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One Church**

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Annual Parish Appeal!

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Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 3:00pm

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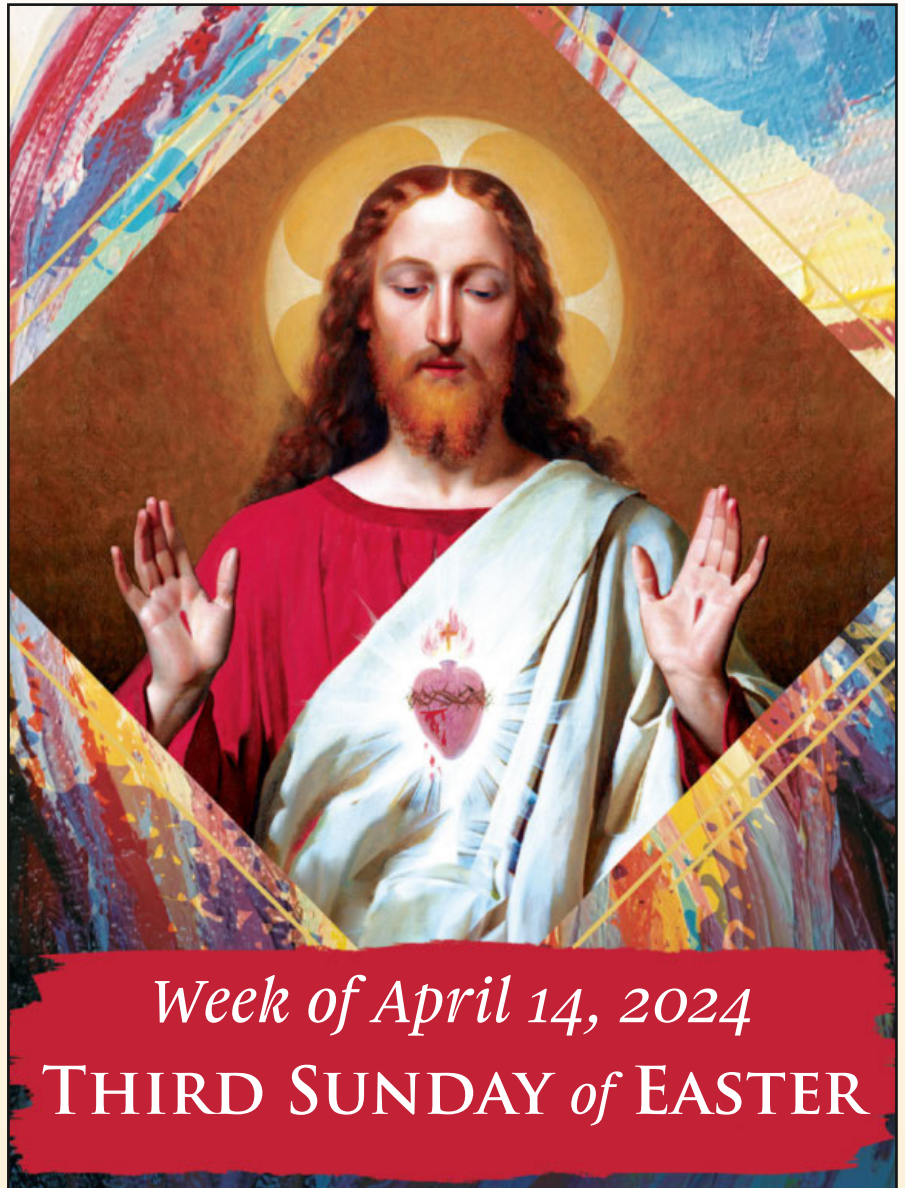
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CRISIS SUPPORT/SUICIDE PREVENTION

