

ST. COLUMBKILL PARISH

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HOLY SPIRIT
FILL THE HEARTS
OF YOUR FAITHFUL
AND KINDLE IN THEM
THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.
SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT
AND THEY SHALL BE CREATED
AND YOU SHALL RENEW
THE FACE OF THE
EARTH.

28 MAY 2023 ~ PENTECOST SUNDAY

Information

Saint Columbkill Office

200 Indian Spring Rd. * Boyertown, PA 19512 Telephone: 610-367-2371 * Fax: 610-367-0242

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday ~ 9:30am-4:00pm

Pastor: Reverend Richard Clement fatherrich@stcolumbkill.org

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Parish Staff

Director of Music: Deb Maskrey-debm@stcolumbkill.org

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margaretc@stcolumbkill.org 610-248-2171

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youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org

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pattyp@stcolumbkill.org

Chief Financial Officer

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Parish Office parishoffice@stcolumbkill.org

Local Safe Environment Coordinator:

Liza Mendez~ lizam@stcolumbkill.org

Director of Pre-School: Caitlin Nickel,

preschool@stcolumbkill.org

Sunday Mass

Saturday evening: 5:00

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

Daily Mass

Monday Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 a.m. Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

Holydays

 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{\sc Vigil Mass the day before the Holyday of Obligation} \;.$

4:00 p.m.

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

<u>Parish Religious Education</u> Director of Religious Education

Denise Stull

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Wendy S. Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC Direct Line: 800-791-9209

Safe Environment Coordinator

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS 610-871-5200, Ext. 2204

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

1-800-276-1562, www.ReportBishopAbuse.org

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".



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

Blessed Sacrament

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

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 <u>Sacrament of Baptism</u> is administered on the <u>first Sunday of each</u> month at 12 PM and the <u>last Sunday of each</u> month during the 10 AM Mass. (except during Lent)

Baptism Prep Classes for parents and godparents are held the 2nd Sunday of the month at 11:30 AM in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 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

If you are sick or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the Parish office to arrange a visit. (610) 367-2371

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./ Thurs -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.stcolumbkill.org or call the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

MON. MAY 29: BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

MOTHER OF THE CHURCH (MEMOR

MOTHER OF THE CHURCH (MEMORIAL DAY)

9:00 AM In thanksgiving for Fr. Rich Clement, our Pastor **TUE. MAY 30: EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:00 PM Andrew 'Bunky' Olock

WEDS. MAY 31: THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00 AM Jeanne Moyer

THU JUN 1: ST. JUSTIN MARTYR 7:00 PM Catherine Greway

FRI. JUN 2: SS MARCELLINUS AND PETER

9:00 AM Terry Gephard

SAT. JUN 3: VIGIL-THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

5:00 PM Theresa Kriebel

SUN. JUN 4: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00 AM William James Scharle

10:00 AM Rev. Marty Kern (Living) & Dick Curley

Today's Readings

Reading I: Acts 2: 1-11

The vivid Pentecost scene describes a very special visitation of the Holy Spirit into the human story, and with it, the Church is horn

Reading II: I Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13

Paul fights against any elitism in the community by declaring that everyone receives the same Holy Spirit. This despite the fact that each person has his/her individual gifts and talents that benefit the group.

The Gospel: John 20: 19-23

Jesus makes His promised return to the disciples, showing them His now glorified body, complete with the scars of His crucifixion. He then wishes them peace and sends them out on mission.

Celebrant Schedule

Jun 3/4 The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Saturday 5:00 PM Fr. Rich Clement Sunday 8:00 AM Fr. Rich Clement Sunday 10:00 AM Fr. Rich Clement

Sanctuary Memorials

The Sanctuary Candle will burn In Loving Memory of Ralph Vitelli

The Flower arrangements

In Loving Memory of Susan Kochu





Weekday Readings

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7; Jn

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk

1:39-56

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 10:46-52 **Friday:** Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Mk 11:11-26 **Saturday:** Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mk 11:27-33

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn

3:16-18



The Lapinski Family
The Collins Family
The Detrick Family
The Edgar Family

Welcome our new members to our parish family of faith!

