



THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

Welcome!

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TEMPORARY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. at SSJ
4:30 p.m. at SMOS

SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m. at SMOS
9:00 a.m. at SSJ
10:00 a.m. at SMOS
11:00 a.m. at SSJ

MONDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SMOS

TUESDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ

WEDNESDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SMOS

THURSDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SSJ
12:00 p.m. at SMOS

FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. at SMOS
12:00 p.m. at SSJ

*This schedule does not
reflect holidays or Holy Days.*



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

**"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the
least brothers of mine, you did for me." - Mt 25:38-40**

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For church locations and staff information, see page 20

PRAYER & WORSHIP

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM:

For arrangements call
the parish office: 412-857-5356



ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Call the parish office for
arrangements if in danger of death.
If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing
facility, please ask the nursing staff
to contact the Catholic priest on call
for that facility.



MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made with
one of the priests at least six months
before the proposed date
of the wedding.



PENANCE:

Saturdays

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Wednesdays (Not held on Dec. 27))

6:00 to 6:30 p.m.
at Ss. Simon and Jude Church
—Or by appointment.—

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 26 THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

*4:00 p.m.	SSJ	James Barozzini by Angela and Sam Verbene
*4:30 p.m.	SMOS	Elizabeth Marszalek by Carol and Steve Steenson
8:00 a.m.	SMOS	Nancy J. Schuler by the Ronald Schuler Family
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Michelle McGann by Sue Reed
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	SSJ	Victor Zarelli by wife, Joanne

NOVEMBER 27 MONDAY OF THE 34TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Mark A. Podroskey by cousin, Mary Jane
12:00 p.m.	SMOS	Loretta Remish by Joan Reale

NOVEMBER 28 TUESDAY OF THE 34TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SMOS	For the health and wellbeing of Juliet and Larry Roth by family
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Angelo Pittore by wife, Pat

NOVEMBER 29 WEDNESDAY OF THE 34TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	100 th birthday of Anna Marie Kramer by family
12:00 p.m.	SMOS	Bob Kinzler by wife

NOVEMBER 30 FEAST OF ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Don Moody by Ruth Moody
12:00 p.m.	SMOS	Ronald Russitano Jr. by Angela and Sam Verbene

DECEMBER 1 FRIDAY OF THE 34TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	SMOS	Mary Ann Shalamon by Joe and Bob Shalamon
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Carolyn Wendt by Victoria O'Bosky

DECEMBER 3 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*4:00 p.m.	SSJ	Marie Kustron by Mr. and Mrs. Ferrie
*4:30 p.m.	SMOS	Loretta Grecco by Fr. Grecco
8:00 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Antonette Miller by Michael Miller and family
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Joseph Price III by the Joseph Price Family
11:00 a.m.	SSJ	The Gaudelli and Sothergill Families by family

**anticipated Mass on the evening before the obligated Liturgy*

Temporary Schedule

Due to a partial ceiling collapse, all Masses (and Mass Intentions) at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church have been moved to St. Margaret of Scotland EXCEPT the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays which will be held at Ss. Simon and Jude Church.



PARISH LIFE

FROM THE PASTOR

"Dear friends, the Kingdom of God is not a matter of honours and appearances but, as St. Paul writes, it is 'righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit' (Rm 14: 17). The Lord has our good

at heart, that is, that every person should have life, and that especially the 'least' of his children may have access to the banquet he has prepared for all. Thus, he has no use for the forms of hypocrisy of those who say: 'Lord, Lord' and then neglect his commandments (cf. Mt 7: 21). In his eternal Kingdom, God welcomes those who strive day after day to put his Word into practice." —*Pope Benedict XVI, Homily for Solemnity of Christ the King, November 2008*

The coming Friday is the First Friday of December. Members of the Adoration Society are reminded to schedule a visit to the exposed Blessed Sacrament at Ss. Simon and Jude Church between 9:00 and 11:30 a.m.

In preparation for Christmas the children of Guardian Angel Academy and our Parish Faith Formation program will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Practice of this sacrament at an early age will help to assure that we don't forget about its existence or our need for it as adults.

Pick up a free copy of "The Word Among Us" to assist you in a fruitful celebration of the coming season of Advent!

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS THIS WEEKEND — NOVEMBER 25 & 26

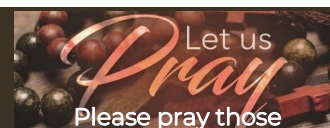


This weekend marks the last full weekend of the month. Couples who received the Sacrament of Matrimony in the month of November are invited to remain after Mass to receive a blessing. The blessings will take place after *every* Mass; no appointments or reservations are required.

