

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 30, 2025



A Scripture Reflection....

The Parable of the Prodigal Son is unique to the Gospel of Luke, and it is among the best known and the most beloved of all parables. It also happens to be the longest! Like all parables it is directed at a specific audience, who initially are unaware that the parable is about them. The Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." To them Jesus addressed this parable, "A man had two sons..." The younger son approaches the father and brashly asks for his share of the inheritance. According to Mosaic Law, the elder son was entitled to two thirds of the estate and the younger son to one third. Once in possession of his share, the younger son takes off without so much as a thank you or goodbye. He distances himself further from his father by heading for a foreign land where the moral bankruptcy of his choices brought him to the brink of death. "Coming to his senses" he decided to "arise" and return to his father's house. All the while, he hopes to be accepted back as nothing more than a hired hand.

"While he was a long way off, his father caught sight of him, filled with compassion, he ran to his son..." In one of the most touching scenes in the Bible, the father embraces and kisses his son, clothes him with the finest robe, puts a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet. The father then orders the slaughter of the fattened calf so that they might celebrate, because "this son of mine was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

Meanwhile on returning from the fields, the elder son hears the merriment coming from the house and asks a servant the reason. Hearing his brother has returned and his father is celebrating his return with a banquet, he grows angry and refuses to enter the celebration. As was the case with the younger son, the father takes the initiative in the healing process and rushes out to reason with the elder son.

The elder son is in no mood to be placated. Angry, jealous, and feeling overworked and underappreciated, he unleashes a string of deep-seated resentments against his father that most likely have festered within him for years. Somehow, he has failed to realize his father's overwhelming love for him.

The parable ends, purposely leaving unanswered whether the elder son ever seeks to be reconciled with his father and brother? As with last week's parable about the Barren Fig Tree, this week's parable is left open-ended urging us to see ourselves in this living Word of God. Our personal story is not finished yet. Accordingly, the open-ended parable urges us to make our own personal life choice. There is a little of both the elder and younger son in each of us, but there is not enough of the Father in any of us. We choose how our own life will end, because love is a choice.

Fr Michael Hughes, O.S.A.

Stewardship Thought for the Week

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." -
JOSHUA 5:12

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Thank you for your generosity for the Weekend of March 22 and 23, 2025:

Number of Envelopes	292
Envelope	\$12,917.00
Loose \$ / NP	\$1,727.00
Electronic	\$8,067.00
Other	\$119.84
Total	\$22,830.84
10% Tithe	\$2,283.08
Last Year	\$24,207.00



TRIDIUM 2025 – THE HOLIEST OF DAYS

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA

PALM SUNDAY, VIGIL MASS, APRIL 13TH
Saturday, 4:30PM — Rosemont Chapel

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH

7:30AM — Villanova Church
9:00AM — Rosemont Chapel
10:30AM — Villanova Church

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
— Villanova Church

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH

3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion —
Villanova Church

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH

7:30PM Easter Vigil — Villanova Church

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH

7:30AM - Villanova Church
9:00AM - Rosemont Chapel
9:30AM - Villanova Church
11:00AM - Rosemont Chapel
11:30AM - Villanova Church

**There is no Evening Mass
on Easter Sunday.**



STATIONS of the CROSS

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St. Thomas of Villanova

Wednesdays at Rosemont Chapel
(excluding Wednesday of Holy Week, April 16th)
6:30pm Reconciliation
7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Our Mother of Good Counsel

Fridays

6:00pm Soup in the Social Center
(excluding Good Friday, April 18th)
7:00pm Stations of the Cross
(excluding Good Friday, April 18th)

OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL

PALM SUNDAY, VIGIL MASS, APRIL 13TH
Saturday, 5:00PM

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH

7:30AM — 10:00AM — 11:30AM — 7:00PM

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7:30PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH
3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH
8:00PM Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH
8:00AM — 10:00AM — 12:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITIES IN LENT

St. Thomas of Villanova

Rosemont Chapel

Tuesdays after the 12:05pm Liturgy
Wednesdays at 6:30pm excluding Wednesday of
Holy Week, April 16th.
Saturdays after the 9:00am Liturgy

