

Mission Statement: *We are a Catholic community drawing people to follow Jesus and His message of love.*



## *St. Columbkille Parish*

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14 Jan 2018

## **2nd Sunday Ordinary Time**

“John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, “Behold, the Lamb of God.”



**John  
1:  
35-42**

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**IS HEARD EVERY  
SATURDAY FROM  
4 P.M. TO 4:45 P.M.**

**BEFORE THE  
SATURDAY  
EVENING VIGIL  
MASS**

***Hear Ye, Hear Ye!!!***

## ***YOUTH GROUP OF ST. COLUMBKILLE***

### ***Hoagie Fundraiser—Sunday, February 4th***

Youth Group is making hoagies for your Super Bowl Party! Please fill out the order form that will be in the bulletin January 13th and January 14th. All money and order forms are due January 28th. You can also sign up by filling out the google form below AND paying online. All hoagies are 10 inches and **\$5.00** a piece.

Thank you for supporting our Youth Group Mission Trip to Cumberland, MD in June!

More info contact Heather Shainline at: [youthgroup@stcolumbkille.org](mailto:youthgroup@stcolumbkille.org)



***St. Columbkille***  
All Guests and New Parishioners are most **WELCOME!**

Please go to our home page where you can register online to join our wonderful parish family!

### **March for Life January 19, 2018**

Date has been extended to reserve your seat for our March for Life Bus Trip  
See Ad on Home Page

**PARISH OFFICE  
CLOSED ON  
MLK DAY  
MON-JAN 15TH**

# PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, January 15**

9:00 AM—Thomas Ziemak by the Pavlik Family

**Tuesday, January 16**

9:00 AM —Brenda Shueman by Ray & Connie Boyer

**Wednesday, January 17**

9:00 AM —Gloria Gavin by Jimmy DiCindio

**Thursday, January 18**

9:00 AM—Marcella Sweeney by Patty & Ray Olley

**Friday, January 19 (March for Life Day)**

**6:30 AM** —Christopher Vishio by M/M Todd Baker

**Saturday, January 20**

5:00 PM —Elizabeth D. Williams by John & Mimi Parente

**Sunday, January 21**

7:30 AM —Joan Marburger by Terry & Pat Conrad

9:00 AM —Living and Deceased of St. Columbkil  
and for Harold T. Landis Jr. (Commemorating  
his Birthday) by wife Stella Landis

11:00 AM —Stephanie Yura by Lisa De Simone

*Please Pray  
For the  
following  
Intentions...*



### ***For Our Family Members in the Military***

*Seaman Recruit Steve Hoffa*

*SPC Jeremy Larson*

*Jonathan Taylor*

*Staff Sgt. Robert Preston*

*1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Dana DeMartino*

*USN Petty Officer Joseph Scarberry, Jr.*

*Lance Corporal David Vogler*

*Sergeant Brian Weber*

*Sergeant Jason Emerich*

*Sergeant David O'Brien*

*CDR Brian Blair*

*Sergeant Steve Lafond*

*USN Petty Officer Jennifer McBride*

*Lt. Steve Rohe*

*Sergeant Jesse Miele*

*USN Petty Officer Stephanie McBride*

*SPC Kyle Laskoskie*

*1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Eric Antonucci*

*Lt. Andrew Moyer, USN*

*Airman Josh Bartman*

*Airman Morghan Poitras*

*Corporal Joshua Taylor*

*USN Petty Officer Matthew R. Goldschmidt*

*Senior Airman Corey Kelch*

*2nd Lieutenant Zachary Bregovi*

*Lance Corporal Andrew J. Carpenter*

*PV2 Somer Leanne Guhl -1st Calvary Division*

*PV2 Ray Fazio*

*SFC Ommannan Gonzalez*

*LTJG Daniel Patti, USN*

*1st LT Joseph Patti, USA*

*PV2 Cole Keenan*

***Prayer:***

***"Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts that they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord & Savior. Amen."***

