

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Newsletter

May 11, 2025



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Parishioners of Our Lady of Sacred Heart Parish in Hilltown.

One of the pillars of celebrating the Jubilee Year is pilgrimage. That's why I invite you to go on a pilgrimage together as a parish to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa. But why a pilgrimage?

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The Jubilee Year is [a time of extraordinary grace in the Catholic Church](#), offering an invitation to renewal, forgiveness, and spiritual growth. Declared by the pope, this special year includes [the opening of the Holy Doors in Rome and other pilgrimage sites](#), symbolizing the path to God's mercy. Pilgrimages undertaken during this sacred time are profound acts of faith and devotion, helping us step away from the ordinary and journey toward God in both body and spirit.

What is the Jubilee Year?

Rooted in the Hebrew Bible (Leviticus 25), the Jubilee Year was traditionally **a time of release, restoration, and reconciliation**. In the Catholic Church, it serves as an extraordinary period for deepening our relationship with God, marked by special blessings and indulgences.

The tradition of pilgrimage during a Jubilee Year is deeply tied to the idea of spiritual transformation. Passing through the Holy Doors in Rome's major basilicas or other designated sites represents a physical and spiritual crossing into a renewed relationship with God. Pilgrimage, then, is not just a journey but **a profound act of faith**.

Why pilgrimages matter

Pilgrimage has long been a cornerstone of Catholic spirituality. The [Catechism of the Catholic Church](#) describes it as a metaphor for the Christian life itself: "Pilgrimages evoke our earthly journey toward heaven" (CCC 2691). It is a time of prayer, reflection, and community—a way to encounter God more deeply by stepping out of everyday routines. Whether traveling to Rome, Santiago de Compostela, Lourdes, or a local shrine, **a pilgrimage transforms the traveler**, fostering humility, gratitude, and an openness to grace.(...)

Returning home: Living the pilgrimage

The end of the pilgrimage is not the end of its effects. Bring the graces you receive back into your daily life by continuing the practices of prayer and penance, **sharing your experiences with others**, and living with renewed faith and purpose. In this Jubilee Year, a pilgrimage is a chance to step outside the ordinary and encounter the extraordinary love of God. Whether your destination is the heart of Rome or a quiet local shrine, **the journey can be life-changing**. After all, as Pope Francis reminds us, "A pilgrimage is not just a journey in search of a place; it is also a journey of the heart." <https://aleteia.org/2025/01/05/a-quick-guide-to-pilgrimage-for-the-jubilee-year>

So on Saturday May 17 at 10:00 AM we will meet at the Lower Chapel of the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa (654 Ferry Road, Doylestown) for the Mass and prayers to get Jubilee Indulgence, but also to pray and entrust to Motherly Care our new Pope Leo XIV.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, pray for us!

Fr. Tadeusz Lizinczyk, OSPPE

In Honor of the Jubilee



Saturday ~ May 17, 2025

**Join us along with Father Tad
For a Pilgrimage to obtain Jubilee Indulgence at
Our Lady of Czestochowa ~ Doylestown
Lower Chapel**

