

# SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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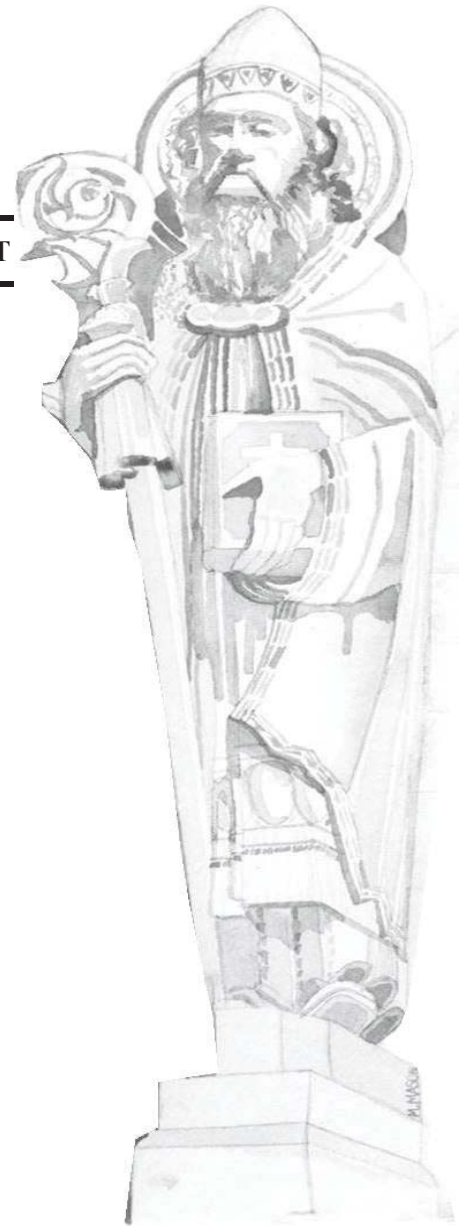
December 4, 2011

SECOND 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.*



| <u>MASSES</u>   |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| 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

*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.*

**Pastor's Notes**  
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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

*John the Baptist was clothed in camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist. His food was grasshoppers and wild honey. This was not the ordinary garb of a Jewish male; this was anything but the ordinary diet. John was not trying simply to attract attention. He was departing from the ordinary norms of society to jolt himself out of the dullness of conformity. He was looking for the real value in behavior patterns. Sometimes we must experience something different. Our Christian vocation asks us to be different and look at the values in our life. What would it feel like to eat a few meager meals in order to understand world hunger? What would it feel like to give one-tenth of all that one owns to charity? What would it feel like to ration the use of one's car or the heat in one's home to comprehend the energy crisis more accurately? The Christian is called to follow a different set of standards: love, compassion and service. With John the Baptist, perhaps we all need to admit that sometimes the only way to the truth is by being different.*

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

*Thursday, 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 Wednesday, December 7th at 6:00pm, Thursday, December 8th at 8:30am, Noon and 7:00pm. Join the faithful in honoring our Lady on this feast.*

**CONFRATERNITY OF THE ROSARY** will hold their annual Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 7th at Palmieri's Restaurant at 12:30 pm. We will order from the menu. For reservations call Dorothy Duchi at 412-823-7910.

**FOOD BANK:** *There is a container in the vestibule of the church near the rectory office for the collection of Food Bank items. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at any time. Please consider helping your neighbors in need.*

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus want to thank the members of St. Colman Parish for their donations of \$607.35 to the Penny Collection for the Bishop's Project benefiting exceptional children with special needs at McGuire Home and St. Anthony's School Program. Thank you for your generosity.

**ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING**

*Advent Wreath Lighting - The sign up sheet for the Advent Wreath Lighting Ceremony that takes place at all Masses during Advent is located on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church. This has become a seasonal tradition in our parish. Please sign up today. We hope to see some new families this year.*

**GOD LOVES THE CHEERFUL GIVER**

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| <b>November 20th</b>                     |                  |
| <b>Regular Collection.....</b>           | <b>\$6459.50</b> |
| <b>Monthly Collection.....</b>           | <b>\$533.00</b>  |
| <b>Parish Share.....</b>                 | <b>\$628.00</b>  |
| <b>Religious Retirement.....</b>         | <b>\$3285.00</b> |
| <b>November 27th</b>                     |                  |
| <b>Regular Collection.....</b>           | <b>\$6532.50</b> |
| <b>Monthly Collection.....</b>           | <b>\$130.00</b>  |
| <b>Parish Share.....</b>                 | <b>\$505.00</b>  |
| <b>DIOCESE VICTIM ASSISTANCE HOTLINE</b> |                  |

