

Saint Joan of Arc Church

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November 26, 2017


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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

KING

“And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.’” - Mt 25:40



Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 7:30 A.M.

9:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Daily Mass: Monday– Thursday: 8:00A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

First and Second Sunday, NOON

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please call and arrange with Rectory.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the Rectory.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Directory

Most Reverend David A. Zubik, *Bishop*

Reverend Phillip Paul Pribonic, *Pastor*

Reverend Jon Brzek, *Parochial Vicar*

Patti Reavel, Music Minister

Beverly Buddemeyer, Religious Education

Audrey Wurst, Youth Group Coordinator

Sharon Gomber, Office Coordinator &

Safe Environment Administrator

Nancy Matter, Secretary

Petar Pranjic & Mary Tracey, Maintenance

Karen Urbanowicz, Prayer Shawl Ministry

Nina Hughes, Respect Life Committee

Steve Wardzinski, Finance Council President

Michael Palus, Pastoral Council President

Ed Strauss, Head Usher

Melissa Coe, Ian Valenta: Retreat Coordinators

Chris Lauterbach: Life Enrichment

Mike Pensenstadler : RCIA

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 25– Saint Catherine of Alexandria

5:00 P.M. - Robbie Harris (Red Hat Society)

**Sunday, - November 26– Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

7:30 A.M. - Herman Brandl (Family)

9:00 A.M. - Robert & Ruth Pastorik (Children)

11:00 A.M. - Rose Piciucco (Elisa Doyle)

Monday, November 27– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Alex Ritzert (Special Intentions)

- Patricia Phillips (Family)

Tuesday, November 28– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Bob Bittner (Bill & Paula Wiseman)

- Barbara Egan (Husband, Jim)

Wednesday, November 29– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Dorothy Clemens (Tom & Carol Nath)

- Michael Morris (Wife & Children)

Thursday, November 30– Saint Andrew

8:00 A.M. - Marlys Schoedel (M/M George Kircher)

- Edward Nordick (Al & Cindy Stanish)

Friday, December 1– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - NO MASS

Saturday, December 2– Weekday

5:00 P.M. - Linda Mattola (Lew & Marion Fuller)

Sunday, - December 3– First Sunday of Advent

7:30 A.M. - Mark Cummings (Kim Lucas)

9:00 A.M. - Linda Mattola (Fedell Family)

11:00 A.M. - Cathy & Al Furno & Cheryl Shorts
(Family)

Please remember in your prayers those who are

sick: Rose Marie Bottles, Dale Kragnes, Jay Briggs, Thom Mills, Karen Recrosio, Tom Recker, William Reddy, Chuck Stanford, Emerson Cotter, Michael Weston, Rod Shipe, Father Joseph Grosko, John Oakes, Julie Schmaltz, Marcy Smith, Eleanor Young, Meredith Bisette, Mark Blice, Dom Salvucci, Albert Lexie, Jenny Fraas, Sue Wimer, Brenda Dunois, Paul Kubis, Donald Melinchak, Alyssa Strutt, Cheryl Hackett, Madeline Moze, Michael Sexton, James Conteen, Richard Humenansky, Tom Recker, Alex Ritzert, Fran Drummond, John Roberts, Mark Dubich, Tim O'Brien, William Vetter, Ryan Doughty, Tom Kiley, Father Michael Maranowski, Arthur Iocozzia, Mary Lou Quinn, Jonathan Piccoli, Margaret Pietrzyk and Audrey Jones. Help, save, pity and defend your servants. O God by your grace.

Today is the final day to register for our Breakfast with Santa. Reservations are required, please call 412-833-2400.

Financial Statement
Regular Offertory..... Will be net weeks bulletin
THANK YOU For Your Generosity.

From the Pastor's Desk

I hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving and before we know it, Christmas will be here.....we had a meeting to discuss the future of the Fish Fry last week, and we are grateful to Tom and Carol Nath for stepping up to lead the Fish Fry for December 1....we thank Mona Musser for her dedication to the Fish Fry in recent years, and trust that God will provide for the Fish Fry to continue in an efficient and productive manner.....

We keep rushing toward the New Year, Advent is upon us, then Christmas, and retirement for me, looking forward to a warmer clime during the winter..... We expect word from Bishop Zubik soon on naming an administrator for the Parish beginning January 1, 2018.....Advent begins next week.....

Father Pribonic

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for the Blessed Mother in memory of Edith Brandl, requested by the Family. .

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for John the Baptist in memory of Herman Brandl, Requested by the Family .

