

# *Come and Celebrate the Holy Season of Advent*



*Advent Penance Service  
Monday, December 12, - 7pm*

*Mary, Eyes into the Mystery of God  
Tuesday, December 13th at 9:45 am*

*O Come, Let Us Adore Him  
Live Nativity*

*(in front of the school)  
Thursday, December 15, 7pm & 8 pm*

*Advent Confessions  
Saturday, December 17 - 3 - 4:30pm*

*Prep Christmas Family Program  
Tuesday, December 20 - 7pm in Church*

*St. Joseph-St. Robert School Christmas Show  
Thursday, December 22 - 7pm in Church*



*St. Robert Bellarmine Church  
Third Sunday in Advent  
December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011*

*856 Euclid Ave • Warrington • PA  
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**Masses for the Week**

*Please pray for our sick parishioners, relatives, and friends, especially:*

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2011**  
5:00 P.M. - William Walker - 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - Louis Granitz - 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
9:00 A.M. - Antonio & Maria DeFabio  
11:00 A.M. - Dominic Paranzino  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - Parishioners  
9:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklinker  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - Eric Smith  
9:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklinker  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklinker  
9:00 A.M. - Robert Boylan - 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - Eric Smith  
9:00 A.M. - Mary Rongione  
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - Joan Roener  
9:00 A.M. - Frank Stemock, Sr.  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2011**  
9:00 A.M. - Elizabeth O'Connell  
5:00 P.M. - Spellman/Irwin Family  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2011**  
7:00 A.M. - James Sholly  
9:00 A.M. - Teodoro Spinosa  
11:00 A.M. - John A. & William M. Coyle

Nicholas Chess	Gregory Chess	John Kirchner, Jr.
Taylor Love	Jerry Bilbee	Jeanette Lee
Jean Evans	Bill Wallace	Donna Berry
Kristen Gray	Ella Hoesch	Joyce Morris
Ed Hulmes Jr.	Chase Dubzak	Kathy Moore
Rita Stine	Hafin Painter	Jenifer Painter
Leona Finney	Joan Palmer	Joyce Doheny
Mildred Rusek	Kelly Hartranft	MaryTheresaTellmann
Veronica Imsick	Deena Price	George Casperson
Helen De Fazio	Jeff Bienamie	Janet Magnuson
Patricia Ganther	Jennifer Weir	Florence Ashenbrenner
Bill Stephens	Joseph Kane	James Crumlish Sr.
Lorie Ford	John Reyda	Monica Cerebe
Pat Steffa	Joan McMahon	Regina Richardson
Mary Farano	Joyce Williams	Josephine Ardizzi
Hennie Spyker	Kay Batman	Joanna Elchert
Patricia Brown	James Kolody Jr.	Kevin Christopher Fox
Frank Elchert	Charles Johnston	Rosemary White
Frankie Ervin	Lucy Pirolli	Pasquale Speranza
Joe McDonald	Pat Wendte	Margaret Ciocca
Geraldine Vona	Sal Boccella	Vicente Grana

**DECEMBER BULLETIN DEADLINES:**   
12/25 Bulletin Deadline is **Wed., 12/14 @ 12 noon**  
1/1/12 Bulletin Deadline is **Mon., 12/19 @ 12 noon**

**Share in the Care**  
Please give to those who have given a lifetime.


There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection this weekend for the Retirement Fund for the Religious.


**UPCOMING EVENTS (at a glance)**

- Dec. 12** ~ Advent Penance Service
- Dec. 13** ~ Thirsty Tuesday
- Dec. 15** ~ Live Nativity
- Dec. 16** ~ No School SJR
- Dec. 17** ~ Advent Confessions
- Dec. 17/18** ~ Return St. Johns Hospice Trays



**OUR PARISH'S STEWARDSHIP**

 Sunday (12/04/11)-\$19,438  
Last Year (12/05/10)-\$20,639  
Current Fall Collection - \$57,801  
2010 Fall Collection - \$64,722  
Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.



Dear Friends,

For centuries, Catholic tradition has called this Third Sunday of Advent **Gaudete**, that is, “**Rejoice**” Sunday, after the first Latin word of the ancient Entrance Antiphon, which also reminds us that “**the Lord is near.**” This keynote of “**rejoicing in the Lord**” resounds throughout today’s scriptures. The prophet Isaiah echoes today’s Collect by calling us to “**solemn worship and glad rejoicing.**” He reminds us that this is a year of the Lord’s favor of healing, justice, and salvation. Saint Paul also calls us to constant rejoicing, unceasing prayer, and integrity of life as we prepare for the Lord’s coming. Saint John the Baptist reminds us that the One who is coming we long for and is already in our midst - if we take the time to discover Him with us!

