

Brookline–Beechview Catholic Parishes

St. Catherine of Siena (1902 to Present)

Church of the Resurrection (1909 to Present)

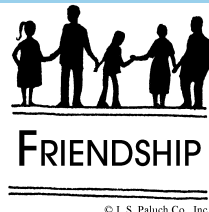
St. Pius X (1954 to Present)

Our Lady of Loreto (1959 to Present)

St. Pamphilus (1960 to Present)

March 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent



Working Together to Live
the Gospel Message

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412.583.2195

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Bill Scott-Director de Musica Latina

VIRGEN PEREGRINA - Si desean que nuestra virgen los acompañe a su casa por una semana, favor de anotar su nombre y número de teléfono en la forma la que se encuentra en la mesa a la entrada de la iglesia.

MISA EN PORTUGUES - Todos están invitados a la misa en portugués la cual se celebra el tercer domingo de cada mes a las 6 pm en nuestra iglesia. La próxima será el domingo 17 de marzo.

MATRIMONIO - Si está planeando casarse debe presentar documentación 6 meses antes de la boda. Por favor vea a Padre Fernando para coordinar su boda.

INSCRIPCION DE IGLESIA, SACRAMENTO O QUINCEAÑERA - Si desea inscribirse en la iglesia o si tiene necesidad de un bautizo, una quinceañera u otro sacramento, por favor contacte a Gigi al 412-583-2195.

ESCUELA DE FE - El primer domingo de cada mes de 11:15AM a 12:15PM ofrecemos platicas de formación espiritual para los parroquianos en el salón social. La próxima escuela de fe será el domingo 7 de abril.

CASA SAN JOSE

Localizado:

2116 Broadway Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15216
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Tel- 412-343-3111 Fax- 412-343-3210

Horario: Lunes a Viernes de 10 am a 5 pm

Horario de Misas en Español

Domingo, a la 12:30pm

Horario de Misas en Ingles:

Vigilia del Sábado: 4:00 pm

Domingo: 10:30 am

Misa los Lunes, Miércoles, Viernes: 8:30am

Días Santos: Día: 7:00PM

SANTO ROSARIO - Todos los domingos a las 11:30AM en la iglesia. **Nota:** los domingos en los que hay bautizo después de la misa en inglés, el rosario se rezará en el edificio de catequesis (oficina de la entrada).

RETIRO ESPIRITUAL EN ESPAÑOL - Les invitamos a un retiro espiritual para adultos en St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center (Centro de Retiros San Pablo de la Cruz - 148 Monastery Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15203). Será durante todo el fin de semana: comenzando **el viernes 22 de marzo a las 6:30PM** y finalizando **el domingo 24 de marzo a las 2:00PM**. El costo es \$85 dólares por adulto e incluye hospedaje y alimentos. Si desea atender este retiro, favor de anotar su nombre y número de teléfono en la forma que se encuentra en la entrada de la iglesia.

CONFERENCIA "Mi Familia: Mi Empresa Más Importante" - será ofrecida en español por el Padre Ángel Espinosa de los Monteros, en nuestra parroquia St. Catherine of Siena. Para mayores de 18 años. Se divide en dos partes: el viernes, **3 de mayo de 7:00 PM**, la plática será sobre la relación en pareja; y el sábado, **4 de mayo a las 5:45 pm**, la plática será sobre la familia. Misa a las 7:30 pm. Costo: \$10 hasta marzo 31 / \$15 hasta abril 30 / \$20 de mayo 1 en adelante. Boletos a la venta los domingos después de misa.

VENTA DE PESCADO FRITO (FISH FRY) - Recaudación de fondos para nuestra parroquia.

Lugar: Salón social de St. Catherine of Siena (McCann Hall, 1915 Broadway Avenue, Beechview).

Cuando: Miércoles de Ceniza, marzo 6 y cada viernes durante la Cuaresma, excepto el Viernes Santo.

Horarios: Almuerzo: 11:00 a 1:30 pm / cena: 4 a 7:00 pm

NECESITAMOS SU AYUDA CON DONACIONES DE POSTRES CASEROS.

Si puede ayudar como voluntario comunicarse con Debbie Brust al 412-531-9227

La Sociedad de San Vicente DePaul:

Dentro de los límites de nuestra parroquia, hay muchas personas necesitadas. Esta Sociedad anima a los que pueden aportar económicamente, en la segunda colección, el primer domingo de cada mes para ayudar a los necesitados. Para aquellos que quieran ser voluntarios de ayuda o para aquellos en necesidad de alimentos o ayuda financiera por favor llamen al: 412-370-8936.

