

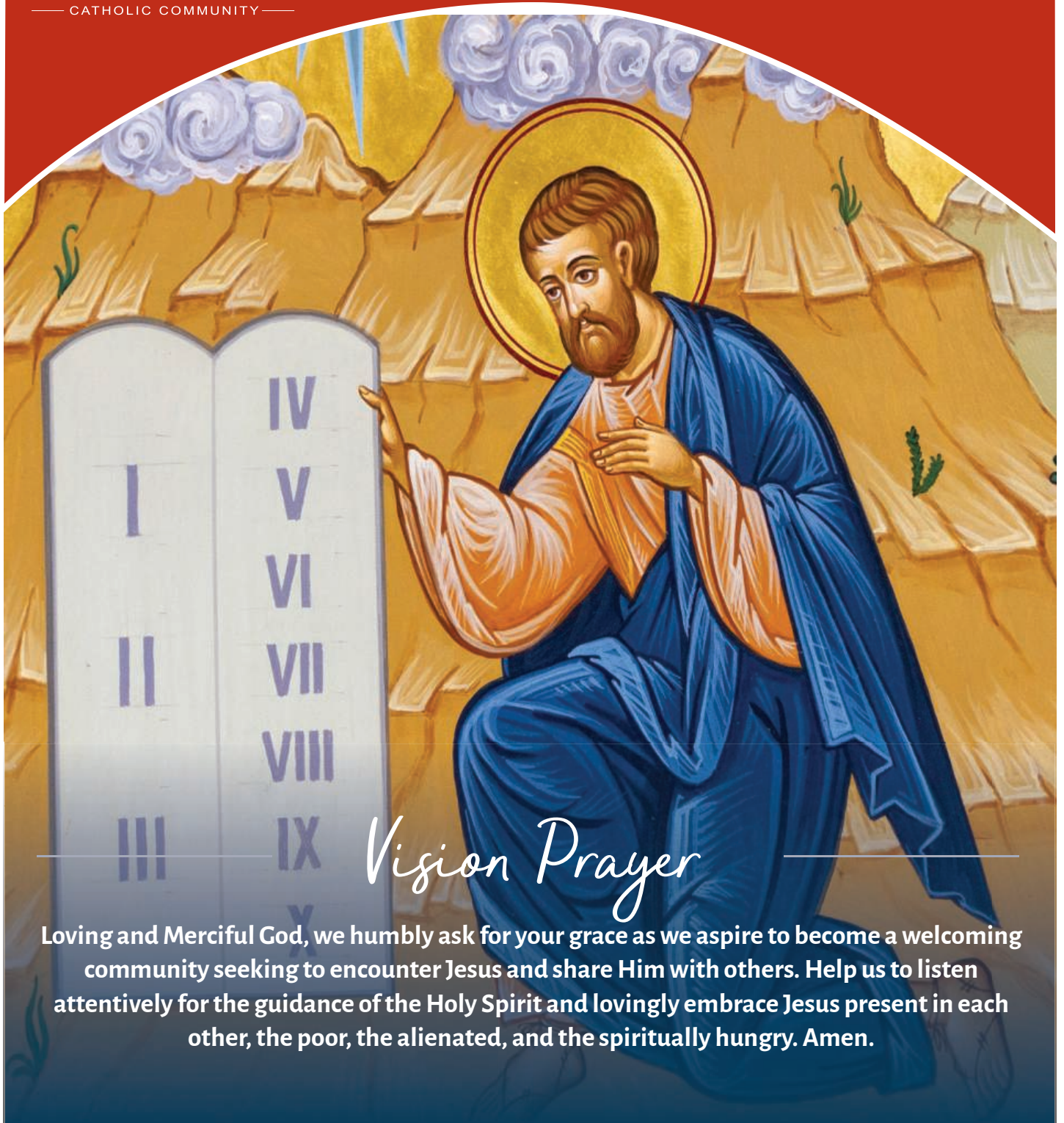
St. Norbert Catholic Community

MAY 14, 2023 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ST. NORBERT
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

John 14:15



Vision Prayer

Loving and Merciful God, we humbly ask for your grace as we aspire to become a welcoming community seeking to encounter Jesus and share Him with others. Help us to listen attentively for the guidance of the Holy Spirit and lovingly embrace Jesus present in each other, the poor, the alienated, and the spiritually hungry. Amen.