On Monday evening at 7PM in our church, fifteen priests will be here to celebrate the sacrament of Penance with us. This is a huge commitment of their time to be with us to assist in making our Advent preparation complete. Please make it a priority this Monday to be here for this celebration. If you cannot be here, please note that the last opportunity to go to confession before Christmas will be Saturday, December 17th from 3 PM to 4:30 PM. There are no confession times scheduled for Saturday, December 24th.

With the promulgation of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal, it was, of course, necessary to purchase new liturgical books for the altar. The new Roman Missals were graciously donated by the RCIA Class of 2009. We are deeply grateful to Karen Darcy, Allison Guinan, Theresa Kelch, and Brian Outland for their thoughtfulness and practicality in donating these Missals.

Thank you to all who purchased Christmas trees from our annual sale. I wish to acknowledge Rich Visco and his crew who every year get us the freshest trees in town! Their efforts help to support the work of our parish. Thank you one and all!

Don’t forget to join us for the LIVE NATIVITY on Thursday, December 15th at 7 PM and 8 PM. This has become an annual event which captures the true spirit of Christmas. Refreshments will be served in the school cafeteria after the first performance. Please bring your family and friends to share in this special parish event!

May this third week of Advent (the pink candle on your wreath) hold special blessings of love and peace for all of you.

With prayers,

Monsignor Beisel



**CANTORS WANTED** - Music Ministry is looking for new cantors to lead the congregation in song on some Sundays, holy days, and holidays based on your availability. An audition is required as well as cantor training if you are selected. There are a few cantor meetings throughout the year that you will be expected to attend. Joining the choir is not a requirement. Parishioners are preferred and have priority. Anyone interested should be at least high school age or older. There is no pay, but it is a wonderful way to engage in ministry to the parish. If you are interested in becoming a cantor, please contact the Director of Music: Kevin Lutz at kevinlutz920@yahoo.com.



<b>CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE (12/17-12/18)</b>		
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Msgr. Beisel/Dcn.George	<b>Choir</b>
<b>7:00 AM</b>	Fr. Cornley	
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Fr. Tralies	<b>Cantor</b>
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Msgr. Beisel/Dcn.George	<b>Epiphany Teen Ensemble</b>

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** - In today’s Gospel John the Baptist says, “I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord.” As we prepare for Christmas let us ask for the grace to help others to know the love of the Lord.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...please share your abundance by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas.

**CHRISTMAS TREE SALE WRAP-UP THANK YOU** to all the parishioners who purchased trees. **special thanks** to Tom McKnight, Mike Bear, Andy Thiers and Bill Matthers who volunteered their time to help on the day of the sale. Everyone’s participation made the tree sale a success.

**EP's OF ST. ROBERTS** - Dec 13<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Luncheon at 11am. Doors open at 10:30 am. The Madrigal Singers will entertain at this event.



### FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

Please call the parish office (215/343-0315) with the name and branch for relatives who are on active duty.

### **PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS**

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.*  
*AMEN*

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

#### **US Navy:**

*Michael W. Zarkowski  
Barbara Ann Mullen  
Connor Fitzgerald  
Brian Dessel*

*Edward W. Devinney II  
William A. Fitzgerald  
John Wurtenberg III*

#### **US Coast Guard**

*Brendan Williams*

#### **US Army:**

*Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott  
Danny Pritchard  
James Noga  
Robert F. Leimer  
Ryan J. Sempowski*

*John Healey  
Gabriel J. Zinni  
Sean Walsh  
Michael Mc Bride*

#### **USMC:**

*Michael Bradley  
Joseph Mc Menamin  
Daniel Harvey  
Clint Hajek  
Matthew Ponente  
Anthony Taylor*

*Christopher La Rue  
James McMenamin  
Elizabeth Harvey  
Leo J. Keller Jr.  
Vincent J. Flannery, Jr.  
Kevin A. Daly*

#### **US Air Force:**

*Karl Weinbrecht*

*Francis Lemma*

### SODALITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



The **Sodality** welcomes any member of our parish to join our spiritually active group. We visit home bound parishioners and nursing homes at which we participate with residents in the rosary, and scripture study when requested. **Monthly meetings - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. of the month in the Cranney LC** to socialize, pray the rosary and

plan our spiritual activities. **PLEASE JOIN US!!** Interested?!? Call Helen Dagney 215.491.8611.