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 to 6:00 p.m.

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	May 29	May 30	May 31	June I	June 2	June 3	June 4
Calenda	Memorial Day 9 am Mass PARISH OFFICE & CENTER CLOSED	6:30pm Bereavment Mtg. 6:45pm AlAnon 7 pm Mass	9am Mass 6:30pm Follow Christ 7pm Charismatic Prayer Group 7pm Basket party mtg.	9:30 am Bible Study 7 PM Mass	9 am Mass	9 am Patriotic Rosary Rosary for Vocations Children's Rosary-Zoom 9am Following Christ Retreat tam Knights in the morning 3pm Medjugorje Prayer Mtg. 4 pm Confessions 5 pm Vigil Mass 6:30 pm Al Anon	8 am-Mass 10 am—Mass (Hearing Impaired) 9am Choir practice 9:15am Sunday Rosary

A Parish Bereavement group has been formed



here at St. Columbkill. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 30th at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in attending, kindly respond

by calling the Parish office (610-367-2371) and leaving your name and phone number. (You do not need to be a parishioner to attend the meeting) God Bless, Fr. Rich

SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Columbkill Parish will be serving at the Kennedy House Soup Kitchen in Reading on June 17th and 18th. We are looking for a few more volunteers to help. For information, Contact Jesse Playcan at 484-818-0802 or email: jplaycan1@gmail.com.

Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn Child

May 28 - Week 18 - I can see that my arms and legs are getting longer so my head doesn't look as big anymore. I am using those long arms and legs to push myself around and let my mom know that I am exercising to stay healthy even before I am born. My mom is trying to stay healthy too. She is eating a very nutritious diet of whole grains, veggies, fruit, and proteins. I think it means that she is seriously considering allowing me to be born. I really do need your prayers now - I am sure they are helping me and other babies in danger of abortion. Please pray:

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph. I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

Men's Prayer Group: I invite you to join with a group of men who come together on the first Tuesday of each month to pray together, share in a teaching that is specific to what it means to be a Catholic man in today's culture, and openly discuss ways to grow in holiness. We meet in IONA Hall (behind the EHST room downstairs in the church) from 5:45 P.M. to 6:45 P.M. No need to RSVP... just show up with an open heart and God will do the rest! Peace! Deacon Joe

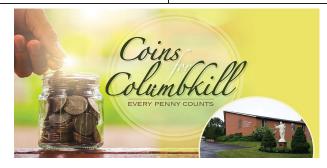
Homebound Communion Calls: Anyone who is homebound and would like to receive Communion on a weekly basis, please call Mariane at the Parish office (610-367-2371, ext 107) or email



marianevf@stcolumbkill.org and we will coordinate a visit from a Eucharistic Minister. If you are homebound and would like a recording of the Sunday Mass, please let us know.

Stewardship

FY 22-23 Fiscal Year - Income/Expense Report						
July 2022 through March 2023-3rd Qtr.						
Total Operating Income	\$636,177.00					
Total Operating Expenses	\$583,311.00					
Net Operating Excess / (Lo	52,866.00					
- MONTHLY COLLECTION						
Fiscal Year July 2022 to June 2023						
Month: April 2023						
Last April. 2022 (4 weeks)	This April 2023 (4 weeks)					
\$45,329.75	\$45,329.75 \$48,674.75					



Includes Online: \$19,773.75

Coins for Columbkill benefits our Building Fund for future capital needs of the parish. Total collected to date is \$2,185.15!

The Parish Center/Office are closed for the Memorial Day Holiday, May 29th.

RAISERIGHT gift card program:

Includes Online: \$20,871.75

A Parish representative will be available after all Masses to sell gift cards to Giant, Redners & Weis.

- •Orders can be handed in at this time as well. Order forms are available online at https://stcolumbkill.org/raise-right-scrip or pick one up in the parish office.
- *Complete the order form and hand it in with the appropriate amount of cash or a check payable to "Saint Columbkill Church" to the gift card sales table after Masses any week.
- •All orders received in a month by the last Sunday in that month will be available for pick-up on the 2nd Sunday of the following month. (Please note that the rates listed are the base rebate amount, but they could be higher based on promotional programs that are constantly changing. Please note that cards rarely may be temporarily unavailable, if this is the case you will be notified.)
- •Email raiserightcoord@stcolumbkill.org with any questions.

