

\*\*\*\*\* **MASS INTENTIONS** \*\*\*\*\*

Sunday, March 17, 2019 – **Second Sunday of Lent**

**9:00 a.m.** – ROSE STIEGEL – Mrs. Vincie Nencioni (Fr Zach)

Friday, March 22, 2019 – Lenten Weekday

**8:00 a.m.** – SALLY ZIBRITOSKY (5 YRS) – Frank Zibritosky (Fr Harry)

Sunday, March 24, 2019 – **Third Sunday of Lent**

**9:00 a.m.** – NANCY WARNER – Madeline Warner (Fr Mark Eckman)

**ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE: 3/24:**

**9:00 a.m.** – Julia & Madison

\*\*\*\*\* **PARISH OFFERINGS** \*\*\*\*\*

March 10, 2019

Regular Offertory_____	\$ 933.00
Parish Share_____	\$ 371.00
Ash Wednesday Offertory_____	\$ 169.00
Easter Flower Offering_____	\$ 225.00
Gas Royalties_____	\$1917.08
Votives_____	\$ 6.00
	Total Collection \$ 3621.08
	Total Expenses \$ 4319.78

(Payroll \$2956.63; Gas \$765.53; Rectory renovations \$308.61;  
Confirmation Speaker \$100; Water \$99.01; Snow removal \$90)

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**It Is Good That We Are Here** – As we hear the account of the Transfiguration of Jesus in today's Gospel, it is hard not to try to imagine what that scene was like. Picture yourself standing with Peter, James and John as Jesus, joined by Moses and Elijah, suddenly appears in dazzling white and surrounded in glory. The reaction of those Apostles was not one of fear, but of joy. Peter exclaims, "it is good that we are here," and suggests that they build tents so that they

could remain in the presence of such a glorious scene for ever. What the Apostles did not know then, although we have the privilege of realizing now, is that their desire would become the reality of the Church. Each time we come to Mass, Jesus is raised up before our very eyes as he is made present in the Eucharist. As we gaze upon the host, we see Christ in the flesh with eyes of faith. And as we receive Him in Holy Communion, he remains with us to strengthen us to be about the work of discipleship. While there are many crosses we currently have to bear as Catholics, the opportunities we have each week to come face to face with our God gives us life and assists us in carrying our crosses. Visit [onmissionchurchalive.org](http://onmissionchurchalive.org) to learn more and to stay informed.

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**2019**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Fridays – 8:00 a.m.  
Sundays – 9:00 a.m.  
Holy Days – as scheduled

**CONFESSIONS**

Fridays – 7:30 – 7:45 a.m.

**BAPTISMS**

Sunday by appointment after attending a Pre-Baptism Seminar. Call Carmela Galloway at 724-695-7325 or [stcolumbkillparish@comcast.net](mailto:stcolumbkillparish@comcast.net) to register.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

Every person wishing to be a member of the parish must register by going to the website (above) or calling the parish office. A letter to serve as a Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation can be issued only to registered and participating parishioners who meet sponsorship eligibility.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Classes are held during the school year for grades PreK-8 in the church hall every Sunday morning from 10 to 11:15 a.m. For more information, see the website (above) or call the DRE Colleen Jastrzebski at 724-796-1884.

**PA CLERGY SEX ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-538-8541**

**DIOCESAN ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-808-1235**

### PARISH SHARE 2019 UPDATE:

Our PSP Goal: \$11,529 ---- PSP contributions collected to date: \$1051 = 9.1% of goal

### ATTENTION GRADES 8 – 12:

Our next youth group event will be tonight, March 17<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick's parish hall from 6-8 p.m. Please make every effort to attend!

We will be going on a Catholic Heart Work Camp mission trip to Steubenville, OH from July 14-19. This is an opportunity to serve the needy and grow in your faith. For more information, go to [www.heartworkcamp.com](http://www.heartworkcamp.com) or contact Fr. Zach at 724-947-3363 or [zgaliyas@diopitt.org](mailto:zgaliyas@diopitt.org).

Also, be sure to check out our new youth group webpage! Go to [www.grouping329.org](http://www.grouping329.org) and look under the ministries tab.

### MOVIE KNIGHT:

Knights of Columbus will present a Movie Knight on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Church, Avella. The feature will be "The Greatest Story Ever Told". Admission is free. Concessions will be available. Please bring a cushion for your comfort. Donations are accepted to continue the ministry of the Knights of Columbus' Parish Catechetical Initiative.

