

## ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS

**Call to Conversion and Holiness:** The office of Justin Cardinal Rigali notes a special need for priestly vocations in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on this Palm Sunday 2011. Just as the Eternal Son took upon Himself our human nature in order to give flesh to His love, allowing us to understand His love and mercy in a more tangible way, so it is with our reception of the graces He won for us. They are also transmitted through human nature, through those called to be priests, who are the human instruments of the things of God.

Visit the home page of the Archdiocese - [www.archphila.org](http://www.archphila.org) – and read Cardinal Rigali's complete Pastoral Letter.

**Mass Schedule Survey:** We thank you for taking the time last weekend to fill out the Survey forms in the pews or online. The Survey was in regard to possible upcoming changes to the academic year Mass Schedule at SS AJ Church, St. Katharine Drexel Chapel, and St. Bede Chapel. Thank you for your participation.

**Holy Week Schedule at St. Agatha-St. James:** Lenten Penance Service: Tuesday, April 19: 7:30 PM in Church.

### Easter Triduum

**Holy Thursday,** April 21: 7:30 PM in Church

Mass of the Lord's Supper

9 PM to 10 PM – Prayer/Adoration at Repository in Chapel

10 PM – Night Prayer and Closing

**Good Friday** Apr. 22: 9 AM – Morning Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

12:00 Noon – Mid-day Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

3 PM and 7:30 PM in Church

Celebration of Lord's Passion and Death

**Holy Saturday** Apr.23: 9 AM -Morning Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

12:00 Noon – Mid-day Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass in Church

**Stations of the Cross with Cardinal Rigali on Good Friday:** Cardinal Rigali will conduct an outdoor candlelight procession and the Stations of the Cross on the grounds of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on Good Friday evening, April 22, beginning at 7:30 PM. The faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to join His Eminence for this public witness to our faith. Beginning at 6:30 PM shuttle buses will be available for transportation to the Seminary from St. Joseph's University parking lot on 54<sup>th</sup> St. below City Ave. If you are planning to attend, please call Kathy Kelley at 215-965-8280.

**Catholic Charities Appeal in May:** Each year the Catholic Charities Appeal raises much needed funds to support social service programs provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Appeal provides hope and gives help to almost 250,000 people each year. 100% of the funds raised in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia benefit the people in the five-county region. Since 2000, the Appeal has raised an average of \$8.5 million annually and funds over 80 social service organizations.

**Stand Up for Life:** Every second Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM a pro-life group will celebrate Mass at the St. Bede Chapel in the Newman Center. Following Mass they pray the Rosary in procession to Penn Family Care at 39<sup>th</sup> and Chestnut St.

## PARISH COUNCILS

**Parish Pastoral Council:** *Alexandra McFadden, Natalie Seminole, Carole Tokarczyk*

## Mass Schedule

### Saturday, April 16

9:00AM Mass *In Memory of Charlie McDaid*

4:00PM – 5:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30PM Vigil Mass *Parishioners and Benefactors of SS AJ*

### Sunday, April 17 **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

10:00AM Mass *Intentions of the Gatto and Seminole Families*

11:30AM Mass *For All Souls in Purgatory*

5:00PM Mass *Intentions of the SS AJ Community*

10:00PM Mass *Intentions of University Students, Staffs & Faculties*

### Monday, April 18

7:30AM & 12:05PM Mass at St. Bede Chapel Monday–Wednesday

12:05PM Mass *In Memory of Constance Haley*

1:00PM Mass at Drexel Chapel Monday – Wednesday

### Tuesday, April 19

12:05PM Mass *In Memory of Juan Chico*

7:30PM Penance Service St. Bede Chapel, Penn Newman Center

### Wednesday, April 20

12:05PM Mass *In Memory of Maria Del Carmen Seara*

7:00PM Holy Hour will NOT be held tonight.

### Holy Thursday, April 21

7:30PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

### Good Friday, April 22

9:00AM Morning Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

12:00Noon Mid-day Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death

7:30PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death

### Holy Saturday, April 23

9:00AM Morning Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

12:00Noon Mid-day Prayer, St. Bede Chapel

4:00PM – 5:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation will NOT be held.

7:30PM Easter Vigil Mass

*Celebrants for the Weekend Masses, April 23 and 24*

### Holy Saturday, April 23

7:30PM Easter Vigil Mass *Fr. Jim*

### Sunday, April 24 **Easter Sunday The Lord's Resurrection**

10:00AM Mass *Fr. Jim*

11:30AM Mass *Fr. George*

5:00PM Mass *Fr. George*

10:00PM Mass *Fr. Jim*

**Parish Finance Council:** *John Doyle, Ray Jones, Peter Scoles*

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### ADULT MINISTRIES

TBA, Director of Adult Ministries

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For matters pertaining to Circle of St. Bede, Catholic Forum, RCIA, Pre-Caná, Scripture Study, Legion of Mary, Connections, Young Adults, please contact TBA.

