

Mission Statement: *We are a Catholic community drawing people to follow Jesus and His message of love.*



St. Columbkille Parish

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Feb 19, 2017

7th Sunday
In
Ordinary Time

“Love your
enemies and
pray for those
who
persecute
you.”



Matt
5:
38-48

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
IS HEARD EVERY
SATURDAY FROM
4 P.M. TO 4:45 P.M.
BEFORE THE
SATURDAY
EVENING VIGIL
MASS**

**St. Columbkille
Parishioners**

New parishioners & Guests at St. Columbkille
You are MOST WELCOME!!
You can register on our website or at the Parish Office

PARISH RETREAT FEB 24-26

**YOUTH MUSIC
MINISTRY MASS
6 P.M. MASS
Sunday Night
February 26, 2017**

Whether you want to come alone or with your spouse or adult child or bringing a friend... *all are welcome.*

If the rest of your
weekend is
hectic...slow it down
with Mass on Sunday
night at
6 PM!!



The theme for the retreat is "Embrace God's Love". It will take place at St. Mary of Divine Providence in Elverson, PA. Type this link into the address bar of your browser and read more about the facility:

[http://www.stmaryofprov-pa.org/
StMaryofProv.pg2.index.htm](http://www.stmaryofprov-pa.org/StMaryofProv.pg2.index.htm)

The cost is only \$145 per person for the 2-night package. This includes room & board (5 meals.) *Cancellation less than 10 weeks before retreat day is non-refundable. *Waiver and Release forms must be completed for all participants.

You can purchase your tickets ONLINE via our website's Home Page. Look for the AD at: www.stcolumbkille.org
For additional information, contact Joann Rivera at: joannr@stcolumbkille.org

**Next Holy Day
May 25, 2017
The Ascension of
Our Lord**

**Holy Day of
Obligation
Mass attendance
required of all
Catholics**

PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY: FEBRUARY 20

9:00am—Susan Kochu by the St. Columbkil Monday Morning Counters

TUESDAY: FEBRUARY 21

9:00am—Verna Renninger by son, Bob & Judy Fontana

WEDNESDAY: FEBRUARY 22

9:00am— Living and Deceased of St. Columbkil

THURSDAY: FEBRUARY 23

9:00am—John H. Kern by Mike & Mary Ann Stahl & Family

FRIDAY: FEBRUARY 24

9:00am—Bill Fry by Fred Sweeney

SATURDAY: FEBRUARY 25

5:00pm— William Ferro by Carl & Loretta Lawlor

SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 26

7:30am—Bernard J. Gobias by John & Kathy McCarthy

9:00am— Merlyn Mutter by John and Millie Kaas

11:00am—Elsie S. Anzulewicz by the White Family

6:00pm—Jack Andre by Dolores Ondo

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Mon:	February 20	Father Alexander Pocetto
Tue:	February 21	Father Robert Potts
Wed:	February 22	Father James Prior
Thu:	February 23	Father Thomas Prior
Fri:	February 24	Msgr. Stephen Radocha
Sat:	February 25	Msgr. James Reicher
Sun:	February 26	Msgr. Dennis Rigney

Extended Eucharistic Adoration

Hours of Adoration in our Holy Family Chapel

Mondays 10 a.m. to Midnight

Tuesdays Midnight to Midnight

Wednesdays Midnight to Midnight

Thursdays Midnight to Midnight

Fridays Midnight to 5:45 p.m..**

**Benediction is held at 5:45 p.m. each Friday

Please Pray

For the following Intentions...

For Our Family Members in the Military

SPC Jeremy Larson

Jonathan Taylor

Staff Sgt. Robert Preston

1st Lieutenant Dana DeMartino

USN Petty Officer Joseph Scarberry, Jr.

Lance Corporal David Vogler

Sergeant Brian Weber

Sergeant Jason Emerich

Sergeant David O'Brien

LCDR Brian Blair

Sergeant Steve Lafond

USN Petty Officer Jennifer McBride

Lt. Steve Rohe

Sergeant Jesse Miele

USN Petty Officer Stephanie McBride

SPC Kyle Laskoskie

1st Lieutenant Eric Antonucci

Lt. Andrew Moyer, USN

Airman Josh Bartman

Airman Morghan Poitras

Corporal Joshua Taylor

USN Petty Officer Matthew R. Goldschmidt

Senior Airman Corey Kelch

2nd Lieutenant Zachary Bregovi

Lance Corporal Andrew J. Carpenter

Prayer:

"Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts that they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord & Savior. Amen."