Looking ahead: Due to the holidays, the DECEMBER Anniversary Blessings will take place on Saturday, December 16 and Sunday, December 17.

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

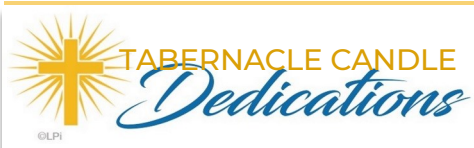
Charles J. Matlak
Edward F. Sienicki
Linda Wesley



who have asked for our prayers:

Anthony Anderson	Eugene Loniero
Kathy Aspinall	John Loniero
George Bado	Peter Paul Lyle III
Bob Bartell	Mary Ann Macino
Marge Bartell	Arch MacLennan
Emilia Bentley	Penny Mahoney
June Bentley	Lucille Marabito
Clara Bielecki	Laura Martin
Brian Bishop	Sam Martin
Kelly Bittner	Carl Masciola
Jim Boerio	Kathy Masko
Gina Burton	Gina Massengill
Pete Caligiuri	Kathy McGann
Donald Campbell	Virginia Miller
Dorothy Campbell	Joyce Mostowy
Amy Carmichael	Robin Munko
Elisa Carsia	Pat Murdzak
Helen Cassidy	Judi Novak
Kenneth Chase	Victoria O'Bosky
Gina Dangelico	Mario Oliverio
Katie Denke	Joan Pandolph
Antoinette DePofi	Linda Perris
Patty Drury	Charles Perry
Kathi Dvorak	Diane Perry
Lena Enrietti	Nancy Pistella
Nancy Kelly Enrietti	Carol Poecking
Patti Eurich	Robert Prevost
Stephanie Fahnestock	Diane Pritchard
Helen Fallon	Dolores Quinn
Vicky Feeney	Bob Recaldini
Lois Ferrie	Dave Redman
Rosemary Ferruzza	Joann Redondo
Suzanne T. Finnegan	Paxton Renk
Gabriel Fontana	Florinda Rosemeyer
Michelle Frego	Helen Salamon
May Frye	Andrew Patrick Schade
William Gabella	Margery Schell
Dan Gardner	John Schenk
Jane Gardner	Tyler Schepis
Edmund Gaskill	Mary Patricia Schnars
Mike Gieselman	Kathleen Shilling
Joseph M. Granata	Mary Socci
John Groll	Genevieve Sonson
Brandon Gross	Edie Sortwell
Mark Hagelauer	Mildred Spezialetti
Margaret Harkins	Teresa Stacy
Linda Harrity	Jaime St. Ledger
Eileen Henefeld	Judye Suhy
Mary V. Hester	Bob Super
Patti Howcroft	Ed Super
Brent Jones	Ed Sutilla
Noreen Joslyn	Rose Talmonti
Anna Mary Karpinski	Theresa Tapper
William Karpinski	Tim Teeters
Joanne Keating	John M. Tinney
Gregory M. Klemmer	Jerry Tokar
Gloria Krally	Rosemarie Toth
Lori Krally	Allen Turske
Ann Kramer	Stephanie Vail
Veronica Kujawski	Penny Verow
Darlene Kura	Mary Kay Walsh
Helen Kurek	James Walther
Jackie Kushner	Kathy Zajicek
Mark Laird	Bernice Zyzak
John Linn	

and all who are sick and in need of our prayers.



At St. Margaret of Scotland Church

in loving
memory of

Carrie Blissell

by

Karen and Kevin

Maurer

4/17/1913 - 12/8/1998

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory

Required Weekly \$30,000
11/08/2023 thru 11/14/2023 \$20,093

2023 Parish Appeal

2023 Goal \$278,967
Monthly due to the Diocese \$23,247
11/08/2023 thru 11/14/2023 \$4,969
Received to date \$453,097
Goal excess \$174,130

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The churches are listed alphabetically in this bulletin and online.

Unless otherwise noted, the bulletin deadline is **Monday at Noon**.
Email: mksmith@straphaelcgs.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

• Find more information where page number is listed.

HOLY HOUR

PAGE 11 • Celebrate Christ the King this weekend. Join us after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday for Holy Hour.

MASS BOOK IS OPEN

PAGE 14 • The Mass book for 2024 is now open.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

PAGE 13 • Today, November 26, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude Church.

FIRST FRIDAY

PAGE 13 • Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Friday, December 1.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

PAGE 17 • See the Knights of Columbus on December 3 for the best breakfast and best deal in town!

