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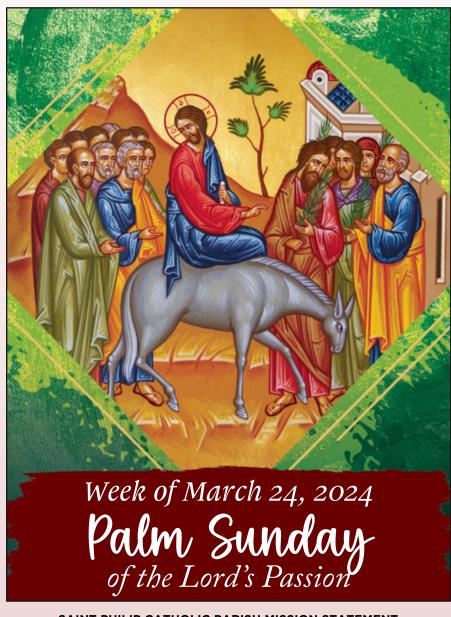
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Saint Philip Catholic Parish

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SAINT PHILIP CATHOLIC PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic Community of Saint Philip Parish, united in faith and empowered by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, are firmly committed to promoting full and active participation in the liturgical and sacramental life of the Church.

We answer the call of the Gospel to bring about the kingdom of justice and peace through worship, education, service, and stewardship.

Saint Philip Church 50 West Crafton Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15205 Ascension Church 114 Berry Street Pittsburgh, PA 15205 **Guardian Angel Academy** 915 Alice Street Pittsburgh, PA 15220 Mr. Robert Munz, Principal



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.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): 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.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

LOCATION	TIME	, 114 Berry Street, Pittsbur PRIEST'S INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
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<u>SATURDAY, MA</u>	ARCH 23 — LENT	EN WEEKDAY	
Ascension	8:00am	Mary Margaret Weber	McDonald, Weber & Fryer Families
Saint Philip	4:00pm (Vigil)	Denk & Moses Family	Evelyn
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Jim & John O'Toole	O'Toole Family
SUNDAY, MAR	CH 24 — PALM S	UNDAY OF THE PASSIC	N OF THE LORD
Saint Philip	7:00am	Leah Gerger	Melissa Wallace
Ascension	9:30am	Patricia A. and Rocco E. Julian, Jr.	Family
Saint Philip	11:00am	Bridget Maher	Family
MONDAY, MAR	CH 25 - MOND	AY OF HOLY WEEK	
Saint Philip	8:00am	Bobby Andrascik	A Friend
TUESDAY, MAR	CH 26 — TUESD	AY OF HOLY WEEK	
Ascension	8:00am	Arthur & Peter Dobbins	s Alice Dobbins
WEDNESDAY,	MARCH 27 — W	EDNESDAY OF HOLY W	EEK
Saint Philip	8:00am	Rev. Michael Decewicz	Mulkerrin Family
THURSDAY, MA	ARCH 28 — HOLY	(THURSDAY	
Saint Philip	7:oopm	Anna Kaczmarek	McDonald Family
		RIDAY, THE PASSION O	
Saint Philip	12:00pm	Stations of the Cross	
Ascension	1:30pm	Commemoration of the	e Lord's Passion
Ascension	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross	
ASCENSION	7.00pm	Stations of the cross	
SATURDAY, MA	ARCH 30 — HOLY	SATURDAY AND THE	EASTER VIGIL
Ascension	12:00pm	Blessing of Easter Food Baskets	
Saint Philip	7:00pm (Vigil)	Living & Deceased Mer	nbers of St. Philip Parish
SUNDAY, MAR	<u>CH 31 — THE RE</u> S	SURRECTION OF THE L	ORD, EASTER SUNDAY
Saint Philip	7:00am	Macklin & Macino Families	Anita Macklin
Ascension	9:30am	Paul Korol	Claudia Korol
Saint Philip	9:30am	Donald & Donna Scholz	Family
Saint Philip	11:00am	Mary Margaret McCarthy	Jim Bernauer
		ubmitted to <u>m.takach@saintp</u> e included in the following we	



Notes from the Pastor

G**reetings once again, and best wishes** for this Holy Week!

Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum

This Sunday begins the holiest and most important week of the Catholic Christian year!

We begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. This is the Sunday when we remember and commemorate Jesus' entrance into the holy city of Jerusalem. This was the great event when, accompanied by many disciples and crowds, Jesus was welcomed into the holy city of Jerusalem as the long-awaited Messiah and Lord. Our Liturgy begins with the Gospel passage of the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem – along with the songs of praise and jubilation which we sing with Jesus' people in Jerusalem.

In today's Gospel Proclamation, we participate in the reading of the Passion Narrative from the Gospel according to Mark. We faithfully walk with Jesus and remain close to him as he is put on trial, condemned to crucifixion, tortured by the soldiers, and then led along the way of the cross to his death on Calvary.

In today's Passion account in Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus being very quiet. In fact, throughout the Gospel according to Mark, Jesus keeps his identity quiet. He doesn't acclaim

himself. He's very humble and unassuming. As today's Gospel narrative tells us "But [Jesus] was silent and answered nothing." He handed himself over to those around him – just as he handed himself over to humanity for our redemption and our eternal life brought about by his own death and Resurrection.

At times, we also give quiet - maybe even silent - witness to Jesus in our own lives and discipleship. However, we ourselves are now the voice of the Lord in our world today. We have the calling and the Christian duty to proclaim Jesus to our family members, our children, our relatives, and our neighbors! While we may be quiet about our faith much of the time, Jesus hopes that we will be his voice. He hopes that we will speak for him and about him to all who will listen and who will enter into the Kingdom of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit along with us!

When we arrive at the great Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection, I pray that we may all be stronger, more faithful, and more devoted disciples of Jesus thanks to our Lenten renewal. May we boldly proclaim our faith to others, and may all of us joyfully celebrate the Lord's Resurrection on Easter Sunday and throughout the 50 day Easter Season!

Best wishes for a blessed Holy Week and Easter!

During these holiest of days, may the Son of God bless you, your family, and our Saint Philip Catholic Parish community now and throughout the Easter Season – and, in fact, every day of this year. Amen!

Yours, Father Jim Torquato

A PERSONAL EXAMINATION of

Before celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession, it's important to conduct a personal examination of conscience in order to offer a complete confession.

"You shall love the Lord with all your heart, all your mind, and all your soul!"

- Is God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit of greatest importance in your life?
- Do you spend time in prayer each day?
- Do you offer thanks and praise to God each day?
- Do you give higher priority to your work, recreation, or possessions?
- Do you speak respectfully of the Lord at all times?
- Do you respect the name of God, and especially of Jesus, at all times?
- Have you missed church worship on any Sunday or any Holy Day?
- Do you keep Sunday as the day of the Lord and a day of prayer?

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

- Are you a person of love as Jesus commands us to be?
- Do you treat your parents, other adults, and all people with respect?
- Do you speak of family members, friends, neighbors, and strangers with charity?
- Have you taken the life of a human person or harmed someone?
- Have you ended or helped to end the life of a pre-born child?
- Have you mistreated or harmed other life?
- Have you broken your marriage commitment or intruded on another's marriage?
- Have you engaged in marital relations before or outside of married life?
- Have you used pharmaceuticals, prophylactics, or surgery to prevent conception?
- Have you made use of pornography or engaged in self-abuse?
- Have you engaged in theft of another's property or money?
- Have you damaged the property of someone else?
- Have you abused or damaged the natural resources of the earth?
- Have you told lies about other people? Have you lied about other matters?
- Have you spoken poorly of others or treated others with little or no respect?
- Have you spoken profanity or curses or sacrilege or blasphemy?
- Are you judgmental or critical of others without cause?
- Do you hold grudges and refuse to forgive family members or others?
- Are you envious and jealous of others, their families, or their possessions?
- Do you appreciate and give thanks for your own blessings?
- Do you share your blessings and possessions with others? With the Church?

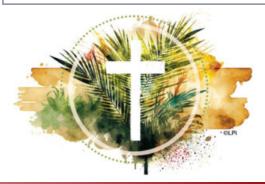
<u>An Act of Contrition</u> - Lord God, I am sorry for all my sins. In choosing to do wrong, and failing to do good, I have offended you, whom I should love above all else. With the help of your grace, I promise to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Our Savior, Jesus Christ, suffered and died for our sins. In his name, my God, have mercy. **Amen**.



