024**

7:30AM John Williams

9:30AM Marianne Bianco (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.)

11:30AM Rocco L. Rinaldi, Sr. (21<sup>st</sup> Ann.)

**Memorial Day, May 27, 2024**

8:00AM Living & Deceased Veterans

**Tuesday, May 28, 2024**

8:00AM Rev. James A. Grant

**Wednesday, May 29, 2024**

8:00AM Lucille Brown

**ADORATION (Following 8AM Mass through 7PM Holy Hour)**

**Thursday, May 30, 2024**

8:00AM Bea Donato

**Friday, May 31, 2024**

8:00AM Rita Grayum

**Saturday, June 1, 2024**

8:00AM Francis J. Brown (15<sup>th</sup> Ann.)

3:00PM Confessions

**4:00PM 100th Anniversary Closing Mass  
with Archbishop Perez**

**Sunday, June 2, 2024**

7:30AM John and Lillian Bochert & Family

9:30AM Ferdinand Joseph Thurwanger

11:30AM Jamie McPoyle

†REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED†

*Especially, Claire Wagner*

*May they rest in God's peace and may their families be comforted.*



**MEMORIAL FOR MAY 2024**

Bread and Wine ~ Daniel Herron, Sr.

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE**

This candle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. For the Week **May 26th**, the candle will burn with love for **Mary Ann Calabrese** as requested by **Mary Herron**.



**ATTENTION:**

**DUE TO THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY,  
THE RECTORY IS CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 27<sup>th</sup>.**

## Prayer Corner



Dean Segal	Emily Belfie	Evan Farrington
Baby DeSantis	Arthur LeTourneau	Michael Farley
Dominic Rosini	Bill Colgan	Bill Seavey
Colin Murray	Lou DeSantis	Dolores Govannicci
Monique Carpenter	Brian Marandola	Ethel LeVasseur
Anne McGlone	Carmen Salerno	Michael Costa
Maria DiGiacinto	Amy Faulls	Joanne Marks
David Clemmer	Mary Benedetti	Veronica Suppa
Catherine Lindsey	Shealyn Mencil	Caroline Donovan
Danny Hynes	Kathy Fritz	Fran Donnelly
Robert W. Bollinger	Jeannie Brattini	Emily Meakin
Leslie Dougherty	Joanne DeSantis	Paula Bazela
Margaret Binetsky	Ron Fraatz	Cathy Kenney
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Maryann McCauley	Marie Martin	Beverly Scarani
Bob Buchanan	Greg Schmidt	Vince Kelly
Alicia Bona	Albert Panebianco	Hank McElwee
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Carolina Longmore	Ann Farren	Brian Griffin
Maryann Murphy	Dan Bruno	Marsha Four
Cathy Baj	Malcolm Wills	Patricia Lafferty
Francine Piccone	Robert Ranieri	Jack Schultz
Deacon Joe Gousie	Michelle Rodger	Ambrose Hummel
Sandy Keller	Sadie Keller	Martha McHugh
Susan Lower		

If you have someone you would like prayed for, OR have REMOVED from prayer list, please email Joan Curtis at [sfabulletin@hotmail.com](mailto:sfabulletin@hotmail.com) or call the Rectory at 610-543-0848. Thank you for your prayers.



*Giving Hope*  
TO ALL

Catholic Charities "Night with the Phillies"  
Friday, May 31st 6:40 PM Citizens Bank Park



To Purchase Tickets, visit:

<https://www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org/>

At checkout, an \$8 per ticket Fundraising Rebate Fee will be applied to your order and those proceeds will benefit The Catholic Charities Appeal.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. Our local council 236 at St. Francis held a membership drive last weekend, but you can still join today, simply go to [KofC.org/joinus](http://KofC.org/joinus) and enter our council #236 for local information.

## **BREAKING OPEN THE WORD**

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ~ June 2nd**



**Exodus 24:3-8**

The Israelites proclaimed three times, “all that the Lord says, we will do.” How are you able to rise to that challenge?

**Hebrews 9:11-15**

The Letter to the Hebrews declares that Christ is the mediator of the new covenant available to everyone. How do you respond to this offer and call to full community?

**Mark 14:12-16, 22-26**

The next time you go to Mass, reflect on the example Jesus gives us to take, bless, break, and give. How does Christ’s real presence in the Eucharist transform you? How does receiving His Body and Blood inspire you to give to your community?

### **ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**



If anyone is in need of assistance with utility bills, or other bills, or in need of food, or, if you know of someone who needs help, **please call 610-212-4932** and someone from the St. Vincent de Paul will call you back.

