



# Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish Community

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**JUNE 23, 2019**

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## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

5:00 P.M. - Saturday evening  
7:30, 9:30, 11:15 A.M.

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday 6:30 A.M.  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 A.M.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated once a month during a parish Sunday Liturgy. Arrangements are to be made 3 months in advance.

## NEW PARISHIONERS:

Our Mother of Good Counsel warmly welcomes new parishioners. We believe in the "Stewardship Program" committed to serving God through offering our gifts of time, talents, and treasure for the good of our parish and those in need. We ask you to register as soon as possible by completing a registration form available in the church office during regular office hours. Parishioners moving should notify the church office of any change in address or phone number.

## COMMUNION/HOME VISITS

If you are ill or unable to come to Mass for any period of time, please call the Parish Office (610-525-0147) and we will be happy to visit you and bring Communion to you.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 11:30 - 12:00 Noon

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Friday 9:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M.

Summer: Office Closed on Fridays in July & August

**Parish Office and Rectory Phone: (610) 525-0147**

**FAX NUMBER: (610) 525-0157**

## PARISH WEB SITE:

<http://www.OMGCPARISH.ORG>

## WHEN WE GIVE OUR ALL, IT IS ENOUGH!

Today's Gospel (Luke 9:11-17) is Luke's rendition of the most popular story in the Christian Scriptures. Variations on this miraculous meal appear six times in the Gospels: twice in Matthew and Mark and once each in Luke and John. It was obviously important to the earliest Christian communities.

What does Luke want us to glean from this story? At the Last Supper, the focus was on Jesus: his upcoming death for their sake, his going away, and his promise to remain with them. Here, the story focuses much more on the disciples and the crowds. In the context of Luke's Gospel, the event of the miraculous meal comes between the first time Jesus sent the disciples on mission and his first prediction of his passion. Luke built his story very carefully.

When the disciples returned from their mission, Jesus invited them to come away, but the crowds found them and Jesus wouldn't turn them away. Instead, he ministered to them in word and deed. As Jesus went on speaking of the kingdom, the disciples assessed the situation and realized that people had material as well as spiritual needs. They also knew the limits of their own food supply. Therefore, they explained to Jesus that it was time to send the folks to fend for themselves. Jesus' response, as when the crowds first came, was that his disciples should care for the people's need. As sensible people, the disciples gave Jesus an exact accounting of what they had: five hunks of bread and two fish.

But Jesus' concern was elsewhere. His question was not how much they had, but how much they were willing to give. And so Jesus took all that they had, blessed and broke it and gave it back to the disciples to give away. We should be clear. Nowhere does the Gospel say that there was a multiplication of the loaves, only that there were plenty of leftovers.

At the Last Supper, Jesus called the bread and wine his body and blood, saying that he was giving everything he was to and for the disciples. At the miraculous meal, he led them to do the same. Eucharist is Communion with Jesus in his person and his mission. As St. Paul says, it is the call to proclaim who Jesus is by the way we live our lives. No matter how little we have to give, when we give it all, it is enough.



We are asked to remember in our prayers:

Janine Hoffman, Anne Shea, Carol Luty,  
Lori Lesutis, Fran Ward, Jane Shaw,  
William O'Donnell, Pelham McClellan,  
Bill and Ella Denny, Karen Schubert,  
Michael and Andrew McCaughey  
and all who care for those who are sick or dying.

Please call the Parish Office at 610-525-0147 if you would like to request yourself or a family member be put on our prayer list for the next 4 weeks. You can also make a request that the prayers of the community be renewed for another 4-week period as often as needed or desired.

### H.O.P.E. Helping Other People in Emergencies

If you need a ride to the doctor, shopping, etc., call Sr. Anne at 610-525-0147 ext. 234.

**Baptisms:** We welcome to our faith community *Anne Elizabeth* daughter of Addie and Adam Reger who was baptized in our Church recently.



Independence  
Day

**THURSDAY JULY 4TH!  
ONE MASS ONLY AT 9:00AM  
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

Throughout the months of July and August, the Parish Office will be closed on Friday of each week, beginning on **Friday, July 5th**. The Parish Office will resume to be open on Fridays, beginning the week of Tuesday, September 3.



