

# SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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November 15, 2015 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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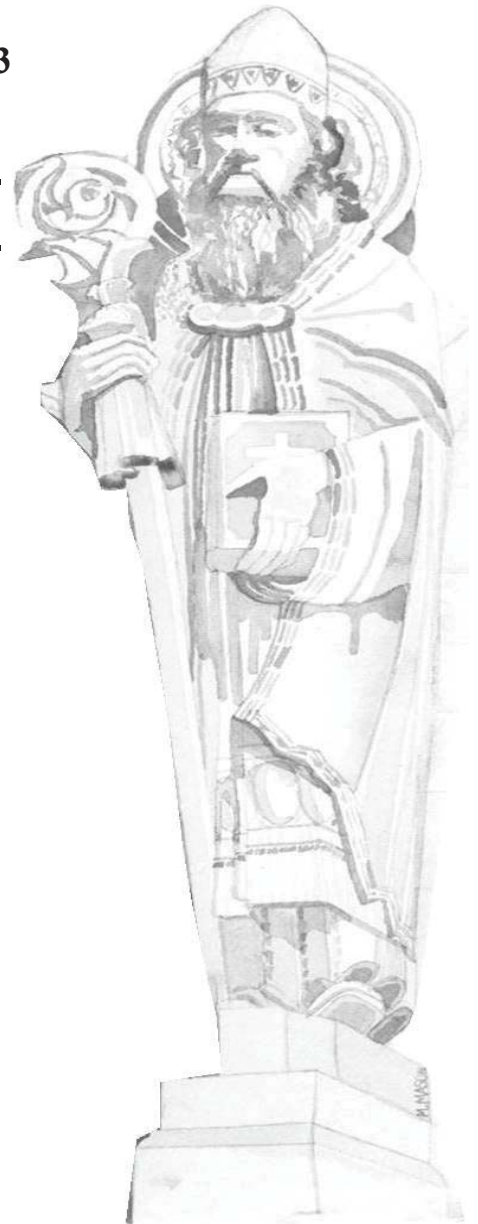
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## **ST. COLMAN MISSION STATEMENT**

*We, the parish community of St. Colman, actively seek to proclaim the glory of God through worship, the Eucharist, and service to others. Through this community of faith, we endeavor to spread the Word and the Good News of Jesus Christ. We unite with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and are guided by Jesus Christ Our Lord and Savior.*



## MASSES

Weekdays		8:30 am
Sundays	(Vigil)	6:00 pm
		8:00 am
		10:00 am
		12:00 pm
		5:30 pm

**Confessions** Saturday 12:00 pm - 12:45 pm

**Baptisms** Call Rectory for registration and parent program.

**CCD Religion Classes** Tuesday 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

**Weddings** Call Rectory for arrangements.

**Bulletin Deadline** 2 weeks in advance of publication

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-4pm**

If you are having a planned hospital procedure or stay and would like Anointing of the Sick beforehand, please contact Fr. Kunkel @ 412-823-2564.

Gluten free hosts are available for those who have wheat intolerance. Please let Father Jim or Deacon Herb know.

*No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church. No matter what your current family or marital situation. No matter what your past or present religious affiliation. No matter what your personal history, age background, race or color. You are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved at St. Colman Catholic Church.*

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

One powerful lesson that comes from our readings today is that we don't have forever if we want to live differently. None of us would say that we have forever - it's just that we act that way. We keep putting things off, saying that there will always be tomorrow. But for everyone of us, there will come a day when there will be no tomorrow. On reflection, we know it is not how long we have lived that matters. The only thing that matters is how we have used the days that we have received from the hand of God. If one person's life consists of only a few years and another person lives until they are a hundred, we can't say that the older person had a better life. The number of days doesn't matter; but how we love does matter. The more we allow the Lord into our lives, the less fear we will have of the last days. Then instead of living under the illusion that we need to cram life into our short span of days, we will know that today is the only day that really matters. If we love God and one another today in the best way we know how, when eternity arrives we will be welcomed with love into the happiness of days without end.

**Thoughts to Reflect on and Share: From Deacon Herb**  
*"The most beautifully set table is not the one with the finest china and silver, but the one surrounded by family and friends and their love for Christ."*; **Follow Deacon Herb on Facebook.**

**ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!** Let's talk. Those are good words. They call on us to put our heads together to solve problems, to build things up, to create good things. Let's stress that word "together." It's called collaboration - good people working together. Central to "On Mission for The Church Alive!" is collaboration. We are working collaboratively on the difficulties and opportunities we have as the Church of Pittsburgh to look for good answers. There's work to be done. Look around to find somebody to talk to about those difficulties and opportunities. Today is a good time to start. To read more visit [www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org).

**RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND:** Support Religious communities: "Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue active ministry," writes a religious sister. Your gift in next week's collection provides vital support for the retirement needs of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests. Please be generous.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

On Sunday, November 22nd, the Feast of Christ the King there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the Noon Mass until the celebration of Benediction at 5pm. This is an opportunity to worship in a prayerful, reflective manner in the special presence of the Eucharist. Consider spending some quality time in prayer, spiritual reading or just meditating on God's love and continued presence in your life.