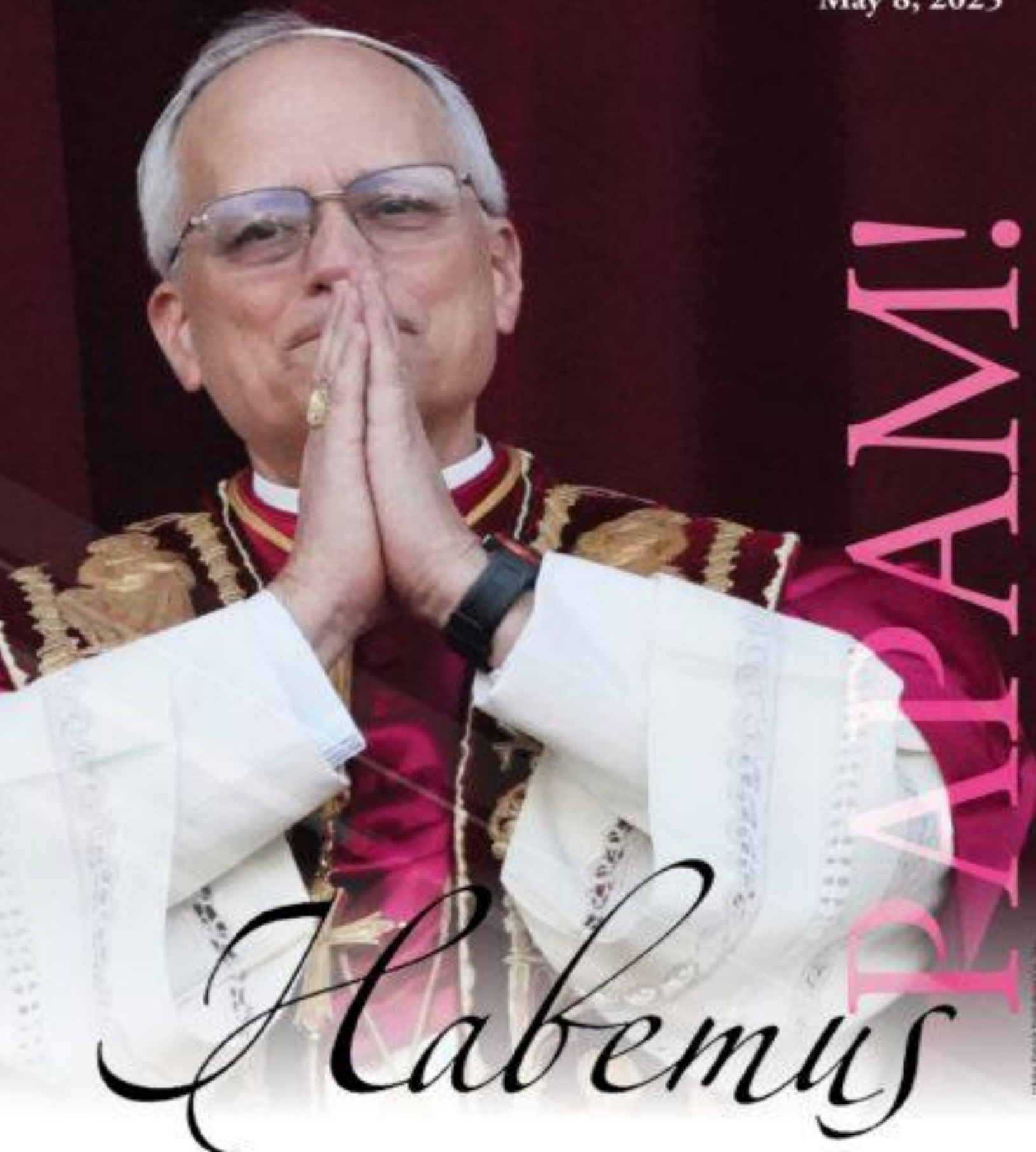
**Schedule:
10:00 AM Mass
Prayers
Tour of the Shrine**

Pope Leo XIV ~ Bishop of Rome

Formerly Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, O.S.A.

Archdiocese of Chicago, U.S.A

May 8, 2025



A Mother's Day

BLESSING

*B*lessed is the Mother
Who lets the **Lord**
be her guiding hand,
Whose **faith** brings her
family **courage**,
Whose **wisdom** comes
from **God**,
and whose **children**
still stand and **honor** her.



FIRST FRIDAY

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

June 06, 2025

6:00 PM

First Friday Schedule

A Holy Hour:

Including devotions,

Reflection,

Some quiet time

Reconciliation during Holy Hour

Mass following the Holy Hour with Reconciliation

All will be held in the Church



Pray for Vocations *Traveling Chalice*

**Please join us in praying for more Vocation to the
priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life!**

Families can take home our Traveling Chalice for one week (Sunday to Saturday). During the week, you would

- Gather around your table to begin your family evening meal.
- Reading from the Holy Scripture is read by a member of the family.
- Intercessions are prayed and each family member may add their own intentions.
- And the prayer is ended with Prayer before Meals.

Questions or sign up, contact the Parish Office
(215) 822-9224 or olsacredheart@gmail.com

OR

You can sign up through Signup Genius:

<https://tinyurl.com/26e478eh>

