

St. Vincent De Paul Church

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Mission Statement

St. Vincent de Paul is a faith community striving to live Jesus' gospel message of love, peace and justice for all peoples. In the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul, our inclusive community welcomes, affirms and serves both the poorest of the poor and those who are alienated and most vulnerable among us. Our individual faith journeys join together in the celebration of the Eucharist. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will continue to nurture the gifts of all our members. Our parish family will draw strength and unity from diversity. We will foster an atmosphere of warmth, hospitality and prayerfulness. We pray that our commitment to these efforts will further the mission of being one with our God and one with each other.

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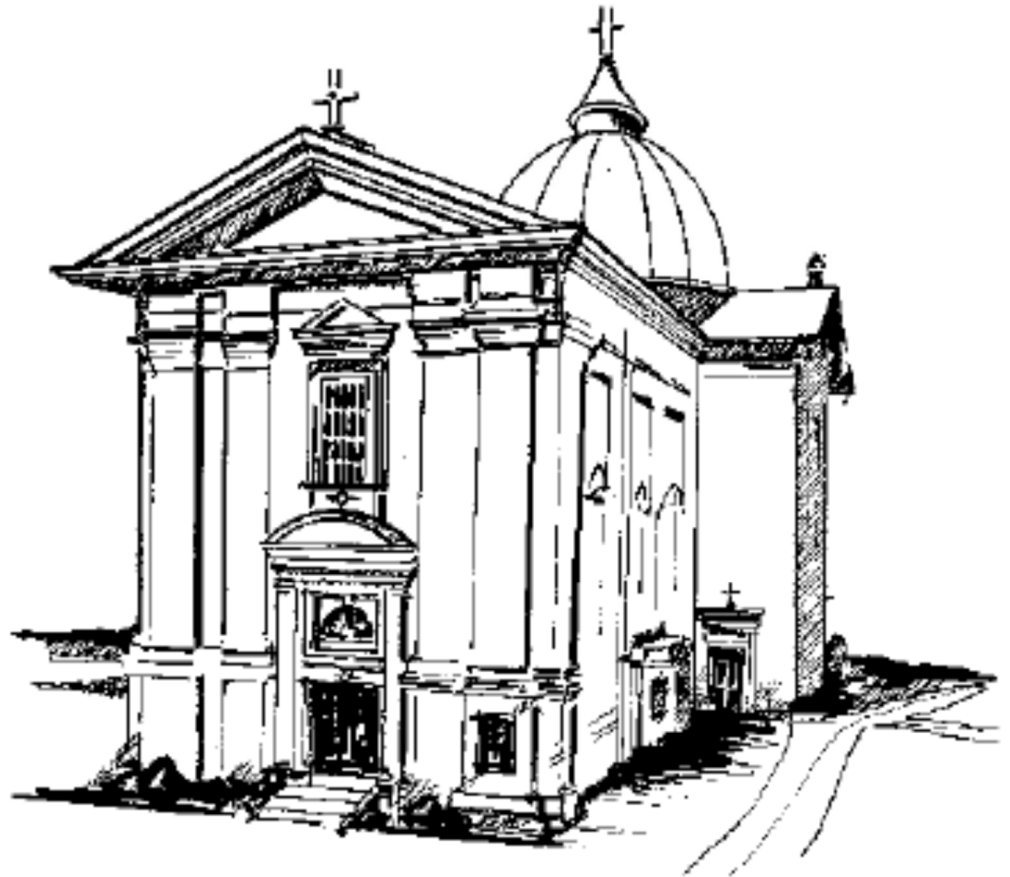
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Eucharistic Celebration ♦ Saturday 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am
Sacrament of Reconciliation ♦ Please call for an appointment.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUN	02/12	Miraculous Medal	9:00 am
MON	02/13	NO MASS	11:00 am
TUE	02/14	Joan Bretschneider &	7:00 am
WED	02/15	Marianne Buczek-Szucs	7:00 am
THU	02/16	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
FRI	02/17	Bobby Charles Marsh	7:00 am
SAT	02/18	Miraculous Medal	4:00pm

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUN	Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time
SAT	Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm

FOR THIS WE PRAY

Parishioners

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, Katherine Elliott, Ansoh Curtis, Myles McDonald, William Drinker, Judith Di Battista, Ruby Tyler, Donna Jean Cocchia, Leo Johnson, Patricia Judge, Pat Burton, Thomas Baumann, Dick Taylor, Ginny Witte, Edna Poole, Nan Wade, Betsy Moore, Vince Morgan, Gerry Widmann, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Darryl Carroll, Natalie Gianetti, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, Annie Serious, Mark Rogers, Mary Ellen Graham, Mary Ann Delaplane.

