

SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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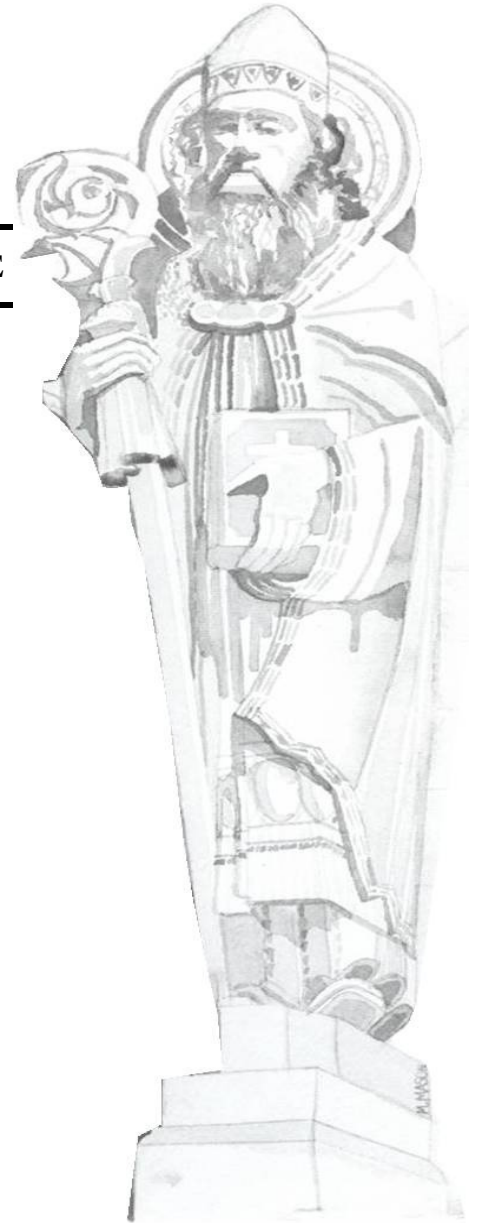
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Nov. 25, 2018 THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REV. FRANK D. ALMADE.....*Administrator*

REV. MARTIN F. BARKIN...*Senior Parochial Vicar*

DEACON HERB RILEY

Thomas Cosley*Director of Liturgical Music*

Betsy Krygowski *CCD Program Manager*

Gerry J. Meyer *Business Manager*

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

Monday, Tuesday	8:00 am
Sundays (Vigil)	5:30 pm
	10:00 am
	5:30 pm

Confessions Saturday 12:00 pm - 1:00 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-Thursday 8:30 am—4 pm

Friday 8:30—12 Noon

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

Gluten free hosts are available for those who have wheat intolerance. Please let Father Frank, Father Barkin 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.

**FAITHFUL CHRONICLES:
BY FR. FRANK D. ALMADE**

(Second of two parts)

Last week I walked through the process of the several parishes in a grouping becoming one, new parish. In this second section I'll review what must happen before any church buildings are closed.

Only after the bishop has created a new parish can there be discussion of the possibility of closing church buildings. Here is where the word "mission" becomes critical. Parishioners and clergy in the new parish have to ask, "What physical facilities are necessary to fulfill our mission as an evangelizing body of Catholics? What do we need to worship, to teach and to heal? What can we afford? What buildings do we need for efficient and effective ministry?"

Now in light of these questions the parishioners of the new parish begin a second round of consultation. Members of the pastoral and finance councils, staff, clergy and all parishioners have a voice in answering these tough questions. One of the resources for this consultation is an objective analysis of every parish and church building by an outside firm. This is a helpful tool in assisting parishioners to decide what shape each building is in, how many church buildings are needed, and which ones. During this process there is much dialog with the regional Episcopal vicar, diocesan offices and officials, and neighboring parishes.

As you can surmise this process could take a while, maybe even years. Again, as in the previous process of conversation toward becoming one new parish, once the pastor has determined a consensus on the way forward, he makes his recommendation to the bishop. Again, the bishop consults with his staff and the priest council (which is required by universal church law). The bishop prayerfully considers all comments and makes a decision whether to close one or more church buildings. This is a weighty and difficult decision which is only made after all this consultation on a parish and diocesan level.

At this point the parishes plan liturgies to give "honorable closure" to the buildings, and begin to see if they should be sold, repurposed for non-liturgical use in the parish or razed. Final Masses are said in each church building.

A key to any successful process is communication. It is absolutely necessary that all parishioners know what is going on and how to offer their opinion. These processes take time—time to reflect, listen, analyze, pray and plan.

Unfortunately I have gone through this process of closing churches in a previous assignment. It took 2½ years for us to consult on the local level, make a recommendation to the bishop, diocesan consultation and receive a final decision by the bishop.

