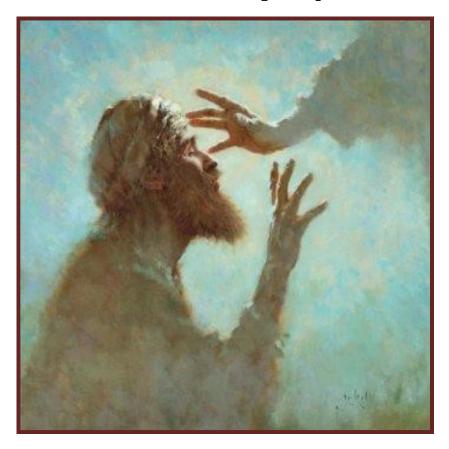
# Fourth Sunday of Lent



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, So that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

# Today's Readings:

1st Reading ~ 2 Chronicles 36:14~16, 19~23 | 2nd Reading ~ Ephesians 2:4~10 | Gospel – John 3:14~21

# Pastor's Corner ~

Thank you for the rays of hope! The sun is a welcome sight these days as winter finally starts to lose its grip on us. The days are getting longer and because of Daylight Savings Time it stays up further in to the evenings. And the weather has already made some very nice improvements. It's nice to see rays of sunshine melting the snow that was leftover from our last storm. But the most beautiful rays of hope I've seen are the ones coming from your generosity in regards the Winter Fund. The \$12,000 you raised will go far to alleviate the problems we have encountered and also perhaps to help prevent future ones. Thank you so much for your generosity and concern for this, our Parish of the Sacred Heart.

There are many reasons to be proud of our parish as we approach our Centennial. I encourage you to watch the bulletin for ways that you might want to enjoin this celebration. There are commemorative items that can serve as aids to memories of this year, but also events that will also be memorable. We have recently had donut socials and a spaghetti dinner as run-ups to the big celebrations on the weekend of June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, the official kickoff weekend for our Centennial. Other community-building events will also happen. Knowing and loving the Sacred Heart of Jesus includes knowing and loving your brothers and sisters in Christ in your parish and all around you. Please consider accepting as many invitations as you can to know the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and your brothers and sisters in Sacred Heart Parish. Pax vobiscum (Peace be with you).

Peace.

Fr. Lange

# Stewardship Corner ~

During this Lent every day is a "fresh start" for each of us. It should be our goal to make use of it, keeping in mind that we are gifted by God, and through stewardship we are called to use those gifts to thank God and benefit others.

It has been said many times over and in a variety of ways that stewardship is based upon gratitude. Gratitude for what, we might ask? For the variety of blessings each of us receives, understanding full well that each of us is gifted in different ways and perhaps even in different measures. Pope Francis has said, "God never gives someone a gift they are not capable of receiving. We all have the ability to understand and receive God's gifts." There is one gift in which we all share equally:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. **John 3:16** 

We need to recognize God's gifts and especially during our preparations for Easter, find ways to show and live out our gratitude.

Peace,

Kaitlyn Wiant, Director of Operations



# Mount Aviat's 5<sup>th</sup>Annual 5K and Sister Walk

Join the MAA community on Sunday, April 26th at 9:15 a.m. for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K and Sister Walk. Don't miss out on the pre-registration rate available until April 17th:

\$20/per person or \$50/per family. Pre-registration fee includes T-shirts. Trophies will be awarded after the race. To register, go to <a href="www.MountAviat.org">www.MountAviat.org</a> or contact Dina at or <a href="mailto:dinaokie@verizon.net">dinaokie@verizon.net</a> or Kandi at <a href="mailto:kandischreuder@gmail.com">kandischreuder@gmail.com</a>. Mass will take place prior to the race at 8:00 a.m. at the school.



# SAVE THE DATE 40 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION AND ADORATION

Beginning on Friday, June 12, 2015 at 3 pm through Sunday, June 14, 2015 concluding at 7 am.

