

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



St. Columbkille Parish

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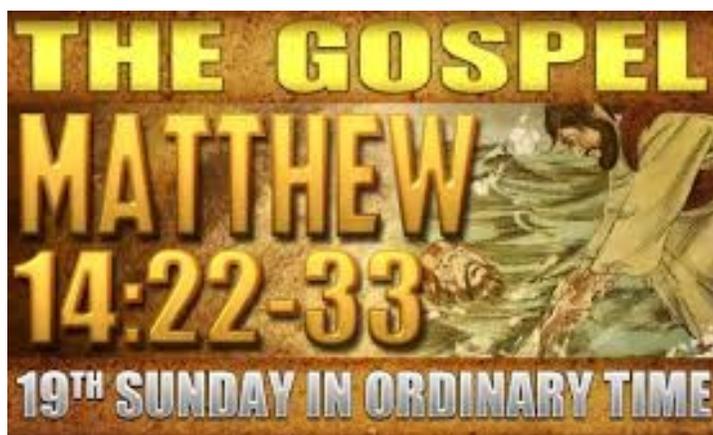
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13 Aug 2017

**19th Sunday
Ordinary Time**

"O you of
little faith,
why did
you
doubt?"



**Matt
14:
22-33**

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

St. Columbkille

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!

**We are now preparing for our
St. Columbkille 2017-2018 Preschool
Year.**



So...if you have a child (children) who
will be
either 3 years or 4 years of age
on or before
September 10, 2017

All Guests and New
Parishioners are most
WELCOME!
Please go to our home
page where you can
register online to join
our wonderful parish
family!

This week!

**The Feast of the
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
On
Tuesday
August 15, 2017
Mass Schedule on
next page.**

We are Registering NOW! Please use this link to register your
child (children) & follow the instructions. There is a one time
registration fee of \$35 that you can also pay online at this
same link.

<https://stcolumbkille.org/preschool-registration-forms>

Any questions, email Adriana Segaline, our Director at:
preschool@stcolumbkille.org or call her at 610-367-2371 x108.

PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 14

9:00 AM – Jonathan Tidd by Tricia Wilson
7:00 PM – Carolyn A. Schantz by Mark Glackin

Tuesday, August 15

6:30 AM – Dennis Kulp by Mike & Maryanne Zwolak
9:00 AM – Angeline Leap by the St. Columbkil Group
7:00 PM – Catherine Schaudt by Pat and Ed Sinus

Wednesday, August 16

9:00 AM – Caroline Di Guglielmo with Prayerful Thoughts & Remembrance on her Birthday Anniversary by daughter & son-in-law

Thursday, August 17

9:00 AM – Jane Aston by Jim & Joanne Psota

Friday, August 18

9:00 AM – For the Intentions of Sr. Lorraine Molchanow, MSC

Saturday, August 19

5:00 PM – Albert Steuer by Teresa Steuer

Sunday, August 20

7:30 AM – John Orler by Eileen & David
9:00 AM – Caroline Di Guglielmo on 10th Anniversary of Death by daughter & son-in-law
11:00 AM – Brian Ward by the Payne Family

*Please Pray
For the
following
Intentions...*



For Our Family Members in the Military

*Seaman Recruit Steve Hoffa
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
PV2 Somer Leanne Guhl -1st Calvary Division
PV2 Ray Fazio
SFC Ommannan Gonzalez*

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.”

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Mon:	Aug 14	Father Kiaieta Kanimea
Tue:	Aug 15	Deceased priests
Wed:	Aug 16	Father David Karns
Thu:	Aug 17	Father Venantius Karobo
Fri:	Aug 18	Father Richard Kennedy
Sat:	Aug 19	Father Martin Kern
Sun:	Aug 20	Newly Ordained Priests

Extended 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.

