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The Catholic Community of Greenfield, Hazelwood and Oakland seeks to proclaim, witness and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with everyone. Empowered by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist, Saint Paul Cathedral Parish welcomes all to come and to join us on our mission to deepen our faith and holiness, grow in our love for God and others, and extend charity to all, especially the poor and those in need.

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Call 9-1-1 immediately if a child is in danger

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday, November 1

All Saints -
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 * 1 Jn 3:1-3 * Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday, November 2

All Souls' Day -
Any readings from no. 668 or from the
Lectionary for Mass (vol. IV), the Masses
for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Wednesday, November 3

Saint Martin de Porres, Religious -
Rom 13:8-10 * Lk 14:25-33

Thursday, November 4

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop -
Rom 14:7-12 * Lk 15:1-10

Friday, November 5

Weekday -
Rom 15:14-21 * Lk 16:1-8

Saturday, November 6

Weekday -
Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 * Lk 16:9-15

Sunday, November 7

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -
1 Kgs 17:10-16 * Heb 9:24-28 *
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

PARISH INFORMATION

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 1

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Emedio Bucci
10:00 am	St. Rosalia	Dr. Rebecca Caserio
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Casciato Family, Deceased
6:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Salvatore Merante

Tuesday, November 2

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Jennifer Fitzhenry, Birthday (Living)
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Peter Bucci and Anthony Bucci
7:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	All Souls' Day Remembrance Mass

Wednesday, November 3

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Josephine Stulc
10:00 am	St. Rosalia	Kevin Cady
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Trish Tommarello, Living
7:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Novena and Benediction

Thursday, November 4

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral	John Casciato
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Frederick and Ruth Egler

Friday, November 5

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Nowakowski Family, Deceased
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Florence Jacko

Saturday, November 6

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Raymond Gallagher
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Dot Perrotti
4:00 pm	St. Rosalia	Paul Solmon, Jr.
6:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Catherine Novak

Sunday, November 7

6:30 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Reverend Pete Pilarski
9:00 am	St. Rosalia	Anna Kuvinka
10:00 am	St. Paul Cathedral	Charlotte Cordaro
12:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Geraldine Kosar
12:00 pm	St. Rosalia (Spanish)	People of the Parish
3:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Anointing of the Sick Mass
6:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral	Aladino DiNardo

LITURGY SCHEDULE (CURRENT)

Mass Times

St. Paul Cathedral
Saturday Anticipated: 6pm
Sunday: 6:30am, 10am, 12noon & 6pm
Weekdays (Monday - Saturday):
8:15am & 12:05pm

St. Rosalia
Saturday Anticipated: 4pm
Sunday: 9am & 12noon (Spanish)
Weekdays (Monday & Wednesday):
10am

Confession Times

St. Paul Cathedral
Friday & Saturday: 12:45pm

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

St. Paul Cathedral
Wednesday: 7pm - 8pm
Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: 7pm
Novena Prayers & Benediction: 7:30pm

Televised Mass

Live on Comcast:
Channel 95 (In Pittsburgh)
Live Streamed Online:
ghocatholics.org/tv-ministry
facebook.com/stpaulpgh
Weekdays (Monday - Saturday): 8:15am
Sunday: 10am

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REFLECTIONS

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The question the scribe asks Jesus in today's Gospel is not an easy one to answer. "Which is the first of all the commandments?" While we may immediately think of the 10 commandments given by God to Moses on Mt. Sinai, Jewish law actually binds believers to 613 commandments. But Jesus immediately answers the question by referring back to the Book of Deuteronomy (our first reading today) and highlighting the great Shema of Jewish law: "Hear O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength." Love of God is primary and at the heart and soul of our Judeo-Christian faith tradition. How easy it is to lose sight of God as the primary foundation of our lives and the One in whom we are called to place our complete trust and offer our obedience of heart and will! Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength!

