



# INCARNATION & RISEN LORD

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES



November 6, 2016

Thirty-Second 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

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Fr. David's Office Hours

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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.

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

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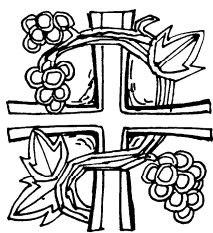
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# God is God of the Living

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**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 WELCOME OUR DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS to our parishes! They first join us for at Incarnation of the Lord for the 9:00 AM Mass and then at our 11:00 AM Mass at Risen Lord. It is always exciting to be a part of a positive influence in a young person's vocation journey...and people in the parish play an important role in helping to form future church leaders.

NOVEMBER IS THE TRADITIONAL MONTH the Church sets aside to recall all our deceased family members and friends. We celebrate their memory as we pray for the repose of their souls, now before the presence of God. On November 2, 2016 Incarnation of the Lord parish celebrated their parish's Mass of Remembrance. On Wednesday, November 9, 2016, Risen Lord parish will celebrate their Mass of Remembrance with Mass at 7:00 PM. Please join us in remembering all our deceased in this special way during November.

**PLEASE REMEMBER...YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED!!** *On Mission!* consultation meetings for the parishes of Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord are approaching...**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2016** for Incarnation at 7:00 PM in the church and **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2016 AT 7:00 PM** in the church. A joint meeting will take place on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2016 AT 7:00 PM AT RISEN LORD PARISH!** These meetings are very important to attend and Bishop Zubik is asking for your feedback at these meetings. Mark your calendars and be sure to be there!



**DEACON BOB'S CORNER**  
32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*God strengthens us and we live with him forever.*

**Breaking Open the Word:** 2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5  
**Listen to the Word:** As you hear Paul's words of comfort to the Thessalonians, what part of this reading was most welcome for you to hear? Which of Paul's words most affected you?

**Look into Your Life**

**Children:** God always stays with you, no matter what. What signs can you see to help you believe that?  
**Youth:** Death is a hard reality in our human life, but if we believe in the resurrection, we know it isn't the end of the journey. How does your belief in heaven affect the way you live?  
**Adults:** Having faith in difficult times is hard! What makes you believe in the promise that God will be your strength, as Paul says?

**MASSSES for the WEEK**

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- Saturday (11/5) Weekday**  
4:00 PM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish  
4:00 PM RL - Jeffrey Oldaker (Parents, Jim & Eileen)
- Sunday (11/6) Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 AM INC - Mary Catherine Sajko (Family)  
11:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish
- Monday (11/7) Weekday**  
8:00 AM RL - Leona Potoski (James & Annette Boyle)
- Tuesday (11/8) Weekday**  
8:00 AM INC - John Dax, Jr. (Dax & Turack Families)
- Wednesday (11/9) Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**  
8:00 AM RL - Eileen Oldaker (Patty Swetoha)  
7:00 PM RL - Mass of Remembrance
- Thursday (11/10) St. Leo the Great, Pope**  
8:00 AM INC - Sr. Mary Conrad Rufer (Marcy & Cathy Sayut)
- Friday (11/11) St. Martin of Tours**  
8:00 AM RL - Zoran Pintauer (Pintauer Family)
- Saturday (11/12) St. Josaphat**  
4:00 PM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish  
4:00 PM RL - Grace Puskar (Janet Carmody, daughter)
- Sunday (11/13) Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 AM INC - Rosemary Mihm (Kat McCowan)  
11:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

**JOIN US FOR ADORATION**

Every Sunday at Incarnation of the Lord  
from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.



*Spend some extra time with the Lord.*

**WHY DO WE HAVE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?**

As Catholics, we believe in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. At the Last Supper, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body" (Matthew 26:26). In truth, Jesus is present in the consecrated bread, just as real as Jesus was present at the Last Supper. This is a mystery to us. As human beings, with our limited understanding, we cannot easily comprehend this. However, we believe that God who created such a beautiful complex world, performed miracles such as parting the Red Sea, changed water into wine, and raised Lazarus from the dead can also change bread into the Body of Jesus and wine into his Blood. The consecrated host and wine tastes like bread and tastes like wine; but we profess, confess, and believe it is Jesus' true Body and Blood. (Transubstantiation: the appearance remain but the substance has changed) We recognize Jesus in the Eucharist through the eyes of faith and with our heart.

**PRAYER BEFORE AN ELECTION** Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community. We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

# 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:

Kelly Finnegan, 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.