*5:45 p.m. Benediction is celebrated on Fridays

Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of Amanda (Kincade) Binsfeld by
Gina Manieri

Bread and Wine

In Loving Memory of Jared Pishock on the 9th Anniversary
of his death by parents, Corky & Mike Pishock

Altar Flowers

In Loving Memory of Jared Pishock by Joe &
Judy Richardson

Please Pray for Deceased Relatives of Parishioners

Sandra Stroud mother of Loren Stroud
David Noyle father of Denise Kovatch

Catechism of the Catholic Church

354. What is the relationship between the sacraments and the death of a Christian?

The Christian who dies in Christ reaches at the end of his earthly existence the fulfillment of that new life which was begun in Baptism, strengthened in Confirmation, and nourished in the Eucharist, the foretaste of the heavenly banquet. The meaning of the death of a Christian becomes clear in the light of the death and Resurrection of Christ our only hope. The Christian who dies in Christ Jesus goes "away from the body to be a home with the Lord" (2 *Corinthians* 5:8).

Further reading: CCC [1680-1683](#)

355. What do funeral rites express?

Although celebrated in different rites in keeping with the situations and traditions of various regions, funerals express the paschal character of Christian death in hope of the resurrection. They also manifest the meaning of communion with the departed particularly through prayer for the purification of their souls.

Further reading: CCC [1684-1685](#)

Sep 27th—A Day to Save!

Together, You and Pope Francis can lead the world in helping migrants and refugees Pope Francis is being joined by bishops across the U.S. and around the world in launching a global campaign to support our brothers and sisters who have fled their homes seeking a decent and safe life for their families. This historic campaign will respond to some of the most desperate of God's children — and needs your leadership and inspiration.

You can help your diocese, parish, school or other organization participate in the Share the Journey campaign along with Pope Francis, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Catholic Charities USA, and the Church's global charitable network, Caritas Internationalis. Through prayers and acts of compassion and support, you can help mobilize at this pivotal moment, shaping conversations and actions to answer the Gospel call to love our neighbors.

September 27: The official launch in Rome by Pope Francis

October 7–13: Week of Prayer and Action across the U.S.

Ministries & News

Boy Scouts 2nd Annual Chicken Dinner

"Tickets are on sale in the narthex for a 2nd annual Chicken Dinner. The dinners will be take-out only on **Saturday, August 26th**. Chicken dinners can be picked up 5-7pm. The dinners are \$10 and proceeds benefit our St Columbkil parish."

Altar Servers

Altar server training for anyone interested who is in 5th grade or older will take place on **Tuesday, August 22, 2017; 6:00 PM** and **Monday, August 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM**. If you will attend, please inform Lisa in the office at 610-367-2371 or email her at: lisad@stcolumbkil.org

Emmanuel Music Ministry

Hear ye! Hear ye!



All parishioners! Dust off those instruments you have in your closet or attic or basement. Clear those angelic voices of yours!

Our Emmanuel Choir needs you!

St. Augustine is attributed with saying, "He who sings well, prays twice, as long as it is done with love."
So come join us to sing, pray and love!!

Our contemporary music ministry, Emmanuel, leads us in song for our 11:00 a.m. Mass on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sunday of the month. Emmanuel practices each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in Church. New members are always welcome.!

Contact: Kathy Herber at: 610-944-6406 or email her at: k_piano99@yahoo.com

Berks Catholic Alumni, Parents & Friends

7th Annual Golf Outing on Sep 15 at Golden Oaks Golf Club. 8AM & 1PM shotgun starts. \$125 per person includes green fees, cart, prizes, scoring & buffet lunch or dinner. Sponsorships start at \$100. Contact Betsy Woytovich at 610-374-8361 x231 or bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org

Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

UPCOMING EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Welcome Picnic

Sunday, **August 20th**

12-2pm...Location-TBD

Before you go back to school, come and find out what youth group is all about! Please bring a side dish, drink or dessert with you- the main dish will be provided. Meet new friends before going back to school and learn about what fun things are coming up in the Fall. OH... don't forget to bring something to tie-dye!

