

Mass Intentions



SUNDAY 10:30 AM	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Rose Sommariva (Family)
TUESDAY 8:00 AM	Weekday Vivian G. Miller (Family)
THURSDAY 8:00 AM	St. Cyril, Monk, Methodius, Bishop Joseph A. Baldauf (Family)
SUNDAY 10:30 AM	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Courtney Dobbins (Elizabeth Hribar)

GROUP 329 MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM	St. Alphonsus, St. Michael
5:00 PM	Our Lady of Lourdes
6:30 PM	St. Columbkille

SUNDAY

8:00 AM	St. Columbkille
8:30 AM	St. Alphonsus
9:00 AM	St. Ann, Our Lady of Lourdes
10:30 AM	St. Patrick
11:00 AM	St. Columbkille, St. Michael

SCHEDULES

Sunday - 10:30 AM
February 17th - Fr. Jim McDonough

Lectors:

K. Treloar

Altar Servers:

Shane Treloar

Eucharistic Ministers:

B. Treloar
K. Treloar
T. Ford

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS FOR GROUPING 329: The next pre-baptism class will be on **Monday, March 4th at 7:00 PM at St. Columbkille, in the classroom located on the bottom floor of the rectory.** To attend, you must register ahead of time by contacting Ms. Carmela Galloway by phone at 724.695.7325 or at stcolumbkilleparish@comcast.net. This class is for those who belong to any of our six parishes and are baptizing their first child.

2019 CONFIRMATION: We have received notification from the Bishop's Office that Bishop David Zubik will celebrate Mass on **Sunday, May 5th, at Our Lady of Lourdes (1109 Main Street, Burgettstown PA 15021) at 12:00 noon.** All of our confirmation candidates from the six parishes in Grouping 329 will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please pray for our candidates and their sponsors who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

ATTENTION: If you, or anyone you know, is affected by the government shutdown and is in need of food assistance, please contact the West Allegheny Food Pantry at 724.695.1305. You do not have to be a client of the pantry. They are available to help any government employee during this difficult time. Their mission is to feed people in need and mobilize their community to eliminate hunger.

MASS INTENTIONS: Masses are still available in the February and March 2019. **Please note we cannot at this time except any Mass requests after March 31st.** Requests will be accepted on a first-come/first-served basis. There is no limit on the number of Masses that you can request at this time. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per Mass; please clearly mark your check "**Mass Intention.**" Please stop by the office, drop your request in the collection basket or at the office garage door; you will be contacted as to which dates are still available. No over-the-phone requests will be accepted.

MEN OF GROUPING 329 - SAVE THE DATE!: The 13th annual Gathering of Catholic Men has been set for April 6, at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall in Oakland. Plan to attend. Visit www.cmf-pitt.org for more information on conference speakers and registration.

ATTENTION GRADES 8-12: We will be going on a Catholic Heart Work Camp mission trip to Steubenville, OH, from **July 14th – 19th.** This is an opportunity to serve the needy, grow in your faith, make new friends, and have a ton of fun. For more info, go to <http://www.heartworkcamp.com>. For more details, please contact Fr. Zach at 724.947.3363 or zgaliyas@diopitt.org. If any adults with clearances are interested in chaperoning the mission trip, or helping with other youth group events, please contact Fr. Zach. **Our next youth group event is today, February 10th, at St. Columbkille parish hall from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM.**

MINISTRY SCHEDULES: Schedules for Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors from April 7th through August 25th, will soon be prepared by Bev Foreman. Please call her by Sunday, February 17th, at 724.693.8264 if you have any preference or particular days NOT to be scheduled. Thank you for your ministry to St. Patrick.

HOLY HOUR/BENEDICTION: The next scheduled Holy Hour and Benediction will take place Wednesday, February 6th, at St. Alphonsus from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

CCD NOTICE: There will be no CCD Class on February 17th or February 18th in celebration of the holiday of President's Day. CCD classes will resume on February 24th and January 25th.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ's total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God, we prepare to receive the gift of God's own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the act of giving from our abundance, and attending to the needs of the poor, opens us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CAMP LAJAS PAINT NIGHT: will be held on **Friday, February 22nd**, from 6:30 – 9:00 PM, at the Northern Tier Library conference room, 4015 Dickey Rd, Gibsonia PA 15044. Open to all ages. Cost is \$40/person. Refreshments will be provided. Local artist Rachel Gillis gives step-by-step instructions for participants to take a home a masterpiece. Proceeds benefit Camp LAJAS, a 5-night Catholic wilderness camp for high school students, where campers participate in activities such as hiking, kayaking, archery, whitewater rafting and rock climbing. For tickets and information visit bit.ly/paintnight22. For more information on the camp, go to www.coamplajas.org.

