

# Advent

*Lessons & Carols*  
*Sunday, December 11 ~ 7pm*

## *Advent Confessions:*

- \* Advent Communal Confessions*  
*Church & Hall*  
*Monday, December 12, 7pm*
- \* Saturday, December 17 ~ 3-4:30pm*
- \* Friday, December 23 ~ 7-8pm*

*Getting Through the Holidays*  
*When You have Lost a Loved One*  
*Tuesday, December 13, 9:45am*

*Coffee, Conversation & Prayer*  
*Wednesday, December 14, 9:45am*

*St. Joseph-St. Robert School*  
*Christmas Program*  
*Wednesday, December 21 ~ 7pm in*  
*Church*

*third sunday*  
*St. Robert Bellarmine*  
*December 11, 2016*

**PARISH ADMINISTRATION**

**Rev. Msgr. James D. Beisel**  
Pastor  
**Rev. Matthew K. Biedrzycki**  
Parochial Vicar  
**Deacon George Morris**  
Permanent Deacon  
**Rev. Francis J. Cornely**  
Sunday Ministry  
**Rev. Mr. Edisson Urrego**  
Transitional Deacon  
**Mr. James Crumlish**  
Facilities Supervisor  
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**Mrs. Joan Fitzpatrick**  
Director of Adult Faith Formation  
**Mrs. Donna Heeney**  
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**Mr. Kevin Lutz**  
Director of Music Ministries  
**Deacon George Morris**  
Director of Financial Services  
**Mrs. Barbara Palo**  
Director of Teen Ministry

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016**  
5:00 P.M. - William Walker, Jr.  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - Rocci Schuima  
9:00 A.M. - Mary McDevitt  
11:00 A.M. - The Garbarino & Gianinni Families  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - Parishioners  
9:00 A.M. - Philip Lecklikner  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - People of our Parish ~  
Gift from our Nebraska Guests  
9:00 A.M. - Charlotte Verani  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - Betty Stella  
9:00 A.M. - Patricia Cuddy  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - Mary Williams  
9:00 A.M. - Frank Coughlin  
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - Edward & Emily Fitzgerald  
9:00 A.M. - Robert Endrick  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2016**  
9:00 A.M. - Living & Deceased members of the  
Conte & Crisafulli Families  
5:00 P.M. - Edward & Anne Raby  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016**  
7:00 A.M. - Edward Morton  
9:00 A.M. - Theresa Malandra  
11:00 A.M. - Mary Ansuini

**DECEMBER BULLETIN DEADLINES:**  
12/25 Bulletin Deadline is Wed., 12/14 @ 12 pm  
1/01/17 Bulletin Deadline is Wed., 12/21 @ 12pm  
**Thank you for your cooperation!!**

**UPCOMING EVENTS (at a glance)**  
Dec 11 ~ Lessons & Carols  
Dec 12 ~ Advent Penance Service  
Dec 14 ~ Coffee, Tea & Conversation  
Dec 21 ~ SJR School Christmas Program  
Dec 24 ~ Christmas Vigil Mass 4, 6, 8 pm  
Dec 25 ~ Christmas Day Mass 7, 9 & 11 am  
December 11, 2016



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

Nicholas Chess	Frank Waltrich	Kevin McDevitt
Bill Zarkowski	Lucy McCabe	Kevin Christopher Fox
Diane Barbier	Marissa Nero	Rita Ann Leonard
John Barbier	Dolores McGrath	Andreas Shaftacolas
Pat Ganther	John Weigner	Joe Ankenbrand
Theresa Beisel	Bridget Anderson	Margaret Prendergast
Jared Callan	Zachary Kind	Michael McBride
Joan McMahan	Hazel Lynch	Mark Whartenby
Frank Wagner	Alex DiStefano	Teagan Sempowski
Robert McIntyre	Kevin Steffa	Michael Schirling, Sr.
Scott Molle	Robert Rice	Sherry Burke
Marian Bomher	Kathryn Perry	Andi Walker
Mary Farano	Marie McBride	Mia Reinheimer
Wally Brand	Eleonora Pescatore	Michelle McCoach
Bill Opdyke	Raymond Freeley	Shelby Wells
Derek Burgard	Justin Richetti	Norah Claire Mason
Elena Sestito	Robert Gartner	Baby Landon Gavio
Jean Dixon	Dominic Visco	Alexis Schirling
Vicki Mazzocca	Gertrude Schirling	Susan Gregory
Kate Botella	Mike Fitzpatrick	Margaret Cunnane
Taylor Schmidt		