### **RIDE FOR MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS**

If you are in need of a ride to a doctor or test appointment, please call the Rectory 610-543-0848 and someone from the St. Vincent de Paul Society will call you back to coordinate a ride for you.

### **ATTENTION SENIORS & VOLUNTEERS**

If you would be willing to pick up a senior on your way to Mass, please call Pat Brown & give her your name, phone number & your preference for what Mass you attend. Pat’s phone number is **610-328-9831**.

**If you are a senior, who lives within the boundaries of St. Francis Parish** who would like a ride to Mass, please call Pat Brown & give her your name, telephone number, address & your preference for what Mass you would like to attend.

No volunteer would be asked to change the Mass time that they prefer to attend. But your “uber” would make a world of difference in the life of the senior you would be picking up. Please give this some thought and, hopefully, you’ll decide to help out a senior! God Bless!!

### **THANK YOU!!!**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank everyone who contributed food to the Manna Sunday food collection. Your sharing and kindness will help us to help our struggling families now and throughout the summer.

The next Food Collection will be in September.

Thank you and God bless you!

### *The Corner*

*Brought to you by your Evangelization Team*

“The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in Himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them...” *Catechism of the Catholic Church 234*

Wow, what a powerful statement to ponder! Let’s pray the beautiful prayer: “*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*”

### **ST. FRANCIS IN ACTION!!**

St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Springfield PA seeks to emulate our patron saint in service to others. We seek to encounter people in need through a variety of offerings that provide us with the opportunity to be Christ like and to meet Christ in those we serve.



### **ST. JOHN’S HOSPICE COLLECTION**

St John’s Hospice- is a men’s homeless shelter and also serves meals to homeless men. **The collection is the weekend of June 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Please bring breakfast items (cereal, breakfast bars, coffee, tea, juice), personal care items (hand sanitizer, bath soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion, lip balm and shaving items) and new/gently used men clothes. Items can be left in the church entranceways/vestibule. Contact Cathy and Mark Kenney at [cfkenney@verizon.net](mailto:cfkenney@verizon.net) if you wish to drop off items at our home or for further information about the ministry Thanks.

### **ST. JOHN’S HOSPICE CASSEROLES**

The casserole containers and recipes are located in the main vestibule next to the book display and in the basement of the rectory. Casseroles must be frozen and can be dropped off before mass the weekend of St John's Hospice collection. Coolers are at SFA entrances on weekend of collection. Email [cfkenney@verizon.net](mailto:cfkenney@verizon.net) to arrange for pick up or other drop off times. Casseroles are due the same weekend as the St John's collection. Thank you!

### **CARING FOR FRIENDS (CFF)**

Please consider making meals in your home and bringing them to the CFF freezer located in Leonard Hall kitchen (back of Gym). **Fridays 3pm-7:30pm, Saturdays 7:45am-5pm, and Sundays 7:30am-12:30pm.** Meal tins are located in the rectory (during regular business hours) and the vestibule of the church. The CFF program is also looking for volunteers to deliver meals to senior citizens and veterans located in Clifton Heights, Drexel Hill, Media, and Broomall. Meals can be picked up from the SFA "Caring for Friends" freezer or St. Kevin’s freezer for delivery. If you are interested in this ministry or have any questions, call Cheryl Monkman 610-574-5541 or Jill Hoffner 610-733-1593.

### **THE OCIA JOURNEY**

*The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God.*

Do you know someone who may be seeking a relationship with Jesus in the Catholic Church? Tell them about OCIA, (formerly RCIA) Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

***What is the OCIA Journey?***

A journey for those who have never been baptized and are interested in becoming a Catholic OR...

They were baptized in another faith and would like to inquire about the Catholic faith OR...

They are a baptized Catholic but have never finished their initiation. Encourage them to attend an *Evening of Inquiry* on **Monday, June 10, from 7:00-8:00PM in the rectory!**

*Questions? Call Madelyn McBride 610-543-0848 Ex. 118.*



**“PRO-LIFE” LINES”**

Crisis Pregnancy Resource hotline: 610-626-4006.

Rachel’s Vineyard Post-Abortion healing: 877-HOPE-4-ME  
[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).

A Baby’s Breath 24-hour hotline: 484-571-5540.  
[www.ababysbreath.org](http://www.ababysbreath.org).

Delaware County Pregnancy Center: 610-872-2229, [www.dcpchester.org](http://www.dcpchester.org)  
Mother’s Home: 610-583-HOME, [www.mothershome.org](http://www.mothershome.org).

Pro-Life Union of Delaware County: 610-789-LIFE.

**GOD BLESS ALL WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY**



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Michael Armellini ~ Francis McGrail ~ Christopher Johnson  
Ronan Plummer ~ Nicholas and Emma McDonald ~ Owen Galligan

Let us pray for those who SERVE and PROTECT...

