

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



## St. Columbkille Parish

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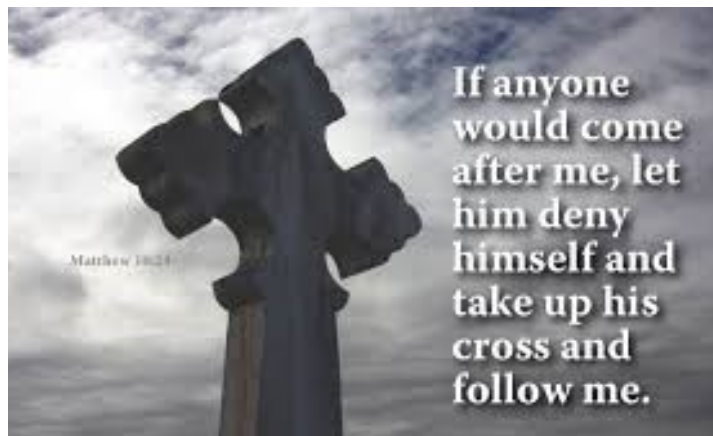
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3 SEP 2017

22nd Sunday  
Ordinary Time

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.



Matt  
16:  
21-27

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

### HEAR YE, HEAR YE!!!!

#### 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](http://www.allentown-cursillo.org)

An added treat for both St. Columbkille and Most Blessed Sacrament's men is that *Msgr. Coyle, former pastor at MBS, is the Spiritual Director for the men's weekend!*

*And for the women it will be Fr. Richard Brensinger!*

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](mailto:wdy561@yahoo.com)

**St. Columbkille**  
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!

PARISH OFFICE  
CLOSED ON  
SEPTEMBER 4  
LABOR DAY  
**\*\*We will have  
Mass at 9 a.m.**

NO Adoration on  
Labor Day  
Sep 4, 2017

Extended Adoration  
Begins again on  
Tuesday  
Sep 5 at 10 a.m. after  
the 9 a.m. Mass

# PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, September 4**

9:00 AM – Anna Burke by Kathy Dougherty

**Tuesday, September 5**

9:00 AM – Joseph O'Brien by parents, Pat & Joe O'Brien

**Wednesday, September 6**

9:00 AM – William Macy by wife, Ellen

**Thursday, September 7**

9:00 AM – Robert Yanos by Bob and Judy Fontana

**Friday, September 8**

9:00 AM – Gertrude Toffling by mom, Betty Botscheller

**Saturday, September 9**

5:00 PM – Alicia Binando by Janet and Gabby

**Sunday, September 10**

7:30 AM – Edwin Spina by Kevin and Susan Elphick

9:00 AM – Susan Kochu by the Howald Family

11:00 AM – Judith 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*

*1<sup>st</sup> 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*

*1<sup>st</sup> 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*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Zachary Bregovi*

*Lance Corporal Andrew J. Carpenter*

*PV2 Somer Leanne Guhl -1<sup>st</sup> Calvary Division*

*PV2 Ray Fazio*

*SFC Ommannan Gonzalez*

*LTJG Daniel Patti, USN*

*1<sup>st</sup> LT Joseph Patti, USA*

***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 Loving Memory of James T. Cunningham by  
Carl and Loretta Lawlor

### ***Bread and Wine***

In Loving Memory of Mary Lynn by  
Robert and Maria Weingard and sons

### ***Altar Flowers***

Call the Office to honor a loved one with altar flowers.

## ***PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS***

Mon:	Sep 04	Bishop Alfred Schlert
Tue:	Sep 05	Fr. Patrick Lamb
Wed:	Sep 06	Fr. Brendon Laroche
Thu:	Sep 07	Fr. Keith Laskowski
Fri:	Sep 08	Fr. Peter Leonard
Sat:	Sep 09	Fr. William Linkchorst
Sun:	Sep 10	Fr. John Little

## ***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

## Catechism of the Catholic Church

### 385. What are the theological virtues?

The theological virtues are faith, hope, and charity.

*Further reading: CCC [1813](#)*

### 386. What is the virtue of faith?

Faith is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and all that he has revealed to us and that the Church proposes for our belief because God is Truth itself. By faith the human person freely commits himself to God. Therefore, the believer seeks to know and do the will of God because "faith works through charity" (*Galatians 5:6*).