2024 PARISH APPEAL FOR OUR DIOCESE

All parishes of our Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh have begun this year's 2024 Parish Appeal. For the past 50 years, each parish has been required to support the work of our bishop, his staff, and all diocesan programs based on the annual income of that parish community. The 2024 goal for our Saint Philip Parish community is \$128,119.

All contributions above this year's goal will be retained by our parish. Many thanks for your response and your continued generosity in helping our parish meet this obligation in 2024!



BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Palm Sunday, March 24 Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

Weekdays Isaiah 42-50; John 12-13

Easter Sunday, March 31

Acts 10:34-43; Colossians 3:1-4; Mark 16:1-7

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

Your goodness and participation help to keep our parish alive!

REPORT PARISH FINANCES

Sunday collections, March 16-17 * <i>Includes Mail-in donations</i> Online donations Maintenance donations	\$9,213.50* \$1,599.50 \$91.00
Parish income <u>received</u> since July 1, 2023 Parish fundraising since July 1, 2023 Estate gifts received since July 1, 2023	\$2.00 \$790,368.00 \$511,385.82 \$26,917.51 \$1,500.00 \$9,270.00
Average weekly staff salary and benefits expenses Average weekly maintenance/operation expenses Average weekly utility expenses Average weekly insurance expenses Weekly contributions to Guardian Angel Academy	\$1,758.10 \$2,332.73 \$1,186.00
Parish members 2,286 Parish families Church attendance on March 16-17 Sunday envelopes used March 16-17 Total households receiving envelopes	1,202 846 289 1,090
2024 Parish Appeal Goal Parish Appeal received as of March 17 * <i>Includes online Parish Appeal donations</i> 2024 Parish Appeal Donors	\$128,119.00 \$84,499.00* 115



Retirement Best Wishes!

Beginning Monday, April 1, our longtime parish office manager, Mrs. Dorothy Kraemer, will begin her well-deserved retirement. For 23 years, Dorothy has overseen the operations of Saint Philip Parish beginning many years before the 2016 consolidation of our parish, then during the Pandemic, and during these past three years since the Pandemic.

As the parish office manager, Dorothy has been involved each day in the operation of our parish community. She's served our community and many members and families for more than two decades. Dorothy also worked closely with the school administration, and she's been instrumental in all of the fundraising efforts of Saint Philip Parish.

Now that Dorothy is concluding her 23 years of service to Saint Philip Parish, we wish her God's blessings and goodness now and in the years ahead!





EASTER SEASON DAILY REFLECTIONS

In advance of Easter Sunday, copies of the

new Easter Reflections Booklets are available in the entrances of both our churches. Be sure to continue your daily Lenten reading into the 50 days of the Easter Season. Your spiritual life and prayer life will benefit greatly from this daily spiritual reading!

AN INSERT FOR EASTER

In order to prepare well for Easter Sunday and the glorious Easter Season, an insert has been placed in this Palm Sunday's parish bulletin. As we commemorate the final days of Jesus' life and his death on the cross during this Holy Week, this is also a good week to spiritually prepare for the celebra-

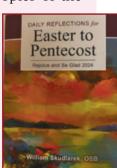
tion of Jesus' Resurrection from the dead. You're invited to take some time this week to deepen your appreciation of Jesus' Resurrection and all that we celebrate during the Easter Season!

AN EASTER PRAYER CARD

Also available to everyone at our church entrances are new prayer cards for the Easter Season. Please add this new card to your collection of holy cards, and be sure to share a copy or two with your family and friends. It's always good to keep images of the Lord Jesus with us wherever we are. It's also good to pray the simple,



inspiring prayers that are included on the reverse side. Enjoy this new prayer card – especially during this holy season of the Lord's Resurrection!







OUR HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2024 SCHEDULE

For your Holy Week and Easter Sunday planning, our Liturgies and services will be celebrated at these times:

-PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24-Regular Parish Liturgy schedule for Palm Sunday

-HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28-7:00pm at Saint Philip church

-GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29-

12:00pm Stations of the Cross at Saint Philip church;
1:30pm Service at Ascension;
7:00pm Stations of the Cross at Ascension church

-HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30-

12:00pm Blessing of Easter Food at Ascension church7:00pm Easter Vigil at Saint Philip church

-EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31-

Masses: 7:00am, 9:30am and 11:00am at Saint Philip; 9:30am at Ascension church

Best wishes to all of our Saint Philip Parish members and families for a joyful Easter celebration and a blessed Easter season, March 31 through Pentecost Sunday, May 19!

