

# SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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November 30, 2014

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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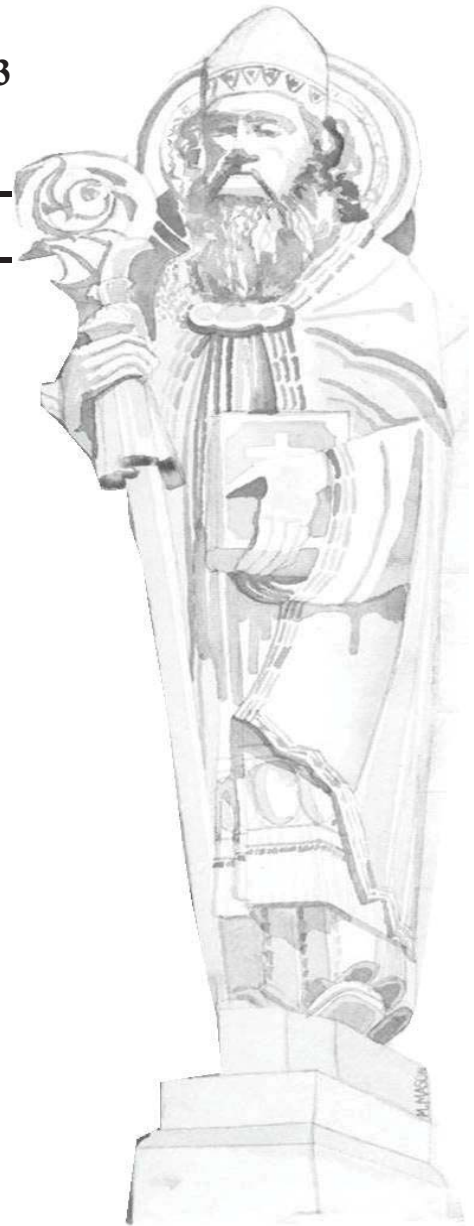
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## **ST. COLMAN MISSION STATEMENT**

*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.*

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**


Stay Awake...be alert...keep on the watch...be prepared. This is the spirit set by Mark's Gospel for Advent, a season whose primary purpose is preparation for the Second Coming at the end of the world. We are warned to be careful because we know not the day nor the hour. This Advent warning reminds us of the moment of death, our judgment, the final time in one's individual life. But this is not the only meaning of the Advent message. We should be ready for Christ's constant coming every day in the activities of life, in our fellow human beings, in a "surprise visit" that he might make to us in any of a thousand ways. Be prepared to live when you wake up in the morning. Begin your day with the feeling: "I wonder where the Spirit of God will pop up today in my life. Am I missing any manifestations of God in those things which seem so ordinary?" The reflection of God is everywhere. Be alert and ready for those little divine beginnings that are all around us every day.


**Sunday, November 23, 2014**  
**Weekly Collection.....\$00**  
**Monthly Collection.....\$00**  
**Parish Share.....\$00**  
**The above figures are not available at this time due to the holiday, watch for them in next weeks 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, 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).

**BAPTISM CLASS & DATES OF CELEBRATION**  
*The next Baptism classes are scheduled for Saturday, December 6th and Saturday, March 7th at **11:00am** in the school cafeteria meeting room.. **Please note this date** if you anticipate a baptism in the next few months. The class is required prior to the celebration (**along with membership in the parish**). The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated December 7th and 14th.*

**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. 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 \*10th. (\*correction)*

 **ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING CEREMONY**  
 The Advent Wreath Lighting Ceremony will be held every Sunday in Advent beginning November 30th. 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.

**ST. COLMAN SOCIAL MEDIA:** Join the conversation and stay up to date with St. Colman news and events by liking us on Facebook and following us on Twitter.

