

# SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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December 3, 2017

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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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

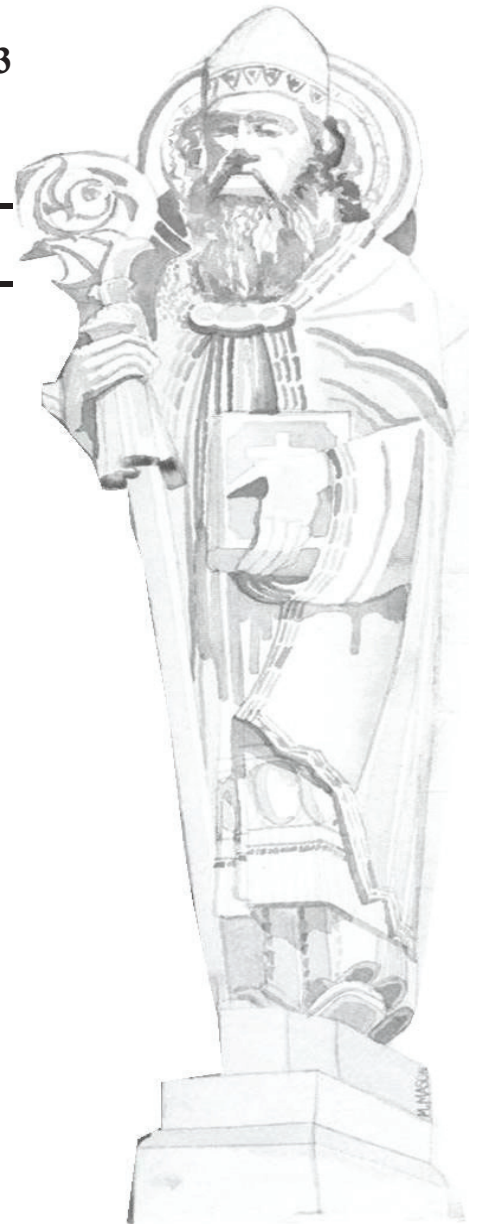
**Weddings** Call Rectory for arrangements.

**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 everyday 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.

**Thoughts to reflect on and share:** *"When we fail to recognize the face of Jesus in everyone we encounter, we miss out on one of God's most amazing gifts to us."* **Deacon Herb Follow Deacon Herb on Facebook.**

	
<b>Sunday, November 19, 2017</b>	
Offertory.....	\$6157.00
Monthly .....	\$205.00
Parish Share .....	\$150.00
<b>Sunday, November 26, 2017</b>	
Offertory.....	\$6116.00
Monthly.....	\$243.00
Parish Share.....	\$500.00
<b>WEEKLY OPERATING EXPENSE.....</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, 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](http://www.diopitt.org)


**THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
**Friday, December 8** is the Feast of The Immaculate Conception, a Holyday of Obligation for all Catholics. Masses will be offered on **Thursday, December 7** at 6:00 pm, and **Friday, December 8** at 8:30am and 7:00 pm. Join the faithful in honoring Our Lady on this feast.

**NEWLY BAPTIZED IN 2017**

We welcome to the faith community of St. Colman Parish this year: Declan Ryan Flaherty, Olivia Marie Saccomano, Jordyn Elizabeth Keough, Rocco Joseph Yezovich, Evelyn Rose Fashandi, Lena Isabella Faust Toth, Wesley James Scott, Nathan Paul Mountain, Dylan Keeton Dukic, Damian Michael Swarek, Gabriella Grace Meyer and Emma Lynn Brucker.

***The Light Is On For You!***

***"It's Been a Long Time Since My Last Confession"*** - - This Advent season, each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Pittsburgh will have their doors open and lights on **Wednesday, December 13th from 6-9pm**. If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament, have been away for some time or just found it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time. *"The Light is On for You,"* is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church. especially if you haven't been to confession in a while.

 **ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING CEREMONY**

The Advent Wreath Lighting Ceremony will be held every Sunday in Advent beginning December 3rd. 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.

**ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, December 9th 12:00-12:45pm**

**"THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU"**

**Wednesday, December 13th 6:00-9:00 pm**


**Saturday, December 16th 12:00-12:45pm**


**Friday, December 22nd after 8:30am Mass**  
**And 3:30-4:30pm**

**Saturday, December 23rd 12:00-12:45pm**

**There will be NO confessions on**  
**Saturday, December 30th**

**Make plans to receive the Sacrament**  
**Before the last opportunities**

 **GIVING TREE:** Our tree was a big success again this year, all the tags were taken the first week. Some of you, however, did not sign your name in the book, so please be sure to return your gifts with the tag attached. All gifts must be returned to the rectory office by December 13th. Thank You!

 **HOME WITH THE LORD:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of George Winesburgh and Andrew Rensko. May they rest in the peace and the joy of the Lord.

**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. December 15th & 22nd. Call Connie for information at 412-443-4837 or visit her website at [www.stayfitwithconnie.com](http://www.stayfitwithconnie.com)

**Holy Hour:** December 18th

**St. Colman Monthly Fish Fry:** January 5, 2018



**First Friday Candlelight Mass** - Give your Friday night new life and enjoy the new monthly First Friday Candlelight Mass. Masses will be celebrated

every First Friday at 8pm at Saint Stanislaus Church in the Strip District beginning Friday, December 1st. Confessions will be available at 7pm and music will start at 7:45pm. Afterwards, join your friends for fellowship at a nearby eatery. Follow [facebook.com/beholdpittsburgh](https://www.facebook.com/beholdpittsburgh) for details about each month's Mass.

**2018 Lucky Number Ticket** - Support the ministries and the mission of the Sisters of Divine Providence by purchasing a \$25 Lucky Number ticket based on the PA Daily Lottery. Pick 3 Day and 3 Evening numbers. Numbers are available and your number is yours for the entire 2018 calendar year. Daily winners receive a minimum of \$25 up to \$150. Great gift idea! For more information, visit [dpsisters.org/LuckyNumber](http://dpsisters.org/LuckyNumber) or call Pat at 412-635-5401.



**ADVENT FESTIVAL OF  
CAROLS & PRAISE**

Join Bishop Zubik and your neighbors from across the Diocese for a Festival of Carols and Praise on Saturday, December 9th at Saint Paul Cathedral. The festival will begin at 7:30pm and will include Eucharistic Adoration, holiday carols, praise music and more. Hosted by Holy Apostles Parish, the Festival of Carols and Praise is an opportunity to gather in worship and grow in faith as we joyfully anticipate the birth of Christ. Take some time out of your busy holiday preparations and feed your soul with mercy and peace. For more information visit [diopitt.org/events/praise](http://diopitt.org/events/praise).



**CHRISTMAS DISCERNMENT RETREAT**

*How can you be equipped to boldly go where the Lord is calling you? College and post-college men, don't miss the Christmas Discernment Retreat, December 15-17 at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center. Come to deepen your relationship with Christ, seek to know your vocation, and learn more about discerning a vocation to priesthood. The weekend will include Mass, Adoration, conferences, opportunity for Confession, and solid brotherhood. No cost. Must be 18 or older. Visit [PGHPriest.com](http://PGHPriest.com) by December 8th to register.*

**St. Nicholas Day Free Story Time Session at East Catholic School Library:** Wednesday, December 6th is the next "Perfect for Preschoolers Story-time" at East Catholic School 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Forest Hills, PA. This is a free story, rhyme, song and craft program designed to entertain and engage young children. The program is for 2 1/2-5 years old and is designed to give them a positive introduction to books and the habit of reading. Each program features appealing books, favorite stories, and lively activities. The theme of this Story-time is: "St. Nicholas Day". There will be one session from 12:30-1:30 pm. We invite all children along with their parent or guardian to come and visit Story-time at East Catholic School Library. Registration is required by calling East Catholic School Office 412-351-5403 during school hours (8:30am until 2:00pm). Final registration date is Monday, December 4th. Join us for some "St. Nicholas" fun!

**SAM - SUBSTANCE ADDICTION MINISTRY**

The next Substance Addiction Ministry Rosary for Recovery will be Wednesday, December 20th at St. John the Baptist Church, 444 St. John Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15239. We will meet at 7:00 pm for the Rosary followed by an informal gathering for all who are afflicted or affected by addiction. It will be a safe, confidential place for people to seek education, referral and support. For more information please contact Noreen at 412-296-1709.