**Important** In an effort to keep our prayer list current, all names will appear for 30 days and then will be automatically taken off. We are happy to keep a name on the list, just call the parish office or email [strobertysecretary@verizon.net](mailto:strobertysecretary@verizon.net).

**OUR PARISH GIVING**



**Sunday (12/4/16):** \$16,993  
**Online Bank Services Funds:** \$1,287 in 28 envelopes  
**Block Collection:** \$58,933

**Year to Date Totals - Sunday Collections:**

FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Difference
\$356,351	\$362,235	\$5,884

(Fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30)

**Thank you for your Sacrificial Generosity**

**CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE ( 12/17 & 12/18)**

**5:00 PM** Msgr. Beisel Epiphany Teen Ensemble  
**7:00 AM** Fr. Cornely  
**9:00 AM** Msgr. Beisel/Dcn. George Cantor  
**11:00 AM** Fr. Biedrzycki Children Choir

*Subject to change without notice*



## Third Sunday



Of Advent

Dear Friends,

Another name for this Sunday is *Gaudete* or *Rejoice Sunday*. This name is taken from the entrance antiphon, which is itself a quote from Saint Paul's Letter to the Philippians: "Rejoice in the Lord always." Our Advent season of preparation is already halfway over. It is appropriate for us to ask ourselves how is it going so far? It is never too late to prepare for the coming of God in our hearts. This week let us pray for hearts ever more open to the presence of God.

In response to this Advent invitation to prepare, we will gather as a community to welcome the Lord into our hearts, minds and souls through the sacrament of Penance. **Confessions will be heard in the church, chapel and hall on Monday evening beginning at 7PM.** We are anticipating the presence of sixteen priests to be with us that evening. There will be no prayer service to begin the evening. However, there is an insert in this week's bulletin with the Examination of Conscience to assist all who will be approaching the Lord's mercy on Monday evening.

There will be a staff change in our parish beginning January 1, 2017. Deacon George Morris who has worked for the parish for the past 33 years is retiring as the Parish Business Manager and the Director of Finances. Deacon George began his tenure under Father Cassidy and continued to assist Monsignor Kane and myself with good and sound financial stewardship and advise. Deacon George also participated in an important role in the construction of our Religious Education Center and the recently expanded Narthex and Parish Office Center. As a community we owe a debt of gratitude for Deacon George's service to the community at large. We wish him and his wife Ginny many happy years in retirement with much good health! Deacon George will continue to serve the parish as a Permanent Deacon. Only the archbishop can accept the retirement of a deacon, which is usually at age 75. **THANK YOU, DEACON GEORGE!**

As announced in the bulletin, Lois and Tom Castaldi have generously offered to display their Nativity Scenes collected from all parts of the world on the weekend of December 17/18 in the narthex. I viewed their collection several years ago and was in awe of the different depictions of this most holy event. Please plan to spend some time next weekend to view the Nativity presentations. **THANK YOU, LOIS and TOM!**

We are once again grateful to the **Louis Swift Plunkett Funeral Home** for providing our parish with the 2017 calendar. Calendars are available at the doors of the church beginning this weekend. Please take one home for your daily use.

Thank you to all who participated in the Theology of Wine event in November. Father John Stokely did a fantastic job in presenting his knowledge of wine blending it with the theology of wine throughout the scriptures. I learned so much and at the same time enjoyed the company of so many parishioners and guests to our parish. And, of course, I enjoyed the wine! Through the efforts of our Fundraising Committee our parish received over \$2400 in proceeds. We are planning another event sometime next year.

