

St. Vincent De Paul Church

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Mission Statement

St. Vincent de Paul is a faith community striving to live Jesus' gospel message of love, peace and justice for all peoples. In the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul, our inclusive community welcomes, affirms and serves both the poorest of the poor and those who are alienated and most vulnerable among us. Our individual faith journeys join together in the celebration of the Eucharist. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will continue to nurture the gifts of all our members. Our parish family will draw strength and unity from diversity. We will foster an atmosphere of warmth, hospitality and prayerfulness. We pray that our commitment to these efforts will further the mission of being one with our God and one with each other.

The DePaul Catholic School, An Independent Mission School
44 W. Logan Street ♦ Philadelphia, PA 19144 ♦ 215-842-1266 ♦ www.thedepaulcatholicschool.org

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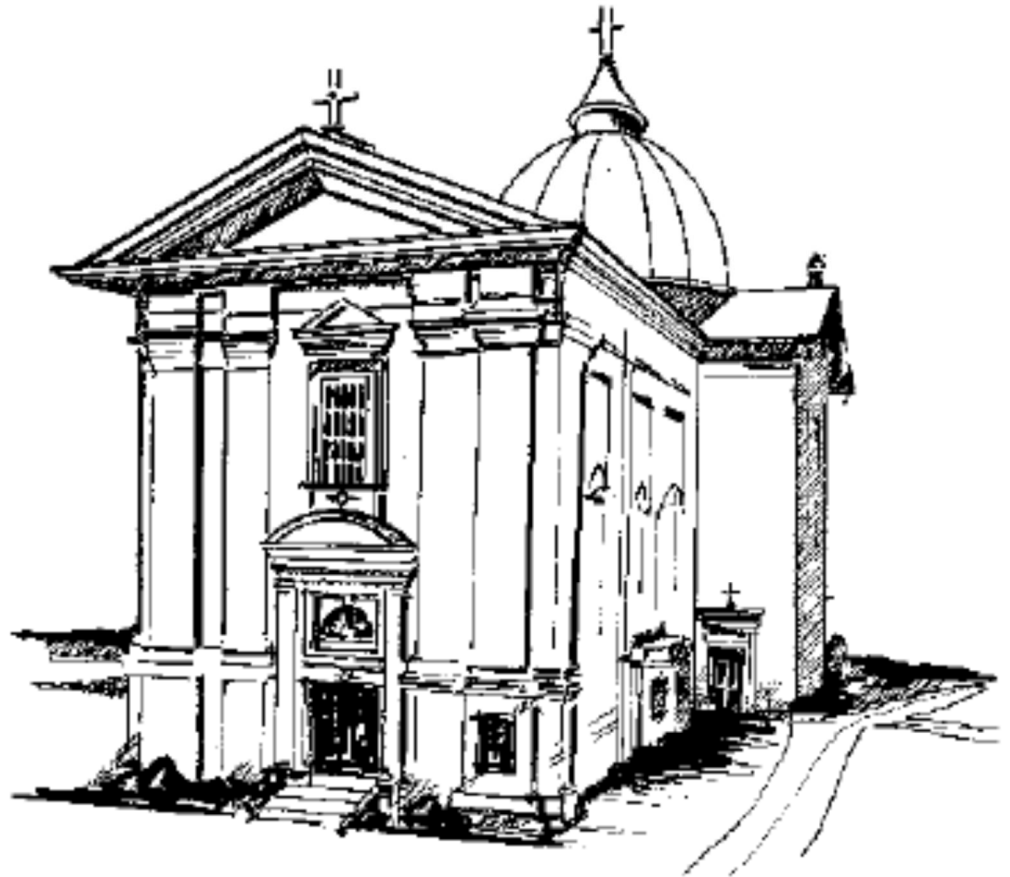
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Eucharistic Celebration ♦ Saturday 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am
Sacrament of Reconciliation ♦ Please call for an appointment.

November 25, 2018

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUN	11/25	Miraculous Medal	9:00 am
		Miraculous Medal	11:00 am
MON	11/26	NO MASS	
TUE	11/27	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
WED	11/28	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
THU	11/29	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
FRI	11/30	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
SAT	12/01	Joan & Jack McGovan	4:00pm

**THIS WEEK'S
CALENDAR**

SUN	Christ, King of the Universe
SAT	Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm

FOR THIS WE PRAY

Parishioners

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, William Drinker, Judith Di Battista, Donna Jean Cocchia, Leo Johnson, Patricia Judge, Pat Burton, Thomas Baumann, Dick Taylor, Ginny Witte, Edna Poole, Nan Wade, Vince Morgan, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, Annie Serious, Joey Gavin, Barbara Adams, Bertha Allen, Fran Rigler, Evangelina Aberin, Marie Coln, Helen Green, Br. Al Smith, Ronald Rigler, Sr. Rosemarie Jefferson.