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Our Sister Parish of Las Anonas de Santa Cruz, El Salvador. Those who fight in wars, those who are victims of war, and those who seek peace and justice.

Please pray for the souls of Joseph Intrieri and John McNelis, parishioners who died last week.

PASTORAL CARE

We will bring the Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass regularly because of sickness or infirmity. Please call the Rectory, at 215-438-2925.

Last Week's Collection	3,280.70
Electronic	<u>2,972.00.</u>
Total	6,252.70
Tithe	312.64

Today's Readings

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20
Psalm: Psalm 119
Second Reading: I Corinthians 2:6-10
Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

Readings for Next Week

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
Psalm: Psalm 103
Second Reading: I Corinthians 3:16-23
Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116: 12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 - 9:1
Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

BAPTISM OF OUR CHILDREN

Call Fr. Sy Peterka, Pastor, at 215-438-2925, ext. 218, for available dates and additional information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is the process through which adults become members of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in exploring whether the Catholic Church is where you want to begin or continue your Christian faith journey, please contact the Rectory at 215-438-2925.

THOSE IN NEED OF THE SACRAMENTS

Please contact Fr. Sy Peterka, at 215-438-2925 ext.218, to make arrangements.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in becoming involved in one or more of our Parish ministries, call the Church office, at 215-438-2925.

PARISH OUTREACH

Non-perishable food donations may be made Monday, Tuesday and Friday between 9am and Noon. To make an appointment for any other time, please call Evelyn Rogers at 215-438-1514.

RESERVATIONS FOR MEETINGS/EVENTS

Please call the Church office, 215-438-2925.

RACIAL HEALING STATEMENT

To foster a community in which people of all races and cultures are treated as equals and fully participate in the life of the church. We hope to achieve this by... Deepening Cross-Racial/Cross-Cultural relationships; Developing each person's gifts for Leadership & Ministry, (Including each group's Art & Culture) and by... Supporting actions for justice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - February 12-18, 2017

BLACK HISTORY FEAST

The feast is February 19th, after the 11am Mass. If you would like to donate, please sign up in the back of the church.

LECTORS

Do you feel a call to share God's Word with the Assembly by becoming a lector? If you have skill in speaking/ reading clearly, time to prayerfully practice readings, and willingness to come early to Mass, please come to a 1-hour training after Mass on one of these dates: Call or email Mary Laver to confirm you are coming: mlaver14@comcast.net 610-324-9388

Sat Feb 11 after the 4 PM Mass

Sun Feb 26 after the 11 PM Mass

Sun Mar 5 after the 9 AM Mass

****Sat Mar 18, 1-3 PM** lector workshop (& pizza) especially for young people (post-confirmation) - Register by talking w/ youth ministers Kate Crump or Delia Landers

CALLING ALL POETS

March is Women's History Month; and we are looking for poetry about women. If you are interested in sharing your work with the church, please speak with Father Sy.

LEGION OF MARY

Legion of Mary meets Wednesdays at 1:30pm in the rectory.

SENIORS MINISTRY

We meet in the Hospitality Center on Wednesdays at 11:00am.

HOSPITALITY

Please join us for hospitality provided by the community after the 9am Mass in the Hospitality center. Sign up on the bulletin board by the side entrance. Volunteers buy donuts, OJ and milk and are reimbursed. All other items are provided in the Center's cabinet. Please arrive early to make coffee prior to Mass. Items sell for fifty cents. Questions? Call Jack DiFeo 215 287-5682.

CONTRIBUTION LETTER

If you would like to receive a letter from the church, for your taxes, please contact JoAnn, our bookkeeper, at 215-438-2925, ext. 229. She is in the office Monday and Wednesday, from 2:30 until 6:30pm or email business@saint-vincent-church.org.

