



ST. COLUMBKILL PARISH

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*I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
love one another as I have loved you. John 13:34*

20 FEBRUARY 2022 ~ THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saint Columbkille Office

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Parish Staff

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Sunday Mass

Saturday evening: 5:00p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Daily Mass

Monday Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

Holydays

Vigil Mass the day before the Holyday of Obligation .
4:00 p.m.

Masses on the Holyday of Obligation:
9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Parish Religious Education

Director of Religious Education

Denise Stull

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Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Wendy S. Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC

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Safe Environment Coordinator

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS

610-871-5200, Ext. 2204



PARISH GIVING is a safe, secure and easy way to make online Parish and Church donations. Visit www.parishgiving.org for more information and to sign up

Parish Council

Parish Council meets the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Room.

Meeting minutes are posted on the parish website.

Select "Ministries" and then select "Parish Council".

Information

Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held daily in the chapel.

(See times on page 3)

Reconciliation (Confession)

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4:00-4:45PM or any time by contacting the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for anointing and Communion for the sick and dying.

Baptism of Children

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Sunday of each month at 12 PM and during the 10 AM Mass Baptism Prep Classes for parents and godparents are held the 2nd Sunday of the month at 11:30 AM in the EHST Room.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made at least six months before the wedding date. All couples must participate in the Marriage Prep Program.

Visits to Sick and Homebound

Please contact Sister Jean Wickenheiser, OSF at the Parish office to arrange a visit.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

RCIA prepares adolescents and adults for Baptism and full communion in the Catholic Church. For more information, please contact Margaret Chovanes at 610-248-2171.

Religious Education (PREP)

Religious instruction for elementary school students takes place on Weds & Thu -Sept through May. Please contact Denise Stull for more information.

New Parishioners : New parishioners are most welcome, and are encouraged to register online at www.stcolumbkille.org or call the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

MON. FEB. 21: ST. PETER DAMIAN

9:00 AM Elizabeth Aston by Bob & Judy Fontana

TUE. FEB. 22: THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER

7:00 PM: Paul Jung by Ellen & George Fronheiser

WEDS. FEB. 23: ST. POLYCARP

9:00 AM Elizabeth Aston by Pam Vargo & George Harig

THU. FEB. 24: SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00 PM Dolores Ebbert by Deacon Chuck & Barbara Giordano

FRI. FEB. 25: SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM Regina Garretson by Jack & Linda Lignelli

SAT. FEB. 26: VIGIL: THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM Shew Ling Yong by Mimi & John Parente

SUN. FEB. 27: THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Mary Dudeck by Catherine & Joe Kowalsky

10:00 AM Wanda Konowal by Carl & Loretta Lawlor

6:00 PM Aaron Weingard by Lindsay Erndwein & Kurt Lindhult

Sanctuary Memorials



The Sanctuary Candle will burn
In Loving Memory of Tony Coccia by wife, Vivian



Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39

Today's Readings

Reading I: I Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

David refuses to harm the sleeping Saul, which bespeaks of David's justification and underlines Saul's evil.

Reading II: I Corinthians 15: 45-49

St. Paul presents Christ as the new and last Adam. He became Lord of all through His resurrection. In this way, He became a giver of life with the old Adam as its receiver.

The Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

"The Sermon on the Plain" continues. Jesus teaches would-be disciples how to respond to hurts and indeed persecution. He rejects the natural human tendency to place self-protection first. Thus does He offer a radical idea to all.

*Please Pray for our Recently
Deceased Parishioners
and Family of Parishioners
Richard Brandel*



March 2nd

9:00 am - Mass with the distribution of ashes

12 noon - Liturgy of the Word with distribution of ashes

4:30 pm - Liturgy of the Word with distribution of ashes

7:00 pm - Mass with the distribution of ashes

Celebrant Schedule

Feb. 20 The Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 PM Fr. Rich Clement

Sunday 8:00 AM Fr. Rich Clement

10:00 AM Fr. Rich Clement

6:00 PM Fr. Rich Clement

Parish Office Closed

Monday, 21 February

In observance of President's day

**Extended Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament**

Hours of Adoration in our Holy Family Chapel

Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. to Midnight

Wednesdays Midnight to Midnight

Thursdays Midnight to Midnight

Fridays Midnight to 6:00 p.m.