Friends of St. Vincent's

Caitlyn Graham, Sister Michael Anthony Mugan, Claire Wesolowski, Wanda Johnson, Robert Myers, Carol Holloway, Lillian Elliott, Jeanette Ingersoll, Minerva Ortiz, Dara Hefton, Shirley Smith, Christopher Mills, Johanna Moreno, Richard Piedra, Titilope Oluwo, Theresa Kelley, Sandra Friday, Joe Gnad, Angelo Ortiz, Mattie Robinson, NaJearah Smith, Tom Stevens, baby Nicholas Esposito, Louis Malizia, Alice Penderghest, John Michalski, Kenneth Chandler, Terri Glasgow. Our Sister Parish, Las Anonas de Santa Cruz, El Salvador.

Note: If we removed anyone from the old list who still need our prayers or if there is someone you want to receive prayers, please call the rectory office.

PASTORAL CARE

We bring the Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass regularly due to sickness or infirmity. Please call the Rectory.

Last Week's Collection	3,069.10
Electronic	<u>3,250.00.</u>
Total	6,319.10
Tithe	315.96

Today's Readings

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14
Psalm: Psalm 93
Second Reading: Revelations 1:5-8
Gospel: John 18:33b-37

Readings for Next Week

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16
Psalm: Psalm 25
Second Reading: I Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36

BAPTISM OF OUR CHILDREN

Call Fr. Sy Peterka, Pastor, at 215-438-2925, ext. 218, for available dates and additional information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is the process through which adults become members of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in exploring whether the Catholic Church is where you want to begin or continue your Christian faith journey, please contact the Rectory at 215-438-2925.

THOSE IN NEED OF THE SACRAMENTS

Please contact Fr. Sy Peterka, at 215-438-2925 ext.218.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in becoming involved in one or more of our Parish ministries, call the Church office, at 215-438-2925.

PARISH OUTREACH

Non-perishable food donations may be made Monday, Tuesday and Friday between 9am and Noon. To make an appointment for any other time, please call Evelyn Rogers at 215-438-1514.

RESERVATIONS FOR MEETINGS/EVENTS

Please call the Church office, 215-438-2925.

RACIAL HEALING STATEMENT

To foster a community in which people of all races and cultures are treated as equals and fully participate in the life of the church. We hope to achieve this by... Deepening Cross-Racial/Cross-Cultural relationships; Developing each person's gifts for Leadership & Ministry, (Including each group's Art & Culture) and by... Supporting actions for justice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - November 25 - December 1, 2018

LECTOR NOTES

Do you feel called to serve our worshipping community as a lector, proclaiming God's Word for all to hear at Mass? If so, consider becoming a lector! We are especially eager to welcome new parishioners and young people. Contact Mary Laver (610-324-9388).

CLOW - CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please have your children join us during the 9 and 11am Masses. **Note: There will be no CLOW on November 25.**

RCIA

If you want to learn more about the Catholic faith or become Catholic, a new group starts soon. Sign up, in the back of the church.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE

After each Mass, those wishing to pray for something specific or to pray for those with special needs can join our prayer circle which lasts 5 to 10 minutes. It will be led by our Lay Leaders of Prayer.

BIBLE STUDY

We will journey through the Gospel of Matthew each **Wednesday from 7-8:30pm**. Please join us.

HOSPITALITY

Join us for hospitality by the community after the 9am Mass in the Hospitality center. To volunteer, sign up on the bulletin board by the side entrance. Questions? Call Jack DiFeo 215 287-5682.

LAY/INTERCESSORY OF PRAYER LEADERS NEEDED

Please consider joining this wonderful ministry to assist our community in reflection and prayer at Mass & to fully participate as Leaders in this spiritual experience! Contact Joan McGowan (267-879-7664/joaniemc223@comcast.net) to know more!

CALLING ALL SENIORS

It's that time again! The Senior Ministry is meeting on Wednesdays. For more information or questions, call Jerry Smith 215-508-0427.

ST. VINCENT'S SHIRTS AND MUGS SALE

All Weekends in **November through December 22-23**: St. Vincent de Paul mugs are for sale for \$10.00 before & after most Masses. Great gift for any occasion!! All profits benefit the 2019 Parish Retreat!

PAR RECYCLE WORKS

Please deliver donations of old equipment to PAR RECYCLE WORKS 342 East Walnut Lane (267-335-5455) not the church.

HEALING PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR:

FATHER JOE, BROTHER AL, and SISTER ROSEMARIE.

CONGRATULATIONS

We are so proud to congratulate our own Terri Burgin who received the 2018 Body of Christ Community Service Award from the Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver. Well deserved!

POWER UPDATE

After the Election: Now What?