It was reported to the parish office last week that on Wednesday, November 30th a parishioner's car was hit in the parking lot sometime after 7PM. The damage was discovered later that evening. If anyone knows anything about this incident, please contact the parish office.

Also, on Tuesday, December 20th, the Parish Office Center will close at 12 Noon to allow the staff sometime to celebrate with each other before Christmas. The office hours that day will be 9AM until 12 Noon. Thank you for your understanding.

As we embark on the Third Sunday of Advent, let our journey be blessed this week with the peace and joy of reconciliation, a gift the world cannot give!

Saint Robert Bellarmine, pray for us!

With prayers,

*Monsignor Beisel*



**SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM**

On December 31, 2014, 23 pieces of Pennsylvania State legislation were enacted that impact the way we prevent and report child abuse. As a result, all people who volunteer for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are required fulfill the following obligations:

**CLEARANCES:**

- ◆ PA State Police Criminal Record Check
- ◆ PA Department of Public Welfare Child Abuse Clearance Check
- ◆ Federal History Fingerprint Clearance ~ ONLY if you lived outside of PA within the last 10 years  
Go to [childyouthprotection.org](http://childyouthprotection.org)  
select Staff & Volunteers,  
then select Checks & Clearances

**\*\*\* MUST BE RENEWED EVERY 5 YEARS \*\*\***

- ◆ Disclosure Statement Application for Volunteers  
Go to [childyouthprotection.org](http://childyouthprotection.org)  
select Staff & Volunteers,  
then select Information for Volunteers

**TRAINING:**

- ◆ Safe Environment Training
- ◆ Technology Addendum
- ◆ Mandated Reporter Training
- ◆ Signed Mandated Reporter Acknowledgement Form  
Go to [childyouthprotection.org](http://childyouthprotection.org)  
select Staff & Volunteers,  
then select Required Training

**NATIVITY DISPLAY:** Through the generosity of Lois and Tom Castaldi, on the weekend of December 17th & 18th, they have volunteered to display approximately 30 Nativity sets they have acquired from different parts of the world. Please stop by their display in the

Narthex and view these amazing presentations of the Lord's birth.



**NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

On Monday, December 26 there will not be Eucharistic Adoration. It will resume on Monday, January 9, 2017.



Parish office will be open from 9-12 only on Tuesday December 20th.

**FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES**

Please call the parish office 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  
Jenny Malandra

Edward W. Devinney II  
Connor Fitzgerald  
Joshua Velas

**US Army:**

Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott  
Danny Pritchard  
Michael McBride  
Matthew Sawaya  
Dylan DeMent  
Paul Glemser

Robert F. Leimer  
Keith Carter  
Ryan T. Krawczyk  
Philip Mc Cusker  
Gerry McGowan

**US Coast Guard:**

Brendan Williams

Daniel Moschitti

**USMC:**

Joseph Mc Menamin  
Daniel Harvey  
Clint Hajek  
Anthony Taylor  
Michael Malandra  
Nicholas Sabatini  
Mark Geib

James McMenamin  
Elizabeth Harvey  
Leo J. Keller Jr.  
Mark Piccirelli  
Lisa Ann Burgy  
Patrick Kilkenny

**US Air Force:**

Karl Weinbrecht  
Max J. Sempowski  
Anthony Comtois  
Thomas Rook

Francis Lemma  
Michael Sempowski  
Andrew J. Velas

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO DECORATE THE CHURCH**

Please joins us on Friday, December 23 at 9:30am to prepare the church for our Christmas celebration. Many hands will make light work. Thank you!!



**CHRISTMAS TREE SALE WRAP UP**

**THANK YOU** to all the parishioners who purchased trees. A **special thanks** to Tom McKnight, Mike Bear, and Fran Cutter who volunteered their time to help on the day of the sale. Everyone's participation made the tree sale a success!



## ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM

Phone: 215.343.9433

### CALENDAR:

#### DECEMBER

Mon 12th Class  
 Mon 19th Class  
 Mon 25th Merry Christmas  
 Mon 26th NO CLASS-- Christmas Break

#### JANUARY

Mon 2nd NO CLASS -- Christmas Break  
 Mon 9th Class  
 Mon 16th NO CLASS --  
 Martin Luther King Holiday  
 Sat 21st 1st Penance 10:30 AM in church  
 Mon 23rd Class  
 Mon 30th Class

#### FEBRUARY

Mon 6th Class  
 Sun 12th Confirmation Retreat--  
 Attend 9:00 Mass at St. Roberts.  
 Retreat at facility 10:30 to 2:00  
 Mon 13th Class  
 Mon 20th NO CLASS-- Presidents Day Holiday  
 Friday 24th 1st Communion Parent/Child  
 Retreat 6:30 to 8:30PM  
 Mon 27th Class



## ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

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### FROM THE DESK OF MRS. JASTER

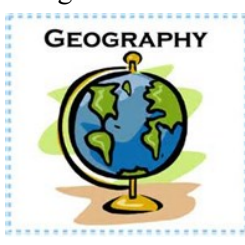
**APPLE OF MY EYE:** Congratulations to the "Apple of My Eye" winners for the week! These children are celebrated for being "caught doing something good": Maci Boles, Sean Carr, Ben Grove, Meghan Prior and Dan Shaeffer.



**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** Our annual Christmas program, When Comes the Child, will be presented on Wednesday evening, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7PM in St. Robert church. Each grade will have a special song in this program. Please mark your calendars for this very special evening!

**GEOGRAPHY BEE:** Our annual Geography Bee took place last Friday afternoon after the lunch period. Congratulations to the students who participated:

**Grade 8: Will Horan, Joe Mazzarella, Lauren Scott**  
**Grade 7: Patrick Kreuzburg, Luke Panepresso, Jake Zook**  
**Grade 6: Hannah Buckleman, Harry Davies**  
**Grade 5: Michael Funk, Patrick Gozdan**



**REPORT CARDS:** Report cards for the first trimester will be distributed on Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.



**TEA WITH ME:** Our monthly "Tea with Me" is scheduled for next Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 2PM – 3PM in the faculty room. All are welcome!

**SERVICE CORPS NEWS:** Christmas posters created by members of our Service Corps are on display in the school dining hall. What amazing artists we have! Service Corps members have also decorated shopping bags.

**FOOTBALL NEWS:** Billy Shaeffer # 15, Ryan Scott # 35, Joe Wade # 27, heading up to Hershey to work on another State Championship for Archbishop Wood football team on Friday 12/9. Game was televised on local PCN channel 9.

**JUST A THOUGHT:** Last Sunday at Mass, my pastor, Father Joe Watson, referenced two words to hold in mind as we continue our way through the season of Advent: *Silence and Stillness*. In the "busy – ness" of the days and nights leading up to Christmas, we all need a gentle reminder to be still and quiet and listen to the Lord. I wonder what would happen if for just an hour we all put down all technology and lists and truly focused on the celebration of the birth of Christ.



# Lessons & CAROLS

Please join us on Sunday, December 11th at 7:00 PM in church. We will continue on our Advent journey toward Christmas. Our adult and children's choirs will lead us in song. Our parish lectors will proclaim our Advent and Christmas scripture stories. While this is taking place, the young people of the parish will form a tableau reminding us of the 1st Christmas. If you plan to attend, please bring a battery operated candle to use during the presentation. We hope many of you will make time to remember the true meaning of this wonderful season.



# Parish Youth Ministry

Mrs. Barbara Palo (Director of Teen Ministry—mompalo@aol.com) • Facebook: St. Robert Teen Ministry Program

In the true spirit of the Advent season **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS MAGNETS** will be available in the Welcome Center for \$5 each now through the Christmas season

## **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA HOSTED BY THE TEEN MINISTRY**

The teen ministry breakfast was delicious and Santa's arrival was a big hit! Thank you for supporting this fundraiser. We want to give a special shout out to Vince Lanza and his

crew of cooks who did a phenomenal job. This would not be possible without you men and women.

