

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH

Incarnation of the Lord Parish is a Pennsylvania Charitable Trust
4071 Franklin Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15214-1616

MISSION STATEMENT

*The Word became flesh at the Annunciation
and was born into the world at the Nativity.
the mystery of the Incarnation*

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.



April 17, 2016

4th Sunday of Easter

MASSSES

Incarnation of the Lord Parish

Tuesday - Thursday
Mass at 8:00 am

Risen Lord Parish

Monday - Wednesday - Friday - Mass 8:00 AM

Incarnation of the Lord

Saturday - 4:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am

Risen Lord Parish

Saturday - 4 pm
Sunday - 11:00 am

Confessions - Saturday

Incarnation of the Lord

3:00-3:30 pm

Also By Appointment

Risen Lord

3:00 - 3:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE

Phone 412) 931-2911

Fax (412) 931-2832

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

Fr. David @ **Risen Lord Parish** .(412) 761-1507Ext. 8

Fr. David's Office Hours:

Incarnation: Tues.- 9 am - 2 pm -Thurs. 9: am - Noon

Risen Lord - Mondays & Wednesdays, 9 am - 4 pm

Or by appointment at either Parish

Deacon Bob Koslosky.....Ext. #8

Mary Ann Burke, **Social Services**,Ext. #4

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

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

Naomi Wells, **Office Manager**..... Ext. #7

Deadline for Bulletin Information: 5 pm FRIDAY

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Incarnation of the Lord

Monday.....8 am - 12 (Noon)
1 pm - 4 pm

T—W—Th—F.....8:30 pm –12 (Noon)

Risen Lord Parish

M - T - W - Th9 am - - 5 pm

Friday (July & Aug.).....9 am - - Noon

INFANT BAPTISMS: To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. A time and date will be set.

Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Baptismal session.

Sessions will be held at after the 11 am Mass at Risen Lord Parish the 3rd Sunday of each month. Please call Incarnation at (412) 931-2911 ext. 7 for more information.

MARRIAGE arrangements need at least six (6) months advance notice. Couples should not set a date or rent a hall until they have met with the pastor.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? We welcome adults and families who are interested in becoming Catholic through a program of formation and prayer. Call the Parish Office for details and a personal interview.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS. If you are Catholic and have recently moved into this area, please call the parish office to register as a parishioner. Already a member but changing your address? Call and let us know.

HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND? If a parishioner is in the hospital or sick at home, please call the parish office for a pastoral visit.

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

Weekly Collections

April 9 & 10, 2016

Offering Needed	\$5,900.00
Offering - Collected	\$2491.00
Deficit	\$3409.00

Sick Relatives & Friends

Remember Our Ill Parishioners

The staff will be updating the sick list. The list will be reviewed monthly. Anyone wanting their name or the name of a loved one on or off the list, please call the church office, 412-931-2911 X7.

(Because of HIPPA regulations, only an immediate family member can call the Administrative Office to request the name of a loved one to be placed on the prayer list.)

Please remember in your prayers: **Albert Brunner, Jan Held, Mary Ann Wilson, Lou Saban, Sr., Michelle Fetzer, Ed Roach, Joe Baranowski, 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. As we minister to the hospitalized and home-bound, it would be gratefully appreciated if you or a loved one would notify the Parish Office for a pastoral visit. In the letter of St. James 5:15-16 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." Call 412-931-2911.

WANTED: DIVORCED & SEPARATED: "Wednesday New Beginnings" divorce and separated group, 7 pm on the first of each month for discussion and support. Anyone interested in attending should call **Marcy Robertson, 412-732-9439.**

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 in Incarnation Church. Weigh-in is at 6:15 pm, followed by a meeting at 6:30 pm. For more information, call **Darren at 412-877-7761.**

200 CLUB

Week 28 Ticket # 085 \$100

Mary Ann Knoer

GUARD THOSE
WHO GUARD OUR FREEDOM



Remember those
who are serving our Country
in the Armed Forces!

