

Saint Philip Catholic Parish

The People of God in Pittsburgh, Thornburg, Ingram, and Crafton

WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

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SUNDAY OF

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

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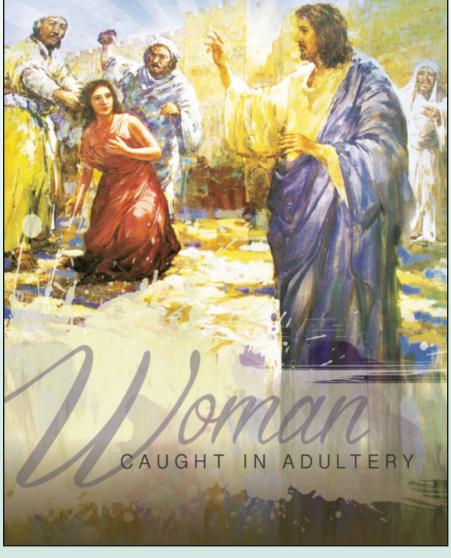
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CONFESSION

Available Saturdays from 12:00pm to 1:00pm at Ascension Church.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: A seminar is required for first-time parents. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month at 12:15pm at Saint Philip Church or at Ascension Church. Call the Faith Formation Office at 412-922-6388 for more information.

Matrimony: The Pastor is to be contacted 6-18 months in advance of the requested wedding date. Participation in a Pre-Marriage Program is required. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Anointing of the Sick: Following a weekend Mass and on the last Saturday of the month at 8:30am at Ascension Church.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Call the Faith Formation Office at 412-922-6388 for more information.

Priesthood/Religious Life: Contact the Pastor for more information.

Victim's Assistance Hot-Line: If you are a person who has been hurt by abuse from clergy or others associated with the Church, the Diocese of Pittsburgh offers assistance with counseling, spiritual direction and referrals to other supportive services.

For information, contact our Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 412-456-3093.

Protecting God's Children — VICTIM HOTLINE: 1-888-808-1235 CHILDLINE: 1-888-932-0313 to report child abuse Call 911 if a child is in imminent danger.

MASS SCHEDULE

Our Liturgies are celebrated at both Saint Philip Church, 50 West Crafton Avenue, Crafton, and Ascension Church, 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh

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LOCATION	TIME	MASS INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
SATURDAY, APRIL 2 — LENTEN WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:ooam	Living & Deceased Members of St. Philip Parish	
Saint Philip	4:oopm (Vigil)	Ann Dillon	McCoy Family
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Rose & Stanley Bajoras	Daughter
SUNDAY, APRIL	3 — FIFTH SUNDA	Y OF LENT	
Saint Philip	7:00am	Michael & Mary Dolansky	Dolansky Family
Ascension	9:30am	Mary Askin	Daughters
Saint Philip	11:00am	Lugaila & Smith Families	Family
MONDAY, APRIL 4 — LENTEN WEEKDAY			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Paul Fiehler	A Friend
TUESDAY, APRIL 5 — LENTEN WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:00am	Elie J. Berard	Wife
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6 — LENTEN WEEKDAY			
Saint Philip	8:00am	James E. Flynn	Wife, Mary
THURSDAY, APRIL 7 — LENTEN WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:ooam	Catherine Priselac	Linda Priselac
FRIDAY, APRIL 8 — LENTEN WEEKDAY			
Saint Philip	8:ooam	Anthony & Margaret Jordan	Carolyn Jordan
SATURDAY, APR	RIL 9 — LENTEN WI	EEKDAY	
Ascension	8:ooam	Living & Deceased Mem	bers of St. Philip Parish
Saint Philip	4:00pm (Vigil)	Timothy Megyesy	Matthew Megyesy
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Arlene Ramolt	Sheila Giza & Family
SUNDAY, APRIL	10 — PALM SUNDA	AY OF THE PASSION OF TH	E LORD
Saint Philip	7:00am	Sonny Mascellino	Ramona Thibeault

Raymond Best

Geoff Seacrist



9:30am

11:00am

Ascension

Saint Philip

Saint Philip Parish is on Facebook! Follow us today to learn about upcoming events and happenings.