EXCERPT FROM BISHOP ZUBIK'S PRESS RELEASE (01/18/19): In light of inclement weather, Bishop Zubik encourages the Catholic faithful not to risk their safety trying to attend Mass. "The faithful are free to make prudent decision to remain home during inclement weather and not venture outside this weekend, especially for their safety and the safety of others." The Catholic faithful because of a variety of legitimate circumstances - including sickness, poor health and inclement weather - can and do excuse themselves from the obligation to attend Mass without offending God or incurring any serious sin. Sunday remains the Lord's Day even when the faithful cannot attend Mass. As such, the faithful are encouraged to view the Mass on television or the internet (available at christianasociatestv.org), if possible. Also reading the Word of God, especially the biblical readings for Sunday (available at uscgb.org), praying the Holy Rosary, and/or making use of other devotional prayers could take place in the home to keep in a fitting way the Lord's Day.

CHOOSING SIDES

My great concern is not whether God is on our side; my great concern is to be on God's side. —Abraham Lincoln

SOFTBALL & TENNIS PLAYERS WANTED, CO-ED: SINGLES, 21 AND OVER. Softball is played in Blawnox, Tennis at Moore Park in Brookline. The Catholic Singles Club of Pittsburgh is looking for players of all abilities. The group also offers parties, picnics, mini golf, hiking, volleyball, dinners, spirituality events, trips, and many other great events. For more information or an application, go to www.cacpittsburgh.org, or contact cac.softball@yahoo.com or Gary.Urbatis@verizon.net or at 412.427.8772.

PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER AND LOWER YOUR NETS FOR A CATCH: When we reflect on the life and ministry of Jesus it is pretty clear that so much of it was unexpected. God's chosen people were certainly awaiting a Messiah, a Savior, but they were expecting a rich and powerful king, not an itinerant preacher. Even the people Jesus surrounded himself with – the poor, sinners, the marginalized – were unexpected. Why wouldn't the Savior surround himself with more influential people? Yet, we know that Christ came to save all, not just some and that he casts his net far and wide in order to draw all people to himself. As followers of Christ, we seek to be his face and hands and heart in the world today and we look for countless ways to invite others to share in his life of faith. The words he speaks to Peter and the Apostles are spoken to us. "Do not be afraid" to "put out into deep water" and inspire the hearts of everyone you meet to know and love Jesus. While you may not think so, your witness of faith can be just what someone else needs to go deeper themselves in their relationship with the Lord. *On Mission for The Church Alive!* invites us all to look for ways build up the Body of Christ. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more.

NEW PARISH WEBSITE: Our parish grouping will soon have a new website! The address is going to be www.grouping329.org. The website will go live on the afternoon of February 14th. It will have easy-to-find information on all the latest happenings of our parishes, as well as other great Catholic content. Make sure to check it out!

SICK LIST: Your prayers are requested for Gabriel J. Belak, Paul Belak, Tim Berty, Joyce Buzzanell, John Halvorson, Rosalyn (Belak) Heleniak, Leonard Hribar, Parker Sendek, Adeline Slovick, Joe Swider, and Virginia Shattuck Zang. Please pray also for those in hospitals, nursing homes, and at home.

STEWARDSHIP:

265 Envelopes: 60 Returned; 205 NOT Returned

(02/03/19) Offertory Collection \$ 1,463.00

Monthly Collection \$ 548.00

GRAND TOTALS FOR JANUARY 2019

Offertory Collection	\$ 4,563.00
Monthly Collection	\$ 854.00
Solemnity Collection	\$ 658.00
1st Offering Collection	\$ 378.00
St. Anthony Collection (+2/3 collection)	\$ 400.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 205.00
Children/Youth	\$ 100.00