

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

Rev. Msgr. James D. Beisel Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Joseph T. Kane Pastor Emeritus

Rev. John P. Stokely Parochial Vicar **Deacon George Morris**

Permanent Deacon **Rev. Mr. Justin Fulton**

Transitional Deacon **Rev. Francis J. Cornely**

Sunday Ministry Mrs. Sheila Fehrman & Mrs. Mary Landry Parish Secretaries - strobertsecretary@verizon.net

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 2015 5:00 P.M. - Morgan Dougherty SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2015 7:00 A.M. - Millie & Jules Roden 9:00 A.M. - Josephine Ardizzi 11:00 A.M. - The Deceased Members of the Baloga & Fetch Families **MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015** 7:00 A.M. - Parishioners 9:00 A.M. - Susan Rosenbaum **TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2015** 7:00 A.M. - The Deceased Members of the A. Donner Family 9:00 A.M. - Michael Cipresso WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015 7:00 A.M. - John Gordon 9:00 A.M. - Salvatore Borgese (Living) **THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2015** 7:00 A.M.- Esther Kennedy 9:00 A.M.- Philip Wax FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2015 7:00 A.M. - Frank Gramer 9:00 A.M. - Patrick Manion SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2015 9:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklikner 5:00 P.M. - Joanne G. Stieber - 7th Anniversary SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015 7:00 A.M. - Judi Bilbee 9:00 A.M. - Mary Volpe 11:00 A.M. - Sarah Finello

Eucharistic Adoration resumes on Monday, January 5, 2015 after the 9:00 am Mass.





- Mrs. Deborah Jaster
- Principal-St. Joseph/St. Robert School **Mrs. Joan Fitzpatrick**

Director of Adult Faith Formation

- Mrs. Donna Heenev Director of Religious Education
- Mr. Kevin Lutz Director of Music Ministries
- **Deacon George Morris Director of Financial Services**
- Mrs. Barbara Palo Director of Teen Ministry
- **Mr. James Crumlish Facilities Supervisor**

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

Nicholas Chess Gregory Chess Geraldine Vona Frank Waltrich Mary Williams Pat Bocchicchio Catherine Swider Bill Zarkowski Joseph Neill Judith Rodriguez Larry Barlow Carol Spadaro Dan McDevitt Peter McDevitt Lou Huber Steven Geib Bill Beckwith Ralph Longello Theresa Stemock Christine Walsh

Kevin Christopher Fox James & Leo Dennis Mary McDevitt James Kolody III Jeannette Lee Elizabeth Maher Yolanda Anthony Charles Johnston Cathy Conricode Alexis Schirling Theresa Malandra Pat Wendte Richard Ervin, Sr. Mary McBride David Tate Johnny Tate Melissa & Edward Bauman Kevin McDevitt Larry Campbell Michael Mansour Anne Marie Kelly

Susan Rahill-Vickalitis James Kolody, Sr. Mary Farano Ellyanna Stephens Madeleine Mangino Margaret Mayor Rita Ann Leonard

Altar Flowers donated ir loving Memory of Bob Schell



This weeks Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of:

John Schena

UPCOMING EVENTS (at a glance)

Jan 7 ~ Market Day Pickup Jan 8 ~ Bible Study on Mary begins Jan 10 ~ Men's Praryer Group Jan 24 ~ First Penance Jan 25 ~ SJR Open House



Dear Friends,

The Epiphany

The Christmas season continues today with our celebration of the Epiphany. Matthew's Gospel makes it clear that even from the very beginning Jesus came to save all people of the world. And so we have magi, representing all the known world at the time, making their way to Jesus' humble birthplace. Gathered as we are from many places, let us pray in thanksgiving that God has seen fit to reach out to all of us in love.

This week we will return to our regular daily Mass schedule with Masses being celebrated in church at 7AM and 9 AM. As a new year's resolution, perhaps attending a Mass during the week for the intention of world peace or family harmony might be a good practice to adopt. It's just a thought!

I want to publicly thank the Louis Swift Plunkett Funeral Home for once again providing the parish with an annual calendar. It is another form of evangelization to hang this calendar, with its beautiful religious art work, in your home or workplace.