Volunteers Needed

Youth Group is in need of volunteers to help chaperone monthly meetings throughout the year! We are a growing youth group and Heather could use some help. If you are interested and God is calling you to help, please contact Heather Shainline. **IMPORTANT:** You **MUST** have all clearances to volunteer. See the main office for all necessary paperwork.

Reading Fightin' Phils Night

August 24th...Tickets are only \$10.

You can purchase them on our website's home page or on the Youth ministry Page: www.stcolumbkill.org

Contact Heather at: youthgroup@stcolumbkill.org

CYO FALL SPORTS SIGN-UPS

Calling all 5th – 8th graders. It's almost time for fall sports and we'd like to add you to our roster! St. Francis CYO has open registration for the following:

Cross Country (5th – 8th grade boys and girls)
Girls Volleyball (5th – 8th grade girls)

All 5th through 8th grade students attending St. Francis Academy or St. Columbkill's Religious Education Program are eligible.

Please email saintfranciscyo@gmail.com for a registration packet. Practices to begin mid-August. Practice and event/game schedules will be distributed by coaches. The Fall sports season runs through late October.

We are in need of volunteer coaches for our program. No prior experience necessary, just a desire to help our kids learn life skills like sportsmanship, teamwork and respect.

GO BOBCATS!

Life Teen Blog

St. Columbkill has Extended Adoration!

As many of you may know by now, we have extended Adoration in our Holy Family Chapel 5 days a week, Monday thru Friday around the clock beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday and concluding at 6 p.m. on Friday. Jesus "loves" all of us and wants to see you! So stop in and say "hi"...He's calling you by name!

A Beginner's Guide to Adoration by [CAITLIN SICA](#) **RESTLESS:**



I walked up the hill to this tiny little chapel, opened the doors,

and stepped inside. It was dark, chilly, and extremely quiet. I slid into a pew, knelt, and began to pray. I thought I could hear myself thinking. I looked down at my watch...3 minutes had passed. 3 minutes? I could hardly believe it. I looked next to me at the only other person who was in the chapel—a monk, who was sitting, barefooted, eyes closed, and smiling.

He made it look so easy, so peaceful. I, on the other hand, was in agony. I had promised myself I would stay in adoration for an hour—since that's about how long Mass was. I closed my eyes, tried to relax. "Pray, Caitlin," I coached myself, "it's not that hard." I opened my eyes. Another 5 minutes had gone by. 52 minutes to go, but who was counting?

Then it dawned on me that my whole attitude was wrong. God wasn't forcing me to be there, to spend an hour with Him because I had missed Mass. I was choosing to be there. Did I want to be there? Did I want to spend time with Jesus? I did. So I asked God for the grace to let me sit there with Him, in silence, peacefully.

<http://lifeteen.com/blog/a-beginners-guide-to-adoration/>

Message from St. Francis Academy Our Parish Elementary School



St. Francis Academy

668 Pine Street
Bally, PA
www.sfabally.org

Aug. 16th Pre-K Parent Meeting at 7 PM in Fr. Schneider Hall.

Aug. 17th Kindergarten Parent Meeting at 7 PM in Fr. Schneider Hall.

Aug. 23rd – Pre-K “Open House” 6:30-7:15.

Aug. 24th– Kindergarten “Open House” 6:30-7:15.

Aug. 29th - First Day for Gr. K-8.

Aug. 30th–First Day for Pre-K.

Registration for the 2017-18 school year is ongoing for PreK-8, offering a **full day** Kindergarten program. Please call the school or visit our website: www.sfabally.org for more information.

YOUTH HUMOR FOR THIS WEEK

A newly ordained priest was completing a temperance sermon to the adults and parents of the Children’s Choir. With great expression he said, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river!" The parents & children nodded their approval. With even greater emphasis he added, "And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river, too!" All of the adults & kids again loved what they were hearing. And then finally, he concluded, "And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river!"

As he sat down, the leader of the children’s choir then stood up quite cautiously and announced, "For our next hymn, let us sing #365: "Shall We Gather at the River."

And the newly ordained bowed his head and smiled!



Catholic Youth Quiz

ANSWERS NEXT WEEK!