**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, Michael Pechtold,
Alexa and Michael Brown
S/Sgt. Shaun Seguin, SFC Erin Shaw**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC

Northside Catholic School is a Christ-centered preschool through 8th grade school located in the Brighton Heights neighborhood of the North Side. Our small class sizes ensure one on one time for our students with their dedicated teachers. All of our teachers are state certified and Diocesan accredited and have been trained in the latest educational trends including Dibels, LETR's, and Smart board Technology to name a few. Why not call and schedule a tour to see the school? We would be happy to help you make that decision of where to best educate your child. Please give us a call at 412-761-5043 extension 3001. **Rosanne Kwiatowski-Principal**

CASH AWARDS

Sales of tickets for the June, 2016, Cash Awards event are now on sale in the back of church or in the Parish Office and will be available through May 31.

On-line Weekly Bulletin

View Incarnation's weekly parish bulletin anytime—www.parishesonline.com. This website is the largest online directory of Catholic Churches. The bulletin will be posted weekly — every Saturday.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;
World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Thursday: St. Anselm
Friday: Earth Day; Passover begins



Keeping the Faith

By Marilyn Ruffner

What does a shepherd do for his sheep? He takes them to a pasture to provide food and stays with them to protect them. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that His sheep have been given to Him by the Father. If we listen to His voice and follow Him, He promises to give us eternal life and confidently declares that "no one can take us out of His hands." We are gifts from the Father to the Son. We are treasures. The reading ends with the bold statement that, "the Father and I are One." We know that this protection doesn't mean that nothing bad will happen to us. We will suffer just as Jesus the Son did. Imagine our reward! We will not perish even when we die. We will live with Him in eternity.

Next Sunday, April 24th, at the 11:00A.M. Mass, our students will receive the Eucharist for the first time. We welcome them as they complete the second step of their initiation into the Church.

On Holy Thursday, we had a wonderful bus tour of seven churches in our area. We almost had a full bus, which was very exciting. Many groups from other parishes in our diocese were also touring. I was very impressed at the number of teenagers and younger children that were visible in the various churches. Teenagers were leading prayer services at some locations. It was truly wonderful to see the tradition among families and parishioners continue to grow each year. The Church in the Diocese of Pittsburgh is truly alive! Alleluia!

I can't believe that we only have two more Religious Education classes. The year seems to go faster each year. **April 25th, is a regular class. We will end the year on May 2nd with a May Crowning ceremony and a family get together.**

SPECIAL THANKS!

Thank you to the parents who faithfully brought their children to us each week. We are grateful for the trust you placed in us.

Thank you to Karen Smay, co-coordinator and teacher, Linda Coulehan, Mary Williams, and George Linkhauer for sharing your faith with our students.

Thank you to Russ Johnson, Cherie Johnson for being on duty to protect our children and being the gofer for anything else.

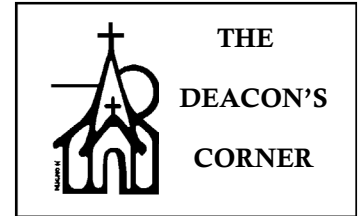
Thank you to Pat Johnson who picks up the snacks for us and is also on duty each week.

Thank you to Jesse and Marlene McDonnell who set up the snacks and clean up after, each and every week.

SCHEDULE

April 18	Regular Class and Jesus Day for 1st Eucharist Class
April 25	Regular Class Grades 1 thru 4, Grades 5 thru 8 Youth Ministry Night

4th
Sunday
of
Easter



Deacon Bob Koslosk

Fourth Sunday of Easter

~ Jesus knows us and calls us.

Breaking Open the Word: John 10:27-30

Listen to the Word: As you hear this reading, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart? What lingers in your memory?

Look into Your Life:

Children: Jesus promises to guard us like a shepherd does the sheep. How do you experience his loving care in your life?

Youth: Jesus said "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." How does Jesus speak to you? What new path is he asking of you?

Adults: What is your experience of being a follower of Christ, of being cared for and guarded with him as shepherd?