BAPTISM CLASS

For those preparing to have their child baptized, a Baptism Preparation Class is held monthly. Couples are encouraged to take the class before their child is born. The next class is Thursday, November 30 at Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall at 6:00 p.m. To register to attend, please call Carol Kossler at the parish office at 412-857-5356.

ROSARY AGAINST VIOLENCE

Pray with us every Wednesday after the Noon Mass.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

PAGE 10 • December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES —DUE BY NOON ON DAYS LISTED—

Date of publication	Date when articles and news are due:
December 3	Monday, November 20
December 10	Wednesday, November 29
December 17	Wednesday, December 6
December 24/25	Monday, December 11
December 31	Monday, December 18
January 7	Thursday, December 21

Mass Scripture readers are reminded that copies of the "2024 Workbook for Lectors" are available to pick up in the sacristy of both Ss. Simon and Jude and St. Margaret of Scotland churches.

ENTRANCE HYMN | WORTHY IS THE LAMB

Tune: DUKE STREET. John Hatton, 1710-1793 Text: *Dianus est Agnus*. Revelation 5:12: 1:6 Psalm 72:1-8 Christoph Tietze *Introits Hymns for the Liturgical Year* © 2005 WLP

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FIRST READING | EZEKIEL 34: 11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will look after and tend my sheep.

As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep.

I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark.

I myself will pasture my sheep;

I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD.

The lost I will seek out,

the strayed I will bring back,

the injured I will bind up,

the sick I will heal,

but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly.

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD,

I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

SECOND READING | 1 CORINTHIANS 15: 20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order:

Christ the first-fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed

every sovereignty and every authority and power.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | MARK 11: 9, 10



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

GOSPEL | MATTHEW 25: 31-46

Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him.

And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the

world. For I was hungry and you gave me food,

I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'

And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you,

whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you

hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(bow at the following bolder words)
**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was
buried, and rose again on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at
the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and the
Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through
the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic, and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN | CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS



Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne.
Crown him the Lord of Peace, whose pow'r a scep - ter sways
Crown Him the Lord of Years, the mas - ter of all time,

Hark! How the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed by prayer and praise.
Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing — spheres, and ris - en Lord sub - lime.

A - wake my soul, and sing of him who set us free,
His reign shall know no end, and round his pierc - ed feet
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For you have died for me;

and hail him as your heav'n - ly King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
fair flowr's of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
your praise and glo - ry shall not fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty!

Tune: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

Text: Revelation 19:12; Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894

SANCTUS / HOLY

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your
glo-ry. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-
san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est!___

MYSTERY OF FAITH

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion
un-til you come a-gain,___ un-til you come a-gain.

GREAT AMEN

A-men,___ a men,___ a - - - men!
A-men, a-men,___ a - men, a-men!___

AGNUS DEI / LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God,___ you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer-cy on us. world, grant us___ peace.

Final time

COMMUNION HYMN | IN THE PRESENCE OF THE ANGELS



In the pres - ence of___ the an - gels we of - fer our thanks and___ praise.
 Shar - ing a taste of heav - en___ we feast in un - end - ing joy.____
 In the pres - ence of___ the___ an - gels the cup of bless - ing we bless.____
 Break - ing the bread of heav - en,___ heav - en is wed - ded to earth.____

1. I will give thanks to your name because of your kindness and truth.
With all my heart I will sing your praise in the presence of the angels.
2. I will give thanks to your name because of your kindness and truth.
Whenever I called you answered me. You built up strength within me.
3. All kings on earth shall give thanks when they hear the words of your mouth.
And they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, "Great is the glory of God!"

Tune: Steven Van Wye © 2013, GIA Publications, Inc. Text: Psalm 138, adapted Steven Van Wye

— AT THE 11:00 A.M. MASS —

Please kneel



O sa - lu - ta - ris ho - sti - a, Quae cae - li pan - dis o - sti - um;
 U - ni tri - no - que Do - mi - no Sit sem - pi - ter - na glo - ri - a:
 O Sav - ing Vic - tim, o - p'ning wide The gate of heav'n to us be - low!
 To your great name be end - less praise, Im - mor - tal God - head, One in Three;
 bel - la pre - munt ho - sti - li - a, Da ro - bur fer au - xi - li - um.
 Qui vi - tam si - ne ter - mi - no No - bis do - net in pa - tri - a.
 Our foes press on from ev - 'ry side; Your aid sup - ply, your strength be - stow.
 O grant us end - less length of days When our true na - tive land we see.

