



March 12, 2023



Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

The Holy Face of Jesus Image



In the Archives of the former St. Bernard Parish, I found an old image of the Holy Face of the Lord Jesus, patterned after the Veil of St. Veronica, that was very old. It peaked my curiosity as I have had a devotion to the Holy Face for a long time. Having inspected the image closely and reading the Latin inscription and wax seals on it, I decided to have it framed and placed in St. Bernard Church in the area of the left side near where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved. Some of you have seen it and have asked about it. For the past two years on Shrove Tuesday (the day before Ash Wednesday), I have brought the image to Our Lady of Grace Church for the 9:00 a.m. Mass as it is a traditional day to remember the Holy Face of Jesus.

One of the oldest recorded relics kept in St. Peter's Basilica is the Veil of St. Veronica. This is the cloth that allegedly by tradition, a holy woman used to wipe the face of Christ as He made His way to Calvary for crucifixion. The relic is brought out for public veneration on the 5th Sunday of Lent for the Station church visits in Rome.

On January 6, 1849, the image was on display at St. Peter's Basilica for three days. That last time of public veneration to my knowledge, there was recorded on the third day, a supernatural event in which the cloth exhibited a glow of unexplained light, as well as a clarity of Christ's facial features. It was decided to have artists come to the Basilica to make images that would replicate what was seen. From that time, prints of those artistic images taken from the Veil of Veronica at that time were made and touched to the original image that had been on display and that is still kept in St. Peter's (right behind the upper loggia behind the huge statue of St. Veronica to the left of the main altar). Those images of the Holy Face were also touched to other major relics of the Passion of Christ kept in Rome.

Having read the inscription and examined the seals of the image now newly framed and kept in St. Bernard Church of our parish, I understand that the print we have was taken from the original artistic drawings done at the time of the supernatural phenomenon, and was touched to the original image of the Veil as well.

I draw your attention to this holy image during the season of Lent as we recall the sufferings of the Lord Jesus during His passion. You may wish to take a closer look as you go near to the Communion rail on the left hand side and offer a prayer to the Lord. There is a growing devotion at this time in the history of the Church to the Holy Face of Jesus, especially venerating the Face of Our Lord, true God and true Man; the Holy Face that was mocked, reviled, spat upon and beaten. Our Lord offered that in union with His whole Passion for the remission of our sins, and our grateful love and devotion to His Holy Face is yet another outward expression of our thanksgiving to Him.

Act of Love to the Holy Face Prayer

Adorable Face of my Jesus, my only love, my light and my life, grant that I may see, know and love You alone, that I may live with You, of You and for You. Amen.

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND PRIEST'S INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 12 - Third Sunday of Lent

7:00am STB Doru Grigore
9:00am STB Living and Deceased Members of the Curren,
Revitsky and Weaver Families
9:30am OLG Ben Heinrich
11:00am STB Arthur (Bud) Gastgeb
11:30am OLG Mike Pattinato
7:30pm STB For All People of the Parish

Monday, March 13 - Lenten Weekday

7:00am STB Martin and Judith Flaherty
9:00am OLG Betty Jean Vogliano

Tuesday, March 14 - Lenten Weekday

7:00am STB Lottie Swick

8:30am Confessions at OLG

9:00am OLG Kenneth Szafranski

Wednesday, March 15 - Lenten Weekday

7:00am STB Terry and Michael Farrell

Confessions immediately following the 7:00am Mass at STB

9:00am OLG Doreen Scott and Gary Garrigan

Thursday, March 16 - Lenten Weekday

7:00am STB Joseph Shoplik

8:30am STB Fr. Iosif Budau

9:00am OLG Bart Will

4:00pm-5:00pm Confessions at STB

7:00pm-7:30pm Confessions at STB

Friday, March 17 - Lenten Weekday - Saint Patrick, Bishop

7:00am STB Jack Beggy

9:00am OLG Glenn Sawicki

2:00pm STB Stations of the Cross

6:00pm STB Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18 - Lenten Weekday - Saint Cyril of Jerusalem,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00am STB Prayers of the Cloak
Lina, Laura and Marta Pollice