Sacrament of Baptism: Because of our new Mass schedules, clergy can only perform baptisms according to the following plan, which must be adhered to:

St. Catherine— 1st Sunday of Month 11:30am

Resurrection — 2nd Sunday of Month 12:30pm

St. Pius X — 3rd Sunday of Month 12:30pm

Our Lady of Loreto — 4th Sunday of Month 10:30am

St. Pamphilus — 4th Sunday of Month 12:30pm

A Baptism preparation session is required. Please call 412-531-2135 to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage: The Sacrament of Matrimony requires a time of spiritual preparation. Arrangements should be made at least six months before the date by meeting with the priest and before any social plans are made.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (CONFESSIONS):

Monday at St. Pius X 6:15-6:45pm

Wednesday at Resurrection 5:15-5:45pm

Saturday at St. Catherine's Noon-12:30pm

Becoming a Catholic— We do have a program to instruct those who are interested in becoming Catholic. RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Please contact Patty at 412-563-1588.

Beechview Manor: Manager can be reached at 412-571-2999 or 1926 Pauline Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216.

Creedmoor Court: Manager can be reached at 412-344-1540 or 1050 Creedmoor Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226.

Religious Education: Children of the parish are expected to receive Religious Education in a Catholic school or CCD program. Arrangements may be made by calling the one of the Religious Education Offices.

Hospitalized Parishioners and Shut-Ins: Please call the Parish office if someone in your family is hospitalized or a shut-in. If a parishioner is not able to attend Mass, the priest and/or Eucharistic Ministers can bring Communion to the home.

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register as are newlyweds and single young adults even if registered before with their families. A registration form can be found on page 8 of this bulletin.

St. John Bosco Academy: Serving our children with a Catholic Education: Preschool through 8th grade; 2690 Waddington Avenue; Pittsburgh, PA 15226; 412-563-0858.

St. Vincent dePaul Society— Each parish has an active St. Vincent dePaul Society that helps those in need. Contact the parish office in your area for this information. We also need volunteers, please contact your Parish Office.

FOOD PANTRY—Food pantries serve certain boundaries:

-The Brookline Food Pantry is located at 1036 Brookline Blvd. 2nd Saturday of Month 9-11am.

-The St. Catherine Food Pantry is located in the St. Catherine's School Building on the corner of Crosby & Pauline Avenues. 2nd, 3rd, 4th Saturdays 9:30am-11am.

-The St. Pamphilus Food Pantry location is lower back level of Church Building 3rd Saturdays 10-11am.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
Mt 7:7-12

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

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;
Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

**ALMSGIVING, PRAYER, FASTING,
AND TEMPTATION**

As we begin our season of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, the reading from Deuteronomy reminds us of our duty of almsgiving, that we “set [our offerings] before the Lord, [our] God, [and] shall bow down in [God’s] presence” (Deuteronomy 26:10). The reading from Romans refers us to our prayer, reminding us that “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart . . . For every-



one who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Romans 10:8, 13). These are comforting words, and encourage us to ask God for what we need and to aid us in our prayer. Finally, the Gospel of Luke shows us a fasting Jesus, who was tempted as we are, and who knows what it means to be human. Someone once said that temptation arises when you’re tired and weary, and the devil comes along and makes a perfectly reasonable suggestion. Jesus shows us that, with his help, we too can overcome our temptations, reasonable as they may sound.

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Mass Schedule

St. Catherine of Siena

MONDAY **March 11**

8:30am Marge Yurek (Stacey and Lisa Daniele)

WEDNESDAY **March 13**

8:30am Maurice Brassart (Susan Brassart)

FRIDAY **March 15**

8:30am Bridget Sullivan (Daughter Catherine)

SATURDAY **March 16**

4:00pm Marie Moss (Ken Pintwala)

SUNDAY **March 17**

10:30am Mike Dunn (Pat Dunn and Family)

12:30pm (In Spanish) For the People

6:00pm (In Portuguese) No Intention

Resurrection

MONDAY **March 11**

9:00am Tony and Nancy Antonucci (Dorothy Antonucci)

WEDNESDAY **March 13**

6:00pm Oswalda DeFazio (Anna Marie and Joseph Turnbull)

THURSDAY **March 14**

9:00am Mark DiNardo (DiNardo Family)

SATURDAY **March 16**

5:30pm Toni Strzelecki (Patti and John Moroney)

SUNDAY **March 17**

11:30am Betty Diskin-Koral (Family)