24-Hour Lifeline Dial 988
Resolve Crisis Network 1-888-796-8226

Saint Philip Catholic Parish

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



Week of April 14, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

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 (OCA): 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	PRIEST'S INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
SATURDAY, APRIL 13 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:00am	Margaret Barker	Family
Saint Philip	2:00pm	Wedding - Michael P. Donovan and Marydeth E. Guerin	
Saint Philip	4:00pm (Vigil)	Mildred & Leonard Gerlowski	Mary Clare & Tom Gerlowski
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Deceased Members of the Rittler Family	Rittler Family
SUNDAY, APRIL 14 — THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saint Philip	7:00am	Debbie Galilei	Jeff & Marisa DiCesare and Anita Donadio
Ascension	9:30am	Helen & Edward Tuszynski	Marcy & Ed Tuszynski
Saint Philip	11:00am	JoAnn Snyder	Mary C. DeBold
MONDAY, APRIL 15 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Edward Goyke	Janine & Mike Wilson
TUESDAY, APRIL 16 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:00am	Henry & Victoria Martin	Don & Patty Martin
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Bob & Von Reinstadtler	Mary Ann Daily
THURSDAY, APRIL 18 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:00am	Anthony Derda	Marcy & Ed Tuszynski
FRIDAY, APRIL 19 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Saint Philip	8:00am	Living & Deceased Members of St. Philip Parish	
SATURDAY, APRIL 20 — EASTER WEEKDAY			
Ascension	8:00am	Fr. H. Michael Kernan & Fr. Bob Herrmann	Rose
Saint Philip	4:00pm (Vigil)	Marie & Bill Reif	Sue & Mike Rust
Ascension	5:30pm (Vigil)	Arlene Ramolt	Husband, Ron
SUNDAY, APRIL 21 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saint Philip	7:00am	Deceased of the Rosano Family	Rita Keblish
Ascension	9:30am	Sam Palombini, Sr.	DeDe Palombini
Saint Philip	11:00am	Bob & Von Reinstadtler	Mary Ann Daily



Notes from the Pastor

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! The Lord Jesus is Risen from the grave! Easter Season greetings to you, and best wishes for these fifty joyful days!

Remembering the Resurrection every day

During this Easter Season, we hear the Gospel accounts of Jesus' forty days which He shared with His Apostles and disciples prior to Jesus' return to God the Father in the Ascension event. These wonderful accounts recall for us the encounters and visits which the Risen Lord Jesus shared with those closest to Him - as well as with many other disciples and believers.

In these Gospel accounts, we hear of Jesus' presence in his glorified existence as He assured His followers of His Resurrection to new life following His self-sacrifice and death on the cross. We also hear of Jesus' kindness, understanding, and pastoral care for His flock. The Lord did not return to them as an accuser and a harsh judge. He was not annoyed and angry with them for their lack of courage and fidelity during His own suffering and death.

Instead, Jesus extended to His band of followers the same love, goodness, and kindness that He shared with them throughout His public ministry with them and among the people of Israel. All the accounts of Jesus' Resurrection and His forty days before the Ascension are a magnificent witness to the Risen Lord, and they assure us that Jesus will share the same kindness and goodness with all of us who "have NOT seen, but still believe in Him!"

May every day of this Easter Season inspire you and your family members to believe in the

death and Resurrection of Lord Jesus - as well as everything that we believe about Jesus the Christ!

Recent property vandalism

By now, most people in our local area have seen the vandalism committed at our parish's Respect Life sign in the parish cemetery located along East Steuben Street. This criminal act was committed during the night of Friday, April 5. Of course, we'll never know if this vandalism was motivated by guilt, shame, anger, or some other reason. We'll pray for the person/s who perpetrated this act - rejecting the goodness and gift of human life - in the hope that they themselves will be led to healing and the goodness of life.

At this time, consideration is being given to what should be done with the Respect Life sign. Presuming that the sign will remain where it is - and that it will be repaired, my hope is that such vandalism will NOT be perpetrated again. I sincerely hope that this isn't an indication of things to come in the future.

And a note about Easter Sunday 2025

Each year, participation in our Easter Vigil and our Easter Sunday Liturgies is very good. Looking ahead to the schedule for next year, 2025, we will more than likely adjust the Easter Sunday schedule to have **TWO Easter Sunday Liturgies at 11:00am instead of 9:30am.** This change should better accommodate our members, our families, and our many guests who seem to prefer a later time on Easter Sunday morning. This adjustment will also give us a better scheduling of Easter Sunday Liturgies at both of our parish churches.

Best wishes for a joyful Easter Season!

During these holy days of the Easter Season, may the glorious Son of God bless you, your family, and our Saint Philip Catholic Parish community now and every day. Alleluia!