This is the first opportunity I have had, by way of the bulletin, to announce the good news that Archbishop Chaput has approved, with the unanimous vote of the College of Consultors, the renovation and expansion project for our parish. This concludes the required process established within the guidelines of the archdiocese for a major capital project. We now are in the process of applying for the necessary permits from Warrington Township to begin the demolition of the Cranney Learning Center to make way for the new parish office center. Please keep this project in your prayers and consider supporting it with your sacrificial gift. Remember, EVERYONE will benefit from this project!

Next Sunday, January 11th, we will have COFFEE IN CRANNEY after all the Masses. I have been made aware, and I have always suspected, that many people have never been in the Cranney Learning Center once the new church was built and the former sanctuary closed. This will give everyone the opportunity to see this space prior to its demolition and reconstruction. Please plan to stop back there next Sunday to share some coffee and donuts with your friends and fellow parishioners before this area of the campus is closed.

May this new year hold for you and your family the blessings of peace, love and joy that this world cannot give!

Saint Robert Bellarmine, pray for us!

With prayers,

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 John & Kelly Wurtenberg III

US Coast Guard: Brendan Williams Todd J. Warga US Army: Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott Danny Pritchard Robert F. Leimer Keith Carter Ryan T. Krawczyk USMC: Joseph Mc Menamin Daniel Harvey

Vincent J. Flannery, Jr.

Clint Hajek

Kevin A. Dalv

US Air Force: Karl Weinbreckt

Matthew Ponente Lisa Ann Burgy

Max J. Sempowski

Anthony Comtois

Daniel Moschitti

Jenny Malandra

Joshua Velas

Edward W. Devinney II

William A. Fitzgerald

John Healey Gabriel J. Zinni Michael McBride Matthew Sawaya

James McMenamin Elizabeth Harvey Leo J. Keller Jr. Anthony Taylor Mark Piccirelli Michael Malandra Nicholas Sabatini

Francis Lemma Michael Sempowski Andrew J. Velas

Dear St. Robert Parishioners,

I would like to give a sincere thank you for the Christmas wishes, prayers, Mass enrollments and gifts given to me by the thoughtful, generous & very kind parishioners of St. Roberts. You have added to my Christmas happiness.

Mass will be offered for you and your intentions. May God give you all the graces and blessings you want and need.

Sincerely, Fr. Cornely





Archdiocese of Philad SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

Intend to volunteer or continue as a volunteer in programs that involve children? Visit the <u>www.saintrobertwarrington.org</u> website for specific directions on how to obtain clearances & register for the Protecting God's Children classes for Adults.

TECHNOLOGY ADDENDUM

You can now fulfill your Technology Addendum requirement....simply email <u>strobertdre@verizon.net</u> and you will receive the necessary information.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Required for **NEW** volunteers—will include Technology Addendum. Go to <u>www.virtusonline.org</u> and click on **Registration to register for a class.**

MANDATED REPORTING

Is now available online. If you did not take the class offered in 2011 this will fulfill your obligation. Log on to the training institute

http://childyouthprotection.org/learning/login/index.php to take the class. Please submit training completion certificate to the parish office.

OUR PARISH GIVING

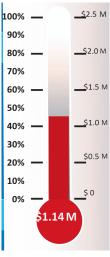
STEWARDSHIP

Sunday (12/21/14): \$18,559 **Online Bank Services Funds:** \$2,430 in 49 envelopes.

Year to Date	Totals - Sunday	Collections:
FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Difference
\$383,810	\$393,771	\$9,961
(Fiscal year	runs from July 1	to June 30)
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Thank you for your Sacrificial Generosity

EXPANSION CAMPAIGN 2014: Our Goal: \$2,500,000 Pledged as of 12/17/14: \$1,1370,860



Building On Our Faith .. **Expanding Our Legacy!** Have you ever thought of giving ______s2.0M the gift of stock to generate an income tax charitable deduction? _____ Cashing in your stock investment comes with a price tag in the form of capital gain tax. Many charitable minded taxpavers have discovered $_{\$0.5 \text{ M}}$ that they can reduce or even eliminate capital gain tax by using their appreciated investments to fund their charitable objectives. A well planned gift of stock may let you generate an income tax charitable deduction based on the full fair

market value of the stock. Check with your investment counselor to see if this might work for you!

ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM Phone: 215.343.9433

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Mon.	5	Class	us
Mon.	12	Class Educati	
Mon.	19	NO Class – Martin Luther King	
		Holiday	
Sat.	24	1st Penance – 10:30 AM – in Churc	h
	26	Class	

February:

Sun.	1	Confirmation Retreat
Mon.	2	Class
Mon.	9	Class
Mon.	16	No Class – Presidents Day Holiday
Wed.	18	Ash Wednesday
Mon.	23	Class
Fri.	27	1st Communion Parent Child Retreat
		6:30 to 8:30 PM in Msgr. Marley Hall
March	1:	
Mon	2	Class, Confessions Grades 4 & 5
Mon	9	Class Confessions Grade 6

Mon	9	Class, Confessions Grade 6
Tues.	10	Confirmation Practice 6-7 PM church
		Confirmation Sponsor Practice 7PM
		in church
Thurs	12	Confirmation4:00 PM
	16	Class
	23	Class, Stations of the Cross
	20	Class

Class 30

SUPER BOWL PARTY

Tickets are on sale for the annual SJR CYO Super Bowl Party. Plan on joining us January 31, 2015 for a night with great food, friends, and dancing. We are looking for volunteers to help with set up, serving, and clean up after. We are also seeking donations and door prizes. If you are available please contact Bill Horan (215) 589-5065 or Paul Dickson 215-771-4471. For tickets go to www.wagdogs.com/sjrsbp



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL NEWS Phone: 215.343.5100 Web: www.stjstr.org FROM THE DESK OF MRS. JASTER



GEOGRAPHY BEE: Congratulations to Jake Zook, grade 5, who won our Geography Bee on Friday December 12.



Congratulations, too, to our other

contestants: Geography Bee Finalists 2014 - 2015 Grade 8: Maggie Wade, Matt Quigley, Brigid Whelihan Grade 7: Dylan Huegel, Nicole Chesla, Matt McGlinchey Grade 6: Lauren Scott, Joseph Mazzarella, Alex Balint Grade 5: Elizabeth Rosenello, Jake Zook, Peter Jorgenson

CHRISTMAS VACATION: The school will be closed until Monday, January 5, 2015.



POLAR EXPRESS: The Kindergarteners

enjoyed a "Polar Express" experience last week. They followed our Conductor, Mrs. Pfeil, on the train tracks leading into the library where they passed a life-size train engine accompanied by train whistles. Their Sixth Grade elves presented them with cups of hot chocolate and settled them on the carpet to hear the story read by Mrs. Jaster.

At the end of the story, Mrs. Ewald came into the library excitedly describing how a secret visitor left a beautiful present at the school door. The present was addressed to SJR Kindergarten and signed by Santa! Inside, Santa had left bells for the children to wear.

Thanks to Mrs. Pfeil, and her helpers: Senora Prieto-Joyce, Mrs. Kaltnecker, and the sixth grade elves for providing our little ones with such a wonderful memory!

SAVE THE DATE: The annual Mother/Son Bowling Event will take place on Sunday, January 18, 2015 from 1:00PM at Thunderbird Lanes. Look for registration forms in the New Year

JUST A THOUGHT: As we quickly make our way to the celebration of Christmas, I have the following wish for all of you:

"Be filled with Wonder,



Be touched by Peace, Believe in the Miracle!"

Have a blessed Christmas and peace-filled New Year! I am deeply grateful to all of you for all you do for us each day!

	Fr. Stokely	Cantor
7:00 AM	Fr. Stokely	
9:00 AM	Fr. Cornely/Dcn. George	Cantor
	Msgr. Beisel	Cantor

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Parish Youth Ministry

TEAM MEMBERS

Mrs. Barbara Palo(Director of Teen Ministry–mompalo@aol.com)• Mr. James Alexander (SJR Hawks Representative) **Facebook:** St. Robert Teen Ministry Program



FOCUS ON FAITH



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Epiphany marks the moment when the news of Jesus as king begins to be revealed to the world. The magi, who were most likely ancient Persian priests, are called by mysterious forces to visit and honor a newborn child. This is significant because the magi were from a culture that would typically not have accepted the God of Israel. We tend to live by common sense and logic and who of us would ever us would ever follow a star into the unknown? Yet, these men brought gifts as a way to pay homage to Jesus.

