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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:

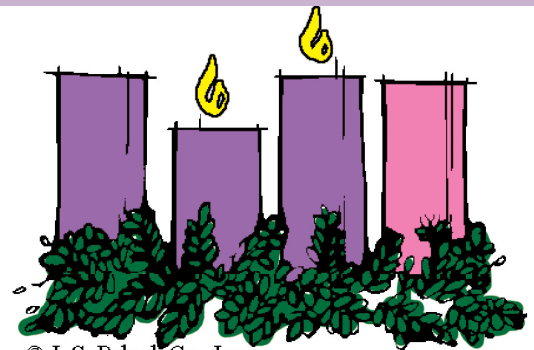
Prayer: Dependence on God and Communicating with God.

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.

Second Sunday of Advent December 6, 2015



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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 7:00-9:00 PM. See bulletin for monthly Mass time.

All Saints Food Pantry:

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



**Sunday Collection
November 22, 2015
\$ 4,557.50**

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| Offertory Envelopes - \$4,130.00 | Loose Monies - \$407.50 |
| Adult Envelopes Sent - 504 | Envelopes Used - 215 |
| Children's Envelopes - \$20 | Envelopes Used - 9 |
| Parish Share - \$3,534.00 | Envelopes Used - 5 |
| Stained Glass Windows - \$5,870 | Total - \$333,475.86 |
| Religious Retirement - \$3,511.00 | Envelopes - 126 |

**Sunday Collection November 29, 2015
\$ 6,507.50**

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| Offertory Envelopes - \$5,932.25 | Loose Monies - \$567.25 |
| Adult Envelopes Sent - 504 | Envelopes Used - 219 |
| Children's Envelopes - \$8.00 | Envelopes Used - 6 |
| Parish Share - \$808.00 | Envelopes Used - 13 |
| Stained Glass Windows - \$200.00 | Total - \$333,675.86 |

Please remember All Saints Church in your will.

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| 2014 GOAL: | \$ 53,143.00 |
| COLLECTED TO DATE: | \$ 37,560.00 |
| BALANCE: | \$ 15,583.00 |

**Jubilee Year of Mercy
Second Sunday of Advent**

This Tuesday, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis will open the "Holy Door" in Saint Peter's Basilica, symbolically opening the Jubilee Year of Mercy. In today's scriptures, Baruch confidently anticipates God's healing of the brokenness of humanity, and Paul sees God bringing our discernment, knowledge, and love to fulfillment. Our experience of life and of ourselves can make such prophecies seem wildly optimistic, even hopelessly naïve. Pope Francis challenges us to live this Jubilee Year as a graced time, when God's mercy reawakens our enthusiasm to live our baptismal call as gospel people, our hope renewed and ourselves recommitted to selfless charity. Notice that in Luke's Gospel today, God bypasses the religious elite and politically powerful to speak to a humble believer in the barren desert the saving word that will transform history. So God's mercy continues to accomplish humanity's salvation in and through ordinary, flawed, and least likely instruments—even us.



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From the Desk of the Administrator

Advent is a time of preparation. The problem is we often prepare for the wrong things! We are so caught up in the need to buy gifts and foods to make that we forget about preparing our selves for the coming of the Lord. That is THE only preparation we should be doing! OK, maybe a few of the other things....

So, how do we make Advent a time of preparation? Well, we can attend the Bible Studies that are taking place on Monday evenings (6:30-8:00 for both women and men) and Tuesday mornings (9:00-10:30 for women). There is our Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday "Forty Minutes with Jesus" sessions from 6:30 until 7:10. Nothing like some silence to better prepare for the Lord. We have Mass seven days a week at 8:00 AM. All of these help us prepare.

As we prepare for the return of Christ in glory, we have to prepare for the future of our Church and community. The future is now! Part of that is the "On Mission for the Church Alive!" Planning Process for which we have been praying. Check out a column in the coming *Pittsburgh Catholic* for some liturgical thoughts about it! There will be a TON of preparation over the next three years.