Tune: Tune: DUGUET; Dieudonné Duguet, 1794–1849 Text: St. Thomas Aquinas, c.1225–1274; trans. by Edward Caswall, 1814–1878 and John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

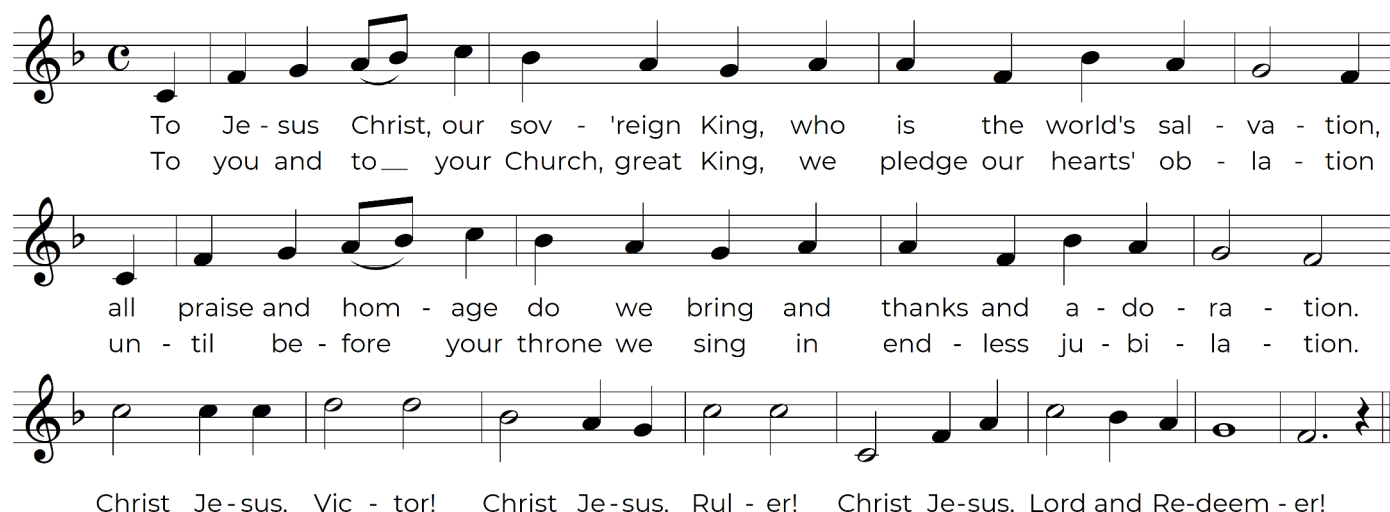
Please consider remaining to adore the Eucharistic upon the altar in the Monstrance or if you are at another Mass, please join us around 12:00 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church to adore Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Holy Hour continues using the bulletin supplement entitled "Midday Prayer."

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

RECESSIONAL HYMN | TO JESUS CHRIST, OUR SOVEREIGN KING

(except at 11:00 a.m. Mass)



To Je - sus Christ, our sov - 'reign King, who is the world's sal - va - tion,
To you and to your Church, great King, we pledge our hearts' ob - la - tion

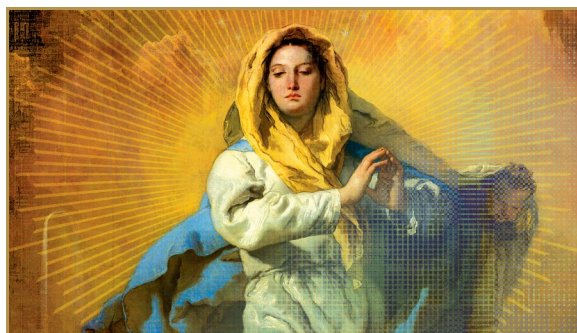
all praise and hom - age do we bring and thanks and a - do - ra - tion.
un - til be - fore your throne we sing in end - less ju - bi - la - tion.

Christ Je - sus, Vic - tor! Christ Je - sus, Rul - er! Christ Je - sus, Lord and Re - deem - er!

Tune: ICH GLAUB AN GOT; *Mainz Gesangbuch*, 1870

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HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

Join us to celebrate the Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

FEAST OF THE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Vigil Mass on Thursday, December 7:

- 4:30 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church

Holy Day Masses on Friday, December 8:

- 8:30 a.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church
- 12:00 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church
- 6:30 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church



note: There will NOT be a Noon Mass on Thursday, December 7



Holy Hour

CELEBRATE OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
on Sunday, November 26
at Ss. Simon and Jude Church

Join us for Holy Hour and Benediction.
Exposition of the Eucharist begins immediately after the
11:00 a.m. Mass, with Benediction at 1:00 p.m.



