

Saint Philip Catholic Parish

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

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

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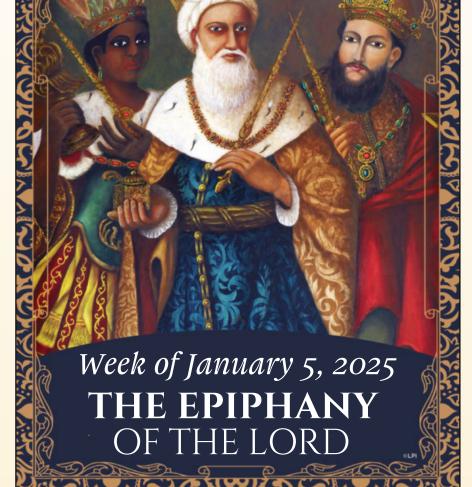
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SAINT PHILIP CATHOLIC PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

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 PRIEST'S INTENTION REQUESTED BY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4 — SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

Ascension Living & Deceased Members of Saint Philip Parish 8:00am

Saint Philip 4:00pm (Vigil) Alma & Bill Yingling Gabrielle Yingling

5:30pm (Vigil) Michael & Claudia Ascension Joan

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 — EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Saint Philip 7:00am Helen Demma Dolores Leone

Ascension Cindy Schulz Laughlin Iulia 9:30am

Alan Chesleigh Saint Philip Choir Saint Philip 11:00am

MONDAY, JANUARY 6 — SAINT ANDRE BESSETTE

Saint Philip 8:ooam Clara Parke John McDonald

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 — SAINT RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT

Howard Kelly Ascension 8:ooam Marge Kelly

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 — WEDNESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

James M. O'Connor, Sr. Wife, Kathy Saint Philip 8:ooam

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 - THURSDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:ooam Margaret Butter Randi & Kathi Butter Ascension

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 - FRIDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Saint Philip 8:ooam Charlotte Velemirovich Rosemary & Regina

McDonald

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 — SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Ascension 8:ooam Living & Deceased Members of Saint Philip Parish

Saint Philip 4:00pm (Vigil) Special Intention of Saint Philip Parish

Rev. Walt Dworak Members

Donna, Louise & Tony Christine Ovesney Ascension 5:30pm (Vigil)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 — THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Angeline Dreger Dolores Leone Saint Philip 7:00am Ascension Sean Denis Casey Mark & Rosemarie 9:30am

> McShane McShane

Saint Philip John & Minnie Guav Family 11:00am

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS: Should be submitted to m.takach@saintphilipparish.com no later than 12:00pm on Friday to be included in the following week's bulletin.





Notes from the **Pastor**

Welcome to our celebration of Epiphany Sunday as we continue these weeks of the Christmas Season and the beginning of our Holy Year 2025!

Celebrating the Epiphany of the Lord Jesus

Today's story and celebration of the **Epiphany of the Lord Jesus** is a favorite episode in the Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 2. It's an account which has been loved by Christians through the ages and around the world. The Epiphany story has also intrigued scholars and historians for nearly twenty centuries. This event included in the Gospel according to Matthew has inspired many Christmas tales and songs and dramas since the time of Jesus.

Today, we recall and honor the visit of the three magi to the birthplace of Jesus in the **Holy Land.** We hear of their traveling countless miles to visit and worship the child Jesus who was found with His mother Mary and her spouse Joseph. Once the three magi located Jesus, they knew that they'd found the Holy One whose birth had been indicated by a light in the heavens. With great exultation, they presented precious gifts to this Holy Child and His parents, Mary and Joseph.

Of particular significance in the Epiphany account is the brilliant light in the sky which the magi discovered and followed in their search for the promised Messiah. In ancient years, extraordinary events and lights in the sky were considered a divine manifestation of some event of tremendous

importance. The travel and the visit of the "three wise men" has always been accepted as testimony to the identity and the importance of the child of Mary - Jesus, whom we consider to be the Son of God and our Divine Savior. The 'star' created an 'epiphany' - a manifestation showing the wise men and the world that this newborn child would play a most significant role in human history.

