

SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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December 4, 2016

THE 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.

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

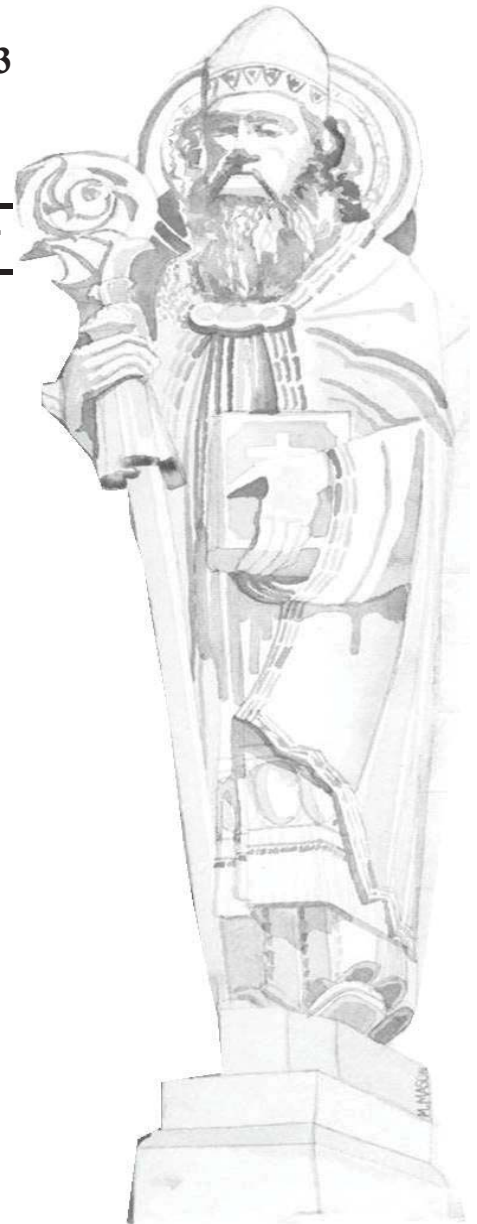
Weddings Call Rectory for arrangements.

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 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The reign of God means the sovereignty of God’s will over all of creation. Justice is part of God’s reign, a justice that is linked with peace. The work of God is also the work of Christ’s disciples and all people of good will. The injustices of today’s world are much with us. Poverty, racism, sexism, disregard for life, economic inequality - all plague our society and our planet. True peace can never be expected where such injustice prevails. Working to correct injustice makes us agents of the Lord in re-establishing that biblical ideal of equity and fairness. Paul reminds us today that peace is rooted in a recognition of everyone’s place in God’s plan. We are living in a “wilderness” that promotes individualism, personal rights and self-satisfaction. John the Baptist encourages us in today’s gospel to be a “voice crying out in the wilderness” as we prepare the way of the Lord.

Thoughts to reflect on and share: “Just as the deep roots of a tree make it tall and strong, so too do the roots of our faith make us resilient and hopeful.”; Deacon Herb Follow Deacon Herb on Facebook.

WITH PARISH CONSULTATION SESSIONS NOW COMPLETED, all of the proposed models for **ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!** are available online. Watch the videos, download the presentations and give feedback. You can also provide your email address to stay connected for future updates, including survey results. Learn more at *OnMissionChurchAlive.org*.


ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE
 Saturday, December 10th 12:00 pm - 12:45 pm
 “The Light is on For You”
 Wednesday, December 14th 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
 Saturday, December 17th 12:00 pm - 12:45pm
 Thursday, December 22nd after 8:30 am Mass
 Friday, December 23rd after 8:30 am Mass and
 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Saturday, December 24th 8:30 am - 9:30 am (church will be closed after 9:30 am to prepare for the vigil Masses)
 There will be **NO CONFESSIONS** - December 31st.

“Sanctuary Lamps”
 The Sanctuary Lamps are lit this week in memory of Laura Baxter as requested by Lorraine & Dutch, and John Morenzi, Sr. as requested by John and Connie Morenzi.