Let us pray for the willingness to allow ourselves to be under the constant care of Christ, our shepherd.

Look Within: For Your Easter Journey

Saint Sebastian's Spirituality Reading Center presents Father Don Fisher of the *Ryan Center for the Arts* in McKees Rocks Father's topic is "*Jesus Is Risen. We Are Rising.*" Mark your calendar for Monday, April 27, 2016 in Haber Hall (the house on the hill in the upper parking lot). The parish library will be open for your perusal a 1/2 hour before and after the presentation. Beverage and light refreshments will be served.

ON MISSION FOR CHURCH ALIVE

It is the "Great Commission," Jesus' instruction to the Apostles in the last verses of the Gospel of Matthew (28: 18-20): "Then Jesus approached and said to them, 'All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.'" That is our mission as disciples.

Incarnation of the Lord Parish Weekly Calendar

Week of April 17-23, 2016

SUN.....Chaplet of Divine Mercy Devotion, 3:00 pm

OUR CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

SATURDAY, April 16

4:00 Living and Deceased of the Parish

SUNDAY, April 17

9:00 Anthony Mueller – Anniversary of Death
(Family)

TUESDAY, April 19

8:00 Frank Dax (Anna & Hilda Dax)

THURSDAY, April 21

8:00 Charles Turak (Dax-Turak Families)

SATURDAY, April 23

4:00 Chris & Joan Wolf (Joanne Pomielto)

SUNDAY, April 24

9:00 Living and Deceased of the Parish

MINISTERS APRIL 23 & 24, 2016

LECTORS

4:00 Marilyn Ruffner

9:00 Carol Scherer

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 P. Donze, P.O'Leary

9:00 J. Kammersell, N. Kammersell, P. Wilson

ALTAR SERVERS

THE WORD OF THE LORD

April 17, 2016

Acts 13:14, 43-52
Revelation 7:9, 14b-17
John 10:27-30

April 24, 2016

Acts 14:21-27
Revelation 21:1-5a
John 13:31-33a, 34-

**April 17, 2016
4th Sunday of Easter**

*"I have made you a light
to the Gentiles, that you
may be an instrument of
salvation to the ends of the earth."*



— Acts 13:47b

Social Services Ministry
Mary Ann Burke
412-931-2911 x4
socialservicesinc@comcast.net

Help Wanted! I need a couple of volunteers to help me redo all the bulletin boards. If you have a few hours in your schedule, please give me call. No experience needed. This will be an ongoing project, to keep the postings (posters/announcements/flyers) up-to-date. Suggestions are always welcomed.

Jesus is all mercy. Jesus is all love: he is God made man. Each one of us is that little lost lamb, the coin that was mislaid; each one of us is that son who has squandered his freedom on false idols, illusions of happiness, and has lost everything. But God does not forget us; the Father never abandons us. . . . And his heart rejoices over every child who returns. He is celebrating because he is joy. God has this joy, when one of us sinners goes to him and asks his forgiveness. .

—from *The Joy of Discipleship* by Pope Francis

Holy Thursday Collection:

On Holy Thursday (March 24), we collected a total of \$1,004. A donation in this amount will be sent to the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank from Incarnation of the Lord Parish. Thank you for your generosity.

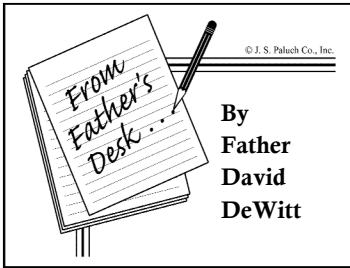
Legion of Mary – Frank Duff (1889-1980) The founder of the Legion of Mary.

Here is a prayer composed by him in 1922.

"Oh my God, I do not ask for the big things—the life of the missionary or the monk, or those others I see around me so full of accomplishment, I do not ask for any of these; but simply set my face to follow out unswervingly, untiringly, the common life which day by day stretches out before me, satisfied if in it I love You, and try to make You loved.