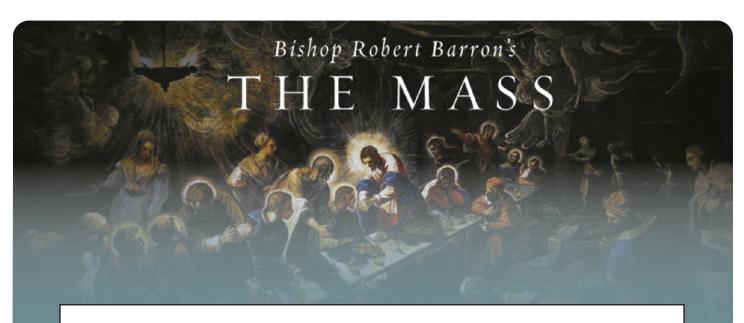
In a truly similar way, Jesus is (and has been for twenty centuries) the brilliant light illuminating our life and our way in this world. In Jesus' light, we see the truth of our world and of our faith. In Jesus' light, we see the reality, the goodness, the compassion, and the care of Almighty God. In the Lord's light, we see clearly how we are to live as the people of God in love, holiness, and truth. Finally, in Jesus' light, we see the promise of eternal life offered to us through the death and the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus which is our hope for everlasting life in God.

As we continue this year's Christmas Season and begin the Holy Year Jubilee of 2025, may we always be filled with the light of the Lord. May we receive the divine life and love that Jesus came to share with us. May we walk in the Lord's light now and always until the day when the divine light which is Jesus Himself guides us into the eternal presence and the divine light of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit which is our ultimate and greatest destiny!

Best wishes for the Christmas Season!

May this Christmas Season - and our 2025 Jubilee Holy Year - be a blessed time of hope, gratitude, service and prayer. May the Lord Jesus fill you and your family members and friends with peace, health, holiness, and divine goodness. God bless!

Yours, Father Jim Torquato



Join us for a six-week video series from an acclaimed Catholic pastor and author as Saint Philip Parish presents

Bishop Robert Barron's THE MASS

Beginning on Wednesday evening, January 15, we'll gather in Conner Hall on our Ascension campus (114 Berry Street, 15205) for six Wednesday evenings to view together the video presentations offered by Bishop Robert Barron.

Each session will be 6:30pm until 8:00pm with a 30 minute video presentation by Bishop Barron.



The six sessions will address these topics:

- 1. A Privileged Encounter.
- 2. Called out of the world.
- 3. God speaks our story.

- 4. Responding to God.
- 5. Preparing for Sacrifice.
- 6. The Real Presence creates Communion.

Refreshments will be served.

Please call the Faith Formation Office TODAY at 412-922-6388 to register. Please join us for all or as many sessions as you're able to attend!



Sunday, January 5, 2025

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Weekdays

1 John 3-5; Matthew 4-5

Sunday, January 12

Isaiah 40:1-11; Titus 2-3; Luke 3:15-22



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Your goodness and participation help to keep our parish alive!

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Sunday collections, December 21-22 -- \$9,844.00^{*} * Includes Mail-in donations Online donations, December 21-22 -- \$1,779.50 Maintenance donations -- \$86.00 Religious Education donations -- \$145.00

Parish income needed for this Fiscal Year -- \$861,064.00 Parish income received since July 1, 2024 -- \$\$351,234.25 Parish fundraising since July 1, 2024 -- \$25,755.55^{*} Estate gifts received since July 1, 2024 -- \$0.00 General donations since July 1, 2024 -- \$7,958.00

Average weekly staff salary and benefits expenses -- \$5,885,13 Average weekly maintenance/operation expenses -- \$2,179.94 Average weekly utility expenses -- \$2,030.82 Average weekly insurance expenses -- \$1,102.17 Weekly contributions to Guardian Angel Academy -- \$1,397.92

Parish members -- 2,456 Parish families -- 1,287 Church attendance on December 21-22 -- 679 Sunday envelopes used December 21-22 -- 257 Total households receiving envelopes -- 1,058

-- \$128,119.00 2024 Parish Appeal Goal Parish Appeal received as of December 22 -- \$169,467.92* *Includes online Parish Appeal donations 2024 Parish Appeal Donors -- 249

Grateful for your increased support!