Now that Election Day has come and gone—with dozens of you helping to boost turnout in Germantown!—it's time to remind legislators that they work for us, and we expect them to support just and compassionate public policies that serve us all, especially the poor! We are also trying to launch a coalition of Germantown congregations to work with POWER Interfaith on this. So here's an invitation for you — please come! We'll have potluck dishes to share—but come even if you don't have time to bring anything — there's always plenty!

St Vincent's POWER Meeting & Potluck supper Mon Dec 17, 6:30 to 8 PM in the rectory

Questions? RSVP? Contact Terri Burgin (610-651-0100) or Mary Laver (610-324-9388) POWER website: www.powerinterfaith.org.

OXFAM HUNGER BANQUET

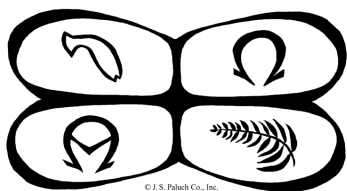
All parishioners are invited to the Oxfam Hunger Banquets, on Friday, November 30, 6-8 pm or Saturday, December 1 5:30-7:30 pm. At an Oxfam Hunger Banquet, guests take on the roles of people who are well-fed, hungry, or somewhere in between, randomly drawing tickets that assign them to different income levels. Some receive a filling dinner, while others eat a simple meal or share sparse portions of rice and water. Participants may even take on the roles of real people from around the world to see what it's like to be in someone else's shoes.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY BUILDING GROUP

Comprised primarily of people from St Vincent de Paul Church and Mishkon Shalom Synagogue, the group is going to San Juan, Puerto Rico from February 14th to 21st, 2019 to help rebuild three houses. Skilled and unskilled volunteers are needed. Meals and housing will be provided by a United Methodist Church in San Juan. Approximate cost of trip is \$470 plus airfare. If you have any interest, call or email Joe Clay at 215-266-7256 or jvfc3@msn.com for additional information.

PARISH RETREAT

Save the Date! Mark your calendars! One year from now (November 8-10, 2019), we will hold our next Parish Retreat at the beautiful Malvern Retreat Center. Open to all parishioners 18 and over, this special weekend will help us deepen our faith journey and strengthen our community as together we focus on our common call: *Weaving God's Tapestry of Love!* A Saturday-only option will be available, as well as transportation for those who need it. We anticipate that the retreat cost will be heavily subsidized by parish fundraising efforts in the year to come, including a monthly second collection beginning December 8/9. (You can also order a \$20 sweatshirt by 11/11, and buy a \$10 mug anytime to benefit the retreat fund!) Please hold the date, and watch for announcements as details unfold and as retreat sub-committees in need of volunteers are formed. Above all, please pray for the work of the Cor Team, that we may open ourselves to God's deepest desires for our faith community.



Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
Registration Form

Thanks for being here! If you would like to become an ACTIVE member of St. Vincent De Paul Parish (full-time or part-time), we invite you to **complete the Parish Registration form below.**

Date _____ Envelope number _____

Name _____

last

first

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Home Phone _____

Cell _____

Email _____

Full name and relationship of all resident family members

_____ DOB _____ Relationship _____

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Have you received the Sacraments?

() Baptism () Confirmation () First Communion

Are you interested in

() Liturgical Ministry () Service Ministry

(Can you sing, lector, teach....)

**Please place completed form in the Offeratory basket
or send to the Parish Office and we will contact you.**

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**Bulletin Deadline: Mondays by noon. Email to
secretary@saint-vincent-church.org**

St. Vincent de Paul Church
Electronic Donation Authorization ES6255

Thank you for considering donations to St. Vincent de Paul electronically via your bank account. Please complete this form so that we can set things up for you. If you have questions, contact JoAnn at business@saint-vincent-church.org.

Date _____ Envelope Number _____

Electronic Type: New _____ Change _____

Name _____ last _____ first _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone # _____

Cell # _____

Email _____

Date of 1st Donation _____

Amount of Donation _____

Frequency:

Monthly on the **1st** _____

Monthly on the **15th** _____

Weekly (**every Monday**) _____

Weekly (**every other Monday**) _____

Bank Routing Number _____

Account Number _____

Please debit my checking account per **attached voided check**. (If you wish to debit your savings account, please contact your bank for routing and account number.) **I authorize the above organization to process debit entries to my bank account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.**
Authorized signature and Date:

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 24TH AND 25TH, 2018

HONORING MARY DURING ADVENT: 8 am, Saturday mornings, there will be a Mass to honor Mary, in our chapel. Following the Mass, we will pray the rosary. Mary is a great Advent figure.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Saturday, December 8th is the feast day. There will be a Mass in the church at 8 am. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 11 AM MASS: St. Vincent's African Community will lead us in a more African style Mass. There will be a "potluck" reception in the Hospitality Center, after Mass. Come let's share with our growing, vibrant African Community. All are welcome.