Thank you to all who participated in our Christmas Mass survey. The coming Christmas holiday will be different as we are temporarily limited to the use of two of our three churches. Based on the numbers of attendees at last year's early evening celebration (4:00 / 4:30), we look for "standing room" only as we attempt to fit into two buildings what was a total of nearly 1500. To relieve some pressure from those early Masses, two additional Masses will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m. in each of the churches. You are free to choose which Mass time you prefer, but be warned that the seating will be limited and parking could be an issue at the 4:00 p.m. Masses. We have contacted the Scott Township Police (who are very gracious in their assistance) to be attentive to the 4:00 p.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude Church.

Additionally, as the 2022 combined total of attendees at both 10:00 and 11:00 p.m. Masses was only 363, there will be one "late" Christmas Eve Mass at 10:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

- 4:00 p.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church
- 4:00 p.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church
- 6:00 p.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church
- 6:00 p.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church
- 10:30 p.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church
- 10:00 a.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church
- 11:00 a.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church

THE CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



CARING + GIVING + SERVING

When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

— 1 Corinthians 15: 28



Today is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This Feast was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as a response to increasing secularism and atheism in society. The secular forces of today continue to challenge the Church and its members. Perhaps you have seen signs in the yards of neighbors or posts on social media that list the elements of a secular “creed” that begins, “I believe in science.” Sadly, this attempt to supplant Almighty God with a human intellectual discipline is misguided and short-sighted.

When I was in high school, I had a friend who told me he was an atheist. He was a very intelligent young man who excelled in science, and although he did it in a friendly way, he would criticize and ridicule my religious beliefs. During graduate school, I ran into this old friend in the Medical School Library at Pitt, and we went out for a coffee. To my surprise, he told me that he was attending church on a regular basis with his Methodist girlfriend. He was even teaching Sunday School! I asked what led to this conversion, and he told me it was his advanced study of science. The more he came to understand the natural world, the more he came to realize that its structure and beauty could not have just randomly happened. Not so coincidentally, the father of his field of study, which was molecular genetics, was Gregor Mendel, an Austrian Monk. During his post-doctoral work, my friend met another brilliant biologist and they married. In his words, he gradually found his way “home to Rome,” and when he went through R.C.I.A., his wife was his sponsor.

My friend's experience demonstrates that science and religion do not, and in fact should not, be in competition with each other. In *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis states that, “Science and religion, with their distinctive approaches to understanding reality, can enter into an intense dialogue fruitful for both (62).” Pope John Paul II noted that, “Science can purify religion from error and superstition; religion can purify science from idolatry and false absolutes. Each can draw the other into a wider world, a world in which both can flourish.” That world, where God cannot be understood fully and science cannot be deified, is a miniscule part of the seen and unseen universe ruled by One King.

MILITARY PRAYER REMEMBRANCE

Cynthia Alward, Navy
 Tyler Alward, Navy
 CAPT Shawn Balent, USMC
 AIC Noel Blackhall, USAF
 SSgt David Blackhall, USAF
 SPC Casey Busch, Army
 SSgt Kristiana Coote, USAF
 LTC Ronald Gaudelli, Army
 2LT Matthew Grebinoski, Army
 AIC Sean Mahoney II, USAF
 COL Christopher Marchetti, Army
 SA2 Joshua May, Navy
 1LT Matthew Montanaro, Army
 SGT Alexander L. Novelli, Army
 1stLt Anthony Palumbo, USMC
 1stLt Anthony Redondo, USMC
 CAPT Jake Ridings, USMC
 Sgt Jordan M. Rush, USMC
 AIC Elana Russell, USAF
 SrA Jay Russell, USAF
 TSgt Justin F. Smith, USAF
 Cpl Nicholas Steinert, USMC
 SGT Gregory Timmerman, Army
 LT Sean Trombetta, Navy
 1LT Garrett Walnoha, Army
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CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) is for children of our parish in grades K through 3 and will be held once a month alternating between 9:00 a.m. Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude Church and 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret of Scotland Church.