Confessions immediately following the 8:00am Mass at STB

Confessions 2:45-3:45pm at OLG

4:00pm OLG Herbert Egler

5:00pm STB John Coquet

Sunday, March 19 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:00am STB Rychick and Henry Families
9:00am STB McFadden/Traeger Families
9:30am OLG For All People of the Parish
11:00am STB Richard Stoeckle, Jr.
11:30am OLG Jackie Yuhas
6:30pm STB Vespers
7:30pm STB Richard Pirain

Readings for the week of March 12, 2023

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2,
5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-
30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/
Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt
5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab,
14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9
-14
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5,
6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-
17, 34-38

Your Charity to Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

Sunday, March 5, 2023: \$30,916.00
Knights of Columbus (2nd): \$ 4,054.00

February Online Giving (Sundays Only): \$69,281.50

Thank You For Your Generosity

ROSARY AT OLG

Please join us in praying a rosary every Tuesday evening
at Our Lady of Grace Church beginning at 7pm.
We kindly ask that you access the church through the
back doors by Keefer Hall.

FAMILY ROSARY AT STB

Please join us for Family Rosary in front of the Blessed
Sacrament every Sunday after the 11:00am Mass at
St. Bernard in the upper church.

Please join us in an opportunity in praying the rosary
following morning Masses Monday - Saturday at STB.

Recent Baptisms

Rogan Alexander Beckham

Son of Matthew and Angela Dively Beckham

Helena Brigid Flynn

Daughter of Ryan and Katrina Rekrut Flynn

Brooks Patrick McKown

Son of Erik and Emily Coughlin McKown

Francesco Anthony Ranalli

Son of Anthony Jr. and Katrina Collins Ranalli

Daphne Faye Rodgers

Daughter of Matthew and Sarah Pfahl Rodgers

Isla Grace Strohmeier

Daughter of Tyler and Danielle Gangone Strohmeier

Eloise Lachlan Vincent

Daughter of Christopher and Elaine Rhein Vincent

IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED DECEASED

† Carolyn Joan Troy

† David Dombrosky

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

The promise of heaven is our eternal hope.

**TRIDUUM OF DEVOTIONS
TO SAINT JOSEPH
MARCH 18-20**



SATURDAY, MARCH 18

8AM MASS WITH PRAYERS OF THE CLOAK

AT ST. BERNARD

CONFESSIONS TO FOLLOW PRAYERS OF THE CLOAK

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

6:30PM VESPERS - AT ST. BERNARD

MONDAY, MARCH 20

7:00PM MASS WITH PRAYERS OF THE CLOAK

AT OUR LADY OF GRACE

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT
SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH**

Jesus commissioned the eleven remaining Apostles to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Congratulations on your commitment to further His great commission by baptizing your baby at St. Michael the Archangel Parish! We know this is a very exciting and blessed time for you and your family, and we rejoice with you.

If this is your first baby, email Deacon Eric Schorr at eschorr@smaphg.org to set up a time to meet, preferably before your baby is born. Your meeting with Deacon Eric gives you the opportunity to meet with a member of the parish clergy team to learn more about our parish and having your child baptized. We want to get to know your family better!

After your meeting with Deacon Eric, you will attend our Baptism Formation Evening for New Parents. These evenings are held every-other-month. You will receive the dates of the evenings at your meeting with Deacon Eric.

You will be able to schedule your baby's baptism after you have met with Deacon Eric and attended the Baptism Formation Evening.

If this isn't your first baby to be baptized and it has been more than three years since you have attended our Baptism Formation Evening for New Parents, you will need to meet with Deacon Eric before you schedule your baby's baptism.

All sacramental records for Our Lady of Grace and St. Bernard

Churches prior to July 1, 2020 have been sent to the

Diocesan Archives. If you are in need of any sacramental information prior to this date, please contact the archives at

412-456-3158.



