

Resurrection Parish



November 19, 2023, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. John Capistran Church

Address: 1610 McMillan Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15241
Parish Office: 412-221-6275



St. Thomas More Church

Address: 126 Fort Couch Road
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MASS SCHEDULE

St. John Capistran
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Weekdays: 8:30 am
Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm

St. Thomas More
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am
Weekdays & Saturday: 11:30 am
Wednesday: 8:45 am (school Mass)
Confessions: Saturday 9:00-10:00 am



Please welcome our New Parishioners:

Greg Malone
The Gault Family

*May they feel the warmth of Christ
in our Parish Community.*

*To our parishioners and visitors, our
friends, neighbors, Catholics and
non-Catholics: We're so glad you
are here! If you have any questions
about the Mass, church membership,
or want to speak with a priest, please
call one of the parish offices.*

DAILY READINGS

Sunday:	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday:	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday:	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 /Mt 25:31-46



"Here is my servant whom I uphold,
my chosen one with whom I am pleased,
upon whom I have put my spirit."
Is 42:1

*Lord Jesus, help us to persevere in
living out our Baptismal promises.*

Rest in Peace

Pray for our recently deceased:

Rita L. Kebles
Gino Pasquarelli

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the
faithful departed, through the mercy
of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please keep their loved ones in prayer.

Family Advent Wreath Making

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH

12:30PM IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

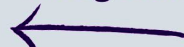
**WE WILL PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES FOR YOU TO CREATE YOUR
OWN FAMILY ADVENT WREATH.**

**FR. MIKE WILL BLESS THE WREATHS FOR YOU TO PRAY
WITH IN YOUR HOME, AS WE AWAIT THE BIRTH OF JESUS.**

\$10 PER WREATH



Scan the code
to register!



REFLECTION

Pastor's Letter

Notes from Fr. Jim's Keyboard...



• **In today's Gospel...** we hear the "Parable of the Talents." God gives each of us talents and gifts, and we are called to use and develop them. Sometimes we tend to compare ourselves with others, and not appreciate our own gifts. All of us have been blessed by God with talents - we are all unique! The first reading, for example, extols the talents of a wife. Whatever gifts we have, let's be grateful for them, and use our God-given talents as best we can.

• **This Wednesday, November 22...** is the feast of Saint Cecilia. This day has always been special to me, because St. Cecilia is the patroness of church musicians! Historically, we don't know much about her, except that she was a virgin who was martyred for her faith. Legends about her exist, and she is said to be the patroness of sacred music because of the song of God in her heart.

We're grateful to our parish music ministry staff and volunteers, who work so hard to provide appropriate and beautiful music at our parish Masses. But **all** of us are called to participate through song at Mass. Vatican II's "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy" states at #113: *"A liturgical service takes on a nobler aspect when the rites are celebrated with singing, the sacred ministers take their parts in them, and the faithful actively participate."* So, please do your part to "actively participate" by picking up a hymnal when the cantor announces a hymn (unless you can't due to personal imitations). Honestly, it's quite disheartening for us priests when we look out at the congregation from the altar, and sometimes see many people not opening a hymnal. Our hymns are chosen with great care, and are part of our liturgical prayer. And if you're bashful because you think that your voice isn't good enough, sing even louder to remind God of the voice that He gave you!

• **Thanksgiving Day...** is this Thursday, November 23. Consider coming to Mass that day to give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received. Please note that our parish will only have one Mass on Thanksgiving Day, 10:00 a.m. at St. Thomas More.

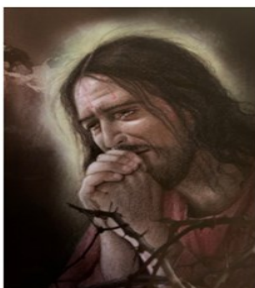
Fr. Jim Chepponis

AWAKE & PRAY:

A CALL TO THE LAY FAITHFUL

Sunday, November 19th, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Resurrection Parish / St. John Capistran Church



Praise and Worship

Holy Hour and Exposition
of the Holy Eucharist

Prayers of repentance, reparation
and intercession for our church
and the world.