I hope that this bare bones outline of what will be happening helps to lower anxiety about future uncertainties. For better and worse, nothing happens quickly in the Catholic Church. Even as each parish grouping undertakes this consultation, the ordinary life of the church continues: Sunday and weekday Masses, baptisms, weddings, funerals, confessions, social outreach, religious education for children and adults, and the daily reflection by each of us on how to share the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world around us.

If you have any questions about these issues, please call or email me so I can respond. Pray for *On Mission for the Church Alive*. Pray for our parish grouping. Pray that we are open to the Holy Spirit working in our lives and parishes.



Sunday, November 18, 2018

Offertory	\$
Monthly	\$
Parish Share	\$
WEEKLY OPERATING EXPENSE	\$9,705.00

The above figures are not available at this time. Please watch for in next week's bulletin.

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, Extraordinary 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

Thoughts to reflect on and share: *When we place Jesus within all parts of our life, at the beginning at the end, as the Alpha and the Omega, and everywhere in between, those things that do not seem to make sense and that we do not understand, begin to become more clear.* **Follow Deacon Herb on Face Book.**

HOME WITH THE LORD: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Celia Clugston and Carolina Tarantini. May they rest in the peace and the joy of the Lord.

BAPTISM CLASS & DATES OF CELEBRATION

The next Baptism class is scheduled for Saturday, December 1st at 11:00 a.m. in the school cafeteria meeting room. Please note this date if you anticipate a baptism in the next few months. The class may be taken before the birth of your child. The class is required prior to the celebration (along with membership in the parish and attendance at Mass). Please call the rectory office at 412-823-2564 for baptism dates.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (CMF)
AT ST. COLMANS**

Welcome all men to attend CMF at St. Colman's on Saturday, December 1 and 15 at 9:00 a.m. in the school cafeteria. We are starting a new program entitled "CONVERSION—FOLLOWING THE CALL OF CHRIST" By Bishop Robert Barron Bishop Barron showcases six stories of conversion from the Bible. The common theme is the turning of all one's attention and energy toward an even deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The CMF group meets on the first and third Saturdays of each month to share and discuss topics including scripture reading, and faith sharing...breakfast is included! Please come and see! Questions—call Ted at (412) 596-2544 for details.

"Sanctuary Lamps"

The sanctuary lamps are lit this week in memory of Frank Zemarel as requested by wife, Josephine and Ed & Cecilia Basala as requested by Daughter.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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

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

Catholic Daughters of the Americas: Meeting 2nd Friday of each month 6:15-8pm All women are welcome!

Free Gentle Yoga for those in grief. Call Connie for information at 412-443-4837 or visit her website at www.stayfitwithconnie.com

Little Rock Scripture Study: Mondays 6:30-8pm

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING CEREMONY

The Advent Wreath Lighting Ceremony will be held every Sunday in Advent beginning December 2nd. Families of all types are invited to light the Advent Candle every Sunday at the beginning of each Mass. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church. Please sign up for a mass of your choice. We ask that you please gather in the back of the church 10 minutes before mass to meet the celebrant and participate in the procession.

The Ladies of Charity are still collecting unused, personal items, deodorants, shampoos small packs of Kleenex, make up, change purses, hand cream small perfumes etc for Bethlehem Haven. This is our 4th year doing this and they are so appreciative of our efforts. A very large % of the women helped go on to support themselves. Thank you for your generosity. Bins are at the doors for the month of November only.

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE CHURCH cordially invites all members of St. Colman Parish to their annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 9th at 5:00 p.m. at Banquets Unlimited in Wilmerding. Enjoy a delicious sit-down dinner with your choice of Baked Scrod or Chicken Romano—\$20.00 per person. There will be great entertainment from the Monroeville Choir following dinner. Cut-off date for reservations is Monday, December 3rd. Please call the rectory at (412) 823-8390 for reservations. What a great opportunity to meet other members of our new parish family. JINGLE, JINGLE, LET'S MINGLE!

RCIA, MARRIAGE & THE TRIBUNAL: If you are in the RCIA program and you and/or your spouse or fiancé has been previously married and is now in another marriage, it is necessary that any previous marriage (s) be ecclesiastically adjudicated before an individual can celebrate the Rite of Election in the RCIA program. For more information, please immediately contact the Tribunal Office for guidance and make certain to inform us that you are an RCIA candidate 412-456-3033.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - An age appropriate reflection on the Gospel of the day with occasional hands on activity, games, and song. This service is provided Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Mass for children 4-8 years of age. Children are excused after the opening prayer and return during the offertory. We ask that a parent stand when they are returning, so they can find you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - St. Colman's has been providing a children's program for ages 4-8 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass for years. We are at a place that there is a need for additional teachers for this program to continue. Please contact Ellen Cole at (412) 335-4414 for more information.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MEAL—Don't eat alone on Christmas Day, December 25, 2018. Join us for dinner at St. Bernadette Church in the Lourdes Center. We serve from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. There is no charge. TO HELP US PLAN, please let us know how many are coming to dinner by calling 412-373-0050 or email us at breakingbread15146@gmail.com. Come, share and celebrate the birth of our Lord!