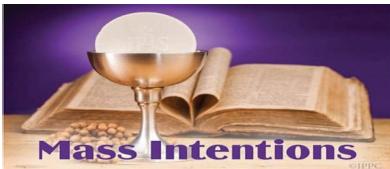
Communal Reconciliation Service
Monday of Holy Week, April 14th
Villanova Church 7:00pm

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Our Mother of Good Counsel

Saturdays at 11:30am

Communal Reconciliation Service
Wednesday of Holy Week, April 16th
7:00 pm



Mon., Mar., 31st	Lenten Weekday
12:05PM-RMCH	Dr. Peter Arcuri - Barbara & Family
Tues., Apr. 1st	Lenten Weekday
12:05PM-RMCH	Richard Hill - Addonizio Family
Wed., Apr. 2nd	Lenten Weekday; Saint Francis of Paola
12:05PM-RMCH	Patrick Moore - McDade Family
Thurs., Apr. 3rd	Lenten Weekday
12:05PM-RMCH	Angelina Moretto - Richard Moretto
Fri., Apr. 4th	Lenten Weekday; Saint Isidore
12:05PM-RMCH	Mary Reilly
Sat., Apr. 5th	Lenten Weekday; Saint Vincent Ferrer
9:00AM-RMCH	Richard Olszewski - Bob Schreiber
4:30PM-RMCH	Anna & John Casey - Fuss Family
Sun., Mar. Apr 6th	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
7:30AM-VNCH	Richard Hill - Jane Addonizio
9:00AM-RMCH	For all Living and Deceased Members of the Parish
10:30AM-VNCH	Dr. Gaetano Pastore - Lena Pastore

Save the date for the Augustinian Friars' annual giving day: Thursday, April 24!

 **Tolle Lege Day**
One Mind, One Heart.

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you do is call, email,
text, or share.*



**Schedule of Events for
the week of:
March 30, 2025**
Recitation of the Rosary
after the daily Liturgy.

**40
days
of Lent**

Monday, March 31, 2025	Centering Prayer - RMCH	8:00AM
	Rosemont Care Ministry	10:00AM
Tuesday, April 1, 2025	Scripture Reflection - PC1	10:00AM
	Reconciliation Following 12:05 Mass	2:00PM
	St. Francis de Sales Tutors	
Wednesday, April 2, 2025	Exercise Class - Harten Hall	10:00AM
	Religious Education Classes	4:45PM
	Aquinas Tutoring - Zoom	5:00PM
	Reconciliation — RMCH	6:30PM
	Stations of the Cross	7:00PM
	Family Support Group - Harten Hall	7:00PM
Thursday, April 3, 2025	Men's Scripture Reflection - PC1	6:30AM
	Walking with Purpose - Harten Hall	9:30AM
	Walking with Purpose - PC1	5:30PM
	Handbell Practice - RMCH	7:15PM
Friday, April 4, 2025	Family Movie Night - Harten Hall	5:30PM
Saturday, April 5, 2025		
Sunday, April 6, 2025	Religion Education Classes	10:10AM
	Mansion at Rosemont Ministry	11:00AM
	French Mass - RMCH	11:00AM

Fr. Michael's Scripture Class

Tuesday mornings at 10:00am.

Class is conducted in PC1 in the Parish Center. These hour-long weekly classes will be based on the scripture readings for the following Sunday's Liturgy. The goal of the class is to enhance our Sunday Worship experience and to develop within us a greater appreciation for the centrality of the Word of God in our lives. We will continue to use the textbooks previously distributed. All are welcome, so feel free to bring a friend!