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Monday thru Friday 7am - 3pm
Saturday 7 am - 6 pm
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MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

7:30 am & 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00 am · 11:30 am · 6:00 pm
1:30 pm Spanish Mass

DAILY LITURGIES

7:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:00 pm
First Sunday of the Month: 12pm to 1pm
(English & Spanish)
By Appointment: call 610.644.1655

ADORATION

Thursdays: 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Weekly Readings

Saturday, May 13

Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5;
John 15:18-21

Sunday, May 14

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7,
16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

Monday, May 15

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a,
9b; John 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday, May 16

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,
7c-8; John 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 17

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13,
14; John 16:12-15

Thursday, May 18

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9;
Eph 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20

Friday, May 19

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;
John 16:20-23

Saturday, May 20

Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10;
John 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 21

Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16;
John 17:1-11a

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Welcome to St. Norbert Parish

To register with the parish, visit www.parish.stnorbert.org and click the *Register with Us* page under the *About* tab to download the Parish Registration form (English and Spanish). The Parish Registration form can also be picked up at the parish office.

Marriage

To start your wedding planning, contact the parish office at 610-644-1655 at least six months prior to your wedding date for church availability and to schedule an initial meeting with a priest or deacon.

Baptism

At St. Norbert Parish, we celebrate baptisms on the 3rd weekend of each month during mass. The Mass with Baptism rotates monthly among the 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil, and 9:00 am and 11:30 am Sunday morning Masses.

The Baptismal Registration and Godparent Eligibility forms can be found on the *Baptism* page of the parish website, under the *Sacraments* tab. Parents must attend a Baptism Prep class for the first child being baptized Catholic. Contact the parish office at 610-644-1655 to inquire about the Baptism process and upcoming dates/times of the monthly Masses.

Sponsor Certificates

If a registered member of St. Norbert Parish is in need of a Letter of Eligibility to be a Godparent for Baptism or Confirmation Sponsor, the individual...

- Must be at least 16 years old.
- Must have received the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.
- If married, must have been married in the Catholic Church or a Convalidation Ceremony.
- Must be an active member of St. Norbert Parish.

Contact the parish office to request a Letter of Eligibility at least three weeks before the date needed and to arrange to pick up the letter.

Communion Visits

The Eucharist is nourishment in our time of need. Contact the parish office at 610-644-1655 to arrange for a sick or homebound parishioner to receive Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick

Opportunities for the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick are available regularly. Contact the parish office at 610-644-1655 for details to arrange for this sacrament. If the parish office is closed, and there is a danger of death, please follow the directions on the telephone messaging system regarding emergencies for parishioners. A priest will automatically be paged.

Prayer & Healing Ministry

The parish has a dedicated group of parishioners offering intercessory prayers upon request. If you have a special intention, please complete the Prayer Intentions form on the *Prayer* page under the *Faith Formation* tab of the parish website.

Interested in Becoming Catholic

St. Norbert Parish's Christian Initiation for Adults (CIA) program engages those who desire to know more about the Catholic faith, those who desire to become Catholic, and those who need to complete their sacraments. Contact Deacon Hank Fila at 610-644-1655 or hfila@gmail.com for more information.

St. Norbert School

At St. Norbert School, a two-time winner of the National Blue Ribbon Award of Excellence and an Archdiocese School of Distinguished Instruction, students are formed in faith daily, challenged with a rigorous academic curriculum, and participate in various service opportunities. Contact Mary Kay Hennessy, Principal, at 610-644-1670 or mkhennessy@stnorbert.org for more information.

CaFFE/ Religious Education

St. Norbert Parish's Catholic Family Formation and Evangelization (CaFFE) shares with young parishioners and their families the love of God our Father, our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. It is for kindergarten to 8th grade children who attend a school where Catholic faith formation is not a regular part of the curriculum. Contact Mark Griswold, Director of Family Life, at 610-644-1655 or mgriswold@parish.stnorbert.org for more information.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 13

7:30am † Corinne Kerrigan & Mary Lyons
5:00 pm † Betty Hogan

Sunday, May 14

9:00 am † Patti Ryan
11:30 am † Deceased Members of the Fuchs Family
1:30 pm † Roberto Acosta Garcia
6:00 pm † Mark F. Brunstetter

Monday, May 15

7:30 am † James A. Nolen, Jr.

Tuesday, May 16

7:30 am † Elizabeth Nolen

Wednesday, May 17

7:30 am † Mildred G. Finley
7:30 pm Vigil † Manus Divers

Thursday, May 18

7:30 am † Maria Domenica Misantone
9:00 am † Omar Aldilaimi

Friday, May 19

7:30 am † Maria Domenica Misantone

Saturday, May 20

7:30 am † Gaetano & Sue Masapollo
5:00 pm † John William Greiner

Sunday, May 21

9:00 am † Ernest & Pierina Martino
11:30 am † Joe & Liz Maxwell
1:30 pm † Atilio Paredes
6:00 pm † Ruth Barnett

A Gentle Reminder

Please contact the parish office when a person has recovered from an illness or no longer serves in the military so this information may be updated accordingly.



