

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Monday, November 19th

6:30AM Nora O'Sullivan
8:30AM Liam Kane

Tuesday, November 20th

6:30AM Lawrence Fadgen
8:30AM Helen & Ed Feeley

Wednesday, November 21st

6:30AM Gloria McFadden
8:30AM John Phiefer

Thursday, November 22nd

8:30AM Mass of Thanksgiving

Friday, November 23rd

6:30AM Gloria McFadden
8:30AM Jack Babin

Saturday, November 24^h

8:30AM Richard Scharrer
5:00PM Saturday Evening Vigil

Sunday, November 25th

Sunday Masses: 6:30, 9:30 and 11:30AM

Saturday, November 24^h & Sunday, November 25th

5:00PM	Fr. Pawelko
6:30AM	Fr. Pawelko
9:30AM	Msgr. Vogan
11:30AM	Fr. Speziale



Please remember in your prayers all our sick:

Brian Allison, Anne Arner, Leon Arnold, Bob Belczyk, Kevin BeVier, Marie Biddle, Tom Boden, Jack Boyette, Dominic Branca, Theresa Bucella, Paul Bufano, Sophia Bufano, Virginia Burbage, Greyson Burke, Cathy Carrol, Susan Crowley, Anne Davis, Thomas Duggan, Greg Dulaney, Amanda Durkholder, Kelly Eberz, George Edelmann, Joseph Eichinger, Sharon Feist, Eugene Fisher, Laurie Frost, Kim Fry, Eleanor Galbraith, Daniel Garvin, Joe Glowacki Karen Gormley, Anne Hagg, Robert Harron, Helena Hart, Conall Harvey, Ilene Haschak, Charles Hee, Sylvester Jenifer, Rosemarie Johnson, Regina Johnson, Jennifer Kelly, Lizzy Kelly, Shyla Kelly, Ralph King, Sue Lallo, Tim Lamanna, Danielle Lever, Audris Lichota, Thomas Luke, Debra Mallon, Bob Magolon, Brenda Magolon, Barbara Magozzi, Margaret Mahoney, Robert Malin, Ann Manco, Patricia Marconi, Tom Marley, Thomas Marshall, Mary Mascioli, Cameron McCarthy, Megan McDevitt, Nan McGroary, Dan McKenna, Joey McLaughlin, Gina Miller James Moran, Susan Mullen, Margaret Murphy, Phyllis Myers, Christina Nesmith, Julia Newell, Anthony Oswald, Louisa Pacubas, Charles Piccara, Jr., Charles Piccara, Sr., Eileen Posner, Anne Powers, Claire Powers, Ann Pyne, Helen Raftovich, Loretta Ricciardi, Paul Riggs, Bill Robb, Joseph Romasko, Jr. Anita Rossi, Sharon Rowles, Christine Samuels, Candy Santos, Patricia Schmidt, Lauren Schiazza, Diane Shaefer, Kathy Shiels, John Smith, Rosemary Smith, Thomas Smith, Kathleen Stacklass, Patricia Starkey, Jerry Sullivan, Kayla Taylor, Robert Taylor, Jose Tavarez, Lauren Thomas, Virginia Tracy, John Tully, Mary Walls, Diane Weverling, Nancy Williams, Hana Yago, Michelle & Robert Yanuzzi, Angie Zuccarino

Please pray for our beloved deceased especially:

John Hoesch - Robert Parker

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, November 19th

12:15PM - HFR School Choir Practice - Church
6:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall
6:00PM - VIRTUS - Neumann Room
7:00PM - RCIA - Mary's Chapel

Tuesday, November 20th

After 8:30AM Mass -5:00PM - Adoration - Mary's Chapel
10:00AM - Flame of Love - Mary's Chapel
1:00PM - Holy Hour of Reparation - Mary's Chapel
6:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall
7:00PM - Following Christ - Neumann Room

Wednesday, November 21st

6:30PM - Scouts - Hall
6:30PM - Troop 225 Committee - Cabrini Room

Friday, November 23rd

5:30PM - Music Ministry - Church
6:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall

Saturday, November 24th

10:00AM - CYO Basketball - Hall

Sunday, November 25th

8:00AM - The Mass - Donnelly Hall
10:30AM - The Mass - Donnelly Hall
10:30AM - Parish Registration - Neumann Room
1:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall
7:00PM - Scout Religious Medals - Neumann Room

SUNDAY COLLECTION

**The collection for last Sunday amounted to \$14,298
Thank you for your generosity to your parish!**



LOVE TO COOK!

