



INCARNATION & RISEN LORD

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES



September 4, 2016

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Saturday - 4:00 p.m. & Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Weekday: Tuesday & Thursday - 8:00 a.m.

STAFF

Fr. David DeWitt, Pastor.....Ext.2

Fr. David's Office Hours

Tues. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Marilyn Ruffner, Religious Education.....Ext. 5

David Volcheck, Director of Music.....Ext. 6

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

TUES: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

WED: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

THURS & FRI: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



*If you wish to be my
Disciple*

*Take up your
Cross
.....
*Renounce all your
Possessions**

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Saturday - 4:00 p.m. & Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Weekday: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday - 8:00 a.m.

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FRI: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m

RECONCILIATION: Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass or by appointment.

INFANT BAPTISM: To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Baptismal session. Sessions will be held at Risen Lord Parish on the third Sunday of each month. Registration for the Sacrament of Baptism and the celebration of the Sacrament will still be at the individual parishes on the last Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE: Dates for Marriages are scheduled only through the Priest and only after an initial meeting with the couple. Church law requires a minimum of six months notice before a wedding can be celebrated. In light of the many arrangements for a wedding, the couple should contact the Priest as soon as possible after the engagement is announced.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC: Those wishing to share in the sacramental life of the Church are invited to contact the Parish Office. This specifically applies to those wishing to be baptized, who have not previously shared in the Eucharist, who have not sought to share the sacrament of Confirmation, or those raised in another faith but now choosing to share our Catholic faith.

HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND: If a parishioner is in the hospital or sick at home, please call the Social Ministry Office to arrange for a pastoral visit. Each hospital has a priest, either as a chaplain or assigned from a neighboring parish, for emergencies.

SPONSOR LETTERS: Only active and registered members will be issued a Sponsor Letter. The Sponsor should contact the Parish Office at least one week prior to the date needed.

BULLETIN: Submissions can be made to bulletinINCandRL@comcast.net. Deadline is 12:00 p.m. on Friday (nine days before the Sunday of the intended publication). Submissions are subject to approval and space limitations.

ONLINE BULLETIN: View the bulletin online at Risen Lord's website or at www.parishesonline.com and search for Incarnation of the Lord.



THIS WEEKEND, WE CELEBRATE LABOR DAY. This brings to mind the “unofficial” end of the summer season and the return to school for some, while we recall with fondness, those who have labored for us in life’s fields. We must always remember the firm foundations laid before us by those who wanted only the best for us. ENJOY YOUR WEEKEND!

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016, WE CELEBRATE CATECHETICAL SUNDAY. We remember, once again, another year of religious education for all of us. Please be in touch with Marilyn Ruffner to schedule your child for classes this year. Call Marilyn at Incarnation of the Lord at (412)931-2911 x5 or at Risen Lord at (412)761-1507 x5.

THE FOLLOWING APPEARED IN the August 7, 2016 In Focus section of *Our Sunday Visitor Newsweek*:

Nine Catholic Secrets to a Long Life

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| 1. Trust in God | 5. Be open to change |
| 2. Be Active | 6. Pass the faith onto others |
| 3. Live frugally | 7. Pray often |
| 4. Eat right | 8. Embrace friends and family |
| 9. Continue to grow in the faith | |

Great food for thought, right? Have a good week!



DEACON BOB’S CORNER

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Commitment is required to follow Jesus.

Breaking Open the Word: Luke 14:25-33. Whoever does not renounce possessions cannot be my disciple.

Listen to the Word: As you listen to the reading today, what image caught your imagination? What word or phrase struck you?

Look into Your Life

Children: Jesus says that in order to be one of his followers, we must be close to him. When do you feel closest to Jesus?

Youth: Jesus tells his disciples that they must renounce their possessions in order to be His disciple. If you had to, could you leave everything behind to be with God? What would hold you back? How much of a struggle would it be?

Adults: Today’s Gospel is demanding. How do you as a modern man or woman “denounce your possessions?” What does this mean for you?

Discipleship is not an offer that man makes to Christ.

