

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

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HOLY TRINITY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm
Monday-Friday 6:30pm
Friday 8:15am

RECONCILIATION

Monday-Friday 5:30-6:15pm

ADORATION

First Friday All Day & All Night

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ST. JOHN OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:45am
Monday-Friday 9:30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30-4:15pm

ST. MALACHY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am, 11:00am
Mon.-Thurs. 8:30am
Saturday 8:30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 11:00-12:00pm

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Rev. Robert Zajdel, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Michael Ruffalo, Part-time Parish Chaplain
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Rev. Lou Vallone, In Residence (St. John of God)
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November 11, 2018

What I Learned Thus Far

Every parish has many things in common, but also some distinctive virtues that shine a bit more brightly in their individual case. As the weeks go by, I'm forming general impressions of the three parishes of RocKenRo:

Warmth: St. Malachy is a classic suburban neighborhood parish of about 2,500 households and nearly 7,000 people, of whom about 800 attend Mass on an average Sunday. The school hosts a little more than 100 elementary students. The new clergy have appreciated the neighborly warmth of the faithful, who also make a special effort at maintaining genial relations with each other.

Resilience: St. John of God is a legacy parish, emerging from several predecessor parishes mostly in McKees Rocks and Stowe Township. They retain two campuses and two churches, but use only one habitually: St. Mary, Help of Christians—a splendid example of ecclesiastical architecture, even though the parish has been scrimping on maintenance to save money. Registration records show over 1,000 households comprising 2,000 people, suggesting an older community. The faithful persevered through the 1992 consolidations, and they sustain several traditional devotions and community practices.

Energy: Holy Trinity is a lively parish with over 2,000 families comprising over 6,000 people, suggesting a comparatively young average age. The school hosts about 345 elementary students and over 100 pre-schoolers. The parish operates a small blizzard of ministries and organizations. About 1,600 people come to Mass each Sunday, and they seem to reflect the character of their suburban, often professional neighborhood.

So what else do I need to know? What have I not yet learned? What do you think I need to know about the three RocKenRo parishes or the communities in which they're established? Send me a note (be sure to include your name, address, telephone, and/or email address) or send your parish office an email so that I and others can continue to fill in the picture.

—Fr. Dave

RCIA NEWS & NOTES

This weekend at the 10:00 a.m. Mass, our inquirers will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate, the first public rite of the Christian Initiation journey. At this rite we welcome our inquirers, **Medina Marie Menozzi, Krista Michelle Murtha and Earl Darnell Hollinshead** into the catechumenate where they will continue to grow in faith, prayer and Catholic living in preparation for their baptism at the Easter Vigil. During this rite, the inquirers publicly declare their intentions to continue responding to the call of God, to change their lives and continue to grow in Gospel values. The powerful symbol of this rite is the signing of the senses where they were marked multiple times with the Sign of the Cross signifying that they have begun to **"put on Christ"**.

During the past several months, **Medina, Krista and Earl** have shown an initial conversion and the intent to change their lives and enter a relationship with Christ. They have begun to call on God in prayer and spend time worshipping with the parish community. Each Monday evening they have faithfully met with the catechumenal team to reflect on their conversion as they come to a deeper understanding of the person of Jesus Christ, teachings of the Catholic Church, Scripture, moral-

ity and a life of prayer. They have not lost enthusiasm for this and so it is with great pride that we welcome them into the next step of their faith journey, the **Catechumenate**. During this time they will continue to meet weekly for catechetical instruction to help immerse them more fully into the life of Christ and the Church. If you attend the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, you will also see them worshipping with us for the Gathering Rite and the Liturgy of the Word and then being dismissed with a catechist to discuss how to apply the message of the day's Scripture to their daily living. They have put forth great effort into their developing faith life and we are so proud of them.