Friends,

Today we celebrate Mother's Day, yet many of us may not be aware that the first Mother's Day was proclaimed on May 9, 1914, by President Woodrow Wilson through the efforts of Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia, who wanted to remember her mother and all mothers. Anna's mother had been very active in working to improve people's health and Anna convinced her mother's church to celebrate Mother's Day on the anniversary of her mom's death. She campaigned for a national day and convinced President Wilson to designate this special occasion. Although this is a "special day" in which we recall moms, it can be challenging for some because of their personal experiences.

As we celebrate Mother's Day this Sunday, I wish all moms in our St. Norbert Community of Faith a blessed Mother's Day. Today, we celebrate the unconditional love of mothers for their children and children's love for their mothers. "Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails." (1 Cor. Ch. 13)

We acknowledge the tremendous impact mothers have on their children. It is said, "If you educate a man, you educate one individual, and if you educate a woman, you educate a family." Let's gratefully admit that none of us can return to our mothers, in the same measure, all the sacrificial love they have given us. So, we offer prayers for all the mothers in our Parish, whether alive or those who have gone to their eternal reward.

On this Mother's Day, as we honor and pray for our earthly mothers, let's also be reminded of our heavenly Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Catholic Church proclaims the great nobility of the mother of Jesus, Mary most holy, and presents her as the supreme model for all mothers and prays for her intercession and motherly care for all of us.

Blessings,

Fr. Steve

Prayers

For Healing

Maria Morales · Ed Rofi · Peter Lim
J. D. Sobota · Patricia Uberti · Irene West, Sr.
Sarah Frack · Carlos & Valentina Estevez
Patricia Boyce · Naomi Grace Rouse
Bob Cook · Bartolome Reotita Aqui, Sr.
Bill Sherwin · Jack Kahn · Lily Walker
Louis Chila · Kristin B. · Norman Bogos
Ruth Miller · Matthew Rice · Lisa Holmes
Andrew Ferrell · Nora Fernandez
Sophia Ferullo · Betty Peterson
Shawn McGlincy · Enrique Carrera
Annette Shackelford · Jo-Ann Stigliano
Angelica Guadalupe Rodriguez
Joseph Stellabotte, Jr. · Randy Pope
Peter Randice, Jr. · Lauren Kilgore

Rest in Peace

Anna M. Belzer

For Our Troops

Capt. Rob Kersey, USN
Lt. Col. James Merenda, USAF
Lt. Nicholas Prestipino, USA
SSgt. R. J. Paski, USA
2Lt. Amber Paski, USAF
MSgt. Matthew Paski, USSF
Maj. Brian Wallin, DO, USA
2nd Lt. Robert Farber, USA
1st Lt. Robert Dietrich III, USA
2nd Lt. Joseph R. Ellis, USMC
Pvt. Robert J. Strawley, USA
L.Cpl Dylan Unterkoefer, USMC
Maj. Todd Vlazny, USA
MSgt. Jared Montgomery, USA
Spcl. Dante Carneglia, USSF

Remembrance Candles

Week of 5/14



Blessed Mother Candle burns for
Maryann Gallagher

Saint Joseph Candle burns for
Roger Bowman



Amigos,

Hoy celebramos el Día de la Madre, pero muchos de nosotros quizás no sepamos que el primer Día de la Madre fue proclamado el 9 de mayo de 1914 por el Presidente Woodrow Wilson gracias a los esfuerzos de Anna Jarvis, de Filadelfia, que quería recordar a su madre y a todas las madres. La madre de Anna había trabajado muy activamente para mejorar la salud de las personas y ella convenció a la iglesia de su madre de celebrar el Día de la Madre en el aniversario de su muerte. Ella realizó una campaña a favor de un día nacional y convenció al Presidente Wilson para que designara esta ocasión especial. Aunque se trata de un "día especial" en el que recordamos a las madres, puede resultar difícil para algunos debido a sus experiencias personales.

Al celebrar el Día de la Madre este domingo, deseo a todas las mamás de nuestra Comunidad de Fe de San Norberto un bendecido Día de la Madre. Hoy celebramos el amor incondicional de las madres por sus hijos y el amor de los hijos por sus madres. "El amor siempre protege, siempre confía, siempre espera, siempre persevera. El amor nunca falla". (1 Cor. Cap. 13)

Reconocemos el tremendo impacto que las madres tienen en sus hijos. Se dice: "Si educas a un hombre, educas a un individuo, y si educas a una mujer, educas a una familia". Admitamos con gratitud que ninguno de nosotros puede devolver a nuestras madres, en la misma medida, todo el amor sacrificado que nos han dado, por eso, ofrecemos oraciones por todas las madres de nuestra Parroquia, las que están con nosotros y las que han partido a su recompensa eterna.