But Jesus adds a second dimension to this great commandment. "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." No longer is "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" an acceptable practice. And we know what Jesus means by neighbor: our enemy, the least of our brothers and sisters, each person who has been created in the image and likeness of God constitutes our neighbor and is deserving of our love. As Jesus reminds his disciples in another part of the Gospel, what merit is there in loving those who love us – everyone can do that. Christian faith calls us to love those who hate and persecute us, those who are difficult, those who have treated us poorly! That can be quite difficult if not impossible on our own human merits. But everything is possible with God and his divine grace at work in our lives.

Our second reading from Hebrews states that reality quite clearly. Leading a life of faithful service to God and to others is the only way to life in the Kingdom of God. But we have the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, our eternal High Priest, who offers us the hope for redemption. He has died for our sins, "once and for all." As St. Paul makes clear in his letter to the Hebrews, this High Priest, "is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them."

Thus, we can live in hope, called each day to trust in God as we strive to live out the challenge of our faith. Faith calls us to love the Lord our God alone – to have no other gods (we can all too easily allow the pleasures, power, and things of this world to become our gods today) and to love the least of our brothers and sisters in imitation of the One who gave his life on the Cross for our sins. As today's responsorial psalm reminds us: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him."

FROM THE HEART OF OUR PASTOR, FATHER STUBNA

1. **SAINT PAUL CATHEDRAL PARISH FOOD PANTRY** continues to operate every Tuesday at the Saint Rosalia Rectory from 2:00 until 3:00 pm every week. We continue to get the word out to the community about our food pantry and invite those in need to come and visit us. I thank all the food pantry volunteers for their continued help in keeping this ministry going even in the face of the pandemic. Given the concerns of the pandemic we believe it

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Compassion is preferable to cleanliness. Reflect that with a little soap, I can easily clean my bed covers but even with a torrent of tears, I would never wash from my soul, the stain, that my harshness toward the unfortunate would create."

~ St. Martin de Porres

"Be sure that you first Preach by the way you live. If you do not, people will notice that you say one thing, but live otherwise, and your words will bring only cynical laughter and a derisive shake of the head."

~ St. Charles Borromeo

SOCIAL MEDIA

For parish updates, news, and more find us on Twitter and Facebook:

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ONLINE GIVING

Giving has never been easier! Visit ghocatholics.org and click on the "Donate to St. Paul Cathedral" page under the "Resources" tab. First-time users will need to create a new account. Schedule recurring gifts or make one-time donations.

FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

A word of thanks to all who give so generously to support our parish and its many services.

Sunday, October 10:

4:00 pm:	\$895.75
6:00 pm:	\$894.00
6:30 am:	\$1,324.00
9:00 am:	\$1,551.00
10:00 am:	\$2,325.00
12:00 pm:	\$1,308.00
12:00 pm (Spanish):	\$346.10
6:00 pm:	\$1,540.00
Mail-In:	\$3,644.00
Total:	\$13,827.85

BANNS OF MARRIAGE.

Please remember to keep in your prayers the following couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage:

- III - Michael Smith and Elizabeth Rieker
- III - Stefan Schaming and Maggie Mazzotta
- III - Robert Kaufman and Hillary Leonard
- II - Dominic DeMino and Jaclyn Elias
- II - Gregory Louie and Emily Scanga
- I - Kevin Ordons and Brianna Thompson
- I - Vincent DiFonzo and Nicolette Levato

PARISH NEWS

best not to hold our annual Thanksgiving luncheon for our food pantry patrons this year – we will resume that tradition next year when things are hopefully safer and more normal for all of us. **We can always use donations for our food pantry which helps us to purchase food and supplies that are needed and we can also use Giant Eagle gift cards (\$25.00) for distribution to our patrons, especially during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays that are coming up.** You can put those donations in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and drop them in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office.

