

# All Saints Catholic Church

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Monday-Friday  
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The mission of All Saints Parish is to expand the Kingdom of God by showing people the way to salvation through the Eucharist, in our faith, our compassion, and our actions.

This is showcased in our four core values, namely:

**Prayer:** Dependence on God and Communicating with God.

**Ministry:** Having knowledge of the faith and putting it into practice.

**Christian Attitude:** Being welcoming, hospitable, compassionate, caring, and loving of everyone.

**Stewardship:** Care for the spiritual and physical assets of the Parish, namely our time, talent, and treasure.

## DECEMBER 4, 2016

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 AM  
Weekdays: See schedule in bulletin

#### Sacraments

**Baptisms** are celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:00 AM Mass. Pre-Baptismal classes are required. Contact the Parish Office for arrangements.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 12:30 - 1:00 PM and after the 5:00 PM Mass.

**Marriage:** Contact Parish Office at least 6 months in advance of proposed date.

#### Visitation of the Sick or Shut-Ins:

Inform the Parish Office when anyone is ill at home or in the hospital. Upon request, Holy Communion can be brought to the home by the priest and/or a Eucharistic Minister.



#### Bulletin Deadline:

All bulletin announcements must be received by Monday noon in written form.

#### Preparation for Entering the Church (RCIA):

We welcome those who are interested in becoming Catholics. To enter a program of formation and prayer, contact the Parish Office.

**Parish Membership:** New parishioners are always welcome! Call the Parish Office for a census form.

#### Prayer Meeting:

Every Wednesday from 1:30-3:30 PM. See bulletin for monthly Mass time.

#### All Saints Food Pantry:

2nd Wednesday of the month - 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

Access to Parish Calendar of Events: <https://sites.google.com/site/allsaintsetna/>

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**SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 20, 2016 = \$6,011.22**

Offertory Envelopes - \$5,535.00	Loose Monies - \$461.42
Adult Envelopes Sent - 504	Envelopes Used - 199
Children's Envelopes - \$14.80	Envelopes Used - 9
Parish Share - \$5,167.00	Envelopes Used - 11
Religious Retirement - \$3,258.25	Envelopes Used - 116

**SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 27, 2016 = \$ 6,042.26**

Offertory Envelopes - \$5,692.00	Loose Monies - \$340.01
Adult Envelopes Sent - 504	Envelopes Used - 203
Children's Envelopes - \$10.25	Envelopes Used - 8
Parish Share - \$540.00	Envelopes Used - 11

*Please remember All Saints Church in your will.*

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**2016 GOAL: \$ 51,607.00**  
**COLLECTED TO DATE: \$ 52,599.00**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

*"The Light Is Still On For You"*

Wednesday, December 14	6:00-9:00 PM
Saturday, December 10, 17	12:30-1:30 PM & after 5:00 PM Mass
Monday, December 19	7:15-8:00 PM

**NO CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY,  
 DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE**

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Christmas Eve	4:00 PM & 12:00 AM
Christmas Day	8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

**Home Bound Members**

As Christmas approaches, we want to be sure that everyone has an opportunity to receive the Eucharist. If you, or someone you know, cannot get to Church, please call Sister Susanne Sutton at 412-781-0856 ext 5. She will be glad to bring Jesus to you. *Please do not call the parish office.*

**Ladies of Charity News**

The Ladies of Charity at All Saints are reaching out to home bound members and their family/caregivers to let you know that we are available to offer assistance, if needed. We can visit you in your home or by telephone, offer grocery shopping or light housekeeping, provide respite time for caregivers, pray for you, etc. For more information or to sign up for services, please call Sister Susanne Sutton at 412-781-0856 ext 5. *Please do not call the parish office.*

The Pittsburgh Catholic Magazine edition of *Christmas Traditions* is available in the vestibule of church. Pick one up as you leave today.

**From the Desk of the Administrator**

Having reflected on the 21 criteria of the *On Mission for the Church Alive!* Planning Process, I promised at the parish consultations to publish the questions asked via the index cards and offer the best answer I can give. There were eighteen questions. We'll consider a few every week as space permits.

*What use will there be for retired Priests in the Diocese?* Currently, our retired Priests provide an INVALUABLE service. I am grateful to Fr. Lutz and Fr. Garry (who's on medical leave) to help cover Masses here. I believe retired Priests will be of assistance to cover vacations/retreats/etc. in the future as well.

*A comment: Most challenging would be more demands on the clergy, and if attendance should grow, there is need for more lay involvement.* This is true. In the models we see the LEMs – Lay Ecclesial Ministers, the paid professional lay Church ministers – as a necessity. I also see this as a chance for the Priests to reclaim priesthood. Sounds odd, yet what a great opportunity. If I could give up the nitty-gritty of administration and focus on pastoral care, you all would be much better served.