**WEEKEND RETREAT FOR POST-ABORTION HEALING: RCHL'S Vineyard,** a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held on March 2-4, 2018 at Tabor House in Millvale. In a confidential supportive atmosphere, Rachel's Vineyard demonstrates God's love, forgiveness, and compassion to women (and men) struggling with abortion's aftermath. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or email: [toniafj1@comcast.net](mailto:toniafj1@comcast.net).



**New Year's Eve \$500 Raffle Casino Knight Dinner and Dance Date: Sunday, December 31st, Time: 7:00Pm Doors Open (BYOB) 7:30Pm Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres 8:00Pm-12:00 Am Casino Games and Dance. Place: Saint Therese Court, Munhall, PA 15120-3701. Cost: \$35 per person. \$60 per couple & \$220 for a table of 8. Extra Raffle Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Winner need not be present! Contact: George Wagner at 412-823-8011.**

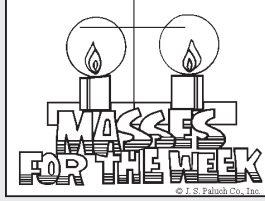
**A DONATION HAS BEEN MADE TO THE  
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**IN MEMORY OF:**

**Ross L. Palarino, Jr.**

**BY:**

**Bev & Mark Lewanski  
Lawrence & Fran Aiello**



**The First Sunday Of Advent ~ December 3rd**

8:00 am ~ Urban & Kukla Families ~ Kukla Family  
10:00 am ~ Josephine Alexander ~ Patti & Bill Connelly & Family  
12:00 pm ~ H. William Bell ~ Wife & Family  
5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish

**Monday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 4th**

8:30 am ~ Marie Marree ~ Al & Paulette Suvak  
9:30am ~ Hamilton Hills: Bernice Moore ~ The Moore Family

**Tuesday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 5th**

8:30 am ~ Elmer Skanter ~ Wife, Nellie & Family

**Wednesday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 6th**

8:30 am ~ Bernice Comunale ~ Family

**Thursday ~ St. Ambrose, Bishop ~ December 7th**

8:30 am ~ Susan Navish ~ Mother, Dorothy  
6:00 pm ~ Winifred McAnnaley ~ Frank & Ann

**Friday ~ The Immaculate Conception ~ December 8th**

8:30 am ~ Dominic Fioravanti ~ Joe & Betty Dombrosky  
7:00 pm ~ Patrick Trainor ~ Bour Family & Wife & Family

**Saturday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 9th**

6:00 pm ~ Lana Parker ~ John, Sharon & Family

**The Second Sunday of Advent ~ December 10th**

8:00 am ~ Alphonso Botti ~ Mark & Nancy Botti  
10:00 am ~ Maria & Carlo Luciano ~ Mike & Rosa Luciano  
12:00 pm ~ Ann Durick ~ Georgia, Joyce, Karen & Patty  
5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish





**Saturday ~ December 9th**

6:00 pm ~ Bill Stanonik, Arlene Gross, Charmain Warble, Carol Deiuliis

**Sunday ~ December 10th**

8:00 am ~ Linda Lorenz, Betty Lou Parello, Sharon Parker, John Parker

10:00 am ~ Renae Brinza, Patti Connelly, Kraig Riley, Marsha Friez

12:00 pm ~ Pauline Schoffstall, Martha Mallik, Tina Kuniak, Elaine Clugston

5:30 pm ~ Christine Stinson, Joanne Saint Pierre



**Saturday ~ December 9th**

6:00 pm ~ Mike Krygowski

**Sunday ~ December 10th**

8:00 am ~ Mike Lanigan

10:00 am ~ Alicia Cole

12:00 pm ~ Lynn Bahleda

5:30 pm ~ Pamela Ross



**Saturday ~ December 9th**

6:00 pm ~ Samantha Doherty

**Sunday ~ December 10th**

8:00 am ~ Francesca & Michael Aland

10:00 am ~ Tara Ponitz, Chloe Noah

12:00 pm ~ Lucca Paoletti, Tina Vos

5:30 pm ~ Noah Martino