The **Pilgrim Statue of our Blessed Mother** is waiting to make a visit to your home. A book is available in the rear of Church for anyone who is interested. Please leave your name and telephone number. We will be in touch with you. Please join us to say the **Rosary - Neshaminy Manor- 4<sup>TH</sup> Mon. of each month.** All are welcome!



### SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

Intend to volunteer or continue as a volunteer in programs that involve children? Visit the [www.saintrobertwarrington.org](http://www.saintrobertwarrington.org) website for specific directions on how to obtain clearances & register for the Protecting God's Children classes for Adults. If you are already a volunteer, please make sure your clearances are up to date. Contact the parish office with questions.

### MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING

Mon. Dec. 12 - Archbishop Wood HS  
7:30pm

#### **MUST BE COMPLETED BY DEC. 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

Participants may obtain a full listing of training site locations, dates & times - register online:

<http://bit.ly/AOPMandatoryReporterTraining>

#### TECHNOLOGY ADDENDUM

If you have not completed the technology addendum, an additional class will be offered in January. The date will be posed in the bulletin once it is determined.

### OUR ANNUAL PARISH GIVING TREE



The Giving Tree is decorated with gift tags. We invite all parishioners to join in the Spirit of Christmas by helping families in need. We are grateful for your past generosity and ask that you continue to support our efforts to assist parish families, the Bucks County Community Women's Center, St. Cyprian in West Philadelphia & the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Please select a tag, purchase & wrap the St. Cyprian's gift (gifts for the Women's Center do not need to be wrapped), tape the tag back on the gift and place the present under the Giving Tree no later than Sun., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Store certificates can be placed in the box under the tree. Also, there will be two large boxes available for the donation of winter hats, mittens/gloves & socks ~ children's & adults! Returning the gifts by 12/11 will enable us to meet our 12/17 delivery date! Please mark your calendar!

Any parish family that may be in a difficult situation that would benefit from the services our 'Giving Tree' provides; please call Msgr. Beisel to discuss. All requests will be kept confidential. Please call Sallie Theis 215.696.1477 or Rosemarie Abecasis 215.343.8113 if you have any questions.

**ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM**

**PREP CALENDAR:**

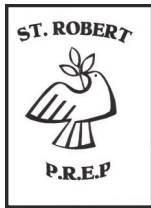
**December:**

M/T-12/13 Class  
 Thurs. - 15 Live Nativity 7 & 8 pm  
 M/T-19/20 No Class - *Families Attend*  
*Advent/Christmas Program on Tuesday*

M/T-26/27 No Class

**January:**

M/T-2/3 No Class  
 M/T-9/10 Class  
 M/T-16/17 No Class  
 Sun.-22 Cool to be  
 Catholic Family  
 Gathering



**ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL NEWS**

**FROM THE DESK OF**

**MRS. JASTER**



**APPLE OF MY EYE:** Once again, we have members of our school community who were “caught



doing something good”! This week’s winners are Rebecca Alexander, Joseph Mazzarella, Billy Stefanik, Nicholas Striano & Carley Cantwell.

**GAMES CLUB:** Our annual Games Club continues on Tuesdays. Any child who will be staying to attend the club must bring a note for the teacher each Tuesday so that we can be sure they are dismissed properly. Many thanks to Mrs. Bernadette Repisky and Mrs. Dottie Prior for once again putting this program together!

**TUMBLING CLASS:** Our weekly tumbling class continues on Wednesdays. Many thanks to Mrs. Sonya Kimball and Mrs. Jen Nolan for coordinating this wonderful after school activity!

**CONGRATULATIONS! :**



Congratulations to Brian Schoener who placed second in the Knights of Columbus essay contest. The theme of the essay was: The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society. Brian’s words are powerful and bear repeating: See essay in this week’s communication.

**NEUMANN SCHOLARSHIP ENTRANTS:** We are happy to announce that the following eighth graders have met the requirements for taking the Neumann Scholarship that is offered each year by the Connolly Foundation:

Sean Coogan, Collin Cresta, Jamie D’Ardenne, Kathryn DiFurio, George Frattera, Thomas Funk, Robert Horan, Hannah Kolmetzky, David McReynolds, Caitlyn Messina, Brian Schoener, Benjamin Speranza, Jenna Trodden, and Matthew Wanner.