More information will follow



Are you ready to cheer on your favorite high school team? Then join Bishop Shanahan High School on Saturday, March 28 from 6 PM to 10 PM at their 2015 Restaurant Fair and Auction! They will be sharing some truly special food with guests this day as everyone has fun bidding on

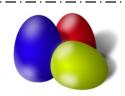
great items. Proceeds benefit the Technology and Extracurricular programs. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.shanahan.org">www.shanahan.org</a> or call <a href="https://www.shanahan.org">610-343-6238</a>.

Calling all 7th Graders! You are invited to Bishop Shanahan High School for the 7th Grade Visitation Day on
April 16, 2015 - 8:30 am to 1:30 pm.
They will also have a Spring Open House for 6th, 7th & 8th graders and families on April 30, 2015 - 7:00 pm

Visit <a href="www.shanahan.org">www.shanahan.org</a> Admissions - Upcoming Events to register for each event and more information Questions? Email cdale@shanahan.org or call 610-343-6206

The Knights of Columbus Invite you to our

# Easter Egg Hunt



The hunt will begin promptly at 10:30 AM, Saturday, i March 28<sup>th</sup> on the Parish lawn surrounding Sacred Heart i Church. Prizes will be given to all participants after the hunt ends. Bring your Easter baskets and your cameras!

# **Mother Boniface Spirituality Center**

"Informational Evening on Consecrated Life" on Monday, March 23, 2015 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Pope Francis has declared 2015 the *Year of Consecrated Life*. How does the Church define "consecrated life"? What forms can it take? What does it require? Why is it regarded as a gift to the Church? We invite you to come and hear from a diocesan Hermit, a member of a Secular Institute, a Consecrated Virgin, as well as a Sister, a Brother and a Priest who belong to religious communities.

<u>Fee</u>: Free Will Offering

Please register by phone (267.350.1830) or e-mail (mail@msbt.org) by Friday, March 20th. Mother Boniface Spirituality Center, 3501 Solly Avenue in northeast Philadelphia

If you would like to receive a 2014 Contribution Tax Statement from Sacred Heart Church, please contact the Parish Office at info@sacredheart.us or 610-932-5040.

Statements can be e-mailed or mailed to you.

### **Malvern Retreat House**

Divine Mercy Weekend, April 10-12 Directed by: Rev. Ronan Murphy & Rev. Pio Mandato with Rev. Stephen DeLacy

Immerse yourself in the grace of Christ's Divine Mercy during this 10th Anniversary weekend retreat at the beautiful Malvern Retreat House; culminating with the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday! Visit <a href="mailto:malvernretreat.com">malvernretreat.com</a> or call <a href="mailto:610-644-0400">610-644-0400</a> for more information.



# Eucharistic Adoration at Sacred Heart Church

"Be Still and Know That I am God." (Psalm 46:10)

Spend some personal, quiet, one-on-one time with Our Lord Jesus Christ. Eucharistic Adoration is open to all and is held every Tuesday from 8 am to 7 pm and will conclude with a 7 pm Mass. Nothing is needed to do this but an open heart to Our Lord Jesus Christ.

# We are in need of adorers for 8 am and 10 am

If you are interested in becoming an adorer or, would like to have more information about Eucharistic Adoration at Sacred Heart Church, you may contact Joann Di Liberto at 610 932 8962.

### Sacred Heart's Centennial Celebration

Plans are underway to celebrate *Sacred Heart's Centennial Celebration*. Centennial Committee plans are in the making to kick off a year long celebration starting on Saturday evening, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2015, and continuing through out the year until the closing in June 2016. Sacred Heart's official anniversary is June 15, 2015.

Consider being "part of the heart," as our committee seeks volunteers that are willing to lend their time and talent and treasures. We need a wide spectrum of expertise to make this a celebration to remember.

Our Centennial Committee is proud to present this beautiful (36 x 54) Treasured Scene afghan capturing Sacred Heart Church from 1915 -2015. Orders may be placed at the Welcome Desk or through the Parish Office. This Afghan will only be

offered for a limited time so act now to enjoy this commemorative afghan for years to come.