Terry Best

St. Philip Choir



Notes from the Pastor

Greetings once again, and best wishes for a blessed Fifth Week of Lent!

A Lenten Sunday Reflection

I don't know why, but some people really like to see other people punished. In fact, some people really enjoy punishing others - their spouse, their children, their relatives, their co-workers, and their neighbors. I'm NOT certain why that is the case, but I've seen it often in my own experiences with individuals.

Those people who like being punishers might feel that they are simply doing the work of the Lord. Some have anger issues and are looking to hurt others or to retaliate for the hurt they've experienced. Others are simply troubled mentally and have developed something of a sadistic nature.

On the other hand, in the Gospel according to John today, we hear once again that Jesus - the very Son of Almighty God - does NOT want to punish, and He doesn't want us to harshly or unfairly punish either. Those who were ready to stone to death the woman caught in adultery felt that they were doing the work of God, but in truth, they were actually satisfying their own lust for blood.

Jesus rejects such deranged bloodlust, and shows us very clearly that Almighty God desires repentance, conversion, and new life rather than brutality, harsh punishment, and death.

Thank goodness that Jesus promises us mercy and forgiveness. Thank goodness that Jesus gives us Divine Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Truly, if the Lord punished us as the crowd in today's Gospel wanted to punish the sinner whom they brought to Jesus, would there be many Christians left?

As Jesus forgave in His day, and as He forgives us today, may we too be merciful and forgiving to our spouses, our children and their spouses, our grandchildren, family, relatives, co-workers, and neighbors -- today and every day!

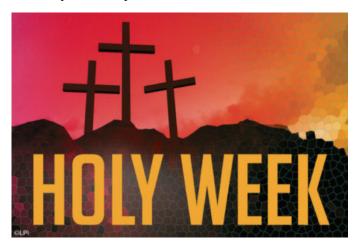
Our schedule for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please be sure to receive the forgiveness of Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation this month or during the Easter Season. We will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation on these days and times:

Wednesday, April 6: 12:00pm - 1:00pm at Saint Philip Friday, April 8: 9:00am - 10:00am; and 12:00pm -1:00pm at Saint Philip

Saturday, April 9: 12:00pm - 1:00pm at Ascension Tuesday, April 12: 12:00pm - 1:00pm, and 7:00pm - 8:oopm at Ascension

Wednesday, April 13: 12:00pm - 1:00pm and 6:00pm - 8:00pm at Ascension



Our Schedule for Holy Week

We will celebrate Holy Week this year beginning next Sunday, April 10 which is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. We will have the regular Sunday schedule next weekend.

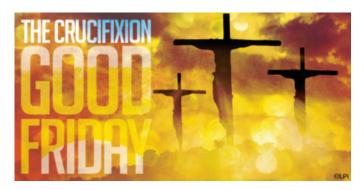
On Holy Thursday, April 14, Bishop David Zubik will celebrate the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday at 10:00am at Saint Paul Cathedral in Oakland. Everyone is most welcome to attend and participate!

On Holy Thursday evening, April 14, we will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm at Saint Philip, and then the church will remain open until 11:00pm for personal prayer.

On Good Friday, April 15, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 12 noon at Saint Philip, followed by the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death at 1:30pm at Ascension. That evening, we will also pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm at Ascension.

On Holy Saturday, April 16, our Easter Event for Families will be at Saint Philip at 10:00am. Our Blessing of Easter Food Baskets will be at 12:00 noon at Ascension. Then at 7:00pm, we will celebrate the great Vigil Liturgy of the Lord's Resurrection at Saint **Philip.** Everyone is most welcome to this most solemn and joyful Liturgy of the entire year!

On Easter Sunday, April 17, we will have the Liturgy at 7:00am at Saint Philip, at 9:30am at Saint Philip, and 9:30am at Ascension, and finally at 11:00am at Saint Philip. Please mark your calendar now, and be sure to join us as we celebrate the Lord Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday - and throughout the 50 days of the glorious Easter Season!