*Will daily Mass be possible?* As far as I know, yes. Mass may not consistently be at the same building or at the times we currently know. Yet how better daily Masses would be with a larger congregation than a few at this parish and some at another. Worshipping together will make for a better celebration.

*How do we know about the finances of churches we don't know about?* Well, finances are part of the picture. We do need more town hall discussions about our models and the implications of them, especially when it comes to finances.

Now, on other fronts... Among your preparations for Christmas, I hope, are additional times of prayer. Remember that 40 minutes with Jesus happens every Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. from 6:30 to about 7:10. The first 30 minutes is for private prayer – some guides are available. Then at 7:00 we offer Evening Prayer together. Come and find some quiet time in the midst of the craziness.

Another opportunity is this Friday at 7:00 when we will have "A Journey to Christmas". This is a musical program featuring Shari Whitico, former music director at St. Bonaventure Parish. Come and enjoy sung praise of our God.

See you in Church!

*Fr. Jim Gretz*

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is on Thursday, December 8th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation—a day that Catholics are to attend Mass. Masses for the Holy Day will be Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00 PM; and Tuesday, December 8th at 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM.



Howard Schran, Jason Fleishner, Bart Riley, Mary Sciuillo, Francis Haberman, Carol Sees, Kevin McGorry, Ed Oresic, Kathy Rishel, Ryan Woodrow, Ronald Molinero, Tom Toborkey, David Hufnagel, Marie T. Schran, Tom Stumpf, Ida Fowler, Father Garry Patriquin, Mildred Hoffman, Louise Wyzomirski, Rose Golden, Eileen Dougherty, Erin Schmitt, Joseph Wittman, Alice Smolkovich, Patricia Currison, Jason Wolling, Gina Sienko, Emma Oresic, Fran Stiltz, Mary Jo Sciuillo, Susan Killmeyer, Charles Robinson, Anthony Sciuillo, Maria Wolownik, Lisa Lindsey, Katherine Rodack, **Kathy Cook**, Jordan McCue, and all the sick of our parish. **Please note:** We ask the families who have requested prayers to please give us a call when your loved one is better so they can be removed from our list.



Please remember in your prayers the soul of :  
**MARY ELIZABETH NOVOSEL**  
May she rest in Christ's Peace.

**REMINDER: Return your Sharing Tree wrapped gift or gifts with the angel on the OUTSIDE OF THE PACKAGE BY NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH. Thank you and God bless you for continuing our Parish tradition of sharing with our "angels".**



*(Sponsored by the Ladies of Charity)*

**Early Bulletin Notice Deadline**

Because New Year's Day is on a Sunday, bulletin articles for **January 1st must be submitted by Monday, December 19th by Noon.**

**2017 Church Calendars**

Next weekend, December 10/11, Catholic Calendars will be available in the vestibule of church. We wish to greatly thank the **Perman Funeral Home**, 923 Saxonburg Blvd, Shaler, for these calendars. Please take one per family.

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Poster Contest**

This is for children from ages 5 to 14. Create a poster with this slogan "*Keep Christ in Christmas*" and submit them. They will be judged and 3 winners will be selected. The winning poster will be forwarded to the District and Supreme Councils. Call 412-715-4719; or email [kofc9984finsec@yahoo.com](mailto:kofc9984finsec@yahoo.com) for more information.

**"It's Been a Looooooong Time Since My Last Confession"**

This Advent season, each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Pittsburgh will have their doors open and lights on **Wednesday, December 14th from 6:00-9:00 PM.** If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament, have been away for some time or just found it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church. "*The Light is On for You!*," especially if you haven't been to confession in a while.



**WITH PARISH CONSULTATION SESSIONS NOW COMPLETED,**

all the proposed models for **ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!** are available online. Watch the videos, download the presentations and give feedback. You can also provide your email address to stay connected for future updates, including survey results.

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**BOX**

This Sunday continues the dual theme from last Sunday paring the second coming of Christ with the prophecy of Christ's birth on the first Christmas. A familiar figure associated with Advent is introduced in John the Baptist, who cries out in the desert for us to "prepare the way of the Lord," and "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" His words are still meaningful to us who await the return of the Lord as they were for those who awaited Christ's birth in the time of John the Baptist.

This week we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. This solemnity is particularly important to us, as it is the patron feast of the United States of America. It is important to note that this feast does not concern the conception of Jesus in Mary's womb, rather it celebrates the conception of Mary without sin in Anna's womb. The conception of Jesus, on the other hand, is celebrated in the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please join us this Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7PM, for "A Journey to Christmas," presented by local musician Shari Whitico, which will feature prayer and music of the Advent/Christmas season. Also, plan on attending our first ever Christmas HymnSing on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7PM, where you will get the chance to sing your favorite hymns of the Christmas season with us!