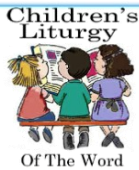
Calendar

Monday February 21	Tuesday February 22	Wednesday February 23	Thursday February 24	Friday February 25	Saturday February 26	Sunday February 27
9 am Mass 9:30am Flame of Love 12pm-OA Meeting 5:30pm AA Meeting 7pm Emmanuel Music 7pm Rosary Group 7pm Scouts 7pm Cub Scouts OFFICE CLOSED— PRESIDENT'S DAY	7 pm Mass	9 am Mass 4 pm PREP Gr 1-6 1st Communion Parent mtg 6 pm PREP Gr 1-7 1st Communion Parent mtg. 7:15 pm Charismatic Prayer Group 7pm Family Rosary	9:30 am Bible Study 1:30pm RCIA classes 4 pm PREP gr 7 7 pm MASS	9 am Mass	9 am Patriotic Rosary Rosary for Vocations Children's Rosary-Zoom 9 am Protecting God's Children Workshop 4 pm-4:45 pm Confessions 5PM VIGIL MASS	8 am - Mass 10 am- Mass (Hearing Impaired) 6 pm - Mass 9:15am Sunday Rosary 11:15 am Youth Group mtg.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Children's Liturgy takes place during the **10:00 AM** Mass.

Volunteers are needed. Contact Marcia Martin BASSCL412@gmail.com or call Marcia Martin at 610-223-2484



Everyone is invited to pray the rosary every Saturday, at 9:00 am! ****New time**** From the Zoom app enter the Meeting ID: 488 598 630 and password: Rosary-Zoom app. All are welcome to Join us!! If you have questions please contact Megan at (610) 310-5661 or meganrepko@stcolumbkil.org.

"And to me, my children, give the gift of the rosary, the roses which I love so much." ~ Our Lady of Medjugorje,



Good Luck to all who purchased St. Columbkil Daily Lottery Tickets!

The Fundraising Committee thanks you for your participation. **GOOD LUCK!**

COOKS WITH COLLARS January 28–March 1

We reached our goal, now let's keep going! Visit www.cookswithcollars.com to see your favorite priests from around the Diocese creating delicious kitchen concoctions.

Vote early and vote often
(January 28, 2022-March 1, 2022)
for our Diocesan top chef!

Each vote is just \$ 10.00.
St. Columbkil has raised \$ 1,260.00 to date!

All voting proceeds benefit our parish.
Recipe available upon request.
Thanks for making
Fr. Rich & St. Columbkil a winner!



100th Anniversary NEWS

Anniversary Year Culmination Mass - May 1, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. celebrated by Bishop Alfred Schlert
Dinner Dance - Sunnybrook Ballroom, Pottstown May 1, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Villa Maria Academy High School 7th Grade Practice Exam April 2

On April 2, 7th grade students are invited to experience the type of entrance exam Villa Maria uses for admission—the High School Placement Test (HSPT)—to see how they may perform on the test in the fall. In taking the practice exam, students will have the opportunity to become familiar with the testing process as well as learn about their individual strengths and opportunities for growth. There will also be a Parent Q&A session at 9:00 a.m. Save your spot by registering now at vmahs.org.



CRS Spotlight:

Tropical Cyclone Batsirai made landfall on February 5, just two weeks after Tropical Storm Ana hit Madagascar, affecting thousands of families. Over a foot of torrential rain and fierce winds reaching 103 miles per hour have wiped away many homes, schools, and churches, wreaking havoc not just on physical structures but entire livelihoods.