Good Friday Collection

Each year on Good Friday, every parish in the world takes up a Collection to send financial support to the Catholic communities of the Holy Land (Israel). Your contributions help to support our fellow Catholics in the land of Jesus so that they can maintain the sites, churches, and parishes which continue our commemoration of Jesus' life, teaching, death, and Resurrection in Jerusalem and throughout the Holy Land. Thank you very much for your generosity!

Our Parish Share Program for 2022 continues!

As all our members and parishes have done for 50 years, we've begun this year's Parish Share Program to contribute our required funding for the operations of the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh in 2022.

For 2022, our Parish Share Goal for Saint Philip Parish is \$128,391. This year's goal is \$51,422 higher than the 2021 PSP goal.

As such, I invite every household in our parish to again contribute or pledge at least \$250 to the Parish Share Program this year. If you contribute \$500, or \$1000, or \$2500 or more, your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Contribution and pledge cards have already been mailed to all of our registered parish households. Additional donation and pledge envelopes are available in both of our two churches.

As always, I thank you very much for your participation in our parish community and Liturgy, and I thank you for your financial contributions and support for the benefit and operation of our Diocesan Church of Pittsburgh and our Saint Philip Catholic Parish. Your generosity and donations help to keep our parish alive - and help to continue and to grow the Kingdom of God here in our community and region!

Best wishes for the coming Holy Days!

Best wishes for this Fifth Week of Lent and for Holy Week which begins NEXT Sunday, April 10! Again, thank you very much for your continued faith, discipleship, dedication, goodness, and generosity to our parish community, to one another, and to those in need.

Until next weekend, may you and all in our community receive goodness, health, and divine grace from God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. May the Lord Jesus bless you, your family, and our parish community now and always!

Yours, Father Jim Torquato

> Thank you for your generous financial contributions to SAINT PHILIP PARISH!



Your goodness and participation help to keep our parish alive!



Sunday, April 3

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; Iohn 8:1-11

Weekdays

Daniel 13; Jeremiah 20

Palm Sunday, April 10

Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14—23:56



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

12:00pm - 1:00pm at Saint Philip

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

9:00am - 10:00am; and 12:00pm - 1:00pm at Saint Philip

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

12:00pm - 1:00pm at Ascension

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

12:00pm - 1:00pm, and 7:00pm - 8:00pm at Ascension

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

12:00pm - 1:00pm and 6:00pm - 8:00pm at Ascension

FINANCIAL POUR SAINT PHILIP PARISH FINANCES

Sunday collection total, March 26-27, 2022 -- \$10,348.86 Online donations March 20 & March 27 -- \$3,153.00 Campaign for Human Development/Home

Missions/Black & Indian Missions Collection -- \$1,957.00

Parish income needed for this Fiscal Year -- \$724,000.00 Parish income <u>received</u> since July 1, 2021 -- \$436,108.36 Parish fundraising since July 1, 2021 -- \$33,072.37 Estate gifts received since July 1, 2021 -- \$15,000.00

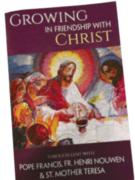
Average weekly staff salary and benefits expenses -- \$7,208.00 Average weekly maintenance/operation expenses -- \$ 973.00 Average weekly utility expenses -- \$1,539.00 Average weekly insurance expenses -- \$1,251.00 Weekly contributions to Guardian Angel Academy -- \$1,630.32

Parish members -- 3,463 Parish families -- 1,719 Church attendance on March 26-27 -- 610 Sunday envelopes used -- 249 Online contributions March 20 & March 27 -- 94 Total households receiving envelopes -- 1,149

2022 Parish Share Goal -- \$128,391.00 Parish Share received as of March 27 -- \$88,972.29



LENTEN TEADING



Please remember to read every day the booklet of Lenten Reflections. Growing in Friendship with Christ, that was offered to our parish members and families prior to Lent!

APRIL PARISH MISSION

Mark your calendars now, and join us for a Parish Mission with Father Joe Freedy. He will preach at all our Liturgies April 23-24, and then will conduct Mission Gatherings at Ascension Church from Monday evening, April 25 through Wednesday, April 27 at 7:00pm.