St. Pius X

MONDAY **March 11**

7:00pm Mary Gentile (John and Theresa Giltinan)

WEDNESDAY **March 13**

8:00am Caroline Kunz (Rose Burke Newman)

SATURDAY **March 16**

8:00am No Intention

4:00pm Giuseppe and Sabia Bucci (Sabatino DiNardo)

SUNDAY **March 17**

8:00am Patti Moriarity (Moriarity Family)

Our Lady of Loreto

TUESDAY **March 12**

7:30am Deceased of Getty Family (Larry and Sylvia Getty)

THURSDAY **March 14**

7:30am For All of Our Parishioners

(Gene and Mary Ellen Micheli)

FRIDAY **March 15**

7:30am Ann and Elmer Dott (The Dott Family)

SUNDAY **March 17**

9:30am Philip Pieto (Kristen Dent and Johnny Filbert)

Mass Schedule

St. Pamphilus

TUESDAY **March 12**

8:30am The Deceased of the Greco and Da Li Families,
and Alfred Murgi (Jo Murgi)

THURSDAY **March 14**

8:30am Stanley and Mary Berkowicz (Mike and Audrey)

SATURDAY **March 16**

8:30am Raymond J. Ratti (Donna and Chris)

5:30pm No Intention

SUNDAY **March 17**

8:00am No Intention

Key to listings below

SCS—St. Catherine of Siena

RES—Resurrection

OLL—Our Lady of Loreto

SPX—St. Pius X

PAM—St. Pamphilus

Devotions:

Eucharistic Adoration:

SCS—1st Friday of the month after 8:30am Mass until
9:45am

RES—3rd Wednesday of the month 5:00-5:45pm

SPX—Last Monday of the month after 7:00pm Mass until
8:00pm

OLL—Feast of Christ the King in November from after
9:30am Mass until noon.

PAM—1st Saturday of the month after 8:30am Mass until
9:45am

Miraculous Medal Novena:

SCS—Mondays after 8:30am Mass

SPX—Wednesdays after 8:00am Mass

RES—Wednesdays after 6:00pm Mass

Rosary:

SCS—Every Monday and Wednesday after 8:30am Mass.

SPX—Every Wednesday 7:35am and before each Mass in
May and October; 1st Saturdays after 8:00am Mass.

OLL—Every Sunday in May and October 9:05am.

PAM—Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday before
8:30am Mass

St. Anthony Novena:

OLL—Tuesdays at the 7:30am Mass from mid-March
until St. Anthony's feast day June 13.

PAM—Tuesdays at the 8:30am Mass.

Parish Prayer Line: The Parishes have a prayer line.
If you would like someone prayed for or would like to
help pray for others, please call 412-531-2135.

All 5 Parishes Combined

Last week's Offertory Collection information:

SCS	\$ 3,902.21
RES	\$ 3,290.00
OLL	\$ 2,275.00
PAM	\$ 2,007.00
SPX	<u>\$ 3,145.85</u>

Total Regular \$ 14,620.06

Parish Share 2nd Collection: \$ 12,622.70

Combined totals of Parish Debt. — \$ 938,848.74

Next weekend's second collection will be for:

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

**Please consider leaving 10% to
your parish in your Will.**

SPECIAL CANDLES

The candles for this week will burn for:

OLL: In Thanksgiving (Dori Priore)

PAM: Noah Geis (Maw Maw and Poppy)
Margaret Barry (Laura and Mike)
John Grubich (Laura and Mike)

RES Sanctuary: Robert Albert (Family)

RES Blessed Mother: Luke and Renee
(Diane and Tom Samstag)

RES Unborn Child: Charles Merlina
(Scott, Mary Gail, Dani and Sarah)

300 CLUB WINNERS

18th Week #272 Shawn Bernarding \$200

PARISH SHARE Goals 2019

SCS \$ 38,129

RES \$ 49,391

OLL \$ 29,668

PAM \$ 39,161

SPX \$ 35,181

Total \$191,530

Our goals have gone down by a total of \$30,135 from last year's goals. RES is nearly \$24,000 less this year. PAM is about \$12,000 less. Some of the others raised slightly.

PARISH FUNDRAISERS

RESURRECTION BINGO— Every Monday evening beginning at 7:00pm in Resurrection Church Hall. Doors open at 5:00pm.

RESSI FISH FRY NEWS—The Ressi Fish Fry, now also known as bbcatholic Fish Fry, is on the move!

Where: McCann Hall (below St. Catherine Church) 1915 Broadway Avenue, Beechview.