### LENTEN ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE:

The churches in our area will gather to pray together each Wednesday night of Lent. St. Alphonsus will host on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. All are invited. Pastor Joyce Moten will preach on Transformation by Spiritual Fellowship. A reception will follow. If you want to help with the reception please call Fr. Harry at 724-996-0859.

### 13<sup>th</sup> GATHERING OF CATHOLIC MEN CONFERENCE:

The 13<sup>th</sup> Gathering of Catholic Men Conference is a powerful encountering of the Mercy of Christ, with dynamic Catholic presenters. This is a great opportunity to renew our spiritual journey during the Lenten season. Mark your calendars for the afternoon of April 6<sup>th</sup> at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall in Oakland. Doors open at 12 noon. Plan to attend and visit [www.cmfitt.org](http://www.cmfitt.org) for more information on conference speakers and registration.

### PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC ANNIVERSARY:

On March 16<sup>th</sup>, the *Pittsburgh Catholic Newspaper* will celebrate 175 years of informing and inspiring the Catholic Community of Pittsburgh. Look for a special supplement in the March 15<sup>th</sup> issue celebrating this momentous occasion.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR GROUPING 329!

#### CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED!

Group 329 Music Ministry is looking to form a combined choir to sing the Easter Vigil Mass at OLOL on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals will be held in the St. Alphonsus choir loft on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning March 14<sup>th</sup>. Please consider sharing your talents with others as we "Sing a Joyful Song Unto the Lord".

#### COMING TOGETHER AS ONE: GROUPING 329

Save the date for our next Reporting Session at St. Alphonsus on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 p.m. During the Reporting Session you will hear the latest news about our grouping, offer to serve on a committee (your gifts are needed!), and meet fellow parishioners – both old friends and new. No need to RSVP, all are welcome to attend. Are you wondering if you should attend? That could be a nudge from the Holy Spirit to come!

*"Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it" 1 Cor 12:27*

#### BAPTISM CLASS:

The next baptism class for our parish grouping will be Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at OLOL, in the parish hall. To attend, you must register ahead of time by contacting Carmella Galloway at 724-695-7325 or [stcolumbkilleparish@comcast.net](mailto:stcolumbkilleparish@comcast.net). This class is for those who belong to any of our six parishes and are baptizing their first child.

#### CONFIRMATION MASS:

Bishop David Zubik will celebrate a 12 Noon Mass on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at OLOL. Our confirmation candidates from all the six parishes in our grouping will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation then.

#### THIS WEEK'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 p.m. @ St. Michael  
Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 11:30 a.m. @ St. Patrick  
Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 4:00 p.m. @ St. Ann  
Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. @ St. Alphonsus, St. Columbkille & OLOL



Check out our parish grouping's website at [www.grouping329.org](http://www.grouping329.org). The home page now offers brief reflections by Bishop Robert Barron that will be updated daily throughout the Lenten season.

## LENTEN REGULATIONS

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesdays @ 4:00 p.m. @ St. Michael  
March 13, 20 & 27, April 3, 10 & 17

Fridays @ 11:30 a.m. @ St. Patrick  
March 8, 15, 22 & 29, April 5

Fridays @ 4:00 p.m. @ St. Ann  
March 8, 15, 22 & 29, April 5

Fridays @ 7:00 p.m.  
@ St. Alphonsus, St. Columbkille & OLOL  
March 8, 15, 22 & 29, April 5

Friday, April 12 @ 7:00 p.m. @ St. Alphonsus  
Parishioners from all 6 parishes are invited to pray the  
Stations of the Cross together!

1. **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are days of fast and abstinence. The **Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence in the United States.
2. The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 18-59. No one should consider this obligation lightly.
3. Those individuals who have a medical condition in which fasting may be considered harmful are not obliged to fast but should perform some other act of penance or charity.
4. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors, though not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, are educated in the authentic sense of penance and encouraged to do acts of penance suitable to their age.
5. All members of the Christian Faithful are encouraged to do acts of penance and charity during the Lenten season beyond which is prescribed by law.
6. As a rule, a request for dispensation from the obligation of abstinence on Fridays of Lent will not be considered unless some serious reason is present. The attendance at social events, banquets, wedding rehearsals or receptions, or funeral wakes are not considered enough reason to request a dispensation.