2023 Lenten Schedule

Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

smapgh.org | 412-561-3300

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Bernard

2:00pm, Fridays, February 24 through March 17

6:00pm, Friday, March 3, March 17 & March 31

Our Lady of Grace

6:00pm, Friday, Feb 24, March 10, & March 24

SACRAMENT of CONFESSION

The Light is On For You

Wednesday, March 29

6:00-8:00pm | Our Lady of Grace & St. Bernard

Lenten Confession

Holy Monday, April 3

6:30pm | St. Bernard

TRIDUUM of DEVOTIONS to SAINT JOSEPH

March 18-20

Mass with prayers of the Cloak

Saturday | March 18 | 8am | St. Bernard

Vespers

Sunday | March 19 | 6:30pm | St. Bernard

Mass following Vespers at 7:30pm at St. Bernard

Mass with prayers of the Cloak

Monday | March 20 | 7:00pm | Our Lady of Grace

PARISH LENTEN PILGRIMAGE, MARCH 26

More info to follow

HOLY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

Tenebrae

7:00pm | Our Lady of Grace

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00pm | St. Bernard

Following Mass: All night adoration (until dawn)
at the Altar of Repose

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

Stations of the Cross & Divine Mercy Chaplet

12:00pm | Our Lady of Grace

Passion of the Lord | 1:30pm | Our Lady of Grace

Stations of the Cross with Service of Deposition,
Procession and Burial of Christ

6:00pm | St. Bernard

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8

Blessing of the Pascal Food and Divine Mercy Chaplet

12:00pm | St. Bernard

EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY, APRIL 8

8:30pm | St. Bernard

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9

7:00am | 9:00am | 11:00am | St. Bernard (Main Church)

9:00am | 11:00am | Clairvaux Hall

9:30am | 11:30am | Our Lady of Grace (Main Church)

No 7:30pm Mass

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

Our Lady of Grace: Sat 4pm | Sun 9:30 & 11:30am
St. Bernard: Sat 5pm | Sun 7am, 9am, 11am, 7:30pm

Regular Confession Schedule

Our Lady of Grace: Tue 8:30am | Sat 2:45 - 3:45pm
St. Bernard: Wed after 7am Mass | Sat after 8am Mass |
Thu 4pm & 7pm

PITTSBURGH CIVIC ORCHESTRA

presents

Concert of "European Classics"

Take a musical tour of some of Europe's great cities when the Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra returns to Our Lady of Grace Church for this concert with a continental flair! Under the direction of Maestro Alejandro Pinzon, the orchestra travels from Paris, where the seldom-heard "Olympie Overture" by Joseph Martin Kraus captured the tension between love and duty in Voltaire's play, to London for Franz Joseph Haydn's last of 12 "London" symphonies, No. 104 in D. Along the way, flute soloist Dr. Alyssa Schwartz introduces us to Antonio Vivaldi's "Piccolo Concerto in C Major, RV 443" and continues to delight us with Giulio Briccialdi's "Carnival of Venice."

Join us on this exciting musical itinerary **Saturday, March 18, 7:30 PM, Our Lady of Grace Church, 310 Kane Blvd.** Admission to the concert is free; free-will offerings are most gratefully accepted.



PROGRAMMING NOTE:

Due to a scheduling conflict,

Pergolesi's STABAT MATER

**will NOT be presented on Saturday, March 25
at St. Bernard Church.**

We apologize for any inconvenience.



RCIA UPDATE

For months now, we at St. Michael the Archangel parish, have been walking with 10 people who will be fully initiated members of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass. This group is a mix of men and women, children and adults. Some will be Baptized and others are already Baptized but will receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Lent is an especially important time as it is a period of Purification and Enlightenment. One of the Rites which happens during lent is called Scrutinies.

Though the word "scrutinize" sounds negative, even intimidating, its true meaning is simply "to see clearly or inspect closely." The Scrutinies are about *seeing sin in its right aspect, and coming to understand the way we fall victim to it. They are also about the transformative healing possible for us through Christ, as He offers Himself to us.*

Once we see sin for what it really is, and better understand our own personal weaknesses, we can begin to exercise the freedom and liberation we have received through Jesus. With God's grace, we can turn away from the darkness of sin, reject disordered patterns, and step into the light. This is possible for us because we believe in the redemptive sacrifice of Christ, and we entrust ourselves to Him.

These are important foundational teachings for the Elect to understand and experience. During the three-week period of the Scrutinies, the Elect open the eyes of their souls, examine carefully how sin works in their lives, and make the deliberate choice to turn away from sin so they can step joyfully into the light of Christ at their Baptisms. In fact, Baptism is so important as a special hallmark of our Christian identity that those Elect who already received a Trinitarian baptism in the past do not participate formally in the rites in the same way as the other RCIA Elect.

What Happens?