FATHER PRIBONIC ORDINATION JUBILEE
MASS THURSDAY DECEMBER 21, AT 10:00 AM with reception to follow in the Gathering Place.

FATHER PRIBONIC FAREWELL MASS SUNDAY DECEMBER 31 AT 11:00 am WITH PROGRAM FOLLOWING IN THE GATHERING PLACE.

BAPTIZED RECENTLY AT ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH.....

Hoelzle, Dominic Joseph, son of Brian and Kathleen; Innocenti, William John, son of Nicholas and Adrienne, Rupnik, Preston John, son of Mchael and Chris, Lippert, Jacob William, Minoski Charleigh Jane, daughter of Joshua and Amanda, Minoski, Cole Michael, son of Joshua and Amanda, congratulations to all the families on the occasion of welcoming these children into the Church!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: For Father's Celebrations
December 10 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM
December 21 from 10 AM to 2PM
December 31 from 7:30 AM to 2 PM
Please call the office at 412-833-2400 to volunteer.
Thank you for your help!!!!

Scripture Reflection

Make Your Choice

Not only is Sunday the feast of Christ the King, it is the last Sunday of the Church year! Advent will begin in a week! We should begin getting nervous about Christmas presents, shouldn't we? And family dinner? Or else why we will not have a family to celebrate with?

Yes, but let us not get ahead of ourselves. For now we need only ask why the churches have chosen to mark Christ as "king." Did they think we would understand our year better this way?

In a word, yes. We will be helped by looking at the Christ we have looked over the past months! And a revealing way to look is at the readings for Christ the King.

Thus the shepherd imagery of the First Reading. We are asked if we have let God's sheep scatter over the face of the earth? Have we maybe eaten the sheep instead of tending them? If so, God said, "I myself will look after and tend my sheep. The injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal."

This is a beautiful passage. Throughout history, God continually sought out his people, we are told, inviting them to a mutual relationship. It is the foundation of our faith. He shepherds us today in the same way!

Then the Responsorial Psalm, "The Lord is My Shepherd." If we are paying attention we see that God is still being the shepherd, as he promised. Goodness and kindness are all around us. God has us walk beside restful waters, through green pastures.

Gratitude fills our hearts.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul tells us about Christ, who is God's shepherding made concrete. In spite of the rampage of death and sorrow and sin, Christ brings the First Reading's light and peace to the world!

Finally, the Gospel tells us in a parable who will get to have this light and peace. Not everyone! Some people have been goats instead.

Alright, how do we become sheep, in spite of our goatish tendencies? Or how do we become, at least sometimes, the sheep? Simple. We care for the Lord in other people. Yes. Instead of goatishly taking our own preferences as the goals for our lives, though we must do that too, we join God as the one who cares for others. We dip into the restful waters with Jesus, we offer everything, with him, for the poor and needy, not because it is simpler but because this is the way the Lord has taken among us as the very way of God. The way of the King. You see, the example is God, who gives according to the many needs of the least of his brothers and sisters. Instead of sleeping restfully in the slumber of non-acting, we are to join with Christ as one among very many shepherds. We are asked to say "yes." Yes to the God who loves without prejudice, to the Christ who spent life as a non entity, to the shepherd who would love his sheep to the very end. We will be cared for insofar as we care for them!

Next week: the new year of God's love!

John Foley, SJ

Life Enrichment Club Holiday Concert

It's time to break out your Christmas sweaters, and get into the holiday spirit at our December Life Enrichment meeting. Join us on **Tuesday, December 5th** at 11:00 am when the South Hills Chorale will be performing holiday music from their Hi Ho the Holly concert. (Please remember the date change is for December only.) All are welcome—please bring a covered dish and a friend. For more information, please call the parish office or visit the parish website, www.mystjoan.org.

We Merry Minstrels: Friday, December 8, 2017 at 7:30PM. Southminster Presbyterian Church 799 Washington Road Pittsburgh, Pa 15228. For tickets or more information.



Thank you to everyone who helped me with my Eagle Project, from those who donated to those who physically helped me to build it. The money left over will be given to Ron Boron so that it may be used for seeds and plants for the garden next year. Thanks again. Sammy Jess

Candlelight Mass – Join your neighbors for a monthly Candlelight Mass at Saint Stanislaus Church in the Strip District. The Mass will take place at 8:00pm every First Friday of the month. The first Mass will be held on Friday, December 1. Each month there will be a different priest celebrant and different music. Confessions will be available beginning at 7:00pm. For more information, visit [facebook.com/holdpittsburgh](https://www.facebook.com/holdpittsburgh).