 RaiseRight



Dear Family of Faith,

It is with a sad, but grateful heart, that I inform you that Deb Maskrey will be stepping down from her position as the Director of Music here at St. Columbkill at the end of this month. Deb was the director for 19 years, in charge of the Adult Choir for 23 years, and she was also the organist. She will be stepping down from these positions at the end of May, but will continue to play the organ for funerals, and for weekend Masses once a month.

To honor Deb and to express our gratitude for her many years of service to our Family of Faith, I'd like to invite you to a reception to give her thanks on Sunday, May 28th after the 10:00 Mass in the Fr. Quinn Hall, where light refreshments will be served.

To you Deb on behalf of our Family of Faith – Thanks for all the years of great music that has lifted our hearts and souls up to the Lord.

God bless you!

Fr. Rich





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

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

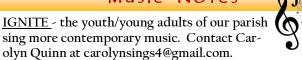
Megan at (610) 310-5661 or meganrepko@stcolumbkill.org.

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

Project Rachel & Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Programs: Project Rachel is a 10 week free postabortive 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)



Music Notes



Adult Choir - It is wonderful to be back singing at Mass! With the change in the Mass schedule, the adult choir will be singing the 2nd & 4th Sundays at the 10am Mass. Our practice schedule will continue to be Sunday mornings, starting at 9am in the Ehst room. For more information contact Deb Maskrey at debm@stcolumbkill.org.

<u>Cantors/Leaders of Song</u> - We have a wonderful group of cantors, but there is always room for more leaders! Support is available by means of practice sessions with the organist/accompanist in person, or via phone. You Tube is also a great tool! Students grade 7 and up, this is a great opportunity to serve your parish community. Contact Deb Maskrey at debm@stcolumbkill.org with questions or more information.

<u>Children's choir</u>: If you have any questions, contact Carolyn at carolynsings4@gmail.com

<u>Keyboard/Pianists</u> - start a ministry as an accompanist for one of the choirs mentioned here, or to play regularly at Mass. Put those lessons to work for you! Contact Deb Maskrey at debm@stcolumbkill.org.

Emmanuel Contemporary Mass

Vocalists plus violin, viola, cello, oboe, and trumpet are needed for the 10 AM

Mass on the 1st & 3rd Sundays. We rehearse on Monday nights from 7-9 PM. Contact Kathy Herber at 610.741.4546 or email: k_piano99@yahoo.com.

St. Columbkill Children's Choir

Children's Choir is open to 2nd through 6th grade children. Children will sing at the 10am Mass once a month.

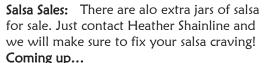
Rehearsals will take place on Sunday mornings twice

a month from 9:15am to 9:55am (rehearsal schedule to follow). Please contact

Carolyn Quinn with any questions at carolynsings4@gmail.com.



Youth Group (7–12 Gr.) Heather Shainline





WONDER Retreat (young women's retreat) | Saturday, May 27th | Location: Lake Nockamixon or French Creek A flocknote with signup info was sent out.

Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission Trip | Dates: June 11th-16th | Location: Steubenville, OH

Cost: \$425.00 per person- includes room and board A \$100 deposit is due by May 7th. If we get 5 or more teens to attend, we will go. If we do not get 5 or more teens to sign up, we will cancel the trip and do a "Helping at Home" week here in Boyertown. If you need financial assistance, please speak with Heather.

Steubenville Youth Conference | July 7th-July 9th Location: Steubenville Main campus- Steubenville, OH Cost: \$250.00 per person- includes a tshirt, room and board A \$50 deposit is due by May 7th. If we do not get 5 or more teens to sign up, we will cancel the trip. If you need financial assistance, please speak with Heather.

