



# INCARNATION & RISEN LORD

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES



March 12, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent

## 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

**Fr. David DeWitt**, Pastor . . . . .EXT 2  
Fr. David's Office Hours  
TUES: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM & THURS: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY . . . . . 8:00AM - 4:30PM  
TUESDAY . . . . . 1:00 PM - 4:30PM  
WEDNESDAY . . . . . 8:00AM - 12:00PM  
THURSDAY . . . . . 8:00AM - 4:30PM  
FRIDAY . . . . . 8:00AM - 12:00PM

## RISEN LORD PARISH

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Weekend . . . . . Saturday - 4:00 PM & Sunday - 11:00 AM  
Weekday . . . . . Monday, Wednesday, & Friday - 8:00 AM

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**This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am pleased.  
Listen to Him.**

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**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 3:30 PM before the 4:00 PM Mass, or by appointment.  
**INFANT BAPTISM:** To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Baptismal session which are held at Risen Lord Parish on the third Sunday of the month. The celebration and registration for the Sacrament of Baptism will still be at the individual parishes. Baptisms will take place 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 Catholic 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 at Incarnation or the Main Office at Risen Lord to arrange for a pastoral visit. Each hospital has a chaplain for emergencies.  
**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please call the Main Office or Social Ministry Office to request your loved one to be on the Prayer List. Due to HIPPA Regulations, only an immediate family member can make this request.  
**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 PM on Friday (nine days before the Sunday of the intended publication). Submissions are subject to approval and space limitations.  
**DIOCESAN VICTIM ABUSE HOTLINE:** For anyone who has been abused by church personnel, please call (412)456-3060 or 1-888-808-1235.



WE ENTER OUR SECOND FULL WEEK OF LENT continuing our journey toward holiness. Our Holy Father, Francis, serves as a model for us. Even the smallest, most seemingly most insignificant of charitable acts can lead us to holiness. Our God invites us every day to enter into a relationship with Him. Are we ready to respond to His invitation?

A WORD OF THANKS to both Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord parishes for undertaking special projects for the Lenten Season. A flyer in last week's bulletin highlighted what projects each parish chose to support.

WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR AND WELCOME additional volunteers to help both Incarnation and Risen Lord parishes with fundraising endeavors. Please consider helping with this effort! For more information, please call Father David at either Incarnation (412-931-2911 x2) or at Risen Lord (412-761-1507 x8). Thank you!!

PLEASE KEEP FR. GODFREY TORAC in your prayers. Earlier this week he sustained a medical emergency and at the time of this writing has been in the ICU at AGH. Please pray for his quick recovery.

Donation envelopes for Easter Memorial Flowers are in the church by the doors. They are due back by April 3, 2017.



**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 this Lent with our Lord.*



**DEACON BOB'S CORNER**

*Second Sunday of Lent*

*Transfiguration - with the Spirit of Jesus living within us, we will be transformed.*

**Breaking Open the Word:** Matthew 17:1-9

**Listen to the Word:** When you heard the story of the transfiguration proclaimed today, what particular words resounded for you? Was there a particular line in this reading that touched your heart?

**Look into your Life**

**Children:** Share about a time when you felt especially close to God or Jesus.

**Youth:** Have you ever had a "mountain top" experience where you felt exceptionally close to God? Did your life change because of this experience?

**Adults:** Perhaps this reading calls us, not to cling to the familiar, but to leave the comforts of the parish and reach out to the world around us. In your neighborhood or community, who is waiting to hear the Good News?