*Faith Hope
Love*



We wish a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish:

Kevin & Nancy Furr of Villanova
Diane Small of Villanova

Resting in Peace:

Mr. James Elliott
Ms. Addie Fiscus
Mr. Anthony Repole
Mr. Edward Samulewicz

Remember those in need of our prayers, especially:

Angelina Arcamone PHD, Nicola Bonelli, Linnea Bramble, Katherine Breck, Brynn Busby, Peter Cellucci, Kelly Clarke, Jackie Colligan, Catherine Conway, Austin DePetris, Dorothy Dolan, Ella, John Joseph Flood, Jim Foley, Lina Fulton, Ian Gallagher, James Gibbons, Jr., Mary Jane Girondi, Martin Gollin, Patricia Ann Harley, Frances Hopson, Sam Horsey, Bridget Kelly, Sara Keohane, Tom Kosinski, Ashley Lythgoe, Pamela LaMonaca, Mary Ann McCarthy, Mary Moran, Bruno Petrillo, Bill Riley, Michael Salucci, Jerry Santilli, Theresa Sherwin, Terry Sousa, Lou Villa, Greta Wagner and Robert J. Wahl

Please pray for our soldiers stationed throughout the world. Please also pray for the soldiers who are returning from their assignments, especially the wounded.

STV & OMGC Stewardship Camp 2025 Sign-ups are now open!



Join us for this wonderful week of service, friendship and fun!

Camp will be **6/23/25-6/27/25**.
Hours are 9:30am-1:30pm except on Friday, which is 8:15am-5:00pm.

Campers must be rising 6th-8th graders and counselors must be rising 9th-12th graders.

If you have any questions or would like to register, please email Peggy at fl-youth@stvparish.org

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

PRAYER LINE

The parish prayer line is waiting for your prayer requests. Please contact stvprayerline1@gmail.com or Marie DellaGreca at 856-981-7761 to activate the parish prayer line. We have parish teams available for your special intentions.

DINNERS TO THE DOORSTEP

This ministry is for parish families who are in crisis or for parish couples welcoming a new baby. Home-made dinners are delivered. Two parish coordinators keep a list of volunteers who are called as needed. If you are in need of this delicious community support, please contact Maria Gunn at 610-291-7205 or maria.jim@comcast.net.

ST. FRANCIS INN

Volunteers are needed to serve the midday meal at the St. Francis Inn in Kensington on Sunday, April 20th. The Inn tries to meet the immediate daily needs of the poor and homeless people they serve with food, clothing and hospitality. This ministry is open to anyone 16 years or older. For more information and to sign up, contact our parish coordinator, Sheila Holst at 610-659-5828 or hagan1126@verizon.net.

MOTHER AND NEW FAMILY SUPPORT MINISTRY

Parishioner and nurse practitioner volunteer offers support to new moms and their families who are navigating the complexities of motherhood and the addition of a new baby to the family. Contact Suzanne Foley at 610-952-0147 or suzannefoley@yahoo.com or Renee Massaua at service@stvparish.org.

Save the Date!



The Easter Bunny will be hopping on over to STV on Sunday, April 13th after the 9:00am Mass.

Please join us for Coffee, Juice and Donuts in Harten Hall following the Mass. We will then proceed over to Austin Park (across from McDonalds) where we will have the Easter Egg Hunt (weather permitting).

All are welcome!

The Men of Villanova Invite You To Join Our weekly, low-key, Gospel Reflection!

We're a group of guys discussing faith and life in a relaxed setting. No pressure, just meaningful conversations. If You Need a Better Way to Start your Day, or just a break from the "Normal," come and join us for one hour on Thursdays at the St. Thomas of Villanova Rosemont Parish Center at 1229 Lancaster Avenue. The coffee is ready at 6:30am and we finish faithfully at 7:30am.

No need to prepare — just come as you are!

For questions or more information contact Kraig Null at stv.mensgathering@gmail.com
P.S. You can join online if it is more convenient!
Just let us know.



RESTLESS? SEARCHING FOR PURPOSE AND FULFILLMENT IN YOUR LIFE?

"Do not be content with what you are if you want to become what you are not yet". St. Augustine

If you are interested in learning more about the Order of St. Augustine and what it means to be an Augustinian, please visit our website:

www.beafriar.org.

WELCOME VISITORS

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are visiting our beautiful church or chapel, please know you are most welcome!

If you have questions or are interested in joining our parish community, please call the parish office at 610-525-4801 or register on our website at www.stvparish.net.



Happy Spring

A SEASON FOR SLOWING DOWN



PROTECTING CROPS FROM NATURAL DISASTERS IN BANGLADESH

Shadadat's village, and much of Bangladesh, is located on flat lowlands. The intense rainy season causes flooding that often destroys farms and crops. Find out how Shahadat learned new farming skills from a Catholic Relief Services program that enabled him to increase the yield of his vegetable crops despite the challenges of climate change. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read this week's Story of Hope.