Yours, Father Jim Torquato

Easter Blessings

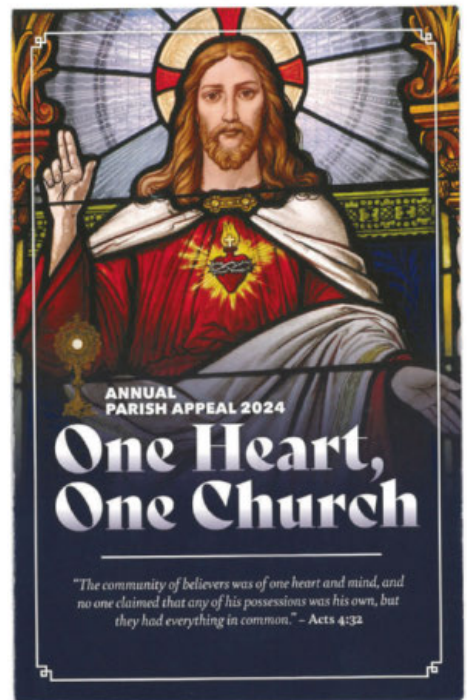
Thank you, thank you, thank you!

With true sincerity, our parish community and staff extend our tremendous gratitude to all our members, neighbors, and friends who made this year's Lenten Season, Holy Week, and Easter celebration very fine and memorable.

Many Easter thanks go: to those who made our Lenten Speaker series special once again this year - especially, our many participants, our guest speakers, our amazing soup makers, our volunteers, our Confirmation Candidates, our Faith Formation staff, and our parish staff.

Many thanks also go: to our catechists and our Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Team; to our liturgical ministers and ushers and servers; to our Music Director, choir and schola, cantors, instrumentalists, and organists; to our collection counters; to our church decorators and property cleanup volunteers; to our parish staff and maintenance staff members; and to all who made this Lent and our Easter Sunday celebration so good and memorable.

May the Lord Jesus bless you for your goodness now and throughout the Easter Season!



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!

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BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 14

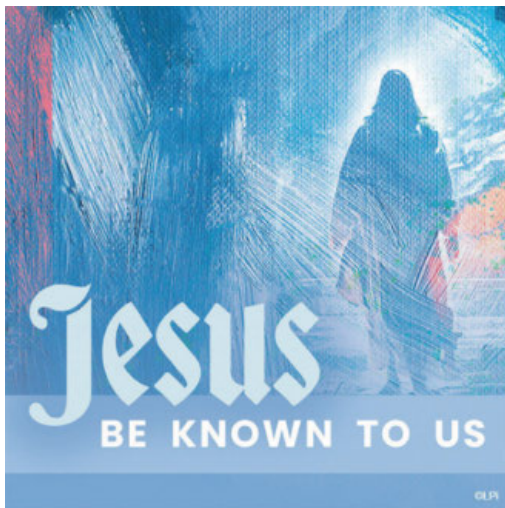
Acts of the Apostles 3:13-19;
1 John 2:1-5;
Luke 24: 35-48

Weekdays

Acts of the Apostles 6-9;
John 6

Sunday, April 21

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12;
1 John 3:1-2;
John 10:11-18



Thank you for your generous financial contributions to

SAINT PHILIP PARISH!



Your goodness and participation help to keep our parish alive!

FINANCIAL REPORT OUR SAINT PHILIP PARISH FINANCES

Sunday collections, April 6-7 -- \$8,999.84*

** Includes Mail-in donations*

Online donations, April 6-7 -- \$3,517.50

Maintenance donations -- \$531.00

Religious Education donations -- 95.00

Parish income needed for this Fiscal Year -- \$790,368.00

Parish income received since July 1, 2023 -- \$551,930.48

Parish fundraising since July 1, 2023 -- \$73,199.38

2024 Lenten Parish Fish Fry \$46,281.87

Estate gifts received since July 1, 2023 -- \$1,500.00

General donations since July 1, 2023 -- \$9,370.00

Average weekly staff salary and benefits expenses -- \$7,640.00

Average weekly maintenance/operation expenses -- \$1,686.37

Average weekly utility expenses -- \$2,261.09

Average weekly insurance expenses -- \$1,186.00

Weekly contributions to Guardian Angel Academy -- \$1,630.32

Parish members -- 2,286 Parish families -- 1,202

Church attendance on April 6-7 -- 692

Sunday envelopes used April 6-7 -- 285

Total households receiving envelopes -- 1,090

2024 Parish Appeal Goal -- \$128,119.00

Parish Appeal received as of April 7 -- \$95,949.00*

** Includes online Parish Appeal donations*

2024 Parish Appeal Donors -- 117

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.