## ***PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS***

Mon Jan 15—Fr. Robert McConaghy

Tue Jan 16—Fr. Edward McElduff

Wed Jan 17—Fr. John McGinley

Thur Jan 18—Fr. Timothy McIntire

Fri Jan 19—Sick and Infirm Priests

Sat Jan 20—Fr. Kenneth Medve

Sun Jan 21—Msgr. Raymond Merman

## ***EXTENDED ADORATION***

Hours of Adoration in our Holy Family Chapel

Mondays 10 a.m. to Midnight

Tuesdays Midnight to Midnight

Wednesdays Midnight to Midnight

Thursdays Midnight to Midnight

Fridays Midnight to 6:00 p.m.

### ***Sanctuary Candle***

In Loving Memory of Henry Droege by Thomas,  
Megan and Abby

### ***Bread and Wine***

In Loving Memory of Karin Frymire – Gone to be with  
God, forever in my heart, by mother

### ***Altar Flowers***

Contact our parish office to honor someone with  
Altar Flowers

***Please Pray for the Recently Deceased who  
are Relatives of Parishioners***

Dorothy Reber- mother of Ken Reber

## Catechism of the Catholic Church

**592. What is the sense of the petition "Give us this day our daily bread"?**

Asking God with the filial trust of children for the daily nourishment which is necessary for us all we recognize how good God is, beyond all goodness. We ask also for the grace to know how to act so that justice and solidarity may allow the abundance of some to remedy the needs of others.

*Further reading: CCC [2828-2834, 2861](#)*

**593. What is the specifically Christian sense of his petition?**

Since "man does not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" (*Matthew 4:4*), this petition equally applies to hunger for the *Word of God* and for the *Body of Christ* received in the Eucharist as well as hunger for the Holy Spirit. We ask this with complete confidence for *this day* - God's "today" - and this is given to us above all in the Eucharist which anticipates the banquet of the Kingdom to come.

*Further reading: CCC [2835-2837, 2861](#)*

**594. Why do we say "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us"?**

By asking God the Father to pardon us, we acknowledge before him that we are sinners. At the same time we proclaim his mercy because in his Son and through the sacraments "we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins" (*Colossians 1:14*). Still our petition will be answered only if we for our part have forgiven first.

*Further reading: CCC [2838-2839, 2862](#)*

**595. How is forgiveness possible?**

Mercy can penetrate our hearts only if we ourselves learn how to forgive - even our enemies. Now even if it seems impossible for us to satisfy this requirement, the heart that offers itself to the Holy Spirit can, like Christ, love even to love's extreme; it can turn injury into compassion and transform hurt into intercession. Forgiveness participates in the divine mercy and is a high-point of Christian prayer.

*Further reading: CCC [888-890, 939](#)*

## Ministries & Neighborhood News



### ***Rosary-Prayer Marathon January 19th!!!***

Please join your fellow parishioners in our Church here at St. Columbkille to pray all the decades of the Rosary plus prayer and meditations on **January 19th between Noon to 3 p.m.** Come for as long as you

*can. If you can't go on the March for Life this is a perfect way to lift everyone up, the marchers and those babies in danger of abortion.*

### ***MARCH FOR LIFE FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018***

LOOK on our Home Page to reserve and pay online! The day begins with Mass for the Unborn at 6:30am before boarding the bus to Washington, DC. The program on the National Mall begins at 12 noon and the March follows. **Cost is \$50 per adult**.

To reserve a seat go on our website Home Page find the March for Life AD and follow the instructions. Or drop your check off at the Parish Office made out to St. Columbkille Church. Questions... please contact Candee Holzman at : 484-431-2085 or [candeeh@stcolumbkille.org](mailto:candeeh@stcolumbkille.org).