During our 2023 Forward in Faith! Appeal, many of our parish families pledged a commitment to increase vour 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.



HOOKS AND NEEDLES

The Hooks and Needles group specializes in crafting (crochet, knitting, sewing, quilting, weaving, etc.), creating, repairing completing items. Many items are sold at the parish fish fry, flea markets, and other events to support various charities. Meetings are held Tuesday mornings from 9:00am to 11:30am on the second floor of the Administration Building on Berry street from Tuesday after Labor Day through June. Members provide both practical crafting and spiritual support for each other.

2025 LOTTERY CALENDARS FROM GUARDIAN ANGEL ACADEMY

At this time, in both the Saint Philip Parish office and the Guardian Angel Academy office, our regional Catholic elementary school is making available their Annual Lottery Calendars for 2025. This annual school fundraiser benefits the students and the programs of Guardian Angel Academy. Your ongoing support of our parish's regional school is greatly appreciated! Please contact our parish office (412-922-6300) OR the GAA school office (412-922-4765) for information or to arrange your purchase!

CONTINUING YOUR CHRISTMAS READING

During these days of the Christmas and Epiphany Season, please continue, please continue reading the reflection booklets recently distributed to 500 of our parish households. Also, enjoy the latest book written by Matthew Kelly - "The Three Ordinary Voices of God." Your life, your soul, and your family will all benefit from this spiritual reading and reflection!



As Catholic Christians, we respect all the children of God - pre-born children, young children, young adults, all adults and seniors, moms, dads, grandparents, and everyone!

Like Jesus, may we be good and caring toward everyone of every age - in the name of Almighty God!

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

For your child/ren and grandchild/ren, take a look at these excellent Catholic Schools:

Guardian Angel Academy -Pre-school to Grade 8

Bishop Canevin High School Our Lady of the Sacred Heart **High School**

Seton LaSalle High School





Epiphany Blessing, Explained

The Epiphany household blessing is a centuries-old tradition that invokes God's blessing on all who enter one's home. All you need for an Epiphany blessing is chalk, which is usually made available by parishes either on the feast of the Epiphany or in the weeks leading up to it. There are a few different formulas for blessings out there, but the essence of the ritual is always the same: a priest or the head of the household calls down God's blessing on the house and everyone who comes into it, and an inscription is made above the door in chalk.

The inscription reads: the first two digits of the year + C + M + B + the last two digits of the year. The initials C, M and B represent the names of the magi — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar — and also signify the Latin phrase Christus mansionem benedicat: "May Christ bless the house."



ARE YOU CALLED TO SERVE THE LORD?

It's good and important to encourage young men and young women to enter into the service of the Lord Jesus and His community, His Church. If you (or perhaps some young man whom you know) are interested in ordained ministry as a priest or deacon, or if you (or some young woman or man) are interested in the life and ministry of a Consecrated/Religious community, contact the Vocations of the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh (412-456-3000) OR contact our own parish office soon.



We offer our sympathy to the family of Stephen Zamiska who entered into eternal life. Please keep him in your prayers.

Sanctuary of Lamp

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at St. Philip burns In Loving Memory of Daniel, Rosemarie (t) Donald Brannan Offered by Brannan Family

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at Ascension burns In Loving Memory of Marie Rogers Offered by Daughter, Pat



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You can send your weekly donations through our We Share! internet service at www.wesharegiving.org/ap p/giving/saintphilipchurch



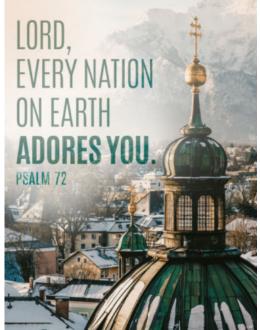


REFLECTIONS FROM MARYANN: A Blessed New Year to you and your loved ones. There will be some exciting new ministries and happenings in 2025. Most especially, we look forward to new offerings in our Faith Formation Program, Our Discussion Series on the Mass with Bishop Barron, Celebration of the Sacraments, the Induction of Our Ladies of Charity with Bishop Zubik at Saint Paul's Cathedral, Our Lenten Soup, Salad and Speaker Series, Continuation of our Small Faith Group, and Our new Family Retreat Day in May. Why not invite a friend to join you in some of our offerings. We look forward to seeing and sharing with all the members of our parish in the coming Year.