En este Día de la Madre, mientras honramos y rezamos por nuestras madres terrenales, recordemos también a nuestra Madre celestial, la Santísima Virgen María. La Iglesia católica proclama la gran nobleza de la madre de Jesús, María Santísima, y la presenta como modelo supremo para todas las madres y ruega por su intercesión y cuidado maternal para todos nosotros.

Bendiciones,

Fr. Steve

Servicios Comunitarios y Anuncios

Educación Religiosa (Catecismo/CIA): La parroquia ofrece clases en Español del Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (18 y más) en necesidad de recibir los Sacramentos por primera vez. Llame a la parroquia de Lunes a Viernes entre 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

Comunión a los enfermos o discapacitados: Si usted necesita o conoce a alguien que desee recibir la comunión y no puede asistir a misa, acérquese a Luis Palacios o a uno de los ministros de la Eucaristía, o llame a la parroquia de Lunes a Viernes de 9 a 1 PM.

Ayuda a nuestros feligreses en general: Si usted o un familiar están en necesidad o tiene problemas financieros, envíenos a "servidoresdeguadalupe252@gmail.com". Su pedido será considerado y le responderemos tan pronto como sea posible.

Confesiones: En Español e Inglés todos los primeros Domingos del mes de 12:00 – 1:00 PM. En Inglés todos los Sábados a partir de las de 3:30 PM, o con cita.

Misas y Peticiones: Para pedir misas por enfermos y/o fallecidos llame a la parroquia en horas de oficina de Lunes a Viernes de 9 AM a 1 PM.

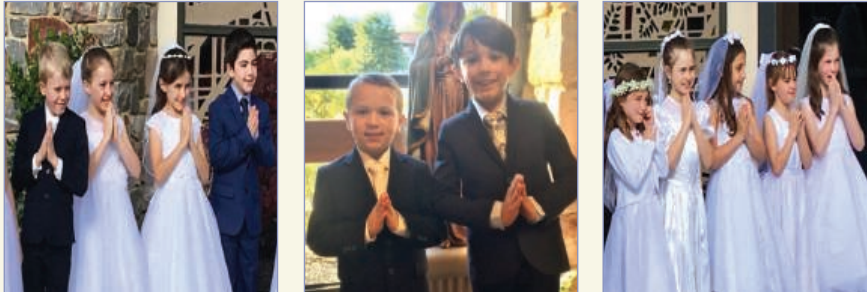
Bautismos y Matrimonios: Para programar estos sacramentos, por favor llame con anticipación a la oficina de la Parroquia para recibir más información y completar todos los pasos requeridos.

Rosario en familia: Regístrese en los chats de la comunidad "Rosario en Familia" y "Servicio entre Nosotros" para acceder al Rosario diario y para informarse de otras actividades de la comunidad. Enviar su nombre y número de teléfono a "servidoresdeguadalupe252@gmail.com". El rosario lo rezamos todos los días a las 7:30 PM vía Zoom; meeting Id: 7027721349; contraseña (si lo pide): 7777777.

Marquen su calendarios: Septiembre 16, 2023. AbbeyFest regresa pronto! AbbeyFest es un día para celebrar a nuestro Señor y compartir en familia y comunidad; incluye música, misa al aire libre, Adoración al Santísimo, comida y mucho más. Los esperamos y si desean ayudar como voluntarios llamen a la parroquia para más información.

Para más información de otros eventos de la Iglesia San Norberto, por favor lea el resto del boletín.

Congratulations and Blessings



We are incredibly thrilled for the children of St. Norbert Parish who received their First Holy Communion last weekend. Much gratitude to Fr. Steve and Fr. Jim, Mr. Griswold, Mrs. Gorman, their dedicated teachers- Mrs. Scelzo and Mrs. Barnett, and their wonderful parents and families for their love and support, and all who helped to make the day extra special.

God bless our First Holy Communicants! May they continue to grow in their spiritual lives.

Ascension Thursday Masses

The Solemnity of the Ascension of Jesus Christ marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again.

Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Wednesday, 5/17 at 7:00 pm and Thursday, 5/18 at 7:30 am and 9:00 am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday
immediately following the 7:30 am
daily mass until 7:00 pm



"Come to me, all who are weary, and I will give you rest"

- Matthew 11:28



Happy Mother's Day

Remembering & Honoring Our Beloved Mothers in the Month of May



Gertrude Ambecker

Alma Clark

Catherine Clark

Mary T. Clark

Mary A. Fuchs

Patricia Kropiewnicki

Sophie Kropiewnicki

Maureen McGrady

Jane M. Minnich

Annie O'Donnell

Serve



on Sunday



Stop by the Welcome Desk or scan the QR Code to learn more!



**Summer Vacation
for our Bethesda
Casserole Chefs!**

The Bethesda Casserole Program is on hold for June, July & August due to freezer maintenance and prep.

Thank you to everyone who prepared casseroles this year. They have been consumed with pleasure!

The Casserole Program will resume Friday, September 1, 2023 so have your recipes ready!

St. Norbert Parish Stewardship Monthly Collections

	APRIL 2023	APRIL 2022
	\$130,504	\$135,281
Collection	\$80,632	\$94,552
OSV Online	\$49,872	\$40,729

The outpouring of support from our parishioners helps sustain the ministries and facilities of the St. Norbert Parish Community.

For more information or to sign up for online giving, please visit www.osvhub.com/stnorbert/giving/funds or scan the QR code.



NOT SURE HOW TO SPEND AN ENTIRE HOUR AT ADORATION?
DO YOU OFTEN FEEL DISTRACTED DURING PRAYER?
ARE YOU READY TO TAKE YOUR PRAYER TIME
TO THE NEXT LEVEL?
JOIN US FOR:

MIRACLE HOLY HOUR

Eucharistic Adoration
Wine & cheese reception to follow.
Hosted by the Women of Walking With Purpose

**THURSDAY, MAY 18 | 7-9PM
ST NORBERT CHURCH**

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Friendship Celebration through Prayer, Speakers & Music

"THE GIFT OF THE ROSARY"

Wednesday, May 24, 2023 7:00pm - 8:30pm

St. Norbert Church

6 Greenlawn Road, Paoli, PA

Bring a friend and join Bernie Parent for an evening filled with uplifting music and amazing speakers, including Fran Dunphy.

A Saint Padre Pio glove and rosary will be on display.

Contact Ed Morris at eddiemo@comcast.net for more information.