Many thanks to Santa, our singing group and everyone who helped make the day a success.



**TEEN MASS is Sunday December 11th at 9am** - We look forward to celebrating the Liturgy together and your help with ushering would be appreciated. Please arrive a few minutes early.

If you would be interested in spreading some Christmas cheer to our homebound parishioners, we will go caroling at 12pm on December 11th. Please R.S.V.P. to [mompalo@aol.com](mailto:mompalo@aol.com) and meet in Church parking lot at 11:50.



## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness,  
send your Holy Spirit upon  
our preparation for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces  
to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look  
forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the  
complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek  
the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet  
seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.  
**The Advent Prayer by Henri Nouwen**



## Bereavement Support Group

We are starting a support group here  
at St. Robert's for those who have lost  
a loved one. We are not professional  
grief counselors but want to offer this  
opportunity to share and pray  
together.



**Tuesday, December 13 @ 9:45—10:45 AM**  
**OR Wednesday, December 14 @ 7:00—8:00 PM**

Focus: **Getting Through the Holidays When You  
Have Lost a Loved One**

If you would like, feel free to bring a picture of your  
loved one.

Please RSVP to Joan Fitzpatrick if you would like to  
attend: [jfitzaff2@verizon.net](mailto:jfitzaff2@verizon.net) OR 215.343.0315.

## Coffee, Conversation and Prayer

Join us on **Wednesday, December 14**  
Coffee, Conversation and Prayer  
**9:30 –10:30 AM** in the Parish Lounge.

**No need to RSVP. Please enter  
through the narthex.**

Next gathering: **Wednesday, January 11, 2017**



# discovering Christ

a seven-week experience

**Thursdays, February 9 — March 23,  
2017 6:30 — 9:00 PM**

**(TBD—day and time of daytime  
session)**

Join us for this new 7-session series  
where we gather to share a delicious  
dinner, listen to a dynamic teaching,  
and join in a small group discussion  
exploring some of the most important  
questions worth asking.

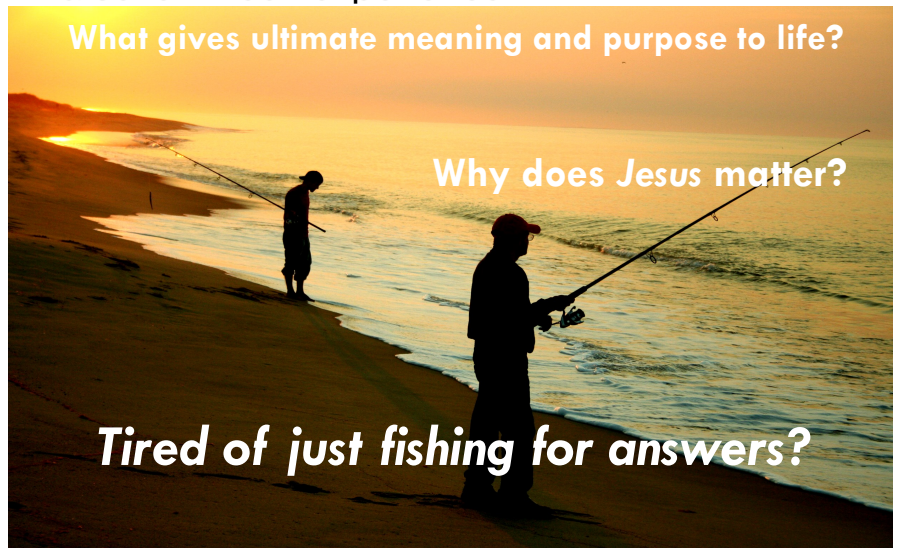
**Please watch and listen for more  
details and registration!**

December 11, 2016

What gives ultimate meaning and purpose to life?

Why does Jesus matter?