This week I offer a reflection on the New Year. Why not take one of these each day to reflect upon:

- I greet the New Year with amazement at the Presence of God in my life.
- I greet the New Year with Hope that all will be well according to God's Plan.
- I greet the New Year with gratitude for life.
- I greet the New Year with courage to meet what will be difficult.
- I greet the New Year with conviction to self-care.
- I greet the New Year with openness to the opinions of others and greater truth.
- I greet the New Year with eagerness to enjoy the things I love to do.
- I greet the New Year with a sense of compassion for others.
- I greet the New Year with respect for others as they deepen my vision.
- I greet the New Year with determination to make good choices.
- I greet the New Year with a willingness to help others who will need my care.
- I greet the New Year with excitement a the possibilities ahead.
- I greet the New Year with hesitation yet trust for the unknown.
- I greet the New Year with happiness at the possibilities each day will bring.
- I greet the New Year with Love for Jesus, my Companion on the Journey.

*Adapted from Joyce Rupp Out of the Ordinary



KITCHEN TABLE MINISTRY:

Drop-In Sunday is January 5 following the 9:30am Mass at Ascension Conner Hall. Come enjoy coffee, donuts, blood pressure screening, general information regarding wellness and the opportunity to talk with others

Wellness Suggestions for 2025

- 1. Start with 5 minutes. Set aside just 5 minutes each day for mindful breathing. Focus on your breath, allowing thoughts to come and go.
- **2. Be fully present.** Choose one activity each day-like eating or walking-and be fully attentive to the moment. Notice the sounds. sensations and feelings.
- **3. Seek support.** Call a friend. Join a new activity or investigate opportunities to nourish body and soul.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS: Faith Formation resumes Monday, January 6, the Feast of Epiphany. The next Family Night will be Monday, January 13 in Kelty Hall on the Saint Philp Church campus. THERE WILL BE NO SESSION on Monday, January 20.

WEATHER RELATED CANCELATIONS: Please listen to KDKA or WPXI for issues related to cancelation due to weather.

Special thanks to our wonderful parish bakers!

Throughout each year, our parish is blessed to receive generous support from a large number of excellent bakers in our community! From the holiday bake sales to the Fish Fry bake sales to a number of events during the year, our volunteer bakers give tremendous support to our parish life. Our bakers also contribute to our parish fundraising efforts too.

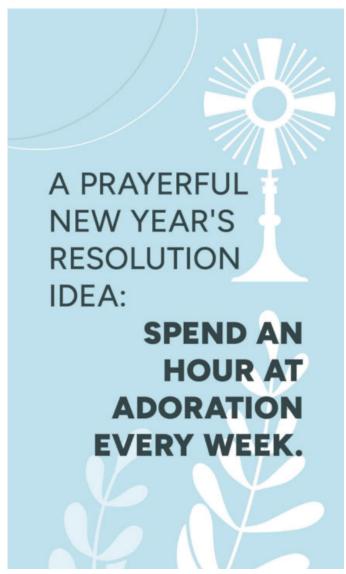
In December, our bakers' holiday cookie and baked goods sale achieved a \$4,015 result in support of our parish life and operations!

Thanks so very much to all of our generous (and outstanding) bakers - and thanks to all who purchased their delights for your home and your holiday gatherings!

Many thanks to the SCHEPNER-MCDERMOTT **FUNERAL HOME**

This year, for 2025, our Catholic Calendars have been provided to our parish members and families by the Schepner - McDermott Funeral Home, 165 Noble Avenue in Crafton. We're most grateful to Mr. Richard Olechowicz, the owner of the Schepner-McDermott Funeral Home, for his generosity in providing this important resource to all of our households once again.