**EXPERIENCE GOD'S MERCY THIS ADVENT**  
**THE LIGHT IS STILL ON FOR YOU!**  
*This year in every parish across the Diocese of Pittsburgh, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on **Wednesday, December 10th from 6-9pm**. Consider making a commitment this Advent to experience the healing grace of God's forgiveness and love. Visit [www.diopitt.org/lightstillon](http://www.diopitt.org/lightstillon) for more information.*

**ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE**  
**Saturday, December 6th: 12:00pm - 12:45 pm**  
**"THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU"**  
**Wednesday, December 10th: 6:00pm - 9:00pm**  
**Saturday, December 13th: 12:00pm - 12:45pm**  
**Saturday, December 20th: 12:00pm - 12:45pm**  
**Tuesday, December 23rd: After 8:30am Mass and 6:30 pm - 7:30pm**  
**THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27TH**

**CHRISTMAS WREATHS AND GARLAND**  
*Christmas wreaths and garland orders will be taken until December 1st. Order pick up is December 6 & 7. Contact CDA Court Westinghouse #759 Chairwoman Lisa McCann at 412-824-8640 for information. Thank you for your support.*

*The Knights of Columbus will be passing out Christmas seals before all Masses on the weekend of December 6/7.*

**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.

**Fish Fry: December 5th.**

**East Catholic School Gala: Saturday, March**

**7thCDA: Meeting 2nd Friday of each month 6:30-8pm**

*East Catholic School is selling "Entertainment (\$30), Enjoy (\$30) and Kid Stuff (\$25) books. The books are now available by contacting Kate Halahurich at khalahurich@msn.com or by calling 412-519-8283 for more information or to place an order. All proceeds benefit East Catholic School. Thank You.*

**HANDBELL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

*On Sunday, December 14th at 4:00 pm, the Good Shepherd Alumni Handbell Team will present a Christmas concert at Good Shepherd Church, 1025 Braddock Ave., Braddock, PA 15104. Both sacred and secular Christmas pieces, with percussion instruments. The concert will last about an hour and a light reception will follow. The Steelers play at 1:00, come on over a lift your spirits after the game!! For further information call 412-271-1326.*

**CHRISTMAS DISCERNMENT RETREAT:** Friday, December 19th through Sunday, December 21st. Led by Fr. Joe Freedy with Bishop Zubik, Fr. Welding and Fr. Vaskov. Open to men in college and post college who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Please visit [www.pghpriest.com](http://www.pghpriest.com) for more information. Fr. Joe Freedy, Vocations Director JFREEDY@DIOPITT.ORG 412-456-3123.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED FOR BOTH UPMC EAST AND FORBES REGIONAL HOSPITAL**

If you are interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister at either UPMC or Forbes Regional Hospital, please contact Fr. John Forbidussi at St. Bernadette Parish Office 412-373-0050, and he will be happy to welcome you to share in this ministry and answer any questions you may have.

**Serra Catholic High School's Placement Test** for incoming freshman will be held on Saturday, December 6th from 9am-12 Noon. To register or for more information please call Mrs. Lyons at 4122-751-2020 ext 134 or email her at lyons@serrahs.org

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Monday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holyday of obligation for all Catholics. Masses will be offered on Monday, December 8th at 8:30 am and 7:00pm. Join the faithful in honoring Our Lady on this feast.

**HOME WITH THE LORD:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Nicole Elise Yurko. May she rest in the peace and the joy of the Lord.

**LADIES OF CHARITY**

*The Ladies of Charity are again collecting coats for the needy this November. Any gently used coat (ladies, men's or children's) would be greatly appreciated. Please no coats that have tears, broken zippers or missing buttons. Coats should be cleaned and ready for use. Containers will be placed at the entry doors and can be dropped off anytime the church is open. All coats will be distributed in November only. Last year we warmed the hearts and bodies of over 250 people including many veterans and shelters or domestic abuse victims who leave home with only what they have on their backs. You're generosity is boundless... God Bless You.*

**PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**Come and enjoy a fresh, hot pancake and sausage breakfast on Sunday, December 7th in the school cafeteria from 8:30 am - 11:30 am. Cost: \$5 Adults, \$3.00 children. See the student entries in the Education Contest. Door prize chances for each breakfast purchased. Annual event sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Westinghouse #759.**

