

# SAINT COLMAN CHURCH

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THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

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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

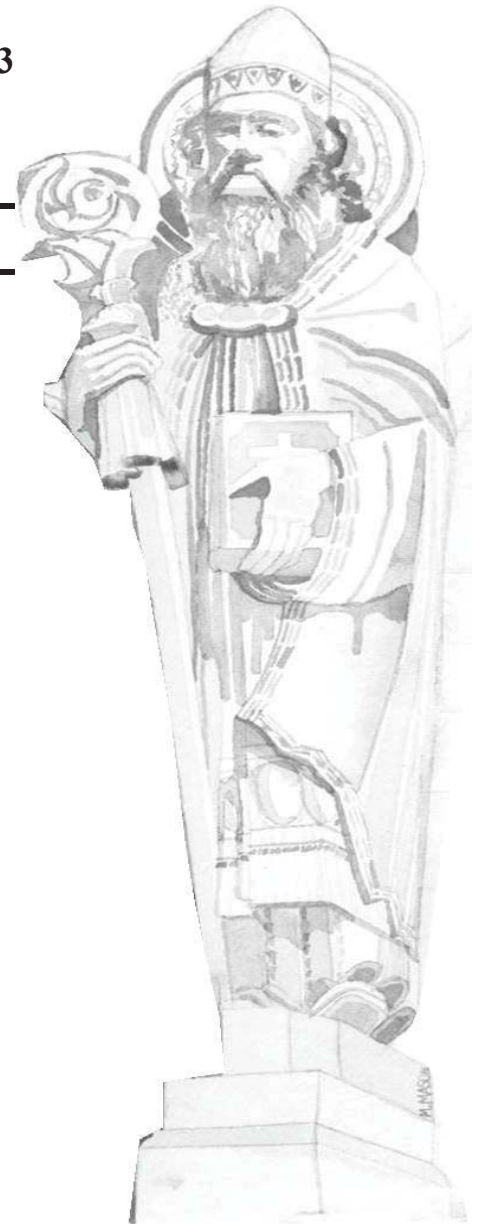
**Weddings** Call Rectory for arrangements.

**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 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

We are often tempted to put the Holy Family upon an unreachable pedestal, precisely because of its membership: Jesus, Mary and Joseph. But when God became incarnate in the person of Jesus Christ, He chose to be born into a human family. Like all families of this world, it was a family of sleepless nights, fear of the future, frustration and helplessness and fragile hopes and dreams. No family is perfect, but a good, healthy and loving family (like the Holy Family) is very possible if each member is willing to work at it. We have to live the same kind of faith and love in our families as Jesus, Mary and Joseph lived. Today's feast offers each of us an occasion for recognizing and appreciating the treasure which is family: perhaps this special day might also prompt us to consider how well we are tending to that treasure. A home is built on the foundation of love, commitment, acceptance, appreciation and support. The Holy Family challenges us today: don't just live anywhere: live in a HOME.

**Thoughts to Reflect on and Share: From Deacon Herb**  
*"Just as light overshadows darkness and allows our eyes to see the beauty of the world in which we live, the light of Christ should open our eyes to the beauty in each one of our sisters and brothers". Deacon Herb* **"Follow Deacon Herb on Facebook."**

**THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,**  
**THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

*Friday, January 1st is the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, a Holyday of Obligation for all Catholics. Masses will be offered on Thursday, December 31st at 6:00pm and Friday, January 1st at 8:30am and 10:00am. Join the faithful in honoring Our Lady on this feast and begin the New Year in a spiritual manner.*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**



Volunteers are needed for the Turtle Creek Centers' **MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM.**

We are in need of volunteers to deliver meals to home bound seniors who are unable to cook or shop for themselves. Please consider helping these seniors! Call Jan at 412-824-6880 Eastern Area Adult Services.

**HOME WITH THE LORD:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Michele Dryburg, Bernice Moore and Margaret Videc. May they rest in the peace and the joy of the Lord.

**TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS COSTS!** Free prescription Savings Card. Whether you are insured or uninsured, FamilyWize can help. Save an average of 42%, No eligibility criteria. Pick your cards up in the vestibule of the church or the rectory office.