During the Mass, children will be invited to Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall (St. Margaret of Scotland CLW will be held in the cry room) after the opening prayer or "Collect" to listen to the Sunday readings, Gospel and homily on an age-appropriate level, led by an adult. If a deacon is scheduled during the Mass, he will lead the children and be accompanied by another adult. Children will return to their pews to participate in the Offertory Hymn and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

CLW SCHEDULE:

**November 26: 9:00 a.m. Mass at
Ss. Simon and Jude Church**

December 31: 10:00 a.m. Mass at
St. Margaret of Scotland Church

*Please note that CLW will take place
during 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann
Seton Church when the church re-opens.*



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Join us for EUCHARISTIC ADORATION on Friday, December 1, at Ss. Simon and Jude Church, beginning at 9:00 a.m., and ending with benediction prior to the Noon Mass.

Or join us for Nocturnal Adoration that will begin at 10:00 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church. It will end with benediction at 6:45 a.m. on Saturday morning.

FAITH FORMATION

IN-PERSON SESSION THIS WEEK

Faith Formation will be held in person this week, November 29. Students are reminded to return the *Empowering God's Children® Safe Environment Program* Parent Acknowledgement Form this week for credit.

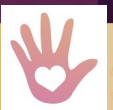
A Family Encounter Holy Hour with Confessions for students and parents takes place on December 6 at Ss. Simon and Jude Church from 6:30 to 7:45 pm. Parents/Guardians are reminded that all family sessions are part of the curriculum and students are to attend. If a parent/guardian is unavailable to attend, you are asked to find a relative or friend to take your place. Students who are not in attendance will be assigned a lesson to cover at home.

ADVENT SERVICE EVENT

Parishioners of all ages are invited to participate in a fun service event for Advent on Saturday, December 16. We will be filling 150 Christmas stockings for residents of Juniper Village and homebound parishioners. We will have work for many hands, including sorting, coloring, crafting, filling stockings, counting, packing, and carefully loading them for delivery. We have a very special surprise and a light lunch to follow completion of our work! Finally, a group of us will go to Juniper Village to carol for the residents and pass out stockings.

We will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall. All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Those who wish to carol and deliver stockings are expected at Juniper Village at 12:30 p.m. Carolers must have Safe Environment Clearances. Those who cannot stay the whole time are still very welcome to participate. If you are able, please bring an item to add to the stockings, such as packaged crackers or cookies.

To help us plan and order refreshments, please RSVP to Laura at laura@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356 ext. 431 with number and ages of those who plan to attend by Monday, December 11, 2023.



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ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



It's time for our **ANGEL TREES**



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The St. Raphael the Archangel Ladies of Charity are sponsoring the Angel Trees again this year. St. Margaret of Scotland Church and Ss. Simon and Jude Church will have a tree with angel tags representing all the different recipients. If you are able to help this year, please take an angel tag, wrap the gift, attach the angel to the outside of the gift, and return it by Sunday, December 10.

PLEASE NOTE: The Angels are color coded for the organization/charity that we are supporting.

COLOR OF ANGEL	ORGANIZATION/ CHARITY
GREEN	Children through the food pantry located at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
RED	Individuals from Pioneer School with behavioral health concerns and with intellectual and developmental disabilities
WHITE	Children of Local Parish Families
YELLOW	Children from Community Human Services of Pittsburgh
PINK	Babies whose families receive services through Lifeline of Southwest PA
NEON GREEN	The homeless and the marginalized in the surrounding communities
LIGHT BLUE	Adults of Chartiers Center with intellectual disabilities
DARK BLUE	Adults of Step by Step with intellectual disabilities
PURPLE	Adults of Vincentian Marian Manor
GRAY	Adults of Juniper Senior Living of Pittsburgh
ORANGE	Gift cards that are used to help the homeless, elderly or those who happen to be in need throughout the year

Suggested amount per gift tag is \$25. We thank you in advance for your support and prayers as we continue to work to help the needy. If you have any questions, please call Leslie Charitan, 412-257-3117.

In Summary:

1. Pick an angel.
2. Buy and wrap the suggested gift.
3. Attach the angel to the outside and return the gift by December 10.

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE **MASS BOOK IS OPEN**

The Mass Book is open for 2024. At this time, parishioners are invited to request up to one weekday and one weekend Mass. Please come to the Parish Administration Center or call 412-857-5356. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

GETTING READY FOR ADVENT



Prepare your heart
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Explore other great content on FORMED during the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Go to **formed.org** or click the link on our homepage: straphaelcgs.org. Get a free membership to FORMED. When prompted, select *St. Raphael the Archangel Parish at 330 3rd Avenue in Carnegie*. It's simple!

The Saint Andrew Christmas Novena

Beginning on St. Andrew the Apostle's feast day, November 30, the following beautiful prayer is traditionally recited fifteen times a day until Christmas. This is a very meditative prayer that helps us increase our awareness of the real focus of Christmas and helps us prepare ourselves spiritually for His coming.