## 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

**SAVE THE DATE - PARISH MEN'S RETREAT** The 2017 Incarnation of the Lord Parish Men's retreat will take place January 27-29, 2017 at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery. For more information please contact George Linkhauer by phone at (412)952-4127 or Jeff Kammersell at (412)931-4839. If you already know that you want to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, please call the Retreat Center directly by phone at (412)381-7676.

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** on Tuesday, November 8th due to Election Day. Remember to vote!

### MINISTERS - NOVEMBER 12 & 13, 2016

#### LECTORS

4:00 - D. Gottron                      9:00 - J. Kammersell

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 - Deacon Bob, D. Miller

9:00 - J. & R. Zito, E. Burke

#### ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 - A. Evans

9:00 - G. Linkhauer

# Weekly Collections

## Weekend of October 29 & 30, 2016

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00

Offering Collected - \$ 3,081.00

Deficit - \$ 2,819.00

## Income Report for October 2016

Offering Goal (Five Sundays) - \$	29,500.00
Offering Collected (Five Sundays) - \$	14,721.00
Bequests, Donations, and Rebates - \$	4,750.00
Funerals - \$	200.00
Fundraising (Pancake Breakfast) - \$	606.00
Monthly Deficit - \$	9,223.00

## Parish Share Report

Assessment for 2016 - \$ 55,084.00

Received through October 2016 - \$ 30,478.17

Balance Due - \$ 24,605.83

## Incarnation Social Ministry Calendar

**Thanksgiving Food Drive** - Starts November 1  
Benefits North Hills Community Outreach-Bellevue.

**Giving Tree** - Starts November 26 & 27

The recipient will be Light of Life.

Check the bulletin board for the suggested gift list. Volunteers are needed to make gift tags, carry gifts to the lower level, sort gifts, and deliver to Light of Life.

*Please call the Social Ministry Office if you can help volunteer with this project.*

*Be sure to check the bulletin board for more information about the Thanksgiving Food Drive and Giving Tree.*

## Incarnation Fundraising

**Betsy Ann Christmas Candy** Orders and payments are due this weekend. Contact Linda Coulehan at (412)931-3692 if you forgot your order. Sunday, November 6th is the final day to place an order. Thanks for your continued support!



**We need your recipes!** Plans are in the works for our very first Incarnation Parish cookbook! We are continuing to collect recipes for appetizers, sides, main dishes and desserts. Please share your favorite recipes with us and e-mail them to [incarnation.recipes@gmail.com](mailto:incarnation.recipes@gmail.com). And be sure to include your full name with your recipe submissions. Recipes will be collected through the end of November. Thank you!

## INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Christ became human, and we take up His ministry of love, service, and compassion as an expression of our faith in the Word Incarnate.

## RISEN LORD PARISH NEWS

### AS A PARISH WE LIFT IN PRAYER...

**...Those requesting prayer**

For the Healing and Well-Being of All  
 For Agnes Sterbenac, Marie McConnell Scotty,  
 Debra Butler, and Anonymous

**...Those who have gone before us in faith**

*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 the

**Schreiber Family**  
 from Robert Schreiber.

### Mass of Remembrance

For many years, we have been celebrating a Mass of Remembrance for all our deceased parishioners, particularly those who have died since our last celebration of this event. This year we will include your loved one at a special Mass, which will be held at Risen Lord Church on Wednesday, November 9th at 7:00 PM.



### WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Tuesday, November 8**

Volleyball - 7:00 PM - Education Center Gym

**Thursday, November 10**

59'ers - 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM - Education Center

**Saturday, November 12**

Damascus Diner - 7:30 to 10:00 AM - Education Center

The 2017 yearly schedule request forms are now available at the entrances of the church. If you head any group or activity, you will need to fill one out and return it to the office, or place in the collection basket, by **November 15th** to be placed on the master calendar of events. Thank you!

The Catholic Daughters of America would like to thank all of those who baked, helped, and bought items at the bake sale. As always, it was a success!