Weekly offering	
Sunday, November 13th	
Offertory.....	\$5447.00
Monthly.....	\$586.00
Sunday, November 20th	
Offertory.....	\$5338.00
Monthly.....	\$576.00
Parish Share.....	\$1166.00
Sunday, November 27th	
Offertory.....	\$5054.00
Monthly.....	\$160.00
Parish Share.....	\$315.00
WEEKLY OPERATING EXPENSE.....	\$9,705.00

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.

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 14th 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, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church. “*The Light is On for You,*” 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 November 27th. 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 the mass of your choice. We ask that you please gather in the back of church 10 minutes before mass to meet the celebrant and participate in the procession.

HOME WITH THE LORD: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Margaret Blotzer, Margaret Ickes, Francis Basala, Catherine Henry, Philomena (Faye) Skaro and Bernice Comunale. 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 welcome!

Honoring Your Body: Spirit filled Yoga class resumes Thursday September 8th 6:45-8pm in Werthman Hall. 1st Class Free. Connie Tinsley 412-443-4837.

Holy Hour & Exposition: Monday, Dec.19, 6:30pm

GIVING TREE

If you took a tag off the tree Please return your gifts to the rectory office by ***December 9th**. The party for the children is scheduled for **December 10th**.

Please be sure to attach the tag to the gift. Thank

You!! ***change of date.**

CHRISTMAS DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Fr. Joe Freedy and Fr. Mike Ackerman, along with Fr. Brian Welding and Fr. Brian Noel, will be leading a retreat for men who are seeking to know their vocation and to learn more about discerning a vocation to the Priesthood, from Friday, December 16th, 7pm - Sunday, December 18th 11am at Gilmary Retreat Center. The weekend will include Mass with Bishop Zubik, Adoration, opportunities for Confession, conferences, and solid brotherhood. No cost. Must be 18 or older. For more information or to register, please visit www.pghpriest.com.

ARE YOU AFFECTED BY SOMEONE ELSE'S ADDICTION? NAR-ANON OFFERS HELP: *Nar-Anon Family Groups* are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. As a twelve step program, we offer our help by sharing our experience, strength, and hope. Join us for support and recovery at St. John's Lutheran Church, 715 Lincoln Hwy, North Versailles, on Thursdays at 7:30pm. ***There is Babysitting Available** For more information call Linda L. at 412-874-5620. Nar-Anon World Services located at 23110 Crenshaw Blvd. Suite A, Torrance, CA 90505. (800) 477-6291 nar-anon.org.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! GOLD HONOR ROLL
SERRA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Ashley Astle, Cassie Biehl, Chloe Noah, Tyler Macko

A DONATION HAS BEEN MADE TO THE
ST. COLMAN UPDATE AND RENOVATE FUND IN
MEMORY OF: Ginny Schwoeble
BY: Pat and Don Andelmo

THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Thursday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holyday of Obligation for all Catholics. Masses will be offered on Wednesday, December 7th at 6pm, and Thursday, December 8th at 8:30am and 7pm. Join the faithful in honoring Mary on this feast.

"NOTRE DAME" NEW COURSE OF STUDY

St. Colman's CMF invites all parishioners to attend a dynamic 12 session program entitled "*The Bible and the Virgin Mary.*" This program is designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in their knowledge and cohesiveness of the Old and New Testaments. It's grounded in history yet actively engages the topics faced by today's Catholic's. It's more than a Bible Study. ***It's Biblical Catechesis!*** The goal is to help Catholic's grow in an understanding and appreciation of the Mother of God. Introduction to this session starts Monday, January 9, 2017 from 6:30-8:00pm in the school cafeteria. If you are interested in attending and would like to order your books, please do so before January 9, 2017. To order go to bibleandthevirginmary.com, use Promo code Matt for a 10% discount. For more information phone 412-596-2544 or email at TeddyN@comcast.net.