*Keep Awake and Pray
that you may not come into the time of trial
(Mark 14:38)*



Music by One a Chord



Fr. Curtis Kidd, C.P.
St. Paul Monastery
President & Preacher



Tom Kneier
Worship Leader

Thanksgiving Pie Collection

- Who?** Ladies of Charity & Light of Life Mission
What? Collection of homemade or purchased pies
(apple, cherry, pumpkin, sweet potato)
When? **Tuesday, November 21st, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
Wednesday, November 22nd, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Where? Capistran Hall
Why? Light of Life Mission will deliver collected pies
with a traditional turkey dinner to local needy families on
Thanksgiving Day.



*Please box and label your pies. Empty
boxes will be available at the church hall
when you donate. Direct any questions to
Mary Capetta at 412-901-5934.*



MOMS Ministry Rosary & Reflection Calling moms
of all ages looking for fellowship and support. Join
us once a month to pray the rosary for our families
and to reflect on various topics relating to motherhood.
Our next meeting is a special **Advent Celebration on
Monday, December 11th**. Rosary and Dinner at STM ~ stay
tuned for more details.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 19, 2023, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

STM 8:00 am Rose Summaria by Patty & Bob McGrady

SJC 9:00 am Carol Coleman by Bea Clink

STM 9:30 am Bernard T. Paiano by Najdzinski Family

SJC 11:00 am For the Parishioners

STM 11:30 am Sue Wiest by Roy & Kathleen Rieck

Monday, November 20

SJC 8:30 am Recipients of Prayer Shawls and the Sick

STM 11:30 am Joseph L. Ruffing, Sr. by Joseph L. Ruffing, Jr.

Tuesday, November 21,

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SJC 8:30 am Bill & Dorothy Siebenmorgen by Family

STM 11:30 am Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of James Dipiens by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Totten

Wednesday, November 22, St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

SJC 8:30 am Rebecca Cohagan by Dee & Jerry Horn

STM 11:30 am Intentions of Altar Society Members

Thursday, November 23, St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr;

St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr

STM 10:00 am Delbert & Mary Ellen Kane by Family

Friday, November 24,

St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

SJC 8:30 am Bernice Szewczyk by Doodles

STM 11:30 am James Daniel Wellinger by AMA Teachers

Saturday, November 25,

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

STM 11:30 am Michael Perroni by Frank Sabalaukas

Saturday, November 25, Vigil Masses

STM 4:00 pm Intentions of the Lamb of God Chapel

SJC 5:00 pm Paul Berthold by McCormack Family

Sunday, November 26, 2023,

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

STM 8:00 am For the Parishioners

SJC 9:00 am James Gmitter by Evelyn York

STM 9:30 am Daniel J. Ford by Najdzinski Family

SJC 11:00 am Lawrence Hennessy by Gross Family

STM 11:30 am Joseph A. Brennan, Jr.
by Brennan & Webster Families



*The Sanctuary candle is lit this week
at SJC in memory of the Deceased Members
of the Rose & Kuzma Families
by Marge Rose
and at STM in memory of Donald Scheeser
by Jeff Doepler*



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Lamb of God Chapel at St. Thomas More
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration 24/6**



- Open Sunday after 11:30am Mass to
Saturday before 4:00pm Mass

- Vianney Cenacle, 12:00pm Saturdays:
Holy Hour for the
Sanctification of Priests

- Rosary at 12:00pm weekdays
and during Cenacle

- Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00pm daily

- Children's Hour, Tuesday 10:00am: Nursery & Chapel

- Nocturnal Adoration, 10:00pm to 6:00am
(scheduled adorers)

www.resurrectionpgh.org/adoration

Questions: stm@adorationmanager.com

**Chapel 9-Year Anniversary Mass and Speaker,
Chapel Sign-ups, and upcoming Adoration and Benediction**

The Solemnity of Christ the King marks the 9-Year Anniversary of Lamb of God Chapel. For nine years the Lord has provided this place of refuge, refreshment and peace. This is good news, and worth celebrating! The Chapel Anniversary Mass takes place at the 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas More on Saturday, November 25th.

After the anniversary Mass, Deacon John Ferguson will give a talk in the Family Life Center entitled "The Gaze of Love: The Beauties of Eucharistic Adoration." Light bites and beverages are provided, and all are welcome: committed adorers, chapel visitors, and all those who want to grow more deeply in their Eucharistic faith.

Chapel sign-ups will take place after all Masses this weekend at St. Thomas More. Testimonials will be given at all Masses, and adoration committee members will be available afterward to answer questions and/or help you sign up as a weekly adorers or substitute adorers. This is the perfect time to sign up for a weekly holy hour for the season of Advent, which is December 3-24.