### Minister Schedule - November 12 & 13, 2016

**Eucharistic Ministers**

4:00 PM - \*J. Kantenwein, N. Markovich  
 11:00 AM - \*C. & M.A. Knoer, C. Crummie

**Lectors**

4:00 PM - B. Glassbrenner      11:00 AM - M. Milsop

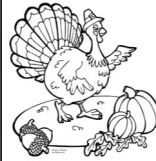
### Stewardship - Weekend of October 23 & 24, 2016

Budgeted Amount - \$5,124.00	
Collection (118 Envelopes + \$113.00 Loose)	\$1,766.00
PSP - Blue (8 Envelopes)	<u>\$236.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,034.00</b>
Debt Reduction (5 Env.)	\$48.00
Maintenance & Utilities (13 Env.)	\$160.00
World Missions (41 Env. + \$71.00 Loose)	\$682.00

**The Night at the Races made \$4808.96.** Thank you to all who attended and all who volunteered! It was a fun night!



### DON'T BE A TURKEY AND MISS THE **SUPER TURKEY BINGO**



Risen Lord Gym - Sunday November 13, 2016  
 Doors open - 11:00 AM  
 Early Birds - 12:30 PM    Regular Games - 12:45 PM

**For a \$25 Donation you get fifteen cards for:**  
 20 Regular Games (\$100 Prize for each Game)  
 plus 4 Specials (\$200 Prize for each Special).  
*A turkey is given away after each Regular Game!*

Additional packs of six cards are available for \$5.  
*The first fifteen cards must be purchased.*

Early Birds sold separately (\$25 Prize for each Game).

Extra Special cards can be purchased for \$1 for three cards.

**TWO \$500 Jackpots & Half the Take Lightning Special**  
**ALL SOLD SEPARATELY!**

**ALSO AVAILABLE**

Chinese Auction  
*including a Vera Bradley Purse*  
 Door Prizes  
 50/50 Raffle  
 Instant Bingo

**DAUBER DELI**

Lunch Specials  
 Hot Dogs  
 Fries & More  
 Homemade Desserts

Call (412)761-1507 for Tickets.

Tickets will also be available

at the church doors before and after Masses.

Advanced tickets must be purchased on or before

Thursday, November 10, 2016

Tickets will be available at the door the day of event  
 but limited due to advanced sales.

**CALLING ALL BAKERS - WE NEED YOU!!!** We have some really good bakers in our parish. We need you to share your goodies with us for the bake sale for the Super Bingo on Sunday, November 13th. The Ladies of Charity will be assisting with this sale. Please bring your yummy baked goods to the Education Center on November 13th. If you need items picked up, please call Mary Ann at (412)931-1935. Thanks for all you do for our parish and the Ladies of Charity.

### 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

Some Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection. As usual in today's Gospel they were always asking questions that they thought would trick Jesus. Traditionally, if a husband died leaving no children, his brother would marry the wife and raise up children for his brother. In the story it happened that all of the dead man's brothers, eventually married the wife in turn, died, and then finally the wife died. The question was, "whose wife would she be in the resurrection?" Jesus answered that they would all be alive in the resurrection. They would neither marry nor die. God is a God of the living, not the dead. I was widowed at 39 and remarried a widower at 41. This exact question came up between the two of us. Each of us knew the other's previous mate. We wondered who we would be married to in heaven. Of course, we laughed and said in heaven it would not matter. Our happiness would not be of this world. The happiness would be being with God in heaven. Nothing will matter except being in the presence of God.

### Heaven? Hell? What Happened to Purgatory? What happened to Limbo? The Last Judgement?

Deacon Bob will answer our questions November 10, 2016 at Incarnation in the Library (same floor as office). Join us for a lively discussion. We will begin at 7:00 PM and end at 8:00 PM. **Everyone is welcome.** Bring a friend. Light refreshments will be served. Call me at (412)931-2911 x5 to register, so I can judge what refreshments are needed.

### Youth Ministry - Family Night

On Monday, November 28th, families and youth in grades five to twelve are invited to a Bowling Tournament at the Risen Lord Education Center starting at 6:30 PM. Come join in the fun!

6:30-6:45	Open gym and gathering time
7:10-7:30	Pizza and snacks
7:10-8:10	Parent and youth bowling tournament
8:10-8:15	Conclusion

**PIEROGIE FEST** will take place at St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church (3455 California Ave.) on Saturday, November 12th from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM. There will be seven varieties: potato & cheese, sauerkraut, half & half, loaded potato, jalapeno, farmer's cheese, and lekvar (prune plum), plus three kinds of soup: borscht, chicken noodle, and mushroom barley. PLUS baked goods. For more information on this event, please call the parish office at (412)766-8801.

The Mass Books for Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord for 2017 are now open! Call or stop by the respective church office to schedule your masses.

## 200 CLUB

Week 4 - Ticket 090 - *Pollyanna Kennedy* - \$100

We have 149 members, as of October 24, 2016.

You could see your name here as winner!