1.) Why does the Catholic Church use the color red in ecclesiastical vestments at certain times of the year?

- A. Red signifies the Holy Spirit.
- B. Red means hope of salvation.
- C. Red signifies the fire of love towards God, and the shedding of blood for the faith.
- D. Red signifies the joy and purity of the soul.
- E. Red is the color of humility and penance.

2.) There are two main parts to the scriptures. The first part is the Hebrew scriptures, written before the time of Christ. This is called the _____ Testament.

3.) Three of the Gospels are called _____ Gospels because they basically present the same view of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

4.) The writers of the Gospels are called _____.

5.) The last book in the Christian bible is called _____.

6.) Can you name the 7 Apocryphal Books of the Catholic Bible?

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____
- E. _____
- F. _____
- G. _____

7. How many miracles did Jesus perform in John’s Gospel? _____

Father Marty's Corner

PRAY! ACT! RESPOND! These are the three actions that Jesus clearly accomplished in the gospel today. After Jesus had fed the people, He got into a boat crossed to the other side. Then, He proceeded to go up to the mountain to pray alone. I believe He was probably physically and emotionally spent on tending to the needs of the people so He desired time alone in union with His Father in heaven. Jesus leaves His place of prayer during the night to be with His disciples who are in need of His calming spirit. He acts by making His way to their side. The only challenge is that He does this by walking on the water.



This would be problematic even for those who are always calm, cool and collected. Imagine the emotions of the disciples seeing this sight! Jesus responds by trying to calm their fears. Peter, being Peter, wants to come to Jesus on the water. This works until Peter focuses more on himself than on Jesus and then he begins to sink. Jesus responds by saving him. Then Jesus asks, "Why did you doubt?"

This is a reminder to all of us that we are called to trust in Jesus and His message. It requires that we focus on Him and not on ourselves. We will be much more successful on the journey if our eyes are on the prize. Let our faith journey be marked with **prayer, action and response!**

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time— Matt 14: 22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray.

When it was evening he was there alone.

Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea.

When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified.

"It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter said to him in reply,

"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."

He said, "Come."

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.

But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

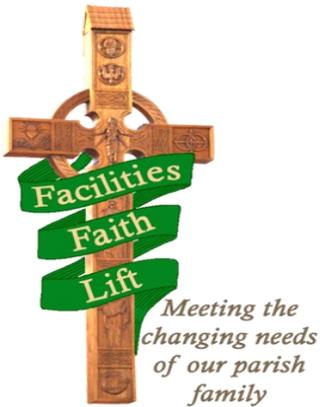
Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

After they got into the boat, the wind died down.

Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying,

"Truly, you are the Son of God."

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.

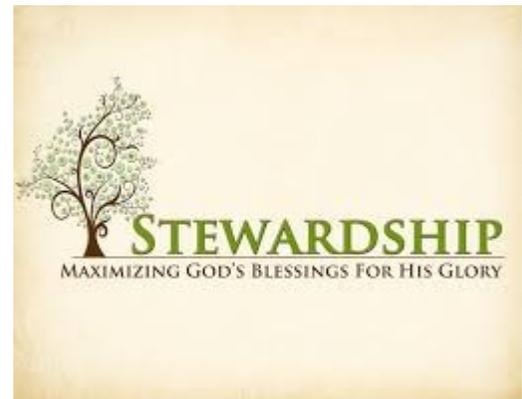
July 1st marked our two year anniversary. We will continue to accept new pledges at any time during our campaign. Please contact Gayle at the parish office if you wish to fill out a commitment card to pledge. We have reached our \$1,000,000 goal in pledges received.... **we are still accepting pledges!!** 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 milestone is \$10,000. As we inch closer to reaching this, our total deposits to date are **\$9,795.94!** At this rate we are well on track to exceed expectations!

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!!