You can pick up your Rice Bowls either in the Villanova Church or Rosemont Chapel. Additional Rice Bowls will be available in the parish office lobby.

If you wish to donate to the CRS Rice Bowl, please remit a check made out to St. Thomas of Villanova Parish with a notation indicating that this is intended for CRS Rice Bowl.

You can drop off your donation in our weekly collection basket at the Villanova Church or the Rosemont Chapel. You can also mail or drop off your donation at the Parish Center.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

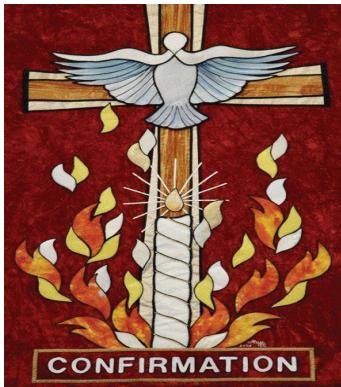
Amina Bukar, a mother of five, is a well-respected leader and small business owner in Muna Moforo, Nigeria. In her village nutrition group, she teaches mothers how to prepare nutrient-rich porridge for their children to help them grow strong and healthy.

This is important because in Nigeria, more than 25 million people face extreme hunger and lack access to nutritious food.

Visit www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope for more Stories of Hope.

If you would like to get involved with CRS at the parish level, please email service@stvparish.org to find out more about our parish CRS chapter, a joint effort with our sister parish, St. Cyprian.

A gentle reminder to all of our wonderful parishioners, let us all be good stewards to work together to keep our churches looking beautiful. Please remember to place the gathering books and supplemental Augustinian binders neatly back into the hymnal racks at the end of Mass.



*We congratulate the newly Confirmed
of our St Thomas of Villanova
Parish Community!*

*The Most Reverend Michael J. Fitzgerald
was the Presider for our
Confirmation this year.*

Ella Bacani
Evelyn Billows
Mia Breen
Lucy Bruno
Mila Bucci
Kathryn Buchakjian
Colin Buckley
Tessa Conlon
Naomi Crookham
Jacob DeNardo
Dominic DiRusso
Nicholas Duncan
Sarah Ertel
Alexis Fantauzzi
Autumn Faulkner
Christopher Flannelly
Harper Foley
Paul Graham
Shelby Graham
Lilli Graverson
Carlos M. Guzman Santiago
Carter Hartz
Jack Heiser
Reese Hoffman
Caitlin Jolley
Maura Kelleher
Clara Kersting
Anna Kimlinger
Ynigo Matteo Lim

Liam Linehan
Carter Linehan
Sophie Mantz
Olivia Mantz
Marin McFadden
Mallory Michener
Thomas Munoz-Mrockowski
Matthew Mwangi
Charlotte Naegle
Maeve O'Gara
Patrick Olin
Nicholas Palazzi
Kimberly Palus
Chase Porcari
Caroline Quinn
Mary Rouse
Benjamin Saylor
Charles Saylor
Charles Schroeder
Kai Singh
Rio Singh
Clara Soltis
Manuel Strid
Daniela Strid
Mateo Strid
Briella Sullivan
Lukas Tague
Matthew Ward
Trent Watson

Track registration is open!

Any students in grades 1 through 8 can sign up to run track for the St. Thomas of Villanova and Our Mother of Good Counsel track team!

Students from St. Thomas and Our Mother of Good Counsel will be coached by the St. Katherine's track coaches but will represent St. Thomas of Villanova and Our Mother of Good Counsel parishes. If you are interested in registering, please email Megan Carey at: youth@stvparish.org .

Simple Ways for Busy Families to Observe Lent – 2025 St. Thomas of Villanova Family Life

We are already two weeks into Lent and life is busy, even during this special season. The practices and homework and other obligations don't pause. So how can families enter into this season while still keeping up with busy lives?