When: Each Friday during Lent, except Good Friday.

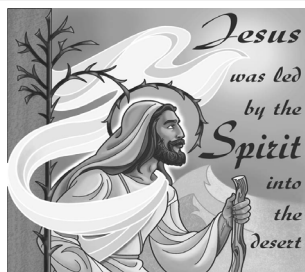
Times: **Lunch**—11:00 am to 1:30 pm
Dinner—4:00 to 7:00 pm

Same great recipes and food! Same friendly people, and now even more great friendly people! Please join us for our community building fundraiser to benefit all of our parishes!

THANK YOU to the **Moonlite Café** for its generous contributions to our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner!

RESURRECTION CHURCH has a lot of openings for candle intentions. Please contact the parish office or place your request in the collection basket if you wish to schedule an intention.

Our Lady of Loreto and St. Pamphilus both parishes have numerous available dates open for Mass intentions and Candle intentions. Some of the available dates are for weekends. All intentions are \$10 each. We ask that money for Mass stipends be separate from candle intention money. Checks are to be made payable to the respective parish. You may call the parish office at 412-531-2135 or place requests in the mail or collection baskets.



First Sunday of Lent March 10, 2019

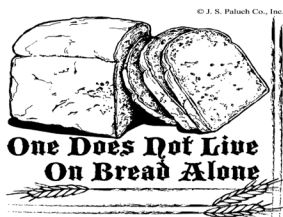
*The word is near you,
in your mouth and in
your heart.*
— Romans 10:8

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITIONS

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life's journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities.

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three "pillars" of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death's darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life's journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven.

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EXPEDIENCY IS NO JUSTIFICATION

*No one is justified in doing evil on the ground
of expediency.*

—Theodore Roosevelt

REMEMBRANCE: Our prayers and sympathy are extended to the family and friends of those who have passed away this past week:

Rest in God's Peace
Anna Rigano
Agnes Billanti

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

Psalm — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

Second Reading — The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart (Romans 10:8-13).

Gospel — Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days (Luke 4:1-13).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending; Daylight Saving Time begins; Girl Scouting Sunday
Monday: Julian Calendar Lent begins
Friday: Abstinence



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FOCUS: *Jesus Christ freed us from the slavery of sin.*

As we begin Lent, our penance and fasts seems rather small in comparison with how Jesus suffered for our salvation. Our forty days does not quite compare to his forty days in the desert. We need only to call on Jesus, and he will deliver us from our sins. Each Lent presents a new opportunity to repent and grow in our relationship with the One who gave his all so we could be his.

SIGN OF PEACE—Due to the cold and flu season, please refrain from shaking hands at the Sign of Peace. A gesture, smile or just a nod of the head to the people nearby is acceptable.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS—The envelope for your Easter Flower donations is in your March packet. You may make your donations any time before April 14th. Your intentions will be remembered at our Easter Masses



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LENTEN CONTAINERS—Want to help lower the debt in our parishes? "Lenten Container" are available in the vestibule of each church to take home with you during Lent. As you offer something up, and don't buy that candy, snack, or something else you can do without, place what you would have spent in the container. All money collected goes towards lowering the debt. Containers can be returned anytime during Lent.

PAST AND FUTURE

*There is no saint without a past—and no sinner
without a future.*

—Anonymous

PARISH SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

BIBLE STUDY — On Tuesdays, from 7:00 to 8:00pm St. Pius X Church, Cullen Hall (beneath the Church).



FORMED— Our Parishes have wonderful, FREE to you, online opportunities to download Spiritual Books, Movies, Formation, Children, Teens, Adults, content to help us all grow in our faith. It is simple to use. Go to www.formed.org and use the Parish Code QJVKRN. It is free

LEGION OF MARY—Change of time and venue. We will meet on Mondays at 6:00pm in Cullen Hall at St. Pius until further notice. New members are always welcome.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday in Lent except Good Friday at the following times:
4:00pm Resurrection
7:00pm St. Catherine of Siena

Women's Lenten Retreat—The Women's Group of St. Pius X Church invites you to a **Morning of Prayer and Reflection** on Saturday April 13, 2019. Sr. Colette Hanlon S.C. is our guest speaker and her topic is *God says, "I Stand at the Door and Knock." We reply, "Which Door, God?"* Fr. Joseph Mele will celebrate Mass. Our morning will begin with light refreshments in Cullen Hall at 8:30am and conclude with lunch at noon. The cost is \$20 (checks payable to: St. Pius X Parish) and may be sent to: Jo Ann Brown 1327 Illinois Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216. For more information please call the Parish Office at 412- 531-2135

Men's Retreat—Are the daily challenges becoming too great? Come experience our men's retreat April 12-14 to recapture your peace of mind and celebrate life, hope, faith, and fellowship. You will return home from St. Paul's Retreat Center relaxed and renewed, better able to cope in a busy world. For information, call Joe Nellis at 412-885-5099.