Vacation Bible School

Time to Register for VBS 2023



Marvelous Mystery! June 26-30



Knights Corner

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. Columbkill Knight or visit our website: https://kofc16544.org

2023 College Graduates we would like to acknowledge

you and your achievements in the parish bulletin. Please call the parish office at 610-367-2371 by early June to let us know the college from which



you graduated or email bulletin@stcolumbkill.org

Attention 2023 High School Graduates: Saint Columbkill parish family is celebrating your achievement with a Graduation Mass on Saturday, June 3rd at 5:00 pm. Letters have been sent to those who are listed in our data base as graduating in 2023. If you don't receive a letter in the next week, give us a call at the parish office and we will gladly send you a letter.

Pre-School-Caitlin Nickels

REGISTRATION IS OPEN! STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED BEFORE YOU CAN PAY TUITION. REGISTERING your child (children) for the upcoming school year. - Visit our website www.stcolumbkill.org/preschool or at the Parish Office. \$40 non-refundable registration fee. TUITION: Should you choose to pay the tuition for the year in full on or before September 1, 2023 you receive a \$50 reduced rate. You can also choose to pay tuition monthly.

St. Columbkill Preschool is looking for an aide for the 2023-2024 school year. The position is for Fridays from 8:30 to 12:00. Candidates must be a high school graduate and fulfill all Diocesan professional requirements and background checks. Please forward resumes to Caitlin Nickel at preschool@stcolumbkill.org or call the church office at (610)367-2371 to inquire.



Catholic Grandparents Association
"In old age they will still bear fruit" (Ps 92:15)
Our Mission: Passing on the faith and keeping
prayer at the heart of family life

The CGA will meet on Sunday, May 28th, at the Rosary Garden at 1:00 pm. In honor of Mary, our Mother, we will clean up the Rosary Garden while praying the rosary. We will discuss an activity with our grandchildren for the June meeting and prepare for the big World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly celebration in July. Please bring some gar-

dening gloves and tools. **Contact:** Nadine Blair, at 484 -368-7989 or

nadineann@comcast.net catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

The Family Ministry Group:

Creating fellowship for families with young children as we teach our children the Catholic faith!

Contact: Sarah Sullivan at SSullivan4916@outlook.com.



Join us for a Mass in support of those suffering from addiction. All are invited.

Sacred Heart Church | Royersford, PA Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 10:00 AM Celebrant: Rev. Tadeusz Gorka, Pastor

Addiction has touched far too many families and taken far too many of our loved ones. Join us that we may draw strength from one another in the power of our faith. *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Children's Liturgy takes place during the 10:00 Mass. All children are welcome. No registration is needed. Volunteers are

needed, if interested please contact Marcia Martin @BASSCL412@gmail.com or call 610-223-2484.

Serran Prayer for Vocations O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, St. Joseph her spouse, St. Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase of laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ, to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

A truck will be here on Saturday, June 10th from 12 noon to 5 pm to collect and transport non-perishables to the food pantry at the Kennedy House in Reading. Sadly as needs have increased, donations have decreased. Your generous aid is greatly appreciated! Anyone who donates will be entered in a raffle to win 4 Reading Phillies tickets. Contact: Jesse Plavcan, jplavcan1@gmail.com

Saturday, June 10th from 12-5—collecting Non-perishables:

- ♦ Canned soup
- ◆ Canned vegetables
- ♦ Canned Fruit
- ♦ Canned tomato sauce
- ♦ Tuna Fish
- ♦ Boxes of cereal
- ♦ Peanut Butter
- ♦ Jelly
- ♦ Pasta
- Boxed mac and cheese
- ♦ Personal hygiene products





SCOUT ME IN

Here at St. Columbkill, we have an established Cub Pack, open to girls and boys in Kindergarten through fifth grade, as well as a Scouts BSA Troop, open to boys in sixth through twelfth grade (up to age 18). We have great leaders and volunteers who devote time each week to ensure our youth get the most from their scouting experience, and we encourage other parents to get involved as they are able.

Meetings are held Monday nights at the church from 7 to 8 PM for the Cub Pack, and 7 to 8:30 PM for the Troop. Please contact the New Member Coordinator, Eugene Kovach at 484-432-6778, or email emkovach@outlook.com for more information.



Come and spend an hour with the risen Lord.