To qualify, students must have earned a Total Battery score of 90 or above in the Terra Nova testing last spring or have a CSI (Cognitive Skills Index) of 120 or above. In addition, their general average for the first trimester must be 92 or above. These students are considered to be among the best and brightest of the Archdiocese!

**FIRST TRIMESTER REPORT CARDS:** The children will receive their first trimester report cards on Friday. Would you please review the report card with your child and sign and return the envelope to school on Monday?

**GEOGRAPHY BEE:** On Friday afternoon following our lunch period, children in grades 5 – 8 will participate in a geography bee sponsored by the National Geographic Society. Mrs. Fran Cross, a former faculty member, will return and serve as moderator for the event.

**JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP**

All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders (school and PREP) are welcome to join us each week. We look forward to seeing you on Mon. evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 PM. For more info, please contact Donna Heeny at 215.343.9433 or strobertjuniorhigh@gmail.com.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**



**December:**

Sun.-18<sup>th</sup> -Service Project & Christmas Celebration

**January:**

M - 9<sup>th</sup> - To Be or Not to Be-Vocation Awareness

M - 23<sup>rd</sup> - Lost in Cyberspace-My Space, Facebook & Twitter

M - 30<sup>th</sup> - Livin’ on a Prayer



# Parish Youth Ministry

## TEAM MEMBERS

Fr. Matthew Tralies (Moderator - Frtralies@verizon.net) • Mrs. Kathleen Burke (Treasurer treasurer@strobpym.org)  
Mrs. Bernadette Marron (Sec. - secretary@strobpym.org) • Mrs. Barbara Palo  
(Director of HS Ministry - teencyo@strobpym.org) • Mrs. Lisa Corr (Director of Jr High Ministry -  
juniorcyo@strobpym.org) • Mr. James Alexander (SJR Hawks Representative - sjrhawks@strobpym.org)  
www.strobpym.org

## THE LIVE NATIVITY



Please join us for this presentation on:

**Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and 8 pm  
(in front of the school)**

Live animals, lambs, goats, donkey to pet and refreshments will be served in the school dining hall,

Free admission.

Good will donations will be gratefully accepted.

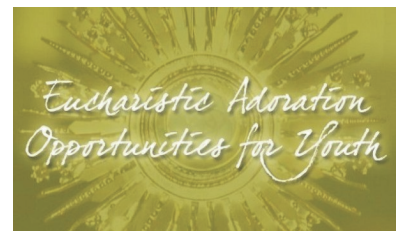
**Participants Welcome:** All students in 5<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to participate as cast and crew for the Live Nativity. Practice will be held on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 2:30pm in front of school and Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Registration not necessary just come to practice on Sunday.

**ST NICHOLAS IS COMING TO ST. ROBERTS....**Sunday  
December 18<sup>th</sup> after 9am and 11am Masses in Msgr. Marley Hall.



**TEEN MASS DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>** at 11:30am followed by lunch and caroling to the homebound. Please sign-up on the teen board or email [mompalo@aol.com](mailto:mompalo@aol.com).

**YOUTH FOR THE EUCHARIST DECEMBER 22ND**  
will be held at St. Bede's on Thursday. See flyer on teen bulletin board. Take time out during this Advent season to give thanks and praise to our Lord





This Sunday's Gospel invites us to continue our reflection on the person and mission of John the Baptist. Today we depart from the Gospel of Mark and read a selection from the Gospel of John.

John the Baptist models the kind of attitude and behavior that each individual Christian and Christian community are called to imitate. All that we do is meant to point to Christ and to direct others to Christ, not to call attention to ourselves or heighten our own importance. Models of this kind of love are still found amidst the often overwhelming evils of our world. They are found among parents, spouses, friends, colleagues, parishioners, clergy, religious, and those who transcend their own self-importance so that others may move forward. They include those whose charity and work for justice “bring glad tidings to the lowly, ...heal the brokenhearted” (Isaiah 61:1, today’s second reading). They illuminate the darkness of December nights. *May we be numbered among them!*

The third Sunday of Advent is also called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete*, a Latin word which means “rejoice,” is taken from the entrance antiphon for Sunday's Mass. This theme is echoed in today's second reading from the first Letter to the Thessalonians. It is a reminder that Advent is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

**Tuesday Morning, December 13, 2011**

**9:45AM - 11:00 AM**

**Cranney Learning Center**

***Mary, Eyes Into the Mystery of God***

**Speaker:** Fr. Maritin T. Cioppi, Pastor, Mother of Divine Providence

Using an icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Fr. Cioppi will lead us through a reflection on the mystery of God.