We have a faithful team of **four individuals** who walk with these catechumens and candidates as **parish sponsors**. For them we are most thankful. They have made an immense commitment of time and talent to this faith journey. **The parish community, however, has the major role in the initiation process.** Every parishioner is called upon to remember these catechumens in prayer, be a good model of Christian living and offer encouragement and welcome to those seeking membership. We are counting on you to do these things. **Please be faithful and welcome them to our parish community and the universal church!!**

Date	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lectors	Altar Servers
Saturday, Nov. 17 5 pm	Linda Gomulka, Gemma Ruggiero, Andrea Kurtz, Karen Lukas, Mary Shiwarski, Dennis Kocsuta, Stanley Drake, Christine Drake <1 Minister Needed>	Michael McGinley Sandra Hess	Ricky Murray Grace Murray
Sunday, Nov. 18 8 am	Thomas Dirda, Mary Dirda, Anne Marie Canny, John Carberry, Kathryn Kon, Frank Gardner, Terry Donoghue, Merritt O'Rourke Donoghue, Stanley Stavish	Joseph Canny Bonnie Pendergast	Michael Smith Isabelle Kulak
Sunday, Nov. 18 10 am	Brenda Mack, Noreen Egan, Joanne Ferlazzo, Steve Mosur, Jr., Susan Ruscoe, James Manion, Debbie Manion, Michael Harr, Judith Reed	Kenneth Buckley Raymond Ruscoe	Sophia Hanni Joseph Ruscoe
Sunday, Nov. 18 12 pm	Cathy O'Toole, Veronica Rojahn, Cathy Jamiolkowski, Denise Carr, Andrew Iezzi, Charles Donina, Mary Catherine Buranosky, Gregory Leininger, Bernadine Parrish	Mary Alice Farren Michael Lesifko	Mark Joseph Roberts Reagan Lea Walsh
Sunday, Nov. 18 7 pm	Mary Weibel, Cynde Hackney-Fierro <2 Ministers Needed>	David Smith Melissa Cullin	Henry Barbisch Evelyn Minzer

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Phlm 7:20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

ALTAR SERVERS FOR FRIDAY @ 8:15AM

November 16—Gianna Kennelly, Riley Lecker
 November 23—Two Servers Needed
 November 30—Natalie Krulac, Alexandra Loehlein



2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

~ NOV. 17/18 ~

Retirement Fund for Religious

PARISH DONATIONS FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 13 & 14, 2018	
\$9,718.00	Regular Sunday Envelope
\$1,886.00	Parish Share (PSP)
\$11,604.00	TOTAL
Thank you!	

Traveling Chalice Participation

If you would like to participate in the Traveling Chalice program, please fill out the form below and return to the Rectory.

Name of Family _____

Phone Number _____

Circle Mass Time You Normally Attend:

- Saturday, 5 pm
- Sunday, 8 am
- Sunday, 10 am
- Sunday, 12 pm
- Sunday, 7 pm



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Sydney Angelo, Charles Bastyr, Dorothy Bastyr, Clare Beer, Dolores Bianco, Dolly Blumling, Sara Bobro, Stanley Bokoski, Theresa Boros, Anthony Davis, Hazel Dolence, Phyllis Downs, Katie Gasior, Roberta Hodgkiss, Carol Holzapfel, Laura Kammermeier, Steven Kanuch, Susie Kanuch, Rose Kerestes, Lorraine Kriger, Sandra Kutzavitch, Msgr. Lamonde, John Leaman, Lori Leaman, Silvana Mariani, Betty Matyaz, Dolores McGuire, Patricia Misklow, Diane Moorhead, Jean Moran, Shelly Morgan, Eddie Nagel, Betty Ann Navickas, Jude Ostrowski, Barbara Placek, Margaret Ruprecht, Dante Sabatucci, Marie Sabatucci, Evelyn Schiefer, Fran Smith, Harry Suehr, Leona Warren, Patricia Zerishnek. If you know of anyone who is ill and would like to receive the sacraments, please call the parish office.