SEASONAL SINGERS WANTED: Have you been thinking about joining the choir, but are not sure if you can commit right now? Consider this...do a trial run and be a seasonal singer! Join the choir and sing for one or two of the Masses on Christmas Eve. The two masses we are practicing for are at 4:30 pm and midnight. You can sing at one or both!

The rehearsal schedule is:

Wednesday, November 28

Tuesday, December 4

Wednesday, December 12

Tuesday, December 18

All rehearsals are 90 minutes and will begin at 7:00 pm. They will be held in the rectory chapel. Questions? Feel free to call Valerie (215-327-1035). Looking forward to singing with you!

CONFIRMATION JOURNEYS: All Confirmandi and their parents are asked to attend an Oxfam Hunger Banquet in our Hospitality Room, either Friday, November 30th, from 6 pm until 8 pm or Saturday, December 1st, from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm.

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ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT: There will be a concert at the Shrine, Saturday, December 1st, from 2 to 4 pm. St. Vincent's Gospel Choir will be participating.

ADVENT GIVING TREE: Our Giving Tree will be up the first weekend in Advent (December 1st and 2nd). Our Social Ministries depend on your generosity to help make Christmas brighter for their clients/guests. Please take a tag and buy a gift. Some tags will have several gifts on it - you only need to buy one! If gift cards are requested, \$25 is the standard, however, feel free to give what you can - any amount is greatly appreciated. **IT IS MOST IMPORTANT THAT YOUR GIFTS ARE CLEARLY LABELED** with the ministry! You can tape your tag to the gift or write your own tag for the gift. **PLEASE DO NOT WRAP YOUR GIFT!** Gift cards may be put in an envelope and placed in the collection baskets - again, **clearly marked with the ministry**. Other gifts can be placed in the food baskets and brought up with our gifts at Offertory. Thank you for your gracious generosity during this Advent season. Ministries represented: Inn Dwelling, Face to Face, My Place Germantown, Par Recycle Works, & DePaul Catholic School. Please return gifts by December 18th.

CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN UP: We need volunteers to help with raking and bagging of leaves. Volunteers are needed on Friday, November 30th, from 12:30 until 2:30. Thanks in advance.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MUGS: We are selling mugs for \$10, before and after most Masses. Great gift for any occasion!!! All profits benefit the 2019 Parish Retreat.

Roofing Committee Meeting is Friday, November 30th, at 9:30 am.

Liturgy Council Meeting is Tuesday, December 4th, at 7pm.

Fr. Sy has the Novena at the Shrine on Monday, December 3rd. Pray for him.

CELEBRATE AFRICAN CATHOLIC SAINTS AND ANCESTORS



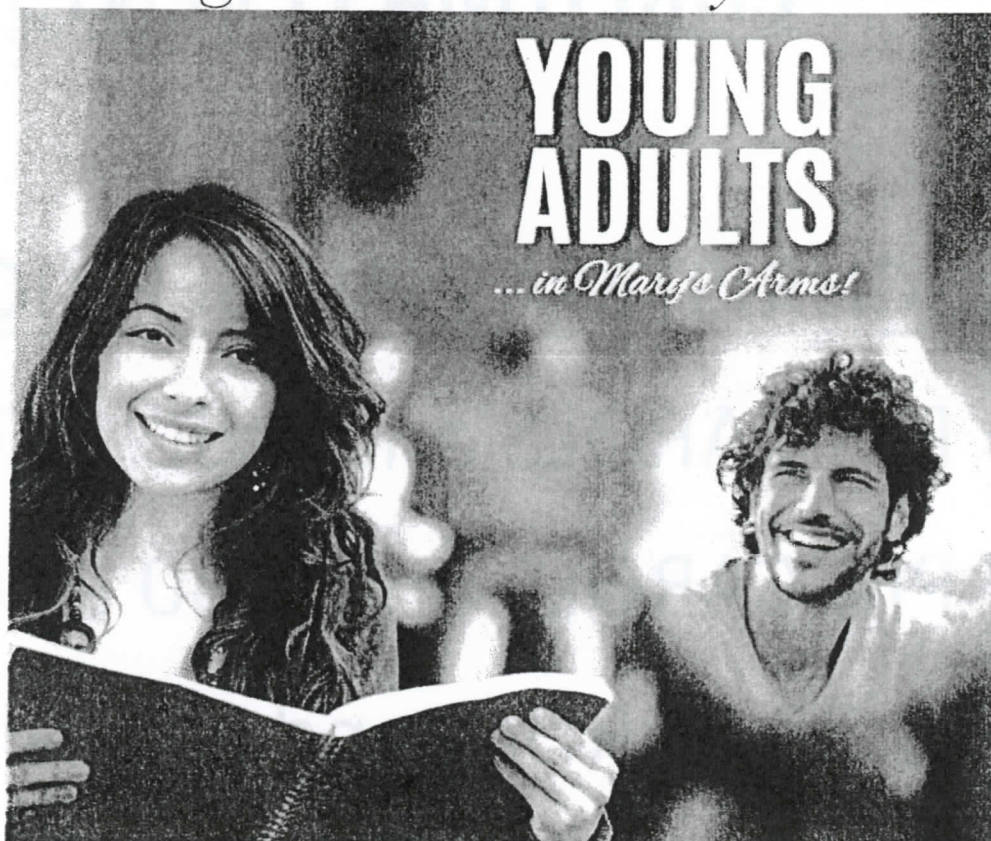
Today, we honor **Evelyn Rogers**, a woman of Faith and Love of the Poor in our own Parish Community, for over 50 years. Evelyn's greatest attributes were her love of God, love of family and friends, her love of St. Vincent's Parish Community and her love of the Poor and Needy.

