

PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY,
MARCH 18, 2018

Mass Intentions

Monday March 12, 2018
6:30 Frederick Weiss req. by Joe & Kathy Reilly
8:00 Steffie & Peter Ruczynski req. by Gerry & Jackie

Tuesday March 13, 2018
6:30 Celeste Moy req. by Donna & Dennis Riveron
8:00 Kathleen Hatfield req. by Jane McGee
7:00PM Christine Schneider req. by Eileen & Frank Libonate

Wednesday March 14, 2018
6:30 Bas R. Encarnacion req. by Catherine Nusslein
8:00 June Quinter req. by Walter Family
7:00PM Jane Fowler req. by Marie McCullough

Thursday March 15, 2018
6:30 Marie Hearn req. by Amelia Hickley
8:00 June Quinter req. by Patricia Blonchard
7:00PM Bonnie Rowan Guidice req. by Alice/Cecelia Broscius

Friday March 16, 2018
6:30 Anna Pindyski req. by Palumbo Family
8:00 Celeste Moy req. by Denise Herens

Saturday March 17, 2018
8:00 Bob McHale/Carol McCloskey req. by Family
5:00PM Liana Short req. by Mom Mom

Sunday March 18, 2018
6:30 Stephen & Sophie Slawinski req. by Zegarski Family
8:00 Shaun Daly req. by Mary & Paul Hart
10:00 Joanne Kilian req. by Joan Schaffling
12:00 John Nicholas Taglienti req. by Ed & Heather Murray
6:00PM Shaun Daly req. by Mike & Colleen Frisco

5:00PM Fr. Kirk
6:30AM Fr. John
8:00AM Fr. John
10:00AM Fr. Kirk
12:00PM Fr. Kirk
6:00PM Fr Yetman



All sick parishioners, their relatives and friends:

Ralph Lacava – uncle of Joyce Ricchini
Joan Driadon – parishioner
Susan Driadon – parishioner
Joelisa Harvest – loved on of Lynn Feeley
Shea Serody – son of Michelle & Bill Serody
Kathleen Scarengelli - parishioner

All deceased parishioners, their relatives and friends:

Teresita Cruz – wife of Jose Cruz
James Diamond – father of Kim russo
Terri McCormick – sister of Dee Kaelin
Bob Fischer – husband of Betty Fischer

For those in the armed forces: Joseph Erbrick, III –Marines;
Joseph Costick-Coast Guard; Brad Matz –Army; Tyler Jernigan-
Army; Liam Herron-Navy; Christopher Smith-Navy; Alex
Mcaneney-Air Force; Brian McGinty-Marines, Dan O'Brien-Air
Force; Ashley O'Brien-Air Force; Daniel Patty-Navy, Michael
Sheppard- Air Force, Hoku Teson – Army, John McFillin-Navy,
Trevor O'Malley-Army, Daniel DiGiuseppe-Marines, Daniel
Taylor-Air Force, Stephen Winther-Marines, Bobby Winther-
Navy, Amanda Smith-Navy, Joseph Patti-Army, Christian
Curtis-Marines, Thomas Campbell-Marines, Michael Bones, Jr-
Navy, Brandon Fox-Navy

40 Days for Life

From February 14 thru March 24, 2018, you're invited to join other Christians throughout the country for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. We will be praying peacefully outside of Planned Parenthood, 2751 Comly Road. Our Lady of Calvary's day will be Wednesday, February 28th — 3:00PM. Sign up sheet will be outside the Adoration Chapel. For more information Kim Heuser – decarlino1@aol.com

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 18, 2018

<i>Mass</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Altar Server</i>
5:00PM	L. Delisi D. Haggerty V. Haggerty T. Gola R. Gola	D. Haggerty A. Bell	J. Cahill J. Haruch M. Campbell
6:30AM	E. Petrosky	S. Krause	L. Curran J. Humes N. Morrow
8:00AM	J. Robbins J. Salvo R. Juliano A. Sysol J. O'Donnell	R. Juliano R. Rysak	M. DiBello B. Issel L. McCauley
10:00AM	P. Cullen D. Makowiecki L. Makowiecki M. Stanish J. Hopkins	P. Cullen P. Kolman	R. Flynn A. Johnson M. Connelly
12:00PM	J. Spear R. Spear D. Bores G. Ginter A. Broscius	B. Gibbons J. Wojtkielewicz	M. Grace M. McKenna S. Carr
6:00PM	L. Bernstein R. D'Arcangelo J. Walton	L. Bernstein	J. McCurry K. Nolan N. Benrahou



PARISH MISSION

Sunday, March 18 to Thursday, March 22

Our theme for this Mission is *From Ashes to the Living Font* – Our homilist is Reverend James Bessert - a presbyter of the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw having been ordained on September 27, 1980. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Humanities from St. Mary's Seminary College, Baltimore, MD, a Master of divinity degree from St. John Provincial Seminary Plymouth, MI and a Master of theology degree (Liturgical Studies) from the University of Notre Dame. Presently, Father Bessert serves as the Director of the Office of Liturgy and Principal Master of Ceremonies for the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw, Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus and as Sacramental Minister to Saint John Paul II Parish.