Sanctuary Candle

In Memory of Therese Hauser by Helene and Jerry Keenan

Bread and Wine

In Loving Memory of Michael & Jason Benyo by Al and Betty Benyo

Altar Flowers

Call Parish Office if interested in donating Flowers at Mass in honor of a loved one for any occasion!

Apologetics-Defending the Faith

My friend accepts that there may be a God, but she sees him as a being who creates us but doesn't pay any more attention to us. She thinks that he is so far away from us and infinitely great that we shouldn't spend time trying to talk to him. What do you say to someone like this?



ANSWER

Your friend suffers from the illusion of **deism**. The *Catholic Encyclopedia* explains:

Deism not only distinguishes the world and God as effect and cause; it emphasizes the transcendence of the deity at the sacrifice of his indwelling and his Providence. He is apart from the creation that he brought into being and unconcerned as to the details of its working. Having made nature, he allows it to run its own course without interference on his part. In this point the doctrine of deism differs clearly from that of theism.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes deism this way:

Some admit that the world was made by God but as by a watchmaker who, once he has made a watch, abandons it to itself (CCC 285).

To deists, prayer is futile because they think God is not involved with the world he created. But since your friend concedes that God may exist, you have a common belief from which to start. Explain that Christians believe God revealed himself to mankind so we can know him and interact with him. Eventually, he came to live with us for a time as the man Jesus who taught us how to pray. A couple of resources that may be helpful in getting started are *Handbook of Christian Apologetics* by Peter Kreeft and Ronald Tacelli, S.J., and *Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis.

By Jim Blackburn

Apologist: www.catholic.com

Ministries and Organizations

The Boy Scout program provides a unique growing experience for boys in Kindergarten through 12th grade. Our scouts participate in service projects, camping, and build life skills. They earn ranks for their accomplishments.

Our Cub Scouts (Grades K-5) meet each Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the church classrooms. Our Boy Scouts (age 11-18) meet each Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in Quinn Hall. A full scouting program is available to all our boys.

Scouting Representative: Dan Trout | 610-473-2285 or email: <mailto:danielatrout@netscape.net>
Cub Scout Committee Chair: Dan Trout
Cub Master: Rich Hetrick | 610-310-5121 or email: <mailto:rhetric95@gmail.com>
Boy Scout Committee Chair: Russell Moser | 610-473-7191 or email: <mailto:mosers1185@yahoo.com>
Scout Master: Dennis Psota | 610-656-2271 or email: <mailto:dpsota1@gmail.com>

ALTAR SERVERS

Starting in 5th grade and continuing through 12th grade, our students minister at the Altar each weekend. This is an important experience for a Catholic student and a service to our parish. Altar server training is held in the fall. Coordinated by Theodore Kochen and Matthew Howald

Contact Parish Secretary to schedule: Lisa De Simone at 610-367-2371
<mailto:lisad@stcolumbkill.org>

FUNERAL LUNCH COMMITTEE

The death of a loved one is always difficult. This committee offers to lend a hand to those who would like to have a catered luncheon in Quinn Hall after the funeral. The family chooses the food and caterer. Our lunch committee will help to serve the meal. There is a fee of \$100 for Diocesan Insurance. Contact: Judy Fontana at 610-367-0945 or email: jafont@comcast.net

Counseling & The Catholic Agency

For individual and marriage counseling; addictions counseling or family counseling please call the contact number.

Call in confidence: 610-376-7144

Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

UPCOMING EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Sunday, February 26, 2017

Reading Royals Game/Faith Night—Buy tickets online on our Youth Ministry Page on parish website!

5:30-8:30pm • Santander Arena in Reading, PA

Let's cheer on the Reading Royals as they take on the Greenville Swamp Rabbits! Cost is \$14.00 each. **Please sign up by February 12th.** Sign up by emailing Heather. Drivers/chaperones needed. Family, friends and the entire parish are welcome to attend!

Sunday, March 12, 2017

Monthly Meeting

12:00 – 2:00 PM • Place TBD

Please let Heather know if you will be attending this meeting so she can get a head count for lunch!

FUNDRAISERS

Hoagie Sale

Thank you to everyone who helped support Youth Group by purchasing hoagies. **Don't forget to pick up your order on Saturday, February 25th from 12-3pm in the St. Columbkil Narthex**

Chili's Fundraiser Night!

Come to Chili's from 11am-close on Thursday, March 2nd !