**MASSSES for the WEEK**

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**Saturday (3/11) Lenten Weekday**

4:00 PM INC - Katherine Dauer (Daughter, Lois)  
4:00 PM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

**Sunday (3/12) Second Sunday of Lent**

9:00 AM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish  
11:00 AM RL - Dolores & George Ramolit (Family)

**Monday (3/13) Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM RL - Veronica T. Markovich (Nancy Markovich)

**Tuesday (3/14) Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM INC - Mathilda Zinno (Mr. & Mrs. Peter Balestreire)

**Wednesday (3/15) Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM RL - Raymond Enya (Weekday Morning Mass Friends)

**Thursday (3/16) Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM INC - St. Patrick (Marie Rohleder)

**Friday (3/17) Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM RL - Mary Pusateri (Son)  
3:00 PM INC - Stations of the Cross  
7:00 PM RL - Stations of the Cross

**Saturday (3/18) Lenten Weekday**

4:00 PM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish  
4:00 PM RL - Frank Kuziel (Marlene & Jess McDonnell)

**Sunday (3/19) Third Sunday of Lent**

9:00 AM INC - Raymond Enya (Staff)  
11:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION** The Blessed Sacrament was not reserved in church buildings in the first centuries of the church. In those early years, of course, people met in borrowed "house churches," gathering on the Lord's Day for community, apostolic teaching, the breaking of the bread, and the prayers, as Acts of the Apostles tells us. Dispersed, people went their way into the workaday world until the next assembly. Weighing down their hearts was the absence of brothers and sisters, not only the sick, but those imprisoned for the faith. No wonder they developed a way of extending the food of the Holy Table to them.

Forty years ago, every altar boy in training heard about Saint Tarcisus. He was a twelve-year-old boy at the time of intense persecution in fourth-century Rome. His community had begun to convey the consecrated bread from their Eucharist to those condemned to death or awaiting trial. Normally deacons did this, but on one occasion, it was necessary to send the boy to bear the holy mysteries to the prison. The legend says that he was an athlete, and was detained on the way by some playmates who wanted him to join in their game. When he refused, they demanded to know what he was carrying. The situation went from bad to worse, and he was badly beaten and died of his injuries. A hundred years later, a pope called him a second St. Stephen. In the nineteenth century, Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman of England wrote a novel in which he expanded the story and popularized it. By then, no one seemed to notice that this twelve-year-old was actually touching and ministering the Eucharist, unthinkable until recently. Scholars say the story rings true: the first reason for setting some Eucharistic bread aside was not adoration, but Communion of the sick. - Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Sick Relatives & Friends

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, 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, PFC Russell L. Johnson  
Alexa and Michael Brown, SFC Erin Shaw

### MINISTERS - MARCH 18 & 19, 2017

#### LECTORS

4:00 PM - G. Linkhauer      9:00 AM - J. Kammersell

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 PM - L. Lugar, T. Degonish  
9:00 AM - J. & R. Dengler

#### ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 PM - H. Scherer      9:00 AM - R. Dengler

**Alcosan's Clean Water Assistance** Allegheny County Sanitary Authority created an assistance fund to help families pay their sewage treatment bills. The program serves low-income customers served by Alcosan. Information is in back of church. To apply contact:

#### **NHCO - North Boroughs**

Allegheny General Hospital-Suburban Campus  
100 S Jackson Ave, 2-S  
Pittsburgh, PA 15202  
Phone: 412-307-0069 (Call for Appointment)

## Weekly Collections

### Weekend of March 4 & 5, 2017

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00  
Offering Collected - \$ 3,229.00  
Deficit - \$ 2,671.00

### Income Report for February 2017

Offering Goal (Four Sundays) - \$	23,600.00
Offering Collected (Four Sundays) - \$	11,989.00
Bequests - \$	39,439.00
Funerals - \$	300.00
Fund Raising	
Cash Awards - \$	2,380.00
Super Bowl Pool - \$	200.00
Ash Wednesday - \$	39.00
Additional Feast Days - \$	18.00
Monthly Surplus - \$	30,765.00

**PARISH SHARE - WE CARE** It's that time of year again when households are preparing taxes and parishes are preparing for the Parish Share Campaign. For 2017, our Parish Share Assessment is \$42,699. The Parish Share supports the many services offered to us from the diocese. These include the offices of the Missions, Worship, Education, and Marriage. Every dollar we raise after reaching our Parish Share Assessment stays with the parish. This money is for our use and not subject to Diocesan Assessment. Please be generous.

**BETSY ANN CANDY** Orders and payments are due next week by March 19, 2017. Extra forms can be found in the back of the church. If you have any questions, contact Linda Coulehan at (412)931-3692. Candy makes a great gift!