When you see Richard and his funeral **home staff**, please kindly thank them for their generosity and continued support and goodness given to our Catholic community of Saint Philip Parish!







Guardian Angel Academy

915 Alice Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220 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.

MRS. LOUELLA JOSEPH - 5TH GRADE (B) CLASSROOM CHRONICLE

The fifth-grade students have been working hard on preparing book reports for The Big Friendly Giant, studying life science, and problem solving with multiplication and division. They have also been learning and growing in their faith by studying the sacraments. When they have free time, they enjoy making blankets for Project Linus. The fifth grade would like to wish everyone a joyous Advent season and blessed Christmas!

THE 2024 READ-A-THON RESULTS:

The PTG lived happily ever after thanks to your support of the Read-A-Thon! Our awesome school community raised \$5,654 for the PTG! Thank you to all who participated in the fundraiser by making donations and reading every day. The winners of the Read-A-Thon are as follows:

- The Top Earning Classroom with \$1,345 raised is once again Miss Gerrity's Second Grade! The class will receive the trophy, a pizza party, and an extended recess!
- The 100% Participation Classroom Award with \$805 raised is Miss. C. Rodger's 3A. The class will receive a pizza party!
- The Student BINGO Card winner is Carolyn DelGreco (2nd Grade). She won the giant Sarris bar and a \$100 Barnes & Noble Gift Card.
- The winner of the mystery prize from the raffle in the lobby is Gabriel Altieri (K). He won a chocolate bear, advent calendar, and a Barnes & Noble Gift Card.
- The Family winning the fundraising quota payoff is the Franc Family!

The funds raised by the Read-A-Thon are crucial to the PTG's operating budget, so we are very thankful for your generous support. - Teresa Fuchs, PTG Member



GREEN TREE LIGHT-UP NIGHT

The Guardian Angel Academy Children's Choir performed Saturday. on November 23 at Light-Up Green Tree. For the community they sang "Joy to the World," "Rudolph," "Feliz Navidad," "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," "Jingle Bell Rock," and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

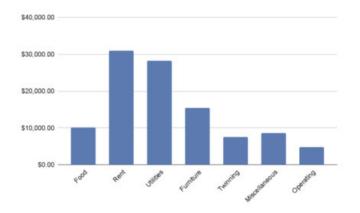
A BIG THANK YOU to, Mrs. Senkowsky, Mrs. Romanovich and Mrs. Walsh for preparing and directing the students for this performance.





ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY UPDATE

As we start a new year, we would like to take a look back at all of the good your donations did during our last fiscal year, which ended September 30, 2024. In the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the St. Philip Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul spent \$105,708.38 helping our friends in need! The breakdown of how the funds were spent is as follows:



Spending in the miscellaneous category went to help our friends in need with less-common requests, such as bus passes, as well as the cost of renting trucks and paying for gasoline for our trips to deliver donations to Donna's House of Hope in Tunnelton, WV. The operating expenses category covers items such as electric bills for our food pantry. Of course, the St. Philip Conference is a 100% volunteer organization, so there are no operating expenses related to compensation for our volunteers' time. The furniture spending is for furniture purchased from, and delivered by, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Central Council of Pittsburgh warehouse. It's important to note that the above figures do not include all of the friends in need that we were able to help

through your generous donations of furniture, appliances, housewares, clothing and food!

Last fiscal year, we collected \$105,759.76 in monetary donations from our incredibly generous supporters. We are incredibly blessed that God provided exactly what we needed in order to be able to help our friends in need! Thank you all so very much for your support!

We still desperately need volunteers for our furniture mission, as well as donations of couches and loveseats. If you are getting new furniture and your couch or loveseat still has some life in it, please consider donating it to our friends in need. We are also once again in need of new full-sized sheet sets to give out when we give a friend in need a new bed. If you would like to volunteer or to schedule a pickup or drop off of your donation, please call or text our hotline at 412-444-8140 or email us at svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com. Thank you!