**Sunday, November 8th**

Offertory.....	\$7618.00
Monthly.....	\$710.00
Parish share.....	\$260.00
<b>WEEKLY OPERATING EXPENSES.....</b>	<b>\$9,705.00</b>

**DIocese VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE 1-888-808-1235** **DIOCESAN DATABASE & REGULATIONS FOR ALL MINISTRIES: Protecting God's Children** - This is a session required by the Diocese for ALL Volunteer ministers and staff members of the Parish, including catechist, ushers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, choir members, or any of the other 57 ministries in the parish. You **MUST** attend this session to complete your clearance process. Without this class, you are not to minister in the parish. There are many sessions listed on the Diocese of Pittsburgh website at [www.diopitt.org](http://www.diopitt.org).

**GIVING TREE**



Many neighborhoods in our surrounding areas are feeling the urgency of providing for their families at this difficult time. We at St. Colman have always come together to provide a gift for a needy child. This year we are asking you to please take a Name Tag from the tree and purchase a gift for a needy child. It is a great opportunity to manifest the teaching of Christ by giving. The tree will be set up the weekend of November 21st & 22nd. Please take a tag off the tree and sign your name and phone number next to the child's name and tag number in the book. All gifts must be returned to the rectory office by December 12th.

**OCTOBER COUNT "WHERE ARE THE OTHER NINE"**  
 Here is a summary of the attendance count taken on the weekends of October. Unfortunately the average has decreased for the last few years. The average attendance for each weekend was 1090 individuals for the 5 Masses with the following breakdown: Sat. 6pm - 215, Sun. 8am - 176, 10am - 249, Noon - 168 & 5:30pm - 282. This figure represents 32% of the registered, baptized parishioners and visitors. Our Lord said after curing the lepers "where are the other nine" when only 1 returned to offer thanks. **Are there members of your family, friends or neighbors who are neglecting to pray together with the faith community? (This is not an option but responsible behavior for the Catholic Christian)** Take the opportunity to encourage these individuals to return to full participation in the Eucharist. Invite someone back to church as we approach the sacred season of Advent in anticipation of Christmas. With 5 Sunday liturgies each week, there is the capacity for over 3000 individuals to attend at St. Colman. A question to consider very seriously: do we really need five masses? The On Mission for the Church Alive program will be discussing mass schedules in the vicinity. Keep informed by reading the bulletin articles and the information in the Pittsburgh Catholic.

**FUTURE IMPORTANT DATES:**

**St. Colman Grief Sharing Group:** Every third Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:30pm in the school Cafeteria.

**Ladies of Charity:** Last Monday of the month in the meeting room of the cafeteria. 7-9pm.

**Catholic Men's Fellowship:** 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month @ 9am in the School Cafeteria meeting room.

**CDA: Meeting 2nd Friday of each month 6:30-8pm**

**Holy Hour & Exposition: Future date: Thursday, 11/19 6:30-7:30 pm.**

**FISH FRY: Future dates: Dec. 4th, Jan. 8th**

**East Catholic Gala: Saturday, February 27, 2016  
Stratigos Banquet Facility**

**LADIES OF CHARITY COLLECTING FOR BETHLEHEM HAVEN WOMEN'S HOMELESS SHELTER**

During the month of November, the Ladies of Charity are collecting soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, lotion, combs, make-up, shower flip-flops, gum, candy, pens and paper for the shelter's twenty women for their Christmas bingo and gift bags. Collection bins will be placed at the four doors of the church. Thank you for your generosity for these women going through a difficult time in their life.

**ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER**

McMasters UMC will be serving their 27th annual Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 26th at Noon. Reservations can be made by calling 412-823-1988. Please note if you are eating in or getting take out dinner. The dinner is free but a free will offering will be accepted. Volunteers are also welcome to help cook, set-up, serve and clean up. Turkeys are cooked on Tuesday, tables are set Wednesday, other small preparations are done on Wednesday and dinner is served on Thanksgiving Day, November 28th from Noon to 1pm followed by clean up. Everything is finished by 3pm. Helpers are welcome to have dinner also. Monetary donations are welcome to help purchase items for dinner. Monetary donations can be made to McMasters UMC and mark them Thanksgiving Dinner. They can be mailed to McMasters UMC, 200 Church St., Turtle Creek, PA 15145. All remaining monies are given to the Turtle Creek Food Bank. For more information call 412-823-1988. Thank You!

**"Remembering the Smallest of Souls"**

Have you ever lost a baby in pregnancy, or do you know someone who has? An estimated 1 in 5 known pregnancies end in loss, but silence of society can make it difficult to deal with this topic. Church teaching on the sanctity of life and the witness of the Bible give us much hope when facing this experience. Join us for a time of information, practical application and prayer as we "Remember the Smallest of Souls" on Sunday, November 22nd from 12:30-1:30pm in Dattilo Hall at Madonna del Castello Church, 2021 South Braddock Ave, Swissvale, PA. The Respect Life Committee welcomes Lisa Vera M. Barton who offers "Song of Simeon" as a ministry to support people affected by miscarriage, stillbirth or early infant death. The event is free and open to the public. For more info email songofsimeon@verizon.net. Questions call Deacon Ron Demblowski at 412-241-1372.

**ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING CEREMONY**

The Advent Wreath Lighting Ceremony will be held every Sunday during Advent beginning November 29th. Families of all sizes are invited to light the Advent Wreath at the beginning of each Mass. The sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church. Please meet the celebrant in the back of church 10 minutes before mass.

**CALVARY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

A SPAGHETTI SUPPER will be held at Calvary United Church of Christ, Shaw Ave, Turtle Creek on Thursday, November 19th, between the hours of 4 & 6:30pm. A meal consisting of spaghetti & meatballs. Tossed salad, bread & butter, dessert and beverage will be available for a donation of \$8 per person, \$4 for 10 and under. The public is invited to eat-in or take-out. For more information phone the church office at 412-823-4347.

**"Sanctuary Lamps"**

The Sanctuary Lamps are lit this week in memory of Robert & LaVerne Manion as requested by her daughters Pat & Kelly and Geroge & Agnes Hovanec as requested by Family.

**"THE INNOCENTS" -ARRIVING NOVEMBER 19TH** St. Colman will be hosting a Pro-Life acrylic painting by Nikki Bruni, 40 Days For Life Coordinator. The painting will be displayed from November 19th-November 25th only. The purpose of this artwork is two-fold: First, it is to memorialize each human life by giving them a name. You will have the opportunity to name a child that was aborted by writing in the book that accompanies the painting. Secondly, this work is meant to help us recognize the tragedy of abortion. There are 2,366 tiny faces representing the lives ended by abortion in Pittsburgh in 2013. There are 14 gold squares in the backdrop that indicate the number of babies saved during this time. This painting was used because of the powerful way in which Jesus is depicted as the sacrificial victim while still an infant. The original is named by French artist William Bouguereau, "L'innocence". "The Innocents" will be located in the main vestibule of the church.

**The Catholic Daughters of the Americas** will be collecting hats, scarves, gloves and socks for the Red Door Missions through the end of November. The Red Door Missions is an organization that helps the homeless. These items can be new or renewed (gently worn). There will be bins set up in the vestibules of the church until the end of November. They will also be collecting blankets that will be made into sleeping bags for the homeless. These items can be placed into the same bins as the other items. We ask all who can to please find it in their hearts to help the homeless.

**HOME WITH THE LORD:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Thomas Lutton and Mark Simeone. May they rest in the peace and the joy of the Lord.



**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time~ November 15th**

8:00 am ~ Donald Buzzard ~ Wife & Family  
10:00 am ~ Louise George ~ Family  
12:00 pm ~ Robert Straw ~ Marty Coyne Family  
5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish

**Monday~ Weekday ~ November 16th**

8:30 am ~ Laura Charles ~ Family

**Tuesday ~ St. Elizabeth of Hungary ~ November 17th**

8:30 am ~ Emma Estocin ~ Toni Wilson

**Wednesday ~ Weekday ~ November 18th**

8:30 am ~ Harry Myers ~ Family

**Thursday ~ Weekday ~ November 19th**

8:30am ~ Frank C. Rizza ~ Family

**Friday ~ Weekday ~ November 20th**

8:30 am ~ Lucy Brinza ~ Louise Botti

**Saturday ~ The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ November 21st**

6:00 pm ~ Philip Rhody & George Hovanec~ Joan & Family

**The Feast of Christ the King ~ November 22nd**

8:00 am ~ Nicole Yurko ~ Peggy Crossey  
10:00 am ~Elizabeth Evancho ~ Joe & Children  
12:00 pm ~ Ellen Lynn Whitlinger ~ Family  
5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish





**Saturday ~ November 21st**

6:00 pm ~ Ed Hlatkey, Joe Saxman, Arlene Gross, Jim Bour

**Sunday ~ November 22nd**

8:00 am ~ Mary Jo Meyer, Helen Wilson, Mike Lanigan, Paul Messineo

10:00 am ~ Renae Brinza, Connie Tinsley, Marsha Friez, Marc Tinsley

12:00 pm ~ Lynn Bahleda, Volunteer, Martha Mallik, Elaine Clugston

5:30 pm ~ Nikki Riley, Karen Haas



**Saturday ~ November 21st**

6:00 pm ~ Barbara McCabe

**Sunday ~ November 22nd**

8:00 am ~ Bill Eckenrode

10:00 am ~ Monica Tinsley

12:00 pm ~ Joe Kopper

5:30 pm ~ Joanne Saint Pierre



**Saturday ~ November 21st**

6:00 pm ~ Jim Sciulli

**Sunday ~ November 22nd**

8:00 am ~ Paul, Brandon & Jordan Messineo

10:00 am ~ Kevin Tinsley, Chloe Noah

12:00 noon ~ Analise Balaschak, Tina Wos

5:30 pm ~ Landon Dunnick