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer



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Saturday (9/3) St. Gregory the Great

11:00 a.m INC - Paul & Patricia Smith -
50th Wedding Anniversary

4:00 p.m. RL - Jeffrey Oldaker (Morning Mass Friends)
4:00 p.m. INC - Dec. of the Clark & Sneider Families (Donor)

Sunday (9/4) Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish
11:00 a.m. RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

Monday (9/5) Weekday

8:00 a.m. RL - Poor Souls of Purgatory (Donor)

Tuesday (9/6) Weekday

8:00 a.m. INC - Blessed Mother (Marie Rohleder)

Wednesday (9/7) Weekday

8:00 a.m. RL - Patricia Creighton Guy (Fr. David DeWitt)

Thursday (9/8) The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. INC - Santina & Charles Kunzler (Family)

Friday (9/9) St. Peter Claver

8:00 a.m. RL - Francis & Catherine Guy (Fr. David DeWitt)

Saturday (9/10) Weekday

4:00 p.m. RL - Dragan & Spitz Families
(Stephania Vankovic)

4:00 p.m. INC - Robert Burns (Family)

Sunday (9/11) Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish
11:00 a.m. RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish



Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, the nun known to the world as Mother Teresa of Calcutta, was born to Albanian parents in what is now Macedonia in 1910. As a Sister of Loreto, she taught girls in her order’s mission schools in India for twenty years. But in 1946, on a train journey in the mountains, she suddenly realized that God was calling her to something more - to care for the poorest of the poor.

In the city of Calcutta, many homeless people lived and died on the street. One day Sister Teresa came across a half-dead woman lying in front of a hospital. She stayed with the woman until she died. From that time on, she dedicated herself to caring for the poorest of the poor in India. She founded the Nirmal Hriday (“Pure Heart”) Home for the Dying in a former temple in Calcutta, where poor, homeless people were cared for and allowed to die with dignity when no one else would have them. She also founded an orphanage and leprosy hospital.

Other young women, including some of her former students, soon joined her in her work with the sick, the poor, and the forgotten of Calcutta’s slums. They formed a new worldwide order of nuns, the Missionaries of Charity. Like Mother Teresa, they wear a plain white, blue-edged sari, the traditional dress of Indian women. They live a simple, prayerful life, and take care of people all over the world wherever there is need.

Mother Teresa won several awards for her work, including the Nobel Peace Prize. She always used the money from such prizes to found new homes and hospitals for poor people. She died in 1997 at the age of 87. Her life and work remind us that happiness and holiness come from doing “something beautiful for God.” She was beatified in 2003, and will be canonized on Sunday, September 4, 2016.

Sick Relatives & Friends

Anyone wanting the name or the name of a loved one on or off the list, please call the church or social ministry office. Because of HIPPA regulations, only an immediate family member request the name of a loved one to be placed on the prayer list. Please remember in your prayers:

C.J. Pomietto, Kimberly Behr, Mary Ann Wilson, Lou Saban, Sr., Michelle Fetzer, Kathleen Grady, George Finley, Robert Kroll, Dennis Guthrie, Tom Fowler, Madge Gillespie, Lori Ann Love, Wanda McAllister, Charles Wenzig, Sandy Zabierowsky, Marilyn Ruffner, Julie Fowler, and Gretchen Marker.

May God extend His helping and healing hands upon them all. In the letter of St. James 5:14-15 we are reminded, "If one of you is ill, he should send for the elders of the church . . . the prayer of the faith will save the sick man."



GUARD THOSE WHO GUARD OUR FREEDOM

Trevor L. McCallum, Michael Borus, Lt. Col. Katrina (Katy) Saban Coolman, Major Joseph Coolman, Joshua Crankshaw, Dalton Dailey, Joseph Dreves, Mark Enzerra, Jason Fullmer, 2nd Lt., Andrew Geisler, Dave Gratten, Matt Hahn, Christopher Kane, Tina Lippert, Christine May, Alexa and Michael Brown, MSgt. Shaun Seguin, SFC Erin Shaw

MINISTERS - SEPTEMBER 10 & 11, 2016

LECTORS

4:00 - M. Carr 9:00 - G. Kuntz

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 - Deacon Bob, M.A. Burke
9:00 - R. & J. Zito, D. Greene

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 - M.L. Bassett 9:00 - H. Scherer

Parish Registration We are still in the process of updating our files for ALL parishioners. If you have not filled out a new registration form since they were mailed out in December 2015, please do so. Forms are in the back of the church and can be returned to church or to the office. Thank you.