Catholic Relief Services is currently on the ground with our local partners, evaluating needs, connecting with affected communities and providing urgent relief. Families desperately need safe temporary places to stay, food and water. They also need support to repair their damaged homes. Your gift today will help provide critical emergency supplies, including tarps, emergency shelter materials, clean water, food and hygiene kits. Families affected by this cyclone need you now. Please visit www.crs.org to make a donation and see how you can help!

Thank you for your prayers and support!

Deacon Joe Petrauskas, CRS Global Fellow

Birthright of Pottstown is a pregnancy care center serving young women and their babies in the Pottstown area for over 40 years. We provide free pregnancy tests, support, and friendship to women who think they may be pregnant. In addition, we have maternity clothes and baby items to support moms in need. Do you have a couple hours each week to spare, helping women and babies? Please consider becoming a Birthright volunteer! Training is available for the many different roles our volunteers fill; we can work with your schedule! Please call or email Birthright for more information. 610-327-2626 or birthrightpottstown@gmail.com

Stewardship



Facilities Faith Lift II Capital Campaign

We wish to thank our parishioners for their consistent pledge payments to the

Facilities Faith Lift II Campaign.

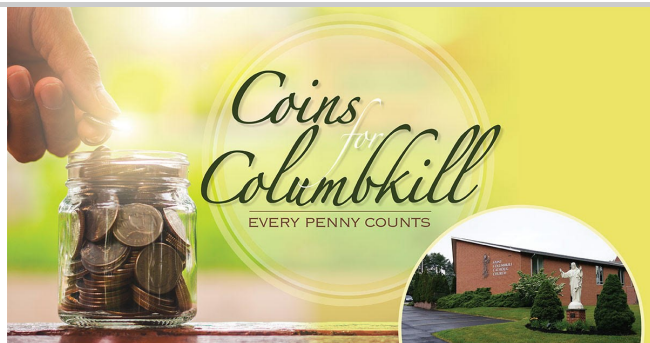
Please know that all of these renovations would NOT have been possible without your campaign contributions and dedication to the structural well-being of our parish.

Thank you so much for your constant support! If you still have a pledge balance, we would appreciate your attention towards completing your pledge if possible.

Questions concerning the remaining balance of your pledge can be directed to Gayle Fontaine, Campaign Coordinator at the parish office, 610-367-2371. We appreciate your continued prayers and support.

Make a payment through the Parish website:

Facilities Faith Lift II



"Coins for Columbkille, Every Penny Counts".

We will be continuing our coin collection which will benefit our building fund for future capital needs of the Parish. You are always most welcome to come into the Narthex to deposit your coins into the container.

Thank you for your support.

**Current amount collected for the Coins for Columbkille...Every Penny Counts program
\$355.00**

Divine Mercy Invitation

Anyone interested in joining our Divine Mercy Ministry, please contact Paula Rhoads at 484-942-7670 or Diane Hospador at dvine-mercy56@gmail.com. We pray daily for the sick and dying in our community and also have volunteer opportunities at the St. Francis Home, a Catholic Hospice in Shillington. To tour the hospice, consider volunteering, or just want more information please call us. We would love to have you be part of our team.

Men's Prayer Group: I invite you to join me and a group of men on the first Tuesday of every month, **from 5:45 P.M. to 6:45 P.M.** in Iona Hall (basement level of St. Columbkille church behind the EHST Room) to pray a rosary, reflect on the things that are on our mind, as men, and most importantly, to grow closer to God. No RSVP necessary... all you need to do is show up with an open heart... God will do the rest! **Peace! Den Joe Petrauskas**

FY 21-22 Fiscal Year - Income/Expense Report

July 2021- through December 2021

Total Operating Income	\$492,343.00
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Total Operating Expenses	\$404,159.00
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Net Operating Excess / (Loss)	\$88,184.00
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MONTHLY COLLECTION

Fiscal Year July 2021 to June 2022

Month: January 2022

Last Jan. 2021 (5 weeks)	This Jan. 2022 (5 weeks)
\$45,329.50	\$53,906.80
Includes Online: \$19,915.75	Includes Online: \$20,154.75

Thank you for your generous donations towards the Catholic Relief Services: \$2,501.00

Chiller and Boiler Replacement Fund Collection

Thank you, dear Parishioners!! We are overwhelmed with gratitude at the response to our need for assistance in replacing our Chiller and Boilers. Your donations towards this effort are greatly appreciated.