Our Baptism calls us to deepen our relationship

with Christ. Therefore, our parish has made a commitment to grow together in holiness by participating in the parish renewal process called *Why Catholic?* We will have opportunities to open our hearts to God more fully through the Sunday Mass, personal prayer, and faith sharing in small groups. Watch for more announcements about *Why Catholic?* and when asked to join, say “Yes!”

- Are you caring and hospitable?
- Are you an active listener?
- Are you open and approachable and committed to your relationship with God?

We are inviting SMALL GROUP leaders for *Why Catholic?* Call or email Joan Fitzpatrick for details. Training provided in January.

215.343.0315  
jfitzaff2@verizon.net



**Women’s Evening of Reflection *WINTER LIGHT, HOLY DARKNESS***

**Wednesday, January 11, 2012 (If it snows... Wednesday, January 18, 2012)**

**6:00 to 8:30 PM**

**Msgr. Marley Hall**

The holidays are over so give yourself a gift! Come away this cold winter evening to the warm company of those, like yourself, who wish to be renewed and refreshed in God’s love. Spend some time allowing the Lord to inspire and equip you for the journey ahead. The evening will begin with a light supper. Pick up a registration form in the narthex after Mass. Cost: \$20.00

**Presenter:** Sr. Barbara Harrington, GNSH

**RESPECT LIFE**

*There is no difference between a first, second or third trimester abortion or infanticide. Its all the same human being in different stages of development. I finally got to the point I couldn't look at those little bodies anymore? Dr. Arnold Halpern, ex-abortionist*

**Upcoming events:**

**Dec. 15** - Our vigil day at Louis Drive (Want to participate call Jan 2155/343-4572)

**MASS FOR HOLY INNOCENTS  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28  
ST. CYRIL'S CHURCH @ 7PM**

*Mass will be offered for the gift of all newborns, the unborn and their Families*

*Each year, concerned citizens opposed to abortion have gathered at the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., to protest the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision and to stand up for respect for all life.*

Please consider joining us this year for the:  
**39<sup>th</sup> March for Life in Washington D.C.**

**Monday, January 23**

A Bus will leave St. Robert's after the 7am Mass

**Cost-** \$20 pp (parishioner)  
\$25 pp (non-parishioner)

To reserve a seat call Jan 215/343-4572

**SCRIP GIFT CARDS** Please remember to purchase



scrip gift cards to help you with your holiday shopping. Place and pay for special orders one weekend and it can be picked up the following weekend. Scrip is sold in the hall after all the masses, except 7am. Please

visit us in the hall for more information or call Christa Speranza at 215-956-9769.

**AFGHAN GUILD** - will meet in December:

Wed. afternoon, Dec 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M.  
Ben Wilson Senior Center, Delmont Ave  
Warminster

The afternoon group is asked to bring cookies to share. New Members will be warmly welcomed. Questions call Mary McDevitt, 215-343-2938.



Are you in need of a Care Partner? Someone to sit with you for a few hours? Help with cooking & cleaning? Walk your dog/decorate your home for the holidays? For more information Senior Care Partners @ 215.698.5783.

**ADVENT DAY RETREAT** - The Neumann

Spirituality Group will hold an outstanding Advent day retreat program at Nativity of Our Lord Church, 625 W. Street Road, Warminster, on Wed., Dec. 14, 2011, titled 'Prepare the Way': The Landscape of Incarnation.

**TAKE ACTION:**

**SUPPORT SCHOOL CHOICE TODAY THOUGH SENATE BILL 1**

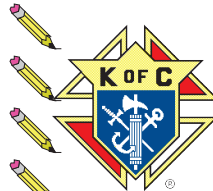
**Get Involved! Let your voice be heard! Join the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference advocacy network and send a message to your legislators at [www.pacatholic.org/advocacy](http://www.pacatholic.org/advocacy).**

Parishioners, parents educators, Catholic school alumni, all citizens and taxpayers are critical to the passage of SB1- school choice legislation.

Governor Corbett recently announced his support for school choice through an increase in the Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program & a school voucher program to assist families in need.