Weekly Collections

Weekend of August 20 & 21, 2016

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00
Offering Collected - \$ 2,389.01
Deficit - \$ 3,510.99

Incarnation Social Ministry News

Used Clothing, Shoes, and Bedding Drive

Incarnation Parish will sponsor a drive for used clothing, shoes, and bedding for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul September through October. This is the perfect opportunity to clear out your closets and bureaus! We will accept all sizes for women, men, and children. And, all sizes of bedding: spreads, blankets, sheets, etc. Let me know if you have a few hours to spare. We will need some helping hands to sort, fold, and package the donations. Thank you for supporting our fall clothing and bedding drive. Contact Mary Ann Burke at (412)931-2911 x4.

NOTE: Those who itemize their tax return can claim a deduction on the fair-market value of the donation. IRS guidelines for charitable contributions can be found at the IRS website, www.irs.gov, or by calling 1-800-829-1040.

Mark Your Calendars

Anointing Mass - Sunday, October 2 at 9:00 a.m.
All are welcome. Refreshments after Mass.

Mass of Remembrance

All Souls' Day - Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m.
All are welcome. Refreshments after Mass.

Giving Tree - Starts November 26 & 27

Incarnation Fundraising

Like us on Facebook! Did you know that Incarnation is on Facebook? "Like" us today and keep up with Incarnation news and exciting upcoming events! Be sure to share our page with family and friends.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/incarnationofthelord/>

We want your recipes! Planning has started for our very first Incarnation Parish cookbook! We are beginning to collect recipes for appetizers, sides, main dishes, and desserts. Please share your favorite recipes with us and drop them off during collection or at the parish office. Please print clearly and also include your full name with your recipe submissions. Recipes will be collected through the end of October. Thank you!

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Incarnation of the Lord Parish is a community of Catholic Christians nourished by the sacred scriptures and the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. As a faith community, we live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through example, liturgical celebration, education, reconciliation, and reaching out in service to our neighbors in their spiritual and material needs.

RISEN LORD PARISH NEWS

AS A PARISH WE LIFT IN PRAYER...

...Those requesting prayer

For the Healing and Well-Being of All
For Marie McConnell Scotty, Catherine Mancuso,
and Anonymous

...Those who have gone before us in faith

Eileen Oldaker, beloved parishioner
Harry Beyer, longtime teacher at St. Francis

Due to HIPPA Regulations, only an immediate family member can call the Administrative Office or Social Ministry Office to request their loved one to be placed on the prayer list.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week
in honor of the Blessed Sacrament
and in loving memory of

Jeff Oldaker

from his parents, Jim and Eileen.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 6

Fundraising Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Rectory **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

Volleyball - 7:00 p.m.
Education Center - Gym

Wednesday, September 7

Choir - 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Education Center - Large Room

Thursday, September 8

59'ers - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Education Center - Large Room and Kitchen

Saturday, September 10

Damascus Diner - 7:30 to 10:00 a.m.
Education Center - Large Room and Kitchen

Minister Schedule - September 10 & 11, 2016

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 p.m. - *T. & D. Griffin, M.A. Turkovich
11:00 a.m. - *T. & M. Glassbrenner, S. Murray

Lectors:

4:00 p.m. - N. Markovich 11:00 a.m. - C. Knoer

THANK YOU to all of the parishioners who purchased the Macy's Shop for a Cause Passes. We sold 30 passes That, plus a donation added up to \$160.00 for our parish! Thank you to Marianne Zahren for running this fundraiser for us! Hope everyone got some good deals!

STEWARDSHIP - Weekend of August 20 & 21, 2016

Total Envelopes Mailed - 531

Budgeted Amount - \$5,124.00

Collection (94 Envelopes)	\$1,401.00
Loose	\$163.00
PSP - Blue (14 Envelopes)	<u>\$569.00</u>
Total	\$2,133.00
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Debt Reduction (5 Env.)	\$65.00
Maintenance & Utilities (37 Env.)	\$425.00
Social Ministry Outreach (2 Env.)	\$30.00
Pittsburgh Catholic (1 Env.)	\$10.00
Assumption (11 Env.)	\$66.00

In this Year of Mercy, let's look at the
Spiritual Works of Mercy.