We have collected \$109,078 which is 64.2% of the \$170,000 cost of replacement. For those who may want to support our Chiller and Boiler Fund but have not yet had the opportunity, we will continue to keep our online giving option open to hopefully reach our goal. Collection envelopes will also be available in the Narthex for your use for cash or check donations.

Please, give as your means allow. Online donations may be made on the Parish Giving website under the name: "Chiller & Boiler Donation 2021" We are sincerely grateful for your donations and thank you for your generous contributions to the needs of the parish. **Thank you, Thank you!!**



LAOH (Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians)

- Our next meeting will be on Monday, March 7th in the LAOH room. The LAOH will be celebrating their Irish roots the entire month of March! Check out our upcoming events:
- March 5th and 6th- Meet and greet with refreshments after all Masses in Quinn Hall
- March 12th and 13th- Irish potato and scone sale after all Masses in the Narthex
- March 20th- Duffy's Cut presentation in Quinn Hall at 1pm
- March 26 or 27th- Movie TBD!
- Want to know more about LAOH and who we are? Please contact Kathy Varady at kvarady2@gmail.com to learn more. Slàinte!



Parish News

Overeaters Anonymous (OA) is a fellowship of persons who meet & learn to work the 12 Steps of Recovery from Food Addiction. It is a physical, emotional & spiritual program. The only requirement to join is a desire to stop eating compulsively. Join us in the Elizabeth Ann Seton room on Mondays from noon to 1 pm.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Come strengthen your faith on Wed. evenings 7:15 PM. We are open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, scripture, music, joyfully praising the Lord. Scripture based teachings are given each week to help us live our Catholic faith. Let us intercede for your needs. For more info call Sue T. 610-367-4711 or email Don @ dondenick@comcast.net. **Meeting:** Wednesdays at 7:15pm

The Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to create *their beautiful prayer shawls*. Please be assured that they are made with the utmost care and prayer, and are ready to be presented for those in need. To request a shawl please call Judy at 610-367-0945 or contact the Church office. Thank you.

**Preschool Caitlin Nickel, Dir.**

PRE-SCHOOL Registration for 2022-2023 is now OPEN!

The tuition for 2022-2023:

3-year-old program will be \$90/month

4-year-old program will be \$110/month

\$35 Non-refundable registration fee.

This school year marks the 39th year that St. Columbkille Preschool has offered quality education to children in Boyertown, PA & surrounding area. Our program provides learning experiences that are age and developmentally appropriate. Traditionally classes run from Labor Day week until the end of May. The preschool curriculum encompasses the social, emotional, physical and spiritual development of each child, while following the Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards. Our program also includes monthly physical education classes led by YMCA instructors. Visit our Preschool web page for more information at: <https://stcolumbkille.org/preschool>. For more information contact our Director, Caitlin Nickel at: preschool@stcolumbkille.org or call the parish office and leave her a message.

Now Hiring Preschool Teacher and Teacher Aides

Our Preschool program is now looking for a lead teacher for the 4 year old program at the start of the 2022-2023 school year. Educational requirements include: Associate Degree from an accredited college or university; Bachelor Degree preferred. Offering great hours and competitive pay!

In addition, we are also looking for 2 preschool aides. Hours are 8:30-12:30, 4-5 days a week and aides must be high school graduates. Candidates must fulfill Diocesan professional requirements and background checks. Please forward your resume to Caitlin Nickel at preschool@stcolumbkille.org or call the church office at (610)367-2371 to inquire.