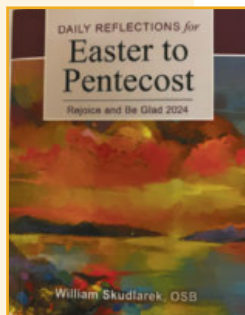
Once again, thank you all for your support of our Catholic parish community - and for your dedication to and support of Saint Philip Parish today and in the years ahead.



Parish News

EASTER SEASON DAILY REFLECTIONS

In recent weeks, more than 500 copies of Easter Season booklets were received by our parish members. 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!



SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

We still have quite a few Sanctuary Lamp Memorials remaining for 2024. They are a wonderful way of honoring deceased loved ones. If you would like to schedule your intention, please contact Maureen in the Parish Office.



Please welcome into our faith family... **Rory Theodore Kostick**, son of Christopher Frederick and Amber Marie Garbinski Kostick, who received the Life of Christ in Baptism in our parish on Sunday, April 7, 2024. May he grow in wisdom, age, and grace.

Bereavement MINISTRY



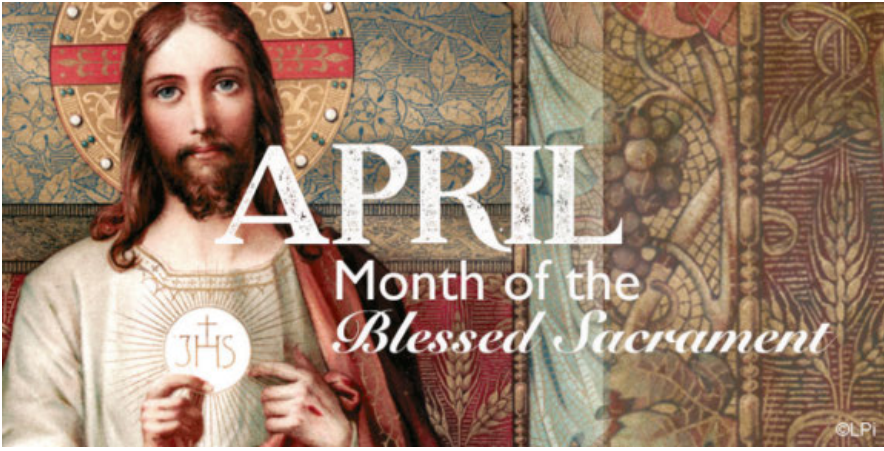
Our Bereavement Support Group meets on the third Thursday of each month from 2:00pm to 3:00pm in Conner Hall on the Ascension campus. We spend about an hour together hearing each other's stories with compassion and loving support.

This is not a psychotherapy group, but fellow parishioners who care for one another and support one another as we travel through the grief process together. **Our next scheduled meeting is Thursday, April 18.** Please consider joining us.



Interested in Helping?

We continue to seek additional members interested in serving in the Liturgical Ministries of **Communion Minister, Sunday Lector, Weekend Usher, Altar Server, Funeral Server, Church Sacristan, Wedding Coordinator**, or even **Collection Counter**. *Additional help is always needed & appreciated.* If you feel that you are called to serve our parish in any of the above ministries, call the Parish Office at 412-922-6300. Proper training will be provided.



ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE AND LUNCHEON

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, April 23. Our Election Day Luncheon and Bake Sale will be held from 10:00am to 2:00pm in Ascension Church Conner Hall.

Your delicious donations have made our bake sale an election day highlight, and we're grateful for your continued support. We invite you to bring out those cherished recipes once more and create a batch or two of your signature treats—be it cookies, cakes, pies, or candies. Your delicious donations will directly support our parish and help sustain this wonderful tradition. **Please drop off your baked goods at Conner Hall between 5:30pm and 7:00pm on Monday, April 22.** Remember, regardless of your polling location, you're always welcome to join us for lunch on voting day!