Here are a few ideas:

1. Try a new meatless recipe on Fridays during Lent.
2. Go through your house and donate one bag of clothes or unused items to those in need. Cradles to Crayons is a great organization and they have Bins nearby. (www.cradlestocrayons.org)
3. Cut back on your screen time as a family.
4. Fast from unkind words and gossip.
5. Keep a family gratitude journal. This can be as simple as sharing out loud one thing you are grateful for each day, putting out a small book or piece of paper and writing it down, or using a chalkboard you already have.
6. Volunteer together one time during Lent as a family.
7. Buy a pack of socks and drop them off here at STV for the Joy of Sox.
8. Consider attending the Stations of the Cross one Wednesday evening. They are held at 7:00pm in the Rosemont Chapel.

We are travelers on pilgrimage together, wherein Christ is our constant companion, as well as our way and our goal. St. Augustine

AGELESS EXERCISE AT ST. THOMAS

Ageless Exercise, Inc., presents a unique exercise program for the young at heart consisting of range of motion, strength training, weight bearing exercises and balance challenges -- all done to upbeat, fun music! Therapy bands, hands free weights, and balls are used for strengthening and stretching muscles and for attaining range of motion movement. Weight bearing exercises to strengthen bones and the skeletal structure as well as aerobic endurance are included in the weekly class.

The class is led by a Certified American Council on Exercise (ACE) Instructor. Come join us and learn about your body, have fun, and strengthen your muscles and bones.

Where: St. Thomas of Villanova
Rosemont Auditorium

When: Every Wednesday from 10:00-11:00am,
Cost: \$6.00 for each class -- checks made
payable to **Ageless Exercise, Inc.**

*Please join us for a
Brown Bag Lunch
on Tuesday, April 8th at
12:35pm in Harten Hall*

Topic: "Eating for Tomorrow"

Presider: Mary Kate McCauley, Rn.

Our Parish Nurse, Mary Kate, will be showing the film "Eating for Tomorrow" by Otto Browich and narrated by Kate Winslet. Come and hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and how what we eat can effect our Earth.

Bring a lunch. Drinks and desserts
will be provided.

All are welcome!

Gather With Us to Work Toward Racial Healing



On Saturday, April 5th from 11:00am to 2:00pm, St. Thomas of Villanova Parish will host the quarterly meeting of the independent lay initiative, New Encounters, Catholics Confronting Racism. This inter-parish initiative is in response to Archbishop Perez's pastoral letter, "We Are One Body," and in support of the Archbishop's Commission on Racial Healing.

An informal gathering begins at 10:30am in Harten Hall (basement level of Rosemont Chapel). Lunch will be served to all participants. Registration is free, and additional information for those who have not previously participated will be available soon. Parishioners are available on a one-to-one basis to answer questions. We'd like to hear from you, and please know that all are welcome to attend this event! RSVP to Kathy at office@stvparish.org.

HOME VISITS

**Would you like Holy Communion
brought to you in your home?
Please call our parish office
to schedule a visit.**

**LENTEN MISSION
OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL PARISH
31 Pennswood Road, Bryn Mawr, PA**

March 31 — April 2, 2025 - 7:00PM



Keynote Speaker: Rev. Ricky Manalo, CSP

**Mission Theme: Journeying Together:
Encountering Christ
Embracing Communion**

This Lenten Mission invites us to journey together as we reflect on the heart of our Catholic faith and our call to encounter Christ in every aspect of our lives.

Monday's Presentation: The Heart of the Church
Year: Encountering Christ in Lent and Easter

Tuesday's Presentation:
Encountering Christ in The Eucharist

Wednesday's Presentation:
One in Christ, Divided in Politics

Please Join Us!

St. Thomas of Villanova hosts a
FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP
every Wednesday Evening at 7:00pm
in Harten Hall (Rosemont Auditorium).

Family Groups are designed to meet the needs of those with loved ones who are currently in treatment, are using alcohol and/or drugs in a problematic manner or are in recovery.

Our mission is to help ourselves and in turn help others whose loved ones are struggling with addiction.

The purpose of these groups is to provide family members a confidential, safe place to find support, education, encouragement and hope on their own path to Recovery for Life.

Those 18 years and older are welcome.