Eucharistic Adoration will also take place in the church at St. John Capistrano on November 26th, the Solemnity of Christ the King, from noon to 5:00 p.m., including Solemn Exposition and ending with chanted Solemn Vespers and Benediction.

Current Chapel Openings: Sunday 5PM, Thursday 2AM,
Thursday 3PM, Saturday 3PM.

Online sign-ups:

www.resurrectionpgh.org/adoration

Chapel schedules and forms are outside the chapel

WHAT'S HAPPENING | MINISTRY MEETINGS

Sunday, November 19, 2023

- 8:00am Angel Tree Gift Drop-Off (STM & SJC Churches)
- 8:00am LOG Adoration Chapel Testimonials (STM Church)
- 9:15am Religious Education Classes (STM Classrooms)
- 9:30am RCIA (Utopia) | RCIC (Youth Room)
- 2:00pm Baptism Class (STM Church)
- 6:00pm Awake & Pray (SJC Church)

Monday, November 20, 2023

- 10:00am Bible Study with Jo Ann Paradise (Reardon Room)
- 7:00pm RCIA (STM Parish Library)
- 7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul (Martin home)

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

- 6:00am More's Men (Rooney Room & Online)
- 9:30am Lectionary Study Group (Rooney Room)
- 9:30am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (SJC Atriums)
- 10:00am Childcare/Children's Adoration Hour (Ch.Care/LOG Chapel)
- 4:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (SJC Atriums)
- 6:30pm Thanksgiving Pie Collection (Capistran Hall)
- 7:00pm Crash Course on the Catechism (Chelsea/Utopia)

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

- 9:00am Liturgy of the Hours (SJC Church Cry Room)
- 9:00am Thanksgiving Pie Collection (Capistran Hall)

Thursday, November 23, 2023

Thanksgiving Holiday - Parish Offices Closed

- 10:00am Daily Mass at STM Only

Friday, November 24, 2023

Thanksgiving Holiday - Parish Offices Closed

- 9:00am Liturgy of the Hours (SJC Church Cry Room)

Saturday, November 25, 2023

- 9:00am Reconciliation (STM Church)
- 4:00pm Reconciliation (SJC Church)
- 4:00pm Angel Tree Gift Drop-Off (STM & SJC Churches)
- 4:00pm LOG Chapel Anniversary Mass (STM Church)
- 5:00pm LOG Chapel Anniversary Reception & Talk (FLC)



The Parish offices will be closed
Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24
in honor of the Thanksgiving holiday.

There will be only one Mass held on Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 23:
10:00 a.m. at St. Thomas More

Have a blessed & happy Thanksgiving!



Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer This beautiful liturgical prayer finds its source in the Eucharist and is truly both ancient and ever new. Please join us for Morning Prayer on Thursdays at 8:00 a.m. before the 8:30 a.m. Mass, and now also on Wednesdays and Fridays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, all at St. John Capistran Church. Easy to follow booklets are provided.



An opportunity to study God's Word: We will gather on **Monday, November 20th** from 10:00 a.m. - Noon in the Reardon Room to discuss the document *The Word of God in the Life of the Church*; then explore the Gospel of Mark, verse by verse. Join us in person or on Zoom. Contact Vera Park at parkmont1293@gmail.com for the Zoom link.



The Parish Library, located at St. Thomas More Church, is currently not open after Sunday Masses because we are in need of volunteers. The library is a wonderful resource that we would love to see have more frequent use. Volunteers are needed to staff the library after the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses on Sundays. We would also like to have the library open after the 4:00 Saturday evening Mass if there is enough help.

If you are interested in assisting this ministry, please contact Kay Houston at waynkayh@yahoo.com. It only requires 30-45 minutes of your time each week. Wayne and Kay are happy to meet with you at your convenience to show you how to use the computer system and explain what needs to be done.

We are grateful for those dedicated people who now staff the library after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please visit us then!

For those who do not know where the library is located, it is accessed through the Family Life Center. Because of laws protecting our children, the doors to the Family Life Center are required to be locked. Therefore, please call the library when you arrive by dialing 322 from the phone located on the wall in the breezeway (by FLC doors). The person who is staffing the library will come open the door for you.

If there are books that would enhance our library, please let us know. We are able to purchase additional books with the donations from our Lenten book sale.