Call Gerry at (412)231-2139 to join.

**Patriotic Rosary at Assumption Church in Bellevue** Please join us the evening before the election, November 7 at 6:30 to pray the Patriotic Rosary. We as a people, but especially as Catholics, have a lot at stake with this election. Running to Jesus through His Mother Mary is our best hope for our future. Remember "Nothing is Impossible with God!" Any questions, please call Linda at (412)443-5841 or the parish office at (412)766-6660.

### PLEASE DON'T FORGET ABOUT

## *The On Mission for the Church Alive!* Parish Consultation Meetings

These meetings will present **important information** on the future of our parishes within the Diocese of Pittsburgh. **Your attendance is strongly encouraged!** Meetings for Incarnation and Risen Lord are on the following dates:

Incarnation of the Lord - Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Risen Lord - Thursday, November 17, 2016

A joint meeting for both parishes

Monday, November 21, 2016 at Risen Lord

All meetings will be from 7:00 - 9:00 PM and will be in the church. Once all of these meetings are finished, the information presented will be available online at

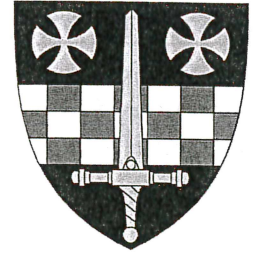
[OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://OnMissionChurchAlive.org)



**NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC NEWS** The hard working eighth grade at Northside Catholic School has been quite busy since the start of the school year. Their spelling participation has been exceptional and, unlike most American students, they not only spell the words correctly but they also understand the meanings of those words. History class has seen us cover the Abolitionists and Early Women's Rights Movements and we are now going over all of the issues that will lead to the Civil War. As good as those classes have been, Reading class has been the best. After covering the "Elements of Literature," we read and discussed several short stories. Now we are onto our first novel, *Flowers for Algernon*, which will then be followed by the Academy Award winning film and award winning discussion! Feel free to stop by room 204 to check on the progress of this group of students as you check out Northside Catholic School for your child. Give us a call to schedule a tour at (412)761-5043 x3001.

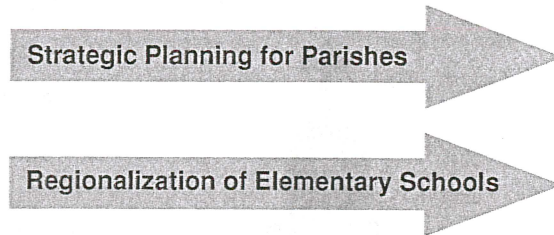
# CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS REGIONALIZATION

## IN THE NORTH HILLS OF PITTSBURGH



The Catholic Elementary Schools Regionalization process is part of the overall On Mission for The Church Alive! initiative. Together with the strategic planning for parishes, the goal of both is to grow the Church through the salvation of souls.

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**THE  
CHURCH  
ALIVE!**



### WHY ARE CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IMPORTANT?

- Catholic schools form both the minds and hearts of the young people they serve.
- Academic formation prepares students to meet the demands of higher education.
- Spiritual formation encourages students to live virtuous lives and strengthens them in a daily relationship with Jesus.
- Catholic schools also support a family life rooted in faith.
- The goal of Catholic schools is to do everything possible to set their students firmly on the path to heaven.

### WHY REGIONALIZE THE CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE NORTH HILLS?

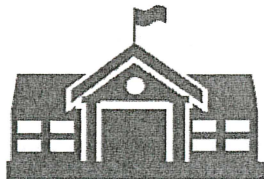
- Student populations at a number of Catholic elementary schools in the North Hills region have declined significantly.
- This has strained budgets, leading to tuition increases and the closing of some schools.
- Several North Hills pastors have asked Bishop Zubik for assistance in developing a sustainable model for schools
- The result of regionalization will allow the schools to more effectively fulfill their mission and grow the Church.

### WHAT WILL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS REGIONALIZATION LOOK LIKE?

- Regionalization involves two complementary components: a new regional administrative structure **AND** new models for existing schools.