### ***THANK YOU WISE MEN !***

received three unexpected visitors on Sunday, the feast of the Epiphany. Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar joined our 9am and 11am Masses like the wise men of long ago. Thank you, Aaron and Samuel Repko, Christopher Fryer, Moses and Noah Burdett and Matt Psota for adding this special dimension to this beautiful feast.

### ***Thanks for Your Thoughtfulness***

The Human Concerns Ministry would like to thank everyone who participated in holiday projects. Hundreds of items were collected on the Warming Tree, for those in need in our community through the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. Many local families will have a much brighter and warmer winter through your donations. Thanks also to those who purchased Love Lights in honor or in memory of your loved ones. \$1220 (proceeds from the Love Lights) was sent to the John Paul II Center for Special Learning in Shillington.



## Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

#### **Sunday, January 14th Monthly Meeting**

Light lunch provided.  
Please let Heather know if  
you will attend.



#### **January Dental Hygiene Drive**

Youth Group is collecting toothbrushes, large tubes of toothpaste, bottles of mouthwash and containers of dental floss for Boyertown Multi-Service. Believe it or not but Food Stamps do not cover dental hygiene products! Drop off your items in the Narthex until the end of January!

#### **Sunday, January 28th**

Ice Skating at Center Ice in Oaks- 2-4pm  
Sign-ups and payment are due by January 21st. If you need a ride or are meeting at the ice rink, please let Heather know by this date also.

#### **Sat./Sun. February 10th and 11th**

Youth Group will be having a Valentine's Day Bake Sale after all Masses in the Narthex.  
Teens: Please sign up to help make and sell baked goods. All baked goods should be handmade. All proceeds will go to the Mission Trip in June.

#### **Sunday, February 11th**

Happy Valentine's Day!!  
Monthly Meeting - 12:30—2:00 pm  
Light lunch provided. Let Heather know if you will be coming. Finish selling goodies upstairs then come on down! Please note the time change above!

#### **Friday, February 23rd**

BEAR CREEK: Tubing, Skiing & Snow Boarding  
5:00—10:00 pm  
Prices will be sent in an email. Sign up by Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> - no exceptions! Family, friends and those with season passes are also welcome!

Heather Shainline is our Director of our vibrant Youth Group. She can be reached at:  
[youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org)

**You can reach Heather Shainline, Our Director at:**  
[youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org)

## TEEN BLOG

### **How to start reading the Bible (cont.)**

**By Mark Hart**

#### ***In Conclusion (continued)***

Okay, so that's a substantial start. Get the tools, pull together your blueprints, and start building your love for God's Word. There are several ways to begin reading Scripture ... these are just what I've found over the years to be the best, most realistic steps to begin and keep reading it daily.

And don't just think that you have to 'study' every time you open the Bible. It's great if you set aside 30-45 minutes every day to begin studying, but that doesn't mean you can't flip the pages in other books like the Psalms, Proverbs, Sirach, Wisdom, Ecclesiastes, or in St. Paul's letters ... you'll be blessed by all of them.

I also strongly recommend the Book of James in the New Testament. Romans is a gorgeous and extraordinarily well-written book but is sometimes a little 'too deep' for the Biblical beginner. While Romans teaches us how to get to Heaven, James teaches us how to live on Earth (with people who might annoy you and try your patience). It's great.

All I can tell you from my own experience is that the Word of God has changed my life. It has deepened my experience of the Eucharist, both at Mass and in Adoration. It has deepened my love for our Mother Mary and my gratitude for intercessory prayer and the communion of saints. It has deepened my love for the Church, the Papacy, and basic human dignity. It has fueled a fire within me for truth, the need to proclaim it, defend it, and uphold it – especially in this morally relative culture. I pray it will do the same for you.

Source: <https://lifeteen.com/blog/how-to-start-reading-the-bible>

## Young Adults (Ages 18-34)

**Heather Shainline is our Director of both our Youth Group and our Young Adult Group.**  
Our next meeting for Young Adults will be held in **January 2018** . Date TBD.