After the Gospel and Homily, the Elect and their Godparents come forward during each of the three weeks of the Scrutinies. The Celebrant addresses the whole assembly, asking us to pray for a spirit of repentance, an awareness of sin, and strength of will for the Elect. He prays for them as we pray for them. While this is happening, we can recognize the need to seek these same graces in prayer for our own continuous conversions.

The Priest then lays hands on each of the Elect individually, and he prays silently over them. Among other intentions, he prays an exorcism prayer, asking God to strengthen and protect them from temptation and deceit. We can use this time to pray silently for our brothers and sisters in Christ, and to ask that we not fall victim to temptation or deceit as we aspire to love God more deeply, and conform ourselves to Him.

**CHILDREN'S HOLY HALF HOUR MEETS
THURSDAY, MARCH 16th**



**IN FONTENAY CHAPEL
FROM 10:00 - 10:30 AM
FELLOWSHIP AFTERWARDS
IN THE DINING ROOM**

Pre-schoolers are invited to pray,
sing and worship God
with Mom, Dad or Grandparents

St Michael the Archangel Parish

Women's Retreat

April 29, 2023

All women of the parish are invited!

Please join Sr. Anna Rose and Sr. Miriam T.O.R.
for a day filled with inspiring talks, prayer, food
and fellowship.

Schedule and details coming soon!



Holy, Healthy and Happy Living will be the discussion at our next meeting, March 29th. We are happy to welcome back Tisha Bridges, the former Pastoral Associate and Licensed Professional Counselor at St. Michael the Archangel. Self-Care, mental health and wellness are issues that concern all of us and we look forward to her perspective and knowledge. Tisha is currently the Director of Victim Assistance Ministry for the diocese. The evening begins with a prayer service, conducted by Deacon John, in Keefer Hall at Our Lady of Grace at 6:30 pm with the meeting following at 7:00 pm.



**WE WANT
YOU!**

Do you relish estate sales? Seek out garage sales? Spend weekends at Trader Jacks? Have you enjoyed time at our annual Rummage Sale? If any of these sound like you, we could use your help! SMA Women's Guild Rummage Sale Committee is in need of individuals who are familiar with prices of gently-used items and who would be willing to assist with this year's Rummage Sale. We would need your assistance with pricing June 2-3, 5-7.

Involvement in the Rummage Sale is FUN! It is an opportunity to meet and get to know other parishioners while sharing your talent and time.

Please email us with questions and your interest at smawomensguild@gmail.com.

Lenten Pilgrimage

Join our parish priests on

Sunday, March 26th

1pm Depart St Bernard Church (lower parking lot)

1:30-2:30pm Tour Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Polish Hill

2:30pm Depart for Saint Nicholas Church, Millvale

3:00pm Tour and Stations of the Cross at Saint Nicholas Church

4:30pm Depart for Saint Bernard Church

Donation: \$20

Contact: Debbie at 412-531-3300 x110/dkubiak@smapgh.org
to make reservations- space is limited

You are welcome to drive and join the group at both destinations.

Clearance Information for St. Michael the Archangel Volunteers

Volunteers are required to be in full compliance with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy, which was created to assure that all parishes be committed to providing a safe environment for our children, youth, and vulnerable adults. **Clearances are required for ALL who minister in the name of the Church, even if the ministry or volunteer activity does not directly involve children.**

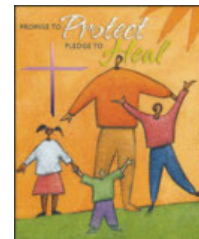
If you serve on the **Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Council**, or if you are involved in any ministry, e.g., **Fish Fry, Parish Festival, Rummage Sale, Food Pantry, Usher, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Choir, Wedding Committee, Faith Formation, Hospitality, St. Martin's Table, St. Vincent de Paul, etc.**, you are required to obtain clearances in order to serve. Additionally, if you are a **Knight of Columbus, Lady of Charity, or Women's Guild Member who helps at Mass or parish events**, the same requirements apply.

The following clearances are renewable every 5 years:

- PA Child Abuse History Clearance
- FBI Clearance or Waiver

Renewable every 3 years:

- Protecting God's Children/Vulnerable Adults Online Training Sessions



St. Michael the Archangel appreciates our many volunteers and will guide you through the clearance process! Please contact Mia Bonnewell, Safe Environment Coordinator (mbonnewell@smapgh.org, (412) 561-3300 ext. 309) to begin the process or check your clearance status. **The Church must have all clearances on file, new or renewed, before you are able to volunteer.**

Thank you for being willing to share your time and talents with our Parish!