Interfaith Hospitality  
Network-Main Line

## INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

Our Parish will be hosting the IHN families once again during the **Week of July 7 - 14**.

### **PLEASE VOLUNTEER!**

We need volunteers for our IHN Program here at Our Mother of Good Counsel. It takes many people to help our guests feel as comfortable as possible during their stay with us. Our IHN Program hosts homeless families for a week at a time, five times a year. **We need your help!**

1. **Set-up** the Social Center on **Saturday, July 6 at 10:00 am** this takes about one hour from 10 to 11 am. **Take -down** and pack away equipment on **Sunday, July 14 at 12:15 pm**, after the guests have departed, our volunteers take down the set up. Please call Karen Carey at 610-525-0147, ext. 227 or email [kcarey@omgcp parish.net](mailto:kcarey@omgcp parish.net) or Joe Carey at ext. 262 or email [jcarey@omgcp parish.net](mailto:jcarey@omgcp parish.net).
2. **Cook** one evening during the week, we ask volunteers to cook a meal for the guests and the hosts. Simply cook the meal, drop it off hot at 6:30 pm. If you can **prepare a meal** one evening of that week, please call Toni Betz at 610-525-4499.
3. **Dinner host** during the week from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. enjoy dinner and conversation with the families. Please consider hosting, call Michele Geraghty at 610-642-7113 or email her at [mgeraghty@comcast.net](mailto:mgeraghty@comcast.net).
4. **Overnight Host (one of our greatest needs)** Volunteers are asked to spend from 8:30 pm to 6:00 am with our guests. The guests are usually quiet by then. We ask you to simply be there for them. We need two volunteers per evening. We provide an air mattress for you to sleep on. Please consider overnight hosting, call Michele Geraghty at 610-642-7113 or email her at [mgeraghty@comcast.net](mailto:mgeraghty@comcast.net).

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE for June 16, 2019

In today’s Gospel, the disciples suggest that Jesus disperse the crowd so that they might *individually* seek food and lodging. The miracle of the feeding of the five thousand is Jesus’ powerful reminder that when we *share* our gifts in His name, there is always more than enough!

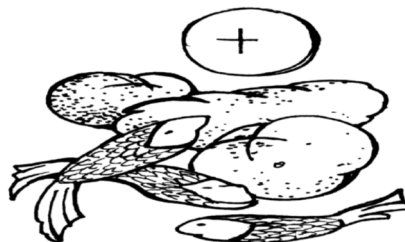
Sunday Offertory Envelopes.....	\$4,626.50
Non-Envelope Cash Contributions .....	\$731.00
Mailed in Contributions .....	\$2,182.00
Total Offertory Collection .....	\$7,539.50
Offertory this time last year .....	\$8,513.00
Electronic Giving June 17.....	\$3,257.00
On-line Parish Giving.....	\$455.00

**Thank you for your Stewardship to your Parish.  
Please remember the Church in your will.**

### IHN HOSTING DATES

This summer, our parish will be hosting the IHN guests three times because we have air conditioning and some churches do not. If you can help at any time, or with any meal during the following weeks, please notify Karen or Joe Carey at the parish office, 610-525-0147.

<b>July 7-14</b>	<b>August 4-11</b>
<b>Sept 29- Oct 6</b>	<b>Dec 15- 22</b>



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### INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK FOOD NEEDS

If you can donate any of the following food items for our guests when they arrive on **Sunday, July 7**, please put them in the food box at the entrance of the church next Sunday:

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|--------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| soup                     | crackers    | tuna fish     |
| salad dressing           | jelly       | mustard       |
| lemonade mix             | ice tea mix | coffee        |
| tea bags                 | cookies     | peanut butter |
| cold cereal              | mayonnaise  | ketchup       |
| juices: boxes or bottles |             |               |



## SENIOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Join us for our June Gathering on **Friday, June 28 at 12 noon** for the next Gathering of our Senior Parish Members and their friends.

There is no need to bring a lunch or desserts with you. All will be provided at a cost of \$5.00 per person. If you have not already registered to join us on the 28th, please call Sr. Anne at 610-525-0147, ext. 234 so that we can be prepared to welcome you with a “place at the table.” We are looking forward to celebrating this special time of the year with each other.