Join us as our parish community returns from the Pandemic and renews our life in the Lord!



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

LECTORS - April 9 & 10

4:00pm at St. Philip - Art Bannon 5:30pm at Ascension - Richard Schubert 7:00am at St. Philip - Patrick Kelly & B. J. Gamble 9:30am at Ascension - Frank Daily & Robert Okraszewski 11:00am at St. Philip - Katelyn Hoff & William

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EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - April 9 & 10

4:00pm at St. Philip - Susan Solt-Lonsinger 5:30pm at Ascension - Mary Schubert 7:00am at St. Philip - Karen Rozeck 9:30am at Ascension - Alice McAfee 11:00am at St. Philip - Chris Falki



We offer our congratulations and best wishes to James Peter Sciulli, Jr. and Malena Christine Hughes who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Philip Parish on March 26. May God bless them as they begin their lives together.

FAMILY EASTER EVENTS

Holy Saturday, April 16

Easter Egg Hunt 10:00am

St. Philip Courtyard

& Kelty Hall

Blessing of Easter 12:00n00n

Baskets

Ascension Church



APRIL 14, the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm at Saint Philip. The church will remain open until 11:00pm for personal prayer.

—GOOD FRIDAY—

APRIL 15, the Stations of the Cross at 12:00 noon at Saint Philip; the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death at 1:30pm at Ascension; and the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm at Ascension.

—HOLY SATURDAY—

APRIL 16, an Easter Egg Hunt for Families at Saint Philip at 10:00am; the Blessing of Easter Food Baskets will be at 12:00 noon at Ascension; and at 7:00pm, the Vigil Liturgy of the Lord's Resurrection at Saint Philip.

EASTER SUNDAY—

APRIL 17 MASSES

7:00am Liturgy at Saint Philip; 9:30am Liturgy at Saint Philip, 9:30am Liturgy at Ascension; 11:00am Liturgy at Saint Philip.

Please mark your calendar now, and be sure to join us as we celebrate the Lord Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday during Lent at 8:30am at St. Philip Church and at 7:00pm at Ascension Church.



Newly Baptized

Please welcome into our faith family... Ieshnaa S. Arora and Nyessha Aroraa, daughters of Moneca S. Paul Aroraa who received the Life of Christ in Baptism in our parish on Sunday, March 27, 2022. May they grow in wisdom, age and grace.

FRIDAY FISH FRY

Our Parish Fish Fry is in full swing. And, in order to handle the demand and to get you your food as soon as possible, we have switched from a "call in" to a "stop down" event! We are still only take out. Just c'mon over, place your order when you come in, and we will promptly have you on your way with fresh-cooked delicious food. Cash, check or card are welcome.

EASTER CANDY NEEDED

Easter will be here before we know it. One of our favorite parish traditions is the annual Easter Egg Hunt for our children. If you would like to help out, we could use donations of individually wrapped candy or small toys to fill the Easter Eggs. Monetary donations to be used toward the event are also greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The St. Philip Grief Support Group will meet Thursday, April 21 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm at Conner Hall. The Grief Support Group meets on the third Thursday of the month and is an open, caring sharing group for adults who have lost someone to death. You may come alone or bring someone with you.

SALVATION HISTORY

We will meet again on **Tuesday, April 12** in the 2nd Floor Meeting Room of the Administrative Building at 7:00pm. Please join us for our discussion of the "Beloved Backsliders-Israel in the Wilderness."

LENTEN SOUP, SALAD AND SPEAKER SERIES

Join us this Wednesday, April 6 at 6:15pm in Ascension Conner Hall as we welcome Sr. Mindy Welding (sister of Fr. Brian) who will address the topic of Listening to Jesus. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to hear one of our amazing guest speakers share their insight into Lent.

2022 PARISH SHARE PROGRAM

If you have not yet made your donation or pledge to the 2022 Parish Share Program, please consider a generous response this week. Your support of the Parish Share Program offers support for ministries in ways that individual parishes can't provide on their own. This year our assessment is \$128,391.00. We ask that you return all Parish Share donations and pledges to the parish office or the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity!