MISSION WEEK 2023



WELCOME TO MISSION WEEK IN ENON VALLEY

- Mission Week is June 18-23, 2023
- We stay at SNPJ Rec Center (Enon Valley, PA) in boys/girls cabins, with access to a pool, lakeside pavilion, fishing, basketball, and fields for sports
- Open to high schoolers (must have completed 9th grade by June 2023), college students, and adult leaders
- To come on this trip, you need to be ready to have a life-changing week! Be open to serving however you're asked to and letting God use you to love others

COST

- Total cost is \$450 (food, lodging, transportation, shirt, everything for the week)
- \$100 non-refundable deposit due within 10 days of registration
- Financial aid available. Don't let \$ keep you from coming!



WORK SITES

- Work groups of 4-8 teens plus college/adult leaders serve in New Castle, West Pittsburg, and Ellwood City
- Typical work includes painting, yard work, home repairs, cleanup, helping with kids at programs for low income families, neighborhood revitalization, restoring hope!
- No special skills necessary - we will teach you

WHEN WE'RE NOT WORKING

- We have SO MUCH FUN
- Every day we have Mass, prayer, free time, and nightly activities like a bonfire w/ s'mores, ultimate Frisbee, talent show, Adoration, Confessions, pool party + more



Scan with
your phone
(bit.ly/sma_mission)

HOW TO REGISTER

- Register online and send a \$100 deposit within 10 days
- Attend Verso l'Alto at least once a month (You'll get to know others going on the trip, and go deeper in your faith to get better prepared for this experience)
- Submit all paperwork and final balance by May 21, 2023
- Questions? Contact Joni at jmulvaney@smaphg.org or 412-561-0570

ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS ARE WELCOME

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH



HOSPITALITY *Apostolate*

A ministry created to engage with others and inspire parishioners to become involved in life of the parish.

Do you enjoy hosting events? Join the SMA Hospitality Apostolate!

••• Throughout scripture, Jesus gathered with friends and strangers to share meals, conversation and love.

••• Give Joy and Gratitude to God.

Find a spirit of fellowship that nurtures our spiritual growth.

Fellowship

Wednesday, March 15 @ 6:30 PM
Our Lady of Grace - Keefer Hall

Join us for a meeting of this new ministry to learn how to make our parish welcoming and find ways to have God's love visible through hospitality at social and spiritual events.

It feels good to be welcomed.

Interested in becoming involved? Contact Molly at: mjesso@smapgh.org



Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

FISH FRY

FRIDAYS!



Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31

Our Lady of Grace - Conroy Hall



Scan QR code or visit:

www.smapgh.org

to place **Take Out** order (online ordering will be open at 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM on Thursdays.) **Take Out** available at 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM on Fridays in Conroy Hall (at gym doors) or call (412) 200 - 2694 - phones open at 3:30 PM on Fridays.



SCAN ME

Please order inside Conroy Hall to **EAT IN **
EAT IN Hours: 4:30 - 7:00 PM

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL SVDP

SPRING FOOD DRIVE!

MARCH 25 – 26, 2023

WITH BAG DISTRIBUTION AFTER ALL MASSES MARCH 11, 12

St Winifred Food Pantry serves our parish with two distribution sites:
The St Michael the Archangel site in Scott Township
and The St Winifred site in Mt Lebanon

In 2022, our two sites served over 14,000 people. Compared to last year, February, 2023, had a 50% increase from 2022, serving over 1,620 people in over 550 pantry visits. Due to the storage space limitations at both distribution sites, we are requesting specific donations - either from a list of the most needed items, grocery gift cards (Shop n Save, Aldi's, Giant Eagle) or monetary donations made payable to SMA SVdP, with Food Drive on the memo line.

Your prayers would also be appreciated for the individuals and families we serve and help us to meet their many needs.