## VACATION BIBLE CAMP ROAR!!!

**Life is Wild, God is Good!**

Get ready for an African adventure that engages the whole herd! Life is sometimes wild, but God is always good! All children, ages 4 through 10 are invited to be a part of the herd! We will learn Bible Stories, songs, crafts, snacks and drama in our week long Bible Camp – **August 19 – 23!** Cost of the camp is \$45 for the week! But don't let that keep you from joining... contact Karen at 610-525-0147 if the cost is prohibitive to your children! All are welcome! Contact Michelle at the Parish Office for registration forms! Space is limited, so register now!



## Vacation Bible Camp Counselors Needed!

We are looking for students, ages 11 through high school to help out at our Vacation Bible Camp. Join our team of singers, crafters, dancers, leaders, guides, and runners to have a week of fun working with the younger students!

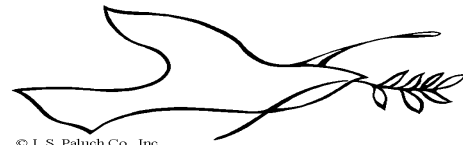
**The week is August 19 – 23!** Contact Karen at 610-525-0147 or [kcarey@omgcp parish.net](mailto:kcarey@omgcp parish.net) for more information

## AUGUSTINIAN SPIRITUALITY

Because we are an Augustinian parish, twice a month, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, a group of parishioners gathers together for prayer and reflection on the works of St. Augustine.

St Augustine lived in the 4th century but his spirituality still helps us to live the Christian life today in a very profound and beautiful way.

All are welcome to come and join with us whenever you can. We usually meet in the Parish Social Center from 7:00—8:00pm. Our next meeting is **July 2nd**.



## SUMMER FILM SERIES

As part of our mission to educate the parishioners about Catholic social teaching, the Peace and Justice Committee of Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish Community invites you to participate in our Summer Film Series. Each of the films has been chosen for its connection to Catholic social teaching.

In May 2015, in keeping with the Catholic social teaching, **Care for God's Creation**, Pope Francis issued his encyclical, *Laudato Si*, an “urgent challenge to protect our common home...to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change.” When Pope Francis addressed the U.S. Congress and the United Nations in 2015, he included this challenge in his remarks.

Following the publication of *Laudato Si*, several American theologians, who are experts in Catholic social teaching, met to discuss the content and the significance of the teachings in the encyclical and its possible impact on national and international politics. We have the privilege of viewing a recording of this meeting.

Please join us in the Social Center of the school building on **Thursday, June 27 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.** Time for a short reflection and discussion will follow each of the films presented.

The two remaining evenings will be:

- **Wednesday, July 24 on the issue of Immigration**
- **Thursday, August 29 on the issue of injustice as experienced in the Criminal Justice System**



**ST. RAPHAELA CENTER**  
**616 Coopertown Rd. in Haverford**  
**Jobs Available/Prayer Experience**

- **Part-Time Gardeners:** Love working in the garden? Have some time and want to help out? Contact Sister Lyan for more information at 610-642-5715 or [ltri@straphaelacenter.org](mailto:ltri@straphaelacenter.org).
- **Part-Time Cook:** Part-time, experienced cook needed for St. Raphaela Center. Flexible hours. Call Sr. Lyan at 610-642-5715 to schedule an interview.
- **Taize Payer: Wednesday, July 10 at 7:30 - 8:30pm.** Taize worship is a contemplative communal prayer service that consists of meditative singing, Scripture reading, and periods of silence in order to reach a contemplative state. It is an international movement, inspired by an ecumenical interspiritual community in France. After the hour-long Taize prayer, Eucharistic Adoration will be available until midnight.

This prayer experience is available on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 7:30—8:30pm.

**All are welcome—no reservations required.**

**MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE**  
**315 South Warren Avenue in Malvern, PA**  
**Women of Grace Retreats**  
**For Women of all Ages!**  
**July 11 – 14, 2019**

Benedicta Leadership Enrichment Seminar for Women (July 11-12). Theme: “Catholic Women’s Leadership and the Power of the Holy Spirit and the Spirit’s Gifts.”

“...By His Stripes We are Healed. At the Foot of the Cross: God’s Infinite Mercy.” (July 12-14).