The rectory is looking for a part time cook for dinners only, preparing and serving the meals. (The days and number of hours vary each week). Includes food shopping as well. Interested, please call the rectory at 610-497-3340.



Parish Census
... Body in Christ

CENSUS-STEWARDSHIP

COLLECTION

Every registered parishioner should have received the annual Stewardship/Census mailing. Please complete the census and return it either in the basket, by mail or drop it off at the rectory office as soon as possible.

The census information is important to us so that we can keep our files updated. The Stewardship offering is also a vital part of our financial stability.

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSING EARLY!

The rectory office will close at 1:00PM on Friday, November 23rd. The rectory office will be also be CLOSED on Thanksgiving day.



PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council will be **holding an election the weekend of December 1st and 2nd** to fill four positions that will be vacated at the end of the year. We are in the process of contacting the nominees for their consent to run. **In the coming weeks parishioners will be given the opportunity to review the nominees' bios in the gathering space prior to the December election.**



St. Joe's number is 42, please note on all meals. Any ministry planning to make meals or soups, please contact Ralph DeBerardinis **BEFORE you do so to coordinate timing and supplies.**

Please if you are able to make an extra portion of your evening meal for our shut-ins. Trays and soup containers are available in the lower church kitchen. If you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer to bring meals to our shut-ins, please call Ralph at 610-494-4428.



Anyone requesting the transportation services of H.O.P.E. November 19th – November 23rd should call team captain: **Team 6: Donna Covell 610-497-1834 or Lynne Harrison 610-494-4699.**

This number is for **THIS WEEK ONLY.**
Please give 24-48 hours notice!
ONE ride per week.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH 9:00 – 11:00AM

Join us for Breakfast and a Visit with Santa
(Bring your camera!) FREE
Face Painting, Arts & Crafts, Music



"Toys for Tots" Toy Drive Collection
New unwrapped Toys greatly needed and appreciated!
Tickets available after all masses
November 24th & 25th and December 1st & 2nd



HAPPY BIRTHDAY BABY JESUS PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1ST 10:30AM

For Kindergarten and First Grade Children
Please bring an unwrapped toy for City Team in Chester.
Questions or registrations contact Lisa McGonigal at 610-324-6453 or lisamcgon@outlook.com. Please provide child's name, food allergy and parents phone number.



Dear Friends,

On October 3, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln officially proclaimed, that the last Thursday of November would be "a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens." Although Abraham Lincoln was not the first, nor the last president to set an official date for Thanksgiving, his words capture the importance Americans placed on thanking God for the same blessings bestowed on the original colonists. Thanksgiving is a time for all of us to give thanks to the Lord for what we have, and to remind us that we always have positive things to be thankful for.

Today, we still have much to be thankful for. We live in a land that is free and full of opportunity, and we still have the choice to worship, free from persecution. Despite the challenges and difficulties we all face, we are truly blessed beyond measure, and are fortunate enough to be in a position to share our blessings with others. This Thanksgiving, before you begin your feast, take some time to give thanks for the blessings in your life.

The only ultimate value in our lives is God's love for us. This sentence is packed with a truth that should jump out at us. The word "ultimate" means last, final or utmost "value" meaning worth or importance, "God's love for us" focuses upon the deep personal affection God has for each of us. Think of God's everlasting love surrounding us, supporting us and blessing us every second of our lives.

Even in difficult times, that truth should fill our lives with confidence, faith, hope and love. Take a moment to think about it: God loves each of us constantly and we cannot ever be separated from it! This is His amazing gift to each of us! Yes, we have the freedom to refuse it, ignore it and even doubt it. Yet, the New Testament tells us God's eternal love for us is an unwavering fact.

At this time of the year we focus our thoughts on gratitude for the many blessings we have received. God's unconditional love for us should be foremost on our list. For that every day should be a day of thanksgiving!

Because God showers us with love, our response should be to love God and others in return. Our sense of thanksgiving should compel us to give, to share and to be good stewards of our time, talent and treasure. Because so many people have difficulty seeing God's love for them, He relies on us to be His presence. Will you?