List of Needed Items:

Cereal	Bathroom Tissue
Peanut Butter, Jelly	Paper Towels
Mac & Cheese	Facial Tissues,
Pastas, Pasta Sauce, Tomato Paste	Shampoo & Hair Conditioner
Soups	Deodorant
Boxed Potato mixes	Laundry Detergent
Rice and Pasta Side Dish Mixes	Diapers sizes 3, 6, 7, 3T-4T and 5T-6T pull-up
Canned fruit - no-or-low sugar varieties	Incontinence Products

Canned Vegetables - no-or-low Sodium (Corn, Kidney Beans, Peas, Green Beans), Dried Beans



Parishioners of St. Michael the Archangel are asked to pray outside of Planned Parenthood for some period of time between 1pm and 3pm, Sunday, March 5th and Sunday, March 12th. If you are unable to be present outside of Planned Parenthood, perhaps you could spend some time in prayer in our church, in your home, or on a break in your workday.

As always, the foundation of the campaign is focused prayer, from beginning to end. We pray for an end to abortion in Pittsburgh, for women to receive all the help and support available to them, for babies to be saved, for abortion workers to quit, and for an increase in the mission to reach more women with the love of Christ.

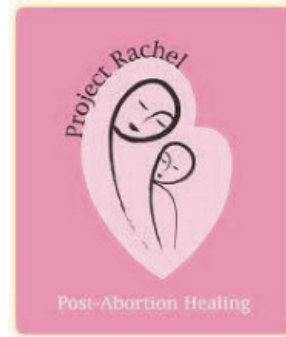


Sisters of St. Francis' Spring Food Drive to Restock St. Winifred Food Pantry

This Lenten season, the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God invite all who are able to help restock St. Winifred Food Pantry. From March 6 – 17, the Sisters are collecting donations of canned goods, nonperishable food items, and Giant Eagle gift cards for persons experiencing hunger in the South Hills served by St. Winifred Food Pantry – a collaborative effort of Saint Paul of the Cross, Saint Michael the Archangel, Resurrection and Our Lady of Hope Parishes. Donations may be dropped off between 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Sisters' Administrative Offices: 5802 Curry Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236 (former rectory behind Nativity Church).

For more information, please contact Robyn at info@osfprov.org or (412) 885-7232.

Weekend Retreat for Post-Abortion Healing



Rachel's Vineyard is a weekend retreat for women and men struggling in the aftermath of abortion. In a confidential supportive place, the retreatant can experience God's mercy and love and find healing, forgiveness, and peace. Our next retreat is April 21 -23, 2023 at the Ark and The Dove. Please visit our web site rvofpgh.com for more information or contact Toni Jester, toniafj1@comcast.net or 412-352-5348 All inquiries are confidential.

Ladies of Charity Meeting



The next meeting of the Ladies of Charity will be held in **Clairvaux Hall** on **Saturday, March 18th at 9:00 am**. We invite you to attend the 8:00 am Mass with us prior to the meeting. Following Mass a light breakfast will be served.

We will begin planning for our spring projects including the Women's Retreat Day in April, the Anointing Mass in May and the Investiture of new members by the Bishop at St Paul Cathedral.

If you would like to attend the meeting or have any questions, please contact Marilyn Holmes mamholmes@gmail.com or 412-657-5217.

New ladies are always welcome!

**The Disciple Maker Index Survey is Now Open!
Please Read and Help!**

Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed here <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/gka2g4> from now through March 31, 2023 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole. We will share the link with you a bit closer to the launch of the survey.

If you do not have access or the ability to electronic usage, a limited number of paper surveys will be available in the vestibule of both parish churches. To submit these paper copies of the survey, please drop them off in a box which will be provided in the same vestibules.

To make special arrangements for getting a paper copy, please contact **Judy Vogel** at **412-561-3300**.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

St. Ambrose Academy Open House



Thursday, March 23 6-8pm
35N Jackson Ave, Bellevue PA

Saint Ambrose Academy exists to support homeschooling families in the endeavor of educating their children and to provide a community where families can share two common loves: love of the Catholic faith and love of family. The hybrid homeschooling system offered by SAA maximizes the time the family can spend together as well as the added benefits of community life that a school setting offers.

