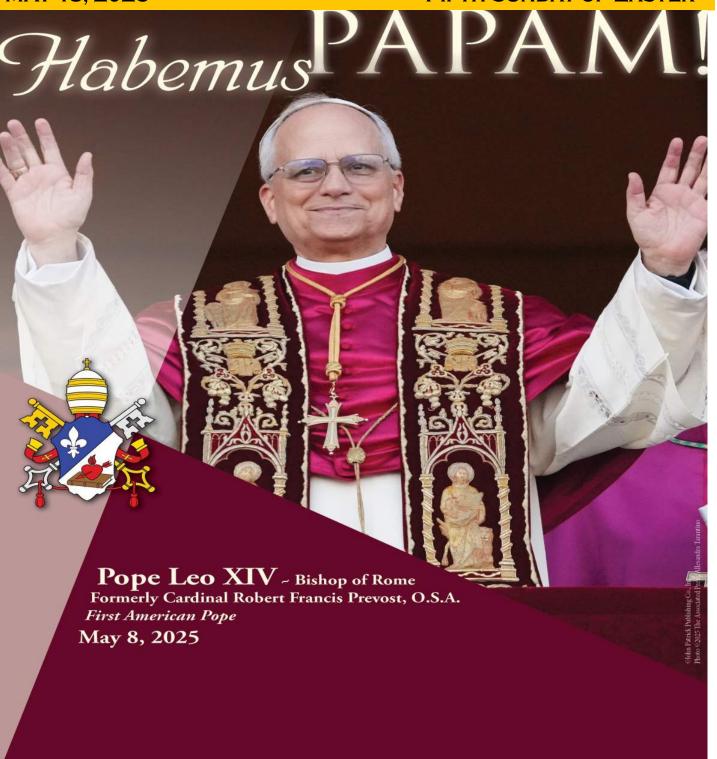


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MAY 18, 2025

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER





<u>Sunday, May 18</u> Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM Living intentions of the Bishop and Russo Families, requested by the Nally Family
9:30 AM The Drake and DiSalvo Families, requested by Kathryn

DiSalvo

11:30 AM All the members of our Parish

Monday, May 19: Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Julian and Regina Matusieski, requested by Karen Strzelec

<u>Tuesday, May 20: Saint Bernadine of Siena</u> 8:00 AM Cynthia Gergel, requested by her parents

Wednesday, May 21: Saint Christopher Magallanes

8:00 AM Carole Tallman, requested by Wayne and Dorie Tallman

<u>Thursday, May 22: Saint Rita of Cascia</u> 8:00 AM Rodney Wurst, requested by Knights of Columbus #7515

Friday, May 23: Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Nancy Musumeci, requested by Saint John's Parish Office

<u>Saturday, May 24: Easter Weekday</u> 8:00 AM Michael R. Cammarota, requested by the Corcoran Family 4:00 PM Henry Grezlak, Jr., requested by his wife, Carol Lynn Grezlak

<u>Sunday, May 25</u> Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM Donna Higgins,, requested by Tim and Kathy Higgins 9:30 AM Jessica Groark, requested by Bill, Carole, and Kristin Meyer 11:30 AM Frank and Isabel Albano, requested by Elizabeth Caruso



All are welcome to join us on Sunday, May 25, 2025 for the Homily of Reverend Mr. Declan Cole at the 9:30 AM Mass at Saint John the Evangelist Church, followed by a re-

ception in the Deacon James Hartmann Meeting Room, where light refreshments will be served.





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### It is never too late to complete your Initiation Sacraments.

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### Preparation keeps individual backgrounds and needs in mind.

- We welcome inquiries from adult baptized Catholics who now wish to be confirmed.
- We also gladly answer questions from others who might be interested in becoming Catholic.
- The goal for everyone is to understand and deepen one's faith through Scripture, prayer, worship and service to others, and so be ready to receive the Sacraments of Initiation.

### PLEASE VISIT THE ADULT INITIATION DISPLAY **TODAY AFTER ANY MASS**

and pick up a prayer card and brochure. You may also call Lori Miller at 856-905-2624.



#### 2025 MASS BOOK

Thank you to all who placed their Mass intentions in our 2025 Mass Book. All openings are now filled. The Parish Office has available Mass cards from Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary. Watch our Parish bulletin in late September, for information about the opening of our 2026 Mass Book.



If a family member is sick or you would like a visit from one of our Pastoral staff, please call our office at 215-295-4102 and we will have one of them return your call and schedule a visit.



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#### STATEMENT OF ARCHBISHOP NELSON J. PÉREZ UPON THE ELECTION OF OUR NEW HOLY FATHER, POPE LEO XIV

Archbishop Nelson J. Perez issued the following statement regarding the election of Pope Leo XIV as the Supreme Pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church by the College of Cardinals.

On this historic occasion Catholics in the Philadelphia region and around the world rejoice abundantly! The election of our new Holy Father and his appearance on the balcony at Saint Peter's Square in Rome today fills us with great hope and joy.