One the preparation stats is the number of clergy for the future. We currently have 228 priests with an actual parish assignment. However, here is the breakdown of that number BY AGE:

| Active Diocesan Priests | |
|--|-----------|
| Over 90 | 1 |
| 80-89 | 7 |
| 75-79 | 9 |
| 70-74 | 19 |
| Eligible to Retire Right Now | 36 |
| 65—69 years old | 48 |
| 60—64 years old | 38 |
| Eligible to Retire Next 10 years: | 86 |
| 50-59 years old | 53 |
| 40-49 years old | 31 |
| 30-39 years old | 21 |
| 26-29 years old | 1 |

We've got A LOT of praying to do to fix this!
See you in Church – a bunch!

Fr. Jim Dretz



David Hufnagel, Marie T. Schran, Christine Sirlin, Tony Zbierajewski, Tom Stumpf, Ida Fowler, Father Garry Patriquin, Dorothy Kutchka, Mildred Hoffman, Sister Ida Mary Lutz, Louise Wyzomirski, Carol Sees, Rose Golden, Eileen Dougherty, Richard Rengers, Erin Schmitt, Joseph Wittman, Alice Smolkovich, Patricia Curriston, Jason Wolling, Jim Belish, Gina Sienko, Emma Oresic, William Milcic, Marilyn Moeller, Fran Stiltz, Mary Jo Sciuillo, Susan Killmeyer, Charles Robinson, Anthony Sciuillo, Maria Wolownik, Lisa Lindsey, Katherine Rodack, Kathy Cook, Margaret Goodrich, 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.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

The deadline to return your Christmas Flower Offering envelope is Monday, December 7. Time is needed to type the list. So names submitted after that day might not be included in the booklet of intentions.



Decorating Church For Christmas

With celebrating the **Second Sunday of Advent**, 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 13th after the 10:00 AM Mass. The placing of the Poinsettias will take place on Sunday, December 20th 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.

Oplatki - Christmas Wafers

Oplatki (Christmas Wafers) for use at the Christmas Eve meal are available at the Parish Office during regular office hours. They are pre-packaged (4 in an envelope). Donation - \$2.00.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

All are invited to celebrate Mass in Spanish with Bishop David Zubik and the Hispanic/Latino Catholic Apostolate at 7:00 PM on Friday, December 11 at St Paul Cathedral. A festival reception will follow in the Cathedral social hall. For information, call the Office for Cultural Diversity & Persons with Disabilities at 412-456-3170.

Walk Through the Holy Door

In response to Pope Francis' call for a Jubilee Year of Mercy, our Bishop David Zubik will open a Holy Door on Sunday, December 13th at 2:30 PM during a special Mass in Saint Paul Cathedral. Everyone is welcome to be led through the Holy Door with Bishop Zubik. For more information go to: <http://www.diopitt.org/jubilee-year-mercy>



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

"The Light Is Still On For You"

Wednesday, December 9 6:00-9:00 PM
 Saturday, December 5, 12 & 19 12:30-1:30 PM & after 5:00 PM Mass
 Monday, December 21 7:00-8:30 PM

NO CONFESSIONS ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE

CHRISTMAS MASSES

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



BOX

John the Baptist tells us in today's Gospel reading to "prepare the way of the Lord." By now, almost all of us are making our

preparations for the Christmas season. Church musicians like myself are getting their choirs and instrumentalists ready for the big Christmas liturgies and services that are coming much too soon for our liking. Everyone is busy decorating their homes, buying and wrapping gifts for friends and family, and planning for family gatherings and meals. However, this is not what John the Baptist was talking about when he said to prepare the way of the Lord! The prophet asks us to prepare our hearts through repentance and forgiveness from sin. So, in this season of Advent, as we make our material preparations for the Christmas holiday, we must remember also to prepare our hearts that we may truly see the "salvation of God."

Yours in ministry,
 Tom Rishel

Our Living Nativity. Visit. Volunteer.

Our Living Nativity, Gift of Giving kicked off Light Up Night November, and continues weekends through December 20 in our Susan Zubik Welcome Center, 212 Ninth Street, downtown Pittsburgh. Come experience the meaning of Christmas by having your family photo taken in our Nativity, plus children who visit will receive a toy to give to another child. For information go to www.ccpgh.org.