- DROP BOXES** are in place near the front door of both the Saint Paul Cathedral Rectory (Parish Office) and the Saint Rosalia Rectory. You can drop offertory envelopes, mass intention forms, parish registrations, etc. in the drop boxes at any time and our parish office staff will get them to the office.
- EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SHUT-INS AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH** are desperately needed. We need the help of our EEMS who might be willing to take Holy Communion to one or more of our homebound and shut-in parishioners, even once a month. This is a very rewarding ministry and one that helps to bring the Real Presence of our Lord in the Holy Eucharist to those who cannot get to Mass. It is a great gift and blessing to the homebound and shut-ins of our parish. We really need your help. Please let me know if you might consider this ministry.

WE WILL HONOR THE DECEASED FIREFIGHTERS IN OUR COMMUNITY

next Sunday, November 7, at the 12:00 Noon Mass at Saint Paul Cathedral. This will be the annual Firefighter's Memorial Mass sponsored by the Veteran Firefighters of Pittsburgh and the Firefighters Local #1. All are welcome to join us for this special Mass where we can celebrate and pray for those who have lost their lives in service to the community, as well as those retired firefighters who have died during this past year. How much gratitude and appreciation we have for their courageous and dedicated service in a dangerous job that helps to save lives. This is a regular Sunday Mass.

ALL SAINTS' DAY will be celebrated on Monday, November 1. This is a holyday of great importance in the life of the Church but since it falls on a Monday this year, Mass attendance is not obligatory for the faithful. We remember on this day all the blessed in heaven, the whole communion of saints, but in a particular way, we honor those holy men and women who have no special feast days in the liturgical year.

The Mass Schedule for All Saints' Day is:

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral with the Oakland Catholic High School Students in attendance
10:00 am	St. Rosalia site
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral
6:00 pm	St. Paul Cathedral

All are encouraged to attend this special day in honor of all the holy men and women of God.

THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER is a time to remember the dead. All of us grieve the loss of loved ones who have died. Their loss leaves a hole in our hearts and the emptiness and loneliness we feel can be overwhelming at times. But we read in the Scriptures that even Jesus wept at the death of his friend, Lazarus. Our tears and sorrow are the signs of the deep, abiding ties that join us – one to another – in this life. But these bonds of love and affection do not unravel at death.

Our faith teaches us that this is not the end of the story – but only the beginning, a new chapter of the book of life for one who has died, as he begins the journey to eternal life, life in the everlasting embrace of the loving arms of our Heavenly Father in the Kingdom of God. This is the message of Jesus in the Gospel to his disciples: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. There are many dwelling places in my Father’s house. I am going to prepare a place for you, and I will come back again to take you with me.”

In baptism every believer is given new life and made a beloved son or daughter of God, called by God to live a life of faith and goodness on this earth, but always with his gaze fixed intently on what lies ahead, his home in heaven for all eternity. Saint Paul speaks of the tent that is built for each one of us in heaven, not a building made by human hands that will decay over time, but one that God has built with his own hands for each of us, a home in heaven that will last for all eternity. The Book of Wisdom describes it as a place of peace, where this is no more suffering or pain, no more difficulty or sadness. “The souls of the just are in the hands of God ... no torment shall touch them again. They are in peace.”

Jesus said to his disciples: “I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in me even if he dies will live.” We all have our struggles and doubts in this life, and death can bring these uncertainties to our hearts. But as Saint Paul reminds us in his letter to the Romans: “None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. Whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.” Our faith gives us the assurance that God constantly holds us in his loving hands, guiding us and blessing us with grace, calling us to live our lives in the best way we can, loving God and loving our neighbor. And we live with the constant hope that Jesus the Good Shepherd will lead us safely home to eternal life in his Kingdom when our days on this earthly journey come to a close. Let us always remember to pray for the eternal rest of those who have died, but live with the constant hope, that eternal life awaits all who remain to Jesus Christ.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS early next Sunday morning, November 7, at 12:00 am. Remember to turn the clocks back one hour on Saturday night before going to bed so you come to Mass at the right time on Sunday! Remember: Fall back and Spring ahead!

POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: “We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.”

ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL SANCTUARY CANDLE

This week, from October 30 through November 5, the Sanctuary Candle at St. Paul Cathedral is being offered for:

THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL LIGHT

This week, from October 30 through November 5, the Blessed Mother Vigil Light at St. Paul Cathedral is being offered for:

**BLESSINGS ON
TRISH TOMMARELLO
FOR HER BIRTHDAY**

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SANCTUARY CANDLES AND BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR CANDLES

can burn in memory of a deceased loved one or for a special intention at both St. Rosalia site and St. Paul Cathedral. Only those intentions that have actually been requested with an offering will be listed in our weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office if you want to request an intention.

VIGIL CANDLES CAN BE LIT AT OUR CHURCHES

by sending in your donation and the intention that you want to offer. We are happy to light the candle and say a prayer for that intention on your behalf.

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OUR WEEKLY NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP. At Saint Paul Cathedral on Wednesday evenings the Eucharist is exposed on the altar at 7:00 pm and the novena prayers and Benediction begin at 7:30 pm until about 8:00 pm. Please consider attending and bringing your needs and prayers to the attention of Our Blessed Mother who always hears our prayers and desires to lead us to the loving heart of her Son, Jesus Christ.

ALL SOULS' DAY will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 2. This is the annual commemoration of all the faithful departed. The dead were prayed for from the earliest days of the Church, a custom that dates back to the Catacombs in Rome where the Christians gathered around those who had been buried to offer Mass and pray for their beloved dead. All Soul's Day was set on November 2 so that the memories of the souls, both of the saints in heaven and the souls of those in purgatory could be celebrated on two successive days. In this way, the Christian belief in the communion of the saints could be more clearly expressed. Catholics believe that purgatory is the place of the final cleansing of human imperfections before a soul is able to enter the joy of heaven. We can assist the souls in purgatory by our prayers, particularly those we offer in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Masses for All Souls' Day are scheduled for:

8:15 am	St. Paul Cathedral
12:05 pm	St. Paul Cathedral
7:00 pm	Annual Mass for those who have died in the past year at St. Paul Cathedral

A SPECIAL JOINT ALL SOULS' DAY MASS will be celebrated by Father Stubna at Saint Paul Cathedral on Tuesday, November 2 at 7:00 pm. This Mass will remember those who have died in the past year (from November 2020 through October 2021) from our Saint Paul Cathedral parish and who have been buried from our four worship sites: Saint Paul Cathedral, Saint Regis, Saint Rosalia, and Saint Stephen. The next of kin for those who have died have received invitations to the Mass, but all are welcome to attend. All Soul's Day and November is a special time for the Church to remember all the faithful departed and this is a Mass that remembers all those who have died from our parish family in this past year. Please come and join us. **Many thanks to the Saint Paul Cathedral parish Ladies of Charity for their help in coordinating this Mass and for hosting a small reception in the Cathedral social hall immediately after the Mass.** Let us come together and celebrate the lives of those we have lost this year and pray for their eternal rest and for their families and loved ones. May they rest in peace.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE. As we anticipate our celebration of November and our remembrance of those who have died, we will once again place the Book of Remembrance near the sanctuary at St. Rosalia and St. Paul Cathedral. This year we are unifying our tradition and will have the books out for the entire month of November, near the altar, where those who have died will be remembered at every Mass that is celebrated. Please feel free to place the names of your deceased loved ones, friends, and family members in the book to be displayed in the sanctuary for the month of November. We will remember them and all of the faithful departed in our prayers and during Mass throughout the month of November, the month for all souls, especially the souls in purgatory and those who have no one to pray for them. "We must say many prayers for the souls of the faithful departed, for one must be so pure to enter heaven." ~ *St. John Vianney*

OUR ANNUAL MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK is scheduled for next Sunday, November 7 at 3:00 pm at Saint Paul Cathedral. Please join us! Anyone in our parish community is welcome to join us for this special time of prayer and grace as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist and ask for God's healing and strength on those who are sick. The administration of the sacrament of the sick in this context is offered for those Catholics in full communion with the church who are experiencing physical ailments of a serious nature: those who will be undergoing surgery for serious reasons, the elderly who have been notably weakened even though no serious illness is present, those who are battling serious illnesses and have not been anointed recently, and children who have reached the age of reason and who are seriously ill. The recipient must be in a state of grace for the true benefit of the sacrament to be received, so it is helpful to receive the Sacrament of Penance when possible. Please contact the parish office for more information. The Ladies of Charity in our parish grouping are helping to organize this Mass and we are grateful for their assistance.