Dear Heavenly Father, we lift our sailors, soldiers, marines, airmen, coast guard and families into Your loving care. Protect our Nation from all that is evil. Guide our way through these difficult times. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**SAINT FRANCIS OVER 50 CLUB**



The meeting is this Thursday, May 30th. We are going to have “Pizza Day”. Tickets are required. The doors to Leonard Hall open at 12:30pm and the meeting starts at 1:15pm. Tickets for “Year-End Luncheon,” June 13<sup>th</sup>, will be on sale.

**Casino Trips:** 6/12, 7/10, & 8/13. Cost is \$30 with return of \$15 in slot play. Bus leaves at 10am from the St. Kevin parking lot (200 W. Sproul Road). Park in spaces adjacent to the Springfield Country Club. Call Joe Gowen at 610-739-8146.

**Membership** to our Club is open to the entire community. Anyone who is 50 years of age or older may join the Club regardless of sex, religion, or race. For Membership information, call Cathy Randazzo at 610-328-0408.

**SPRINGFIELD AMERICAN LEGION POST 227 AND SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, DELAWARE COUNTY**



**MONDAY, MAY 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Memorial Day Parade and services will be remembering all Springfield residents who made the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of our country and our community.

**EVENTS SCHEDULE:**

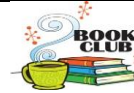
**9:15 AM:** A Memorial Service will start in front of the World War II Memorial at St. Francis of Assisi Church (136 Saxer Avenue) followed by a parade to the Springfield Township building.

**10:00AM:** Memorial Service at Springfield Township Building (50 Powell Road). This year we will be honoring and remembering United States Army 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. **Irving N. Hurley**, a graduate of Springfield High School and Springfield resident who led a platoon of tanks, landing on the beaches of Normandy at Utah Beach on D-Day, June 6, 1944. He was Killed in Action six days later on June 12, 1944. This is especially poignant as this year is the **80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-Day battle.**

In your Memorial Day Services, please include and remember all fallen Springfield military residents, especially 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Irving N. Hurley.

Thank you for supporting the Memorial Day events and fallen Springfield military!

**THE THREE PARISH BOOK CLUB**



The next meeting of the Book Club will be **Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** at the Holy Cross Parish Center. Please join us on May 29 for a discussion of Mary and Me by Ginny Kubitz Moyer. You are always welcome to attend our meetings even if you have not read the selected book. We will also choose a book for September at this meeting. For additional information, please contact Joy Van Berg at 610-328-2095 or at [joyvanberg@gmail.com](mailto:joyvanberg@gmail.com)

**May:** Mary and Me by Ginny Kubitz Moyer

**June:** Ukraine Diary by Henri Nouwen



**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE PASSES THRU THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA May 30-June 3.**

What a grace that we will have the opportunity to welcome and adore Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist as the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route, passes through the Archdiocese of Philadelphia between May 30 and June 3. All are invited to join in the pilgrimage as it makes stops at many of our parishes. For the full schedule of opportunities for prayer, processions and other Eucharistic events, visit [phillyeucharisticrevival.org/pilgrimage](http://phillyeucharisticrevival.org/pilgrimage).

**MASS AND HEALING PRAYER SERVICE AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA** (1 Fatima Drive, Secane, PA 19018. 610-532-5800).

**First Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Praise & Worship at 6:45pm and Mass at 7:00pm. Rev. Roland Slobogin will be the celebrant.** Music provided by Martha’s House.

**THE "MAIN LINE SINGLES DINNER CLUB" (AGES 52-68)** Catholic men & women are cordially invited to join the "Main Line Singles Dinner Club" to share common interests & dine together usually twice a month or once every 3 weeks. We have both restaurant events & house parties & special events. Our next scheduled event is on **Sunday, June 16th @ 5:15 P.M.** A Summer Sizzler/Mad hatter contest house party @ a member's lovely home in Havertown, PA. More info call

Barb (610) 896-6542 - Memo: I DO NOT TEXT! Single men are encouraged to participate.

**CINDY GRIFFIN BASKETBALL CAMP** will be held at Saint Joseph's University from **Monday June 24 - Friday June 28**. All information can be found at [www.cindygriffinbasketballcamps.com](http://www.cindygriffinbasketballcamps.com)

Please do not hesitate to reach out to Joe Logan at 410-402-3855 with any questions.