Nature rebels against this life with its never-ending round of trivial tasks and full of temptation to take relief in amusement or change. It seems so hard to be great in small things, to be heroic in the doing of the commonplace; but still this life is Your Will for me, there must be a great destiny in it. And so, I am content.

And then to crown the rest, dear Jesus, I beg You to give me this...fidelity to the end...to be at my post when the final call comes, and to take my last weary breath in Your embrace. A valiant life...and faithful to the end. A short wish, dear Jesus, but it covers all. Amen



By
Father
David
DeWitt

FROM THE PASTOR'S
DESK...THIS WEEK-
END (SUNDAY) OUR
PARISHES participate in
a "More Than A Calendar
Party" event...a joint

fundraiser between the parishes of Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord! Many thanks to all who have helped with this exciting day for the parishes!

NEXT SUNDAY, OUR PARISHES CELEBRATE OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION for this 2016 year! This important sacrament will be celebrated at Risen Lord parish at the 11AM Mass. Please continue to pray for our second graders as they receive the Eucharist for the first time with the worshipping community. A great day for rejoicing!

WORK CONTINUES TO BE ACCOMPLISHED at both Incarnation of the Lord parish and Risen Lord parish particularly addressing a variety of maintenance issues. Now that the weather (hopefully) has settled a bit, we can continue making progress. Updates on specific work projects will be shared in this bulletin space as we move forward. Thanks for your patience.

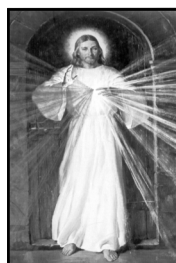
Save the Date
June 10, 2016

Bowling Tournament at Perry Park, Perry Hwy
7:00 pm
Tickets \$25.00
Cash Prizes

A RACHEL'S VINEYARD for post-abortion healing will be held on May 27-29, 2016 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or email: toniafj1@comcast.net

**JOIN US
EVERY SUNDAY**

Please come and join us in church every Sunday for Adoration at 2 pm and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary at 3 pm.



Upcoming Events . . .

THE MUSICAL, "GUYS AND DOLLS" will be presented later this month by Bishop Canevin high School. Showtimes are at 7:30 pm on Thursday through Saturday, April 21-23. Tickets are \$10/\$7 and can be reserved by calling 412-922-7400 x210.

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK will be administered during a special Mass on Saturday, April 23r, at 1:00 pm at St. Anthony's Chapel. This administration of the sacrament of the sick in this context is offered for those Catholics who are experiencing physical ailments of a serious nature: those who will be undergoing surgery for serious reasons, the elderly who have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present, those who are battling serious illnesses and have not been anointed recently, and children who have reached the age of reason and are seriously ill.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 23, OLDIES DANCE - Be sure to mark your calendars for the next Most Holy Name Church Oldies Dance with DJ Ron on Saturday, April 23, 2015. The doors open at 7:00 pm and dancing is from 7:30 - 11:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person and are available for purchase at the MHN Rectory and at The Attic Record Store. **"Reserved seating" is offered to everyone on a first-come basis.** Draft beer, wine, mixers, water & delicious food will be available...BYOB.

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ST. FERDINAND CHURCH - AFTERNOON TEA hosted by Women Gathered Ministry SUNDAY, May 1 - 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM in OLDENSKI HALL, 2535 Rochester Road, Cranberry Township, PA. Includes beautiful themed tables, tea, scones, tea sandwiches, dessert, bountiful baskets raffle, 50/50 raffle & door prizes. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$6 for children ages 4-10 years, and free for children age 3 years & under. Doors open at 1:00 PM. Advance reservations are required. Call 724.779.3986 for reservations. Reservations close April 26, 2016

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SAVE THE DATE!

**St. Cyril of Alexandria
13th Annual Golf Outing
Monday, June 13, 2016
Shannopin Country Club**

Please contact Bill Murtha at 412-327-4567 or Vince Curtin at 412-992-8424

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Angie Lencer, a long time parishioner, was buried last week at her home town parish in Crown, PA, near Cooks Forest