A Single Thread, a novel by Tracy Chevalier, is the topic for the **Monday, December 11th** meeting of the **Resurrection Parish Book Discussion Group**. In 1932 after the Great War took both her beloved brother and her fiancé, Violet Speedwell has become a "surplus woman" and is doomed to spinsterhood. Violet saves enough money to move to the town of Winchester home to one of England's grandest cathedrals. There she is drawn into society of borderers who embroider kneelers for the cathedral. However conditions change and Violet fights back in an era where women aren't expected to grow. Meetings are held in the Utopia Room of the STM Family Life Center from 10:00 a.m. until noon the 2nd Monday of the month. All are welcome.



Children's Religious Education and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Schedules:

- There **will** be Religious Education classes this Sunday, November 19th.
- There **will** be Catechesis of the Good Shepherd this Tuesday, November 21st.
- There are no Religious Education classes on Wednesday, November 22nd and Sunday, November 26th.
- There is no Catechesis of the Good Shepherd on Thursday, November 23rd.

We wish all of our faith formation families, fellow parishioners, and friends of Resurrection Parish a blessed Thanksgiving holiday!

Seminarian Matt joined with Mr. Patrick Putorti's 7th grade and Mrs. Dawn Madden's 8th grade religious education classes for a "Walk with the Saints" on-campus walking tour on the grounds of St. Thomas More. Thanks to all for helping these teens learn more about the Saints!





Young Adults

Phipps Conservatory Holiday Lights!

1. Buy your ticket for Sunday, December 3 at 3pm:
my.conservatory.org/62/80
Tickets go fast, so consider buying ASAP (\$24.95)

2. Text/email Bridgette for info about our meet up location at Phipps: 412-983-0932 or bkennedy@resurrectionpgh.org

Resurrection Parish Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-39)
All are welcome!

High School Youth Ministry

Trip to Kennywood for Holiday Lights
Sunday, December 3
4:00-9:00 p.m. (note new time!)

All parish high school students are invited to get into the Christmas spirit with a trip to the Holiday Lights at Kennywood! We will meet in the church at St. Thomas More at 4:00 p.m., then carpool to Kennywood. Pick-up is at 9:00 p.m. Trip cost is \$10. Stay tuned for sign up info!



MUSIC MINISTRY | AROUND OUR PARISH



Daniel Kovacic, Director of Music
Jon Runion, Associate Director of Music



DKovacic@resurrectionpgh.org
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Join the Arimathea (Funeral) Choir



The month of November is reserved to remember our departed loved ones. Here, at Resurrection Parish, we are blessed to have a devoted choir for those in mourning at our parish funerals. The group is called the **Arimathea Choir**. Named in honor of Joseph of Arimathea, he received permission from Pontius Pilate to obtain the body of Jesus after his crucifixion. It was Joseph who organized a proper burial for our Lord.

We as Catholics are called to do Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. Burying the Dead is one of the Corporal Works of Mercy and this can be the calling for you!

There are no scheduled rehearsals and you can attend as much as your schedule permits. For more information, please contact Daniel Kovacic, Director of Music, at DKovacic@resurrectionpgh.org.

All new members are required to complete the proper Safe Environment Clearances set by the Diocese of Pittsburgh. Once your clearances are complete, you will be notified that you can begin this ministry.



Christmas Caroling Party

Join our parish family as we celebrate our annual Christmas Caroling Party on **Saturday, December 9th, 4:00 p.m. at St. John Capistran Church**. This event is fun for everyone, and families are invited to come and sing together the best of secular and sacred songs! Following the caroling, we will celebrate Mass together at 5:00 p.m.. This specific weekend is also our "Second Saturday Supper." You will need to RSVP only if you will be attending the meal. See you there!



SINGING SATURDAY SUPPER!

Saturday, December 9th

Join us at St. John Capistran for Caroling at 4pm, Mass at 5pm, and a Festive Fellowship Supper at 6pm

Baked Cannelloni (meatless), Split Roll & Salad by Lucia Facco

The Second Saturday Suppers are an opportunity for food, faith and fellowship with our parish community.

The dinners are provided by Resurrection Parish.

Reservations are requested no later than Sunday, December 3rd

Use the link below or call the parish offices to sign up

www.resurrectionpgh.org/second-saturday-suppers

Any amount of free will offering that you would like to give to offset the dinner expenses is greatly appreciated. Hope to see you there!