In the beginning, as a professional social worker from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Evelyn worked in out of an office in St. Vincent's Parish Hall, serving the needs of the entire Germantown community. Evelyn wanted to do more. So she volunteered to take over the Parish Food Cupboard in the Parish Hall. She directed the program from the early 1970's to August 2018, almost to her last breath, before the Good Lord received her into His Heavenly Home.

The service to God and neighbor, especially the poor, went beyond the Food Cupboard. She started a thrift shop to help the needy with clothes and other material needs they couldn't afford. Next, she saw the need to help adults with basic reading and writing skills and GED preparation, to help them get better jobs. She started the Learning Lab, which was held in the Parish Community Center on a daily basis.

Evelyn helped many families enjoy Thanksgiving, with a turkey and food basket and Christmas, with gifts and toys for the children. This along with being a part of many Parish committees and organizations, in helping the Parish be a more welcoming and kind place for all people. She was a member of the St. Martin de Porres Committee, which was an early advocate of promoting an annual Black History Month. She participated in all these things, along with many other kindnesses, without anyone knowing about them. Evelyn was a true woman of Faith, Love and Service.

Young Adults...in Mary's Arms



Praise & Worship

Friday, December 7

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Join us for a special Praise and Worship event for our Young Adults and local community.

The event will include Eucharistic Adoration in our Miraculous Medal Shrine, 500 E. Cheltenham Avenue, followed by refreshments and fellowship in our Lower Shrine.

The theme for this event is:
Mothers in the Image of Mary
with a reflection by Sr. Regina Hlavic, DC.

All are welcome to join in this Praise and Worship event!

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

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4 PM CAROLS and 4:30 LITURGY

7 PM CAROLS and 7:30 LITURGY

11:30 CAROLS and MIDNIGHT
LITURGY

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

10 AM LITURGY

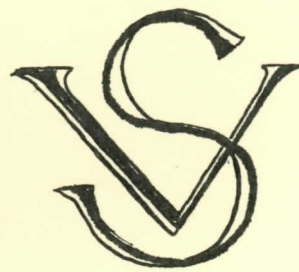
PARISH RETREAT

WEAVING

GOD'S
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NOV. 8-10, 2019



Celebrate African Catholic Saints and Ancestors

Sister Thea Bowman, born December 29, 1937, was raised a United Methodist in Yazoo City, Mississippi, but at age 9 she asked her parents if she could convert to Catholicism. Her parents gave their consent. In 1954 Bowman entered the novitiate of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration. She taught at elementary and high schools, as well as at Catholic University in

Washington, D.C., and Xavier University in New Orleans.

After 16 years of teaching, the bishop of Jackson, Miss., invited Sister Thea to be his consultant on intercultural awareness. Her dynamic, Spirit led approach — using songs, storytelling, and African American style preaching in the Black vernacular — attracted large audiences, and soon she was traveling across the United States, delivering 100 presentations a year. In an interview with Mike Wallace on “60 Minutes,” Sister Thea said, “I think the difference between me and some people is that I’m content to do my little bit.” Sister Thea died of cancer March 30, 1990 at age 52. Sister Thea, beloved by many still, is currently being considered for beatification and eventual sainthood. Please pray for Sister Thea’s intercession and support her cause for beatification and sainthood!

See Sister Thea preach to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in 1989 at this web address: <https://vimeo.com/12379716>

You are Invited...