Instruct the ignorant: Learn about our faith and be open to talking with others about our beliefs. There is always something more to discover about our faith.

To counsel the doubtful: Everyone has moments of doubt in their faith journey. Nevertheless, we should always remember that Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life and turn to him along our way.

Admonish the sinners: Do not judge, but be supportive in helping others find their way and correct their mistakes. Together we can learn to walk more closely with Christ.

Bear wrongs patiently: Do not be bitter about wrongs done against you. Place your hope in God so that you can endure the troubles of this world and face them with a compassionate spirit.

Forgive offenses willingly: Forgiving others is difficult at times because we do not have God's limitless mercy and compassion. But Jesus teaches us that we should forgive as God forgives, relying on him to help us show others the mercy of God. Let go of grudges. Forgiveness transforms hearts and lives.

Comfort the afflicted: Be open to listening and comforting those who are dealing with grief. Even if we aren't sure of the right words to say, our presence can make a big difference. Lend a listening ear to those going through a tough time. A few moments of your day may make a lifetime of difference to someone who is going through a difficult time.

Pray for the living and the dead: Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God's care.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS A new choir season will be starting on Wednesday, September 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Education Center. We are looking for new members in all voice ranges. Those interested are welcome to come to a rehearsal to learn more. We are also in need of cantors to serve at our parish liturgies. Training is provided for anyone interested in becoming a cantor. To find out more about any of the opportunities to participate in the Music Ministry, please call Mary Kay Ferrance at (412)734-5955. All those involved in music ministry are required to comply with the "Protecting God's Children" Program.

RISEN LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Risen Lord calls us to rejoice as a united people in the Good News that God loves us and has saved us. Each of us, by virtue of our baptism, is challenged to carry God's love to all in our neighborhoods. Through our communal participation in the Word of God and the Eucharist, as a parish, we seek to empower our people to meet this challenge to proclaim the love and hope that is our Risen Lord.



Keeping the Faith

by Marilyn Ruffner

In today's Gospel, I think that Jesus is asking us to reflect on what is important. We must carefully think about what we put first in our lives. Jesus asks us to calculate the cost of following Him. Sometimes our own family will be against us, as well as friends and neighbors. Some like to pretend that what we decide to do is the right thing, even if it's not. We close our eyes to things we want to avoid, especially confrontation. All of us have different crosses to bear, but we know, none could be as difficult as the one Jesus carried for us. Jesus is asking us if we are strong enough to make the decisions needed. How well have we prepared our plan to be the best Christian we can be? Part of our plan should be daily prayer and seeking as much knowledge as possible about our faith.

Religious Education Calendar Events

September 18, 2016 - Catechetical Sunday
9:00 a.m. Mass at Incarnation of the Lord
11:00 a.m. Mass at Risen Lord

September 19, 2016
Parent meeting for all parents who have children in the Religious Education program, 6:30 - 7:30 in the evening at Risen Lord Education Center.

September 26, 2016
Youth Ministry activities for all children ages 10 to 17, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Risen Lord Education Center. *Please join us for food, fun, and faith.*

Christ Life

Our third session of Christ Life will meet at Incarnation of the Lord on Saturday, September 26, at 9:00 a.m. We will meet in Nativity Hall which is the second level under the church. There is a side door between the convent and the church to enter on the Vincetion Street side. There is street parking available. Light refreshments will be served. We have Discovered Christ, Followed Christ, and now we will be prepared to Share Christ. All are welcomed to attend. There will be eight sessions. We begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. Please join us.

Ladies, come to the **Magnificat Pittsburgh Prayer Breakfast** on October 1st from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Double-Tree by Hilton in Cranberry Township. Hear speaker Nikki Bruni tell her amazing story of finding God, her conversion to the Catholic faith, and finding her purpose in pro-life work. She is the director of Pittsburgh's 40 Days for Life and an artist who uses her abilities to glorify God. Cost of the breakfast is \$23. To register, call Pam at (412)461-8906 or call Kay at (724)772-6749 or go to www.magnificatpittsburgh.org. Registration deadline is September 23rd.