PARISH OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

A MESSAGE FROM THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

PARISH OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES (cont'd)

The St Pius X Women's Group will be having a meeting immediately following the 7pm Mass on Monday March 18 in the school. New members are always welcome.

Shepherd's Heart—There is a box in the back of St Pius X Church for donations of individually wrapped food items, toiletries, socks, etc. Monetary and grocery store gift cards are greatly appreciated and may be placed in the offertory basket in an envelope marked Shepherd's Heart. Thank you for continuing your generous support.

The 40 Days for Life Spring Prayer Vigil is March 6 through April 14. Please come and say the rosary in front of Planned Parenthood at 933 Liberty Avenue in Downtown Pittsburgh, any time between 7:00am and 7:00pm. These peaceful prayer vigils have saved over 15,000 lives that we know of. Thank you for praying.

Rosary Rally—Join us on Saturday March 23 from noon to 1:00pm for a Rosary Rally in support of God's Traditional Marriage - 1 Man + 1 Woman. We will meet at the corner of Broadway and Belasco Avenues. Dress warm and bring your rosaries.

Operation Safety Net Lunches—Every second Wednesday of the month 60 lunches are prepared for the homeless. Consider helping to prepare them at 9:30am in Quinn Hall at Resurrection Church. Donations of crackers, snacks, juice, fruit cups or pudding can be dropped off at the rectory or left in the vestibule of the church. Gift cards for Aldi's are greatly welcomed to purchase bread, meat and fruit (\$50 covers it). They can be placed in the collection basket marked *Lunches for Homeless*.

DIAPER DRIVE—The St. Pius X Women's Group together with the Resurrection Women's Guild will be sponsoring a diaper drive for Catholic Charities of Pittsburgh. The sizes requested the most are 2-4. There is also a need for baby wipes. The collection will run from March 9-31. Your donation can be placed in the bassinet in front of the church. Thank you for your support.

Looking for Volunteers—We are in the process of setting up a program for parishioners from our five parishes to visit nursing homes and care facilities. We were able to make some visits over the Christmas Season and the people visited were most grateful. We will provide information that will be helpful for visitors making the initial visits. We will establish methods for periodic reporting back to the contact person with pertinent information regarding the person being visited. If you want to participate in this outreach ministry of visiting parishioners in care facilities who may be lonely and would like a periodic visit of someone from their parish, please contact the parish office for more information at 412-531-2135.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TABLE 2019

Upcoming Dates: April 10, and June 19

The Beechview-Brookline Parish Cluster prepares and serves at the Wednesday Night Table every other month at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Brookline. Dinners are available for those in need and those in the community simply desirous of fellowship, every Wednesday evening. Volunteers are needed for all afternoon, or for just part of the day. Please contact Bridget at ismisebrid@gmail.com or at 412- 583-3443 if you would like to join the meal team. Also, please feel free to come by and share a meal with our friends in Christ, even if you are not working. This is a great opportunity for ministries, youth groups and church organizations to do a community service project together.

Relationship (noun): **the state of being connected.** For many persons, the desire to know God is innate. However, most of us struggle with how to connect with God in a meaningful way. **Alpha** is a great way to reawaken and enliven your relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many participants reported that Alpha has brought them to a deeper and more meaningful relationship with the Trinity. They also said that Alpha has made them feel connected to others in the parish in a significant way.

Alpha begins with a meal, followed by a short video, and a small group discussion about topics set forth in the videos. There is no fee for the Alpha course. Registration is being taken at St. Mary of the Mount 412-381-0212, Prince of Peace 412-481-8380, or <https://bbcatholic.com/alpha-amp-formed>. Join us on Wednesday, March 20 from 6:00 to 8:15pm as we begin a new ten-week Alpha course.

MEALS ON WHEELS: The Brookline Meals on

Wheels has expanded services to include

WEEKEND MEALS

Our clients can now enjoy a hot meal and bag lunch each day of the week.

CALL 412-531-2925 for details.