The committee is also looking for any church artifacts or church

memorabilia that we may put on display during our centennial year as part of our year long celebration. If you have anything that you would like to share, please let us

know. Contact: Sheila Hamilton at 610-932-9992.



## Children's Liturgy of the Word

has been suspended until fall

Children's Liturgy

# Ministries at Mass

Saturday, March 21, 2015

5:00 PM Both Species

Extraordinary Minister: B. Gondol, D. Alesi, G. Campbell

M. Campbell, M. Snopkowski

Lector: M. Johnson

<u>Altar Server</u>: Trevor C., Ethan C., Abbey C. <u>Music</u>: Amy Murphy, Fran Murphy, Bob Boyle

<u>Ushers</u>: Beau Jones

Sunday, March 22, 2015

7:45 AM

Extraordinary Minister: J. D'Aquanno, P. Cahill, P. Kozakowski

Lector: D. Vendrick

Altar Server: Mackenzie J., Molly J., Maura J.

Music: Quiet Mass

9:00 AM

Extraordinary Minister: L. Somma, M. Sipala, C. Michalski

Lector: J. Jansen

Altar Server: Kieran S., Nathan S., Natalie K. Music: Jamie Shover, Karen Evangelista Ushers: Mark Bradford, Frank Sipala,

Brandon & Lauren Kim, and Samuel Hamilton

10:30 AM

Extraordinary Minister. K. Plakosh, J. Saltysiak, M. Styer

Lector: J. Matthews

<u>Altar Server</u>: Brandon S., Keith H., Parker S. <u>Music</u>: Beth VanWoert, Cathy Grebner

<u>Ushers</u>: Catherine L., Jerome Lacek, John Peluchette

12:00 PM

Extraordinary Minister: E. Biancaniello, K. Leyman, P. Carnevale

Lector: J. Watkins

Altar Server: Dominic S., Clare S., Henry S.

<u>Music</u>: Adult Choir, Cathy Grebner <u>Ushers</u>: Jack Morrison, Jon Anderson

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Mass Intentions

Saturday March 14, 2015 5:00 pm Special Intention

Sunday March 15, 2015

7:45 am The People of Sacred Heart

9:00 am Dorothy Quavillon

Req. by the Blessington family

10:30 am Paul Colgan

Req. by the Detweiler family

12:00 pm John Walsh

Req. by the Shelley family

Monday March 16, 2015

8:00 am James & Margaret Maley

Tuesday March 17, 2015

7:00 pm The People of Sacred Heart

Wednesday March 18, 2015

8:00 am Marie Sanwald

Req. by Jack & Rosalie Kelly

**Thursday** March 19, 2015 8:00 am Angelo Anastasio

Req. by Rudy & Margie Becker

Friday March 20, 2015 8:30 am Deborah Arena

Req. by Jean Verlenden

Saturday March 21, 2015

5:00 pm The People of Sacred Heart

Sunday March 22, 2015 7:45 am Janet Tzanakis

Req. by the Williams family

9:00 am Helen Collins

Reg. by Marie & Frank

10:30 am Art Tuinstra

Req. by the Tuinstra family

12:00 pm Anne Creamer

Req. by Joanne Penttila



Sacred Heart Parish is organizing buses for the Papal visit in Philadelphia! There will be two buses that will pick up parishioners from Sacred Heart parking lot and take to the Papal Mass on Sunday, September 27th. The cost of the buses will be \$25 per adult and \$15 per child. Water and pretzels

will be provided by Sacred Heart Parish. Lunches will not be provided. Time of departure from Sacred Heart Parish has not yet been determined; however, we expect a mid-morning departure. To hold your spot on the bus a payment to Sacred Heart is required. Payments can be made to either desk in the Narthex after Mass or at the Parish Office. Maximum occupancy for the trip will be approximately 95 people.

Please contact Matt Hillegass for more information at mjh180@yahoo.com.

# **Sacred Heart Giving:**

March 8th Collection

\$14,316.46

2nd Collection~

Winter Fund

\$ 5,616.00

Poor Box

\$ 159.46



Thank you!