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE

She, From Her Poverty, Has Contributed All She Had – Generosity is one of the many virtues of an authentic Christian life. Our hearts are formed to recognize that everything we have is a blessing and a gift from God and, as we are taught from our earliest years, it is good to share what we have been given. Typically, our generosity – whether it is in the form of time, talent or treasure – is a gift of our surplus. Our volunteerism or fundraising support is budgeted in light of the many other obligations, expectations and responsibilities of our daily lives. Yet, today’s Gospel reading gives us some food for thought as we reflect upon the charity and service that are hallmarks of the Christian life. The poor widow, we are told, sharing those two small coins gives all she has as an act of generosity. In a way, she becomes an image of Jesus Christ who would ultimately pour himself out entirely and give of his own life for us all. Does this mean that we have to give everything we own to charity or quit our jobs so that we can spend every waking moment volunteering for this or that? Not quite. However, it is an invitation for us, as we journey *On Mission for The Church Alive!* to not simply give what is leftover to acts of charity and service, but that we give our best in service of God and others. Let us recognize that our livelihood is directed by the God who loves us and gives us so many good gifts. This is how we can build up the Kingdom of God in our parishes and communities and make the Church alive! Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun., Nov. 11 — CCD Classes, 9AM & 11AM
Mon., Nov. 12 — **Veteran’s Day**; Bible Study, 6:30pm, Jojo’s Restaurant; RCIA, 7 pm, PMC
Tues., Nov. 13 — Taco Tuesday, 6:30 pm, PMC
Wed., Nov. 14— Choir Rehearsal, 7 pm, Church
Thurs., Nov. 15— Ladies of Charity, 7:15PM, PMC
Sun., Nov. 18 — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; CCD Classes, 9AM & 11AM

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

“This collection is a gift of love and solidarity from one religious community to another, to say that the Catholic people of Southwestern Pennsylvania suffer with you and we are here to support you,” Bishop Zubik said. “The congregations at Tree of Life are free to use these donations in whatever way they believe is right, to help their members recover and to restore their house of worship.”

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas Cards after all Masses on **November 10, 11, 17 & 18.**

BIBLE STUDY

Join us for a study of St. Paul's 2nd Letter to the Corinthians. Sessions will take place at JoJo's Restaurant, 7194 Steubenville Pike, Oakdale, PA. Sessions will be held on **November 12th, 19th and 26th** from 6:30 to 8:00pm.

For more information contact Dave Keene dave@canapologetics.net or 412-855-0960.



**Holy Trinity
Social Club**

Come Join Us!

Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2018

**Lunch at
12:00pm at EAT n' PARK**



All are welcome! Bring a friend!

Please RSVP to Mary Jane at:
412-859-3024

Amen TO ACTION

The day after Thanksgiving.
FEED YOUR SOUL.



Calling all Holy Trinity members! Join together with neighbors, family and friends from our grouping and people of faith from all over Pittsburgh to pack one million meals for the homeless the day after Thanksgiving.

REGISTER TODAY

www.holytrinityrobinson.org, click the "Amen to Action" Banner

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Join us in giving thanks by sharing our blessings with those in need. From **November 5-16**, the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God are collecting donations of canned goods and nonperishable food items for families and individuals served by the St. Winifred Food Bank. Donations may be dropped off between 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Sisters' Administrative Offices in Castle Shannon (entrance on Shady Run Ave. off of rt. 88, behind Mindful Brewing, Co.). For list of items needed for the food drive, to arrange an after-hours donation drop-off, or more information, please contact Robyn at info@osfprov.org or (412) 885-7232.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Join us for a Patriotic Rosary on **Monday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m.** in St. Mary's Church of St. John of God Parish in McKees Rocks. During the Rosary we will offer brief reflections from our founding fathers and patriotic hymns. Please plan on taking 60 minutes from your week to pray the Rosary together for the spiritual renewal in our families, church, communities, states, and nation. Won't you join us?

MAKING MUSIC PRAYING TWICE

Join us on **Tuesday, November 13 at 10:00am** in the **Ministry Center to celebrate All Saints Day!** Our class is open to and ideal for children from birth through age 5 along with a parent or guardian... or grandparent! Cost is \$10/child. **Please email makingmusicpgh@gmail.com to register** or for more information, call or text Caitlyn Waruszewski 412-716-8440.

OLSH Student vs. Faculty Basketball Game

Join the OLSH family on **Tuesday, November 20** for a night of pure fun! Tip-off is at **7:00 pm** in the Angela Activities Center (OLSH gymnasium). In addition to the basketball game, students can win a chance to pie Principal Plocinik, compete in half-time competitions, and witness the uniqueness of the OLSH community! All tickets at the door are \$5; students in grades 1-8 who sign up in advance with Mrs. Jessica Sellman '02 at jsellman@olsh.org will receive a discounted ticket price of \$3 (*children 2 and under are free*). Proceeds benefit the OLSH Prom.