Grateful for your increased support!

During our 2023 Forward in Faith! Appeal, many of our parish families pledged a commitment to increase your weekly and monthly financial support for our parish community! Thank you for your dedication to Saint Philip Parish now and in the next generation.

Your increased contributions will soon be seen in our weekly collection totals and in the total parish income for this fiscal year. Should anyone need a reminder of the amount that you pledged, please contact our parish during weekly office hours.

Once again, thank you all for your support of our **Catholic parish community -** and for your dedication to and support of Saint Philip Parish today and in the years ahead.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

April 10 - Parish Mission with Dinner at 6:15pm MAY 1 - ChristLife Reunion dinner, discussion, video "Saying Yes to God," 6:30pm at Ascension

MAY 15 - Mary's Tea, "Praying with Our Experiences and Stresses" MAY 19 - Pentecost Celebration with Handbell Choir. Details to follow

Our Lent 2024 Reconciliation Schedule

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is an important part of our sacramental and spiritual lives. It is also an important part of our preparation for Easter Sunday and the Easter Season.

During these days of Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the following times at our two churches:

Monday, March 25

12:00pm to 1:00pm 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Saint Philip church Ascension church

Tuesday, March 26

12:00pm to 1:00pm 6:00pm to 8:00pm Wednesday, March 27

Saint Philip church Ascension church

12:00pm to 1:00pm 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Saint Philip church Ascension church

There will be **NO** Confession times on March 28, 29, or 30.



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



This week's Sanctuary Lamp at St. Philip burns In Loving Memory of John (+) Claire Beitler Offered by Karen Beitler

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at Ascension burns In Loving Memory of Deceased of the DeAngelis Family Offered by DeDe Palombini



KEVIN SCHMITT CONCRETE

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

A Final Gift to the Parish Please support

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by including the community in your will and estate planning.

Thank you!



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Thank you to all who attended, all who made soup, our guest speakers, our organizers and staff, and all who assisted with our five Lenten evenings.



Wednesday, April 10

Easter Season Parish Dinner and Mission evening: 6:00pm — Dinner 7:00pm — Speaker Father Carmen D'Amico

All are invited to enjoy a delicious dinner, hear an inspiring speaker, have some time to rest in prayer, and meet new people! RSVP by calling the Office of Faith Formation at 412-922-6388 or return this form to 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh PA 15205. Reservations are required.

Family name

Phone number

Number of adults. Number of children and ages



A NOTE FROM MARYANN: In addition to reflection and discussion on the Sunday Gospels, our Small Faith Groups and individuals in our Parish have engaged in Spiritual Reading this Lent. Two of the books they have read are, <u>The Church of Mercy</u> by Pope Francis, and <u>The Passion and The Cross</u> by Father Ronald Rolheiser. In his Homily of 2013 on Palm Sunday found in The Church of Mercy, Pope Francis notes the following: *"Jesus has awakened great hopes, especially in the hearts of the simple, the humble, the poor, the forgotten, those who do not matter in the eyes of the world. He understands human sufferings, He has shown the face of God's mercy. The love of Jesus is great. Jesus enters Jerusalem in order to die on the cross."*

Father Ron Rolheiser notes that, "Jesus, as the Lamb of God, does not take away the sin of the world by somehow carrying it off so that it is no longer present inside of the community. He takes it away by transforming it, by taking it inside of Him and not giving it back. We are asked to imitate it, to do in our lives what Jesus did. We do this whenever we take in hatred, anger, envy, pettiness, and bitterness and hold them, transmute them, and eventually give them back as love, graciousness, blessing compassion, warmth and forgiveness."

In these last few days of Lent, let us take time to reflect upon Jesus' Passion. Let us spend some extra time in prayer. Let us take time to join together as a Community during these days and times of Holy Week Services. Let us together reflect upon the Love and Mercy of God in order that we can imitate that Love and Mercy to all we meet.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS: Our Faith Formation Families celebrated together the Feasts of Saints Patrick and Joseph with a Pizza Supper, Saint Joseph's Table and Saint Bingo. Throughout the evening, they reflected upon the meaning of Holy Week and together as a family prayed the Stations of the Cross.