AROUND OUR PARISH

Finance Feature

Resurrection Parish Offertory					
	Oct 2023 Actual	Oct 2022 Actual	% Change vs. 2022	Oct 2023 Budget	% Change vs. Budget
Month of October	\$160,535	\$118,707	35%	\$124,642	29%
Fiscal YTD (July-Oct)	\$555,458	\$490,340	13%	\$514,857	8%

The parish response to September's appeal for increased Offertory is quite gratifying. Heartfelt thanks to all those who increased their donation in response to the appeal. If we sustain the 8% year-to-date increase of Offertory vs. budget, that will cover more than half of the parish's budget deficit. If we sustain the October monthly increase of 13% vs. budget, that will cover virtually the entire budget deficit. If we see commensurate improvements in Parish Appeal donations and gift card sales, we may begin to generate the surplus which is needed to replenish parish savings and expand our Ministry offerings!

FINANCE COUNCIL

finance@resurrectionpgh.org

Robert Dudas
Deacon Joseph Kralik
Linda Hippert
John Meegan
Nancy Murray
John Niedenberger
Michael Ravasio
James Rhoades
Christopher Schnieders
Jay Shock

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Philip Enck
Thomas Fowler
Kevin Garber
Lynn Hogan
John O'Leary
Michele Petrovich
Michele Schnieders
Joseph Schuck
Abigail Skeel
Susan Speer

Resurrection Parish Mass Attendance

October 2023

St. John Capistran

	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Total
Sep 30-Oct 1	153	282	176	611
Oct 7-8	179	208	175	562
Oct 14-15	163	202	211	576
Oct 21-22	192	218	210	620
Oct 28-29	161	224	181	566

St. Thomas More

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	Total
Sep 30-Oct 1	452	187	360	378	1,377
Oct 7-8	493	179	380	344	1,396
Oct 14-15	491	214	310	379	1,394
Oct 21-22	398	170	375	634	1,577
Oct 28-29	450	201	278	327	1,256

Resurrection Parish Combined Totals

Sep 30-Oct 1	1,988
Oct 7-8	1,958
Oct 14-15	1,970
Oct 21-22	2,197
Oct 28-29	1,822

RAISE RIGHT PHYSICAL GIFT CARD ORDERS

We release and submit to Raise Right any PHYSICAL gift card orders around the 16th



of each month. For December, due to the need to have PHYSICAL gift cards from Raise Right available for Christmas Holiday gift giving, please place your Raise Right order NO LATER THAN **Wednesday, December 6th**. We will be releasing and submitting to Raise Right any PHYSICAL gift card orders that have been placed the morning of Thursday, December 7th. The cards should be delivered to the St. Thomas More Parish Office on December 14/15.

In addition to online orders through Raise Right, we have available 18 local vendor gift cards at both the St. Thomas More and St. John Capistran Parish Offices. They are also available at the weekend masses at both churches.

Thank you for buying gift cards through the Resurrection Parish/Ave Maria Academy Gift Card Program. God Bless all of you and have a blessed holiday season!

Join us for our parish's next Eucharistic Encounter, part of the National Eucharistic Revival.

Sunday, November 26th

Noon-5:00 - Eucharistic Adoration

**5:00 - Solemn Vespers and Benediction
(Led by Deacon John Ferguson and musicians)**

Pray for Eucharistic revival in our country, our diocese, and our parish!



AROUND OUR PARISH

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

Resurrection Parish

Lamb of God Chapel

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Located at St. Thomas More

Celebrate our 9-Year Anniversary & Sign-up Sundays

November 11-12 at St. John Capistran

November 18-19 at St. Thomas More

Chapel Anniversary Mass Solemnity of Christ the King

Saturday 4pm, November 25
at St. Thomas More

Reflection at Mass: Seminarian Peter Henkels

Anniversary Reception & Talk Family Life Center

Lite bites and beverages provided.

Anniversary Speaker: Deacon John Ferguson
"The Gaze of Love: The Beauties of Eucharistic Adoration"

- Adoration testimonies at all the sign-up Masses.
- Chapel sign-ups available after Mass and in the Family Life Center after the Anniversary Mass.
- Advent commitments available.
- Register as a weekly adorer and/or substitute adorer.

Online sign-ups :

<http://www.resurrectionpgh.org/adoration>

Solemnity of Christ the King Adoration

November 26, 12-5pm
at St. John Capistran

In addition to the regular Sunday hours in the chapel, there will be Eucharistic Adoration at St. John Capistran on November 26 in the church from 12-5pm, ending with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 5pm.