Our Penny Pledge is at \$9,795.94!!!!
We'd like to reach our milestone of \$10,000
as soon as we can and it's
because of you, His children, that this is
happening way ahead of schedule!
Drop your pennies off even during the
summer month! When Jesus said in the Gospel, "Let the Children come to me" He was talking about all of you! You are all truly doing His work here at our parish in Boyertown!



Weekly Collection

Fiscal Year July 2017 —June 2018

Weekend of July 29 & 30—2017

Wkly. offering necessary for Budget.....	\$13,800.00
Actual Weekly Offering	\$13,091.92
Net Weekly Shortage.....	-\$708.08
YTD Budget Offering.....	\$82,800.00
YTD Actual Offering Income.....	\$72,639.64
YTD Shortage.....	-\$10,160.36

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!

Facilities Faith Lift New Pledges!!

Do you see all the work going on in Quinn Hall? It is awesome to watch the progress of our growing and vibrant parish family!!

Our Pledge Campaign still has a little over a year left and if you have not pledged to this wonderful campaign we are asking you to consider doing so. *In the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi... we are begging!* There are pledge cards in the Narthex of the Church. More information to follow on this.
Thank you!

Parish News and Information

OUR SENIOR GROUP

NEXT SENIOR GROUP
MONTHLY
MEETING :
Picnic Sep 14, 2017



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

SENIORS GROUP TRIPS

Group is open to people 50 years of age and have paid their current membership dues.

1. The New York City trip for **September 21st has been cancelled** due to lack of participation...not enough people were interested.
2. Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on **October 5, 2017** to see "Come Blow Your Horn".
Cost is \$81/ members, \$86/guests.

The Senior Group Picnic will be held on
September 14, 2017 at Ringing Hills Picnic Grove.
Call Don Gilbert to sign up: 610-369-5950

Cursillo Weekends for Men & Women in Allentown Diocese

This year the Men's Cursillo Weekend is from October 12 thru October 15, 2017 and the Women's weekend is from October 19 thru October 22, 2017. Both weekends will be held at the Saint Francis Center for Renewal in Bethlehem, PA.

What is a Cursillo Weekend about? Great question! Visit the Cursillo Movement website at: www.allentown-cursillo.org

An added treat for both St. Columbkil and Most Blessed Sacrament men and women is that Msgr. Coyle, former pastor at MBS, is the Spiritual Director for each weekend!

If you've haven't done anything for yourself spiritually in the last few years...**a Cursillo Weekend is for you.** Always, remember that Jesus is calling each of us by name...He may be calling you now! Hope you can join us. For more information, contact the Lay Director of Cursillo, Woody Siciliano at: 610 779-0225 or email at: wdy561@yahoo.com

Did you know?

"The Falling Asleep of the Holy Mother of God" is the earliest extant written document describing the end of Mary's life, and as we can see, it clearly indicates that Mary died before her body was assumed into Heaven. The Feast of the Assumption was first celebrated in the sixth century in the Christian East, where it was known as the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos (the Mother of God)...celebrated on August 15th.

Question: Are Mary's apparitions and messages to the children at Fatima, Bernadette at Lourdes, and to others considered by the Church "divine" revelations that we must believe in?

Last week's Answer: What Pope of the 20th Century had one of the shortest reigns in Church History? Who did he succeed as Pontiff? Pope John Paul I served as pontiff for 33 days, from August 26, 1978 to August 28, 1978. He was the last in a successive line of Italian popes dating back to Clement VII in 1523. He was known as the "Smiling Pope."

And you can look all of this up!

News/Events

St. Francis Academy-Our Parish School

Will be holding their **First Golf Outing** to support a scholarship fund for the students of St. Francis Academy on Monday, **October 2** at the Butter Valley Golf Port.

Shotgun starts at 12:30pm rain or shine. Lunch, prizes and raffles begin at 4:30 pm. 100% of proceeds fund student scholarships.

Individual golf package \$70, foursome \$260 includes course fees, green fees, and dinner. See the back table info/registration forms or contact Karen Kinn, fund-raising chair at 484-432-0780 or sfafund@gmail.com.