Upland Square Shopping Center on Rte. 100
15% of your dining check comes back to our Youth Group! Bring the flyer that was sent to all!

Painting with a Twist Fundraiser and Paint Night!

March 23rd from 6:00-9:00pm Bring out your inner artist! Light refreshments will be provided however feel free to BYOB and food. Friends and family members are welcome. The cost is \$35.00 per person. For every person that signs up, \$10.00 will come back to Youth Group! Painting starts at 6:30pm. Please arrive at 6:00 to enjoy snacks and drinks. Sign up with this link: <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/events/viewevent.aspx?eventID=1022252>

Spring Newsletter

The Spring 2017 Youth Group Newsletter will be available soon! Heather will send it to you via email and hand out a copy at our March meeting. Please note that activities may be added or removed due to attendance. Have any suggestions for activities for Youth Group? Make sure to tell Heather!

Youth Group Trips

Mission Trip

Update:

There are still **6 spots left** for our Mission Trip to Dover, DE June 18th-June 24th. This is a week long trip that will help our teens learn to be servants of God by helping others in need. Projects include: building ramps, painting houses, serving in soup kitchens, playing with children in low-income day cares, talking with the elderly who have no one else to talk with, etc. As Catholics, we are called to serve one another... why not spend the beginning of your summer vacation doing what Jesus calls us to do? If you think this is something you are called to do, please email Heather Shainline, Director of Youth Ministry, at youthgroup@stcolumbkil.org for more information. It will be one of the best weeks of your summer vacation!

Steubenville Trip Update:

There are **2 spots left** for our trip to Steubenville trip from July 14th-July 16th! If you are looking to strengthen your faith in God and want to build friendships rooted in our Catholic faith, than this trip is for you! Take a weekend away from home to join thousands of other teenagers like yourself in praising and worshiping God, listening to uplifting and upbeat Christian music, celebrating the Mass and witnessing a beautiful and touching Adoration of our Lord! If you are interested or want more information, please contact Heather Shainline.

Attention High School Seniors of Italian Descent:

Victor Emmanuel II Beneficial Society offers a \$12,000 scholarship available to Berks Co. High School seniors living in Berks Co. and who are of Italian descent. Applications must be picked up at your local high school guidance counselor's office and returned to VE II by **March 15, 2015**. Any questions, please contact Fred Ranalli Jr. 610 678 2512.

YOUNG ADULTS (18-34 YRS)

Next Monthly Meeting:

Feb 21 2017 from 6 p.m.—7 p.m.

Conference room. Bring ideas about service activity for March.

Heather Shainline, our Youth Group & Young Adult Group Director can be reached via email at: youthgroup@stcolumbkil.org

Message from St. Francis Academy Our Parish Elementary School



St. Francis Academy

668 Pine Street
Bally, PA
www.sfabally.org

Feb. 20 – No School. Presidents' Day

Feb. 21 – School Liturgy 10:45

Feb. 22 and 28- Turn in dates for the magazine drive.

Recently 4th grade, with the help of Commander Hutchinson and an e-mission called Moon, Mars, and Beyond, found and rescued a lost space shuttle. The students had a decode transmissions, plot coordinates, and calculate the cargo needed for the rescue. Mission accomplished!

CYO SPRING SPORTS SIGN-UPS

Calling all 6th - 8th graders: It's almost time for spring sports and we would like to add you to our roster! St. Francis CYO has open registration for the following:

Baseball: 7th - 8th grade boys*

Softball: 6th - 8th grade girls

Track & Field: 6th - 8th grade boys and girls

All 6th through 8th grade students attending St. Francis Academy or St. Columbkil/MBS Religious Education Program are eligible.

Please send an email to saintfranciscyo@gmail.com by Sunday March 5th to request a registration packet.

Practices begin in mid-March. Practice and event/game schedules will be distributed by coaches.

We are in need of volunteer coaches (especially Track & Field coaches). Please consider volunteering and helping our kids learn life skills such as sportsmanship, teamwork, and respect.

*Please note: Baseball registration may open up to 6th grade boys if not enough 7th - 8th grade boys register, as has been necessary in recent years. Please keep this in mind for your 6th grade boy.

GO BOBCATS!

Catholic Youth Quiz

ANSWERS next week!

