

# All Saints Catholic Church

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Monday-Friday  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Saturdays 8:00 am -11:00 am

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.

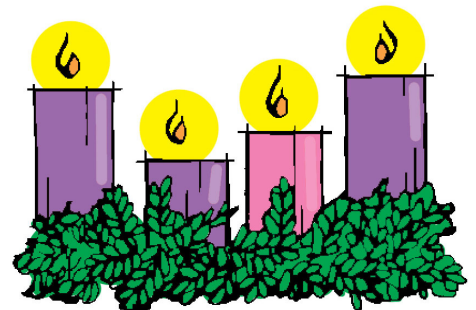
**Ministry:** Having knowledge of the faith and putting it into practice.

**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.

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

### December 20, 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  
December 13, 2015  
\$ 5,853.35**

Offertory Envelopes - \$5,356.00	Loose Monies - \$489.35
Adult Envelopes Sent - 504	Envelopes Used - 218
Children's Envelopes - \$8.00	Envelopes Used - 5
Parish Share - \$962.00	Envelopes Used - 22
Stained Glass Windows - \$300.00	Total - \$333,775.86
Immac. Conception - \$1,249.48	Envelopes Used - 105

*Please remember All Saints Church in your will.*

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<b>2014 GOAL:</b>	<b>\$ 53,143.00</b>
<b>COLLECTED TO DATE:</b>	<b>\$ 39,855.00</b>
<b>BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$ 13,288.00</b>

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Monday, December 21                      7:00-8:30 PM

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

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

<b>Christmas Eve</b>	<b>4:00 PM &amp; 12:00 AM</b>
<b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>8:00 AM &amp; 10:00 AM</b>

**Looking in the Right Places**

*“Appearances can be deceiving,” as the saying goes. As we celebrate the epiphania, the “appearing” of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.*

*What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God’s glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives.*

*We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God’s glory in our lives: Jesus Christ.*

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**From the Desk of the Administrator**

You know, people’s perceptions are very interesting to me. I can’t tell you how many people have said, “OK, Father, we’re having trouble with your math. Since when is being 51 or 41 a good thing?” Well, if being #1 is a BAD THING, then 51 is a good thing. The point is that all of you have been faithful to your pledges for *Our Campaign for the Church Alive!* ©. Almost all of you have been paying on time and on schedule. We are receiving better dividends than were projected. So, keep up your good stewardship for which I am truly thankful.

With early bulletin due dates, it’s hard to comment on our celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of the current church building. We should continue to rejoice and be glad that this edifice raises our minds and spirits to God. And speaking of which, would you like to learn a bit more about this glorious structure? Well, I have a deal for you! The commemorative book, **All Saints Church: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic**, is for sale after Masses. Copies are \$10.00. Get ‘em while you can. Thanks to Amy Link Streit, the main author. I can and will take credit for a number of the pictures. That’s an old hobby that came in handy over the last few weeks. And thanks too for Fr. John Gudewicz and his windows articles during that project. It’s a book of which we can all be proud.

Of course, Christmas comes upon us this week. Perhaps you have a flurry of things to still prepare. However, how is that spiritual preparation going? That’s what matters most. There’s still time to spend 40 Minutes with Jesus. There is an additional time for confessions on Monday. There is morning Mass. Do what matters most – prepare yourself for the coming of Christ!

In the quiet between the Holy Days, I hope to get some work done for the parish. I have been really remiss in addressing our liturgical ministers. My new year’s resolution is to take care of that. I would like to have meetings with our extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, our readers, our servers (young and adult), and our ushers. Look for an invitation in the mail!

See you in Church!

*Fr. Jim Streit*

Wishing you the love  
Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
knew on that first Christmas.  
May you and your loved ones share  
the peace and happiness of that  
love with each other.

Merry Christmas,  
Fr. Jim Gretz & Staff



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STAN GORSKI



Pray for ...

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 Scullo, Susan Killmeyer, Charles Robinson, Anthony Scullo, 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.

**Second Collection - Christmas Charities**

The second collection on Christmas Day is the **Christmas Charities Collection for Children and Youth.** This collection is a longstanding tradition in the Diocese of Pittsburgh on Christmas Day. The proceeds from this collection are used to support a number of programs in our diocese, which serve many children and young people who depend on our generosity and our loving concern for them. Please be very generous to this collection since it is credited to our PSP assessment.

Please remember in your prayers the souls of :  
**FR. DONALD R. JONES & PAUL SANDS**

May they rest in Christ's Peace.



**Retreat for Post-Abortion Healing**

*A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for Post-Abortion Healing* will be held on January 22-24, 2016 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or email [toniafj1@comcast.net](mailto:toniafj1@comcast.net).



