



# INCARNATION & RISEN LORD

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES



February 5, 2017

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH

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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekend:** Saturday - 4:00 PM & Sunday - 9:00 AM

**Weekday:** Tuesday & Thursday - 8:00 AM

### STAFF

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Fr. David's Office Hours

TUES: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM & THURS: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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### NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

TUESDAY: 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

WEDNESDAY: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

THURSDAY: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

FRIDAY: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekend:** Saturday - 4:00 PM & Sunday - 11:00 AM

**Weekday:** Monday, Wednesday, & Friday - 8:00 AM

### STAFF

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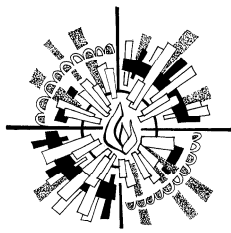
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**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass or by appointment.

**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.

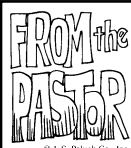
**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC:** Those wishing to share in the sacramental life of the Church are invited to contact the Parish Office. This specifically applies to those wishing to be baptized, who have not previously shared in the Eucharist, who have not sought to share the sacrament of Confirmation, 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.

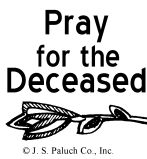
**SPONSOR LETTERS:** Only active and registered members will be issued a Sponsor Letter. The Sponsor should contact the Parish Office at least one week prior to the date needed.

**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.



AS WE HAVE ALL BECOME AWARE, Father Raymond's father, Mr. Raymond Enya, died on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 in Nigeria. Father Raymond will not be going home for the funeral. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Monday, February 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM in Risen Lord Parish church. A reception will follow the conclusion of the Mass in Risen Lord Church AND Father Raymond will welcome all to the Education Center as well. Let us pray for the repose of Mr. Enya's soul. May he rest in peace.



THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT will be upon us shortly. ASH WEDNESDAY (March 1, 2017) the beginning of the holy season of Lent, places us in a particularly helpful situation as we meet the spiritual growth challenges in our relationship with the Lord. May the forty days of Lent bring us great Joy!

THE ONLY KNOWN CURE FOR FEAR IS FAITH.  
- Lena K. Sadler

AN OUNCE OF PRACTICE  
IS WORTH A POUND OF PREACHING.  
- John Ray



**DEACON BOB'S CORNER**  
*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**A Reflection: Where Do Vocations Begin?**

Homes nurture vocations whether we are talking vocations to priesthood, religious profession, the single life, or marriage. Our Catholic homes need to be places of prayer. Children are keen observers and imitators of adult behavior, so they need to see us, parents praying, and they need to know that prayer is an essential part of their lives too. Prayer assists us in discerning the appropriate choices for our lives.

When we pray, we are making a choice about what kind of relationship we want with our Lord. If we want the Lord to be close to us in our daily life, then our prayer must be consistent, daily, and personal. If we want the Lord to be present in our homes and part of our family lives, then prayer must be part of the fiber of our family activity.

If we allow our children to grow up in homes where decisions are made based on discerning the Lord's will through prayer, then when the time comes for them to discern what they are to do with their lives, they will have learned to make that decision based on what is God's will for their life through prayer.

The Domestic Church is the foundation for any vocation. We have to make our homes places of prayer and discernment if we hope to have solid candidates for priesthood, religious profession, marriage, or the single life.



**Saturday (2/4) Weekday**

4:00 PM INC - Bernard Garvey (Family)  
4:00 PM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

**Sunday (2/5) Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish  
11:00 AM RL - William & Elizabeth Keenan (Family)

**Monday (2/6) St. Paul Miki & Companions**

8:00 AM RL - Lee Ann Nauman (Mother)

**Tuesday (2/7) Weekday**

8:00 AM INC - Dorothy Kardell (Dee Greene)

**Wednesday (2/8) Weekday**

8:00 AM RL - Lee Ann Nauman (Mother)

**Thursday (2/9) Weekday**

8:00 AM INC - Dorothy Kardell (Sr. Carol Kardell)

**Friday (2/10) St. Scholastica**

8:00 AM RL - Edward Schreiber (Robert Schreiber)

**Saturday (2/11) Weekday**

4:00 PM INC - Charles Reljac (Family)  
4:00 PM RL - Evelyn Pettinato (Mary Byrnes)

**Sunday (2/12) Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish  
11:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

**Adoration at Incarnation of the Lord Church**



Every Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.  
The Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
and the Rosary starts at 3:00 PM.

*Spend some extra time with the Lord in 2017!*

**OFFICE HOURS HAVE CHANGED**

Office hours for both Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord are being altered to better meet the needs of the parishes. The new office hours listed below will be effective Monday, February 6, 2017.