WHAT IS FLOCKNOTE? Flocknote is an easy and efficient way for St. Paul Cathedral Parish to communicate with parishioners and parish groups through email and text messages. It allows us to reach our members at a moment's notice, resulting in higher attendance at Mass and parish events, increased stewardship, and a more connected parish community. But Flocknote can only be effective if you sign up! There are two ways to join Flocknote:

1. Visit our unique URL: StPaulCathedralParishPGH.flocknote.com/everyone
2. Text to join by texting the word CATHEDRALPGH to 84576

KATHEDRAL KONFECTIONS is a fundraising project organized by a group of volunteers at the Saint Paul Cathedral parish. Once again, this year, we will be making delicious **HOMEMADE HOLIDAY PEANUT BRITTLE** that will be sold in time for Christmas. All proceeds will be used in support of our *Building a Future of Hope Campaign*, particularly our project to renovate the Synod Hall building. It is our hope that the Synod Hall building can become our pastoral center, upgraded with accessibility including an elevator, heating and air conditioning, and office and meeting space for the parish center. We will be taking orders for the peanut brittle in November for delivery of the candy in early December, in time for the Christmas season. All orders of the delicious brand of peanut brittle will be filled on a first come, first served basis until the peanut brittle is gone. So, order early and help us in our efforts to support this important project of our Saint Paul Cathedral parish. **An order form is available in this week's bulletin, on the parish website, or from the administrative office.** Please consider ordering some peanut brittle for the Christmas holidays and at the same time help to support the needs of our Building a Future of Hope Campaign and the plan to renovate Synod Hall. We hope we can count of your support.

PEANUT BRITTLE PROJECT – MARK YOUR CALENDARS. The Cathedral will once again be making and selling peanut brittle to help raise funds for the Synod Hall renovation project. We are looking for volunteers to help us make the peanut brittle on **Friday, November 5, beginning at 1:00 pm until 7:00 pm; Saturday, November 6, from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm; and on Friday, November 12, from 1:00 pm until 7:00 pm; and on Saturday, November 13, from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm.** We can use volunteers to help with a number of projects including the washing of our pans and utensils, measuring ingredients, making the brittle, packaging it and other tasks. It is a lot of fun and for a great cause. If you are interested in helping, please email the coordinator of our peanut brittle project, Larry Clapper at lclapper@saintpaulcathedral.org.

OUR PEANUT BRITTLE MAKERS wear masks, gloves, protective gowns, and head gear. Everything used in the peanut brittle will be done following strict sanitizing guidelines. Volunteers will be screened with temps taken regularly. We have a high standard of quality control in the process of making our peanut brittle which will be maintained at all times.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

"As leaders of the Catholic community in the United States, we acknowledge our right and responsibility to help establish laws and social policies protecting the right to life of unborn children, providing care and services for women and children, and safeguarding human life at every stage and in every circumstance. At this particular time, abortion has become the fundamental human rights issue for all men and women of good will. The duty to respect life in all its stages and especially in the womb is evident when one appreciates the unborn child's membership in our human family, and the grave consequences of denying moral or legal status to any class of human beings because of their age or condition of dependency."

~ *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*

THE ANNUAL RED ROSE COLLECTION taken up on October 16-17 which benefits Birthright of Pittsburgh, a prolife agency that provides help and assistance to families facing unplanned pregnancies, **totaled \$2,507.37.** Many thanks for your generous support.