Check our Facebook

**Be Healthy in the New Year!**

For information contact Heather at:  
[youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org) !

## Message from St. Francis Academy Our Parish Elementary School



***St. Francis Academy***

668 Pine Street  
Bally, PA  
[www.sfabally.org](http://www.sfabally.org)

**Jan. 15**—No school Martin Luther King holiday

**Jan. 17** – Liturgy 10:45 AM.

Get ready for Catholic Schools Week! Sunday, Jan. 28 to Friday, Feb. 2.

Grandparents' Day/Open House

Science Expo

Student Day

Brain Show

Registration for 2018-19 school year

Muffins with Mom and Donuts with Dad

More details to follow.

Plastic Cash Sales through school are Mon., Wed., and Fri. and at all Sunday MBS masses. Thank you for supporting our biggest fundraiser.

Please continue to send in Box Tops and Redners Save-a-Tapes.

**Registration** continues for the 2017-18 school year, PreK-8, offering a full day Kindergarten program. Please call the school or visit our website, [www.sfabally.org](http://www.sfabally.org), for more information.

### PLEASE NOTE:

#### INCLEMENT WEATHER UPDATE

In the event of delays and closings at St. Francis Academy School masses will be rescheduled for a later date.

### *Youth Humor of the Week*

A Dad was at Mass with his three young children, including five-year old, Betsy. As usual, they sat in the very front pew so the children could see and hear the Mass.

At this particular Mass, the priest was administering the Sacrament of Baptism. Betsy was fascinated, watching intensely as the priest uttered the words and poured water over the infant's head.

Then, with a quizzical look on her face, five-year old Betsy turned to her father and asked, "Daddy, why is the priest brain-washing that baby?"

***And Dad is still smiling at that one!***

## Bible Quiz (Answers Next Week)

1. Who said, "He is not here; for He is risen"? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who betrayed Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Which apostle was a tax collector? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who lived on locusts and wild honey? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who was a blind man healed by Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How many days was Lazarus dead before Jesus brought him back to life? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Who was king of Judea at Jesus' birth? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Who came to Jesus at night? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Which angel appeared to Mary? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What are the names of the four Gospel books? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

## Father Marty's Corner

Last Monday we celebrated the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This great event set into motion how we are to be connected to God by virtue of following the example that Jesus set. Therefore we belong to God and we are called to be His disciples. To be disciples, we must know Jesus and dwell with Him in relationship so that we are able to take His message forth.

In our gospel today, Jesus says to the two disciples who are following Him: "What are you looking for?" They respond by asking: "Where are you staying?" He responds by saying: "Come, and you will see." It is interesting to note that these disciples do not ask Jesus the question: "What are we to do?" Instead they ask Him: "Where are you staying?" They are digging deep. They want to know where He dwells. They want to know where He lives in His innermost heart.



Discipleship begins with dwelling in Christ. I believe that the true disciple wants to not just talk about God but rather have an intimate relationship with God where they experience God's tender mercy and His deep love. If we are sure of this then we can be a disciple that glows because of our relationship with God and not just our knowledge of God.

## Second Sunday Ordinary Time—John 1: 35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples,  
and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said,  
"Behold, the Lamb of God."  
The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them,  
"What are you looking for?"  
They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —,  
"where are you staying?"  
He said to them, "Come, and you will see."  
So they went and saw where Jesus was staying,  
and they stayed with him that day.

It was about four in the afternoon.  
Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter,  
was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus.  
He first found his own brother Simon and told him,  
"We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ —.  
Then he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said,  
"You are Simon the son of John;  
you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

# STEWARDSHIP



## Facilities Faith Lift

Thank you for your continued support of our Facilities Faith Lift Campaign. Your support and prayers have been and continue to be vitally important to the success of our three year campaign.