Peace begins with a smile.

- Mother Teresa

200 CLUB NEWS

The 200 Club held its luncheon on Sunday, August 21 at the Shannopin Country Club. The winners for the last five weekly drawings of \$100 were:

- Week 46 - Robert Lipkowski
- Week 47 - Jo Ann Niehaus
- Week 48 - Margaret Zamboni
- Week 49 - Patricia Illig
- Week 50 - Heather Samuel

The four \$500 winners were Doris Rutkowski, Arlene Retetagos, Ed Stockhausen, and Pat D'Amico. The 50/50 raffle winner of \$309 was Ray Kenneally.

Now is the time to join the 200 club for 2016-2017! Our goal is to have 200 members join by October 3 when the first number will be drawn. As of August 22, there are only 93 members. Don't let "Ticket Not Sold" win a lot of money this year. If interested, please fill out a flyer in the back of either church (Incarnation or Risen Lord) and drop it in the Sunday collection. For more information, call Gerry at (412)231-2139.

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** program (RCIA) will begin Tuesday, September 27th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Cyril of Alexandria Parish. Those who desire to become Catholic or may already be Catholic and wish to be prepared for First Communion and/or the Sacrament of Confirmation are most welcome to attend. In the RCIA, we pray and learn in a welcoming, relaxed atmosphere! Please contact Jean DiDonato at (412)734-0505 x3 to register.

Also at St. Cyril of Alexandria All are welcome to attend a devotional study on two topics - God's mercy and how to pray for our adult sons and daughters (or those belonging to folks we love). The study will include readings from *The Name of God Is Mercy* by Pope Francis and *Praying for Our Adult Sons and Daughters* by John and Therese Boucher. The study begins August 30th at 6:30 p.m. in Axmacher Hall below the church and will run for eleven sessions. There is no cost to attend. Please contact Rich Boyce at (206)371-6186 or Jean DiDonato at (412)734-0505 x3 to register or just show up!

NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC NEWS

Northside Catholic School was excited to begin school on August 24th for Kindergarten through eighth grade with close to 140 students! Look for updates from each of the classes as the teachers have the opportunity to meet and get to know their students in the next few weeks. For more information on our Christ centered school, give us a call at (412)761-5043 x3001.

Northside Catholic School is hosting a **SUPER BINGO** at Risen Lord Parish on September 11th. Tickets are \$25 for admission plus a 15 card sheet for each of the 20 regular games, three cards for each regular special, and one card for the jackpot game. Extra cards and specials sold separately. Regular game prizes are \$75, specials are \$100. Jackpot game prize of \$1000! Doors will open at 11:30 a.m., early bird games start at 1:15 p.m., regular games at 1:30 p.m. Concessions, door prizes, RAFFLES, 50/50, and extra games. Call (412)761-5043 for tickets. There are a limited number of tickets available. Order yours today and help support your local Catholic school!



Go Bear Fruit

Come Join us for prayer, a video, a small group discussion, fellowship, and light refreshments. This is our third session of Christ Life called Sharing Christ.

**Saturday mornings on September 24th,
October 1st, October 8th, October 15th.
October 22nd, October 29th, and
November 5th. Time 9:00-11:30am.**

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Questions? Call 412 931 2911 x 5

200 Club

What is it? An easy fundraiser that could raise as much as \$8,000.00.

200 members pay \$2.00 a week, for 50 weeks. This is a total of **\$100.00 each**. It can be paid all at once or in payments. (Please mark **"200 Club" and your name** on an envelope when making payments.)

Membership includes: A chance to win \$100.0 in a weekly drawing (50 weeks)

Prizes are drawn at the luncheon ---
4 prizes of \$500.00.

As a Thank You for joining The 200 Club you are invited to a free luncheon in August.

All of this for only \$2.00 a week. You will be helping the parish and having fun at the same time. We need 200 members for this club to be a success.

The drawings will begin the first week in October.

Please return this form to the Parish Office with payment marked "200 Club". Any questions? Call Gerry (412) 231-2139.

200 CLUB

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY / STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE # (____) _____