Together with the bishops, priests, deacons, consecrated religious, and lay faithful of the Church of Philadelphia, I express prayerful fidelity to Pope Leo XIV, formerly Cardinal Robert F. Prevost. People from our area already have a special closeness with the Holy Father. He is the first pope from the United States of America and a graduate of Villanova University! With glad hearts, we lift up prayers of Thanksgiving for his election and eagerly anticipate all that will flow from his Petrine Ministry for the good of souls and the good of our world.

I have had the pleasure of working and conversing with the Holy Father as a member of the Pontifical Commission for Latin America during his time as its president. I witnessed first-hand a wonderful, gentle, humble, and spiritual man of God who is a true gift to the world.

Pope Leo XIV will be a pastor not just for Catholics, but for every person of good will. He is a man of deep faith and extraordinary intellectual ability who understands the pastoral needs of our richly diverse Church as well as the challenges of our modern society. I know that his papacy will be marked by a desire for genuine Christian encounter with all people and that it will be filled with the compassionate love of Jesus Christ.

As a family in faith, our union with Pope Leo XIV is part of God's plan for His Church on earth. We stand ready to serve as Missionary Disciples for Christ relying upon the Holy Father's wisdom and pastoral guidance.

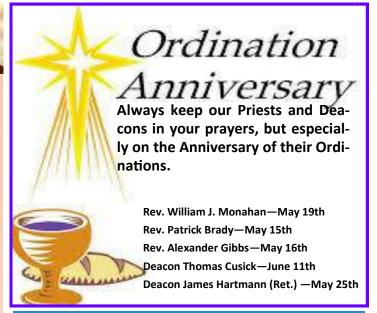
Let us all join in giving thanks to almighty God for His providential care and for the wisdom of the Holy Spirit working through the College of Cardinals. May Mary, Queen of the Apostles, Saint Peter, and his saintly successors present the prayerful intentions of Pope Leo XIV to God our Father.

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**Social Concerns Meeting**—Wednesday, May 21st, at 7:00 PM in the Social Concerns Meeting Room.

**Shared Meals**—<u>Friday, May 23rd, from 4:30-8:00 PM</u> in the Religious Education Center. See Sign-up Genius for ways that you can help.

Social Concerns is looking for a new leader for our Loving Hands group. This busy little group crochets, knits, or sews a variety of items to benefit those in need in different locations. Our leader would need to organize projects using materials supplied by Social Concerns. Many projects are completed at home. If you have time or talent or to lend to this worthwhile group, please email Monica Forst at <a href="Mhchalky@gmail.com">Mhchalky@gmail.com</a>.



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We would like to welcome the following new Parishioners who joined the faith community of Saint John the Evangelist Church during the month of April 2025:

Jacquelyn McNair and Family

and

John and Barbara Mohr

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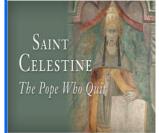
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# This Week on Formed

Week of May 18, 2025



### Saint Celestine: The Pope Who

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#### Saint Rita

Saint Rita of Cascia is immortalized in this wonderful, deeply moving film. This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life. Her story and love for Christ will inspire you to great holiness!



#### The Pope/What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Christopher Mooney, assistant professor of theology at the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, as he answers some of the internet's most popular questions about the pope and the papacy.

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# Saint John/Holy Trinity Fall CYO Sign-Ups

Registration for Saint John/Holy Trinity CYO is open! We urge you sign up quickly as we will need to inform the Lower Bucks CYO which teams we will have. Go to <a href="https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/">https://holytrinity.sportngin.com/</a> to Register.

**Travel Soccer** - The Cost is \$135.00 per child with discount for early Registration. Novice Boys and Girls are Third and Fourth Grades. JV Boys and Girls are Fifth and Sixth Grades. Varsity Boys and Girls are Seventh and Eighth Grades.

Any questions regarding Travel Soccer please contact Pat McMenamin at p mcmenamin@comcast.net

**Girls Volleyball** - The Cost is \$135.00 per child with discounts for early Registration. JV Girls are Fifth and Sixth Grades. Varsity Girls are Seventh and Eighth Grades.

Any questions regarding Girls Volleyball please contact Pat McMenamin at p mcmenamin@comcast.net

**Intramural Soccer** - The Cost is \$65.00 per child with discounts for early Registration. Peewees are Pre-K4 and Kindergarten and Tykes are First and Second Grades

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# Saint John the Evangelist Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

May is the Month of Mary

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<u>Activity of the Month</u>

Crown a statue of Mary in your home and pray 3 Hail Marys together each night.

### This Week's Facts of Our Faith

### Q. Who is the Holy Spirit?

A. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Blessed Trinity.

### Q. Did the Holy Spirit ever appear?

A. The Holy Spirit appeared at times under the form of a dove, and again under the form of tongues of fire; for, being a pure spirit without a body. He can take any form.

Baltimore Catechism

## **Attention Children of Parish**

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# Come, Holy Spirit, Come!



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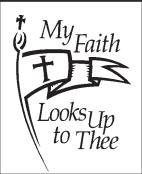


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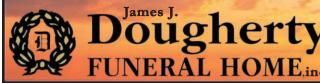








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