Sanctuary Fundraising Dinner

Join Clive and Oneita Thompson, Suyapa Reyes, and their families for dinner to learn more about their time in Sanctuary, help raise funds for their stay, and become involved in their immigration story



- Enjoy dinner cooked by the Reyes and Thompson families
- Learn about New Sanctuary Movement campaigns supporting immigrants and asylum-seekers
- Additional activities to be announced

Date: Friday November 30th

Time: 6:00 pm

**Location: First United Methodist Church of Germantown
6001 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19144**

Suggested donation at the door: \$10



PHILADELPHIA INSURANCE COMPANIES

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Turkey Trot



5 Mile Run - 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

9:00AM Thanksgiving Morning

Along the Wissahickon Creek in Fairmount Park

All Proceeds benefit



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Register at facetofacegermantown.org/events

POWER

STANDING WITH THE TREE OF LIFE SYNAGOGUE

We grieve the loss of our neighbors and fellow worshippers at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh as we condemn, once again, the hate and gun violence tearing apart our communities. Our common enemies of white supremacy and white nationalism act as the fronts of a perfect storm surrounding those terrified by the oncoming waves of change and justice.

The resiliency of marginalized communities and our continued strides toward collective liberation terrifies those shielded by privilege and causes them to act violently encouraged by a President who encourages fear, hatred, and intimidation as appropriate forms of self-expression. These continued attacks on our communities are egregious forms of violence that impact our collective psyches, spirits, and systems as a whole. For centuries faith communities across the nation have experienced this kind of terror, where our churches, synagogues, and mosques have been bombed and our people killed, but time and time again we have fought back and won. Just as waves of hate are still ever so present, so is the resounding message that hate will not win. We refuse. What is meant to terrorize us, silence us, and intimidate us, has further affirmed our commitment to fighting for justice for all of God's people.

We cannot and will not stand by silently as hate manifests in any corner of our country. It is up to us to remember that each of us is a child of the Divine. It will be up to us to remember that we are one another's keeper and that we must stand in the breach between love and hate, between life and death. We are one. We are a community filled with people who look unmasked hate directly in the eye and boldly proclaim that it's time to boldly hold love over fear. Although we are heartbroken, we continue the faithful resistance against hate and pray for those who alienate themselves from love by dehumanizing our people.

Nothing about white nationalism flows from the heart of God. May we all say and live a resounding NO to any form of anti-Semitism, white supremacy, white nationalism, racism, bigotry, and discrimination.

So we mourn today but we fight tomorrow. We fight with boldness and courage until that day, as MLK said, where all God's children, black children and white children, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, Asians and Latinos, can live out the old black spiritual Free at Last, Free at Last, thank God almighty, we are free at Last.



Dear Saint Vincent's Community ,

As one who's light is such a reflection of Gods word, We are extending this Invitation to you.

Please Join us in the following Christ Series and the Evangelization.

The following Christ Series is now twice weekly Tuesday at 7PM -to- 8:30 PM or Saturday From 10:30AM -to- 12:00 Noon the Evangelization is on Saturdays From 10:00 AM -to -10:30 AM.

Bring a friend, Family member, or someone from Church.

We Look forward to seeing You.

The Following Christ Series Consist of :

Discovering Christ -

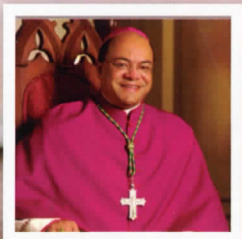
Following Christ -

Sharing Christ-

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE RECTORY !!

Sincerely,

The Evangelization And Following Christ Ministry -



UPCOMING EVENTS

*Sponsored by the
Office for Black Catholics*

Monday, November 5, 2018 | 7:00PM

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES MASS

- » **Presider:** Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput O.F.M. Cap.
- » **Homilist:** Most Reverend Shelton Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux
- » **Location:** Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul

Sunday, November 18, 2018 | 11:00AM

MASS OF THE INSTALLATION OF THE TOMB OF SAINT KATHERINE DREXEL

- » **Celebrant:**
Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
- » **Location:**
Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul



Save the Date Events

Thursday, December 6, 2018 | 7:00PM

PANEL DISCUSSION: THE SIN OF RACISM

- Archbishop Wilton Gregory,
Archbishop of Atlanta
- Ray Boshara, St. Louis Federal Reserve
- » **Location:** St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
Vianney Hall

Monday, January 21, 2019 | 6:30PM

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION

- » **6:30PM: Prelude Music**
Philadelphia Black Catholic Gospel Choir
- » **7:00PM: Keynote Address**
Bishop Edward Braxton
"The Catholic Church and the Racial Divide in the United States"
- » **Location:** Saint Joseph University
Chapel of St. Joseph
5600 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131



For more information contact:
**Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Office for Black Catholics**
222 N. 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Father Richard Owens, O.F.M. Cap, Director
fr.owens@archphila.org 215.587.3541



November is National Black Catholic History Month, a time

the church in the United States sets aside to recall the rich history of Black Catholicism and the many important contributions that African-Americans have made to our church. Please join us in celebrating Black Catholic History Month by attending these wonderful events sponsored by the Office for Black Catholics.