PLEASE HELP A PARISHIONER

We are assisting an elderly female parishioner find an affordable one bedroom apartment within a few miles of our church. We are seeking a place that has an outside area where she can plant herbs and flowers. Please call Lally Turner Redding at 610-733-6812 or Mary Regan at 215-848-9489. Thank you.

RETEAT FOR HEALING SEXUAL ABUSE

Grief to Grace -Healing the Wounds of Abuse is an integrated psychological and spiritual program for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual, or spiritual abuse. The program will be held **March 5 - 10** at the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Aston, PA. Grief to Grace provides professional therapeutic staff. Visit www.griegtograce.org for more information or call 610-203-2002 Reserve your spot now as space is limited.

MY PLACE GERMANTOWN BAKE SALE

My Place Germantown provides permanent housing for disabled, homeless men. Our annual Bake Sale fundraiser will take place the weekend of **February 11 and 12 at all masses**. All proceeds support our mission. Thank you for all of your kind support.

POWER UPDATE

POWER's work on Economic Dignity (jobs/ wages), School Funding, and Criminal Justice Re-form continue! Watch for ways you can get involved! Meanwhile, all are welcome to participate in trainings POWER is offering during "100 Days of Faithful Resistance." The point is to increase the wisdom and skills we need in order to move social justice forward in our world, especially in this time when threats to the well-being of so many of our sisters and brothers (African-Americans, Muslims, Immigrants) are steadily mounting:

Tues Feb 28: Analyzing Power for Social Change (school funding & other issues)

Wed Mar 15: Documenting the Movement: Pushing Social Change through Social Media

Th Mar 23: Whites Confronting Racism

Tu Apr 4: Black Work Matters

For details re/ locations, times and possible changes to the schedule, see upcoming bulletins or the POWER website www.powerinterfaith.org or contact POWER St Vincent's co-chairs Terri Burgin (215-651-0100) or Mary Laver (610-324-9388)

VATICAN-SPONSORED WORLD MEETING

Wherever he travels, Pope Francis speaks personally to workers. He often talks with them about the dignity of their struggles for justice. In 2013, he launched an annual "World Meeting of Popular Movements" to honor and empower worker-organizers of all faiths and their allies. For the first time, the World Meeting will be held in the U.S. this month, in a farming region of central California. Over 700 delegates will come together to talk about how they are called to dismantle racism, care for the earth, and provide dignified, sustainable jobs and housing for all. Our Philadelphia delegation will include Auxiliary Bishop Edward Deliman, an airport worker-organizer, an immigration activist, and 4 members of the St Vincent's community: terri Burgin, Chris Bolden-Newsome, Maureen O'Connell and Mary Laver. Please pray that this "World Meeting" will bear fruit here in Philadelphia and across the U.S.!

MAN UP PHILLY 2017 CONFERENCE

Registration is now open for "Man Up Philly 2017". The 9th Annual Archdiocesan Men's Spirituality Conference is on **Saturday, March 4th**, at St. Joseph University's Hagan Arena. For more information, pick up a registration form in the back of the church or go to manupphilly.com.

DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX

Two years ago, we participated in a nationwide survey of Catholic churches called "The Disciple Maker Index". We have been awarded a grant so that we can take this survey again. Paper copies will be available next week. You can also take it online. Please take time to fill this survey out.

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
Registration Form

Thanks for being here! If you would like to become an ACTIVE member of St. Vincent De Paul Parish (full-time or part-time), we invite you to **complete the Parish Registration form below.**

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Email _____

Full name and relationship of all resident family members

_____ DOB _____ Relationship _____

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Have you received the Sacraments?

() Baptism () Confirmation () First Communion

Are you interested in

() Liturgical Ministry () Service Ministry

(Can you sing, lector, teach....)