**1~888~808~1235**  
**DIOCESAN DATABASE & REGULATIONS FOR ALL MINISTRIES:** All ministers including catechists, staff, choir, ushers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, etc. are required by the Diocese of Pittsburgh to be cleared in the following ways: 1) Be registered on the Diocesan Database. 2) Sign the Code of Pastoral Conduct. 3) Be cleared by the Dept. of Public Welfare for Child Abuse. 4) Be cleared by the State Police Criminal Record Check. 5) Attend Protecting God's Children for Adults Workshop. If you have not completed the above or have questions, and are presently involved in any ministry in the parish, please call Mike Krygowski@412~824~7226 or email at St\_Colman\_Parish\_Poc@yahoo.com. Forms are available in the Parish Office. All costs are covered by the parish.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

*Thank you for the 2011 World Mission Sunday contribution of \$2,126.00 from the people of St. Colman Parish. On World Mission Sunday, your parish joined with Catholics throughout the world to "celebrate the hope that saves" ~ the hope that is our Lord Himself. And they fulfilled, in prayer and sacrifice, the Lord's command to be His witness "to the ends of the earth." On behalf of the Church in the Missions, I thank you for your generosity. May you have a gentle and joy-filled day. In Christ's love, Rev. Ronald P. Lengwin, Diocesan Director.*

**GENESIS OF PITTSBURGH**

Genesis of Pittsburgh, Inc. wishes to extend our sincere thanks to the members of your parish who helped to collect donations for our recent Pro Life Campaign, as well as the parishioners who so generously donated. Your parish collection total of \$1460.76 will be well used in our many programs designed to support, encourage and empower distressed pregnant women and their families. The money your parish collected will purchase 14 new cribs for our mothers in need. Bless you and your continued support in our mission. Sincerely, Carole McMahon, Executive Director, Genesis of Pittsburgh, Inc.

**FUTURE IMPORTANT DATES:**

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

**The Little Sisters of the Poor** are once again offering Christmas Cards sketched by Sister Martha, Isp. This year's sketch is white on burgundy background. The cards are 7 for \$10 (plus \$1.50 shipping), 12 for \$15 (plus \$2.00 shipping) or 30 for \$25 (plus \$5.00 shipping) Cards can be ordered by calling 412-307-1100 or sending a check made payable to Little Sisters of the Poor, 1028 Benton Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15212 or at main entrance of the Home.

**ST. COLMAN GRIEF SHARING GROUP**

*St. Colman Grief Sharing Group will meet every third Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:30pm in the school cafeteria. Anyone grieving from the loss of a loved one is invited to attend. Your loss can be recent or from years past. Please join us for a comforting environment to share your grief or to just be with those who care. Any questions may be addressed by contacting Don Cwynar at [bsco105@aol.com](mailto:bsco105@aol.com) or call 412-829-1889.*

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS  
LIFELINE OF HOPE**

For information and discussion please contact the Parish Advocates for Persons with Disabilities, Bill & Eileen Ketter by email at [Ketter.Eileen@yahoo.com](mailto:Ketter.Eileen@yahoo.com) or phone @412-825-6051 or the rectory office @412-823-2564.



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH**

**4:00PM**  
**6:00PM**

**MIDNITE (music begins at 11:30pm)**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH**

**8:00AM**  
**10:00AM (televised)**

**THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON SUNDAY EVENING**

**FLU SHOT CLINIC**

Take advantage of the Last Chance Flu Shot Clinic. Wednesday, December 7th from 10 am to 2 pm at the Eastern Area Prehospital Services, 119 11th St., Turtle Creek, PA 412-829-8155 First Come/First Serve.

**NEWLY BAPTIZED**



*We welcome to the faith community of St. Colman Parish: Sydney Elizabeth Grill, Grant Daniel Ostendorf and Geno Anthony Saccomanano.*

**BAPTISM CLASS AND DATES OF CELEBRATION**

The next Baptism classes are scheduled for Saturday, March 3rd and Saturday, June 2nd at **11:00am** in the school. **Please note these dates** 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 on December 18th, January 1st, January 29th and February 12th.