AROUND OUR PARISH

Resurrection Parish

Christmas

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Featuring
THE POLAR EXPRESS

*Wear your favorite Christmas Pajamas... Join us for Pizza,
Hot Chocolate, Popcorn, Crafts, & a Movie!*

Friday, December 1st
Doors open at 6pm
Movie starts at 6:30pm

\$15 per Family



Scan the code to register!



A NIGHT OF PRAISE & ADORATION
ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH
SATURDAY DECEMBER 2, 7-9PM



PRAISENATION

MATTHEW 2:11
AND WHEN THEY WERE COME INTO THE HOUSE, THEY SAW THE YOUNG CHILD WITH
MARY HIS MOTHER, AND FELL DOWN, AND WORSHIPPED HIM



Angel Tree

Angel Tree gifts are due this weekend and next weekend. Gifts must be unwrapped and placed in a gift bag. Place gifts by the Christmas tree at the entrance of the church.

There are still a few gifts available to select from our Angel Tree! Please sign up for gift-giving using the Sign Up Genius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/23670DD0FA7C2E59-angeltree>, scan the QR Code, or go to www.resurrectionpgh.org/angel-tree.



Gifts should be returned this weekend, November 18/19, and next weekend, November 25/26. Please send any questions to angeltreeres@gmail.com, or contact Grace or Lorraine at 412-220-2025.

ANGEL TREE ANGELS NEEDED Volunteers are needed to help with Angel Tree gifts after each of the Masses at both churches on November 18/19 and November 25/26. People are needed to carry the gifts to the holding rooms (about 15 minutes) and/or to check gifts in (about 1 hour). If you can help, email angeltreeres@gmail.com or just come to the tree after Mass.

PRAY & STAY SOCIAL SENIORS LUNCH

**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 28TH
AFTER 11:30AM MASS**

RSVP by November 24th
Sign Up or call the Parish Office

Moving into Hope with God

7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 30th

Saint John Capistran Church



An evening of prayer, ritual and reflection as the month of November ends - the month of remembrance - and we move into the Season of Advent.

Presenter: Maureen Crossen, PhD

Retired Professor of Theology, Carlow University

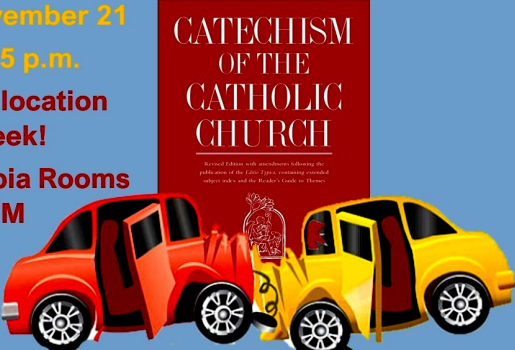
AROUND OUR PARISH

CRASH COURSE
ON THE CATECHISM

Tuesday, November 21
7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

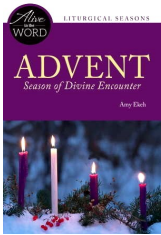
Temporary location
this week!

Chelsea/Utopia Rooms
at STM



Advent – Season of Divine Encounter **Advent ZOOM Bible Study**

Wednesdays: Nov. 29, Dec. 6 & 13, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.



The Lectionary Study Group (regularly Tuesday mornings at STM) will be offering a special online book study for Advent. *Advent: Season of Divine Encounter* by Amy Ekeh is a reflection on the various “comings” of Christ. As we remember the past and anticipate the future, we are also attentive to our divine encounters in the present, the ways God “arrives” in our everyday lives. This book helps us look closely at three key Scripture passages to recall, recognize, and anticipate the ways God comes into our lives and our world. The beauty of this work is how it lends itself to both personal spiritual growth and an interactive, social spirituality.

As one parishioner in Arkansas reviewed, “Our group is truly engaged in this Advent study. Our time of prayer was touching, uplifting, and encouraging. Thanks for this Advent gift... lives are being touched and changed because of it.”