IT'S IMPORTANT; IT'S THE LAW!

The State of Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Pittsburgh require that all who are involved in parish ministries and activities - BOTH employees and volunteers - MUST have their clearances. It is our responsibility to provide an environment which is safe and to ensure that children in the care of the Church come to no harm.

Getting your clearances is easy to do! Go to www.diopitt.org and scroll to "Safe Environment Compliance." Then "Log into the Safe Environment database." Here you will click on "First Time User," complete the application and return to the menu and choose "Parish Volunteer." Please complete all questionnaires and required clearances. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 412-922-6300.



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

Sanctuary  Lamp

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at St. Philip burns *In Loving Memory of Michael & Mary Dolansky* Offered by Dolansky Family

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at **Ascension** burns *In Loving Memory of Mary M. Badish* Offered by Paula Badish



CRAFTON SERVICE CENTER

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

A Final Gift to the Parish

Please support

SAINT PHILIP PARISH

by including the community in your will and estate planning.

Thank you!





Faith Formation /Religious Education

Ms. MaryAnn Garfold, Director of Religious Education
412-922-6388 m.garfold@saintphilipparish.com

A NOTE FROM MARYANN: “Let’s See What Love Can Do.” This was the motto of Saint Francis de Sales during a time when great evangelization was taking place in the Church. Saint Philip Parish has considered this model throughout the past year as we encounter new opportunities to grow together.

This past year, we have seen our baptism program grow to include families companioning families with newly baptized infants; our *Ladies of Charity* reach out to provide help to those in need, as well as to be of service to the needs of our own parish; the establishment of small faith communities of people coming together for prayer and reflection; our times together for prayer, inspiration, sharing and fellowship continue to grow; our *Teen Leadership Service Corps* volunteer to help the homeless; our *Confirmation Candidates* reach out in service to our parish and community; and the initiation of a new ministry to increase overall well being and mental health awareness.

As we continue to be a *Parish of Intentional Disciples*, let us learn from Saint Francis de Sales and other great saints. Their spiritual life reflected the following as found in [Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples](#) by Sherry Weddell.

- **They expected God to act.** They expected that the Holy Spirit would guide and inspire them. They expected God to do things through them.
- **They were deeply prayerful.** They prayed as their schedule permitted and were aware of the power of communal prayer.
- **They were faithful.** They were willing to answer God’s call. They took notice of God’s call in their daily circumstances.

As we near Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday, let us pray that the Holy Spirit will guide our hearts and our minds as we continue becoming a *Parish of Intentional Disciples*, making a difference in our lives and in the lives of our community.



MONDAY, APRIL 29

Join us for *May Crowning* at 6:30pm followed by an ice cream social.

All are welcome.

Children's LITURGY

Our final Children’s Liturgy schedule for this school year is as follows:

Sunday, April 14

9:30am at Ascension

Sunday, April 28

11:00am at Saint Philip


Sunday, May 12

9:30am at Ascension

TRAVEL MINISTRY: Our bus trip to Saint Mary of the Assumption Basilica is full. We are taking names for a waiting list.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS: Our next sessions will be Monday, April 15 and 22. On Monday, April 29, Faith Formation will have a May Crowning at 6:30pm followed by an ice cream social in the cafeteria. All are welcome.

2nd GRADE PARENTS: Our *First Eucharist Retreat* will be held on Sunday, April 28 from 12:00 noon until 3:00pm on the Saint Philip campus.



Bishop William Waltersheid will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation at the 11:00am Liturgy on Sunday, April 21 in Saint Philip church.** We congratulate the 19 candidates from Saint Philip Parish who have prepared through study, prayer, reflection and service.

CHRISTLIFE REUNION DINNER
WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

6:15pm	Dinner
6:50pm	Small Faith Group and Others Sharing
7:00pm	"Saying Yes to God" Video Discussion
7:50pm	What Next?
8:00pm	Dessert and Fellowship

Call 412-922-6388 to register

Mary's Tea



Wednesday, May 15
11:00am to 1:00pm
Ascension Church Conner Hall

Enjoy tea, finger sandwiches, salads, scones, sweet cakes, breads, and special treats. Presentation on, *"And She Kept All These Things In Her Heart."*

Call 412-922-6388 to register.