**Please place completed form in the Offeratory basket
or send to the Parish Office and we will contact you.**

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**Bulletin Deadline: Mondays by noon. Email to
secretary@saint-vincent-church.org**

St. Vincent de Paul Church
Electronic Donation Authorization ES6255

Thank you for considering donations to St. Vincent de Paul electronically via your bank account. Please complete this form so that we can set things up for you. If you have questions, call Kitty at 215-438-2925x229

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Petitions for Sat and Sun Feb 11 and 12, 2017

1. Merciful God, we ask for your saving grace so that we can keep your commandments, knowing they will save us. Help us also to trust in you, O God, that we shall live and choose good, not evil. Let us pray...
2. The faith community of St. Vincent DePaul lifts up today the selfless and vital role that women have carried in building and sustaining the Roman Catholic Church. And we ask your guidance to enhance the opportunity for women to contribute to the Catholic Community. Please shower your grace and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit on those who are part of the Commission on the Ordination of Women Deacons. Let us pray...
3. Gracious and Loving God, we come to you with many doubts and fears, concerned that our President and other political leaders seem to overlook the needs of the most vulnerable, especially the poor and the immigrant. Fill them, Lord with a “new heart” and a spirit of love and understanding. Let us pray...
4. Strengthen and support our Pope, O Lord as he demonstrates moral leadership and calls on religious and political leaders across the world to treat refugees and immigrants with respect and kindness. Touch the hearts and souls of the leaders with mercy and compassion and give hope to those seeking a new home and a decent life. Let us pray...
5. O God of Wisdom, as we celebrate Black History Month, we recognize and lift up the important contributions that Black Catholics have made to building up and sustaining the Church in the US and around the world. Bless the St. Vincent community with the wisdom and understanding to recognize our differences and to celebrate our unity as the Body of Christ. Let us pray...
6. Gentle, compassionate Lord, soothe the pain and suffering of the sick members of our parish community and renew the hope and trust of those who give them care and love. Let us pray...

Submitted by John Trudeau

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEB. 11TH & 12TH

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Thursday 16th: Pastoral Council Rescheduled 7 PM

Thursday 16th : Real Estate Committee 7 PM

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MAN UP PHILLY REGISTRATION:

Men's spirituality conference at St. Joseph's University on Saturday March 4th

ASH WEDNESDAY: If anyone wants to distribute Ashes on Ash Wednesday in Nursing Homes, Schools, or Street Corners please sign up and there will be a training.

Stations of the Cross, Adoration & Benediction will be held at 6:30 PM every Friday in Lent.

HATE HAS NO HOME HERE: Lawn Signs will be available

MY PLACE GERMANTOWN BAKE SAKE is this weekend
please be supportive

MY PLACE GERMANTOWN BAKE SALE

Thank you to everyone who helped make our sale a success. The donations, the baked goods and your many purchases are deeply appreciated. The board and the residents of My Place Germantown are grateful for your ongoing support.

Jack DiFeo

03.04



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MANUP

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MEN ON A MISSION

This year Man Up Philly will be holding the 9th annual Men's Spirituality Conference in Philadelphia. We encourage all men to join us for an inspiring time of faith and sharing. Experience our area's largest Men's Spirituality conference first-hand and join others who are ready to Man-Up, by living our true mission as Catholic men.



**Marcellino
D'Ambrosio, Ph.D.**
New York Times best-
selling author, Catholic
TV host



Kevin Reilly
Former NFL Player for
the Philadelphia Eagles
and cancer survivor



Damon Clarke Owens
international speaker
and evangelist, and
founder & executive
director of Joy To Be
(joyTOB.org)



Mark Forrest
acclaimed Irish tenor,
whose melodic voice
has filled concert halls
including Carnegie Hall,
Kennedy Center and
cathedrals worldwide.

SATURDAY, MARCH 04, 2017
ST. JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY - HAGAN ARENA
PHILADELPHIA, PA

VISIT ManUpPhilly.com for More Information and To Register

(OVER - Registration On Back)



Registration

For The Conference

To register for this year's Men's Conference
please visit

ManUpPhilly.com/registration

If you are unable to register online please use the form below.

Note: Special Early Bird Pricing and Student Pricing is available each year.

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2501 Seaport Drive Suite SH400
Chester, PA 19013

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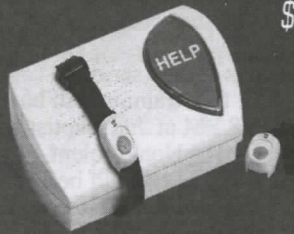
LET US PRAY...