When, in adoration, we look at the consecrated Host, the sign of creation

speaks to us. And so, we encounter the greatness of his gift; but we also encounter the Passion, the Cross of Jesus and his Resurrection. Through this gaze of adoration, he draws us toward himself, within his mystery, through which he wants to transform us as he transformed the Host.

Pope Benedict XVI

Eucharistic Adoration times available:

- Wednesday: 3 pm, 7 pm
- Thursday: 3 pm, 10 pm
 Call Mariane in the Parish office to sign up for an hour. 610-367-2371 or email marianevf@stcolumbkill.org



CIAL 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.

LAOH (Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians)

Our last meeting of the year will be Monday June 5th at 7pm in the LAOH room.

 Want to know more about LAOH and who we are? Please contact Kathy Varady, Berks Division 2 President, at kvarady2@ gmail.com to learn more. Slàinte!



This summer, Pope John Paul II High School is excited to host 17 summer camps for students entering

grades K-9. Sessions include: fine arts, drama, archery, cheer, volleyball, basketball, tennis, baseball, field hockey, football, soccer, and multi-sport. To view more details

about our camps and register for a session, please visit www.pjphs.org/apps/pages/summercamps. We look forward to seeing you at PJP this summer!



Rediscover the Love in Your marriage!

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

SENIOR CITIZENS OF OUR PARISH



You are invited to be a member of our group here at St. Columbkill called "Senior Connection".

Would you like the chance to:

- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- Have a place to socialize with other seniors on a monthly basis

JUST HAVE FUN

Please join us at our monthly gatherings in Quinn Hall every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

Find out what a GREAT group our St. Columbkill

"Senior Connection" is!!

(Participation is limited to St. Columbkill Parishioners)

Contact: Ginny S. at 484-802-3916

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 Sergeant Jason Emerich Sergeant David O'Brien Airman Timothy O'Brien USN Petty Officer Jennifer McBride Lt. Steve Rohe Sergeant Jesse Miele USN Petty Officer Stephanie McBride SPC Kyle Laskoskie 1st Lieutenant Eric Antonucci Lt. Andrew Moyer, USN Airman Josh Bartman Airman Morghan Poitras Staff Sergeant Joshua Taylor **USMC**

Airman First Class: Colin S. Kirschner (E3) USN MA Second Class Petty Officer (SW)

Matthew R. Goldschmidt Senior Airman Corey Kelch Captain Zachary Bregovi Lance Corporal

Andrew J. Carpenter E-5 Sergeant Ray Fazio E-4 Specialist Haley Fazio SFC Ommannan Gonzalez LT Daniel Patti, USNR CPT Joseph Patti, USA Staff Sgt Anthony DeVito Sgt. Billy Beuch USA Matthew Psota

USN Petty Officer 3 Andrew Fronheiser,

Lt. Air Force Pvt. Harry Fitzpatrick SFC Shawn Edwards





National Council of the United States Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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.svdpusa.org/Assistance-Services



Flame of Love Prayer Cenacle at St. Columbkill 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.

Medjugorie 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 is 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 41 years, we are reading **My Heart will Triumph** by Mirjana Soldo.

We meet Saturdays at 3 pm (the Hour of Mercy) in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton room. Please email me meganrepko@gmail.com) or Sue Fryer (sspence4@comcast.net) if you are interested so that we know to expect you!

Overeaters Anonymous meets each Monday at noon in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room. The only requirement to join is the desire to stop eating compulsively. This 12 step program is spiritual, emotional and physical. Give yourself a chance for recovery by trying the OA program.

Human Concerns

On behalf of our Human Concerns Ministry and Lifeline of Berks County, we would like to thank everyone who purchased carnations on Mother's Day weekend. Because of your generosity we were able to donate \$545.00 to Lifeline to help them continue their essential services to help women with unplanned pregnancies choose life.

Thank you and God bless! ~Terry Voth

Father's Day is approaching and the Human Concerns Ministry will again be offering cards and petitions for you to honor/memoralize your fathers. Watch for further announcements as to when you will find us in Quinn Hall.