We offer our sympathy to the family of Mary Lou Dufner who entered into eternal life. Please keep her in your prayers.



This week's Sanctuary Lamp at St. Philip burns In Loving Memory of the Denk (t) Moses Families Offered by Evelyn Moses

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at Ascension burns In Loving Memory of Gregory E. Schuster Offered by Sandy & Bob Keir



HOME IMPROVEMENTS - CALL RODGER

Thank you for helping to underwrite the production of our weekly Parish Bulletin.



Please Support SAINT PHILIP PARISH!

by including the parish in your will and estate planning.

Thank you!



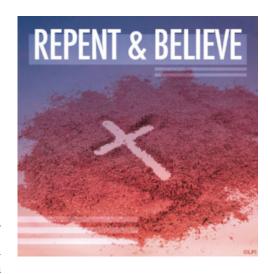


To register, contact our parish office, OR text stphilippa to 84576, OR visit www.stphilipchurch1.flocknote.com.



Ms. MaryAnn Garfold, Director of Religious Education stphilipreligioused@gmail.com 412-922-6388

A NOTE FROM MARYANN: The Responsorial Psalm for this week is "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Perhaps each of us can recall the great things the Lord has done for us. This Lent, we have been



called to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. We have been called to pray, to forgive, to trust, to give alms and to listen to the voice of God. This Lent, we have been called to allow the Lord to change our hearts and to create New Life within each of us and within our Parish Community. We continue to allow the Lord to touch our hearts during these final weeks and days. At this point in our journey we examine our hearts to see if we have truly let Jesus into our lives. If we have not spent time with Jesus in the Sacraments, in prayer, in parish community gatherings, in the quiet of our hearts, there is still time. Let us make these last few days of Lent a special time to allow God into our lives.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAMILY DAY: Our next Faith Formation Family Night will be Monday, April 11 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in Ascension Conner Hall. The evening will begin with a pizza and mac & cheese supper followed by lessons, crafts, activities and prayer experiences. So that we have enough pizza for everyone, we ask that you please call the office of faith formation to register. All are welcome.

EASTER EGG HUNT INFORMATION: Our Parish Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, April 16 beginning at 10:00am in the St. Philip Church Courtyard and Campus. This year the eggs will be divided into color groups according to age. This will allow each age group a chance to get candy they will enjoy. A color chart will be available upon arrival.

THANK YOU: We wish to thank all our catechists and students for the beautifully decorated classroom bulletin boards and doors. Each door has a theme and reflects the lessons learned during the session.

TRAVEL MINISTRY: CATHOLIC CLEVELAND - ONLY 19 SEATS LEFT! Seats going fast! First come, first seated. Travel Ministry will be going to Cleveland on **Thursday, May 26, 2022**. The trip includes: depart Ascension Church at 6:30am with breakfast stop on your own; visit the magnificent Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus for a tour and Mass; lunch provided and time for shopping and sightseeing; visit to St. Paul Shrine, the home of Poor Clare Nuns with perpetual adoration and home of Mother Angelica's early formation; visit Cleveland Museum of Art; arrive back at Ascension Church at 7:00pm with dinner stop on your own; and gift shops are available at all stops. **Tour Fare: non refundable** \$115 per person payable to Wendt Touring. Call 412-922-6388 for reservations. Limited to 50 people.

LENTEN SOUP, SALAD, AND SPEAKER SERIES: Over 75 people each week are enjoying our Soup, Salad and Speaker Series so far! We have enjoyed a variety of homemade soups, salad, breads and desserts. Our theme is Following Jesus on the Way. We gather in Ascension Conner Hall at 6:15pm for a homemade soup and salad dinner. We are enriched by prayer and our speaker from 7:00pm to :45pm. We engage in discussion with dessert from 7:50pm to 8:15pm. Please plan on joining us on Wednesday, April 6 for this last session with Fr. Brian's sister, Sr. Mindy Welding who will address us on Listening to Jesus. Don't miss this opportunity for fellowship, prayer, and reflection this Lent.