O Lord our God, in the name of our Daughters and Sisters of Nigeria we come to you on bended knee in prayer. In the heat of this day, suffering and hardship has visited young ones and we beg you, almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit to bring forth release and mercy on those who have been captured, sold and raped. Reverse O Lord, the spirit of the captors. Restore O Lord, the hope of these young innocent girls and bring Recovery to them and their families. Relieve the injured and Redeem O Lord, this situation and drench it with Your love and mercy. We remember O Lord, how You set the captives free in Egypt and how You carved a way to freedom by splitting the waters of the Red Sea. We remember, O Lord how Your mighty hand brought David out of the lion's den and we ask You, O Lord to do the same for our dear young Sisters and Daughters. We come to You this day, knowing the fullness of Your amazing grace which makes a way out of no way. We thank You O Lord for what You can do and will do in Jesus' name- Amen



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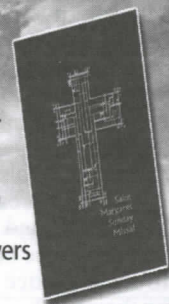
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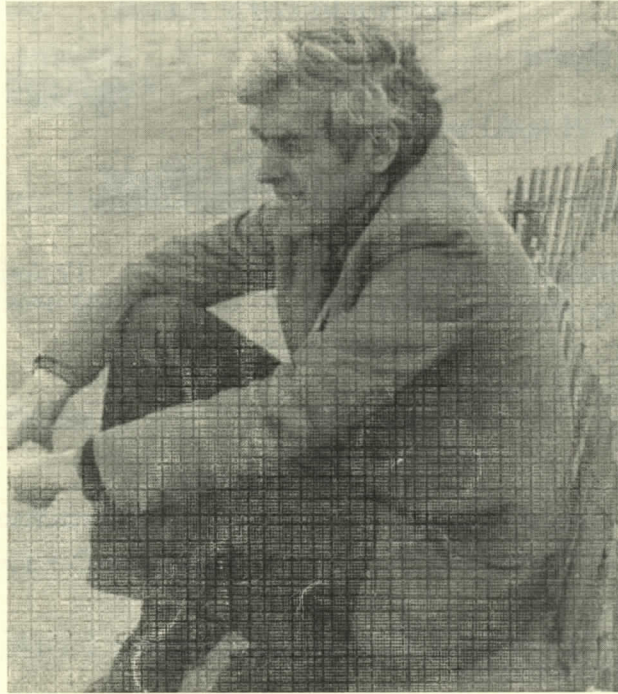
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A Celebration of Life

John McNelis

May 1, 1926 - February 1, 2017



February 10, 2017

Our Mother of Consolation Church

Chestnut Hill, PA

Rev. Sy Peterka, CM, Celebrant

Rev. John P. McNamee, S.J., Concelebrant

Rev. William J. Byron, S.J., Concelebrant

Remembrance of the Deceased

John Michael McNelis

Noelle Goudy

Malcolm Surer

Angus E. McNelis

Introductory Rites

Opening Hymn

Morning Has Broken

Hymnal # 634

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Proclaimed by: Rev. Chester H. Williams

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm #33

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians, 13: 4-13

Proclaimed by: Finola Goudy

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

Matthew 5: 1-12a

Homily

Rev. Sy Peterka, CM

Prayer of the Faithful

Read by: Hope McNelis Goudy

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation of Gifts

Allan Ash

Rowan Goudy

Russell Goudy

Preparation Hymn

Pie Jesu

(arr. Andrew Lloyd Webber)

Eucharistic Acclamations - *Mass of Christ The Savior*

Communion Hymn

Prayer of St. Francis

Hymnal # 522

Song of Praise

Amazing Grace

Hymnal # 431

Prayer after Communion

Final Commendation & Farewell

Song of Farewell - Our final farewell is an act of respect as we entrust **John McNelis** to the tender, merciful embrace of God.

Prayer of Commendation - Our community calls upon God's mercy, commends **John McNelis** into His hands, and affirms our belief that those who have died in Christ will share in Christ's victory over death.