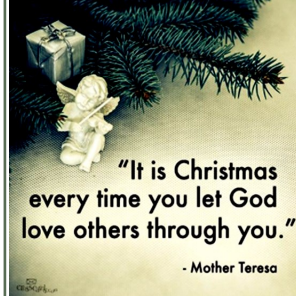
We have conducted similar series for previous liturgical seasons. The book is readily available through The Liturgical Press (<https://litpress.org/Products/4462/Advent-Season-of-Divine-Encounter> or 800-858-5450) in paperback at \$9.95 or as an eBook at \$6.99. It is also available in both formats on Amazon.

Geoffrey Schnieder will once again facilitate our discussion. If you are interested in joining this series please contact our Zoom host, Tom Anderson at 1799tca@gmail.com. If you have any questions regarding the book or our sessions, please contact Geoff at 412-848-8329 (mobile) or email at geoff.schnieder@gmail.com.

Please join the parish for an evening of recollection on **Thursday, December 14th, 6:00 p.m.** We will begin with a simple supper in the Family Life Center and continue with a quiet period of recollection, including talks by Seminarian Matt and Deacon John and time for personal prayer and reflection.



2nd Annual Resurrection Parish **Advent Morning of Service** **Saturday, December 2** **10:00 a.m. ~ Noon** **Capistran Hall**



All parishioners are invited to this family-friendly event to lend a hand as we prepare 150+ gift bags for our homebound and nursing home resident parishioners and others in need. The morning will include helping with crafts, Christmas cards, and gift bag assembly. Hope to see you there

as we join together in the Spirit of Christmas to serve these special members of our faith community and our neighbors in need.

Sponsored by the Resurrection Religious Education Department, Ladies of Charity, Senior Outreach Ministry, and the Knights of Columbus South Hills Council 3084. Questions, contact Mary Swindal, Pastoral Associate, 412-833-0031 x239 or mswindal@resurrectionpgh.org.

Upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing. Is 9:1-2.

Resurrection Parish Presents...

FAITH AND THE FIELD

A Series of Talks Relating Our Catholic Faith to the World of Sports

Resurrection Parish is proud to present **Faith and the Field**, a special opportunity for high school students to learn more about the relationship between our Catholic faith and the world of sports. My seminary classmate and I have invited speakers to come and share their unique stories and insights. The talks are designed for high school students, but all are welcome and encouraged to attend. Whether you play sports, watch sports, or simply want to know more about how Catholics can approach sports, you are most welcome to join us!

Monday, November 27th: Deacon Bill Hahn, PhD
7:00 p.m., Chelsea/Utopia Room at STM



Deacon Bill is a permanent deacon who currently serves at Saint Jude Parish in the Shadyside/Morningside area. He is a licensed and certified psychologist in private practice, with consulting medical staff privileges at local hospitals. He has over fifty years of coaching experience, including football at Central Catholic, and track at Oakland Catholic.

AROUND OUR PARISH & COMMUNITY



MARRIED COUPLES:

When was the last time you had a Weekend completely dedicated to one another? Consider...

**A Worldwide Marriage
Encounter Weekend
February 9-11, 2024!!**

Who Should Attend?: Couples with good marriages who want to RECONNECT with their spouse, spend QUALITY TIME together, and GROW in unity and intimacy again - just like when you were newlyweds.

This includes LIFE TRANSITIONS:

- New Parents
- Parents with Teens
- Empty-nesters
- Recent Retirees
- Priests



Married couples of all faiths are welcome. Couples do not need to be Catholic, though a Priest is on the Weekend and Daily Mass is offered.

What You'll Learn: The emphasis is on communication between husbands and wives and there is NO GROUP SHARING required.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Topics:

- Exploring our Personality Styles
- Communicating our Feelings
- Dealing with the Busy World Around Us
- Learning How to Improve Our Listening Skills
- Understanding God's Plan For Our Marriage
- Keeping Our Relationship A Priority

Apply: WWME.org or call 330-305-9963

Weekends are 8:00 p.m. Friday through 4:00 p.m. Sunday.

Feb 9-11, 2024 Hampton Inn, Grove City, PA

\$75 Application Fee, Financial Scholarships Available

Please Note: Worldwide Marriage Encounter is faithful to the Roman Catholic Church's teaching that marriage is a covenant that exists between one man and one woman. Any reference to marriage or couple made by WWME is in this context.



The Passionist retreat team at **St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center** on Pittsburgh's South Side, offers a quiet and holy place for a relaxed weekend of prayer and reflection with

fellow parishioners. Resurrection Parish has both a women's and a men's group that attend each year.