CONFIRMATION

The eighth grade students toured the historical churches of St. Stanislaus and St. Patrick on March 20 as part of their Confirmation Preparation Program. The students learned the history of the Diocese of Pittsburgh and a few climbed the Holy Stairs on their knees in prayer. Please continue to pray for these students who will be Confirmed by Bishop Zubik at the 11:00am Sunday Mass on May 15.











Discovering Christ is coming to St. Philip Parish! Using videos and discussion, individuals will discover the meaning of life and establish a close relationship with Jesus Christ. This free weekly program (open to all) runs for 7 weeks beginning Wednesday, May 18 from 6:30pm to 8:45pm and includes dinner. **SESSION DATES:** May 18 & 25; June 1, 8 & 15; June 18, Retreat from 9:00am-2:00pm; and June 22 & 29. Register by calling the Office of Faith Formation at 412-922-6388.

2022 SAINT PHILIP CALENDAR PARTY

Thank you

The 2022 Saint Philip Calendar Party Luncheon was another success with \$10,608.85 raised for St. Philip Parish. Over 300 guests enjoyed this year's gathering at the Ss. Simon & Jude Gymnasium. Outstanding themed tables, great food and lots of fun! Thanks to our attendees, table hostesses/hosts, workers and our amazing organizers, Regina McDonald and Barbara Hendrick. A special thank you to all who donated gift baskets, gift cards and other items to be raffled.

Table Hosts and Hostesses

Mary Schubert, Maureen Rodgers, Linda DeRiggi, Peggy McGee, Barbara Hendrick, Kristy Parrish, Pat Howe, Rosey McDonald, Mary Weber, Chris Fryer, Jennifer Williams, Dee Quinn, Kathy Quinn-Hodel, Teri McHugh, Gary Urbatis, Eileen Guay and Eileen Cox

Chinese Auction Gifts

Dian Perkins, DeDe Palombini, Susie Kiesel, Mary Schubert, Jennifer Fellows, Linda Binek, Carol Anderson, Regina McDonald, Christine Fryer, Rosey McDonald, Janet Herczak, Maureen Donahue, Ginger Haverlandt, Marybeth McAllister, Cathy O'Connor, Peggy Reagan, Rosemary Mulkern, St. Philip Hooks & Needles Sewing Group, Jane Barten, Eileen Guay, Judy Ognibene, Teri McHugh, Dee Quinn, Kathy Quinn-Hodel and the Sabol family

Door Prizes and Donations

Carol Harper, Annette Marlinga, Anna Marie Kramer, DeDe Palombini, Susie Kiesel, Michelle Leive, Shirley Sestic, Anna Lieb, Sr. Betty Waigand, Marianne Muraska and Mary Cilia

52 Pick Up

Pittsburgh Penguin Basket - Joan and Barbara Pilarski

Workers

Mary Arbuckle, Annette Marlinga, Susie Palombini Kiesel, DeDe Palombini, Anna Marie Kramer, Dolores Ferretti, Linda Hohn, Jim Dawso, Judy Moskovitz, Cathy McGuire, Gary Urbatis, Emma McGrath, Loren Rodriguez, Billy Fryer, Lorin Planinsic, Mark Walker, John Heavill, Marty Matko, Jean Harkins and Beverly Ganser.





Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated. We hope to see you all again next year! Thanks again!



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FIRST PRIZE \$5,000 - SECOND PRIZE \$3,500 - THIRD PRIZE \$1,500

SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION **GAA'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER!**

For tickets, please contact Kerri Lozano at kerri.craine@gmail.com or call/text 412-953-8682 OR stop by the school office during business hours.

> Tickets will NOT be automatically mailed out to all parishioners this year.

Winning tickets to be randomly drawn on April 22, 2022.

LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS - BETTER ODDS OF WINNING!







SATURDAY April 23, 2022

DOORS OPEN 5:30pm • POST TIME 6:30pm

\$25 SINGLE &DMISSION \$40 COUPLE &DMISSION

Join us for an evening of racing, food and fun with friends! Proceeds to benefit Athletics and General Fundraising at Guardian Angel Academy. Contact Kerri Lozano at kerri.craine@gmail.com or call/text 412-9530-8682 with

questions or to make a donation.