**INCARNATION OF THE LORD**

Monday . . . 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM  
Tuesday . . . 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM  
Wednesday . 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Thursday . . 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM  
Friday . . . 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**RISEN LORD**

Monday . . 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Tuesday . . . 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Wednesday . 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM  
Thursday . . 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Friday . . . . 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

## 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:

Dolores Vazzana, Ray Kenneally, 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



Pray for the repose of the soul of  
**Mathilda Zinno**  
who was buried from our church.  
*May her soul and all the souls of the  
faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.*

## Weekly Collections

Weekend of January 28 & 29, 2017

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00

Offering Collected - \$ 2,765.00

Deficit - \$ 3,135.00

**SAVE THE DATE - PARISH MEN'S RETREAT** The 2017 Incarnation of the Lord Parish Men's retreat will take place January 27 to 29, 2017 at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery. For more information please contact George Linkhauer 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.

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly):** Need help losing weight? Looking for the "right" group for help? Look no further, TOPS is in your neighborhood. We offer great support and friendship. TOPS meets Monday evenings at Incarnation Church. Weigh-in is at 6:15 PM, followed by a meeting at 6:30 PM. Call Darren at (412)877-7761 for more information.

**WANTED: DIVORCED & SEPARATED:** "Wednesday New Beginnings" divorce and separated group, 7:00 p.m. on the first of each month for discussion and support. If you are interested in attending, call Marcy Robertson, (412)732-9439.

### MINISTERS - FEBRUARY 11 & 12, 2017

#### LECTORS

4:00 PM - D. Gottron                      9:00 AM - A. Booz

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 PM - K. Verbanets  
9:00 AM - P. Wilson, J. & R. Zito

#### ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 PM - M.L. Bassett                      9:00 AM - G. Linkhauer

### 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.



**DO YOU REMEMBER YOUR BAPTISM?** From its earliest days, the Church has seen Lent as a time to remember our baptism. On that day each of us became a member of the **Body of Christ**. St. Paul reminds us that in baptism we share a common bond with all other Christians. In 1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 25 he writes, "As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit...there should be no division in the body but...its parts should have equal concern for each other." The forty days of Lent are a time to **remember our baptism** and consider the meaning of our lives and how together we can better follow Jesus as members of His Body.

This Lent, as we continue to journey *On Mission for the Church Alive!* all Catholics are invited to "**Back to the Font,**" a Morning of Reflection that includes presentation, prayer, and discussion. Sessions will be held on Saturday, March 4 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the following locations near the North Side: St. Alphonsus, Wexford; St. Bonaventure, Glenshaw; St. Paul Seminary, Crafton. Visit [OnMissionChurchAlive.org](http://OnMissionChurchAlive.org) or call (412)456-3180 for other locations, more information, or to register.

## 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

**Alice Karlik**  
 from her family.

### 2017 Sanctuary Candle

We are taking requests for the Sanctuary Candle for 2017. The candle may be lit in remembrance of a deceased member of your family, and not for any other reason. The donation for the candle is \$10 and lasts for one week from Saturday to Friday. **There are many weeks still open waiting to be filled.** Intentions can be made in person or by calling the Parish Office during regular office hours or by filling out the form below and returning it in the offertory collection.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Minister Schedule - February 11 & 12, 2017

**Eucharistic Ministers**

4:00 PM - J. Kantenwein, M. Glassbrenner  
 11:00 AM - C. & M.A. Knoer

**Lectors**

4:00 PM - C. Kuziel                      11:00 AM - J. Glassbrenner

### **Stewardship - Weekend of January 21 & 22, 2017**

Budgeted Amount - \$5,124.00

Collection (123 Envelopes + \$216.16 Loose)	\$1,861.16
PSP - Blue (6 Envelopes)	<u>\$26.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,887.16</b>
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Debt Reduction (4 Env.)	\$36.00
Maintenance & Utilities (5 Env.)	\$61.00
Social Ministry Outreach (34 Env.)	\$343.00
St. Anthony School (5 Env.)	\$31.00
Christmas Offering (1 Env.)	\$10.00
Children's Christmas Offering (1 Env.)	\$30.00
Solemnity of Mary (3 Env.)	\$25.00

### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Wednesday, February 8**

Catholic Daughters of America Meeting  
 1:00 PM - Education Center  
 Choir Practice - 7:30 PM - Education Center

**Saturday, February 11**

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

### **The Risen Lord & St. Cyril's Men's Retreat St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center**

**February 24 to 26, 2017**

Dear Brothers in Christ - Peace in this New Year!!  
 The theme for our Retreat this year is:

***"Make known to me your ways Lord"***

Retreats teach us ways to find inner peace and to appreciate life for what it is. God is always speaking to us. Do we hear Him?