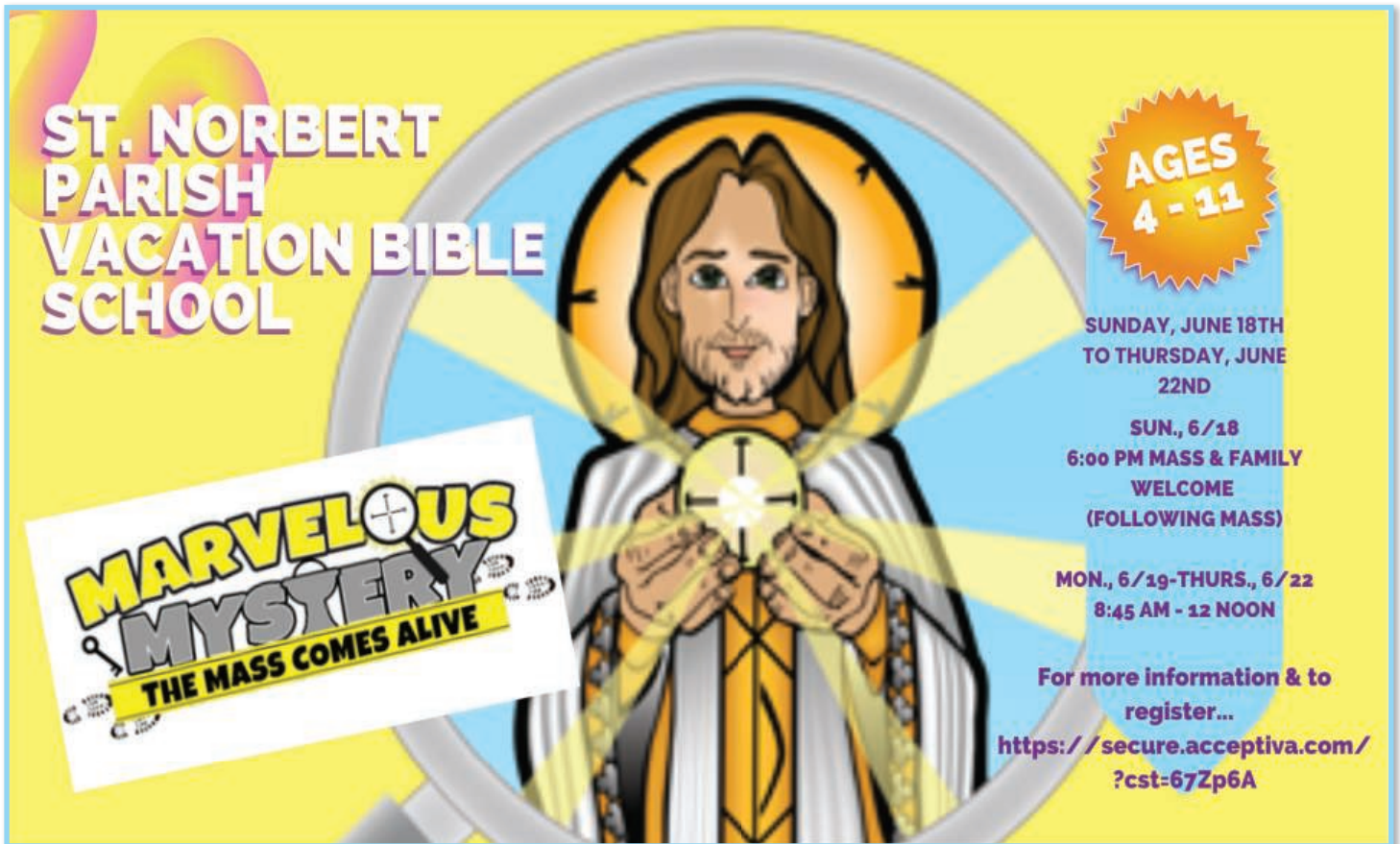
50+ GROUP SOCIAL HOUR

June 20, 2023 | Starts at 6 PM | General Warren Inn, Malvern, PA

Appetizers & Refreshments available for purchase at Happy Hour prices



Please contact Rose O'Driscoll at rose.odriscoll@villanova.edu with questions.



**ST. NORBERT
PARISH
VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL**

**AGES
4 - 11**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH
TO THURSDAY, JUNE
22ND**

**SUN., 6/18
6:00 PM MASS & FAMILY
WELCOME
(FOLLOWING MASS)**

**MON., 6/19-THURS., 6/22
8:45 AM - 12 NOON**

**For more information & to
register...**

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**MARVELOUS
MYSTERY
THE MASS COMES ALIVE**



Caring for Friends feeds and provides friendship to thousands of homebound seniors, people with disabilities, veterans, and hundreds of thousands of children and families in need every year.

As a volunteer-driven organization, we face expenditures for infrastructure, fuel, electricity, and maintenance of our facilities and vehicles. At the same time, protein and produce have become unaffordable for many of our clients. To deliver more of these foods, we have increased the number of individual frozen meals and family meals we prepare.

On behalf of the people we serve, please consider contributing to our Annual Giving Campaign. Your donation helps provide much needed food and friendship to the most vulnerable among us.

Please donate online by scanning the QR code to the right.

Thank you for your kind support and generosity.





ST. NORBERT PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS FOR THE PARISH
PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) WILL BE HELD
THE WEEKEND OF MAY 20 & 21

Members of the PPC are selected according to a process defined by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The council is made up of nine elected and appointed members, along with three ex-officio council members comprised of parish staff. The composition of the PPC is meant to reflect the diversity of the parish community. The pastor presides over PPC meetings.

ELECTIONS

Each spring, parishioners are invited to nominate individuals to run for election to the PPC. Biographies of nominees are published prior to the election. This year six parishioners have been nominated for four openings.

Voting will be held in person at all the masses the weekend of May 20th and 21st.

YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

Parish Councils serve as a consultative body that advises and assists the Pastor in areas of pastoral concern with the task of carrying out the mission of the Church. The PPC encourages all parishioners to participate fully in the life and mission of the Church at St. Norbert. Parishioners are always welcome to contact a council member to bring forward "a view from the pew" at monthly meetings.

CURRENT MEMBERS

Parish Council members are elected for one term of three years with reelection possible for a second three-year term with a maximum term limit of six years. Current members and their terms of office are:

Christina Burke (term ending 2024)	<u>Eligible for Re-election</u>	<u>Not Eligible for Re-election</u>
Mackenzie Kilgore (term ending 2023)	Natalie Murray (term ending 2023)	Mary Beth Fritz (term ending 2023)
Jeff Klein (term ending 2024)		
Rich Lytle (term ending 2025)		
Alyson Oswald (term ending 2023)		
Jennifer Reid (term ending 2025)		
Raul Urrunaga (term ending 2025)		

WHO CAN VOTE

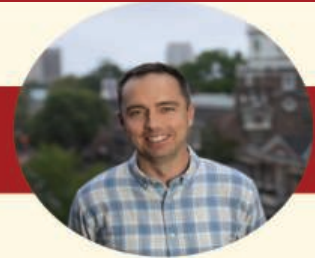
Registered members of St. Norbert Parish who are at least 18 years of age are eligible to vote for candidates.