— LOOKING AHEAD —
All are welcome to attend the following

Monday, April 15 - Faith Formation at 6:30pm on Saint Philip campus

Monday, April 15 - Baptism Class at 6:30pm in the Administration Building

Tuesday April 16 - Hooks & Needles Ministry at 9:00am in the Administration Building

Wednesday April 17 - *Catching Fire, Small Faith Group* at 6:30pm in Ascension Church Conner Hall

Wednesday April 17 - *Confirmation Rehearsal* at Saint Philip church

Wednesday, April 17 - *Christian Men's Fellowship* at 7:00pm in the Administration Building

Thursday, April 18 - *Grief Support* at 2:30pm at Ascension Church Conner Hall

Thursday, April 18 - *Legion of Mary* at 6:30pm in the Ascension church rectory

Sunday, April 21 - *Confirmation* at 11:00am in Saint Philip church

Easter Vigil

Saint Philip Parish celebrated the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 30. At that time we celebrated the *Sacraments of Initiation* (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist) with **Alex DeBernado**.

Members of the Parish Congregation renewed their own Baptismal promises as we rejoiced in the Lord's Resurrection.



3 Fundamental Catholic Christian Beliefs

It's good for all the members of our parish and all Catholic Christians to know the basic beliefs of our faith - along with the many elements of Catholic Christianity and the Good News of the Lord Jesus. Our Catholic faith and life are indeed tremendous treasures that are comprised of so many amazing facets - just like a diamond.

As Catholic Christians, our three most basic beliefs are these:

1.) DIVINITY.

We believe there is One Eternal God in Three Divine Persons (God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit) as revealed to us by Jesus of Nazareth;

2.) INCARNATION.

The Son of God became fully human in Jesus of Nazareth thus joining together both the Divine and humanity; and

3.) RESURRECTION.

The Lord Jesus was raised from the dead three days after His crucifixion and death on the cross, and Jesus' Resurrection gives us hope for our own Resurrection and Eternal Life.

There are many wonderful beliefs in our Catholic Christian faith, yet it's always good to see everything in the context of these three basic beliefs: ***Divinity, Incarnation, and Resurrection!***



SINGING TO THE *Glory of God*

In each Sunday Liturgy and other solemn celebrations, we sing (or recite) the 'Gloria'. It is a wonderful Christian song of praise to God which incorporates various praises sung by the angels in the Bible - along with additional Christian praises offered to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. In our Liturgy, after we begin by invoking the Lord's divine mercy, we then sing our praise of God with joyful hearts and voices.

**Glory to God in in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

...†...

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,**

**we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.**

...†...

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.**

...†...

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**



Guardian Angel Academy

One of the South Region Catholic Elementary Schools (SRCES)

CONGRATULATIONS - MRS. WALSH

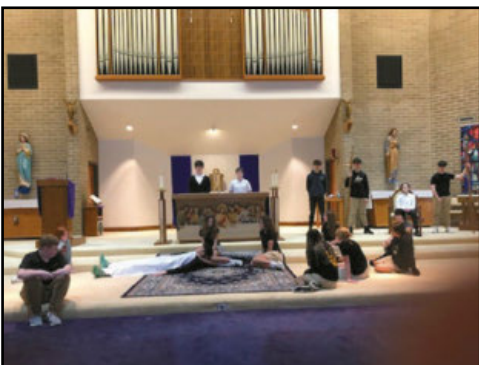
In 4th Grade science class, students have the opportunity to engage in EVERFI's Hockey Scholar digital course, with both a math and science edition, leverages highly interactive gameplay and the sport of hockey to reinforce key concepts like scientific thinking and data analysis, exposing students to foundational STEM concepts through real-life applications.

Mrs. Walsh was recognized at the March 5 Pittsburgh Penguins Game as "EverFi's March Teacher of the Month," presented by the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation. Congratulations Mrs. Walsh! Here is the link to the article from the Pittsburgh Penguins: <https://futuregoals.nhl.com/teacher-highlight/pittsburgh-penguins-march24-teacher-of-the-month-copy>.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent, our Kingdergarten through Eighth Grade students regularly attended Stations of the Cross including a presentation of the Living Stations presented by our Eighth Graders.