Reserve Early! Special dieting or lodging needs will be met as much as possible. We will be ride sharing to conserve parking and fuel. Please make your reservations by calling the Retreat Center directly at (412)381-7676 or call Tom Glassbrenner at (412)761-5185.

Rest at your leisure while on retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center!

### **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.

**THE CHOSEN REMNANT** Zephaniah is one of the least-known of the Old Testament prophets. He speaks in today's first reading of impending judgment. But the Lord will leave a "remnant" in Israel. This image of a remnant, or remainder, was to become vital to both Judaism and Christianity.

Paul's letter to Corinth makes obvious his deep concern for the Christians there. They are too self-confident, he says, too sure of themselves. He admonishes them to remember that Christ has given them all they have.

Today's Gospel comprises the opening of Jesus' "Great Sermon." As God gave Moses the law on Sinai, so now Jesus gathers his disciples on a hillside to teach them the new law. Each of these Beatitudes contrasts the humiliation of the present with the glory of the future: poverty vs. the riches of God's kingdom, hunger for holiness vs. fulfillment in the Spirit, persecution vs. the reign of God. Jesus is here speaking to God's chosen "remnant."



# Keeping the Faith

by Marilyn Ruffner

Today's Gospel talks about salt and light. I can really relate to the use of salt. I am one that salts before I taste my food. Salt has been important as a spice for over two thousand years. Humans, as well as all life, need salt to survive. It was used as a form of currency because it was hard to obtain. Jesus was comparing the apostles to salt to tell them they were essential for His plan. The disciples, as are we, are called to preserve society and the world around them, from moral decay. Someone who is a good person is described as the "salt of the earth." This means that the person is dependable and able to guide you in the right direction. They will be there for you. Jesus is always there for us. As Catholic Christians, we need to be the salt of the earth for others and need to be useful to the end of our time. We can bring out the best in others by speaking out against injustices that we see. Sometimes it's as simple as standing up for others when there is an injustice.

When thinking of light I am reminded of the song "Go Light Your World" by Kathy Troccoli. Sr. Donna at Martina Spiritual Center uses this song with the eighth grade students at their Confirmation retreat. The retreat was on Monday, January 16, 2017. The first verse of the song says, "There is a candle in every soul, some burning brightly, some dark and cold. There is a Spirit who brings fire, ignites a candle and makes His home." The refrain says what we need to do with our light. Carry your candle, run to the darkness, seek out the hopeless, confused, and torn. Hold out your candle for all to see. Take your candle and go light the world. This week we should all carry our candle to any darkness we see. Light the world!

### Confirmation

Confirmation for the parishes of St Aloysius, St. Cyril, Holy Spirit, Incarnation, Most Holy Name, St. Nicholas, St Peter, and Risen Lord is Tuesday, February 21, 2017. Bishop Zubik is the confirming bishop. All will be confirmed at Holy Wisdom Parish. Please keep the forty-eight candidates in your prayers.

### Upcoming Event

**Tour and short prayer service at St Anthony Chapel on Troy Hill, February 23rd at 6:30 PM.** All Parishioners from St Cyril, Incarnation, and Risen Lord are invited. Sign up sheets are in each church or call me at (412)931-2911 x5 or (412)761-1507 x5 to register or with any questions.

**THE ANNUAL WHITE MASS** Join Bishop David Zubik in honoring all Health Care Professionals at the annual White Mass, 12:00 Noon on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at Saint Paul Cathedral. A reception will be held afterward featuring local Catholic author Mike Aquilina speaking about the healing imperative: the rise of Christianity and the invention of medicine. All are welcome to attend. More information can be found at [www.cathmedpittsburgh.org](http://www.cathmedpittsburgh.org).

## 200 CLUB

Week 17 - Ticket 065 - *Doris Rutkowski* - \$100

**Aquinas Academy** invites your family to a High School Open House on Saturday, February 11 from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. The open house schedule includes campus tours, a presentation by Head of School, Mrs. Leslie Mitros, and opportunities to meet parents, students, and teachers while enjoying a light reception. Aquinas Academy is offering scholarships that can be worth up to \$4,000 for next year's ninth grade students; resulting in tuition under \$7,000. For more details about the open house or the scholarship opportunities contact Mr. Juan Mata, Director of Admissions, by phone (724) 444-0722x15, or by e-mail at [mata@aquinas.pvt.k12.pa.us](mailto:mata@aquinas.pvt.k12.pa.us), or visit [www.AquinasAcademy.info](http://www.AquinasAcademy.info).