**July 1st marked our two year anniversary.** We will continue to accept new pledges at any time during our campaign.

Please contact Gayle at the parish office if you wish to fill out a commitment card to pledge. We have reached our \$1,000,000 goal in pledges received....***we are still accepting pledges!!*** Your continued generous support is appreciated.

Please contact **Gayle Fontaine** at the parish office if you have any questions at all concerning your pledge payment.

Thank you for your continued support of our Facilities Faith Lift Campaign!

## THANK YOU CHILDREN!!

Our Penny Pledge total to date is: **\$11,944.18 !!!** CONGRATULATIONS and thank you for your help in making this milestone a reality.

Father Marty announced this in September at the Children's Mass.

**Our new Penny Pledge Milestone is \$15,000.**

Please continue to bring in your pennies and deposit them into the coin container in the narthex for the remaining months of our campaign.

**Every penny counts!!**

**We wish to thank you for your consistent giving!**



## Fiscal Year July 2017 —June 2018 Weekend of Jan 6 & Jan 7—2017

Wkly. offering necessary for Budget.....	\$13,800.00
Actual Weekly Offering .....	\$13,817.92
Net Weekly Overage.....	\$ 17.92
YTD Budget Offering.....	\$386,400.00
YTD Actual Offering Income.....	\$362,361.46
YTD Shortage.....	<b>-\$24,038.54</b>
<b>Growing our Faith End-Of-Year-Gifts....</b>	<b>\$28,926.45</b>
Net Year-to-Date Surplus.....	<b>\$4,887.91</b>

**Christmas Collection: \$35,322.00**

***Thank you all again for all of your support for both our Christmas Collection and our End-of-Year-Gift campaign***

## Facilities Faith Lift Prayer

Thank you, Father, for every blessing comes from you. You gifted us with time, talent and treasure. Teach us to give time first to You. Teach us how to pray. You bestowed on us unique talents. By unifying our gifts, You connect us as one body. Teach us how to serve. Time and talent together create our treasures. Teach us how to glorify YOU with every breath of our lives. Amen!

**Facilities Faith Lift News** We have all been enjoying our newly renovated space in Quinn Hall. Our parish is thriving with activity in this beautiful new space that we are proud to have. Now that 2018 is upon us, our current Capital Campaign has six months remaining...but it is never too late to contribute to the campaign! There are pledge commitment cards in the Narthex of the church in the basket. There are also envelopes available should you prefer to give as you can... just place the envelope in the collection basket. **Thank you for your consideration and support!**



## Parish News and Information

### OUR SENIOR GROUP

#### NEXT SENIOR GROUP MONTHLY MEETING :

January 11, 2018  
In Quinn Hall at 1 PM



### SENIOR GROUP REMEMBER THE AUCTION FOR THE JANUARY MEETING

For information about trips or to sign up  
Contact Peg Bryan at 610 754-7516 or email at  
[stcolumbseniortrips@comcast.net](mailto:stcolumbseniortrips@comcast.net)

### SENIORS GROUP

Group is open to people 50 years of age and have paid their current membership dues.

Call Don Gilbert for info on joining!  
610-369-5950

### ANSWERED PRAYERS JULY – DEC. 2017

WE PRAISE & THANK THE LORD for the following answered prayer requests through the intercession of St. Columbkille Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting and the Mass Prayer Team Ministry in 2017:

- Woman's blood test perfectly clear after praying Fr. Hess's Heavenly Father prayer card given to her by the Mass Prayer Teams.
- Husband's kidney test showed no cancer.
- Woman in need of additional income received phone call offering job in her field.
- Dad in car accident paralyzed from waste down now starting to recover.
- Second blood test came back fine, no medication needed.
- Niece's tumor in abdomen benign, no surgery necessary.
- Daughter's eyes recovered after prayer, no treatment needed.
- Brother finally got job after looking for two years.
- Husband found better job, now able to meet finances.
- Sister's tumor in lung did not spread and was removed successfully.
- Brother's back surgery successful, no more pain.
- Single mother hired for position in her field and able to meet expenses.
- While in surgery elderly woman's amputation of finger found not to be necessary.
- Son released from hospital after having chest pains, nothing serious found.