PARISH NEWS



SAINT PAUL CATHEDRAL HAS A HEARING LOOP to help those with hearing loss hear our services better. If you have a T-Coil equipped hearing aid, please switch your hearing device to the T setting. For those without hearing aids, wireless headsets are also available. You can find more information on our website here: ghocatholics.org/hearing-loop.

ACTS OF HATE AGAINST CATHOLICS AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. In May of 2020, the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee for Religious Liberty began tracking incidents of arson, vandalism, and other destruction at Catholic sites across the United States. October 10 marked the 100th incident: satanic and other hateful graffiti scrawled on the walls before Sunday Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Denver, Colorado. Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, chairman of the Committee for Religious Liberty, and Archbishop Paul S. Coakley of Oklahoma City, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, issued the following statement:

"These incidents of vandalism have ranged from the tragic to the obscene, from the transparent to the inexplicable. There remains much we do not know about this phenomenon, but at a minimum, they underscore that our society is in sore need of God's grace. In all cases, we must reach out to the perpetrators with prayer and forgiveness. True, where the motive was retribution for some past fault of ours, we must reconcile; where misunderstanding of our teachings has caused anger toward us, we must offer clarity; but this destruction must stop. This is not the way. We call on our elected officials to step forward and condemn these attacks. We thank our law enforcement for investigating these incidents and taking appropriate steps to prevent further harm. We appeal to community members for help as well. These are not mere property crimes – this is the degradation of visible representations of our Catholic faith. These are acts of hate."

OUR DUTY TO VOTE. God calls Catholics to care about the common good. We must vote if we are to have a society guided by justice and mercy. While individual Catholics are encouraged to study the candidates, to measure their actions and positions according to scripture and to become politically active, the Church itself does not endorse candidates. The Church addresses issues, never parties or politicians. As your pastor, it is my responsibility to inform and to instruct the faithful about what the Church teaches and how those issues must influence how we vote as Catholics and members of the Church. As the *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops* made clear: "The threat of abortion is the preeminent priority of all the life issues confronting us because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family and because of the number of lives destroyed." Of course, every issue that diminishes human life and dignity are important. These include racism, poverty, injustice, the death penalty, economic inequality, and others. But as Bishop Zubik wrote in his recent letter: "Some might argue that abortion is a single issue. Respect Life is the issue. But it is a continuum of other issues that flow from the beginning of life at the moment of conception. Every other iteration of life flows from the preeminent moment of conception. For Catholics it is morally unacceptable to vote for a candidate with the specific intent in support of something that is intrinsically evil." As Bishop Zubik wrote: "Please vote! Please vote with an informed conscience! Please vote with the Truth in mind."

THE WORD AMONG US is a monthly publication that contains the daily and Sunday readings, some meditations and reflections and the prayers for Mass. Several hundred copies are made available at the pamphlet racks by the side entrances and the tables in the back of the Church at the end of each month for the upcoming month. These are provided as gift by the parish and are a help to those who attend daily Mass and for those who are homebound. Please feel free to take a copy with you.

ATTENTION MEN. Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then come to "*That Man is You!*" at the Cathedral, Saturday mornings after the 8:15 Mass in Synod Hall. You can register online at admin.paradisusdei.org. For additional information contact Regis Flaherty at 412-287-4007 or regisjflaherty@gmail.com.

CATECHETICAL RESOURCES are provided by the parish in great number as a way to help you deepen your understanding of the faith and grow in your union with Jesus Christ and the Church. These include two **Lighthouse Catholic Media** kiosks which contain CDs on interesting and current topics related to the faith, as well as brochures and books. We ask for a donation of \$3.00 for each CD and book, and 50 cents for the brochures. This helps us to offset the cost of this program for the parish. There are also a number of brochures and small pamphlets available at the pamphlet racks by two side entrances to the Church on a variety of faith topics. All of these resources contain excellent information on the faith and can be shared with family members, neighbors, and friends. Don't miss the opportunity to learn more about your faith.