**GIVING TREE**

November 20th ~ December 12th



Many neighborhoods in our surrounding areas are feeling the urgency of providing for their families at this difficult time. We at St. Colman Parish 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 find the tag number in the book next to the tree and sign your name and phone number next to your child's number. All gifts must be returned to the Parish office by December 12th. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

**ANNUAL OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS**

All are invited to join Bishop David A. Zubik and Latino Catholics for the Annual "Our Lady of Guadalupe Spanish Mass" on Monday, December 12th at 7:00pm at St. Paul Cathedral. The celebration begins at 7:00 pm with the "Our Lady" procession. Enjoy the festive reception afterwards in the Cathedral's social hall.



**ADVENT CONFESSIOIN SCHEDULE**

Saturday, December 10th: 12:00 pm - 12:45 pm  
Monday, December 12th: **PENANCE SERVICE AT ST. JOHN FISHER 7:00pm**  
Saturday, December 17th: 12:00 - 12:45pm  
Wednesday, December 21st: after 8:30am Mass and 6:30 - 7:00pm  
Thursday, December 22nd: after 8:30 am Mass and 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm



## **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

### **Sunday ~ December 4th**

8:00 am ~ McGeever Family ~ Thomas Griffin  
10:00 am ~ Deceased Members of the Teti Family ~  
Alex Teti  
12:00 pm ~ Josephine Alexander ~ Patti, Bill & Family  
5:30 pm ~ All the Living & Deceased of our Parish

### **Monday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 5th**

8:30 am ~ Jesse Fox ~ Jim & Ed Noe  
1:00pm ~ Hamilton Hills: Dorothy O'Rourke Guzik ~  
Dale & Debra Anderson

### **Tuesday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 6th**

8:30 am ~ Ralph Pillage ~ Family

### **Wednesday ~ St. Ambrose, bishop & doctor of the Church ~ December 7th**

8:30 am ~ Melinda D. Payne ~ Family  
6:00 pm ~ Mary Schake ~ Johanna Ostrawski

### **Thursday ~ The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ December 8th**

8:30 am ~ Nancy Castagnola ~ Guy Autore  
Noon ~ Jimmy DeMuzzio ~ Kingston Family  
7:00 pm ~ Joseph Kenney ~ Cavanaugh Family

### **Friday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 9th**

8:30am ~ Mary Olive, Irene & Dudek Family ~ Clara  
Shula

### **Saturday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 10th**

6:00pm ~ Alphonso Botti ~ son, Mark

## **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

### **Sunday ~ December 11th**

8:00 am ~ Payne Family ~ Family  
10:00 am ~ Dorothy Romanelli ~ Husband & Family  
12:00 pm ~ Shirley Ann Brown ~ Susko Family  
5:30 pm ~ All the Living & Deceased of our Parish



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**Saturday ~ December 10th**

6:00 pm ~ Barbara McCabe (2), Jim Bour, Tina Kuniak,  
Barbara McCabe (1)

**Sunday ~ December 11th**

8:00 am ~ Mary Jo Meyer, Paul Messineo, Betty Lou  
Parello, Arlene Gross

10:00 am ~ Marsha Friez, Marci Mason, Pat O'Donnell  
Linda Lorenz

12:00 pm ~ Pauline Schoffstall, Nancy Brush, Janet Cur-  
rie, Elaine Clugston

5:30 pm ~ James Jordan, Deborah Logan



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**Saturday ~ December 10th**

6:00 pm ~ Charmain Warble

**Sunday ~ December 11th**

8:00 am ~ Jim Sciulli

10:00 am ~ Kelly McIntyre

12:00 pm ~ Phil Wills

5:30 pm ~ Caitlin Healy



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**Saturday ~ December 10th**

6:00 pm ~ Andy Speranza, Sal Aiello

**Sunday ~ December 11th**

8:00 am ~ Paul, Brandon, Jordan Messineo

10:00 am ~ Marissa & Tara Ponitz, Stacie Knee

12:00 pm ~ Jimmy & Josh Murray

5:30 pm ~ Jacob Craig, Jordan Croll