THIS YEAR'S NOMINEES

The nominees for four slots on the Parish Council are noted here. Voting will be held in person at all the masses the weekend of May 20th and 21st.



JIM BELZER



Why do I want to be on the parish council? I believe I'm being called to serve our parish. It is important to me to not just be a part of this community but also be a leader in it. I'm being called to do this as not just a parishioner but as a father. My wife Lindsay and I have two boys (13 & 10 years old) and I want them by my side, as I was with my father, seeing an active leader in our parish, so they will grow up and be leaders in their parishes and for their families.

The jobs I've held in my professional career have always been demanding on my time, including nights and weekends. I've recently moved into a new job that should not have those demands. This was intentional as I want to dedicate my time outside of work to serve our family and community, including the St. Norbert Parish community. I firmly believe in the importance of building relationships to strengthen an organization and I would do the same on the parish council to understand the needs of the parish.

Vision for the Parish

To me, a successful parish is a place that is both safe and comfortable as well as invigorating and lively. The nice thing is that our parish is already those things. I want to spread that message and feeling to all in our parish. If there are ways to grow or expand on this message, I want to work with other members of our parish to find those and do so. For these reasons, I hope you will consider giving me your vote for parish council.



BRENDEN BOYLE



Following our marriage in 2013, my wife, Shannon, and I made the easy decision to call St. Norbert Parish home. While she had spent many years here with her parents, Richard and Patty, I was new to this church. It did not take long however, for me to understand why her devotion to this parish was so strong. The St. Norbert community is one that is rooted in traditional Catholic values, while also billowing with loving, caring, and generous people. We have been so fortunate to form new friendships and fortify existing ones through our involvement in St. Norbert Parish and School. I have been attending That Man is You (TMIY) at St. Norbert for several years and currently serve in the parish's Lector Ministry. Next school year, both of our children will be SNS Bulldogs! Kennedy will be moving into 3rd grade and her little brother Nolan will see her in the halls as he starts Pre-K 4.

Service to others is a driving force in my life. For the past 14 years, I have been an officer for the City of Coatesville Police Department. In my role as the agency's Administrative Sergeant, it is imperative to cultivate and maintain effective partnerships in order to fulfill our mission statement. I am also a part-time driving instructor. Outside of work, I volunteer as an instructor with the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police in their Command & Leadership Academy as well as with my daughter's American Heritage Girls Troop PA1234. I feel that my experience and existing relationships within the St. Norbert community, could complement the already impressive group serving on the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) to achieve parish goals. I earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice in 2007 and hold a Master's in Strategic Leadership with a concentration in Business Administration.

Vision for the Parish

I share in Father Steve's desire to attract young families to fill the pews of St. Norbert. If afforded the honor to serve on the PPC, I pledge that I will assist in these efforts. I am committed to working with all parishioners to build upon this vibrant community that has been the foundation for our young family's faith journey.



MARIA BUTZ



I live in Chesterbrook and have lived in Chester County for over thirty years. I became a parishioner of St. Norbert in 2019, coming from another parish in the area. I made this decision because each time I came to services I felt a strong and very real sense of community. I met with Father Steve to discuss becoming a member of St. Norbert. During our conversation, Father Steve was supportive and most welcoming.

Shortly after joining, I began participating in Walking With Purpose, which I continue to be a part of today. Through this Bible study program I am acquiring knowledge and an understanding of the Bible, and have also developed a deeper appreciation of my Catholic faith. During the past five years I have met an incredible community of women who have made the WWP experience so enriching. I believe we have learned from each other.

Last fall I also participated in the Alpha Course, a ten-week program which outlines the core principles of Christian faith that all denominations share. Its belief is that what unites us is infinitely greater than what divides us.

I retired several years ago after a lengthy career in Human Resource leadership roles in a variety of industries and companies. I have an undergraduate degree in Education from Southern Illinois University and a graduate degree from Central Michigan University in Human Resource Management with a concentration in Organizational Behavior.

Vision for the Parish

St. Norbert has strengthened my faith and I very much want to make a contribution to help others continue to learn and grow in Christ. The pandemic and social media have created a different world and in some ways I believe we are in uncharted territory with many new challenges. If I can help St. Norbert in continuing to build a stronger community, I would be honored to assist in creating inclusive opportunities to meet the needs of our parishioners and to welcome new members to our parish.