Please feel free to come forward to the **Prayer Teams** after Mass. All requests are strictly **confidential**. You can also write your prayer petitions in the **Book of Intercession** on the table in the Narthex. They are included in the **Prayer of The Faithful** at all weekend and daily Masses and interceded for at the **7:30 PM, Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting** – all are welcome to come and join us!

### Did you know?

During the time of the Protestant reformation, St. Francis de Sales lived close to Calvinist territory. He decided he should lead an expedition to bring the 60,000 Calvinists back to the Catholic Church. For three years, he trudged through the countryside, had doors slammed in his face and rocks thrown at him. In the bitter winters, his feet froze so badly they bled as he tramped through the snow.

Francis' unusual patience kept him working. No one would listen to him, no one would even open their door. So, Francis found a way to get under the door. He wrote out little pamphlets to explain true Catholic doctrine and slipped them under the doors. This is one of the first records we have of religious tracts being used to communicate the true Catholic faith to people who had fallen away from the Church.

The parents wouldn't come to him, so Francis went to the children. When the parents saw how kind he was as he played with the children, they began to talk to him.

By the time Francis returned home, it is believed he brought 40,000 people to the Catholic Church!!

**Question:** Who is St. John Bosco and what did he do?

**Last Week's Answer:** Who was St. Francis de Sales and what is he famous for? Francis was a missionary during the Reformation. His Feast day is on January 24th. There is so much about him...that more is listed above in the "Did you know" Section!

*And you can look all of this up!*

## The Knights Corner

From our St. Columbkille  
Knights of Columbus Council



Starting January 2018 the monthly breakfast will switch to the **FIRST Sunday** of every month. **February 4, 2018, is our next breakfast!**

2. Pre-Super Bowl Party to be held on Saturday **February 3rd** after the **5:00 Mass**.

3. St. Valentines Day Dance to be held on Saturday **February 17** after the **5:00 Mass**

4. Prime Rib & Crab Cake Dinner to be held on Saturday **April 21** after the **5:00 Mass**





## Parish News and Events

### ***3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL ST. COLUMBKILL CHILI COOKOFF – JANUARY 20TH!***

**THE STAGE IS SET...THE SHOWDOWN BEGINS AT 6PM!** Join us Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in Quinn Hall for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual St. Columbkille Chili Cook-off. Taste many delicious, competing chilis and decide the BEST TASTING CHILI...who knows... you may win a quart to take home! In addition to great chili, you can listen to the great sounds of Scott Entertainment while sampling craft beers from The Other Farm and Forge as well as the crisp and smooth wines of Setter Ridge Winery, delicious and hot goodies from Carmelo's Pizza and homemade confections and desserts from the local kitchens of Cindy Burdett and Maureen Keszczuk. You get all this and more for just \$8.00; kids 8 and under are FREE! There will also be hot dogs and other snacks for purchase as well as the Kidz Activity Corner. Mark your calendar...we look forward to seeing you!

### ***LOOKING FOR A GIFT THAT COULD BE WORTH \$500?***

Purchase St. Columbkille Daily Lottery Tickets! Each ticket is a gift that keeps giving... 28 chances to win a cash prize from \$100-\$500 during the month of February...and each ticket can win more than once! These tickets make great presents for just \$20! Only 1000 tickets being sold...get your tickets early so you can reserve your favorite numbers. Nearly \$5000 in cash prizes will be available to win. Tickets are available for purchase in the Parish Office. GOOD LUCK!