Youth Group (7th-12th Gr)
Heather Shainline

Continued Service Project: Again, thank you for all of the quarters donated so far! To date, we have donated 124 laundry kits! We will continue to collect quarters/monetary donations to continue making more laundry kits. We would like to make more kits in March so keep those quarters coming!



•**YG meeting Sunday, March 13th from 11:15-1:15 in Iona Hall:** Lent is time for reflection and preparation. Come to this YG meeting to break open the season of Lent. Bring a friend! Lunch will be provided.

•**Wonder Retreat:** This year's retreat theme is "Discovering Wonder" and will be held March 18th-March 20th at St. Columbkille Parish. All girls in 6th-12th grade are invited to attend. Please register online at the parish website. Also, thank you to an amazing and generous parishioner, this year, the retreat is FREE to all girls who attend!!

•The Youth Group will be recognized in the month of April! We have some fun things planned for you! Stay tuned for a flyer in the bulletin for more details.

Save the dates!

Holy Week Mission: April 13-16, 2022

Young Men's Retreat: May 2022

CHWC: June 12th-17/18th, 2022

Steubenville: July 29-31, 2022 **Date Change

Religious Education-PREP
Denise Stull, Director

Grades 1-6 meet at 4p.m. and grades 1-7 at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. Grade 7 also meets on Thursday at 4 p.m.

First Communion Parent Meeting:

March 9th: 4:00 PM or 6:00 PM

As part of the 100th anniversary celebration, PREP will have a display in Fr. Quinn Hall next weekend, pictures from the past & work from the present classes. Please stop by after Mass.

Vacation Bible School

"You are treasured"

June 20-June 24

Registration Now Open

Vacation Bible School is held in the summer for one week for children in Pre-K** through 5th grade.

Director: Megan Repko. Contact at 610-310-5661 or email meganrepko@stcolumbkille.org

Knights Corner



Have you marked your official St. Columbkille church calendar with upcoming events of March? Well, March 13th happens to be the date of the next St. C. Knights of Columbus Breakfast event! See you there.

Interesting and true fact: The St. Columbkille Knights of Columbus Council # 16544 is 105 members strong however; we are but a small part of a wonderful, worldwide, charitable Catholic fraternal organization with **1.9 million members in over 15,000 councils in virtually every corner of the globe.**

We always welcome new Knights to join us. If you would like to learn more about or sign-up with our Knights of Columbus Council #16544, just talk to any St. Columbkille Knight or visit our website: <https://kofc16544.org>

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Our Monthly Breakfast is moved to the **SECOND** Sunday in March, from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm. For Updates check-out the Knight's web site or the Knight's Corner in the Bulletin.

2nd Sunday

Our next Breakfast is on Sunday, March 13th

Berks Catholic High School presents:
Friday, March 4, 2022 @ 7:00 PM & Saturday, March 5, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

Tickets are available online www.tinyurl.com/BCTheater or by scanning the QR code or visit www.berkscatholic.org
Reserved Seats: \$16 Adults \$11 Students
General Admission: \$11 Adults \$6 Students



SOUP KITCHEN "SAVE THE DATE"

St. Columbkille Parish will be serving at the Kennedy House Soup Kitchen in Reading on **Saturday May 14 & Sunday May 15. PLEASE SAVE THESE DATES**
Your help and support are essential to this Christ-inspired Ministry. "the harvest is great, but laborers are few." Questions? Interest? Volunteer?
Please contact Phyllis Rieger 484-509-6257
phyrieger@gmail.com. Thank you.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): If you or someone you know would like more information about the Catholic faith or if you are a baptized Catholic but have not received your first Communion or Confirmation RCIA is tailored for you.



Contact Margaret Chovanec @ margaretc@stcolumbkille.org or 610-248-2171 with questions or concerns.



