

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



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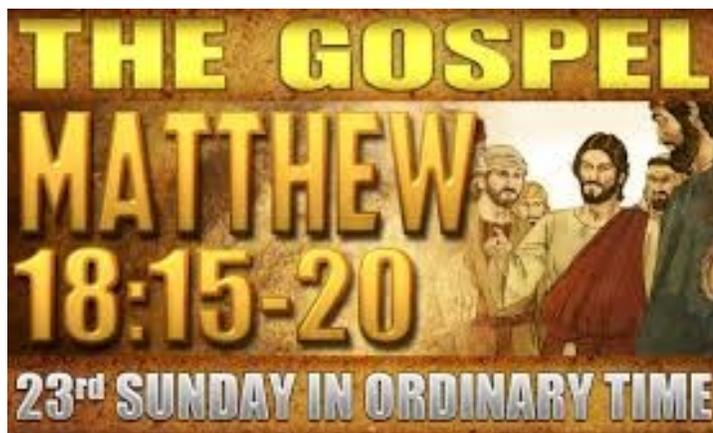
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10 SEP 2017

23rd Sunday
Ordinary Time

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



Matt
18:
15-20

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

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

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!

**BIBLE STUDY—At
MBS in Bally, PA**

Bible Study begins Monday evening in Fr. Schneider Hall at 7PM.

September 11th!

Please join Marty O'Connor and Margaret Chovanes who will moderate the latest Jeff Cavin's video production - "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible". This series includes 8 - 30 minute videos accompanied by some Bible readings and a study guide for discussion. A different video will be featured at each session.

PRA YFUL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 11

9:00 AM – Betty Fronheiser by George & Ellen
Fronheiser

Tuesday, September 12

9:00 AM – Marie Liberatori by Family

Wednesday, September 13

9:00 AM – Marie Connors by Carol and Rich Blair

Thursday, September 14

9:00 AM – Joseph Wheeler by Jack and Linda Lignelli

Friday, September 15

9:00 AM – Betty Fronheiser by Keith & Brenda
Fronheiser

Saturday, September 16

5:00 PM – Donald Gehringer Sr. by Thomas, Megan
and Abby Droege

Sunday, September 17

7:30 AM —Jack Andre by Jim and Joanne Psota

9:00 AM—Angeline Leap by the Monday Night
Rosary Group

11:00 AM – Frank De Mario by the 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

LTJG Daniel Patti, USN

1st 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 Memory of Paul Geary by the Zadroga Family

Bread and Wine

Francis Siwik, Jr. by Dean and Maria Siwik

Altar Flowers

Celebration of the 58th Wedding Anniversary of
George & Ellen Fronheiser by Nadine Blair

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Mon: Sep 11	Fr. David Loeper
Tue: Sep 12	Msgr. Richard Loeper
Wed: Sep 13	Fr. James Lofton
Thu: Sep 14	Fr. Kevin Lonergan
Fri: Sep 15	Deceased Priests
Sat: Sep 16	Fr. Lucien Longtin
Sun: Sep 17	Fr. Stephen Maco

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

395. When does one commit a mortal sin?

One commits a mortal sin when they are simultaneously present: grave matter, full knowledge, and deliberate consent. This sin destroys charity in us, deprives us of sanctifying grace, and if unrepented, leads us to the eternal death of hell. It can be forgiven in the ordinary way by means of the sacraments of Baptism and of Penance or Reconciliation.

Further reading: CCC [1855-1861, 1874](#)

396. When does one commit a venial sin?

One commits a venial sin, which is essentially different from a mortal sin, when the matter involved is less serious or, even if it is grave, when full knowledge or complete consent are absent. Venial sin does not break the covenant with God but it weakens charity and manifests a disordered affection for created goods. It impedes the progress of a soul in the exercise of virtues and in the practice of moral good. It merits temporal punishment which purifies.

Further reading: CCC [1862-1864, 1875](#)

397. How does sin proliferate?

Sin creates a proclivity to sin; it engenders vice by repetition of the same acts.

Further reading: CCC [1865, 1876](#)

398. What are vices?

Vices are the opposite of virtues. They are perverse habits which darken the conscience and incline one to evil. The vices can be linked to the seven, so-called, *capital* sins which are: pride, avarice, envy, anger, lust, gluttony, and sloth or acedia.

Further reading: CCC [1866-1867](#)

399. Do we have any responsibility for sins committed by others?

We do have such a responsibility when we culpably cooperate with them.

Further reading: CCC [1868](#)

400. What are the *structures* of sin?

Structures of sin are social situations or institutions that are contrary to the divine law. They are the expression and effect of personal sins.

Further reading: CCC [1869](#)

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, or drop a note in the collection basket, or call the church office at 610-367-2371 no later than Wednesday **September 13, 2017**.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA will begin meeting on **Thursday evenings at 7PM** in the parish office. RCIA is tailored for three groups of people who would like more information about the Catholic Church: Those who have never been baptized. Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to consider entering into the Catholic Church.