ENROLL TODAY

Guardian Angel Academy registration is beginning now for the 2024-2025 School Year. Register your children today for an excellent Catholic education in our parish's regional school.

For registration information, please call 412-922-4765 or visit www.guardianangelacademy.org this week for more information!





888-987-2423. Online applications are strongly encouraged. Please pass this information along to your friends and neighbors who are homeowners and who might be in need of assistance with their mortgage payments and/or any of the other expenses mentioned in this article.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY UPDATE

After pausing applications for over a year, the Pennsylvania Homeowner Assistance Fund (PAHAF) is now accepting applications again. PAHAF assists qualifying homeowners with grants of up to \$50,000.00 for mortgage payments, real estate taxes, homeowners' association or condominium association fees, and utility bills. Qualifying homeowners can receive assistance with delinquent mortgage payments and up to six months of future mortgage payments. Up to \$14,000 can be obtained for delinquent real estate taxes and up to \$5,000 can be obtained for delinquent homeowners' or condo association fees. Utility assistance is capped at \$10,000.

In order to qualify, you must own and live in the house; the house must be located in Pennsylvania; you must have experienced a financial hardship after January 21, 2020 (including a hardship that began before January 21, 2020 and continued after that date); you must be at least 30 days behind on the expense that you're requesting assistance with; you must meet income guidelines; and you cannot have received assistance from another government agency for the same expenses. The income limit for a household of one is \$106,300 per year, a household of two \$121,450, a household of three \$136,650, and a household of four \$151,800.

Funding is limited and will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis, so it is important to apply as soon as possible. To learn more or apply, please visit <https://pahaf.org> or call

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
DONATIONS**

Over the past two weeks, your generous donations enabled us to provide three single mothers with a total of eight beds and various other furniture items; a man was given a bed, refrigerator and other furniture items; three women were assisted with a total of \$1682 toward their rents; two single mothers were each given \$300 toward her rent; a family was added to our monthly food delivery list; a family was assisted with \$411 toward their electric bill; a man was assisted with the repair or replacement of his washing machine; a man was given a bed; and a woman was given \$310 toward her gas bill. Thank you for helping us to make these positive impacts in our local community!

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please place your donation in one of the poor boxes, mail it to the parish office (to the attention of SVdP) at 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205, or donate online 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.

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



Around the Diocese and Community

Diocese of Pittsburgh

the Chimbote Foundation



GOLFING TO BENEFIT CHIMBOTE

For 60 years, the members of our Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh have supported a mission to the poor of Chimbote, Peru through the work of a Catholic maternity hospital and health clinic. Since 2005, the Chimbote Foundation has hosted a Summer Golf Outing at the South Hills Country Club to benefit the charitable work offered to moms, infants, and families in Chimbote, Peru.

To participate in this year's **June 3 Golf Outing**, visit www.chimbotefoundation.org or call 412-456-3165. Included are 18 holes of golf with carts, a driving range, beverages on the course, skill prizes, lunch, and dinner. Register today!

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Bethany Hospice & Palliative Care is looking for caring and compassionate people to join our team. Our Volunteers see patients in their current home to provide companionship! Volunteers work with the Spiritual Care Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator to best serve our patients.

If you, or someone you know, are interested in becoming a Bethany Volunteer, please visit, www.bethanyhospice.com/programs/volunteer or contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Adrienne at 412-21-2209 or aleedy@bethanyhospice.com.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Registration for the National Eucharistic Congress is reopened for the Diocese of Pittsburgh. Only 20 places remaining. Do not waste any time. Register now!

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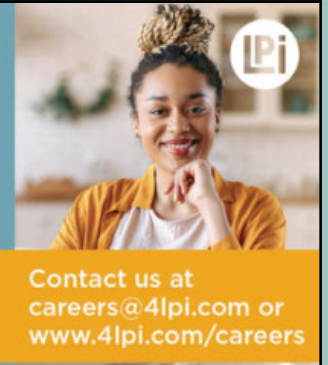
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