Recessional Hymn

On Eagle's Wings

Hymnal # 435

Pallbearers:

*Allan Ash
Alexander Ash
Hope McNelis Goudy
Noelle Goudy
Russell Goudy
Angus E. McNelis
Deirdre McNelis
John Michael McNelis*

Ushers:

*Norah Ash Yasin Nahl
Lisa Dowling Tom Spagnoletti
Sean Egan
Rowan Goudy*

Special Thanks:

**Rev. Bob Bazzoli, OSFS, Our Mother of Consolation Church
St. Vincent de Paul Church
St. Malachy's School
Rev. Chester H. Williams, Chew and Belfield Neighbors Club, Inc.
Molly Mahoney
Deirdre Finnegan
Kitty Kelly**

If I haiku you,
Will that bring some joy today,
And for tomorrow more?

— — — — —

Who sees flowers best,
Old? Poor? Ill? and children, too,
Using all the senses

- Jack McNelis

John McNelis, 90, teacher, businessman

By Bonnie L. Cook
STAFF WRITER

John McNelis, 90, of Chestnut Hill, a teacher and businessman, died Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the Hill at Whitmarsh after a bout with pneumonia.

He had been healthy until several weeks ago, when he checked into the elder-care facility, his family said.

Mr. McNelis joined the faculty of La Salle College, teaching communications and management in the 1960s and 1970s. While there, he founded the Urban Studies Center and was active in helping to organize events involving the surrounding community in Olney.

In the 1970s, he represented the Pennsylvania Chain Store Council, a retailers' advocacy group, as a lobbyist in Harrisburg. From 1970 until 2006, when he retired, Mr. McNelis ran PGA Services Inc., a Chestnut Hill coupon clearing house for grocers. His daughter Deirdre Anne McNelis became his business partner. The firm also offered consulting services to grocers in the state.

He married Dorothy L. McNelis in 1955. They had four children and reared them in West Mount Airy.

The McNelises divorced in 1978, and he moved to Chestnut Hill and lived there until just before his death.

Born in East Oak Lane, Mr. McNelis graduated in 1943 from St. Joseph's Preparatory School. In 1944, while an undergraduate at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, he enlisted in the Navy and was assigned to the Philippines. After World War II, Mr. McNelis completed a bachelor's degree in economics at Penn and a degree from the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania. He earned a master's degree at Temple University in 1969.

Along with his wife, Mr. McNelis was active in the Democratic Party in Philadelphia. He worked on John F. Kennedy's presidential campaign in 1960.

He was involved in the civil rights movement. In the late

1960s, he supported the right of students to express their views in opposition to the Vietnam War with a demonstration on the La Salle campus. He joined the Catholic Interracial Council, a progressive group.

Mr. McNelis felt a deep connection to his Irish roots, and was an active member of the Philadelphia Céilí Group and the Donegal Society, both Irish American organizations promoting dance, music, and Irish culture.



John
McNelis

"Our father loved Philadelphia — the natural beauty of its parks, and the amazing sense of community in Northwest Philadelphia. This city gave him a sense

of joy and hope about life," said daughter Mary Hope McNelis Goudy.

In his later years, Mr. McNelis served in the Germantown community as a volunteer math tutor, first to adults seeking GED training at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Germantown, and then to children enrolled in the Chew and Belfield Neighbors Club program in East Germantown.

His former wife died in 2005. Besides his daughters, Mr. McNelis is survived by sons John Michael and Angus Edward; five grandchildren; and a sister.

A celebration of life will be held at noon Friday, Feb. 10, at Our Mother of Consolation Church, 9 E. Chestnut Hill Ave. Burial is at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Cheltenham.

Donations may be made to St. Malachy School, 1012 W. Thompson St., Philadelphia 19122, or to St. Vincent de Paul Church, 109 E. Price St., Philadelphia 19144.

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In Loving Memory of

JOHN McNELIS

May 1, 1926

February 1, 2017

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Lord make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith.

Where there is despair, hope.

Where there is darkness, light.

Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master; grant that I may not so

much seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand; to

be loved as to love; for it is in giving

that we receive; it is in pardoning that

we are pardoned, and it is in dying

that we are born to eternal life.