Guardian Angel Academy

One of the South Region Catholic Elementary Schools (SRCES)

CLASSROOM CHRONICLES: Each week we will highlight the amazing things that are going on in our classrooms at Guardian Angel Academy.









MISS HEIDI RODGERS - 1ST GRADE CLASSROOM

We have been busy, busy, busy in first grade. In reading class, we have been reading stories about how animals help each other. We are also learning to blend words with long vowel teams in them. In math we are learning addition and subtraction facts to 20. We have been using strategies like make a ten, doubles and doubles plus 1. In Social Studies we are learning about the first settlers. In Science we are learning about animal habitats and the animals that live there. We will also be completing a research project about a habitat. In Religion we are learning the Sorrowful Mysteries and attending Stations each week. We are also writing our own Easter Storybook. In art we worked with different types of lines and we even started drawing 3D shapes. For the 4th quarter, we will be studying different artists. In STEAM, we worked with Botley, a coding robot and we even paired up and coded a path for our partner. In first grade we have also been enjoying having some of our parents be guest readers.

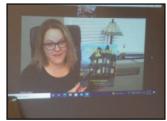












CONGRATULATIONS to our GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM, coaches Tom Foster, Ryan Piaggesi and Dave Kimak, and our players, Nathan Anglum, Christian Bush, Dylan Courtney, Mason Dick, Mason Foster, Aiden Kimak, Jackson Leslie, Raymond Piaggesi, for winning the PITTSBURGH DIOCESAN BASKETBALL JV SECTION B CHAMPIONSHIP. They finished the season with a record of 22-3. EXCELLENT JOB BOYS ON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON!!!







ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY UPDATE

In this week's Gospel, Jesus challenges the members of the crowd to consider their own actions and their own sins before stoning the adulterous woman for hers. Unsurprisingly, none of them found themselves to be without sin. While, thankfully, stoning sinners in a place like the parking lot of the Crafton-Ingram Shopping Center is not something that is done these days in our country, we still unfairly judge others in different ways.

Specifically as it pertains to St. Vincent de Paul, we would like you to take a moment to think about your feelings toward friends in need. Do you find yourself judging the homeless man that you see on the ramp to the West End Bridge, thinking that he must be lazy, addicted to drugs, trying to run some type of scam, or maybe all three of these things? Do you think the person in front of you at Giant Eagle that is buying brand-name food with an EBT card (food stamps) is irresponsible? Are there other uncharitable thoughts and judgements that you struggle with?

Even we, as Vincentians, struggle with prejudicial thoughts toward our friends in need at times. We may find ourselves questioning why the same person comes back for help repeatedly. We question why the person who seemingly makes enough money to pay their living expenses falls behind on their rent, and why we should help them if they cannot budget properly.

When we start to have these thoughts, we must stop ourselves and realize that, while we are called to try to guide our friends in need to future self-sustainability as much as possible, God does not bring our friends in need to us in order for us to throw metaphorical stones at them. His main purpose in bringing them to us is not even fulfilling their corporal needs, but it is to show them His love, which truly satisfies their deepest needs. We pray that through our service to our friends in need, God lessens our tendency to judge and makes us meek and humble of heart. But we still struggle, and always ask for your prayers, both for ourselves and our friends in need.

This week, your generous donations enabled us to assist a woman with \$200 toward a security deposit. Thank you!

If you would like to make a monetary donation or a donation of \$10 Giant Eagle gift cards, place your donation in one of the poor boxes, mail them to the parish office at 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205, or donate at https://saintphilipchurch.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/StVincentdePaul. Monetary donations made to our conference are used only to assist friends in need and to pay our operational expenses. No money is given to any other organizations.

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Everyone is invited to attend the closing event that will be held next Sunday, April 10.

- We will gather in front of Planned Parenthood at 5:30pm to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament carried by Bishop William Waltersheid.
- At 5:45pm Bishop Waltersheid will begin the procession to Divine Mercy Parish, Epiphany Church, where he will celebrate the closing Mass at 6:00pm. All priests are welcome to concelebrate with Bishop Waltersheid.
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