**David Kauffman Presents:
A Lenten Retreat
March 16, 2022 7pm**
Two years ago David Kauffman was in our parish to present a 3 night Lenten Mission. Then the world shut down! Good News!! He will be back on March 16th to

complete his work!

David Kauffman is a prolific artist, whose works touch and inspire people worldwide. He is the founder of Good For The Soul Music™, based in San Antonio, Texas. Kauffman is a songwriter and recording artist, screenwriter and movie producer, husband and father whose creations are described as "good for the soul." Please join us for our one night Lenten Retreat of song and story with reflections for the Lenten Season.

All are welcome! Bring the Family.
For more information contact Deb Maskrey at



Protecting God's Children

If you need to complete the Protecting God's Children, it is now being offered online at a self-paced option in addition to Zoom and In-person where available. Visit the Diocesan website at: <https://www.allentowndiocese.org/youth-protection/protecting-gods-children> for more information and <https://www.allentowndiocese.org/calendar?tid=21> for a calendar of upcoming programs being offered.

EMMANUEL MUSIC MINISTRY:

VIOLINISTS, WE NEED YOU! Emmanuel accompanies the liturgy on 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 10am Mass. We rehearse on Monday evenings from 7pm to 9pm. Please contact Kathy Herber 610.741.4546 (k_piano99@yahoo.com) OR Phyllis Rieger 484.509.6257 (phyrieger@gmail.com). Your consideration is greatly appreciated. Thanks



You are invited: A few spots have opened up to spend an hour with the Lord in Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Please prayerfully consider if you would like to make this commitment and contact the parish office

- ♦ Tuesdays: 12 noon, 3 pm, 4 pm, 5 pm, 10 pm
- ♦ Wednesdays: 3 pm, 4pm
- ♦ Thursdays: 5 pm
- ♦ Fridays: 1 pm

*Come and spend
an hour with the
risen Lord.*

Be Not Afraid to say "yes" to Jesus.
Answer his call.

Consider the priesthood and religious life.



Rediscover the Love in Your marriage!

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills & to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. For information contact the Family Life Center of Malvern. www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215.766.3944 or 800.470.2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Principal Position Opening:

Holy Guardian Angels Regional School is seeking a Principal to lead our pre-K through 8 curriculum and programs. We are seeking a proven leader with the ability to promote the school's mission while overseeing teaching and learning, enrollment, development, facilities, finance, as well as implementing policies and operational objectives.

Successful candidates must meet the following criteria:

- Be a practicing Catholic committed to the mission of Catholic Education
- Hold an advanced degree in Education Administration
- Have 5+ years in teaching experience, along with a minimum of 3+ years in school administration
- Demonstrate strong leadership skills in the areas of motivation, communication, organization, decision making, conflict prevention & resolution
- Demonstrate ability to promote an environment which fosters high expectations of faculty, staff, and students in faith, academic excellence and service.
- Be a team leader who focuses on inclusion, collaboration, and engagement of faculty, staff, pastor, parents, and the school board.

Those interested in the position should submit their letter of interest, resume, background clearances, and appropriate certifications, along with personal and professional references, and a letter of recommendation from your Pastor, to

Rev. Allen J. Hoffa, Lead Pastor

Holy Guardian Angels Parish

3121 Kutztown Rd. Reading, PA 19605

or via email to: ahoffa@hgaparish.com

Application deadline is March 4, 2022.



Are you HOMEBOUND-or-would just WELCOME a friendly "HELLO"?

"If you are HOMEBOUND or just LONELY - "A SPECIAL CONNECTION" is within your reach! NEVER FEEL ALONE! YOU can begin receiving regular phone calls or written notes from a member of our ministry. Contact Ginny Sherry at 484-802-3916 to sign up for "A SPECIAL CONNECTION"!

We will welcome the chance to brighten your days!! Feel free to share this with anyone who would benefit from this ministry.

Tell Your Friends & Neighbors...

SENIORS GROUP UPDATE!!!