All parents should be able to select a school that is best for their children. School choice is the only choice that will give parents that freedom.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ESSAY CONTEST RESULTS**



OLMC Council #4160 is pleased to announce the winners of their essay contest for Catholic 8th-graders. The theme was "The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society".

- 1<sup>st</sup> place** - Marybeth Gerdelmann  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place** - Brian Schoener  
St. Joseph/St. Robert School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place** - Angeline Passacantando  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School

The winning essayist received a \$50 prize, and will be sent on to compete at the state level. Congratulations, and thanks to all participants!

**ST. ROBERT'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**

We meet every **Tuesday evening at 7:30pm** in St. Robert's Chapel to give thanks and praise to God for all our many blessings. This meeting is open to everyone in the Parish.



**SUPER BOWL DANCE**

Please make plans to attend this year's Super Bowl Dance on Sat., Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> at Msgr. Marley Hall. Tickets are \$30 per person which includes admission, door prizes, appetizers, buffet dinner, beer, set-ups, dancing and fun. The event is from 7:30 pm-12am. Proceeds support the SJR Hawks CYO program. Tickets & chances for a LCD TV will be available after the 5pm, 9 and 11am Masses beginning the weekend of December 10th For more information please contact: Jim Alexander at 267.992.7998 or jim\_alexander@comcast.net or Bill Horan at 215.441.5130 or billhoran@comcast.net



**OVERCOMING ADDICTION!**

If you or a loved one is suffering from Alcohol or Drug dependency, help is available. The community of St. Robert's cares! There is hope! Addiction and depression often go hand-in-hand and are very difficult to deal with. We may be able to help point you in a direction toward lasting recovery. Our goals in helping you are the following:

- 1) To provide individuals struggling with addiction and their loved ones a resource to turn to for help.
- 2) To console individuals and their loved ones that they are not alone.
- 3) To help individuals understand that overcoming addiction and the road to recovery are challenging processes that requires physical & psychological healing coupled with strong faith.
- 4) To provide the above guidance from within a Catholic spiritual context.



**ARCHBISHOP WOOD HONORS**

Congratulations to our parish high school students who have achieved academic excellence on the First Quarter Report:

**Distinguished Honors:**

Allison Miller '12      Nicholas Speranza '14  
Catherine Stapf '15

**First Honors:**

Cristina Katianer '12      Maureen Marron '13  
Matthew Funk '14      Claire Repisky '14  
Erica Sheehan '14      Madison Centofanti '15  
Sean R. Connolly '15      Megan Oyer '15

**Second Honors:**

Maura Glemser '12      Michael Gresko '12  
Devon Kolmetzky '13      Kevin Neiley '13  
Paul Pollock '13      Madison Tamburini '13  
Julianne Alexander '14      Joseph McGrath '14  
Joshua Messina '14      Eric Walsh '14  
Maureen Clark '15      Amanda Gentry '15  
Andrew Repisky '15      Jennifer Ryan '15  
Ryan Shepherd '15      Kevin Thiers '15  
Samuel Thiers '15

Call with confidence to the parish recovery ministry number **267.798.9012**, and ask for Theresa or Anthony. Theresa and Anthony are a young married couple who have personally dealt with the struggle of addiction. They know from experience what works! Whether you or someone you care about is suffering from addiction, they can be of assistance on the road to recovery. Strict confidentiality will be respected.

**MOM'S PRAYER GROUP**



Thurs, evenings at 7pm in the chapel to pray the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. All mothers are welcome to pray for our children, supporting them on their journey through this tough world. Let us come together and lift up our special intentions to the Lord through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary." *The history of every human being passes through the threshold of a woman's motherhood.*" Pope John Paul II  
More info - Chris Trodden - 215/491-2542  
Terry Funk - 215/343- 9781



**LANSDALE CATHOLIC HONORS**

Congratulations to our parish high school students who have achieved academic **Second Honors** on the First Quarter Report:

Kelsey Grimes '12



**VILLA JOSEPH MARIE HONORS**

Congratulations to our parish high school students who have achieved academic **High Honors** on the First Quarter Report:

Jaquelyn Lippincott '12      Emma Duffy '13  
Erin McKevitt '13      Jessica Wisniewski '13  
Alexander Capozzi '15

## IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

WEEKEND MASSES	WEEKDAY MASSES	HOLY DAYS	CONFESSIONS
Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m.	7:00 & 9:00 am - Monday/Friday	7:00 am	Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am	9:00 am - Saturday	9:00 am	
9:00 am	Summer:	12:00 noon	
11:00 am	Weekday - 8:00 am	7:00 pm	
	Saturday - 9:00 am		

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First & third Sundays of the month at 12:15 pm. Baptism Classes for parents and godparents are held on an announced day in January, March, May, July, September and November at 7 pm in the Church. Call the Parish Office to pre-register.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

**You must be a registered member of the Parish** and must notify the priest **at least six months** prior to your marriage date. **Pre-Cana classes (last Sat. in Oct./2nd Sat. in Nov. & last Sat. in Feb./2nd Sat. in March) are required.** Contact Parish Office for registration forms.