HAIL AND BLESSED BE
THE HOUR AND MOMENT
IN WHICH THE SON OF GOD WAS BORN
OF THE MOST PURE VIRGIN MARY,
AT MIDNIGHT, IN BETHLEHEM,
IN PIERCING COLD.

IN THAT HOUR VOUCHSAFE,
I BESEECH THEE, O MY GOD,
TO HEAR MY PRAYERS
AND GRANT MY DESIRES
THROUGH THE MERITS OF
OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
AND HIS BLESSED MOTHER.



Amen.

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY MR. GRECCO!



Fr. Grecco's father, Carl, is celebrating his 90th birthday today! May God bless him with good health and happiness. If you would like to send him a card or note, here is his address:

Mr. Carl Grecco
104 Concordia Way
Room 105
Butler, PA 16001

He is sure to enjoy hearing from the parishioners at his son's parish.



ALL CHRISTIAN MOTHERS & WOMEN'S GUILD MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for dinner on Thursday, December 14, at 6:00 p.m. at Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall.
If you wish to participate in a gift exchange, bring a small wrapped gift with a value of no more than \$10.
Register to attend; no walk-ins please. You may RSVP online at straphaelcgs.org. or call Mary Kay Smith: 412-857-5356 ext. 422 The deadline to register is December 4. If you have questions, call Maria DeFelice: 412-580-0902

LOOK IN THE BULLETIN

A new feature in the bulletin may help you find ways to become more involved in parish life. Look for these symbols to easily find ...



Opportunities for prayer & worship



Opportunities to serve



Opportunities to learn and grow in faith



Opportunities to contribute to a worthy cause



Opportunities for fellowship

KEEPING KIDS SAFE

Did you know?

When there are any questions or concerns regarding whether or not the results of a Criminal Background Check pose a threat to children, the procedures set forth in Appendix E of the Safe Environment Policy of the Diocese of Pittsburgh will be followed. This may be found by going to diopitt.org and clicking on Offices, then Child Protection, then Child Protection Essential Documents, then Policy: Safe Environments for Children. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Karen Maurer, Safe Environment Coordinator: karen@straphaelcgs.org, 412-857-5356, ext. 430.



On November 10 through November 12, men from the parish enjoyed a Spirit-filled weekend at the annual Men's Retreat. This year's theme was "Living in the World and not Being of the World."

MEN OF THE PARISH

Were you unable to attend the men's retreat? If you missed the opportunity, we offer another chance for a faith-filled getaway. Come to the Men's Emmaus Retreat. If you're reaching for answers, feeling overwhelmed, or just want some time to rethink and reboot, come to the Men's Emmaus Retreat. If you're looking to make this Advent the best ever, come to the Men's Emmaus Retreat. Join us on December 1 through December 3, at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center. To reserve your spot, go to pittsburghemmaus.com. If you have questions, please call Jim Walther: 412-531-9432.

— Advent — Small Group Faith Sharing

In the hopeful context of the Advent Season, join with fellow parishioners to read and discuss *The Church Forward* Pastoral Letter by Bishop David Zubik.

Mondays, December 4, 11, and 18: We will offer a daytime session from 12:45 to 2:15 p.m. in the Cry Room at St. Margaret of Scotland Church and an evening session from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Church Hall at Ss. Simon and Jude.

There is no cost, but please register to help us to ensure that we have enough materials.

Contact Laura at 412- 857-5356, ext. 431 or laura@straphaelcgs.org



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CANDLES FROM NOVEMBER 2

Last week to get your candle

If you were unable to attend the All Souls Day Mass on November 2, where we remembered the parishioners who died between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023, please come to the parish administration center during normal business hours to pick up a candle with your loved-one's name. Candles will only be available until November 30. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.





Join the Knights of Columbus for a
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
on Sunday, December 3

in St. Luke Hall of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Enjoy generous portions of
Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage,
Coffee, and Juice.

Adults: \$8.00 | Children (ten and under): \$4.00

Golden Agers

**DECEMBER HOLIDAY
LUNCHEON**

**Wednesday, December 6
1:30 to 4:00 p.m.**

**St. Luke Hall
of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church**

\$30

Reservations were required before today.

Call Donald Cain to see if there is still space
available (no promises): 412-279-0885

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to the parishioners who attend our
local Catholic high schools and achieved honors during
the first quarter. Keep up the good work!



