

### Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus *continued*

Shrine area is adorned with daily vigil lights [Red candles] as well as the bi-annual, memorial candles. [White candles]. The Parish Book of Prayer Intentions is also there at the Sacred Heart Shrine. If you haven't already, please visit the Shrine at your next opportunity, light a candle, say a prayer, trust your needs and intentions to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and rekindle your belief in miracles.

### Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary: Saturday June 20

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is primarily based upon the Sacred Scriptures. In the New Testament, there are two references to the Heart of Mary in the Gospel of St. Luke: "Mary treasured all these things and reflected on them in her heart." (Lk 2: 19) and "His mother meanwhile kept all these things in her heart." (Lk 2:51) In the Old Testament, the heart is seen as the symbol of the depths of the human soul, the center of its choices and commitments. In the Book of Deuteronomy we are told, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your strength." (Dt. 6:5) When Our Lord Jesus Christ was asked by the scribes which was the first commandment, he answered them by quoting this verse to them. (see Mk. 12:29-31)

It was the Heart of Mary which expressed her "yes" to God in response to the message of the Angel Gabriel at the Annunciation. By her loving consent, Mary first conceived Christ in her heart and then in her womb. Pope John Paul II, in his first encyclical, *Redemptor Hominis*, wrote "the mystery of Redemption was formed under the heart of the Virgin of Nazareth when she pronounced her "fiat." (R.H. #22)

Historically, devotion to the Heart of Mary was already present in THE 12th century with such writers as St. Anselm (d. 1109) and St. Bernard of Clairvaux (d. 1153). St. Bernardine of Siena (1380 - 1444) has been called the Doctor of the Heart of Mary due to his writings on Mary's heart. He wrote, "from her heart, as from a furnace of Divine Love, the Blessed Virgin spoke the words of the most ardent love." St. John Eudes (1601 -1680) helped to begin a renewal in this devotion by his writings. Both Pope Leo XIII and Pope St. Pius X called him, "the Father, Doctor, and Apostle of the liturgical cult of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary."

Devotion to Mary's Heart had a greater flowering following the manifestation of the Miraculous Medal to St. Catherine Laboure in 1830 and the Appearances of Our Lady in Fatima. The entire Fatima message is one of prayer, penance and making sacrifices and reparation to God for the many offenses against Him.



### Help our "Clean the Statues" Project

Many thanks to all the donors who have pledged to have the statues of St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother cleaned. In addition to our anonymous donor, our parishioners Charlotte Ethier and Doris and Paul Brown, and Fr. Steve, we recently received pledges from Erin Wade and Christian Ticehurst and Natalie and Ron Seminole. With some additional help, we could possibly also clean our beautiful Sacred Heart Statue. Please prayerfully reflect on this special request and contact the Rectory if you would like to help.



## Newman Center Notes

**Penn Newman Center** 3720 Chestnut Street  
[www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu)

**Drexel Newman Center** 30 South 33<sup>rd</sup> Street  
[www.drexelnewman.org](http://www.drexelnewman.org)

### Daily Mass

Mon-Fri	12:05pm	Penn Newman St. Bede Chapel – Upper Level
Mon-Thurs	1:00pm	Drexel Newman St. Katharine Drexel Chapel – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at Drexel Newman on a weekly basis on Wednesdays 12:30-1:00pm. Weekly Eucharistic Adoration is offered at Drexel Newman Center on Thursdays from conclusion of 1:00 pm Mass until 4:00 pm.

### Drexel Newman: Prayer Group Meeting

Join us for our first Prayer Group Meeting of the Summer Term on **Thursday, June 25 at 7:00 pm** for Lectio Divina, a guided meditation for the Gospel of the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### Drexel Newman: Summer Recess

In observance of the recess between terms, the Drexel Newman Center will be closed from **Monday, June 15 through Friday, June 19**. The Center will reopen on Monday, June 22 when the 1:00 pm Mass will resume. The Summer schedule will be in effect which means the Center will be **closed on all Fridays** throughout the term.

### For Grad Students & Young Adults: God Grill 2009

Sponsored by and hosted at the Christian Brothers Spiritual Center, 167 Conarroe St. (19127), Manayunk. This popular summer series begins with a barbecue followed by topical speakers and provocative discussions. God Grill 2009 is entitled "Discrimination: *Immigration, Race, and Religion*." Each Monday evening **June 15, 22 & 29**, a Philadelphia area figure will weigh in on the respective issues in an interactive presentation. Barbecue at 6:15 pm, programs begin at 7:15.

### Penn Newman: Spiritual Mentoring/Direction

Spiritual mentoring/direction is 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).

### Grad Student Service Opportunity: Tutoring

Grad students and young professionals are invited to participate in a tutoring program for children from K-4<sup>th</sup> grades at Annunciation BVM Church in South Philly. The children are primarily Mexican immigrants who are just learning English and consequently placed below grade level in local schools. The church needs more adults to work one-on-one or in small groups with the kids. The church hosts summer camps in July and will have regular weekday tutoring sessions when school begins again in the fall. If you are interested, contact Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu)

### Prayer Resources

Check out our webpage [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu) with several links to resources to enhance your spiritual life (click on Activities, Prayer & Spirituality, Prayer Resources).