Early Bulletin Notice Deadline

Because of the Christmas Holiday, notices for the **December 20th bulletin must be submitted by Monday, December 14th; December 27th bulletin by Wednesday, December 16th; and January 3rd bulletin by Monday, December 21st.**

2016 Church Calendars

Next weekend, December 12/13, 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.



The Lord has
done great things.

**Second Sunday of Advent
December 6, 2015**

God has commanded that every lofty
mountain be made low.

— *Baruch 5:7*

WEEKLY LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

SUNDAY - December 6th Second Sunday of Advent

- 5:00pm - (Sat.) Rocco Lamanna (Gary, Barb & Family)
- 8:00am - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased
- 10:00am - Ricky Rengers (Bob & Judyn Rengers)

MONDAY - December 7th St Ambrose

- 8:00am - William Dougherty (Wife & Children)
- 7:00pm - Sam Robinson (Charles & Louise Cook)

TUESDAY - December 8th Immaculate Conception

- 8:00am - Frances Cannata (Ed & Judy Weismann)
Novena after Mass
- 7:00pm - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased

WEDNESDAY - December 9th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - Anthony S & Catherine Krzysik (Edward Krzysik)

THURSDAY - December 10th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - Jerry Helgerman - Birth (All Saints Prayer Group)

FRIDAY - December 11th Advent Weekday

- 8:00am - Marie Herbolich (Bogusz Family)

SATURDAY - December 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe

- 8:00am - Martha Mabold (Joe & Emma Jean Kraus)
- 3:00pm - Wedding - Jordan Alessio & Kaitlin Brown (All Saints)

SUNDAY - December 13th Third Sunday of Advent

- 5:00pm - (Sat.) For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased
- 8:00am - Lois Goldinger (The Metzler Family)
- 10:00am - Gerard Sisca, Jr (Frank Sisca Family & Jerry)



12/6/15 - "Rose For Life"

was donated in memory of Eileen Weber
by Mary Lee Steinmetz.



ALTAR FLOWERS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/6/15

All altar vases were donated in memory of
Robert and Jane Kwas (Anniv) by their family.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY

12/6/15



You're invited to stop by the Activities Building for coffee and donuts after the 8:00 & 10:00 AM Sunday Masses. Sponsored by All Saints Men's Club.

MONDAY

12/7/15

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| Preparing for Jesus | Church | 6:30 PM |
| Imm. Conception Vigil Mass | Church | 7:00 PM |
| Men's Club Mtg | Act Bldg | 8:00 PM |

TUESDAY

12/8/15

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| Imm. Conception Mass | Church | 8:00 AM |
| Novena | Church | After 8:00 AM Mass |
| Preparing for Jesus | Church | 6:30 PM |
| Imm. Conception Mass | Church | 7:00 PM |
| CCD | School | 6:30-8:00 PM |

WEDNESDAY

12/9/15

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| Food Bank | School | 11:00-2:00 PM |
| Confession | Church | 6:00-9:00 PM |

THURSDAY

12/10/15

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| Preparing for Jesus | Church | 6:30-7:10 PM |
| Choir | School | 7:30-9:00 PM |

FRIDAY

12/11/15

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| Preparing for Jesus | Church | 6:30-7:10 PM |
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SATURDAY

12/12/15

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

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



The Light is On for You THIS WEEK!

This Advent on the evening of **Wednesday, December 9th from 6:00-9:00 PM**, rediscover the healing power of the Sacrament of Reconciliation at any Catholic parish in the Diocese. If you've been away for a long time, don't worry. We'll leave the light on for you... Go to — <http://www.diopitt.org/latest-diocesan-news/light-you-0>

REMINDER: Return your Sharing Tree wrapped gift or gifts with the angel on the OUTSIDE OF THE PACKAGE BY NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13TH. Thank you and God bless you for continuing our Parish tradition of sharing with our "angels".



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