*Further reading: CCC [1814-1816, 1842](#)*

### 387. What is hope?

Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire and await from God eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit to merit it and to persevere to the end of our earthly life.

*Further reading: CCC [1817-1821, 1843](#)*

### 388. What is charity?

Charity is the theological virtue by which we love God above all things and our neighbor as ourselves for the love of God. Jesus makes charity the new commandment, the fullness of the law. "It is the bond of perfection" (*Colossians 3:14*) and the foundation of the other virtues to which it gives life, inspiration, and order. Without charity "I am nothing" and "I gain nothing" (*I Corinthians 13:1-3*).

*Further reading: CCC [1822-1829, 1844](#)*

## Ministries & News

***The next Ministry Schedule*** will begin the weekend of Saturday, September 30, 2017 and run through Sunday, December 17, 2017. Please submit any unavailable calendar dates to Lisa DeSimone at [lisad@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:lisad@stcolumbkill.org), or drop a note in the collection basket, or call the church office at 610-367-2371 no later than Wednesday **September 13, 2017**.

### **We are now preparing for our St. Columbkil 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**

**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://stcolumbkill.org/preschool-registration-forms>

Any questions, email Adriana Segaline, our Director at:

[preschool@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:preschool@stcolumbkill.org) or call her at 610-367-2371 x108.

## 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.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

#### **NEXT MEETING**

THE NEXT MEETING FOR OUR YOUTH GROUP WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 10TH FROM 12 P.M. TO 2 P.M.

#### **FALL NEWSLETTER**

Will be out shortly...keep watching!

### **St. Columbkil Youth Band**

Remember those great Sunday Night Masses we had in Winter and Spring at 6 p.m.? **The music was provided by our St. Columbkil Youth Band.** Well, we are now in need of more singers and musicians! Yes...the band is growing and getting back together again. So please, share your talents with the rest of our vibrant parish...email **Alyssa Mraz** at:

[alyssamraz5@gmail.com](mailto:alyssamraz5@gmail.com)



### ***“Protecting God’s Children Workshop”***

Our church will be hosting a Protecting God’s Children Workshop on Saturday, October 7, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 12 PM 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](tel:610-367-2371)

### **St. Columbkil 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](#)

#### **5 Ways to be Successful in Adoration**

Have you ever gone to adoration? Have you tried, but felt defeated like I first did, and occasionally still do? Here’s a list of 5 ways to be successful in adoration:  
(Continued from last week)

#### **2. Bring Scripture**

Reading scripture is always a good thing, but is especially helpful and meditative during adoration. There are many prayer books and apps that contain daily scripture readings. I particularly like reading the Psalms and reflecting on a verse that speaks to me on that given day. As I read scripture I ask myself: How is this scripture speaking to my heart? What changes is God asking me to take? How will I go about making those changes? I make this part of my prayer.

#### **3. Pray the Rosary**

The rosary is a beautiful prayer, one that many saints have prayed. St. Louis de Montfort said “When the Holy Rosary is said well, it gives Jesus and Mary more glory and is more meritorious than any other prayer.” What better way to give Jesus and Mary glory than to pray the rosary in front of the Blessed Sacrament? There are many guides and apps you can print/download to help guide you through this form of prayer.

#### **4. Listen to Praise and Worship Music**

When I’m the only one in the Church or chapel, I love to start adoration by listening to praise and worship music. “Restless” and “I Shall Not Want” by Audrey Assad, “Lay it Down” and “Lord, I Need You” by Matt Maher, are just a few of my favorite songs to listen to during adoration. The music and the lyrics help me quiet myself and turn my thoughts to God.

(Continued next week)

<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](http://www.sfabally.org)

Parish School News: St. Francis Academy

**Sept. 4** – Labor Day – No school.

**Sept. 5** – Classes resume.

**Sept. 8** – Join us for our first liturgy of the school year at 10:45.

Please note, ***school masses will be on Fridays*** this year. If Mass is on a different day we will notify everyone. Gym classes for Grades K, 1, and 2 begin on Sept. 8.

St. Francis Academy will be celebrating 275 years of Catholic education during the 2017-2018 school year. Stay tuned for details of our events.

Plastic cash will be sold at school starting Wednesday, September 6, during the school day. It will be sold on Mon, Wed, and Fridays.

### ***YOUTH HUMOR FOR THIS WEEK***

A father was at the beach with his children when their four year old son ran up to him, grabbed his hand and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand.

