



SAINT MALACHY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1429 North 11th Street, Philadelphia PA 19122

Rev. Matthew Biedrzycki, Parochial Administrator

Second Sunday in Lent-March 1st 2026 Parish Mission Statement

Saint Malachy Roman Catholic Parish, a diverse community in North Central Philadelphia founded in 1850, proclaims Christ through prayer, worship and evangelization. We are committed to sharing our gifts and resources through works of charity and service, acts of peace and justice and respect for the earth and all creation with special care for children and all those in need.



PARISH STAFF

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS

10AM

DAILY MASS AT THE TEMPLE
NEWMAN CENTER: MWF AT 12:10PM
THURSDAY AT 6PM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS AT 9:00AM-9:45AM AT SAINT
MALACHY CHURCH
DAILY (M-F): 11:00AM-12:00PM AT THE TEMPLE
UNIVERSITY NEWMAN CENTER

ADORATION:

MWF: 11AM-12PM

TH: 9AM-6PM

CONTACT KATE DROGOMIRECKI IF YOU'D LIKE TO SIGN UP
FOR A 30 MIN ADORATION SLOT

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT- MARCH 1ST, 2026

“Lord, it is good that we are here”

Matthew 17:4

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Lent. At this point in the Lenten Season, we have committed ourselves to penance and may begin to feel the heaviness that sometimes accompanies that commitment. Mindful of our weakness, Jesus offer us encouragement in the word of God this Sunday. Each year, we are directed to the account of the Transfiguration and are directed to look towards the future glory Christ hold out to us.

After revealing to the apostles that he will be handed over to sinner, suffer, die and on the third be raised, not a few of them are troubled. Not abandoning them to their doubts and fears, Jesus takes three, Peter, James and John, up a high mountain with him to pray. There, while at prayer, Jesus is transfigured before them. At this time his countenance and clothing changes and become “white as light.” (Mt 17:2)

Jesus’ manifestation of glory, is meant to sustain the troubled disciples through the impending trial of the cross. Having received this vision, they are commanded not to share it with anyone until Jesus’ Resurrection. This shadow of the full glory he will possess following the Resurrection focuses the disciples (and us) on what Jesus offers the faithful in the kingdom of heaven. Confident of this promise of future glory, may we heed Paul’s word of encouragement today and through the week ahead: “Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.” (2 Tim 1:8b)

On Tuesday, February 11, 2026, Ralph Citino, who faithfully served the community of St. Malachy Parish as our Business Manager formally resigned. Ralph will remain a parishioner and part of our community. Thank you, Ralph!

We welcome Brian Cellini as our new Business Manager! Brian is from South Philadelphia and also serves the community of St. Gabriel’s in Greys Ferry. Blessings as you begin your time at St. Malachy!

Stations of the Cross continue each Friday in Lent at 6:30PM; our next celebration is Friday, March 6, 2026. Adoration will follow for a short time.

Fridays in Lent are days of total abstinence from meat.

Saturday, March 7, 2026 at 10:00AM will be a Parish Cleaning Day. We will be cleaning up the Side Chapel and Choir Loft in addition to other projects in/around the campus. See Ifeanyi Onuoha to assist.

St. Malachy, pray for us!

In Christ,

Rev. Matthew Biedrzycki

Parochial Administrator

PARISH GROUPS

FAITH FORMATION: Children of the parish are invited to participate in children’s liturgy of the word during the 10am mass. If your child needs to receive a SACRAMENT please contact Fr.Matthew Biedrzycki

CHRISTIAN INITIATION(ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS): If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of Catholic Church or interested in learning more. Please let us know by emailing Fr.Matthew or Kate.

JESU CARITAS PRAYER GROUP: Meets virtually by telephone or zoom on the 2nd saturday of each month from 9AM-10AM. Contact Francesco Zampetti if you are interested: frankzampetti@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: Meets virtually every tuesday evening from 6:30PM-7:00PM. If you are interested email JOan Iorio at jiorio79@yahoo.com.