- 1) What did God do after He created the world?
RESTED
- 2) How many days did it take for God to complete creating the world? **SIX**
- 3) In order to give light to the world, on the fourth day God created how many great lights?
2—SUN & MOON
- 4) Man was created on what day? **SIXTH**
- 5) How much of God's creation was man given rule over? **ALL OF IT**
- 6) Adam and Eve had many children. We know the names of three of them. Name the three.
CAIN , ABEL AND SETH
- 7) Who was the first “King of Israel”? **SAUL**
- 8) Who was the second “King of Israel”? **DAVID**
- 9) God appeared to Moses in the form of the **BURNING BUSH**
- 10) King Solomon is known for asking God for the Gift of **WISDOM!**

St. Columbkil Preschool Registration 2017-2018

If you have a child who turns 3 or 4 years of age on or before September 10, 2017...we are now accepting registrations for the school year 2017-2018.

As some of you know, we fill up fast so register at our parish office or online at our website at: <https://stcolumbkil.org/preschool-registration-forms>

More info email Adriana Segaline at: preschool@stcolumbkil.org or call 610-367-2371

YOUTH JOKE OF THE WEEK IT'S SPRING... TIME FOR BASEBALL?

Where is baseball first mentioned in the Bible?

Answer: Book of Genesis
“In the Big-inning God created the...” Get it!

Father Marty's Corner

"You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

What!!!! Love my enemies and pray for those who persecute me. No way! Well that is a very understandable "knee-jerk" reaction to that line. However, Jesus invited His disciples and now us to embrace this this new teaching on love, compassion and prayer. Jesus does not want His followers to place limits on loving other people. He is not limiting loving to good behavior or worthiness. This challenge to God's Chosen People remains a challenge for us as God's chosen people. The law of charity (love) requires a deep desire to work for reconciliation and unity. This is only accomplished if rooted in prayer because it is only prayer and connection to God that changes hard human hearts.

Since this passage is a continuation of the Sermon on the Mount, it continues to challenge us to grow and change our vision. This is difficult. Let's face it, if a person is easy to love there is no challenge. If a person is difficult to love there is a great challenge. May the grace of the sacraments and the bold embrace of the scriptures, help us to love the most difficult and to pray for our enemies.

PS: In our political climate today there is a lot of demonizing that is done. This message is so very appropriate for those leading us and guiding us. Remember to pray for them too.

February 19th—7th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Matthew 5: 38-48

Jesus said to his disciples:

"You have heard that it was said,
An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.
But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil.
When someone strikes you on your right cheek,
turn the other one as well.
If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic,
hand over your cloak as well.
Should anyone press you into service for one mile,
go for two miles.
Give to the one who asks of you,
and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow.

"You have heard that it was said,
You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.
But I say to you, love your enemies
and pray for those who persecute you,
that you may be children of your heavenly Father,
for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good,
and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust.
For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have?
Do not the tax collectors do the same?
And if you greet your brothers only,
what is unusual about that?
Do not the pagans do the same?
So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

STEWARDSHIP



Facilities Faith Lift

Thank you for your continued support of our Facilities Faith Lift Campaign. Your support and prayers have been and continue to be vitally important to the success of our three year campaign.

July 1st marked our one year anniversary.

We will continue to accept new pledges at any time during our campaign. Please contact Gayle at the parish office if you wish to fill out a commitment card to pledge. We have reached our \$1,000,000 goal in pledges received.... ***we are still accepting pledges!!*** Your continued generous support is appreciated.

Please don't forget your pennies for our Penny Pledge. There is a container in the Narthex to accept your pennies as you come for weekly Mass. Our next goal is \$9,000 and we are inching toward this with total deposits to date of **\$8,194.47!** At this rate we are on track to exceed our \$10,000 goal.

Please contact **Gayle Fontaine** at the parish office if you have any questions at all concerning your pledge payment.

Thank you for your continued support of our Facilities Faith Lift Campaign!

THANK YOU CHILDREN!!

We want to THANK all the children of our parish for their "stewardship" in saving their pennies and donating them to our Facilities Faith Lift.

When Jesus said in the Gospel, "Let the Children come to me" He was talking about all of you! Through your efforts we are inching our way toward our next level which is \$9,000 of pennies donated. The actual total is **\$8,194.47!** You are all truly doing His work here at our parish in Boyertown!