HUMAN LOVE IN THE DIVINE PLAN

Join us on **Monday, November 26th at 7:00pm** in the school cafeteria for Connect Night with Fr. Joe Freedy and Fr. Adam Potter! Enjoy a casual evening with beer, wine, refreshments, time for fellowship, and TWO inspiring talks. Using St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body, these talks will focus on why we were created, what our bodies tell us about us, and how our sexuality is fulfilled in life-giving love. RSVPs are appreciated. To RSVP, please visit www.holytrinityrobinson.org and click on the Connect Night banner.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

If you would like a Christmas card sent to your favorite military person, please email their name and address to Pat Kulak at obx16@verizon.net by November 23. Please join us on **Wednesday, November 28** in the church hall at St. Malachy from 6:30 to 8 PM. We will provide pre-printed Christmas cards that can be signed. Children are also welcome to come. Bring your favorite crayons, colored pencils, or markers to decorate the blank cards that will be provided. This is great way to wish our service members a Merry Christmas and let them know how much we appreciate their service for us. If you have any questions you can call Pat at 412.262.1162

JAZZ PERFORMANCE/LECTURE

Come celebrate one of Pittsburgh's greatest jazz musicians, Mary Lou Williams, who grew up in East Liberty and went on to found the Pittsburgh jazz festival. A convert to Catholicism, she composed many hymns and works of sacred music-including a jazz Mass. PGH Christian Studies will host a performance-lecture at the auditorium in Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh, **December 1 at 7 p.m.** Admission is free.

ST. NICHOLAS MEET & GREET TEA

Ladies of Holy Trinity, St. Malachy, and St. John of God, please join the Holy Trinity Ladies Guild for an evening of light refreshments and tea/coffee as we celebrate St. Nicholas Feast Day on **December 6th at 7:00 pm** in the Holy Trinity School Cafeteria. Please RSVP to Roni at 412-337-3190 by November 26th so we may get an accurate headcount for our event.



HOLY TRINITY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Classroom Spotlights—8th Grade



8th grader Nathaniel Schmid coordinated a school-wide food collection for the Light of Life Rescue Mission in the month of October. The Light of Life Rescue Mission is a non-profit organization that provides food and shelter for the homeless and those in need, in addition to programs that help these individuals transform their lives.

Nate has been actively involved with the Mission for the last few years, having attended the Tunch and Wolf Walk for the Homeless and, most recently, having collected items for a Winter Survival Kit which provided items to help the homeless stay warm during the winter months. He has also had the opportunity to tour the Mission to learn about all of the programs that they provide.

This year, the Mission is creating Thanksgiving baskets which will provide food to feed those who are in need of a Thanksgiving meal. Nate asked Holy Trinity students to donate stuffing, instant potatoes, green beans, Corn, cranberry sauce, canned gravy, and canned yams. Thank you, Nate, for your efforts!

TURKEY BINGO

Sunday, November 11, 2018

Holy Trinity Cafeteria

Doors Open: 12:30 p.m.

Games Run: 1:30-3 p.m.



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Thank you to our 2018 Auction sponsors!!

**Please patronize these businesses and thank them
for supporting our school.**

**In Loving Memory of Raymond Bodnar, Sr., Julie Ann Bodnar and Lisa Bodnar
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**Congratulations to our Grand Raffle Gift Card Winners Jamie McGovern,
Jeanette Sellman, and Sarah Smith and to our 50/50 winner Chris Blatt!!**

Parish Mission Statement:

We, the members of Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Parish, inspired by the Blessed Trinity and honored to call ourselves disciples of Jesus Christ, strive to glorify God with our lives by promoting reverence for the Eucharist as the source and summit of our faith. We continually catechize parishioners of all ages, guiding them into a personal relationship with Jesus. We encourage all members to give of their time, talent and resources, and we commit to evangelize those within our parish and the community at large.

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Abuse Hotline: (800) 932-0310 or 866-872-1677

Catholic Charities: (412) 456-6999
Child and Youth Services Allegheny County: (412) 473-2000
Child Care Information Services: (724) 228-6969
Mental Health Services Allegheny County: (412) 454-9000
Cyber Tip Hotline: (800) 843-5678

CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY IF A CHILD IS IN IMMINENT DANGER FROM ABUSE