Tolton

From Slave to Priest



Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2018 | 7PM – 9:30PM

ST. LUKE'S PRODUCTION PRESENTS TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST

- » **Topic:** Tolton: From Slave to Priest
- » **Cost:** \$10.00
- » **Register Online:** <http://goo.gl/RKFPZi>
- » **Location:**
La Salle University
Dan Rodden Theater
1900 West Olney Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19140

If you would prefer to register for any event by phone please call the Office For Black Catholics at 215-587-3541.



Saturday, October 27, 2018 | 10AM – 2PM

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH KICK-OFF EVENT

- » **Topic:** Go Ye Therefore! The Music Making Disciples through the Lens of the African American Tradition.
- » **Presenter:** Kenneth W. Louis
- » **Cost:** \$12.00
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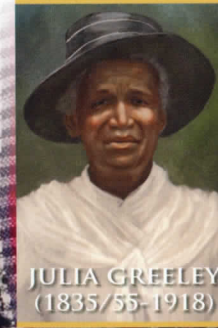
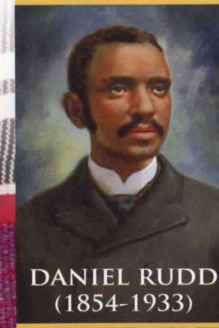
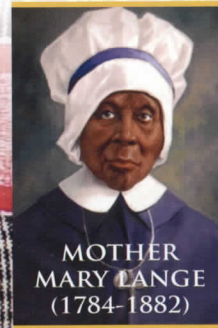
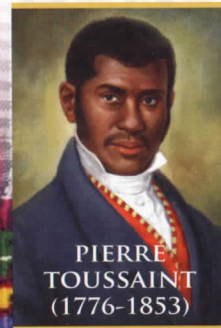
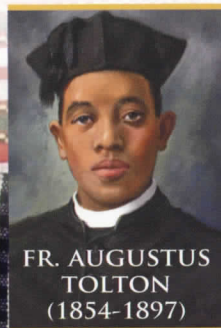
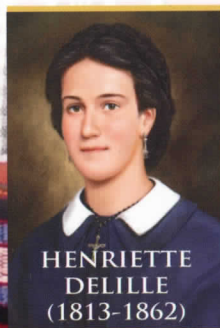


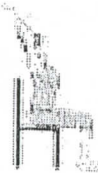
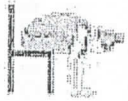
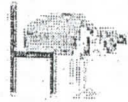
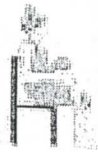
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- » **Presenter:** Therese Wilson Favors
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- » **Register Online:** <http://goo.gl/qg9yok>
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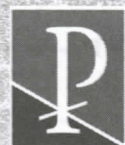
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November 24, 2018
St. Vincent's de Paul Church
109 Price Street, Philadelphia, PA

Order of Service

Celebrant: Fr. Sy Peterka

Opening Hymn	"Morning has Broken" *
First Reading	From the book of Ecclesiastes Reader: Benjamin Masters
Psalm	Shepherd Me, O Lord
Second Reading	From the Book of Revelation Reader: Caroline Masters
Gospel	John 14:1-6 Fr. Sy Peterka
Eulogy	Ann Homolka Wright Caroline Masters
Prayers of the Faithful	Reader: Leslie Craigmyle Response: " <i>Lord, hear our prayer</i> "
Offertory	Gift bearers: Barbara's Grandchildren <i>It was important to Barbara to have children actively involved in the Mass. We honor her memory by having her beloved grandchildren present the gifts.</i> Though the Mountains May Fall*
Communion	Charlotte Tate, <i>Barbara's granddaughter will be serving as an Eucharistic minister</i>
Communion hymn	"One Bread One Body"* "How Great Thou Art"*
Song of Farewell	"On Eagle's Wings"*

"Morning Has Broken" by Eleanor Farjeon

Morning has broken, like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the word

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven
Like the first dew fall, on the first grass
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning
Born of the one light, Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's re-creation of the new day

Morning has broken, like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the word.

"Though the Mountains May Fall" by Dan Shutte

1. Could the Lord ever leave you?
Could the Lord forget His love?
Though a mother forsake her child,
He will not abandon you

Refrain:

Though the mountains may fall and the hills turn to dust,
yet the love of the Lord will stand
as a shelter for all who will call on His name.
Sing the praise and the glory of God.

2. Should you turn and forsake Him,
He will gently call your name.
Should you wander away from Him,
He will always take you back.

3. Go to Him when you're weary,
He will give you eagle's wings.
You will run never tire,
For your God will be your strength.

4. As he swore to your Fathers,
when the flood destroyed the land.
He will never forsake you,
He will swear to you again.

One Bread One Body by John Foley

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew,
servant or free,
woman or man, no more.