Bereavement program: It is not necessary to be a parishioner and there is no fee. Please call Pegi Wright in the Social Ministry office at Saint Annes Parish Castle Shannon 412-531-1193 or Kathy Raimondi at 412-344-9690 to register or for more information.



We have a new music ministry opportunity!

St. Joan of Arc music ministry now offers a contemporary youth ensemble! Any high school youth is invited to join this exciting new ministry which meets at 10:00 Sundays in the front of the church. We rehearse and perform the music for the 11:00 mass which follows. Singers and instrumentalists are invited and encouraged to participate to share and utilize the musical gifts for the glory of God and the enhancement of the liturgy. Please contact Patti, the music director, prior to joining us at



Altar Flowers - To purchase a poinsettia "In Memory of our Loved Ones," please use the Christmas Flower Offering Envelope enclosed in your December packet of envelopes. Cost is \$10. Deadline for ordering is SUNDAY, December 10. Names will be published in the December 24 bulletin.



Calling All Kids!

There will be a special visitor for our children at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, **December 3rd** Children are asked to **bring an extra shoe** to this Mass and leave it at the Angel tree. (Names taped to the bottom of the shoe are a good idea.) Hope to see you there!



**FISH FRY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1
FROM 11 TO 7**

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT
412-833-3173



Fresh homemade soups and delicious menu items. **Bakers needed.** Fish Fry is in need of baked goods for our bake sale table. Please drop off at Domremy Pavilion. Thank you for your support. **Volunteers please wear your Christmas Shirts!**

Winter coat drive for SHIM. Once again this year SHIM is partnering with the Goodwill of Southwestern PA to allow families to select their winter gear at a time and place convenient to them. Your help is needed to make this program a success. Please consider donating your new and gently used winter coats, boots and accessories to SHIM. After they receive them, donations will be gathered and given to Goodwill. Based on the amount of donations they are able to give to Goodwill, they will receive a credit which turns into Goodwill gift cards for food pantry families. **Last year they distributed 1,500 Goodwill gift cards to their families!** Collections are now being accepted and can be dropped off through the end of December at SHIM Center in Bethel Park, Monday-Wednesday 9am-4pm and Thursday and Friday by appointment. You may also drop off your donations after Mass at the Youth Group room door and we will see that they are taken to SHIM. Thank you very much!

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society Angel Tree'

With your help, we will again be giving gifts to needy families in our parish. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society "Angel Tree" will be decorated with angels beginning the week-end of November 25th and 26th. On each angel you will find a "name", an age, and on some, a size. Games, toys, and clothing are all wonderful gifts. We cannot accept perishable items, candy or snacks. Securely attach the angel to your gift and leave it under our tree before or after mass, or evening CCD classes. Do not wrap or seal the gift! (Christmas gift bags would be great!) **GIFTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE TREE NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017.**



The St. Vincent DePaul Society thanks you in advance for sharing the joy and love of Christmas with a needy child.

You truly are a Christmas Angel!

2017 Christmas Sale

Sponsored by the Appalachia Work Camp and SJA Youth Group
All rolls are 16" and homemade from scratch with only the finest ingredients!

	Price	Qty	Total Due
Nut Roll - Made with a full 1# of nuts	\$15.00		
Braided Nut Roll - Same as above, except iced	\$16.00		
Poppy Seed Roll - Filled to the brim with sweet poppy seed	\$15.00		
Braided Poppy Seed Roll - Same as above, except iced	\$16.00		
Apricot Roll - Filled with delicious apricot filling	\$15.00		
Braided Apricot Roll -Same as above, except iced	\$16.00		
Seedless Red Raspberry Roll -Delicious red raspberry filling	\$15.00		
Braided Seedless Red Raspberry -Same as above, except iced	\$16.00		
Chocolate Covered Oreos - (6) Ready for Gift Giving	\$8.00		
Chocolate Covered Pretzels - (12) Gift Wrapped	\$6.00		
Spiced nuts - 1# of roasted walnuts with cinnamon, vanilla and other spices. Packaged & ready for gift giving	\$13.00		
GRAND TOTAL			

NAME _____ PHONE# _____

For dates/information on next year's Nutroll Baking Fundraiser, please leave your email address:

Email _____



PLEASE CUT HERE

Checks made payable to: **AWC**
Payment/order forms are due **NO LATER** than **12/10/17**
Mail to: D. Lafferty 5955 Murray Ave. Bethel Park 15102 412-854-9033

PICK UP: St. Joan of Arc 1st Floor of the School
Wed 12/20/17, 6-8 pm and Thurs 12/21/17, 6-8 pm