There will be no Faith Formation on April 1. Our next Session will be on Monday, April 8 where we will learn about Divine Mercy and Sister Faustina. We will have sessions on April 15 and 22. Our final session for the year will be on April 29 when we will have a Parish May Crowning followed by a Parish/Faith Formation ice cream social.

2nd GRADE PARENTS: There is a First Eucharist Parent Meeting on Thursday, April 4 at 7:00pm in the Saint Philip campus library. Specific information relative to the Sacrament and First Eucharist will be discussed.

— LOOKING AHEAD — All are welcome to attend the following

Monday, March 25 - Faith Formation *Family Night*, 6:30pm at Saint Philip Monday, March 25 - Confessions: 12-1pm Saint Philip; 6-8pm Ascension Tuesday, March 26 - Hooks (t) Needles *Ministry,* 9:00am in Admin Building Tuesday, March 26 - Confessions: 12-1pm Saint Philip; 6-8pm Ascension Wednesday, March 27 - Confessions: 12-1pm Saint Philip; 5-7pm Ascension **Thursday, March 28 -** Holy Thursday Liturgy, 7:00pm in Saint Philip Friday, March 29 - Stations of the Cross, 12:00pm at Saint Philip Friday, March 29 - Good Friday Service, 1:30pm at Ascension Friday, March 29 - Stations of the Cross, 7:00pm at Ascension Friday, March 29 - Fish Fry, 3-7pm at Ascension **Saturday, March 30** - *Blessing of Easter Food*, 12:00pm at Ascension Saturday, March 30 - Easter Vigil, 7:00pm at Saint Philip Sunday, March 31 - Easter Mass, 7:00am, 9:30am, & 11:00am at Saint Philip; 9:30 at Ascension Easter Monday - No Faith Formation

LET'S SEE WHAT LOVE CAN DO! This has been our reflection as a Parish. During this season of Easter, we reflect upon Jesus' love for us in the Pascal Mystery. We look to imitate this love to each other and our neighbors. As a Parish, we followed Jesus and gave 100 lunches to the homeless, reached out to those in nursing homes and assisted living, gave food to the hungry, welcomed those in need of prayer and healing, and joined together with our families in sharing the faith with our children. SO NOW LET'S EMBRACE LOVE! LET US SEE WHAT GOD IS CALLING US TO NEXT! Join our Parish Mission Day on Wednesday, April 10. It begins with dinner at 6:15pm followed by a talk with Father Carmen D'Amico.

Liturgy with Bishop Zubik & the 2024 Deacon Class

Congratulations to our parish member Joe Allen who, along with his eight classmates in the 2024 Deacon Class, were instituted officially as Acolytes of the Church. Bishop David Zubik presided at our special Liturgy on March 17. Following the Mass, our new Ladies of Charity (coordinated by Rose Musser), our Faith Formation staff (MaryAnn Garfold and Linda Bey) and a number of parish helpers served a special brunch to our 200 guests at Ascension. Many thanks to all who made this a wonderful and memorable event!









On March 10, our 8th Grade Confirmation candidates and their parents made a pilgrimage to Saint Anthony's Chapel, home of the largest collection of relics outside of the Vatican. There they saw the *Wood of the Cross*, a piece of the *Crown of Thorns*, a relic of Mary's clothing and relics of their patron saints. Students also viewed the life size *Stations of the Cross*. Then they visited Saint Stanislaus church where they learned about the history of the Diocese of Pittsburgh and discovered Saint Philip church was the fifth church founded in the diocese. They learned the personal story of Saint Stanislaus and the story of the saints who served in our diocese. At Saint Patrick church, they climbed the Holy Stairs – and learned the church history and its dedication to Our Lady of Lourdes.



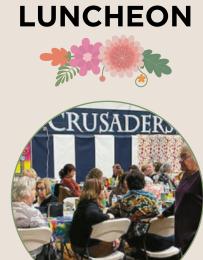




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2024 CALENDAR PARTY THANK YOU

We would like to thank all of those who contributed to the success of our annual Calendar Party Luncheon. **This year \$12,592 was raised for our Parish**. A special thank you goes out to the following people who served as a host or hostess, those who donated Chinese Auction Gifts, those who donated gift cards and other items and those who volunteered to help with the set up, take down and the event activities.