#### 1. NEW REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

- No school will be the ministry of just one parish or a few parishes. Instead, each school will be a ministry of and supported by every parish in that region.
- While each school will have a principal, a regional administrator will oversee operations



- Benefits include:
  - Comprehensive and uniform instructional programs
  - Strengthened Catholic identity and mission
  - Stabilized enrollment and tuition costs
  - Collaboration in fundraising, technology, athletics, etc.
  - More effective use of resources, including facilities

#### 2. NEW MODELS FOR EXISTING SCHOOLS

- Through regionalization, no school will belong to just one parish.
- While some schools will see little change, others will undergo various kinds of reconfiguration to address declining enrollment and increased tuition
- Task forces consisting of the pastors of parishes with existing schools and other members of those communities will design the models for the following school groupings:

**TASK FORCE GROUP 1**  
Saint Alexis School  
Saint Alphonsus School

**TASK FORCE GROUP 2**  
Saint Bonaventure School  
Saint Mary of the Assumption School  
Saint Ursula School

**TASK FORCE GROUP 3**  
Assumption School  
Northside Catholic School

**TASK FORCE GROUP 4**  
Saint Sebastian School  
Saint Teresa of Avila School

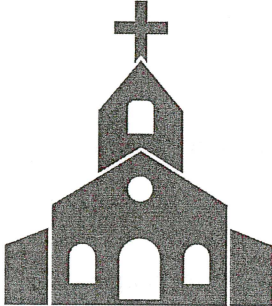
*\*While part of the regionalization process, Christ the Divine Teacher Academy and Saint James School are not part of a Task Force Group.*

## PLANNING TO DATE

1. The diocese and parishes are forming a non-profit corporation, North Hills Regional Catholic Elementary Schools, Inc., for the purpose of operating and administering Catholic school programs from preschool through eighth grade.
2. The diocesan Schools Office, principals and union officials have met with teachers to review plans and receive their feedback
3. Pastors of parishes with schools in the North Hills have held meetings with their parish pastoral councils and finance councils.

### PARISHES IN THE NORTH HILLS REGION FOR CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

*An asterisk (\*) denotes a parish with a parish school or a parish that supports a previously merged school.*

All Saints, Etna		Saint John XXIII, North Side
Assumption, Bellevue*		Saint Joseph, O'Hara Township*
Good Samaritan, Ambridge		Saint Juan Diego, Sharpsburg*
Holy Spirit, Millvale		Saint Mary, Aleppo
Holy Wisdom, North Side/Spring Hill*		Saint Mary of the Assumption, Glenshaw*
Incarnation of the Lord, North Side*		Saint Nicholas, Millvale
Most Holy Name of Jesus, Troy Hill*		Saint Peter, North Side*
Risen Lord, Marshall-Shadeland*	Saint Bonaventure, Glenshaw*	Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, Blawnox/Harmar*
Sacred Heart, Emsworth	Saint Catherine of Sweden, Wildwood	Saint Richard, Richland Township
Saint Alexis, Wexford*	Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Brighton Heights*	Saint Sebastian, Ross Township*
Saint Aloysius, Reserve Township*	Saint James, Sewickley*	Saint Scholastica, Aspinwall*
Saint Alphonsus, Wexford*	Saints John and Paul, Franklin Park	Saint Teresa of Avila, Perrysville*
Saint Athanasius, West View	Saint John Neumann, Franklin Park	Saint Ursula, Allison Park*

## NEXT STEPS

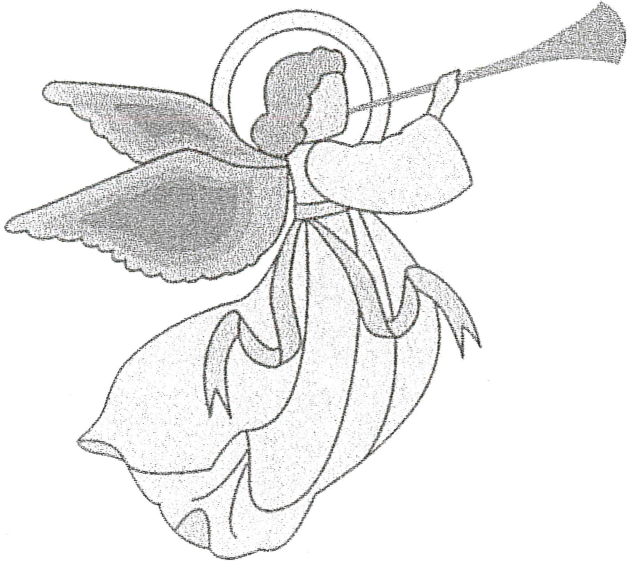
1. Task forces will be formed for the four school groups in the region to create proposed models. The pastors of the parishes in each group will appoint the task force members. These task forces will meet beginning the week of **October 31, 2016**.
2. The models will be presented to parents of parish school students through an online feedback survey beginning **November 17, 2016**.
3. Task forces will again meet to review the survey results and parent feedback and present present proposals to pastors by **December 2, 2016**.
4. Parent meetings will be held the week of **December 5, 2016** for each task force group to share the final proposals.
5. Final proposals will then be sent to the Schools office and be presented to Bishop Zubik before the end of the year.