On behalf of Fr. Pawelko and Deacon Jack may God bless you and those you love this Thanksgiving and always.

Father Vogan



THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 22nd and we will celebrate one mass at 8:30AM in the church. Please bring the bread and wine to be shared at your meal for a blessing during this mass of Thanksgiving.



We are approaching the holiday season. Thanksgiving is the Christmas shopping season is already in full-swing. Today's readings stand in stark contrast to all this worldly merry-making, warning us of dark times ahead and our inevitable judgment day. How should a modern-day disciple and steward respond to these seeming contradictions? Keep this question in mind as we take a look at the Word of God presented to us this week.

The First Reading, from Daniel, describes a time "unsurpassed in distress since nations began" and warns that "many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, and others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace." The Second Reading, from Hebrews, speaks of Christ who "waits until his enemies are made his footstool." Even the Gospel Acclamation is ominous: "Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to stand before the Son of Man."

In the Gospel passage, from Mark, Jesus describes a time of tribulation after which "the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory."

Sobering messages indeed. It's enough to make you lose your appetite for that second piece of pumpkin pie. But for a committed disciple of Christ, these messages are simply a reminder of why our first priority is God Himself.

One of the blessings of a stewardship way of life is this: In challenging times, whether in our homes or workplaces, or even our beloved Church itself, we can take great comfort in knowing we strive to keep our priorities in right order. And when we put God first in all aspects of our lives, we will experience the peace that He gives that surpasses all understanding.

St. Joseph's



THANKSGIVING in almost here!

ACME – GIANT - SHOP RITE

Don't forget you can pay your Kohls bill with Kohls gift cards available at the rectory

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – THURSDAY 9AM - 7PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd from 9AM - 1 PM

SATURDAY 9AM - 6PM

SUNDAY 8:30AM - 11:30AM



Holy Family Regional Catholic School

WINTER BALL

DECEMBER 1ST

Tickets available Contact: Bill DeFeo 610-308-3057

Academic Excellence Rooted in Faith

If you are interested in being part of a great school community committed to Academic Excellence Rooted in Faith, contact: Charles Hughes, Principal at chughes@holyfamilyaston.org or 610-494-0147.



ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Advent Giving Tree will be in the gathering space after mass beginning next weekend. Please take an ornament from the tree and purchase a gift card in any amount for the store listed. No donation is too small. Please return the gift card to the rectory by December 16th. If you know of a family that is need this Christmas, please contact the rectory. All call will be kept confidential.

Please consider purchasing your gift card at the rectory!



"THE MASS"

What would you say if someone asked you "What is the mass?"?

Bishop Robert Barron is once again taking us on a journey- this time it is through the Mass in a stunning DVD series. We will meet in the lower hall on Sunday, November 25th. We have 2 options for your convenience: 8am to 9:15 and 10:30 to 11:25. Your choice! Come and Enjoy! Refreshments will be served and child care will be provided for the later session if you request in advance.



2018 CYO Basketball Registration

In the hall - registration fee \$80.00

Co-Ed Instructional Basketball (Grades 3 and 4)

HS BOYS & GIRLS Basketball (Grades 9-12)

Contact: Mike Flaherty,

St. Joseph's AD at mflaherty20@verizon.net

<http://www.stjosephaston.org/cyo>



Join us for a night of family fun at

Pack 225 Cub Scouts night at Oasis Family Fun Center, Glen Mills on Monday, November 26th 6:00-8:00pm. Pre-sale tickets: \$10/child \$15/child at door: Adults: Free (All children must be accompanied by an adult). Remember to wear socks Contact Lisa Maradik lmamadik@gmail.com 215-796-3856



20th Annual Turkey Drive

We will be collecting turkeys, fixins, GIANT Food Store GIFT CARDS and CASH for the purchase of turkeys. Please items to the school any time before **THIS Monday, November 19th at 2:00PM**. Dry goods can be place in the red box in lower church. Donations will be taken to the Sisters of Charity. You can purchase your Giant gift card at the rectory.



PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who came to the Christmas Bazaar this weekend. Tombolo chances are still available in the lower church on Sunday.

Drawing Sunday, November 18th at 1:00PM

need not be present to win!