TABLE HOSTESSES AND HOST

Ginger Haverlandt, Mary Schubert, Carol Anderson, Barb Hendrick, Dominique Mazza, Kristy Parrish, Pat Howe, Rosemary McDonald, Chris Fryer, Barb Garvey, Amy Seagrift, Kathleen Quinn-Hodel, Teri McHugh, Dolores Quinn, Gary Urbatis, Carolyn Lombardo, Eileen Guay, Theresa Zingrone, Eileen Cox, Debbie Merritt.

CHINESE AUCTION GIFTS

Ginger Haverlandt, Mary & Rich Schubert, Linda Binek, Jane Barthen, Rosey McDonald, Sr. Betty, Cathy O'Connor, Judy Moscovitz, Roberta Gavel, Susie Palombini-Kiesel, Annette Marlinga, Maureen Rodgers, Kathy Quinn-Hodel, Jonathan Alexander, Teri McHugh, Peggy Reagan, Jim Potanko, Lenore Pole, Linda DeRiggi, Crafton Auto Parts, Schuler's Service Center, Jennifer Fellows, William Conroy Funeral Home, Joan & Barb Pilarski, Mary Luxbacher, Janet Herczak, Mary Klinker, Hooks & Needles, Betsie Roche, Eileen Cox, Betsy Ann Chocolates, Lumi Soy Candles, Jim Dawso, Mancini's Bakery.

GIFT CARDS & OTHER DONATIONS

Helen Demma, Anna Marie Kramer, Anita Okraszewski, Dee Dee Palombini, Susie Palombini-Kiesel, Michelle Leive, Anna Lieb, Bhavini Patel, Mary E. Castell, Councilwoman Theresa Kail-Smith, Regina McDonald, and all those who wished to remain anonymous.

52 PICK UP (PENGUIN BASKET)

Joan and Barbara Pilarski

WORKERS

Mary Arbuckle, Annette Marlinga, Dee Dee Palombini, Susie Palombini-Kiesel, Judy Moskovitz, Dian Rimkus, Marge Kelly, Dolores Ferretti, Jim Dawson, Bob Miller, Mary Luxbacher, Pat Keeley, Dian Perkins, Ursula Eberle, Nancy Salinski, Mara Fryer, Billy Fryer, Caitlyn Eiler, Duncan Caltgarone.

Rick Hufnagel, Art Bannon, Rick Musser, Mark Walker, Bob Williams, Jonathan Alexander, Marty Matko, Jr., Joe Hoover.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY UPDATE

The winter utility shutoff moratorium will end on March 31. If you, or someone you know, have fallen behind on your electric bill over the winter and have been protected from having your service terminated, now is the time to come up with a plan to get caught up. The Dollar Energy Fund is now accepting applications for those who are struggling with their electric bill, and unlike earlier in the program year, you do not need to be at risk of having your service terminated in order to qualify. Qualifying households can receive grants of up to \$500. Applications will be accepted until funds run out, so please act soon.

In order to apply for a Dollar Energy Fund grant, you must meet certain income guidelines, you must have an account balance of at least \$100, and you must have made at least one good-faith payment of \$150 or three CAP (customer assistance program) payments within the last 90 days. The income limit for a household of one is \$2,510/month; a household of two is \$3,407; a household of three is \$4,303; and a household of four is \$5,200/month.

To find out if you qualify and to apply, you must go through one of Dollar Energy's partner agencies. Two local options are the **Salvation Army** located at 1821 Broadhead Fording Road (call 412-921-9780), and the **Holy Family Institute** located at 19 May Avenue in McKees Rocks (call 412-331-8665). For more information about other utility providers that participate in the Dollar Energy Fund, please visit www.dollarenergy.org/need-help/pennsylvania. This week, your generous donations enabled us to provide a woman with a motorized scooter. Thank you!

If you would like to make a monetary donation, place your donation in one of the poor boxes, mail it to the parish office (attention of SVdP) at 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205, or donate online at https://saintphilipchurch.weshareonline.or g/ws/opportunities/StVincentdePaul. Monetary donations made to our conference are used only to assist friends in need and to pay our operational expenses. money is given No to any other organizations.