Tired of just fishing for answers?





**OUR ANNUAL PARISH GIVING TREE:**

**PLEASE RETURN ALL WRAPPED PRESENTS FOR THE 'GIVING TREE' this weekend before 2:00 PM on Sunday 12/11..** Please call Sallie Theis (215-696-1477) or Rosemarie Abecasis (215-343-8113) if you cannot meet this deadline. Thank you!



**RESPECT LIFE**

*For a Christian to speak or act publicly in a pro-choice manner is a scandal to the Gospel and Name of Jesus Christ, the Creator of all life. **Join pro-life today.***



**2017 March for Life  
Friday, Jan. 27  
Washington DC**

**THE POWER OF ONE**

St. Robert's is again providing bus transportation for parishioners who want to attend the March, weather permitting. Because we will be sharing a bus with St. Jude, Chalfont this year we will only have a limited number of seats available.

Bus will leave St. Robert's parking lot at 8:15 and return between 9pm and 10pm.

We brown bag our lunch but stop on way home for dinner.

If you have never gone before this is the year to go. It is an awe inspiring event and this year so important as we welcome our new president and urge him to **STAND UP FOR LIFE**

Cost: \$25 (includes dinner)

More info - Jan @ 215/343-4572

More info on the March for Life checkout the website:  
<http://marchforlife.org/mfl-2017/>

**LEGATUS OFFERS A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR TOP-RANKING CATHOLIC BUSINESS LEADERS AND THEIR SPOUSES**

Legatus, the world's only international organization of top-ranking Catholic business leaders and their spouses, is currently seeking new members for its Bucks County Chapter ([www.legatus.org](http://www.legatus.org)). If you are, or previously were, a business owner, CEO, President, Managing Partner, Managing Director, etc., Legatus would like to invite you to a very special program on December 15, 2016 featuring our guest speaker, Dr. Paul Voss, Founder and President of Ethikos, LLC and one of America's finest public speakers. All Legatus events start with Rosary and Confession, Mass, and a reception followed by fine dining and a Legatus presentation. For more information call Legatus Member John Lariviere at (908) 209-9094 or email John at [jariviere@legatus.org](mailto:jariviere@legatus.org).

**SAVE YOUR CANCELLED STAMPS!**



The Christmas Season brings lots of mail. Please save the stamps with a 1/4 border and place them in the box in the vestibule on top of the BOX TOPS drawer. They will be sent to the Sisters of the Holy Cross to benefit their Ministry with the Poor. Continue to save them throughout the year.

*Sisters of the Holy Cross*



Christ's Housekeepers are in need of volunteers to help clean and vacuum the church every Monday morning after 7:00 o'clock mass. If you are interested please contact Pat Neely at 215-343-2873 .

**Our Masses are live again!** Go to [www.saintrobertwarrington.org](http://www.saintrobertwarrington.org) on Sunday mornings at 9 or 11 AM to see our Mass live as it is being celebrated in church.

**Not available at those times?** The Masses are recorded! Just click on the link for the Archives.

This technology gives our parishioners who are sick & homebound an opportunity to be connected with the community as we gather to worship each Sunday. The bulletins are posted on the website as well.

Of course this does not excuse anyone who can from physically attending Mass on Sunday.

**ELECTRONIC FUNDS GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS MADE EASY**

Simplify your life, and support our parish! St. Roberts will accept your bank's online bill payment to support our parish. This will allow you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash!

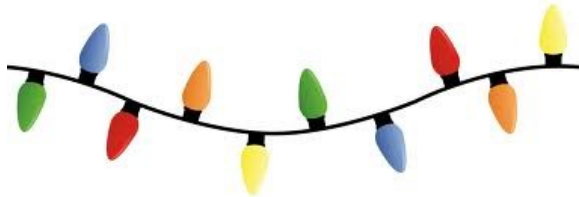






**KINDERGARTEN'S "FIRST" THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION AT ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL**

Dressed as pilgrims and Native Americans, the Kindergarten students celebrated their "first" Thanksgiving together at St. Joseph/St. Robert School on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. The students enthusiastically recited poems and sang songs of Thanksgiving for invited guests.