Baptized Catholics who have not completed their formation in the Catholic faith; that is, who have not received either the sacrament of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

If you or someone you know would like to understand the tenants of the Catholic faith better, please come to an inquiry meeting following the Masses this weekend in the Narthex. For more information contact Margaret @ [610-248-2171](tel:610-248-2171) or margaretc@stcolumbkill.org.

Sisters of St. Francis Raffle

RAFFLE!!

Just ten bucks . . . would you believe. a donation of \$10 entitles you to 6 chances and the possibility of winning any one of 4 great monetary prizes? The Sisters of St. Francis will be selling raffle tickets after Masses on Sept. 30th and Oct. 1st, 2017

The purchase of raffle tickets can be done by cash or check payable to the Sisters of St. Francis. Get ready and see next week's bulletin for more details!

Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Sunday, September 10th

Monthly Meeting
12-2pm
Light lunch provided

Friday, September 22th

Make your own ice cream sundae/game night
6-8pm
Room-TBD
Bring your favorite game (some will be available to play, too!) and sign up to bring a topping for our sundaes. Ice cream, spoons and bowls provided.

Friday, September 29th

Cookie Baking at SFA
6-9pm
No baking experience needed Please arrive on time so we can beat our record of 30 pounds of cookies! Please meet at the Carnival building directly next to SFA in Bally.

Saturday, September 30th

Dorney Park Trip
Sign up by September 19th- Bring your friends and family! Tickets cost \$29pp. Please let Heather know if you need a ride.

Saturday, October 7th

MercyMe Concert
5:30-10:30pm
Santander Arena
Please sign up to see MercyMe by September 30th!
Tickets are \$33.00pp. Only 30 tickets available. Friends and family are welcome. Please let Heather know if you need a ride.

“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)

Life Teen Blog

A Beginner’s Guide to Adoration by [CAITLIN SICA](#) ***Five Ways to be Successful in Adoration***

5. It’s so easy to go a whole day without silence. We get in the car and turn on the radio, we have our phones, with days worth of music, in our pockets, and at the end of the day there’s Netflix. Even if we are in a quiet environment, we are usually accustomed to checking our phones—for a text, the latest Facebook drama, the trending hashtag on Twitter, the newest picture on Instagram, the list goes on.

Don’t get me wrong, I fall prey to every one of those habits. Which is why, when I’m sitting in adoration, I can find it difficult to focus. I’ve become so accustomed to the business of the world, that being truly still, truly silent, can seem uncomfortable, foreign. But that discomfort is ok, good even. In Audrey Assad’s “Restless” she sings “And I’m restless, I’m restless, ‘Til I rest in You.” I find this sentiment to be so true when I am in adoration. Sure, the first few minutes I am restless as I begin to wind down. But eventually, I am filled with insurmountable peace. Allow yourself to sit in silence and to just be with Jesus.

In an apparition to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Jesus spoke these beautiful words: “I have a burning thirst to be honored by men in the Blessed Sacrament.” Go to adoration, even if it’s just for 5 minutes. Jesus desires to be with you, to have you gaze upon Him, as He so lovingly gazes upon you.

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

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

Message from St. Francis Academy Our Parish Elementary School



St. Francis Academy

668 Pine Street
Bally, PA
www.sfabally.org

Happy Grandparents' Day!

Sept. 11 – Gym classes begin for Gr. 3 through 8.

Sept. 14 – Parent's Back to School Night Gr. 1-8, 6:30-7:30.
Home & School Meeting 7:30.

Sept. 15 – School Liturgy 10:45.

Please note, *school masses will be on Fridays* this year. If Mass is on a different day we will notify everyone.

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 can be purchased through school on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

1st Annual SFA Scholarship Fund Golf Outing SPREAD THE WORD!

We will be holding our 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.

Shot gun starts at 12:30 pm rain or shine. Lunch, prizes and raffles begin at 4:30pm. 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
Thank you for your support.

Registration continues for the 2017-18 school year, 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

KIDS LETTERS TO GOD...

Dear GOD,

Did you mean for the giraffe to look like that or was it an accident? -Norma

Dear GOD,

Who draws the lines around the countries?

-Nan

Dear GOD,

I went to this wedding and they kissed right in church. Is that okay? Neil

Dear GOD,

Please send me a pony. I never asked for anything before, You can look it up. -Bruce

Announcements

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:danielatroun@netscape.net or
610-473-2285. Information for scouting units in our area can be found online at: beascout.org

ATTENTION ELEMENTARY PREP PARENTS:

Our elementary religious education classes begin this week for all previously-registered students in grades 1 to 6. All parents, students and catechists are to report to the church at 4pm/6pm. We will begin with a short prayer service followed by the class assignments. Classes will end at the normal time of 5:30/7:30. Parents are to wait for their children in the narthex. Children must be accompanied by an adult before they may leave the building. Please pray for the success of our program.

COOKIES, COOKIES, COOKIES!