**FOR EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE,
CONTACT: ST. VINCENT DEPAUL OF
DELAWARE COUNTY
e-mail: DelcoSvdpHelp@gmail.com**

**ARCHDIOCESAN
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
ADVANCE PLANNING SEMINAR**

Free Advance Planning Seminar on "Getting Your Ducks in a Row." Know your options and understand why pre-planning your final wishes is one of the best things you can do for your family.

Topics include:

- The Importance of Choosing a Catholic Cemetery
- A roadmap for planning your final arrangements
- Reasons to plan now
- Financial Peace of Mind
- * Connecting with a trusted team

Date: Wednesday, April 23rd, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM

Where: Aronimink Golf Club
3600 St. Davids Rd,
Newtown Square, PA, 19073

RSVP to Renee Cirino via phone call @ 610-484-5193 or email at rgree@everstorypartners.com to reserve your seat.

Preplan to protect those you love!

Eileen George Prayer Group

Join us for a grace-filled Holy Hour Sunday, April 13th from 2:00pm – 3:00pm. We will have Adoration, Confessions, and Benediction along with our Novena for Eileen George's intercession for our personal needs. Priests will be available for Confessions. After the prayer meeting there will be a social in the parish hall.

Location: Annunciation BVM Church,
401 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, PA

Readings for the Week:

Monday:	Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	Is 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday:	Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11



Bereavement Support Group at OMGC

Hosted by Fr. John Deary, O.S.A.

Thursday: 6:30pm

April 10, 2025

Location: Our Mother of Good Counsel
Social Center

All are welcome who are suffering the effects of bereavement and may benefit from some support from others in the same situation.

The bi-monthly meetings are safe, friendly, welcoming and confidential.



STV Food Pantry NEEDS your HELP!

The Parish food closet accepts donations of non-perishable foods on a weekly basis. The items collected are then delivered to our sister parish, St. Cyprian's in West Philadelphia, where approximately 300 families are assisted on a monthly basis.

Items most in need are:

powdered milk, canned fruit and 100% fruit juice, peanut butter and jelly, tuna, canned chicken, cold cereal, oatmeal, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, stew, chili and soup, toilet paper and diapers.

Food may be dropped off Monday-Thursday, 9:00am to 4:30pm and on Fridays from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Please drop off at the Parish Center and on weekends to the back of the Rosemont Chapel (around Mass times when the Church is open.) Please be mindful of expiration dates. We cannot deliver food items which are past their expiration dates. Thank you.

If you would rather not shop, please know that financial contributions are welcome and will allow parish volunteers to buy items for the parish food closet that directly benefit the food pantry at our sister parish, St. Cyprian. You may either send a check made out to St. Thomas of Villanova (with "Parish Food Closet" on the memo line) to the parish office or drop a check in the collection basket. Electronic contributions are also an option via the parish website.

The Mix Main Line Hosts

Lenten Holy Hour and Social



Wednesday,
April 9th at 7PM
at Our Mother of
Good Counsel
Church

JOIN US FOR PRAYER,
ADORATION, WORSHIP MUSIC
AND REFRESHMENTS!

All ages welcome! No RSVP
required!

QUESTIONS? EMAIL: YOUTH@STVPARISH.ORG

Choral Stations of the Cross with Musica Tevere:

Friday, April 11 and April 13 (Palm Sunday)

Musica Tevere will accompany a solemn Choral Stations of the Cross events hosted by two area churches: on Friday, April 11 at 7:00pm at St. Patrick Church, 242 S. 20th St., Philadelphia and on Sunday, April 13 at 3:00pm at Saint Colman Church, 11 Simpson Rd., Ardmore.

The devotion of the Stations of the Cross will be prayed with meditations composed by St. John Henry Newman and music of Passiontide performed by Musica Tevere's chamber choir, conducted by Artistic Director Rebecca Ostermann, Music Director at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Overbrook. The sung meditations on the journey from station to station will include a traditional Polish *Stabat Mater* tune in an arrangement for men's voice by Bartosz Izbicki, music of Monteverdi, and other small but rich musical jewels in honor of the suffering Christ and His holy Mother. The attending congregation will be invited to join in singing hymn verses at intervals along the way.

All are welcome!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Giving Hope 2025

Please Give Generously!