Weekly Collections



Fiscal Year July 2016 — June 2017

Weekend of February 11 & 12 2017

Wkly. offering necessary for Budget.....	\$13,750.00
Actual Weekly Offering	\$12,699.41
Net Weekly Shortage.....	-\$1,050.59
YTD Budget Offering.....	\$453,750.00
YTD Actual Offering Income.....	\$456,336.97
YTD Overage.....	\$2,586.97

Facilities Faith Lift Prayer

Thank you, Father, for every blessing comes from you. You gifted us with time, talent and treasure. Teach us to give time first to You. Teach us how to pray. You bestowed on us unique talents. By unifying our gifts, You connect us as one body. Teach us how to serve. Time and talent together create our treasures. Teach us how to glorify YOU with every breath of our lives. Amen!

Parish News and Information

OUR SENIORS GROUP

**NEXT SENIOR GROUP
MONTHLY
MEETING 3/9/17 at 1pm.**



April 27-30, 2017
Azalea Festival & Tatroo Show
Norfolk, Virginia
\$550/double \$718/single
\$100 due at sign up, balance due 3/1/17

**For information about trips or to sign up
Contact Peg Bryan at 610 754-7516 or email at
stcolumbseniortrips@comcast.net**

SENIORS GROUP

Our Parish Seniors (The Over 55 Crowd) meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in Quinn Hall. Our goal is to provide an ecumenical faith-based opportunity for Seniors to get together, enjoy one another's company, and provide support for one another in a variety of ways ranging from social opportunities such as trips to legal issues.

Contact: Donald Gilbert at 610-369-5950

Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart

Our Religious Sisters have done so much for so many! Support their efforts and show your appreciation by attending the MSC Sisters **Spring into Mission Starlight Gala!** Saturday, April 9, 5:30 pm at Berkleigh Golf Club, Kutztown, PA

Hors d'oeuvres, Cash Bar and Dinner
New for 2017: The announcement of our \$10,000 Raffle Prize Winner
Returning for 2017: Balloon Raffle

Celebrate our award recipients: **St. Margaret Mary Church, Parkersburg, WV** and **The Alber Family**
No better deal for all this! Reservations \$60 pp (under 18 \$30) **To reserve your seats or support our cause,** visit www.mscreading.org; call 610-929-2802; or email: cwhitmoyer@mscreading.org.

Proceeds benefit our retired Sisters and their missions.

Did you know?

30 years after her death, the cause of the Beatification of St. Bernadette required that her body be exhumed.

When it was exhumed in September 1909, April 1919 and again in April 1925 it was found intact. Since 3rd August 1925 the body of Bernadette is preserved in a shrine in the chapel of what was known as the Convent of St. Gildard of Nevers. **You can look it up!!**

QUESTION? What is the feast day of St. Bernadette?

Last Week's Answer: One of the most important Marian apparitions will mark its 100th anniversary this year in 2017 A.D. Can you name the apparition? What country did it occur in? Who did Mary appear to?

Our Lady of Fatima—Portugal—Our Lady appeared to 3 children: Maria, Jacinta and Francisco the first time on May 13, 2017!

Quinn Hall is Closed

Just an FYI for the entire Parish...**Quinn Hall is officially closed for all activities beginning now until all of the planned construction is completed.**

If you have an event or meeting that is usually held in Quinn Hall, please contact Lisa in the parish office. She will find you a convenient location within our parish campus. Questions, call the office at: 610-367-2371 or email Lisa at: lisad@stcolumbkill.org

Ministry Schedule Spring 2017

The next Ministry Schedule will begin the weekend of March 18, 2017 and run through Sunday, June 18, 2017. Please submit any unavailable calendar dates-to Lisa DeSimone at lisad@stcolumbkill.org, or drop a note in the collection basket, or call the church office at 610-367-2371 no later than Monday, March 6, 2017.

There will be signups in the Narthex for Holy Week, Easter Vigil and Easter.



Ministries-Organizations-Other News

Protecting God's Children Workshop

Our church will be hosting a Protecting God's Children Workshop on Saturday, **April 22, 2017 at 9:00 AM** downstairs in the Ehst room. Anyone who deals with children (Scout leaders, catechists, Bible School teachers, etc.) *must* attend a workshop one time. If you never have and need to, please register by calling the parish office at 610-367-2371.

Catholic Charities Gala:

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown will hold its Tenth Annual Gala, on **Sunday, March 5, 5:30 p.m.** at The DeSales University Center, Center Valley. Reverend Monsignor Walter T. Scheaffer, pastor of St. Mary Church, Kutztown, and Anne Jandl and Jandl Family Farms, will be honored for their contributions in helping the poor in the Diocese of Allentown. To receive an invitation, become a sponsor or place an ad in the program book, please contact Julie Scheck at 610-871-5200, ext. 216 or jscheck@allentowndiocese.org. Information is posted on www.catholiccharityAD.org.