More information will be shared as plans continue to develop. Thank you for your prayers for our schools and for our young people.

**The Catholic Elementary Schools Regionalization process will eventually take place throughout the Diocese of Pittsburgh as part of the overall On Mission for The Church Alive! initiative.**

**Incarnation's Women's Guild**

Invites all women of the parish to join them at their annual  
Christmas Party on Sunday, December 4 at Shannopin Country Club



The doors open at 11:30 am and lunch will be served at 12 noon. The cost per person is \$26.00.

Menu

Crisp Salmon

Or

Fall Harvest Chicken Roulade

Meal includes: Cream of Wild Mushroom soup  
Green Beans Almandine  
Rice Pilaf  
Rolls and Butter  
Coffee, Tea or Ice Tea  
Apple Tart

DEADLINE - NOVEMBER 27, 2016

Return the attached form with your choice of Crisp Salmon or Fall Harvest Chicken Roulade. Make your check payable to Incarnation's Women's Guild. Your reservation can be put in the church collection basket and marked Guild Christmas Party or mail to:

Linda Coulehan  
22 York Dr.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15214

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Crisp Salmon \_\_\_\_\_ Fall Harvest Chicken Roulade \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please sit me with (name the person/s you wish to sit with) \_\_\_\_\_

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!



# Serving those who Serve



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) approved a special triennial collection for the AMS in November 2012. The first National Collection for the AMS was timed to coincide with Veterans Day November 2013 and raised more than \$8,239,000. The second National Collection for the AMS will be taken in dioceses and parishes across the country in 2016, for most at Masses the weekend of 5-6 November, or as otherwise determined by an individual diocese or parish.

The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS) was established by Saint John Paul II in 1985 to provide the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries to those in the United States Armed Forces. The mission of the Archdiocese is to "serve those who serve" by providing the same pastoral care and services as any other Catholic diocese to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs' Medical Centers in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Guam, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and the families of these populations. Programs and services vital to the unique mission and ministry of the Archdiocese include *Vocations, Evangelization and Catechesis, Sacramental Records, Tribunal, and Veterans Affairs*.

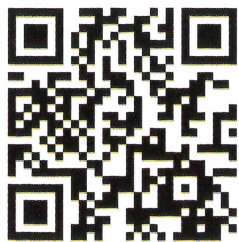
The AMS Office of Vocations informs and supports men exploring a priestly vocation and provides opportunities for vocation awareness and discernment with a focus on the military chaplaincy. The AMS Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program is a partnership with local dioceses and religious communities around the country. Currently, the AMS partners with 23 dioceses across the U.S. with 28 co-sponsored seminarians studying in 16 seminaries. As many as 20 additional candidates are in-processing for 2016 and, since the fall 2014, 113 candidates have been on one or more of the AMS discernment retreats and expressed interest in the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program and military chaplaincy. Once a seminarian is in the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program, the AMS covers half of the costs to his home diocese for priestly formation.

In 2016, three priestly ordinations and one transitional diaconate ordination are expected. Twelve priests are currently serving as priests in their home dioceses before they will begin ministry as active duty military chaplains. In 2015, three new co-sponsored priests joined a branch of the military. The Nation and the Church continue to depend on this generation of future priests to relieve a chronic shortage of Catholic chaplains in the military. At the same time AMS vocations programs have surfaced numerous other vocations to the priesthood and religious life who do not intend to serve as chaplains!

The AMS receives no funding from the military or the government in support of the aforementioned programs and relies solely on private donors. The AMS annual operating budget is over \$6.8 million, which includes the cost of maintaining an archive of more than 3 million sacramental records, a tribunal to adjudicate marriage annulments and other issues of canon law, and a religious education and faith-formation program. Additionally, the AMS average annual share of expenses for the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program is more than \$2.8 million over the next five years. The AMS average annual cost per seminarian is \$18,000.

While the Government is reducing the size of the Armed Forces, the world situation, as we have repeatedly and dramatically witnessed both at home and abroad, continues to make the need for a strong military more evident. It is imperative that the Catholic faithful who defend our religious freedom do not have to sacrifice theirs.

To learn more about the mission and ministry of the AMS, please visit [www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.com](http://www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.com).



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