If you would like to make a donation of furniture or household goods, please call or text our hotline at 412-444-8140 or email us at svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com. If you would like to donate clothing, shoes or accessories, please place your donation in the blue bins in front of the Hope House at St. Philip or in the rear parking lot at Ascension, or you can call, text or email us to arrange a pickup if you are unable to transport them yourself. Please do not place any other items in those bins or leave anything outside of them because they will be thrown away. If you are looking to purchase new or gently-used clothing, housewares or furniture, please shop at the St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores and visit online our store at eshoppittsburgh.com. Also, we are always looking for volunteers! Any donation of your time is extremely valuable to us. If you'd like to join us in helping our friends in need or just want to learn more, please call, text or email us for more information.

As always, if you, or someone you know, needs assistance, call/text/email us at 412-444-8140 or svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com.



SAINT PHILIP CATHOLIC PARISH ASCENSION CHURCH 114 Berry Street

2024 FISH FRY MENU

FISH SANDWICH \$9.00
FISH DINNER \$11.00 (Fish sandwich, fries, coleslaw)
BAKED FISH DINNER \$12.00 (Fish, fries, coleslaw, roll)
JUMBO SHRIMP DINNER\$12.50 (5 Shrimp, fries, coleslaw, roll)
CRABCAKE DINNER \$12.50 (3 Homemade Crabcakes, fries, coleslaw, roll)
SEAFOOD PLATTER\$12.50 (Fish, 2 Shrimp, Crabcake, fries, coleslaw, roll)
MACARONI & CHEESE -Quart \$6.00
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HALUSKI -Quart\$6.00
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SOUP OF THE DAY –Quart\$6.00
GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH\$3.00
FRENCH FRIES\$3.00

FINAL FISH FRY Good Friday 3:00pm-7:00pm

ASSORTED DESSERTS

Desserts will be prepackaged with delicious assortments of homemade goodies.

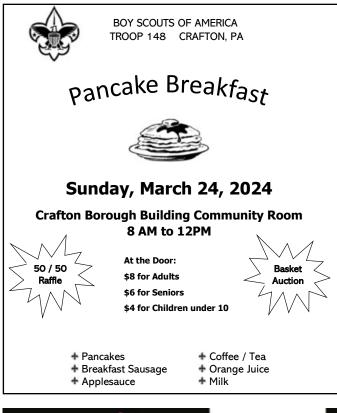
Attention customers with food allergies. Please be aware that our food may contain or come into contact with common allergens, such as dairy, eggs, wheat, soybeans, tree nuts, peanuts, fish, shellfish or wheat.

This menu can be found by scanning this code.





Around the Diocese and Community





THE GAA WARRIOR THON IS A MONTH-LONG FUNDRAISER THAT BUILDS TO AN ALL-SCHOOL DANCE CELEBRATION. THE FUNDS COLLECTED GO DIRECTLY TO THE GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY GENERAL FUNDRAISING GOAL, WHICH SUPPORTS OUR SCHOOL'S OPERATING BUDGET AND TO KEEP TUITION COSTS DOWN.

HELP US REACH OUR FUNDRAISING GOAL! MAKE A DONATION OR LOOK UP A STUDENT: HTTPS://APP.99PLEDGES.COM/FUND/WARRIORTHON

ENDS APRIL 8TH

- There are Individual & Class Rewards
 Families with at least \$100 in donations =
 raffle entry for payment of next year's family
 fundraising share (up to \$700)!
 - Tunoraising share (up to \$700): 70% of all donations received per family go towards their current family fundraising share

Check donations can be sent to Guardian Angel Academy, 915 Alice Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220



Registration for the National Eucharistic Congress is REOPENED for the Diocese of Pittsburgh. <u>Only 20 places remaining</u>. Do not waste any time. Register now!

From July 17 through 21 of this year the faithful from across the United States will gather at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis to celebrate our faith in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Please consider attending this joyous and faith-filled gathering that will help us to proclaim our love for and faith in Jesus substantially present in the Holy Eucharist. Come and be informed and inspired to bring many people back to Mass and full participation in the life of our parishes and diocese. Please go to the diocesan webpage for information and register: more to https://diopitt.org/eucharistic-revival.



Families are invited to receive a blessing from the Bishops of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. Share and be an Easter blessing to the world!

Easter Sunday Afternoon March 31, 2:00pm to 4:00pm SAINT PAUL CATHEDRAL

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