2. Many the gifts,
many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

3. Grain for the fields,
scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all.

How Great Thou Art

O LORD my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made;
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die - I scarce can take it in:
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home - what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God how great Thou art!

On Eagle's Wings

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in His shadow for life
Say to the Lord
"My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you
And famine will bring you no fear
Under His wings your refuge
His faithfulness your shield.

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand.

You need not fear the terror of the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you
Near you it shall not come.

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand.

For to His angels He's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways
Upon their hands they will bear you up
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand...

***Barbara loved hearing all voices raised in song during Mass.
Please join us in singing.**

**We will continue celebrating Barbara's life in the Hospitality Room
following Mass. All are welcome.**

**Barbara J. H. Homolka will be buried in a family plot at Mount
Hope Cemetery, Rochester, New York.**

Barbara was born on April 4, 1938 in Oneonta, New York to Harold "Hal" and Ruth Hunt. She graduated from Oneonta High School, and went on to earn her BA in English from University of Rochester (and was such a memorable student that her English professor still remembered her well 30 years later). She received her Masters in Education at State University College at Oneonta.

As her daughter Caroline says, Barbara lived enough life for three people. While teaching third grade in Corning, NY, Barbara met and married George A.J. Homolka. Following the birth of their first child, Leslie, the fledgling family moved to Troy, NY, in order for George to complete his Masters and PhD. Barbara and George started attending RPI's Chapel and Cultural Center and eventually Barbara converted to Catholicism. This choice sustained Barbara throughout her life. While in Troy Barbara started a nursery school which is still in existence. Son David was born there as well as daughter Caroline. Alice followed soon after when the Homolkas moved to Houston.

In 1974, the Homolkas moved to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, where Ann was born. There she created a warm loving home where the door was always open to one more child, one more friend. She was active with the Dhahran Women's Group and served as Cultural Committee Chair and the Welfare Chair, supporting organizations in Qatif, Beirut, Palestine, and Nepal. Following the first Gulf War, Barbara spent hours a day cleaning the oil and tar from birds and turtles in Jubail.

Living in Arabia opened up many travel opportunities. This was a passion for Barbara and she enjoyed working as a travel agent, planning for others as well as her family. No trip was taken without Barbara's inner teacher shining through. A destination would be chosen and then the books started coming into the house; if Greece was the destination, books about the land, islands, mythology, and food were read by everyone before the departure date. Barbara took several adventures on her own, including two trips to Kabul, Afghanistan in the late 70s. One summer spent in Oxford meant that Barbara was able to attend writer's meetings in the same room that the Inklings met regularly. She was thrilled to be writing in the same place her favorite writers wrote.

Barbara was a lifelong Girl Scout, serving as a troop leader and district leader. She especially loved the yearly Big Camp Out. She was active in the RC groups in both Dhahran and Ras Tanura.

With the fall of the Iron Curtain and the end of the Gulf War, Barbara and George decided it was time for a new adventure. They retired from Aramco and moved to Czechoslovakia where they were able to reclaim the Homolka estate that George's grandfather had purchased in 1908. Her Girl Scout skills came into good use over the next twenty five years restoring the estate, starting various businesses, and farming. Barbara learned Czech and became a very active member of the International Women's Group in Prague where she was a regular contributor to that group's The Bridge magazine. Her columns can be read at MeanwhileBackAtTheZamek.blogspot.com.

Barbara welcomed guests from all over the world at Zamek Brezina. Her official title was Chatelaine (Keeper of the Keys) which she delighted in. She was an active parishioner and supporter of The Premonstrian Monastery at Zeliv. For many years she supported a sheltered workshop for mentally disabled people. She taught English as a second language and participated in a local English speaking group. George and Barbara hosted many large events at Brezina, the last one being their 50th Wedding Anniversary. During the celebratory mass in the family chapel, Barbara loved hearing her friends and family belt out her favorite hymn "Lord of the Dance."

Barbara's final years were spent in Philadelphia. While living in the US for the first time in over 40 years, she enjoyed being able to see lifelong friends and relatives on a regular basis,

Barbara was preceded in death by her loving husband George A. J. Homolka, and by her parents Hal and Ruth Hunt.

Barbara is survived by her brother James C. Hunt (Emmy); and her children Leslie Katherine Craigmyle; David Andrew Homolka (Milena); Caroline Homolka Masters (Tim); Alice Tate (Christian); and Ann Homolka Wright (Peter). She is also survived by eight grandchildren: Kristyna Katerina Homolkova, Charlotte Rose Tate, David Adam Homolka, Benjamin Hunt Masters, Margaret Delaney Tate, Samuel David Masters, Taylor Theresa Tate, and Robert Noah Wright. Additionally, she is survived by nieces Rebecca Clark Hunt (John Monroe), and Susannah Hunt; great-nephew Merrick and great-niece, Jhene; as well as special Bailey family cousins.