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM PLACING MATERIALS OF ANY KIND ON THE TABLES OR PAMPHLET RACKS near the entrances of the Church. Each day I pass through the Church and collect all that material and dispose of it. Only those materials that have received my permission as pastor can be placed at the table. Some people continue to place greeting cards, newspapers, unauthorized literature and pamphlets, and other items on those tables which results in a great deal of chaos and mess. **If you leave anything there without my permission, please know that it will be removed and discarded.** The same is true of the bulletin information boards in the back of the Church. Only those things that have my approval can be placed there. I need to be sure that whatever material is presented to the faithful must be in conformity to the Church's teaching and important enough to be placed there. Thank you for your cooperation.

THE FATHER VANYO LIBRARY will be reopening with an exciting brand-new look! Volunteers have been working hard this past year and a half to refresh not only the collection but also the interior and feel of our parish library. We have added new materials including DVDs, children's books, and Father Stubna's recommended titles. We have upgraded the seating space to include plush reading chairs, a coffee station, and new shelves for parishioners to browse the collection. We hope you'll stay and read in our new, comfortable environment. Our children's space includes a place to play and for parents to read aloud. Old space, new look. Come in and browse. The library will be open in person every Sunday morning from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm in Synod Hall. Other times are available by appointment by calling the rectory. You can view the library catalog online at librarycat.org/lib/vanyolibrary to see the books and resources available.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION – Sunday October 31 – “Called to be a Saint!” Families with children (grades K – 8) are invited to a special 10:00 am Mass and event on Sunday, October 31. Family Faith Formation is a monthly gathering for our families and students who are home schooled, attend a Catholic school, or attend our own parish Faith Formation program. This is an opportunity to gather as a parish family to listen attentively to God's Word in the Scripture and share the Eucharist at the Table of the Lord! Bishop Zubik will celebrate the Mass. After Mass, an informal breakfast is offered in the Cathedral Social Hall with muffins, donuts, bagels, juice, milk, and coffee. Later, one of our priests or our deacon will give a talk to the parents while the children focus on a learning project. As we know – Halloween is the “Eve of All Saints Day.” The children will learn about the first saint born in the US – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos who served at St. Philomena Parish in Pittsburgh from 1843 – 1853. He is known as the joyful priest. Children will be invited to reflect on their own “call to be a saint!” Prayer booklets will be given to each family to promote family prayer. Families should please sign up responding to the Flocknote invitation or by emailing info@saintpaulcathedral.org.

ONLINE STUDY GROUP FOR MEN AND WOMEN. Want to dig deeper into the Sunday Mass Scripture readings? Join other parish members for an online study group every Sunday from 8:00 to 9:00 pm. High school age and older are welcome. Contact Regis Flaherty for additional information or to register (412-287-4007; regisflaherty@gmail.com).

PASSING FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE. We extend our deepest sympathies and prayers to the families of those who were buried from our parish recently. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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PARISH NEWS