**Catholic Forum:** Everyone is welcome to attend Catholic Forum, a gathering to share fellowship and reflect on the readings of each Sunday's Mass. Meet after the 10 AM Mass in the back of Church near the Heritage Room to walk to the Newman Center.

**Circle of St. Bede:** The Circle of St. Bede invites interested faculty and professionals to join us on Tuesdays 8:10-8:50 AM in the lower level of the Newman Center. If interested, please contact Dr. Peter Dodson: [dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu](mailto:dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu).

**Morning Scripture Study:** New members are warmly welcomed as we gather at 8:00 AM on Wednesdays in the lower level of the Newman Center. Contact Charlotte Ethier at [ethiercc@aol.com](mailto:ethiercc@aol.com).

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

TBA, Director of Liturgical Ministries  
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For matters pertaining to Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Art & Environment, Sextons, Audio/Visual, contact TBA.

**Stations of the Cross:** Stations will be held at 11 AM on Good Friday, April 22, St. Bede Chapel, the Newman Center.

**Holy Hour:** Holy Hour will NOT be held Wednesday of Holy Week, April 20.

## OPERATIONAL MINISTRIES

Joseph Lamb, Director of Operational Ministries  
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For matters pertaining to Business Ministries, Facilities Ministries, Office Ministries or Custodial Ministries, please contact Joe Lamb.

**Weekend Parking:** Parking is available for weekend Masses in these locations: the parking lot adjacent to the Rectory; the big parking lot behind The Center – enter from the 3700 block of Sansom Street; or the little parking lot, enter from 38<sup>th</sup> Street near Sansom Street

**Weekday Parking:** Monday – Friday there is very limited guest parking for Mass attendance and visitors in the lot adjacent to the Rectory. Weekday parking must be cleared with Joe Lamb.

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## ALL UNIVERSITY CITY STUDENTS

**Stations of the Cross:** On Good Friday, April 22, at 11 AM, all are invited to join in praying the Stations of the Cross in the St. Bede Chapel of the Newman Center. The Stations of the Cross is a traditional meditative prayer depicting the Passion of Christ. It is an opportunity to reflect on the suffering of Christ. On this day we will also pray for the suffering of the people in Japan as they face tragedy and loss.

## DREXEL NEWMAN MINISTRY

Mike Chovanes, Assistant Director, Drexel Newman  
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**Small Group Prayer & Discussion Meeting:** Small group prayer and discussion will take place Wednesdays at 8:30 PM in the Newman Office on the 2nd floor of the Intercultural Center. This is an opportunity to gather with others, reflect on scripture, and spend some time in prayer. For more info, contact [drexelnewman@gmail.com](mailto:drexelnewman@gmail.com). All are welcome to join.

## PENN NEWMAN MINISTRY

Jeff Klein, Assistant Director, Penn Newman  
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## ALL PENN STUDENTS

**Baccalaureate Mass & Reception:** All graduating undergrad and grad students of Penn and their family and friends are cordially invited to celebrate with us. Baccalaureate Mass is Saturday, May 14, at 5:30 PM at St. AJ's Church with the reception following immediately after at the Newman Center. Please RSVP the number attending the Reception no later than May 6 to Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu).

**Dollar Dinner:** On Thursdays at 6:00 pm at the Newman Center, gather with us for an all-you-can-eat pasta dinner for \$1! There will be no Dollar Dinner on Holy Thursday, April 21.

**Spiritual Mentoring/Direction:** An opportunity to meet one-on-one with a professional minister to speak about your life. Several mentors are available to Penn undergraduate and graduate students. See [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu).

**Support Group for Penn Students Coping with Illness or Death of a Loved One:** Penn students facilitate a peer-led support group. For more info, see [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu) (scroll down to the bottom of the page under "Ongoing Programs").

## PENN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

**Newman Nights:** The Newman Center has begun an exciting new weekly series for undergraduates. Newman Nights feature an opportunity for community-building, prayer and discussion on current topics. All Penn undergrads welcome! Sundays, 8:30-9:45 pm.

**Topic for April 17: Ecumenism.** Join us for a great discussion on both diversity and unity among Christians on Penn's campus. Last Newman Night of the semester!

**Easter Egg Hunt:** All Penn undergrads are invited to come get your Easter spirit on at the Newman Center on April 19, 5:30 – 7:30 PM. We'll be looking for eggs filled with candy! Also, there's a prize for the most eggs gathered! For more info, contact [jgian@seas.upenn.edu](mailto:jgian@seas.upenn.edu).

## U SCIENCES NEWMAN MINISTRY

Crissy Bowen, Assistant Director, USciences Newman  
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**Connections at USci:** There is a small group that meets at USci every Tuesday night at 8 PM in STC 137 to build relationships, read and learn more about Scripture, pray together and brainstorm ways to put our faith into action. Contact Crissy Bowen at [uscience.newman@gmail.com](mailto:uscience.newman@gmail.com) or stop on by!