**GROW CLOSER TO OUR LADY THIS WINTER!**

Join folks from all over the greater Philadelphia area in a 12 week long encounter with the Virgin Mary right from your own home! The St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, founded by Dr. Scott Hahn, has partnered with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to offer limited-time free access to its new video Bible study series, *The Bible and the Virgin Mary*. You can access this 12-part series online at no cost beginning January 18, 2017. The videos can be used for individual or group study. To take advantage of this great opportunity to grow spiritually, sign up at: [BibleandtheVirginMary.com/Philadelphia](http://BibleandtheVirginMary.com/Philadelphia). Feel free to share this link with friends and family!



**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS** Next Class – Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in chapel. Pre-registration is necessary in order to attend the class. No date for Baptism can be set until parents fulfill this requirement.

**Parents and Godparents should register for this class as soon as they know of the upcoming birth, and always prior to the actual birth of the child.** Register by calling the parish office between 9a & 4p weekdays. Classes are held every other month - Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov.



**ST JOSEPH/ST ROBERT SCHOOL**  
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

- \*Offering education to grades Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup>
- \*Options for five half day or full day Pre-K & Kindergarten
- \*Faith based values integrated into education and activities
- \*Challenging curriculum based on Common Core State Standards
- \*Innovative use of technology including SMART Boards, Surface Tablets and iPads in all grades
- \*Specialty teachers for weekly Spanish, Library, Technology, Art, Music & Physical Education in all grades



**Registration is now open for Pre-K & K.**  
**Please call the school to schedule a tour and registration**  
Information/Enrollment Requirements: 215.343.5100 or [www.stjstr.org](http://www.stjstr.org)  
**Focused on Faith & Learning**

## IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

<b>WEEKEND MASSES</b> Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b> 7:00 & 9:00 am - Monday/Friday 9:00 am - Saturday Summer: Weekday - 8:00 am Saturday - 9:00 am	<b>HOLY DAYS</b> (Except Christmas & New Years) 7:00 am & 9:00 am 12:00 noon 7:00 pm	<b>CONFESSIONS</b> Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm  <b>PARISH OFFICE HOURS</b> Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm Closed on Holy Days
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### 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. Visit the parish website for detailed information **Pre-Cana classes (2nd Sat. in March. & 2nd Sat. in November) are required.** Contact Parish Office or visit the parish website for registration forms. Forms are due 2 weeks prior to the Pre-Cana Class.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Available to those who are preparing for surgery, sick, elderly or dying. Please contact the parish office to receive this sacrament.

### 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.**

### COMMUNION CALLS

Monthly to homebound by the priests. Weekly - Extraordinary Ministers if requested. In an Emergency a Priest Should Be Called Immediately call parish office and dial 400.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome new parishioners! 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. Also, Children who turn 26 years of age, or have completed higher education and continue to reside with in our area, should become individually registered parishioners.

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

**All parish staff and volunteers** who have **regular contact with young people** must have their background checks and training to volunteer with our youth. **For more details look in the bulletin or visit our website, click on Community, then Safe environment. It will direct you to the Child and Youth Protection Site.**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** - Monday 11am - Turn in material typed, with your name & phone number at the parish office or [stroberty@verizon.net](mailto:stroberty@verizon.net).

### PARISH RESOURCES

Adult Faith Formation	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
Afghan Guild	Claire Coleman	215-343-2299
Al-Anon Contact		215-222-5244
Altar Servers	Deacon George Morris	215-343-0315
Bereavement Committee	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
Bloodmobile	Mary Marquis	215-343-8635
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Charismatic Prayer Group	Dolores Seif	215-343/8775
Christ's Housekeepers	Patricia Neely	215-343-2873
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Extraordinary Ministers	Deacon George Morris	215-343-0315
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Liturgical Environment	Joan Fitzpatrick	215-343-0315
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