STEVE FRECH



My wife, Kara, and I have been married for 25 years and have two teenagers with special needs. We have been members of St. Norbert's since moving to Berwyn over 20 years ago. We enjoyed faith sharing through Hope Ministry when the kids were younger. I have been active in That Man Is You (TMIY) since it started 6 years ago and participate in a weekly small faith sharing group. Both groups have helped me grow in understanding the role that God has for me. Attending and volunteering for AbbeyFest has been a great experience in deepening my faith. It would be an honor to be a member of the parish council and serve Father Steve and the parish community.

Vision for the Parish

My vision is for individuals and families to feel comfortable and included at St. Norbert's. I want it to be a community that provides people a variety of opportunities to find God no matter where they are in their journey.



NATALIE MURRAY



I have been a member of St. Norbert's parish officially for the last 5 years though I found myself feeling "at home" here long before that. I first discovered St. Norbert's about 7 years ago through the parish's Young Adult Group, which ministers to people in their 20s and 30s. There I found a welcoming space, the gift of friendships, and a place to reflect on God's Word and deepen my relationship with Him in my life. Eventually I began to help with the group and have been coordinating it now for the last 6 years. As I came to spend more and more time at the parish and to see the energy and joy with which its members live out the parish mission, I felt called to join the parish and make it my home on Sundays as well. I am currently serving a 2-year term on the parish council and help with the welcome ministry.

Outside of St. Norbert's, I have been an English teacher for the last 13 years, the last 11 of which have been at Villa Maria Academy High School. Working at Villa has given me an opportunity to integrate my enthusiasm for teaching with my love of my faith. I hold a Master's degree in English and secondary education certification. I also serve on the Advisory Board for the Spirituality Center at Daylesford Abbey. Through these and other experiences, I feel drawn to help create opportunities for empathy, understanding, and communication. My hope is to help others to feel welcomed, included, and heard at St. Norbert's by continuing to serve as a member of the parish council.

Vision for the Parish

To continually deepen our commitment to our parish mission, particularly our call to embrace Jesus in "each other, the poor, the alienated, and the spiritually hungry." The world is full of many who lost hope in church as a place of welcome and connection to the divine. I would like to help others find such a place at St. Norbert's. I would also like to help share the perspectives of parishioners with the pastor, particularly those of young people, who will carry on the church's mission in the future.



AUSTIN TRACY



Growing up in Bucks County, my family (my mother especially) was active in our parish. I attended an elementary school run by the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart and became an altar server at a young age. I enjoyed serving and continued through my senior year of high school. Since then, I have taken a more passive role at the various parishes I belonged to over the years and quietly helped when needed. I feel now is the right time to take a more active role in our parish.

I met my wife at Tufts University and we settled in the Washington, DC region upon graduating college. After relocating to Chester County to work in the legal department for Lincoln Financial Group, my family eventually settled in Schuylkill Township. Our two children attend fifth and seventh grade at St. Norbert School with my daughter continuing the altar serving tradition (I am still trying to convince my son). My wife's parents moved in with us, which has been a blessing. We also, like many others, went out and got a puppy during the first year of Covid.

Vision for the Parish

- Fostering community and belonging for young and old
- Celebrating tradition, while embracing new experiences
- Encouraging learning and contemplation
- Allowing the Holy Spirit to come upon us

Chris Anderson Mission Partnering Life Teen Outreach Team

Hi everyone! My name is Chris Anderson. I am currently serving as a missionary at Life Teen Camp Covecrest and have been involved at St. Norbert Parish for several years. I am so grateful to the St. Norbert community for their support of this mission over the past year. I am so excited to share that I accepted the opportunity to continue missions for an additional year, serving on the Life Teen Outreach Team.

As a member of the Outreach Team, I will continue to be living at Camp Covecrest, traveling to parishes around the country to host retreats for teenagers. We will be journeying with teens, priests, and youth ministers to bring a relevant and sustainable model of youth ministry to their parishes.

I am searching for mission partners who desire to support this work on a one-time or monthly basis to meet a fundraising goal of \$36,500 for the year. All support of this mission is tax-deductible and goes directly to Life Teen Inc, a non-profit Catholic organization. My fundraising page with more information can be found at the QR code or link to the right! If you prefer, you can also donate by check! instructions are below.

**Please make the check out to Life Teen Inc.
Include my name (Chris Anderson) in the memo line.**

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Thank you to all of those who have supported my mission year at Camp Covecrest and your prayerful consideration of continuing this support for an additional year if you are able. Please continue to share this mission with anyone who would be interested in supporting it! Thank you so much! God Bless!



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