Our Parish Seniors Group (The Over 55 Crowd) will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in Quinn Hall (DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED). Our goal is to provide an ecumenical faith-based opportunity for Seniors to get together, enjoy one another's company, and provide support for one another in a variety of ways ranging from social opportunities to legal issues.

**Contact: Phyllis Rieger at
484-509-6257, phyrieger@gmail.com**

Human Concerns Ministry

Thanks for Your Donations

Wow! Our parish is amazing! Thank you to everyone who donated to the Souper Bowl collection of non-perishable high-need items for Preston's Pantry at the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. We delivered 744 items, which amounted to 746

pounds. Apparently, our parish was hopeful, but not successful in choosing the Super Bowl Champs, as our final score was Bengals 418, Rams 185, and there were an additional 141 items in the neutral bin. Many families in our area will benefit from your generous donations!



Project Rachel & Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Programs :

Project Rachel is a 10 week free post-abortive counseling program with a trained therapist sponsored by the Diocese of Allentown. Counseling is offered in English & Spanish. Both Project Rachel & Rachel's Vineyard are open to Catholics, Christians and non-Christians alike. For more information contact Carol Swavely at the Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown main office 610-435-1541 ext. 373 or Sister Margaret at 610-207-8612. Call our toll-free national hotlines:

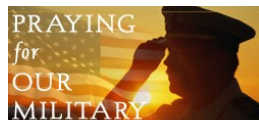
Rachel's Vineyard: 877 HOPE 4 ME (877-467-3463)

**Please Pray for the following Intentions:
For Our Family Members in the Military**

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.

Jason Almond, USN E-3AOAN
Seaman Recruit Steve Hoffa
SPC Jeremy Larson
Jonathan Taylor
Staff Sgt. Robert Preston
USN Petty Officer
Joseph Scarberry, Jr.
Lance Corporal David Vogler
Sergeant Brian Weber
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Sergeant David O'Brien
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Sergeant Jesse Miele
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SPC Kyle Laskoskie
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Lt. Andrew Moyer, USN
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Airman Morghan Poitras
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SFC Ommannan Gonzalez
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Sgt Amy Exum
Sgt. Mark Bergstresser
Sgt. Billy Beuch USA
Matthew Psota
USN Petty Officer 3
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Andrew Fronheiser,
Lt. Air Force



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End Poverty Through Systemic Change

(Poor box located in the Narthex ~ helping those in need in our local community)

Find out more about us:

<http://www.svdpsa.org/Assistance-Services>



Flame of Love Prayer Cenacle at St. Columbkille on Monday morning following the 9 am Mass. Please join us in the EHST room (located in the basement) at 9:30 am. The prayer centers around saving all souls in the world for Jesus and His earthly mission. The Blessed Mother helps us to intercede with Jesus in the redemption of all peoples, even the most hardened sinners. Please join us for this very important Mission of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. For more information contact Michelle White: mwhitehfn@gmail.com.

Medjugorje Prayer Group: Our Lady still calls us to prayer and right now the world needs our prayer more than ever!! Sue Fryer and Megan Repko are leading a Medjugorje prayer group. The purpose of this group will be to learn more about Our Lady of Medjugorje and her messages and pray for her intentions as well as the healing of our church, our nation and the world. In order to learn more about Our Blessed Mother and the messages she has been giving us for almost 40 years we will be reading Medjugorje: The Last Apparition by Wayne Weible. We meet Saturdays at 3 pm (the Hour of Mercy) in the Ehst room. Please email me (meganrepko@gmail.com) or Sue Fryer (sspence4@comcast.net) if you are interested so that we know to expect you!

Project Rachel & Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Programs :

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: April 1-3, 2022 Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of past abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. The next weekend retreat will be held April 1-3, 2022 in Doylestown, PA

St. Columbkille Families with School-Age Children-Please Read:
ATTENTION Families - The 545 Scouts BSA Units of St. Columbkille need your help!!!