Uplifting music, adoration, a special healing service and so much more are offered for this national retreat. For more information or to register, contact [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400.

## TEACHING POSITION AVAILABLE

Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High School, sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full-time teaching position in the Science department for the 2019-2020 school year. The schedule is teaching chemistry. Qualified applicants with a Chemistry degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Thursday, June 27. Experienced preferred. Send to Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, Mary Ann Danovich at [madanovich@merion-mercy.com](mailto:madanovich@merion-mercy.com).



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE**  
**ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**  
**July 19-21, 2019**  
**Doubletree**  
**Plymouth Meeting, PA**

Take a new look at your marriage, priorities and lifestyle. Learn simple, effective communication techniques. Enhance the love that you share. Rediscover your hopes and dreams. Early registration is highly recommended.

**To Register:** Contact Al and Mary Liz at [Applications@wwme-philly.org](mailto:Applications@wwme-philly.org)/ or call 610-449-1859. For more information, go to <https://www.wwme-philly.org>.

**BONNER PRENDIE CLASS OF 1969**  
**50<sup>TH</sup> Reunion**  
**Friday, October 4, 2019**

For details visit: Facebook Page  
 “Bonnerprendie1969”

and/or send **YOUR** email address and questions to: [BonnerPrendie1969@gmail.com](mailto:BonnerPrendie1969@gmail.com) and information will be sent to you.

## IMPORTANT REQUEST

### Concerning Allergies

Please do not bring food that contains peanuts, nuts, peanut products or nut products inside the church. Someone sitting near you may have a serious allergy. Thank you.

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**A SUMMER PSALM OF FREEDOM**

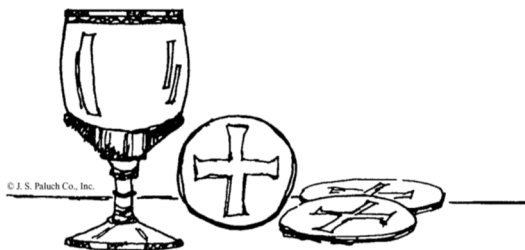
O God of all season,  
 It's summer – the season I dreamed about  
 throughout winter's long, dreary days.  
 Now is the time of leisure,  
 time to be out-of-doors-and walls.  
 But so often I feel like an over-civilized child  
 of this century of convenience and comfort.

Six months ago, it was snow and ice  
 That screened me in from earth's delights.  
 Now it's a television screen that too often  
 massages my mind, weary from work,  
 that screens me in  
 from shaman summer's healing touch.

And even if I flick that dead-window off  
 and go outside on the porch,  
 I'm still screened in or carefully protected,  
 lest bugs and flies disturb my comfort  
 by bringing nature far too close.

Grant me, O never-tiring Miracle Worker,  
 the freedom of my childhood  
 to run and play with abandon,  
 without thought of comfort, bugs or flies,  
 in summer's great vacationland.

Rev. Edward Hays  
 from Prayers For a Planetary Pilgrim



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**MASS INTENTIONS**



**SUNDAY, JUNE 23**

- 7:30 JEANNETTE GULEZIAN
- 9:30 JEAN RANDAZZO
- 11:15 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL  
PARISHIONERS

**MONDAY, JUNE 24**

- 6:30 ROBERT L. KELLY
- 8:00 MARIE & GERARD HAGENEY

**TUESDAY, JUNE 25**

- 6:30 ROBERT L. KELLY
- 8:00 JOSEPH T. DRENNAN

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26**

- 6:30 PHILIP DANIER LEIST
- 8:00 PHILIP DANIER LEIST

**THURSDAY, JUNE 27**

- 6:30 RUSTY SHIRLEY TINSLEY
- 8:00 MARK, MICHELLE & MICHAEL  
CONNER

**FRIDAY, JUNE 28**

- 6:30 THOMAS PRENDERGAST
- 8:00 GINA S. AGNEW

**SATURDAY, JUNE 29**

- 8:00 NICOLA FALCONE

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30**

- 7:30 HELEN LUIPERSBECK
- 9:30 KATHERINE IANNOTTA
- 11:15 OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL  
PARISHIONERS

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
 June 23, 2019**

[A]s often as you eat this bread and drink the  
 cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until  
 he comes.

— 1 Corinthians 11:26