**St. Anthony School Programs**

*Do you have a child between ages 5 and 21 with Down Syndrome, Autism or Intellectual Disabilities? Have you been looking for a school that will give your child the opportunity to learn in a safe and loving environment? St. Anthony School Programs can help. For over 60 years, St. Anthony's has been helping students grow and become active and contributing members of society. For the 2015-16 academic year, we are offering 20 full scholarships for new students entering our program. For information, visit us online at [www.stanthonykids.org](http://www.stanthonykids.org) and click on the Admissions tab or contact us at: [info@stanthonykids.org](mailto:info@stanthonykids.org) or by calling 724-940-9020.*

**INFANT JESUS RESPECT LIFE GROUP** will meet at St. John Fisher Church in Beaufort Hall on Tuesday, December 2nd at 7pm. Speaker will be Chloe Peckman who was in an abusive marriage and now counsels women and men in abusive relationships.

**St. John Fisher Church Invites You to Lunch with Santa:**

*Children are invited to Lunch With Santa on Saturday, December 6th in Beaufort Hall at St. John Fisher Church in Churchill at 12 noon. This will be a fun-filled experience for the children and a "special way" to begin the celebration of Christmas. Cost per person is \$5. Tickets may be purchased by calling the church office at 412-241-4722 no later than Sunday, November 30th. Please make checks payable to St. John Fisher Church and note "Lunch with Santa".*

**St. John Fisher Church Choir & Concert Choir** will perform a concert of sacred Christmas music on Sunday, December 7th at 5pm in the church. The program will feature Vivaldi's "Gloria," Ralph Vaughan Williams' "Fantasia on Christmas Carols," and other Christmas favorites. Audiences of all ages are welcome.



**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ November 30th**

8:00 am ~ Roselle Kucic ~ Brother Tom & Sister Dolly

10:00 am ~ Deceased Members of the Salerno, Watkins, & Cwynar Families ~ Don, Sue, & Nicole

12:00 pm ~ Mario Lavella ~ Wife & Son

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

**Monday ~Advent Weekday~ December 1st**

8:30 am ~ Frank Kropczynski ~ Family

9:30 am ~ Hamilton Hills~ James Carey ~ Rich & Pidge Scampone

**Tuesday ~ Advent Weekday~ December 2nd**

8:30 am ~ Florence Hawk ~ Mary Kocian & Family

**Wednesday ~ St. Francis Xavier, Priest ~ December 3rd**

8:30 am ~ Ed Halluska ~ Family

**Thursday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 4th**

8:30 am ~ Tom Kearns ~ Mary Frances & Gary Glausser

**Friday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 5th**

8:30 am ~ George Pendro ~ Geraldine Pendro Gentile

**Saturday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 6th**

6:00 pm ~ Ralph Pillage ~ Family

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**December 7th**

8:00 am ~ Melinda D. Payne ~ Bill Payne

10:00 am ~ The Griffin Family ~ Tom Griffin

12:00 pm ~ Joseph & Josephine Leonardo ~ Son & Family

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





**Saturday ~ December 6th**

6:00 pm ~ Debbie Sargo, Bill Stanonik, Jim Bour, Joe Saxman

**Sunday ~ December 7th**

8:00 am ~ Paul Messineo, Mary Jo Meyer, Alison Sciulli, Betty Lou Parello

10:00 am ~ Julie McDermott, Kraig Riley, Sue Buchholz, Marsha Friez

12:00 pm ~ Harry Bernacki, Karen Haas, Maureen Leonardo, Theresa Lugar

5:30 pm ~ Elaine Potochnik, Christine Stinson



**Saturday ~ December 6th**

6:00 pm ~ Barbara McCabe

**Sunday ~ December 7th**

8:00 am ~ Jim Sciulli

10:00 am ~ Marc Tinsley

12:00 pm ~ Pauline Schoffstall

5:30 pm ~ Charles Riley



**Saturday ~ December 6th**

6:00 pm ~ Scott & Samantha Doherty

**Sunday ~ December 7th**

8:00 am ~ Paul, Brandon, & Jordan Messineo

10:00 am ~ Monica & Kevin Tinsley

12:00 pm ~ Carly Haas, Alaina Fawcett

5:30 pm ~ Mia Carter, Landon Dunnick