Yours in ministry,  
Tom Rishel



## WEEKLY LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

### SUNDAY - December 4th Second Sunday of Advent

- 5:00pm - (Sat.) Alice Petrovich (Children)
- 8:00am - For All Parishioners
- 10:00am - Hilda Sukits - Anniv (Nieces & Nephews)

### MONDAY - December 5th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - Marilyn Moeller (Chrisitan Mothers & Guild)

### TUESDAY - December 6th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - Cheryl Kendra (All Saints Choir)  
*Novena after Mass*

### WEDNESDAY - December 7th St Ambrose

- 8:00am - William Dougherty - Birth (Family)
- 7:00pm - Joann Oberthaler (George & Kay Coholich)

### THURSDAY - December 8th The Immaculate Conception

- 8:00am - Elizabeth Schutte - Birth (Dianne Massimiani)
- 7:00pm - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased

### FRIDAY - December 9th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - Julia Kruljac (Kruljac Family)

### SATURDAY - December 10th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - John & Dolores Yankowski  
(Son, John, Mary Jane & Kathy)

### SUNDAY - December 11th Third Sunday of Advent

- 5:00pm - (Sat.) William Milcic (Milcic Family)
- 8:00am - Frank Zajackowski (Jim Stein)
- 10:00am - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased



### 12/4/16 - "Rose For Life"

was donated in memory of Alice Petrovich  
by Mary Ellen Benty.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

The deadline to return your Christmas Flower Offering envelope is Monday, December 12th. Time is needed to type the list. So names submitted after that day might not be included in the booklet of intentions.



## Respect Live News

Pro-Life Christmas cards and Ornaments will be available until December 10. Order forms are in the back of church.

**Roses for Life** for 2017 are still available for the following dates:  
January 15, July 2 & 23, October 1 & 22, November 26.

If you wish to have a Rose for Life on the altar for 2017, please call Emma Jean at 412-782-3017.

# THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY

12/4/16

**Coffee & Donuts** - In the Activities Building after 8:00 & 10:00 AM Masses.

**Flu Shots** - In the Activities Building from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

MONDAY

12/5/16

"40 Minutes with Jesus"	Church	6:30-7:10 PM
Choir	School	7:30-9:00 PM
Men's Club Mtg	Act Bldg	8:00 PM

TUESDAY

12/6/16

Novena	Church	After 8:00 AM Mass
Church Cleaning	Church	9:00-10:00 AM
CCD	School	6:30-8:00 PM
"40 Minutes with Jesus"	Church	6:30-7:10 PM

WEDNESDAY

12/7/16

Prayer Group	Church	1:30-3:30PM
Imm. Conception Vigil Mass	Church	7:00 PM

THURSDAY

12/8/16

"40 Minutes with Jesus"	Church	6:30-7:10 PM
Imm. Conception Masses	Church	8:00 AM & 7:00 PM

FRIDAY

12/9/16

"40 Minutes with Jesus"	Church	6:30-7:10 PM
"Journey to Christmas"	Church	7:00 PM

SATURDAY

12/10/16

## JOURNEY TO CHRISTMAS

Shari Whitico, Music Minister/Choir Director at St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish, will perform a concert entitled a **Journey to Christmas** on Friday, December 9th at 7:00 PM at All Saints Church.



This beautiful evening of Advent and Christmas music, as well as reflections of the season, will help you discover the true meaning of this awesome time of the year.

She and her contributing musicians, Tom Rishel, Bernadette Calvino, John Clark and Bob Spinella will be sharing their talents with you as we all Journey to Christmas. Shari's recent CD entitled, **Sharing Christmas**, will be on sale that evening for \$15. She can be contacted at [shariwhitico@gmail.com](mailto:shariwhitico@gmail.com) or at [shariwhitico.com](http://shariwhitico.com).



Admission is **FREE** and all are welcome. Please bring a non-perishable food item to support the All Saints Community Food Bank.

## Decorating Church For Christmas



With celebrating the **Second Sunday of Advent** this weekend our thoughts are turning to getting the church ready for Christmas. The placing of the large trees and wreaths will take place on **Sunday, December 11th** after the 10:00 AM Mass. The placing of the Poinsettias will take place on **Sunday, December 18th** after the 10:00 AM Mass.

We need a lot of hands to help make the church look beautiful for the Christmas Holidays. Please mark it on your calendar to help with these projects.



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