**BOX**

Christmas will be here this Friday, and with that will come musical offerings from our Music Ministry! On Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, at the 4:00 PM Mass will be our folk group, with a little extra help from our CCD Children's Choir, which is organized and led by Bernadette Calvino, our Religious Education Coordinator here at All Saints. Then, on December 25<sup>th</sup>, the Midnight Mass will include our Adult Choir, who will sing some additional Christmas music prior to Mass, so be sure to come a little early! On behalf of the Music Ministry at All Saints, I wish you and yours a very blessed and merry Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year!

Yours in ministry,  
Tom Rishel

**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.

**2016 Mass Intentions**

Mass Intention Forms for 2016 are available in the vestibule of church. The Parish Office is accepting your intentions. Please read over the guidelines, complete the form and include the \$10.00 Mass stipend. Thank you for your cooperation.

**2016 Altar Flower Memorials**

These Altar Flower Memorial dates are available for 2016:

- 1/10 Blessed Virgin
- 1/17 Sanctuary (2), Blessed Virgin, St Joseph
- 1/24 Sanctuary (2), Blessed Virgin, St Joseph
- 1/31 Sanctuary (2), St Joseph



Altar flower intention forms are in the church vestibule or you can call the rectory at 412-781-0530. **COST IS \$25.00.**





## WEEKLY LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

### **SUNDAY - December 20th Fourth Sunday of Advent**

5:00pm - (Sat.) Leo & Mary Artisti (Charles & Louise Cook)  
8:00am - Stephanie Newcamp Krulia  
(All Saints Festival Committee)  
10:00am - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased

### **MONDAY - December 21st Advent Weekday**

8:00am - Helen & Peter Grundhoffer (Family)  
7:00-8:30pm - *Confession*

### **TUESDAY - December 22nd Late Advent Weekday**

8:00am - John Cavlovic (Ramage Family)  
*Novena after Mass*

### **WEDNESDAY - December 23rd Late Advent Weekday**

8:00am - Mrs Julliann H Alvin (Daughter, Mary Anne Alvin)

### **THURSDAY - December 24th Late Advent Weekday**

8:00am - Fr John Vojtek (Christian Mothers & Guild)



### **FRIDAY - December 25th THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

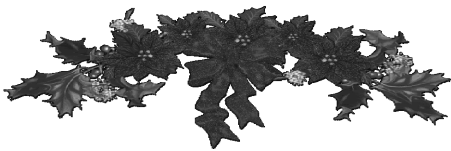
4:00pm - (Thurs.) Special Intention  
Midnight - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased  
8:00am - Special Intention  
10:00am - Special Intention

### **SATURDAY - December 26th St Stephen**

8:00am - Anne Johnston (Daughter)

### **SUNDAY - December 27th The Holy Family**

5:00pm - (Sat.) John Kenst - Anniv (Wife, Anna Mae)  
8:00am - Chuck Casey, Sr (Mary Lou & Joe Tutchko)  
10:00am - For All Parishioners - Living & Deceased



### **12/20/15 - "Rose For Life"**

was donated in memory of Bill Dougherty  
by wife, Rose and family.

# THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>12/20/15</b>	
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>12/21/15</b>	
Preparing for Jesus	Church	6:30-7:10 PM
Confession	Church	7:00-8:30 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>12/22/15</b>	
Novena	Church	After 8:00 AM Mass
Preparing for Jesus	Church	6:30-7:10 PM
CCD	School	6:30-8:00 PM
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>12/23/15</b>	
<b>NO</b> Prayer Group		
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>12/24/15</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
Christmas Eve Masses	Church	4:00 PM & Midnight



<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>12/25/15</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
Christmas Day Masses	Church	8:00 & 10:00 AM
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>12/26/15</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>

## **On Mission for The Church Alive!**

We are in the early weeks of the Jubilee Year of Mercy called by the Holy Father. The Jubilee Year will last until November 28th next year. Pope Francis has described this year as a “favorable time to heal wounds.” At the same time, we have begun “On Mission for The Church Alive!” The goal of “On Mission” is to help our parishes become even more vibrant communities of service. What social outreach to the community can our parish do that it is not doing now?

To read more, check out  
“On Mission for The Church Alive!”  
on page 5 of this week’s Pittsburgh Catholic and visit  
[www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org)

## **CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES LAW**

Any individuals, paid or volunteer, who come into contact with children in the course of his or her work are considered mandated reporters of child abuse. Mandated reporters having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to child abuse, or acts of child abuse, shall report immediately to the following agencies:

- If you suspect a child is in imminent danger from abuse, **please call 911 immediately.**
- Children and Youth Services: **412-473-2000**
- Abuse Hotline: **800-932-0313**

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