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COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

8th ANNUAL PASTA DINNER For Little Wings of Hope—Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 4:00 – 8:00 pm., at the Slovak Catholic SOKOL Club, 2912 E. Carson St., Southside – Pittsburgh, PA 15203. Tickets are Adults: \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door & \$5 for Kids 10 and under. Dinner includes two different pastas, meatballs, salad, bread, dessert and beverages. All you can eat! Free parking, fantastic prizes & music. Little Wings of Hope is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to supporting chemically dependent youth in the journey toward recovery as they seek treatment. For tickets and more information visit www.littlewingsofhope.org.

History of the Mass—A four-part series for Lent, every Wednesday, March 20-April 10, from 9:45-11:00am at Our Lady of Grace, Keefer Hall. This series will trace the history and development of the Mass beginning with its Jewish heritage. It is an interactive video-supported series from *Liturgy Training Publications*. Small group discussion and feedback will be part of the process. This series is free and open to all! Please contact Geoff Schnieder at OLG rectory to register or for more information: 412-279-7070 geoff.schnieder@olgscott.org.

Mark your calendars for two special evenings this Lent at Our Lady of Grace, Keefer Hall, each at 7:00pm:

Tuesday, March 19--Fr. Junesh Vakapadath Xavier, C.P., will present **Rise Up & Walk!** Our life is a complex journey with many ups and downs. When life knocks us down, we are faced with two choices: Rise up and walk or stay in the dark pit and live the rest of our life with anger and regrets. This presentation based on Scripture will motivate us to **Rise Up and Walk!**

Tuesday, March 26--Fr. Benjamin Barr will continue the theme of “walking” with **A Reflection on the Experience of Making a Pilgrimage: The Camino de Santiago.** From the earliest days of our Church, faithful Christians have undertaken pilgrimages to various holy places to focus on their relationship with God. This past summer, he was blessed to join young adult pilgrims from the Diocese of Pittsburgh on a journey along the *Camino de Santiago*, the “Way of Saint James.” Join him, along with fellow pilgrims, as they share reflections on what this journey meant for them, and what walking with Jesus and the Saints can mean for each of us.

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LEARN ABOUT MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS -- Divorced Catholics and everyone else who may be interested in learning about the annulment process are welcome to attend a free workshop with Jay Conzemius, JCL, Tribunal Director and Judge. He will speak at six locations during Lent. Topics will include: theology of marriage; ministry of the tribunal; marriage annulment types; why, when and how to start the petition for annulment process; and a process overview. Afterward participants can ask questions and/or start the process. No reservations are required, but if you do plan to attend please email AnnulmentsIntake@diopitt.org or call 412-456-3033 so that seating arrangements can be made. The presentations are scheduled on the following dates, times, and locations: Monday March 11, Mary, Mother of Hope, New Castle, Marian Room; Tuesday March 19, North American Martyrs, Monroeville, DeLuca Hall; Monday March 25, Saint Katharine Drexel, Bentleyville, Drexel Hall; Thursday April 4, All Saints, Etna, Activities Building; Monday April 8, Saint Kilian, Cranberry Twp, Church Hall; Thursday April 11, Saint Barbara, Bridgeville, Saint Barbara Hall.

Calling all Men! Join us for the **13th Gathering of Catholic Men Conference** on April 6—a powerful encountering of the Mercy of Christ, with dynamic Catholic presenters (Steve Pokorny, Sean O'Hare, Jimmy Mitchell, Kris Frank, Bob Rice and the honorable Bishop David Zubik). The Steubenville Worship Team will provide uplifting worship music. Mark your calendar for the afternoon of April 6 at Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall, Pittsburgh. Doors open at 12:00pm. Contact Santos Hernandez at 1026hernandez@gmail.com or www.cmfipitt.org to register. \$20 per man; free to clergy and religious.

Pilgrimage to Poland and Eastern Europe August 5-16, 2019--We'll visit Warsaw, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Krakow, Wadowice, Budapest, (Hungary), Vienna, (Austria) and Prague (Czech Republic). That's four countries in 12 days! Hosted by Fr. Joe Luisi, Chaplain, UPMC Passavant Hospital. \$3679 per person from Pittsburgh (Air/land tour price is \$3229 plus \$450 government taxes/airline surcharges). For a brochure with complete details, please contact Fr. Joe Luisi, St. Ursula Church, 3937 Kirk Ave., Allison Park, PA 15101-3628. Tel: (412) 486-6700 ext. 16 Email: joe-luisi@comcast.net.



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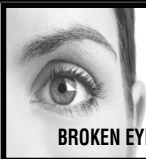
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