**RETREAT FOR CATHOLICS AFFECTED BY DIVORCE AND SEPARATION:** **Saturday, June 15, 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.** Join the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith for a half-day retreat specifically geared for Catholics who have been wounded by divorce and/or separation in need of hope and healing. The day will feature talks, time for reflection, Confessions, prayer time, and the anticipated Mass for Sunday at 4p.m. A delicious lunch and snacks are included in the price of the retreat. (Cost: \$60).

**Place:** The Daylesford Abbey, 220 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19031. **Registration:** Go to this link to register: <https://www.nonnatus.org/divorce-retreat.html> or send a \$60 check to: St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation, P.O. Box 951, Skippack, PA 19474-0951.

**RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE** Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held **August 9-11, and on October 4-6** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230.

All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**THE CALIX SOCIETY** "A.A. restores your health and keeps you from an early grave. Calix saves your soul and puts you on the road to heaven." - William J. Montroy, a founder of the Calix Society. Are you in a 12-step recovery program? Do you have family or friends in recovery? Tell them about The Calix Society! We have two Calix units in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We meet the last Saturday of every month at St. Francis of Assisi after the 4:00pm Mass in the Church Library/basement. For more information about the Calix Society visit [www.calixsociety.org](http://www.calixsociety.org). You can also contact Ken Johnston at 215-327-3236 or [ken@notsaintsyet.org](mailto:ken@notsaintsyet.org). For more info about our meeting at SFA: please contact Luke LeTourneau at 610-986-6660.

**SFA CYO** is the recipient of the United Way under the Honor Option Plan. Your donation supports our activities for the youth of our parish. If you wish to support the CYO, please indicate:  
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To Host the Pilgrim Queen Statue in your home for one week, (Sunday to Sunday), visit the Parish website at [sfaparish.org](http://sfaparish.org) and click on the link to **Sign Up** to reserve your week and Be Blessed by Our Lady and Our Lord. For more information, call Roseann Squitieri at 610-328-0635.

**Our Lady, Queen of Peace Presidium Legion of Mary**



*Legion of Mary*

The Saint Francis Chapter of the Legion of Mary (Our Lady, Queen of Peace Praesidium) invites you to become an active or auxiliary member of Mary's Legion. Active members attend a weekly meeting and commit to doing two hours of work each week for Mary and her Son. Auxiliary members pray the Legion prayers daily for the intentions of our Blessed Mother. **Our Legion meets on Monday afternoons at 1:30 P.M. in the Rectory Chapel.** We invite you to join us to learn more about our work. For more information, please call Joy Van Berg at 610 328-2095 or Gus. McClay at 610 544-7223.

**WEEKLY DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

Please join us Wednesday mornings immediately following the 8AM Mass in front of the Sacred Heart statue in Church for the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

**HOPE IN CHRIST: SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR ADDICTIONS**

Seeking solace and spiritual support in the journey towards recovery? Many local parishes are offering ways to experience Christ's extended hand of love and mercy in your time of need. Find Catholic resources for addiction for you or your loved one at [www.archphila.org/hope](http://www.archphila.org/hope)  
Also available for support is Faith-based drug rehab website: [www.AddictionCenter.com/Treatment/Faith-Based-Drug-and-Alcohol-Rehab](http://www.AddictionCenter.com/Treatment/Faith-Based-Drug-and-Alcohol-Rehab)

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**PRAYER TO MARY, STAR OF THE SEA**

Dear Mary, Mother of Jesus and our Mother too, I come to you and beg you to intercede for me and all my family. As a star, which guides mariners on the sea, you direct all of us pilgrims on the way to the Father's house. Mary, Star of Evangelization, Star of the Sea, and Star of my life, guide me to a deeper union with your Son, Jesus, and to a joy that no one can take away. As you pointed the way to your Son, may my life be a star leading others to Jesus. May I keep my gaze fixed on your example, and may I please your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

# Father's DAY

## Remembrance Basket

### *Honor The Special Men In Your Life*

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*This Father's Day, let us remember and honor the Special Men in our lives in appreciation of their love and protection.*

**Place a "Ribbon" in the Father's Day  
Remembrance Basket for the Month of June.**

"BLUE RIBBON" For Living Men's Names  
"WHITE RIBBON" For Deceased Men's Names



**RIBBON REQUEST FORMS** can be found  
at the Church Entrances, or can be printed off  
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**COMPLETED REQUEST FORM TO SUBMIT YOUR  
NAME(S) FOR RIBBONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF  
IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE IN THE  
DESINATED BASKET...**

***NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH***

***THE MEN'S NAMES WILL BE PRINTED ON THE  
RIBBONS AND PLACED IN THE FATHER'S DAY  
REMEMBRANCE BASKET FOR THE ENTIRE MONTH OF JUNE  
FOR PRAYER INTENTIONS TO BE HONORED.***

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