Boyertown Alumni Marching Unit will present The Spirit Of America Concert

to be held on Saturday, July 1, 2023 at 2 PM inside SoulJoel's At The Sunnybrook Ballroom. Tickets can be purchased at Bachman Music, Aunt Nannie's Bakeshop and at BAMU Concerts for \$20. We hope you can attend.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Come strengthen your faith on <u>Wed. evenings 7:00 PM</u>. 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 Dondondenick@comcast.net.

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. Fellow parishioner, 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) Contact Kevin Martin 610-310-7077 / kmartinofs@gmail.com or Peg Choinski at 610-845-9272

Family Rosary: Family brings us great joy and happiness. They can also be a source of worry and concern. One thing we can do, regardless of their age, is pray, so if you or a family member needs prayer, who better to turn to than our Lord and his Blessed Mother? As St. Paul instructed the early Christians, "Worry about nothing and pray about everything."

We invite you to join us on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm as we dedicate an hour of our time to lift our families, ourselves and one another in prayer via the rosary. Please contact Kevin Martin at (610) 689-4244 or Kim Frattone at (484)300-1808 with questions or for more details.

The St. Francis Hospice Home in Shillington, PA is in need of additional volunteers to help provide compassionate, loving care to its residents. Please come and shadow one of our volunteers and see if you are being called to provide this blessed ministry. No medical background is required, just a willing heart. Any amount of time can help. For more information please contact Cathy Goss at 484-645-3981. Thank you and God bless you.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. For example, a \$120 gift to the Appeal may be setup with six \$20 installments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Your generosity funds the annual budget for 6 important Diocesan ministries in our area. You can make your gift online at Becauseweare-

CYO - Catholic Youth Organization: The CYO program is back. Students attending either Most Blessed Sacrament Parish or St. Columbkill Parish along with any students attending Saint Francis Classical Catholic Academy are eligible to participate in the CYO program. The program will offer sports as well as other activities. Sports that would be available to students would be the following: Fall -Cross Country for K-8th grade, Girls Volleyball 5th - 8th grade, Winter - Boys and Girls Basketball 3rd - 4th, 5th - 6th, and 7th - 8th grades, Cheerleading, and Spring - Track and Field. Possible other options would be Golf, Baseball, and Softball. These sports would be 5th - 8th grades. CYO program also offers Spelling Bees, Declamation, and Academic Bowl. We would be competing against other Berks County Catholic Parishes for the 2023 - 2024 school year. At this moment we are <u>looking for coaches</u> for our Cross Country and Girls Volleyball if interested please contact

Ben Puzauskas either by phone at 484-624-2452 or by email at bepuzauskas@dejazzd.com

Villa Maria Academy High School Summer Series Villa Maria Academy High School in Malvern is offering week-long camps this summer for rising 6th through 10th graders. Choose from a variety of enrichment camps and athletic

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camps, including: Art and Design, Basketball, English Readiness, Field Hockey, HSPT Prep, Journalism, Lacrosse, Leadership, Songwriting, Studio Art, Rowing, Soccer, and Study Skills. Visit www.vmahs.org/summerseries for infor-

mation and registration. Hurry! The deadline is May 26th and space is limited.

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 birthrightpotts-

Join Lorraine's Group on a Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Paris & Nevers - July 22-31, \$4299* from Newark (EWR)

(based on double occupancy * travel insurance not included)

Spiritual Director: Fr. Martin F. Kern | Group Coordinator: Lorraine Echevarria-Hendricks

For general information please email lorrhendricks@yahoo.com
For All Details & to Book, visit:
www.pilgrimages.com/lorraine

Diocesan Safe Environment Clearance Changes

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The Diocese has updated the following policies regarding:

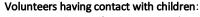
- Code of Conduct and Alleged Sexual Abuse.
- A new policy has been created:

▶ <u>Social Media Electronic Communications.</u>

ALL Volunteers need to sign off on these three policies, even if you have signed off on them before 12/2022.

Hard copies of these policies and the signature pages are available in the office and on the Parish website under the Clearance tab.