THANK YOU

The Knights of Columbus, Council 4925 would like to thank the parishioners of St. Colman Parish for their generosity during their recent annual Penny Drive. The funds collected go toward the Bishop's project in helping exceptional children participating in St. Anthony School Program and the McGuire Memorial programs. We appreciate your support.

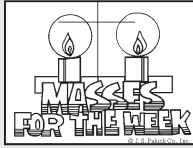
SCROOGE

The 4th and 5th grade students from East Catholic School will perform the joyous musical play based on the world's most popular Christmas story "Scrooge". All of your favorite Charles Dickens characters - Ebenezer Scrooge, Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim, Marley's Ghost, Mr. Fezziwig, Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future - and a host of others bring the spirit of Christmas to the hearts of everyone. Mark your calendars: December 6th at 7pm, East Catholic School Cafeteria (Keane Hall).

CHRISTMAS STORY TIME

Wednesday, December 14th is "Perfect for Preschoolers Story-time" at East Catholic School, Forest Hills. This program is for children 2 1/2 to 5 years old. The theme of this Story-time is "Away in the Manger". There will be one session from 12:30-1:30pm. We invite all children along with their parent or guardian to come and visit Story-time at East Catholic Library. Registration is required by calling the school office at 412-351-5403 during school hours (8:30am-2:00pm). Final date for registration is Monday, December 12th. Join us for some "Christmas" fun!

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ December 4th

8:00 am ~ Mary Mignogna ~ Family
10:00 am ~ Nick DiClaudio ~ Joann & Family
12:00 pm ~ Patrick Lancy ~ Family
5:30 pm ~ Laura Baxter ~ Lorraine & Dutch

Monday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 5th

8:30 am ~ Lorraine Lazzaro ~ Marilyn Mangan
9:30 am ~ Hamilton Hills ~ All Living & Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 6th

8:30 am ~ Joseph Naylor ~ Estate

Wednesday ~ St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church ~ December 7th

8:30 am ~ Rev. Hugh Wilt, OSB ~ Estate
6:00 pm ~ Thomas & Jean Cataldo ~ John & Karen Luffe

Thursday ~ The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary ~ December 8th

8:30 am ~ Alphonso A. Botti ~ Mark Botti
7:00 pm ~ Julia Hreha ~ Family

Friday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 9th

8:30 am ~ Lana Parker ~ John, Sharon, & Family

Saturday ~ Advent Weekday ~ December 10th

6:00 pm ~ Pat Trainor ~ Bour Family

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ December 11th

8:00 am ~ Bill & Fanny Dinzeo ~ Dolly & Tom
10:00 am ~ Josephine Alexander ~ Patti & Bill Connelly & Family
12:00 pm ~ Kunak & Bridge Families ~ Family
5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish



Saturday ~ December 11th

6:00 pm ~ Debbie Sargo, Mike Krygowski, Tina Kuniak, Ed Hlatkey

Sunday ~ December 12th

8:00 am ~ Paul Messineo, Wanda Melocchi, Lorraine Meglio, Linda Lorenz

10:00 am ~ Julie McDermott, Sue Buchholz, Kraig Riley, Marci Mason

12:00 pm ~ Pauline Schoffstall, Joyce Blotzer, Marguerite Crokus, Joe Kopper

5:30 pm ~ Wendy Martino, Joanne Saint Pierre



Saturday ~ December 11th

6:00 pm ~ Arlene Gross

Sunday ~ December 12th

8:00 am ~ Bill Eckenrode

10:00 am ~ Alicia Cole

12:00 pm ~ Erin Butler

5:30 pm ~ Pamela Ross



Saturday ~ December 11th

6:00 pm ~ Samantha Doherty

Sunday ~ December 12th

8:00 am ~ Sal & Rocco Aiello

10:00 am ~ Tara Ponitz, Chloe Noah

12:00 pm ~ Lucca Paoletti, Tina Wos

5:30 pm ~ Justin O'Shell