St. Francis Academy Annual Designer Bag Bingo

This annual event will take place on **March 5, 2017**. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and Games begin at 1:00 p.m. Location is at St. Francis Academy School Auditorium 668 Pine Street, Bally, PA

St. Aloysius Parish:

IMPORTANT CEMETERY NOTICE

Please be sure to clear any decorations from the cemetery that you wish to keep from your family plots by Sunday, March 5, 2017. Our cemetery personnel will begin the Spring clean-up for Lent on Monday, March 6, 2017 and everything.

Trivia Night

The Boyertown Area Senior High Post Prom Committee is hosting a "Trivia Night," to help raise funds for our Post Prom. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 11th**, right here in the basement of St. Columbkil. Get a team of your best friends together, bring some food, and get ready to have a great time. Tickets are \$25/person. Call Kelli DeSieno @ 610-367-6791 to book your table or for any other questions. After 5:00 mass, join us for a great night out and help us provide a memorable and safe Prom night for our kids. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.; games begin at 7:00 p.m.

Save-the-Date

"Things are looking up" at Pope John Paul II High School! Come out and see Studio 38's production of **CRAZY FOR YOU!** This toe-tapping, non-stop musical will leave you laughing out loud and singing along to timeless Gershwin favorites such as *I've Got Rhythm*, *Embraceable You*, and *I Can't Be Bothered Now*. **The show runs March 10th and 11th at 7pm; March 12th at 5pm; March 17th at 7pm, March 18th at 1 pm and 7pm.** Tickets will go on sale to the public Feb. 20th at www.pjphs.org. "Who could ask for anything more?"

Girl Scouts Last Weekend for Cookies!

Girl Scout Junior 1628 (4th graders) will be selling cookies after all Masses. This is the last cookie booth at the Church. All profits are used by the girls for activities, crafts and trips. Thank you for your support.



Staff Directory

Pastor - Father Martin F. Kern

Deacons - James Kochu, Joseph L. Paschall, Joseph Petrauskas, Michael V. Woodall, Emeritus

Administrative Assistants - Lisa De Simone:
lisad@stcolumbkill.org

Along with: Mary Lou Heisler, and Joann Rivera

Chief Financial Officer/Campaign Coordinator -
Gayle B. Fontaine

Parish Visitor - Sister Jean Wickenheiser OSF

Parish School, St. Francis Academy -

Deacon Thomas J. Murphy, Headmaster

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Patricia & Joseph Petrauskas

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Director of Music - Deborah Maskrey

Director Communications/Marketing -

George A. DeFrehn, OFS: georged@stcolumbkill.org

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Volunteer Coordinators—Mary Snyder & Robert Chisholm

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coord. - Wendy S Krisak,
MA, NCC, LPC Direct Line 800-791-9209

Diocesan Safe Environment Coord. - Sr. Meg Cole,
SSJ,MS,LMFT, 610-332-0442, ext. 19

Weekly and Monthly Meetings

- ◆ Alcoholics Anonymous meets each **Monday**
@ 5:30 p.m. in Ehst Room
- ◆ Over-eaters Anonymous meets each **Monday**
@ 11 a.m. in Ehst Room
- ◆ Rosary Group meets each **Monday** evening in
Chapel at 7 p.m. during Adoration
- ◆ Men's Prayer Group meets with Deacon Jim the
first **Tuesday** of each month at 7 p.m.
- ◆ The Shawl Ministry meets the third **Tuesday** of each
month in the Conference Room at 10 a.m.
- ◆ The Human Concerns Ministry meets on the 1st
Wednesday of each month at 7 pm in parish
Conference Room
- ◆ Charismatic Prayer –Bible Group Meets each
Wednesday @ 7 p.m. in Downstairs Hall– Info:
Sue - 610-367-4711 or Don dondenick@comcast.net
- ◆ The Senior Group meets 2nd **Thursday** of each
month in Downstairs Hall at 1 p.m.
- ◆ Bible Study held on **Thursday** mornings following
the 9 a.m. Mass in the Ehst Room.
Everyone is welcome!

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession

- Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or any time by contacting the Parish Office

Sacrament of Baptism

- 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:15 p.m.

- Baptism Prep Classes for parents and godparents are held the 2nd and
4th Sunday of the month at 12:15 p.m. in the EHST Room.

Sacrament of Matrimony

- Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance.
All Couples must participate in the Marriage Prep Program.