At Central Catholic High School
Dashiell Paul Sargent



At Oakland Catholic High School
Highest Honor
Shannon Fleckenstein



At Seton LaSalle High School
Highest Honors (GPA 4.0)
Dominick Aidan Fani
Logan David Ferrand

High Honors (GPA 3.75-3.99)
Elizabeth Sara Luzar
Justin Mark Metz

*At the time of print, not all schools have reported. We
will include more schools as soon as they come in.
Note: Some schools only post per semester.*



HONOR ROLL

GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY would like to acknowledge and congratulate our Middle School **HONOR ROLL STUDENTS** for the First Quarter of the 2023 -2024 School Year!

HIGHEST HONOR

Adrianna Batts
Christian Bush
Mason Dick
Brady Jenkins
Gabriella Kim
Maria Leithauser-Mihalega
Carter Lemmon
Emily Luzar
Raymond Piaggese
Alexxis Robles
Elsa Snover
Dylan Ford
Maria Fuchs
Chase Harris
Maddie Hayes
Julia Piaggese
Kayla To
Nicolo Trigona
Sydney Twardy
Lucy Wrabley
Amari Wright
Eliana Cornetti
Aline Ibrahim
Skylar Jenkins
Fiona Shipley
Juliet Snover
Joseph Stack
Macie Trombetta
Travis Anglum
Allison Jula
Avery Sinicrope
Adaya Nosa-Oviasu
Daniel Proch

HIGH HONOR

Eden Franc
Jackson Leslie
Hunter Smith
Daniel Talerico
Noah Bays
Hunter Mattern
Isabella Trosky
Camden Washington
Chelsey Harris
Betsy Rector

HONOR

Bridget Fraino
Dylan Courtney
Derek Elaiho
Zoey Golembiewski
Devin Hanna
Eve Reinheimer
Halle Reinheimer
Sophia Romanovich
Beckham Barr
Grady Molinero
Caroline Yuhas



Congratulations!

GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY

Christmas CRAFT SHOW

Formerly St. Margaret of Scotland

SATURDAY, DEC. 2
10AM - 3PM

80+ Tables
Chinese Auction
Bake Sale • Concessions



GREENTREE

GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY

915 Alice Street • Pittsburgh, PA 15220

Proceeds benefit Guardian Angel Academy

ON SALE NOW

2024 GAA Lottery Calendars



Great stocking stuffers! 365 chances to WIN - a gift that keeps on giving!

Donation of \$30 per card/calendar. Payouts are \$40 Sunday through Friday, \$60 Saturday, and Holidays vary from \$75 to \$500. Win once and it pays for itself! Available now at the Guardian Angel Academy office (Green Tree) or email klozano@guardianangelacademy.org.

Proceeds benefit the students of Guardian Angel Academy.

THE CONTEMPORARY CHOIR SCHEDULE

November 26: 10:00 a.m. St. Margaret of Scotland Church

December 3: 9:00 a.m. Ss. Simon and Jude Church



HERE FOR YOU

Mercy in Action

Sick Calls

If you or a loved one are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call for the facility, or let us know so we can get you the proper spiritual care. Because of the HIPAA law, treatment facilities are not permitted to release your information to us unless you or your family give them permission to do so.

Home Visits

If you are homebound and desire Holy Communion and/or the Sacraments of Healing (Penance or Anointing of the Sick) please call Laura at the parish office: 412-857-5356 ext.431.

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

412-444-5424

If you are in need, SVdP may be able to assist you. Individual cases are confidentially evaluated and help is provided as our resources and guidelines allow. A variety of direct services including clothing, furniture, utility assistance, and more may be available.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry*

412-489-5848

Our pantry supports local families who are unable to make ends meet or who have experienced a recent crisis. This second branch of our SVdP outreach program is specific to the mission of feeding the hungry. Open Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon; stop by or call to learn more.

**Located at the Administration Center in the back of the building: 330 Third Avenue (rear) The street is named Barrett Way.*

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MASSSES ARE LIVE STREAMED AND RECORDED EVERYDAY.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

For arrangements please call the parish office.

Anointing

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with one of the priests *at least six months before* the proposed date of the wedding.

If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

Note:

You must be a registered and active parishioner for at least **six months** before requesting sacramental sponsor forms. Please allow **three weeks** for completion.

Penance

Saturdays: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Wednesdays: 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.
Ss. Simon and Jude Church

Livestream questions: livestream@straphaelcgs.org

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Saint Vincent de Paul

412-444-5424

Sacramental Records

412-456-3158

SVdP Food Pantry

at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
412-489-5848

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