The women's retreat takes place **January 12-14, 2024.**

For more information call Judy Shock at 412-854-4910.

The men's retreat takes place **January 19-21, 2024.**

For more information call Jim Stalder at 412-257-9706, or Jay Shock at 412-854-4910.

All retreats begin Friday at 6:00 p.m. and conclude at noon on Sunday after an 11:00 a.m. Mass.

To reserve your spot:

Call St. Paul's directly at 412-381-7676

Reserve online at www.stpaulsretreatcenter-pittsburgh.org. Weekend cost is \$310 for a room with a private bath / \$260 for a room without a private bath. If paying by credit card, there is a 3% surcharge.

Festival of Praise
All are welcome!

Sponsored by
Sts. Martha and Mary Parish

December 3, 2023
At St. Richard Church

6:00 - 9:00 pm
6:00 - 7:00 Free Dinner
7:00 - 9:00 Adoration & Praise
Confession Available
Parking On-Site

Worship Leaders: Lilly and Nicky Ricciardi
President: Fr. Mike Conway

3841 Dickey Rd.
Gibsonia, PA 15044



Calling All Single Catholics, age 21 and OVER

Looking for a new way to meet people and have some fun? Check out the Catholic Singles Club of Pittsburgh. They offer a variety of different activities including dinners, spiritual enrichment, cultural, mini golf, hikes, biking, community service, volleyball, sports leagues, trips, and many other great events. For more information, visit their website: www.cacpittsburgh.org, search meetup.com for *Catholic Singles of Greater Pittsburgh*, email CACPhMembership@gmail.com, or call 412-341-4070, option 1. Give yourself an early Christmas present and join today. You'll be glad you did!

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www.avemariapgh.org

KINDNESS COUNTS

At Ave Maria Academy, we are blessed to participate in the HERO program. Helping Everyone Respect Others is a school-wide initiative designed to recognize students for being respectful, attentive and appreciative of others' opinions. See more about November's kindness activities below.



PREPARING FOR THANKSGIVING

First grade is very thankful this Thanksgiving season. Students have done various giving projects to the community. One project included writing "thankful letters" to penpals who just happen to be students in the same grade on our sister campus. First grade has been completing many science lessons using STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). They had to construct various ways to build apple trees to celebrate Johnny Appleseed Day. Language Arts is another highlight of the first quarter. The class is using stories to help us learn about kindness, the world, and specific life lessons. It is an excellent year to provide students with study skills, academic knowledge, and opportunities for personal spiritual growth. We strive to cultivate a child's love of learning!



CHRISTMAS CANDY SALE

Are you looking for a special, locally made gift for family and friends? Order Sarris Candy! Online ordering is available. Use codes 10-1189 (Bethel) or 10-0216 (Mt. Lebanon)



For more details on all events see school website.

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*If you require assistance in an area not listed in
the bulletin, please call or visit the parish offices.*

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm at STM and 12:00 pm at SJC (An instruction class before a first child's Baptism is required. Call the Parish Office to R.S.V.P.)

Sacrament of Holy Eucharist

Available to the sick and those confined to home. Please contact the Parish Office to learn more. First Eucharist is celebrated annually in the spring.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Annually in the fall. Please contact the Religious Education office to learn more.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact a parish priest at least six months in advance. Masses are typically scheduled on Saturdays at 1:30pm at STM and 2:00 pm on Saturdays at SJC.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you feel you are might be called to the priesthood or diaconate, please contact your parish priest or visit: www.pghpriest.com.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 9:00 am at STM and 4:00 pm at SJC. For private confessions, call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Anointing

If you or a loved one is in need of Anointing, please contact the Parish Office. Anointing services are also conducted annually.

RCIA

(THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA is offered every year in the fall. It is a beautiful process of discernment, conversion, commitment, and love. Please call or email the Parish Office and ask to be directed to the RCIA Coordinator.

Funeral Masses10:00 am at both locations

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Resurrection Parish has an active St. Vincent de Paul Society conference that helps neighbors in need.

If you need assistance with rent, mortgage, utilities or other needs please contact us at 412-564-3411. Leave a message and we will return your call.

**ALL BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS SHOULD BE SENT
ELECTRONICALLY TO:
parishbulletin@resurrectionpgh.org**

**NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M. MONDAY MORNINGS.
NO EXCEPTIONS.**

**If you suspect child abuse, please contact:
Diocesan Victim Assistance 1-888-808-1235**