To make a monetary donation, place it in one of the poor boxes, mail it to the parish office (Attention: SVdP) at 114 Berry Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205, or donate online at https://saintphilipchurch.weshareonline.org/w s/opportunities/StVincentdePaul. **Donations** support our friends in need and operational expenses only.

For furniture or household goods donations, call or text our hotline at 412-444-8140 or email svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com. For clothing, shoes, or accessories, use the blue bins at the Hope House at St. Philip or the rear parking lot at Ascension. Please only place approved items in the bins. Shop for new or gently-used items at St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores or https://www.vinnysvaluables.com. We're always looking for volunteers! Contact us to help or learn more.

If you, or someone you know, need assistance, call or text our hotline at 412-444-8140 or email svdp.saint.philip@gmail.com.





St. Anthony's is an inclusive educational program for students ages 5-21, with Down syndrome, Autism Spectrum Disorder, and other special needs. Our unique program thrives within select Catholic schools throughout the Pittsburgh region. Currently, we have four elementary programs, three high school programs, and one post-secondary program at Duquesne University. St. Anthony's operates in a special resource room designed to help our students succeed with their academic curriculum. We also provide services such as speech, occupational, and music therapy, as well as job and mobility skills training. In addition to the special resource rooms, students can attend inclusive classes with their peers.

For 70 years, St. Anthony School Programs has helped students of all faiths live their lives to the fullest academically, socially, vocationally, and spiritually, so they may grow and become active and contributing members of society.

Partner Schools

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Blessed Trinity Academy, Glenshaw Mary of Nazareth, White Oak Ave Maria Academy, Bethel Park St. Therese, Munhall

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Bishop Canevin High School, Crafton Serra Catholic High School, McKeesport North Catholic High School, Cranberry

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL

Duquesne University

Did You Know?

- ✗ We have 11 classrooms located in Catholic schools throughout Pittsburgh
- * The cost to educate a St. Anthony's student is \$18,000; families are responsible for \$6,000
- ✗ 70% of St. Anthony's students receive scholarship support
- ✗ We provide speech, occupational, and music therapy
- ★ 95% of our students have transportation to our program, provided by their school district
- Our student retention rate is 92%
- St. Anthony's has 3,000 alumni and counting!
- Approximately 290,000 Pennsylvania students are identified with special needs





Give the Gift of Hearing and Speech to a Childl

Founded in 1908 by the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill, DePaul School for Hearing and Speech has been a beacon of hope for children who are deaf, hard of hearing, or with severe speech delays and their families in Pittsburgh and beyond. As an Approved Private School, 60% of DePaul School's annual operating expenses are covered through state subsidy. DePaul School relies on the community to support essential programs and capital needs not covered by the state. DePaul School prides itself at being on the cutting edge of medical and educational technology and has remained consistent in our success with students. Our specialized programming continues to evolve, but our mission always remains the same: teach every child who is deaf, hard of hearing, or with speech challenges to listen and speak and transition to and strive in their neighborhood school as soon as they are ready.



By Donating to DePaul School...

...YOU are giving parents a chance to hear their child tell them, "I Love You."

3 out of 1,000 children are born with hearing loss; 94% of those children are born to hearing parents who use spoken language to communicate.

...YOU are funding our early intervention programs.

The first three years of life is when the hearing center of a child's brain develops. DePaul School's intensive Early Intervention Programs have resulted in 70% of students transitioning to their neighborhood schools by Kindergarten or earlier.



...YOU are empowering our students.

With a comprehensive self-advocacy curriculum, DePaul School Students learn from an early age to advocate for themselves in the hearing world.

...YOU are giving families hope for their children who may need extra support.

DePaul School is the only Listening and Spoken Language (LSL) Education school in the tri-state area and one of the only ones that serve children through the 8th grade.



DePaul School alumni are successfully contributing to their communities through wide ranging careers such as engineering, broadcast journalism, economics, sciences, and the arts.





Find out how you can change a child's life by scanning the QR Code or visiting our website.

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