CATHOLIC PEACE FELLOWSHIP: Meets in person and virtually after mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month. If you’re interested contact catholicpeacefellowship.phila@gmail.com.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION & PRAYER GROUP: Meets the 2nd and 4th tuesday of every month from 12PM to 1PM in the chapel!

**Please Pray for the Sick
of Our Parish**

Betty Walker
Jack Smyth
Reuben Mills
Katherine Yaeger
Grace Croke
Gloria Andrews
Fr. John McNamee
Yvonne Butler
Eleanor Walker
Ahtoi Gibbons
Rosalind McFadden
Ola Mae Ashford
Margaret Lomax
Rosie Woodman



Collection

2026:

2025

YTD

2026:

2025:

Parish Registration

**Welcome to St.Malachy Parish
Please Contact the parish office to register
for our parish!**

**St.Malachy's Future Depends on
You**

**St.Malachy Church has been a vital part of
this North Philadelphia Community for 175
years. It has and continues to serve the
diverse population of this neighborhood and
beyond. We are fortunate to be a part of
this diverse community and worship in this
beautiful church.**

**Please consider remembering us in your will
or naming as a beneficiary of donations "in
lieu of flowers." This will help us ensure a
new generation of praise to God and service
to this Community.**

**For Tithe Offering or Donation
please use Paypal QR Code**



Church Boiler Repair Updates

As of this week, the Church Boiler nears completion and will be online soon. The **total repairs will be roughly \$75,000.00** for the boiler itself. Additional costs associated with the boiler, increased bills, ongoing maintenance etc. have put significant strain on the Parish budget approaching **\$10,000+**.

Given other needed repairs for which we already planned, I have reached out to a few parishes for assistance.

Please consider increasing your weekly contribution in the weeks ahead in order to offset these unexpected circumstances. You can invite friends and family to also give by way of stmalachyphilly.org; just click the "Support" tab to contribute through PayPal. Thank you for your generosity. St. Malachy, pray for us!

Lenten Fasting and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

SISTERS OF LIFE INVITE YOU TO A Day of Reflection for Young Women



ENTERING INTO THE MYSTERY OF THE TRIDUUM

with Mary Magdalene

Join us for a Day of Reflection as we enter into Holy Week

The day will include:

Lunch & Dinner
Two Talks by the Sisters
Time for prayer & reflection
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
Adoration & Confession

St. Mary Magdalen Parish
2400 N Providence Rd
Media, PA 19063

March 28 2026

10:30am - 7:30pm

Open to Women ages 18-35

Scan to Register
For questions, email
philly@sistersoflife.org



LIVING LENT IN TIMES OF DEEP SUFFERING

"Take Up Your Cross
and Follow Me"
(Matthew 16:24)

A 5-Week Online Series Co-sponsored by
New Encounters: Catholics Confronting Racism
Pastoral Care of Migrants & Refugees,
& the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Jesus made it clear to his disciples—and now to us—that the path to life with Him requires suffering with Him and with our sisters and brothers. As we enter Lent this year, it is clear that suffering—both physical deprivation and mental anguish—is widespread in our country, especially for those some view as "other" because of their race, national origin or immigration status.

The spiritual wisdom of Catholic tradition in the nations and cultures represented in our Church challenges us all to reject that distorted view of our neighbors, to be transformed in Christ, and to "unleash torrent of moral energy"—as Pope Leo has said- to heal racism, division and violence.

To that end, our online Lenten series this year will feature testimonies about the Lenten journey to the Cross from the perspective of local Catholics whose faith was formed in Africa, Southeast Asia and the Caribbean. We hope you will join us!

Register Here!



Registration link:
<https://tinyurl.com/NE-Lent>

5 Sunday evenings in Lent
On zoom from 7 to 8 PM
Feb 22, Mar 1, Mar 8, Mar 15 & Mar 22

Questions? Contact us at newencounterscatholics@gmail.com