### COMMUNION CALLS

Monthly to shut-ins by the priests. Weekly - Extraordinary Ministers if requested. In an Emergency a Priest Should Be Called Immediately.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Please ask one of the priests after a weekend Mass to register your family. Please notify the parish office if you are moving from the parish or if you have changed your address.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration - **Each Monday (except Summer & National Holidays)** after the 9 am Mass, with simple Reposition (No Benediction) at 4 pm. **At 3 pm the Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited.**

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

**All parish staff and volunteers** who have **regular contact with young people** must attend a Protecting God's Children Awareness Session. In addition background checks **must be updated every 5 years.** **Links to background check forms can be found on the Archdiocesan web site, www.archdiocese-phl.org. Click on child and Youth Protection, and then Safe Environment Program.)** **NO EXCEPTIONS! If you have not completed your background checks and the class YOU MAY NOT VOLUNTEER.**

**OFFICE HOURS** - Mon - Fri from 9 am to 4:30 pm

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday 11am - Turn in material typed, with your name and phone number at the parish office or email to mbl0405@verizon.net

### PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Tom Utermark	215/343-9528
Bob Abecasis	215/343-8113
Sheila Kelly	215/343-5142
Stephen Bolger	215/343-2578
Carol Bauman	215/343-3306
Dottie Prior	215/328-9406
Amy Moffett	215/343-5436
David Kolmetzky	267/280-6762
Sallie Theis	215/343-4067
Jonathan DeMent	215/343-5152

Issue to be discussed contact one of the above.

### PARISH RESOURCES

Adult Bible Study	Joan Fitzpatrick	343-0315
Afghan Guild	Mary Mc Devitt	343-2938
Al-Anon Contact	Irene L.	674-0325
Altar Servers	Deacon George Morris	343-0315
Bereavement Committee	Mary Williams	343-7159
Bloodmobile	Carolyn/John Heary	675-8156
Charismatic Prayer Group	Dolores Seif	343/8775
Christ's Housekeepers	Eleanor Crowley	675-8955
E.P.'s (Seniors)	Neil Mc Devitt	343-2520
Evangelization Coordinator	Tom Castaldi	343-1524
Extraordinary Ministers	Deacon George Morris	343-0315
Family Fellowship	Loretta Del Vecchio	491-9302
Knights of Columbus	Rob Hessler	491-0648
Minister of Hospitality	Peter Vreeland	343-2091
Ministers of the Word	Deacon George Morris	343-0315
Mothers of Young Children	Christa Speranza	956-9769
Music Ministry	Kevin Lutz Kevinlutz920@yahoo.com	
Nurse Ministry	Mary Marquis	343-8635
<b>Parish Office - 215/343-0315</b>		
Pastoral Council	Tom Utermark	343-9528
Prayer Line	Doris Peacock	672-6321
Pre-Cana	Ellen/Don Cericola	343-3275
Pre-Jordan/RCIA	Joan Fitzpatrick	343-0315
Respect Life	Len Cline	343-4572
Sodality of BVM	Helen Dagney	491-8611
St. Cyprian	Sallie Theis (cell)	696-1477
St. Johns Hospice	Msgr. James Beisel	343-0315
St. Francis Inn	Mike Mullen	343-7587
St. Vincent De Paul Society	(Answering machine)	267.644.8189
Parish Youth Ministry	Fr. Matthew Tralies	343-0315
Vacation Bible School	Daiana Fuller	491-3492

Our Parish website:  
[www.saintrobertwarrington.org](http://www.saintrobertwarrington.org)

Parish Fax #: 215/343-8592  
 School Website & Phone Number:  
[www.stjstr.org](http://www.stjstr.org) 215/343-5100

Prep Phone Number: 215/343-9433  
**Mass times and locations for Traveling Catholics:**  
[www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) or phone 410-676-6000