**Want More for your Marriage?** A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend offers couples a chance to get away from distractions and reconnect with each other and their relationship. It's a chance to make a good marriage GREAT! You will work on ways to communicate better with each other and grow in ways you never knew possible. The next weekend is March 24-26 in the Pittsburgh Area. To register or for more information, please visit [www.yourmarriageisworthit.org](http://www.yourmarriageisworthit.org).



**NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC NEWS** The Sixth Grade has made an easy transition into the second semester of the school year. For Reading class they built models of the *Seahawk*, the tall ship in their current classroom novel. In Science class they are studying the solar system, and each student designed a travel brochure to advertise a planet. The ships and brochures have been on display for Catholic Schools Week and for the Open House on February 9th. All sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students are participating in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas essay contest using the theme "Helping the Needy Where I Live" or "Whatever You Do for the Least of My Brethren, You do for Me."

Congratulations to the following students! They were notified that their poems were chosen to appear in the April 2017 edition of *The Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans*.

**Sixth Grade:** Brandon Brown, Carley Clarke, Patrick Connell, Aidan Donnelly, Hannah Paras, and Paige Lang-Perdue

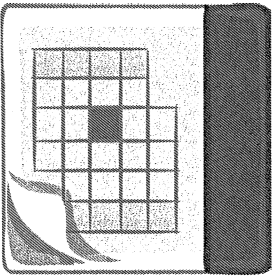
**Seventh Grade:** Lovie Blackman, Braedan Chesney, Austin Felsing, and Alex Williams

**Eighth Grade:** Makaylah Ballard, Richie Felsing, Kevin Nalls, Jacob Saitta, Charlie Serena, Nevaeh Thornton, and Jack Troy

Come and see all that we have to offer at Northside Catholic School. Our Open House is Thursday, February 9th from 12:30-2:00 PM and 6:00-7:30 PM, or for more information contact us at (412)761-5043.

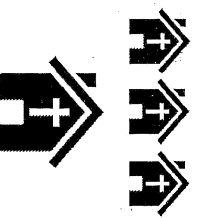
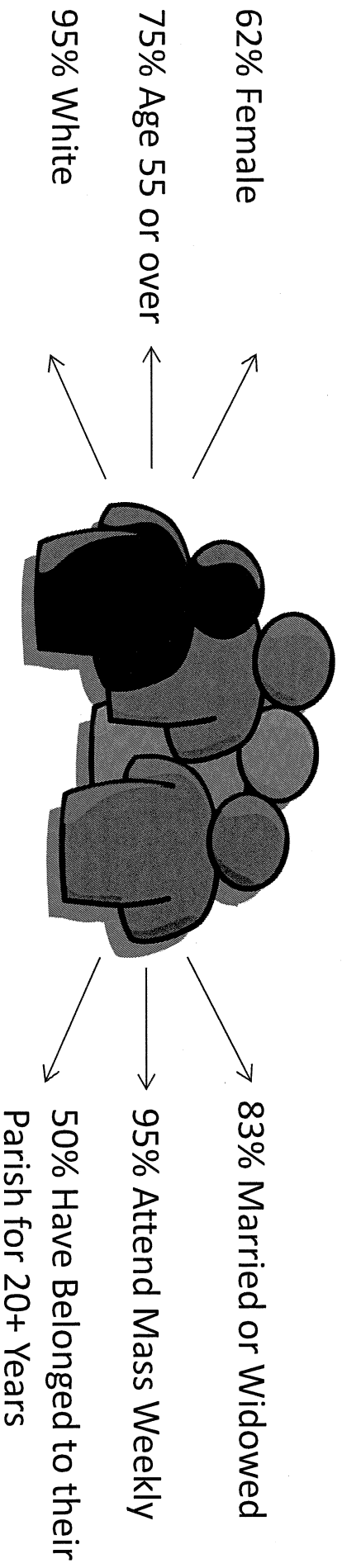
ON MISSION FOR  
**THE CHURCH  
ALIVE!**

# What we learned from Parish Consultations...



Over 27,000 parishioners attended 329 parish consultation sessions from Oct 10 – Dec 1, 2016.

## ATTENDEE DEMOGRAPHICS



Substantive suggestions and potential new models have been flagged for review

# What we learned from Parish Consultations... (continued)

## Main

### Concerns

- Aging population
- Decline in Sacramental participation
- Demands on clergy and lay staff

## Main

### Hopes

- Evangelizing and engaging young people
- Reaching out to those who have fallen away
- Caring for our aging Catholics

## General

### Feedback on Models

- Driven by distance between parishes and size of parishes
- Most popular models group parishes that already have a relationship
- Most unpopular models group parishes that are too different or very large
- Attendees had learned about *On Mission* mainly through their parish clergy and parish bulletins.
- At the beginning of the session, most people felt “interested”; at the conclusion of the session, most people felt “hopeful”.