It's that time of year again, we are forming our plans for the cookie baking for the annual Saint Francis Academy Bazaar. This is the largest fundraiser for our school. We are in need of volunteers. If you have any time please consider forming a baking team, joining an existing baking team, mixing the dough, or sheeting the dough. Bakers can bake any time during the day or in the evening. Please call or text Angie Snyder for more details...[610-858-8740](tel:610-858-8740)

FALL CLEANOUT

SFA Fall Used Clothing Drive will be held Saturday, **September 30th from 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM**, in the SFA school parking lot. Any questions please call Megan at [610-730-5441](tel:610-730-5441) or email mbwilson@hotmail.com.

****PLEASE DO NOT DROP DONATIONS OFF AT THE MBS RECTORY.**

Father Marty's Corner

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

This final sentence in our gospel is a beautiful affirmation of what it means to gather as a community of faith to pray each Sunday. I often reflect on the ability we have to pray in every circumstance and every place. These are unique opportunities to connect with God. However as Catholics, we are at our best when we are gathered at the altar celebrating the Eucharist. We are our strongest as a united community of belief. Jesus reminds us in the gospel that He is in our midst.



This weekend we celebrate as a community our main meeting space—Father Quinn Hall and the renewal of this space and the addition of a great kitchen! We break the Bread of Life in Church which is indeed when we are at our best. Now we have a great space to celebrate our life as a family of faith. We are able to celebrate Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, Weddings, Birthday celebrations, Anniversary celebrations and funerals. We also have a variety of events throughout the year that make our parish alive.

These are opportunities to break bread (and maybe even make bread.) Indeed Jesus will be present in our midst.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time— Matt 18: 15-20

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If your brother sins against you,
go and tell him his fault between you and him alone.

If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.
If he does not listen,
take one or two others along with you,
so that 'every fact may be established
on the testimony of two or three witnesses.'

If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church.
If he refuses to listen even to the church,
then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector.
Amen, I say to you,
whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven,
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Again, amen, I say to you,
if two of you agree on earth
about anything for which they are to pray,
it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.
For where two or three are gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them."

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 SEP 2 & 3—2017

Wkly. offering necessary for Budget.....	\$13,800.00
Actual Weekly Offering	\$14,091.92
Net Weekly Overage.....	\$291.92
YTD Budget Offering.....	\$138,000.00
YTD Actual Offering Income.....	\$125,015.32
YTD Shortage.....	-\$12,984.68

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. 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**

MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

We are privileged to welcome Dale Ahlquist to speak at:
SFA auditorium **Friday evening at 7 p.m., October 13,**
668 Pine St. Bally, PA.

"G.K. Chesterton: A Prophet for the 21st Century"

You are now able to pay for your tickets online. Just go to
the MBS website, www.mbsbally.org . Tickets are \$10 each.
OR

You may mail a check for your tickets to:
MBS
610 Pine Street
Bally, PA 19503
ATTN: G.K. Chesterton

If you pay online thru MBS website, you'll have to open an
account on their site, similar to the one you opened on ourS
to purchase tickets online. Very Easy.

Questions, queries, and RSVP's to be made to Margaret
Chovanes: (610) 248-2171 or mchova1084@gmail.com

Did you know?

That In the spring and summer of 1916, nine-year-old Lúcia Santos and her cousins Jacinta and Francisco Marto were herding sheep at the Cova da Iria near their home village of Aljustrel in the parish of Fátima, Portugal. They later said they were visited three times by an apparition of an angel. They said the angel, who identified himself as the "Angel of Peace" and "Angel of Portugal", taught them prayers, to make sacrifices, and to spend time in adoration of the Lord...believed to be Michael the Archangel.

Question: In the Catholic Church three Archangels are mentioned by name in its canon of Scripture. Can you name them?

Last week's Answer: On what day in the Church Calendar do we celebrate Our Lady's birthday?
We, the Church, celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary's birthday this month on **September 8th**, which was this past Friday! She was born in the town of Nazareth to her parents Joachim and Anne.

And you can look all of this up!

News/Events

St. Francis Academy-Our Parish School

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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 11th 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 10th 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](tel:484-336-9849).

Basket Party Save the Date! Mark your calendar for **Friday, October 20th** 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.

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.

An Ice Cream Social with Heart

Did you know that since 1998 there have been a group of people here at St. Columbkille who are “called to be the Heart of God on earth?” We are the Lay Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, or Lay MSC! On Sunday afternoon, **September 25, at 2:00 PM,** we invite you to join us as we host our 5th annual ice cream social. If you are interested in deepening your faith journey with a spirituality of the *heart*, come and see who we are and what we’re about! A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex!

LAOH

American Music Theater **Home for the Holidays...Sat Nov. 25th...** 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.**

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.

Prayer Shawl Members

Our next meeting is **September 19th, after the Daily Mass, approximately 9:40 a.m.** in the Office Conference Room. If anyone would like to join our group, we invite them also. We have a high request rate for shawls and lap robes and cannot keep up with the demand if we don’t have the hands to do the work. Please consider helping us continue our ministry. Hope to see you.



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

Along with: Mary Lou Heisler, and Joann Rivera

Chief Financial Officer/Campaign Coordinator -
Gayle B. Fontaine

Parish Visitor - Sister Jean Wickenheiser OSF

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Director Communications/Marketing -

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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.