Contact: Liza Mendez, Local Safe Environment Coordinator lizam@stcolumbkill.org | 610-367-2371 ext. 106



The <u>National Sex Offender Registry</u> (NSOR) application is now required. This must be completed and mailed or scanned to the address listed on the application. (Select box 4—"Volunteer of a childcare provider, group day care home or family childcare home.") Within two weeks of submitting the application, you should receive a letter confirming the verification. Please email or drop off a copy of the confirmation letter to Liza at the office.

Thank you for your service to our parish family!

The St. Monica Ministry is both a dedicated community and a prayer network offering hope and support to the families and friends of fallen-away Catholics. The ministry sponsors a Holy Hour of Petition and Hope on the second Wednesday of each month. Holy Hours are held at St. Theresa's in Hellertown, beginning at 6:00pm. Fr. David Kozak will be presiding at the May 10 Holy Hour, and Fr. Bernard Ezaki will be presiding on June 14. The St. Monica Ministry also holds two meetings per month. All are warmly invited to attend the meetings, which consist of fellowship, rosary recitation, resource sharing, and a book discussion. Meetings take place at the St. Theresa Parish Center, 222 Leonard Street, Hellertown. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for 7:00pm on Wednesday, May 31 and 10:00am on Thursday, June 1. For more information, please email Celeste at

StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com

DID YOU KNOW...QUINN HALL AND THE EHST ROOM ARE AVAILABLE TO RENT? FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT QUINN HALL COORDINATOR PATTY PETRAUSKAS PATTYP@STCOLUMBKILL.ORG

What's Happening in Quinn Hall after Mass?

May 27/28

- ▶ RaiseRight Sales Plastic Cash Table
- ▶ VBS Registration/Youth Ministry Apparel

Deb Maskrey	debm@stcolumbkill.org	Adult Choir
Matt Davis	matdav6@yahoo.com	AlAnon
Ted Kochen	tkochen@comcast.net	Altar Servers
		Attic Treasures
I	_	Basket Party
Don Denick	dondenick@comcast.net	Charismatic Prayer Group
Carolyn Quinn	carolynsings4@gmail.com	Children's Choir
Marcia Martin	bassc1412@gmail.com	Children's Liturgy
		Divine Mercy Ministry
Kathy Herber	k_piano99@yahoo.com	Emmanuel Ministry
	_	Family Ministry Group
Kevin Martin	kmartsr@aol.com	Family Rosary
		Altar Flowers/Decorations
Nadine Blair	nadineann@comcast.net	Catholic Grandparent Association
		Girl Scouts
Michelle White	michellehfn@gmail.com	Hearts for the Nation; Flame of Love
Teresa Voth	ltvoth@dejazzd.com	Human Concerns
Kathy Varady	kvarady2@gmail.com	LAOH Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians
		Lay Missionaries of the Sacred Heart
Jean Schlegel	jfsoscar@aol.com	Lectors
		Liturgical Linens
Dcn Joe Petrauskas	dcnjoepet2015@stcolumbkill.org	Men's Prayer Group ChristLife Formed
Pierre Chery	PierreChery@mail.com	Knights of Columbus
Debbie S	610-496-9094	OA
Patty Petrauskas	pattyp@stcolumbkill.org	Parish Pastoral Council
Susan Fryer	sspence4@comcast.net	Patriotic Rosary Group
		Prayer Shawl Ministry
		Prayer Team Ministry
		Pre School
Denise Stull	denises@stcolumbkill.org	PREP/Religious Education
Patricia Petrauskas	pattyp@stcolumbkill.org	Quinn Hall Kitchen Funeral Luncheons
		RCIA Bible Study
		RaiseRight Gift Card Program
Candee Holzman	candeeh@stcolumbkill.org	Respect Life Ministry
Irene Vasko	irenevasko@icloud.com	Rosary Groups
Mary Patti	svdp@stcolumbkill.org	Saint Vincent de Paul Ministry
		Soup Kitchen
Dan Trout	danielatrout@netscape.net	Scouts
	, 5	Scouts
		Senior Connection
		Spiritual Direction
		Spiritual Direction
		Ushers
Megan Repko	meganrepko@stcolumbkill.org	Vacation Bible School
		Youth Group



Mass Times: 5 pm Vigil - Saturday 8 am & 10 am - Sunday

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