Please RSVP by 3/21 if interested in attending. Please include grade of interest as well. admin@saintambroseacademy.org

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**Looking Forward
March**

- 12 ● Spring Bridal Meeting/ STB Clairvaux ♦ 2pm
- Youth Ministry Verso l'Alto/ STB Youth Room and Fontenay Chapel ♦ 7-9pm

- 13 ● OLG Food Bank Meeting/ OLG Keefer ♦ 10am – noon
- Wild Goose /STB Fontenay Dining ♦ 10:30am – 12pm
- Women's Guild Program Committee/ OLG Keefer ♦ 1 – 3pm
- RCIA/ STB Fontenay Dining Room ♦ 6:30 – 8pm
- Exodus 90/ STB Fontenay Faith Formation Room ♦ 7-8pm
- Magnify 90/ STB Clairvaux Hall ♦ 7- 8pm
- SMA Youth Ministry/ OLG Gym ♦ 7 – 8:30pm
- St. Dunstan Handbell Choir/ OLG Church ♦ 7:30 – 9pm

- 14 ● Women's Guild Officers Meeting/ OLG Keefer ♦ 1 – 4pm
- CCD STB Clairvaux/School ♦ 4 – 8pm
- All Night Eucharistic Adoration/ STB Fontenay Chapel ♦ 4pm - 6:40pm (3/15)
- Exodus 90/ STB Faith Formation Room ♦ 6 – 7pm
- Pre-Cana/ STB Clairvaux ♦ 6:30 – 9:30pm
- Rosary/ OLG Church ♦ 7 – 7:30pm
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- 15 ● Eucharistic Adoration/ OLG Church ♦ 9:30am – 6pm
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- Hospitality Apostolate ♦ 6:30 – 8:30pm
- Adult Confirmation Class/ STB Fontenay Dining ♦ 6:45 – 8:15pm
- Young Adults / OLG Keefer Hall ♦ 7 – 9pm

- 16 ● Children's Holy Half Hour/ STB Fontenay ♦ 10 – 11am
- Eucharistic Adoration/ STB Church ♦ 4 – 9pm
- St Hildegard Choir Rehearsal/ OLG church ♦ 5:30 – 7:30pm
- Pre-Cana/ STB Clairvaux ♦ 6:30 - 9:30pm
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- 17 ● Men's Group "Bromentum"/ STB Clairvaux ♦ 7:30 – 8:15am
- Dress a Girl/ OLG Keefer Hall ♦ 10am -1pm
- Fish Fry/ OLG Conroy Hall ♦ 4:30 – 7pm
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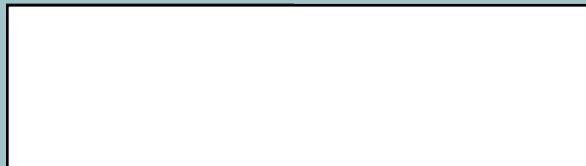
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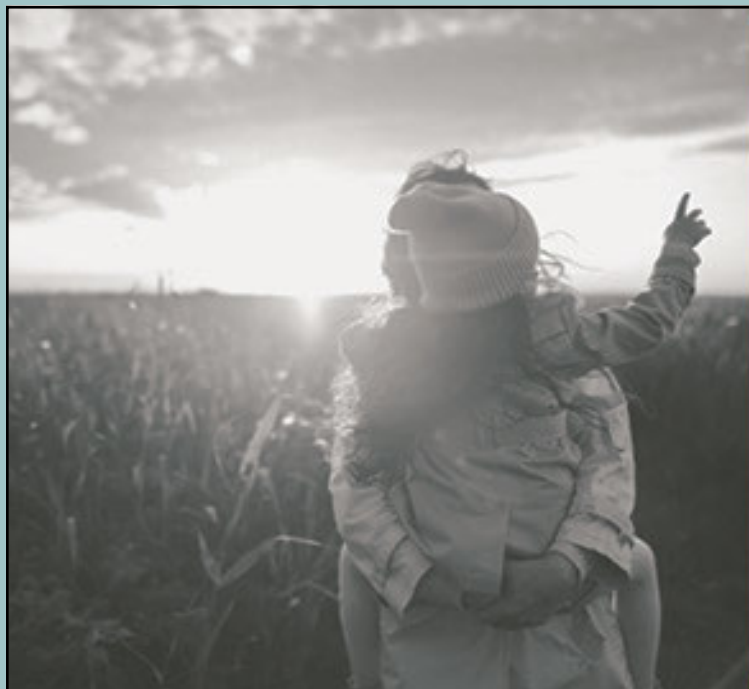
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