### **Incarnation Social Ministry - Lenten Outreach**

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality is a program of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. St. Joe's mission is to empower older homeless men to progress towards self-sufficiency through an active residential community. Incarnation Parish will support St. Joe's for our Lenten Outreach by collecting:

Standard Size Pillow Cases  
Washcloths and Towels

All items should be **new** or **gently used** and be brought to the church by April 2nd. Please see the brochure on the bulletin board for more details. Thank you for your support.

*Mary Ann Burke*

### 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**

Dolores Jones and Patrick Zilles



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

**Lenny Murray**  
 from his family.

### Minister Schedule - March 18 & 19, 2017

**Eucharistic Ministers**

4:00 PM - M.A. Turkovich, M. Zahren  
 11:00 AM - C. & M.A. Knoer, M. Miksic

**Lectors**

4:00 PM - V. Dragone                      11:00 AM - M. Byrnes



## Ladies of Charity News

The Ladies of Charity will be meeting on Thursday,  
 March 16 at 1:00 PM. Since our February meeting was cancelled we need to meet to discuss the following:

- Our Lenten service project
- Easter gifts for the shut-ins of our parish
- The program for the Gathering of Women

*Hope to see you there! New members always welcome!*

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Monday, March 13**

Pastoral Life Committee Meeting  
 7:00 PM - Education Center

**Wednesday, March 8**

Choir Practice - 7:30 PM - Education Center

**Thursday, March 16**

Ladies of Charity Meeting - 1:00 PM - Education Center  
 Pastoral Council Meeting - 7:00 PM - Rectory

**Friday, March 17**

Northside Catholic Fish Fry  
 3:00 to 6:30 PM - Education Center

**Sunday, March 19**

Protecting God's Children Workshop  
 12:00 PM - Education Center

### Stewardship - Weekend of February 25 & 26, 2017

Budgeted Amount - \$5,124.00	
Collection (99 Envelopes + \$233.00 Loose)	\$1,890.00
PSP - Blue (19 Envelopes)	<u>\$702.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,592.00</b>
Debt Reduction (4 Env.)	\$42.00
Maintenance & Utilities (6 Env.)	\$55.00

**FUNDRAISING NEWS** The Dollar Days collection raised \$80.11. Thank you for your generosity!

### SAVE THE DATE FOR THE

## SUPER SPRING BINGO



Risen Lord Gym - Sunday April 23, 2017

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 potted flower is given away after each Regular Game!*

**TWO \$500 Jackpots Sold Separately!**

Extra Cards, Dauber Deli, & Other Bingo Games Available  
 More details to come soon.

Tickets will be available at the rectory and at the  
 church doors before and after Masses starting in April.

Advance tickets must be purchased on or before  
 Thursday, April 20, 2017.

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

### CHINESE AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED

There will be a Chinese Auction at the Super Bingo and we are accepting donations. Good items include wine & spirits, lottery scratch-off tickets, and store, restaurant, gas, & grocery gift cards. Baskets will be available by the church doors to collect items. Anything donated may be a possible tax deduction.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the gaming and in the kitchen.

If you have an item to donate for the Chinese Auction or would like to volunteer, please e-mail Bethany Glassbrenner at [bglassbrenner@gmail.com](mailto:bglassbrenner@gmail.com).

**THE GATHERING OF WOMEN** will be at Risen Lord on Sunday, May 7, 2017. We plan Mass, light lunch, and a chalk talk. More details to follow.



### 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

Our Gospel this week prepares the apostles for the passion with the transfiguration of Jesus. The apostles are on a high mountain, when Jesus becomes transfigured in dazzling white light and Moses and Elijah are talking together with Jesus. The apostles were frightened and fell to their knees as a voice cries out from heaven saying, "This is my son, the Beloved; with Him I am pleased; listen to Him." When they look up, Jesus is alone. On the way down the mountain, He tells them, "Tell no one about this vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Imagine how confused the apostles probably were. They see this great vision and are not allowed to say anything to anyone at this time. This Gospel reminds us that many things in our lives need transformation. What do we need to do to be more pleasing to God? Who do we need to love more?