We are looking for youth and leaders for the Scouts BSA Girl Troop here at St. Columbkille.

The Scouts BSA program is for youth in sixth through twelfth grade (up to age 18). Here at St. Columbkille, we are fortunate to have Troops for both girls and boys in that age range. Unfortunately, due to a drop in our membership, we may not be able to continue this tradition. We are in desperate need to bring in additional girls and leaders in order to be able to recharter our Girls Troop. For youth in Kindergarten through fifth grade, we have our Cub Pack, which is also open to both boys and girls.

Our 545 Scouting units are active in community programs. Most recently, we supported the Chillin' on Main event in Boyertown, where we hosted a workshop so children attending the event could build

wooden tool boxes to take home. Back in November, we collected food from surrounding neighborhoods in support of the Scouting for Food program. Our Troop and Pack collected over 640 items from our most generous neighbors. – Thank You Boyertown! Please consider this worthwhile program for your children. Speaking from personal experience, my three sons thoroughly enjoy scouting. Being involved in this program, my sons, as well as my wife and I, have made great friendships, that we are so thankful for. We often speak of our 545 "Family", which is so much more than just a program that our kids take part in... Meetings are held Monday nights from 7 to 8 PM for the Cub Pack, and 7 to 8:30 for the Troop 545 G & B at the church. Please contact Eugene Kovach at 484-432-6778, or email emkovach@outlook.com for more information



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Attic Treasure Flea Market

**Dates: Drop off Monday,
April 18-April 20**
**Sale is Friday, April 22 -
April 24**



- » **All items dropped off must be clean and useable.**
- » **No electronics, TV's or Computers.**
- » **Looking for many, many helpers.**

We will start having organizational meetings at the end of March. First meeting date to be announced. Check back in the bulletin for updates.



*Any questions, please call
Carol Palladino
at 610-323-4535.*

Church Memorials 2022

Sanctuary candle: A sanctuary candle burns in our church to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. If you wish to have the sanctuary candle in the church burn for a full week in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office. Suggested offering: \$10.

Bread and Wine: In the early Church it was customary for the People of God to provide the bread and wine to be used at the Celebration of the Eucharist. If you wish to participate in the ancient tradition of providing the bread and wine for the Celebration of the Eucharist in the church as a memorial for your Family or your deceased loved ones. The suggested offering: \$25.

Altar Flowers: It is an ancient custom to decorate the altar with flowers as a symbol of our praise to God and thanks for all blessings we've been given. Altar flowers may be donated in honor of/ memory of your loved ones living and deceased. Suggested offering: \$50

IONA Memorial Fund: Enrollment of loved ones in the Iona Memorial Fund is a perpetual remembrance with Mass celebrated once a month for "Those Enrolled in the Iona Memorial Fund". Enrollment is \$25 offering.

Widow and Widowers Grief Support

The next "REACH OUT" will be at St Columbkil's Elizabeth Anne Seton Conference RM at 1 PM on February 13th 2022. The following meeting will be on February 27th at MBS' Fr Schneider Hall at 1 PM. Being in the grip of winter, the temptation to get down at this difficult time for those who have lost a loved one is very great. The support of those who know cannot be overestimated. For more information and for anyone who has suffered a loss of any one close to them, please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 610-367-1602.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION: "Our Hearts Are Restless Until They Rest In You " St. Augustine in his "Confessions" reminds us that in our restlessness is God calling us to a deeper relationship with Him. One way to grow deeper in your faith and to develop a closer relationship with God is to consider teaming up with a trained Spiritual Director. St. Columbkil is fortunate in that one of our fellow parishioners, Kevin Martin, is a trained spiritual Director (trained at Neumann University, Aston Pa where he earned a Masters Degree in Pastoral Care & Counseling/ Spiritual Direction trac.) For information please contact Kevin Martin at 610-310-7077 or kmartinfo@gmail.com

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



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