### ***"Soup-er Bowl Sunday"***

The Human Concerns Ministry is sponsoring a Soup-er Bowl collection the weekends of January 27/28 and February 3/4. Non-perishable high-need items for the Boyertown Area Multi-Service pantry will be collected. Vote for your favorite team by depositing your items in the bin that represents your choice for Super Bowl Champs! High-need items include: shampoo, conditioner, paper towels, laundry detergent, oatmeal, pancake syrup, pancake mix, lady's deodorant, apple juice, crackers, Chef Boyardee meals, spaghetti, canned chicken, and canned mixed vegetables. Please keep in mind that we are unable to accept expired items or home canned items. Thank you in for your support of this important drive.

### ***ONLINE SUNDAY OFFERINGS COMING SOON!***

Keep your ears and your eyes open because in the next few weeks we will be advertising via mail, Flocknote, our parish website and our Facebook page your ability as a parishioner of St. Columbkille Parish to begin contributing your Sunday Collections, as well as other Special & Diocesan collections "ONLINE!"

### ***WIDOW & WIDOWERS GRIEF SUPPORT***

The next "REACH OUT" will be Sunday **Jan 14th** at 1 PM in Most Blessed Sacrament's Schneider Hall. The next meeting will be on Sunday **Jan 28th** at Saint Columbkille's meeting room at 1 PM. For those in need regardless of when your spouse has died, we provide a safe place for all to find that remembrance and readjustment are compatible. All are welcome to participate.

For more information, please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.



## **Staff Directory**

**Pastor** - Father Martin F. Kern

**Weekend Assistant** – Fr. Kevin Bobbin

**Deacons** - James Kochu, Joseph L. Paschall, Joseph Petrauskas, Michael V. Woodall, Emeritus

**Administrative Assistants** - Lisa De Simone:

lisad@stcolumbkille.org

Along with: Mary Lou Heisler, and Joann Rivera

**Chief Financial Officer/Campaign Coordinator** - Gayle B. Fontaine

**Parish Visitor** - Sister Jean Wickenheiser OSF

**Parish School, St. Francis Academy** -

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Patricia & Joseph Petrauskas

**Director of Youth Ministry** - Heather Shainline:

youthgroup@stcolumbkille.org

**Director of Music** - Deborah Maskrey

**Director Communications/Marketing** -

George A. DeFrehn, OFS: georged@stcolumbkille.org

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**Volunteer Coordinator**—Mary Snyder

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coord.** - Wendy S Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC Direct Line 800-791-9209

**Diocesan Safe Environment Coord.** - Sr. Meg Cole, SSJ,MS,LMFT, 610-332-0442, ext. 2019

## **Weekly and Monthly Meetings**

- ♦ Alcoholics Anonymous meets each **Monday** @ 5:30 p.m. in Ehst Room
- ♦ Over-eaters Anonymous meets each **Monday** @ Noon in Ehst Room
- ♦ Rosary Group meets each **Monday** evening in Chapel at 7 p.m. during Adoration
- ♦ Men's Prayer Group meets with Deacon Jim the first **Tuesday** of each month at 7 p.m.
- ♦ The Shawl Ministry meets the third **Tuesday** of each month in the Conference Room at 10 a.m.
- ♦ Human Concerns Ministry meets on the 1st **Wed.** of each month at 7 pm in parish Conference Room
- ♦ Charismatic Prayer –Bible Group Meets each **Wednesday** @ 7:15 p.m. in Quinn Hall– Info: Sue - 610-367-4711 or Don dondenick@comcast.net
- ♦ The Senior Group meets 2nd **Thursday** of each month in Quinn Hall at 1 p.m.
- ♦ Bible Study held on **Thursday** mornings following the 9 a.m. Mass in the Ehst Room.
- ♦ Patriotic Rosary Group 2nd-3rd-4th **Saturday** of each month 9 a.m. Contact Sue Fryer 484-415-5128

## **Sacramental Life**

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession**

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or any time by contacting the Parish Office

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

- 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:15 p.m.

Baptism Prep Classes for parents and godparents are held the 2nd of the month at 12:15 p.m. in the EHST Room.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance.

All Couples must participate in the Marriage Prep Program.