Have those of you that have a computer signed up for Matthew Kelly's Lenten program at BestLentEver.com? It is based on Matthew Kelly's latest book, *Resisting Happiness*, available at each church. This book will help you identify what stands between you and happiness...and what to do about it. On the web-site will be daily reflections and short videos.

**Good News!** For those who prefer human conduct with each other or don't have a computer, tablet, or smartphone, Rich Boyce is offering a once a week study on the book, *Resisting Happiness*. It is at St Cyril's on Tuesday evenings. It began last week, but it's not too late to join. This is an opportunity to enjoy evenings of reflection with other fellow parishioners of churches in our area and begin to live Mission for the Church alive.

National Prayer Week is celebrated March 19-24 by the Missionary Childhood Association. This program is a Lenten prayer and sacrificial program for grades K-8. Ideas are available from the website [www.missio.org](http://www.missio.org) to complete a project and explain the important role of missionaries to your children. Many of us remember the sponsoring of pagan babies for \$5.00 every year with our class and the purchase of Holy Childhood stamps. It was a way for us to learn about missions around the world. We chose a name for the baby and earned great holy sacramentals.

### Upcoming Events

March 19th - Movie: *I Am Not Ashamed* 1:00 PM at Incarnation in the library. Movie is rated PG and is the true story of Rachel Joy Scott, using her journal entries. She was the first student killed in the Columbine High School shooting on April 20, 1999. Bring your own snacks.

March 23rd - Thursday evening at 7:00 PM Sr Lorita will be present a reflection on the Beatitudes in the Incarnation library. Sister is an excellent speaker. Come and have an informative, reflective and inspirational evening.

### 200 CLUB

Week 22 - Ticket 106 - *Eileen Burke* - \$100

St. Cyril of Alexandria Christian Mother's Guild

## *SPRING FLING DINNER*

CARD PARTY - CHINESE AUCTION - BAKE SALE

Sunday, March 26, 2017

Activities held in Axmacher Hall below the church.

**Full course dinner served at 1:00 PM.**

Don't play cards?

Bring a board game or just socialize with friends.

Questions or Reservations (\$10)

Call (412)931-4328

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP** If you need to attend this workshop, it will be offered at Risen Lord on Sunday, March 19th at 12:00 PM at the Education Center. Contact Marilyn Ruffner at (412)761-1507 x5 to register. The workshop will also be offered at Most Holy Name Parish on Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:30 PM in the School Hall. Contact Rebecca Hurst at (412)231-2994 x0 to register. Both workshops are handicapped accessible.

**Modern Witnesses: A Lenten Retreat** The Sisters of St. Joseph are offering a Lenten Day of Prayer, *Modern Witness*, on Tuesday, March 28, from 9:30 AM until 1:00 PM. Pope Francis says that "There are more witnesses, more martyrs in the Church today than there were in the first centuries." Following this inspiration, Fr. Donald Breier, will reflect on the reality of martyrdom today. Both places of conflict in our world and in the "ordinary lives" of each of us, martyrs continue to offer witness, day after day. This Lenten program, a collaboration of the Sisters of St. Joseph Auxiliary and St. Joseph Spirituality Center, will close with liturgy and lunch. A donation is requested for lunch. To register, call (724)869-6587 by March 20th.



### **NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC NEWS**

The Student Council has been very busy since the beginning of 2017. We sponsored many activities for Catholic Schools Week including a school-wide Minute To Win It competition, Buddy Bingo, Twin Dress Up Day, a 7th and 8th grade basketball game, and a Free Throw Competition. Our monthly Coloring Contest theme was Faith, Academics, and Service. Then we teamed up with the PTG during the month of February. We sponsored a Coloring Contest with the Book Fair theme. We sold lollipops and a Valentine message to raise money with the PTG for the American Heart Association. We raised \$30. Our upcoming event before Easter will be a school dance for grades 5 - 8. We are definitely the place to be! For more information on our school, preschool through eighth grade, please give us a call at (412)761-5043 x3001 and schedule a tour.