“Daddy, what happened to him?” the son asked. “He died and went to heaven”, the father replied.

The little boy thought for a moment and then asked his dad,

**“Did God throw him back?”**



***Cub Pack 545*** is starting their next scouting season! Cub Scouts is for grades K-5 and we meet on Monday evenings from 7-8pm.

If you know a young boy who likes to have fun and learn different skills with

their family and friends please reach out to Dan Trout at: [danielatrou@netscape.net](mailto:danielatrou@netscape.net) or 610-473-2285. Information for scouting units in our area can be found online at: [beascout.org](http://beascout.org)

## Children's Sunday Mass

As summer draws to a close, we have some wonderful things to look forward to, one of them being the return of our Children's Sunday Mass. **The Children's Sunday Mass is held at 11 am on the second Sunday of every month from September to June** and is a wonderful opportunity for families to attend Mass together and for our children and youth to serve!!

We started the Children's Mass two years ago to get our young people excited about attending Mass by giving them a chance to be a part of it.

Anyone, age 5 years or older, can be a greeter or a gift bearer. Anyone who is at least 10 years old can be an usher. Anyone who has received the Sacrament of Holy Communion can be a lector.

**Our first Children's Sunday Mass for the Fall will be on September 10th at 11:00 am** and this is your chance to join us!! Sister Jean and Megan Repko will be available after Mass to answer any questions you might have about the positions and to sign up anyone who is interested in serving.

I hope you will come to the 11:00 Mass with us on September 10th and experience the amazing energy that our children bring to our parish.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Megan Repko at **610-310-5661** or at [meganrepko@stcolumbkill.org](mailto:meganrepko@stcolumbkill.org). You may also speak with Sister Jean in the church office.

### ***Daisy Girl Scout Troop***

The Daisy Girl Scout troop of St Columbkill's is looking for two co-leaders. The Daisy troop (k - 1st grade) meets every other week from Oct - May on Tuesday nights.

Program guide, training and mentoring are available. Anyone who is interested should email: [GSTROOP01221@gmail.com](mailto:GSTROOP01221@gmail.com) or call Marcia Martin @610-223-2484

## Father Marty's Corner

To be a disciple we must dispose ourselves to the one who is teaching or leading. If a disciple has no desire to follow or place himself or herself in the shadow of the one who instructs, the relationship simply will not work. It will be a failure.

Jesus tells His disciples that if they want to come after Him or follow in His shadow they must deny themselves, take up their crosses and follow. I believe that Jesus was rather direct in His instruction.

When we use the word deny it seems that there is a penitential character to the word. We are giving in, giving up or giving over if we deny ourselves. This requires sacrifice. It necessarily takes us to the Cross and we are invited through this sacrifice to bear the Cross.

Jesus certainly has done this first. There is nothing that we will endure or sacrifice that was not an experience that Jesus had. The fact that our God, the eternal Word, has come from heaven to move among His people and ultimately stayed with us is fortuitous. We can know heaven because He has won the victory. He asks us only to follow which is what a disciple does.

May we embrace the cross by denying those things that keep us from loving Him fully.



## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time— Matt 16: 21-27

**Jesus** began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

# 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 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 total to date is???????????????

We are keeping the total a secret until **September 10th at the 11am Children's Mass** when Father Marty will make a special announcement.



Until then, please continue to bring in your pennies and deposit them into the coin container in the narthex.

Every penny counts!! We wish to thank you for your consistent giving!



## Weekly Collection

Fiscal Year July 2017 —June 2018

Weekend of AUG 26-27—2017

Wkly. offering necessary for Budget.....	\$13,800.00
Actual Weekly Offering .....	\$12,467.92
Net Weekly Shortage.....	<b>-\$1,332.08</b>
YTD Budget Offering.....	\$124,200.00
YTD Actual Offering Income.....	\$110,923.40
YTD Shortage.....	<b>-\$13,276.60</b>

## 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](mailto:stcolumbseniortrips@comcast.net)

### SENIORS GROUP TRIPS

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

1. 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**

### Our Emmanuel Choir needs you!

**All parishioners! Young people and teens, too!!** Dust off those instruments you have in your closet or attic or basement. Clear those angelic voices of yours!