**Sunday, December 20th**

Offertory.....	\$00
Monthly.....	\$00
Parish share.....	\$00
<b>WEEKLY OPERATING EXPENSES.....</b>	<b>\$9,705.00</b>

**The above figures are not available at this time, 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, March 5th and Saturday, June 4th 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 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). The sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on the following Sundays, December 27th., January 10th and 24th and February 14th.



**Confirmation**

**CONFIRMATION**

Bishop David Zubik will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation for the eighth grade students from St. Colman, St. Maurice and St. John Fisher Parishes on Thursday, April 14th, 2016 at 7pm here at St. Colman Church. Any parishioners who have not completed their Sacraments of Initiation and wish to participate, please contact the parish office at 412-823-2564. Confirmation is a prerequisite for marriage in the Catholic Church.

**CHURCH PARKING**

We ask that you kindly fill the parking spaces in the lot before parking your car in an open space or driveway of the Church lot. There is a limited number of spaces and we need to maximize their usage. Many times there are empty spaces both in the small lot and near the school building. If you do not wish to use a space, please do not enter the lot until the spaces are full. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Follow us on FaceBook: [FaceBook.com/saintcolmanchurch](http://FaceBook.com/saintcolmanchurch)**

**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.

**CDA: Meeting 2nd Friday of each month 6:15-8pm**

**FISH FRY: Future dates: Jan. 8th**

**East Catholic Gala: Saturday, February 27, 2016  
Stratigos Banquet Facility**

**Holy Hour & Exposition: 3rd Thursday of each month 6:30pm**

**Honoring Your Body: Saturday, Jan. 2nd & Thursdays beginning Jan. 7th**

**Prayer for Our Country**

*Heavenly Father, you are the real foundation of nations, raising them up to serve and care for the people dwelling in their boundaries.*

*I thank you for making me a citizen of this land of freedom and unlimited opportunity-these United States.*

*Send forth your Spirit to this country and make it a source of wisdom and strength, order and integrity.*

**Retrouvaille: Save our Marriage:** This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. The next weekend begins January 15th. Please call for confidential information at 412-277-3434 or see [www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org](http://www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org).

**SAVE THE DATE!!! EAST CATHOLIC GALA, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016 AT STRATIGOS BANQUET FACILITY.** This event benefits East Catholic School and is a fun-filled evening of dinner, dancing, live band, live auction and so much more! This year we are inviting alumni to fill a table and reconnect to celebrate with us!! If you have any questions, contact Amie & Kenny Cooley at 412-260-2989 [amie4dance@msn.com](mailto:amie4dance@msn.com) or Laurie & Lou DelRosso at 412-841-8767 [lidelrosso3@gmail.com](mailto:lidelrosso3@gmail.com).

**NEW STUDY "BEHOLD THE MAN" Spirituality for Men** Deacon Harold Burke shares with us what it means to be a "Catholic Man" in today's society. This book and DVD is done with humor, frankness and years of defending our faith in rough - and - tumble arenas. The course begins Saturday, January 16, 2016 and runs for eight consecutive Saturdays, from 9:00-10:30am in St. Colman cafeteria. If you have any questions call Ted Novak at 412-596-2544 or [teddyn28@comcast.net](mailto:teddyn28@comcast.net). If you would like to order the book go to [www.beholdthemanbook.com](http://www.beholdthemanbook.com).

**CCD NEWS: Religion classes will resume on Tuesday, January 12th at 6pm. Wishing you all a Happy & Healthy New Year.**

**HOLY YEAR OF MERCY PRAYER : Lord Jesus Christ**

*Send your spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord and your church.*

*With renewed enthusiasm bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed and restore sight to the blind.*

*We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. AMEN*

**INVALID MARRIAGES: CAN WE DO SOMETHING?** A common question that we receive concerns sacramental status and sponsor eligibility in the cases of individuals who are presently involved in an invalid marriage. All Catholics are required to follow Catholic Church Law in their decision to marry. If individuals chose to marry outside the Catholic Church or without proper permission of the Catholic Church, the marriage is not recognized by the Catholic Church and automatically denies and individual from the reception of the sacraments and the spiritual privilege of serving as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. However, individuals still remain members of the faith community. Invalid marriages seem to be quite common and surface often when dealing with families, eg. The Baptism of a child. We invite those in such marital situations to contact a priest and determine how the marriage may be validated. Oftentimes there was no previous marriage and the process is simple. If a former marriage is involved, the case requires more attention. If you have family members, friends or neighbors who might not see this information, please share this article with them. It can be a form of evangelization, sharing the good news with someone who might just need a simple invitation.

**THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31ST AND FRIDAY JANUARY 1ST. OFFICE HOURS WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 4TH. THE PARISH OFFICE STAFF WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF YOU A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR!**

**A Prayer for the New Year**

*O God of new beginnings and wonderful surprises, thank You for the gift of the new year. May it be a time of grace for me, a time to grow in faith and love, a time to renew my commitment to following Your Son, Jesus. May it be a year of blessing for me, a time to cherish my family and friends, a time to renew my efforts at work, a time to embrace my faith more fully. Walk with me, please, in every day and every hour of this new year, that the light of Christ might shine through me, in spite of my weaknesses and failings. Above all, may I remember this year that I am a pilgrim on the sacred path to you. AMEN*

*Happy  
New Year*



**The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph~  
December 27th**

8:00 am ~ Living & Deceased Members of the Novak  
Family ~ Ted Novak  
10:00 am ~ Robert Kelly ~ Mr. & Mrs. John & Clara  
Merkovsky  
12:00 pm ~ Anne Zupon ~ Don Zupon Family  
5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish

**Monday~ The Holy Innocents ~ December 28th**

8:30 am ~ Leo Martinelli ~ Wife, Lettie

**Tuesday ~ Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativ-  
ity of the Lord ~ December 29th**

8:30 am ~ Clarence Puhala ~ Wife, Irene

**Wednesday ~ Sixth Day within the Octave of the  
Nativity of the Lord ~December 30th**

8:30 am ~ Irene Botti ~ Mark Botti

**Thursday ~ Fifth Day within the Octave of the Na-  
tivity of the Lord ~ December 31st**

8:30 am ~ Deceased Members of the Bour & Trainor  
Family ~ Family

**Friday ~ The Solemnity of Mary ~ January 1, 2016**

8:30am ~ Rev. Ronald Naylor ~ Estate  
10:00 am ~ Goldie Grachen ~ Joe & Ann Ruggiero

**Saturday~ St. Basil the Great ~ January 2nd**

6:00 pm ~Susan J. Navish ~ Marlene & Pat O'Leary  
~Mr.& Mrs. Joseph Cehula

**The Epiphany of the Lord ~ January 3rd**

8:00 am ~ Helen Muir ~ Sherry Kraft  
10:00 am ~ Anne Calcutta & Grace Thomas ~ Alan  
& Mary Lou & Families  
12:00 pm ~ Don Blotzer ~ Margaret Blotzer & Fam-  
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5:30 pm ~ All Living & Deceased of our Parish



**Saturday ~ January 2nd**

6:00 pm ~ Bill Stanonik, Jim Bour, Carol Deiuliis, Tina Kuniak

**Sunday ~ January 3rd**

8:00 am ~ Alison Sciulli, Bill Eckenrode, Betty Lou Parello, Lorraine Meglio

10:00 am ~ Renae Brinza, Julie McDermott, Linda Lorenz, Marci Mason

12:00 pm ~ Elaine Clugston, Joyce Blotzer, Martha Mallik, Lynn Bahleda

5:30 pm ~ Christine Stinson, Nikki Riley



**Saturday ~ January 2nd**

6:00 pm ~ Karen Lindow

**Sunday ~ January 3rd**

8:00 am ~ Jim Sciulli

10:00 am ~ Marc Tinsley

12:00 pm ~ Pauline Schoffstall

5:30 pm ~ Charles Riley



**Saturday ~ January 2nd**

6:00 pm ~ Arlene Gross

**Sunday ~ January 3rd**

8:00 am ~ Christian & Jonathan Parker

10:00 am ~ Tara Ponitz, Ashley Aistle

12:00 noon ~ Analise Balaschak, Carly Haas

5:30 pm ~ Landon Dunnick