ON MISSION FOR **My Kingdom Does Not Belong to THE CHURCH This World** – As the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Christ the King this weekend, our hearts are fixed on heaven, from where our God reigns. For our King, born in the stable in Bethlehem, son of Mary and Joseph the carpenter, had no political power in the world. He did not command military troops nor consult with court official. Instead, he came as one like us that he might show us the way to love and reign in our hearts as he reigns in heaven. Our benevolent Lord and King, Jesus, has chosen to dwell with us and has promised to prepare a place for us to dwell with him in heaven. So, we must ask ourselves, what kingdom are we choosing to live for? Are we seeking to build up a kingdom for ourselves in this life that is bound to pass away? Or will we work hard now to store up for ourselves treasure in heaven and come to share in the glory of the kingdom to come. *On Mission for The Church Alive!* seeks to strengthen the Church and increase the opportunities for us and others to grow closer to God and share in the life of his kingdom here and now. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.

Dear faithful members of St. Colman Church, thank you for being a part of Pittsburgh's 2018 Fall 40 Days for Life! We know of at least 4 lives saved because of our witness this fall, and we were blessed to find out about 2 more that were saved during previous campaigns that we never knew about! Our theme was humility, and with so many "knees on the ground", and the many rose memorials left on the sidewalk, we believe many hearts were touched and reminded of the precious gift that is every human life. I hope you will join us again for the Lenten campaign, from March 6—April 18. In Christ, Nikki Bruni and the Pittsburgh 40 Days for Life team.

ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH'S LADIES OF CHARITY

cordially invites our women of St. Colman Parish to attend a social on Thursday, December 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Fisher Parish Hall. If you're interested in attending this social, please call the rectory at (412) 823-2564. by November 28th.



Saturday ~ December 1st

5:30 pm ~ Joe Saxman, Bill Stanonik, Nancy Brush,
Volunteer

Sunday ~ December 2nd

10:00 am ~ Mary Jo Meyer, Betty Lou Parello, Karen
Murray, Julie McDermott

5:30 pm ~ Christine Stinson, Sue Buchholz, Pamela
Ross, Joe Kopper



Saturday ~ December 1st

5:30 pm ~ Arlene Gross

Sunday ~ December 2nd

10:00 am ~ Marc Tinsley

5:30pm ~ Joanne Saint Pierre



Saturday ~ December 1st

5:30 pm ~ Francesca & Michael Aland

Sunday ~ December 2nd

10:00 am ~ Tina Vos, Jacob Murray

5:30 pm ~ Landon Dunnick



GREETERS

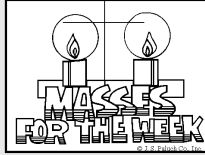
Saturday ~ December 1st

5:30 pm ~ Patti Connelly, Volunteer

Sunday ~ December 2nd

10:00 am ~ Betty DeLanko, Michele Astle, Pat
Romanelli, Jen Zapata

5:30 pm ~ Carissa Stinson, Colin Feeney, Sue Buccholz



Saturday ~ Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe ~ November 24th

4:00 pm ~ *St. John Fisher*

5:30 pm ~ Rose Petrocelli family ~ Family

Sunday ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe ~ November 25th

9:00 am ~ *St. Jude the Apostle*

10:00 am ~ Elizabeth Evancho ~ Husband, Joe & Children

11:30 am ~ *St. John Fisher*

5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of the Parish

Monday ~ Weekday ~ November 26th

8:00 am ~ Roselle Kucic & Kim Shields ~ Dolly & Tom

Tuesday ~ Weekday ~ November 27th

8:00 am ~ Frank Zemarel ~ Wife, Josephine

Wednesday ~ Weekday ~ November 28th

8:00 am ~ *St. John Fisher*

Thursday ~ Weekday ~ November 29th

8:00 am ~ *St. John Fisher*

Friday ~ Saint Andrew, Apostle ~ November 30th

8:00 am ~ *St. John Fisher*

First Saturday ~ Vigil: First Sunday of Advent ~ December 1st

2:30 pm ~ Wedding: Benjamin Diebold & Brittany Werkin

4:00 pm ~ *St. John Fisher*

5:30 pm ~ Marcella Cosley ~ Ron & Gail Bachy & family

Sunday ~ First Sunday of Advent ~ December 2nd

9:00 am ~ *St. Jude the Apostle*

10:00 am ~ Josephine Alexander ~ Patti, Bill & family

11:30 am ~ *St. John Fisher*

5:30 pm ~ John Corbett ~ Joannette Blazeovich