On this day, let us remember that in spite of some of our own choices, God shines divine glory upon us and calls us to "walk by the light." Is there a change you can make this new year to help you "walk by the light?"

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2015:

Starting January 8: Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

January 17/18: Sign-up for WHY CATHOLIC Small Groups begins

Saturday, January 31: Liturgical Ministers Morning of Reflection

Monday, February 2: Training for WHY CATHOLIC Small Group Leaders Wednesday, February 4: Praying the Liturgy of the Hours with Msgr. Beisel

Week of February 8: WHY CATHOLIC Small Groups begin

Friday, February 20: Parish Fish Fry

March 15, 16 and 17: Parish Mission

Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive

Watch the bulletin for more information on each event.



Our next topic is LIVE: Christian Morality



Consider joining a small group this

Lent...hearts will change, perspectives grow and your knowledge and love of our faith will flourish! Why Catholic? offers a way to examine our faith so that we can confidently live and share it each day. We meet in small groups once a week for six weeks for approximately 90 minutes.

We will begin the week of February 8, 2015. Some groups meet here at the parish and some meet in homes. New groups will be forming as needed. We will be exploring the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, starting with Freedom and Responsibility. Watch for more information. Sign-up Sunday will be the weekend of January 17/18 February 8-9. Forms will also be available in the narthex and on the website. Books are only \$10.00. Any questions, please call or Joan Fitzpatrick: jfitzaff2@verizon.net.

"I would like to tell all those who feel far from God and the church – and I say this respectfully to those who are afraid or indifferent: The Lord calls you and wants you to be part of his people and does so with great respect and love!" Francis said. "The Lord doesn't proselytize, he gives love and this love looks for you, waits for you – for you who don't believe or have drifted away. This is the love of God." Pope Francis – Epiphany, 2014

RESPECT LIFE

The March for Life began as a small demonstration and rapidly grew to be the largest pro-life event in the world. The peaceful demonstration that has followed on this somber anniversary every year since 1973 is a witness to the truth concerning the greatest human rights violation of our time, abortion.

Let us pray and work to end abortion <u>42ND</u> MARCH FOR LIFE NATIONAL MALL IN WASHINGTON D.C. THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015

Pregnancy. Birth. Motherhood. Fatherhood. Life. Each one is a precious gift!!

Haven't made a New Year's Resolution yet - Here is the perfect one:

Join us at the Annual March for Life

St. Robert's is again providing bus transportation for parishioners who want to attend the March. Weather permitting the bus will leave St. Robert's parking lot after the 7am Mass and return between 9 and 10 pm. **Cost**(includes dinner): \$25 parishioners

\$30 non-parishioners More info: call Jan @215/343-4572

BABY'S BREATH

600 Louis Drive; Ste. 260B, Lower Level Warminster, PA 18974 - 267/275-4097 Hope for mothers/fathers/families in crisis pregnancies/ continued support for new mothers.

Volunteers needed Call 267/275-4097 to find out how you can assist Check out the Respect Life page on St. Robert's webpage for more information 7th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference March 7, 2015

Man Up Philly presents: Faith, Family & Fatherhood

Enrich your faith through your



participation in this year's conference. **PHILLY** On Saturday March 7th at St Joseph University Hagan Arena, the men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the **7th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference.** Speakers include **Dr. Scott Hahn, author of Rome Sweet Home, Gus Lloyd, Catholic radio host, Devin Schadt, from Catholic Answers, and Jim Longon, member of the Papal Foundation.** The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by **Archbishop Charles Chaput.** For more information and to register go to the website: www.manupphilly.com

ST. ROBERT EP'S

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JANUARY 13: EATING IN: Our OWN wine and Cheese SPEAKER, Warrington Community Ambulance Bingo if enough interest \$1 per card JANUARY 27: MUSIC: Now and Then Singers JANUARY 28: (Wednesday) Fund Raiser at Wendy's 4 to 8 PM. Please support EP's by driving through or eating in the restaurant.



AN APP FOR THAT – The Laudate app has the Daily Mass Readings, Order of Mass, Liturgy of Hours, New American Bible & more. Available for Android and iPhone.