SAINT PAUL CATHEDRAL PARISH RAFFLE. We are hoping that everyone in our parish community will consider supporting this parish-wide fundraiser to help with our parish expenses. This raffle is based on the daily three-digit pick three evening PA lottery. Tickets are numbered from 000-999. Tickets are \$5 each and the number is eligible for the entire month. Most days the winner will receive \$50 however, there are specific days each month that the winning ticket is worth from \$100-\$250. The prize for winning on the last day of each month is \$500. Ticket stubs must be returned by the final day of the previous month with the ticket stub filled out completely and legibly. Tickets are available in the rectory office or can be mailed. Payment of cash or check is accepted. If you have a favorite number(s), you can reserve it/them each month if available. All proceeds benefit our parish. For more information or to obtain tickets please contact the parish office. We sponsor this raffle in the name of Saint Paul Cathedral Parish, our legal entity name, for which we have a small games of chance license that allows us to operate this raffle.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – 31 DE OCTUBRE DE 2021 – 31ER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO. La palabra amor está bien trillada en la sociedad, muchas veces llamamos amor a lo trivial y fácilmente se confunde con el amor verdadero. Como aquel amor, por ejemplo, de nuestros padres, quienes al contraer matrimonio se juraron amor eterno el uno para el otro y dieron ejemplo de su compromiso en las buenas y en las no tan buenas. Ellos no tiraron la toalla a las primeras señales de cambio como algunas parejas modernas, que al surgir los primeros problemas en la familia se separan. El papa Francisco, nos explica que el enfoque central del Evangelio de este domingo está en el mandamiento del amor: amor a Dios y amor al prójimo. Un amor muy diferente al que estamos acostumbrados a ver en la sociedad. Dios nos pide sinceridad de corazón y espera que el amor y nuestras energías sean dados en colaboración al servicio de los más necesitados. Jesús lo explica muy bien al maestro de la ley: "Amarás al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma, con toda tu inteligencia y con todas tus fuerzas. Y después viene este otro: Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. No hay ningún mandamiento más importante que estos" (Marcos 12:30-31). Con esto se indica que la vida debe ser un ejercicio de amor siempre alegre y duradero. ¿Cómo es tu amor al prójimo y a ti mismo? ¿Tienes alguna práctica de misericordia con los que te rodean? Tengámonos claro, o no, toda nuestra vida está implicada en el amor de Dios y a los demás. ¡Actuemos ya! ©LPI

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CONGRATULATIONS to the newest members of the Cathedral parish who were baptized last Sunday:

CARLOS XAVIER SHERRY MARTINS, son of Ruben and Justine (Sherry) Martins

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FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

AQUINAS ACADEMY'S DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES PRESENTS *To Be Jesus Crucified: Why Suffering and Trial is Part of the Way God Shows His Great Love for Us*, Fr. Sebastian White, O.P. on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in Mross McGonigle Hall: Aquinas Academy of Pittsburgh Campus. About the Talk: Deus caritas est, God is love, says Saint John. We have heard this expression many times, and, as Christians, we all say we believe in a loving God. Very often, however, it can seem that God is quite distant from us – slow to answer our prayers, or all too willing to send crosses and trials into our life. What are the sources of encouragement and strength that we can take refuge in and meditate on when we are anxious, tired, frustrated, sad, lonely, wounded, or even angry? What are some of the principles we find in Scripture and in the faith to help us in times of difficulties? In this talk Father Sebastian will help us to understand why one of the greatest graces we can receive in the Christian life is to be able to suffer well, and to maintain peace of soul through every circumstance.

MASS FOR SINGLE ADULTS WITH THE MOST REVEREND WILLIAM J. WALTERSHEID, Auxiliary Bishop, Friday, November 12 at 6:30 pm at the Saint Malachy worship site of the Archangel Gabriel Parish (343 Forest Grove Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108). After mass, join the Catholic Alumni Club in the Social Hall for light refreshments, games, and socialization. For more information, visit our website: cacpittsburgh.org/bishop-waltersheid-mass, or call 412-341-4070, opt. 4.



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Saint Paul

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Obtain for us the grace to face our sickness, afflictions, misfortunes, and seeming failures of life as opportunities to grow in patience and perseverance.

Above all, and in all things make us ever more faithful and more fervent.
Amen.

Pray for us, Saint Paul the Apostle, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Amen.

November 2, 2020 – November 2, 2021

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*Join us for a Mass of Remembrance
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- Mk 12:32, 34ab

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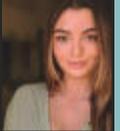
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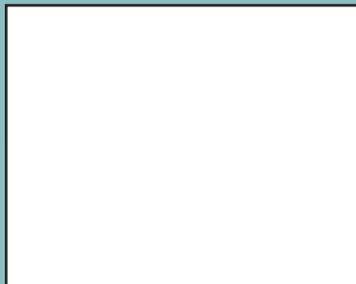
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