ST. COLUMBKILL LAOH SCONE & TEA PARTY

Ladies of Irish Catholic Heritage are invited to a Scone and Tea party to meet members of LAOH at St. Columbkil Parish on **September 11th at 7 PM.** RSVP Kathy at 610-764-0293 or Joann at 610-367-5576.



Parish News and Events

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Event to be held Tuesday, **October 17th from 9 AM to 10 PM.** The cost for the pass is \$5 which entitles you to a 25% discount on most items throughout the store the entire day. It's a great way to get an early start on your holiday shopping while supporting our parish. The passes can be purchased in the Parish Office during business hours.

Widow and Widowers Grief Support

The next meeting will be on the **August 13th** at St Columbkille's office meeting room Summer is here, ready or not. Some will find this summer particularly stressful. Given due respect, working through grief can bring us to new discoveries as we respond to life's changes. For more information please call Dcn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.

Parish Council Meeting

For those on Parish Council, please note there will be NO meeting during the month of July. The next meeting will be held in our Conference Room on Wednesday, **August 23th at 7 p.m.** Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Basket Party Save the Date!...Mark your calendar for **Friday, October 20th** as we hold our first basket party in the new and improved Quinn Hall! This year's theme is "Celebrate New Beginnings" so get your creative juices flowing to create a basket for donation. If you own a business, we would love to help you advertise: donate a door prize or basket for raffle and your name will be included in the program. You could be celebrating the beginning of increased business as a result! Stay tuned for further details about the 2017 Basket Party.

Last Call for a beautiful FALL cruise along the New England and Canadian coast, aboard the majestic Anthem of the Seas, a Royal Caribbean ship. This fundraiser cruise will benefit St Francis Home for the terminally ill in Shillington. Fr. Philip Rodgers, pastor of St Benedicts will be your host and invites you to join him as we set sail **Sept 28th from Bayonne, NJ and return on October 7th.** For more information please call St Benedicts parish office 6120-856-1006.

Registration for the 2017-2018 PREP year is now open. We are offering classes for 3-year-olds up to and including 8th grade. You can register online on our website at: www.stcolumbkille.org. Click on the **PREP page**. You'll discover how to register and pay online for your child's Religious Education classes.

The 2nd annual JK5k birthday run is on **Sunday August 27th**! The fundraisers benefits students graduating from Boyertown Area Senior High. A morning of family fun, with refreshments, baked goods, bounce house, raffles and music following the race. Save \$5 and register by August 14th. Register at www.Jacobk3.com—In memory of Jacob Karnchanaphati

Joseph McLaughlin Memorial Blood Drive: Tuesday **August 15th from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.** at St. John's Lutheran Church, 45 N. Reading Ave. Boyertown, PA. Visit www.GiveaPint.org for online scheduling. User sponsor code 7984. For more information call Melissa Shainline at 610-326-2900..

PREP Catechists

We are in need of catechists for the coming year! **Share your faith with our youth!** Openings on the elementary level are as follows: **3rd Grade Wed at 4 p.m.** ; **1st and 3rd Grades Wed at 6 p.m.** and **5th Grade on Thursday at 4 p.m.** If interested contact Connie Boyer, our DRE at: connieb@stcolumbkille.org or our parish office. All lessons are pre-planned and easy to follow. This is a great ministry to "give back" to what was freely given to all of us as children...our faith! We need subs, too!



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

Director of Preschool—Adriana Segaline;
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Director of Religious Education - Constance J. Boyer:
connieb@stcolumbkill.org

Coordinators of Religious Education

Patricia & Joseph Petrauskas

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Director of Music - Deborah Maskrey

Director Communications/Marketing -

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

RCIA Coordinator—Margaret Chovanes 610-248-2171

Volunteer Coordinator—Mary Snyder

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.
- ◆ Human Concerns Ministry meets on the 1st **Wed.** of
each month at 7 pm in parish Conference Room
- ◆ Charismatic Prayer –Bible Group Meets each
Wednesday @ 7:15 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.

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 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.