# Sacred Heart School



# Sacred Heart School News



Sacred Heart School places a great emphasis on service to others. Many of our classes are beginning service projects with their prayer buddies during this Lenten season. Pre k 3 is collecting used books to donate to A.I. DuPont Children's Hospital and our second and fourth grades are collecting items for Safe Harbor, a homeless shelter in West Chester. In addition, fifth grade and pre k 4 are partnering with Career Wardrobe and Make it Work to give hope and help dress women and men entering the professional work force. Any donations for these worthy causes can be dropped off in the school office or left at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. We thank you for your support!



Seventh graders working with their first grade prayer buddies assembling breakfast meals for the Aid for Friends Program.

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Sacred Heart School is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and is now accepting applications for the 2015-16 school year. We provide a quality Catholic education enhanced with the latest technology, fine arts and foreign language program. From the moment students and parents walk through the doors of Sacred Heart, they have a sense of belonging, both to the school and parish community. Our school provides a nurturing environment in which students feel comfortable learning, growing and making decisions.

To tour the school or receive additional information, please contact the development office at 610-932-3633 or developmentshs@gmail.com.

Open Gym every Friday from 10-11 AM in the school gym through March 27th All children ages 6 and under are welcome, accompanied by an adult There is no fee and registration is not necessary



# 40 Days for Life Campaign runs from Ash Wednesday to Easter

In 1998, Planned Parenthood built a free standing surgical abortion facility in Bryan/College Station, TX. In response, 40 Days for Life was initiated. Because of their total commitment to prayer, fasting, public awareness and faith that, "with God all things are possible", the Bryan/College Station Planned Parenthood closed their doors forever in 2013.

You are invited to join other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood in West Chester, PA, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach.

If you'd like more information- and especially to volunteer to help, please contact:

Paulette Matthews at 610.286.5450 or 484.832.2746 OR Bettie Rowe at 610.932.4354.
You may also sign up at https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/chester-county/

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK, especially:

Jordan Guerin, Ann Mentzer, Mary Blessington, , Alice Strohmaier, Rose Zebly, Elvie Stengel and all parishioners with special needs.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to add someone to our prayer list. You may resubmit a person's name anytime through our website, www.sacredheart.us

call 610-932-5040.

Any new additions to the sick or military list will be in the bulletin for one month, then continued on the website for our prayers.

Please contact the parish office for removal from the website prayer list.

## **PASTOR**

Rev. William Lange

#### **WEEKEND ASSISTANTS**

Rev. Joseph Shenosky & Rev. John Francy

#### **Sacred Heart Parish Office**

610-932-5040 203 Church Road, Oxford, PA 19363 Website: www.sacredheart.us

## **Sacred Heart Parish School**

610-932-3633 205 Church Road, Oxford, PA 19363 Website: www.shsoxford.us

### MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm

Sunday

7:45 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

### **DAILY**

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday at 8:00 am Tuesday Evening 7:00 pm & Friday 8:30 am

Holy Days as announced in the bulletin

#### Reconciliation

Friday at 6:30 pm & Saturday at 4:00 pm

# Adoration

Tuesday 8:00 am-7:00 pm

## Rosary

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday at 7:30 am Friday - 8:00 am

#### Miraculous Medal Novena Monday following 8:00 am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Wednesday following 8:00 am Mass

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary
First Saturday of month at 4:15 pm

## REGISTRATION FOR NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the parish, we welcome you. You may come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ—there are no strangers in grace—in His name we pray you will find peace, hospitality and friendship with us. You are invited to register at Sacred Heart after any Mass on the weekend, just stop by the Welcome Desk in the Lobby.

**SACRAMENTS:** Visit our website, **www.sacredheart.us** for the sacrament page and information about becoming Catholic, Baptisms, Marriage, and PREP. If you would prefer, you may call the parish office at 610-932-5040 for details.

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** - If a loved one is dealing with a serious illness, it is wise to notify the parish office as soon as possible. This sacrament is intended by the Church to be a comfort and strength to people during their illness, not to be held out as "Last Rites".