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](mailto:k_piano99@yahoo.com)**

**Read about our other Music Ministries on Page 9 of this Bulletin! For more info contact our Music Director, Deb Maskrey at: [GM\\_2522@comcast.net](mailto:GM_2522@comcast.net)**

### ***Did you know?***

That chronologically, St. Ambrose was the first Doctor of the Church living from 340 A.D. to 397 A.D. He is listed as one of the first Four original Doctors, St. Augustine, St. Jerome and St. Gregory the Great being the other three!

**Question:** On what day in the Church Calendar do we celebrate Our Lady's birthday?

**Last week's Answer:** Where did Jesus give Simon the "keys to the kingdom" and what name did He bestow upon him?"

In Matthew 16: 13-20 we read that Jesus gave the "Keys to the Kingdom" to Simon at the town of **Caesarea Philippi**, when Jesus asked His disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" After Simon said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God..." Jesus gave him the "keys" and the name **Cephas which means "rock" in Aramaic**. In most versions of the New Testament **Cephas is translated into Greek Πέτρος (Petros) (in English...Peter).**

***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, fundraising chair at 484-432-0780 or [sfafund@gmail.com](mailto: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. Columbkille Parish on **September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.** RSVP Kathy at 610-764-0293 or Joann at 610-367-5576.





## Parish News and Events

***Widow and Widowers Grief Support*** The next “REACH OUT” will be on the **September 10<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. at St Columbkille’s office meeting room.** Most people underestimate the length and severity of their grief. Our Reach-Out sessions can help. All are welcome to participate. For more information and **for anyone** who has suffered a loss **of any one** close to them, please call Dn. Mike Boyle at 484-336-9849.

***Basket Party Save the Date!*** Mark your calendar for **Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>** as we hold our 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. Stay tuned for further details about the 2017 Basket Party.

***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](http://www.stcolumbkille.org). Click on the **PREP page**.

***Music Ministries*** If you love to sing please pray and think about joining one of our music ministries, as we have several. We have our regular Adult Choir, our Emmanuel Choir (see ad on page 8) and our Children’s Choir. Also, we are always looking for Cantors and musical accompanists. Contact Deb Maskrey, our Director at 610-326-1483 or email her at: [GM\\_2522@comcast.net](mailto:GM_2522@comcast.net)

### ***LAOH***

American Music Theater **Home for the Holidays...Sat Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>...** Buffet Lunch at Cork N' Cap restaurant Lancaster prior to show at 3 pm. Cost \$88 includes transportation, lunch, show ticket and gratuity. Leaves Bechtelsville WalMart 10:30 am. Call Kathy at: [610-764-0293](tel:610-764-0293) or JoAnn [610-367-5576](tel:610-367-5576). **Deadline for reservations is: Oct 13th.**

### ***Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist Invite You to A Special Weekend Retreat:***

A Time Apart With Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life Friday evening, **November 3 to Sunday at Noon, November 5, 2017.** The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-Founder of OLME and EWTN Host of “Eucharistic Journey.” The retreat is held at the Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, PA. This retreat includes Daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, and much more. Please contact: [olme@olme.org](mailto:olme@olme.org) or call 610-582-3333

### ***ARCADIA Senior Living Community Meet and Greet***

St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish would like to invite you to learn more about Arcadia at Limerick Pointe on Sunday, September 24th at 1:00 PM at the Education Center, 256 Swamp Pike, Schwenksville, PA 19473. RSVP to (610) 981-1904. An additional meet and greet dates is scheduled for October 29th.

***Desire: Fulfilling Our Deepest Longing*** – Are you looking for something more in your life? People search for fulfillment in many ways, but are left with a sense of emptiness. Join us on September 30, 2017 from 7 to 9pm for wine and cheese as the Office of Adult Formation hosts national presenter Bill Donaghy. He will explore what and who we are made for so that we can finally attain our desire and fulfill our deepest longing. Place: St. Thomas More Family Center in Allentown. Cost \$10 per person. Register by September 13 and find more information at [www.allentowndiocese.org/desire](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/desire).



## ***Staff Directory***

**Pastor** - Father Martin F. Kern

**Weekend Assistant** – Fr. Kevin Bobbin

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

**Administrative Assistants** - Lisa De Simone:

[lisad@stcolumbkill.org](mailto: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 Petruskas

**Director of Youth Ministry** - Heather Shainline:

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**Director of Music** - Deborah Maskrey

**Director Communications/Marketing** -

George A. DeFrehn, OFS: [georged@stcolumbkill.org](mailto: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** @ Noon 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.