All prospective families, parishioners & friends are cordially invited to visit during Catholic Schools Week:

*Offering education to grades Pre-K through 8th *Options for five half day or full day Pre-K and Kindergarten *Faith based values integrated into education and activities *Challenging curriculum based on Common Core State Standards *Innovative use of technology including SMART Boards, Netbooks and iPads in all grades

* Specialty teachers for weekly Spanish, Library, Technology, Art, Music & Physical Education in all grades

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE & REGISTRATIONSunday, January 25thWednesday, January 28th9:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

Information /Enrollment Requirements: www. STJSTR.ORG or 215.343.5100

Proud of Our Past, Focused on the Future,



OUR PARISH GIVING TREE 2014



IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 & 9:00 am - Monday/Friday 9:00 am - Saturday Summer: Weekday - 8:00 am Saturday - 9:00 am

HOLY DAYS

CONFESSIONS Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm

> **PARISH OFFICE HOURS** Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm Closed on Holy Days

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 (2nd Sat. in March. & 2nd Sat. in November) are required. Contact Parish Office for registration forms, due 2 weeks in advance of the Pre-Cana Class

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.

EUCHARISTIC 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 checks can be found on the website. Visit our website, click on Community, then Safe environment. It will direct you to the Child and Youth Protection Site. If you have not completed your background checks and the class YOU MAY NOT VOLUNTEER.

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Monday 11am - Turn in material typed, with your name & phone number at the parish office or strobertsecretary@verizon.net.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Bob Abecasis 215/343-8113 Emma Burke 215/918-3360

	Joann Crescenzo	215/491-4288
	Tommy Devlin	215/343-7361
Pastoral issues	Sheila Ferhman	215/343-1752
to be discussed?	Bill Gibbons	215/343-4066
	Sheila Kelly	215/343-5142
	Amy Moffett	215/343-5436
Contact one of the	Timothy O'Hara	215/491-0660
members.	Dottie Prior	215/328-9406
	Mike Speranza	215/956-9769
	Tom Utermark	215/343-9528

(Elected Position)

PARISH RESOURCES

7:00 am

9:00 am

7:00 pm

12:00 noon

Adult Faith Formation Joan Fitzpatrick 215-343-0315 Afghan Guild Mary Mc Devitt 215-343-2938 Al-Anon Contact Irene L. 215-674-0325 Altar Servers Deacon George Morris 215-343-0315 Bereavement Committee Joan Fitzpatrick 215-343-0315 Bloodmobile Mary Marquis 215-343-8635 Catholic Charities Bill Fehrman 215-343-1752 Charismatic Prayer Group **Dolores Seif** 215-343/8775 Christ's Housekeepers Eleanor Crowley 215-675-8955 Crisis Pregnancy 24 Hour Hotline 610-626-4006 E.P.'s (Seniors) Jack Forbes 215-343-1625 Extraordinary Ministers Deacon George Morris 215-343-0315 Family Fellowship **Bob** Abecasis 215-343-8113 Knights of Columbus Rob Hessler 215-491-0648 Liturgical Environment Joan Fitzpatrick 215-343-0315 Men's Prayer Group Norman Racine 267-968-5905 Minister of Hospitality Peter Vreeland 215-343-2091 Ministers of the Word Deacon George Morris 215-343-0315 Mother's Prayer Group Chris Trodden 215-491-2542 Msgr. Marley Hall Jonathan DeMent 215-421-4407 Music Ministry Kevin Lutz Kevinlutz920@yahoo.com Pastoral Council Tom Utermark 215-343-9528 Pre-Cana Ellen/Don Cericola 215-343-3275 Pre-Jordan/RCIA Joan Fitzpatrick 215-343-0315 Prison Ministry Ray Rugarber 215-672-7678 Respect Life Len Cline 215-343-4572 St. Cyprian Patti Hessler (cell)267-250-5721 St. John's Hospice Msgr. James Beisel 215-343-0315 St. Francis Inn Candy Bakasy 215-343-1002 St. Vincent De Paul Society(Answering machine) 267-644-8189 Parish Youth Ministry Barb Palo 215-343-2083

FINANCE COUNCIL: (Appointed Position)

Carol Bauman Ed Clark Thomas Castaldi Kirk Clauss John Del Vecchio Terry Funk **Robin Killion** Susan Klunder Elmer O'Brien Frederick Reed