The schedule for our Mission is as follows:

Sunday – March 18 – Opening of Mission at the 6:00PM Mass

Monday – March 19 – 7:00PM Mass followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation (and Divine Mercy Chaplet)

Tuesday – March 20 – 7:00PM Mass with Communal Anointing of the Sick

Wednesday – March 21 – 7:00PM Mass with the Veneration of the Cross – followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation (and Divine Mercy Chaplet)

Thursday – March 22 -7:00PM Mass – Closing of our Parish Mission

Second Collection – on March 17 / 18, 2018 will be for *Church in Africa*. This fund provides grants to finance pastoral projects including outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers. Our solidarity is necessary to help “the salt of the Earth” Churches in Africa realize its potential as a “light of the world”. Thank you for your support – it makes a real difference.

MASS SCHEDULE DURING LENT

Monday to Friday – 6:30AM and 8:00AM

Saturday – 8:00 AM

Sunday – 5:00PM (Vigil), 6:30, 8:00, 10:00AM, 12:00PM and 6:00PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations will take place on all **Fridays of Lent after 8:00AM Mass**. (Father Babowitch or Father Kirk) and at **7:00PM with benediction** (Deacon John Teson).

MEMORIAL FUND

Thank you to Barbara Michaels and Acuna Family for their donation in memory of *Agnes Walker*.

Thank you to Dick and Irene Kirchner for their donation in memory of *Mary Chesnavage*.

GOLD LEAFS – we still have some LEAFS available that are located on the back wall in the upper church. If you would like to buy a leaf in memory of a family member or you would like more information, please call the rectory office at 215-637-7515.

Hospital Visits - If you are in the hospital and would like a visit from a priest, please call the rectory office at 215-637-7515. Due to HIPPA laws we are unable to get information from the hospital, therefore, we must hear directly from the patient.

Catholics Returning Home – Have you been away from the Church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? If so, we would like to welcome you back to St. Cyril of Jerusalem Parish. We have a special ministry for people just like you who have been away from the Church. Please join us for a six-week series that begins Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 7:30PM at St. Cyril of Jerusalem Church, 1410 Almshouse Road, Jamison, PA. We would like to address your questions and make you feel at home once more in the Catholic Church. For more information, please call 215-343-1288.

A Baby's Breath Rune for Life 2018 – will be April 7, 2018 at the Norristown Farm Park, East Norriton, PA. 1 Mile Fun Run at 9AM and 5K run at 9:30 AM. Please register online at

<http://www.ababysbreath.org/events> An enjoyable morning for the family supporting moms and their babies! For more information, please contact Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281.

PARISH EVENTS

Monday, March 12, 2018

8:30AM	Rosary Prayer Group (M-F)	LC
7:30PM	Legion of Mary	LC

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

10:00AM	Calvary Seniors II	AA
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Saturday, March 17, 2018

7:00PM	AA Meeting	Rectory
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Sunday, March 18, 2018

1:15PM	Baptism	UC
7:00PM	AI Anon Meeting	LC

THE SCRIP OFFICE is open 7 days a week - Monday through Thursday from 9:00AM to 12:00 Noon; 1:00PM to 3:00PM and 6:00PM to 8:00PM. Friday, Saturday/Sunday from 9:00AM to 12:00PM.

ELIZABETH MINISTRY

Elizabeth Ministry responds to the needs of women during their childbearing years by offering like to like ministry through personal visits. Follow-up contacts are made in person, by phone, and by mail. Please feel free to take a rose for your personal intentions that are in the Adoration Chapel.

PRE-JORDAN BAPTISM CLASS

All parents are required to attend this class in order to have their child baptized. The next **APRIL 8, 2018 at 1:15PM** in the lower church. Thank you for registering in advance to this class by calling the rectory at 215-637-7515.

Men of Calvary Night – The Men of Calvary will meet at 7:00PM in the rectory meeting room on March 20th. All men of the parish are welcome.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP “Community of Hope” invites you to Rejoice in your Baptismal Gifts from the Giver of All Good Gifts on Tuesdays at 7:00PM. All are welcome in the lower church at Our Lady of Calvary.

PRAYER LIST – If you are calling in prayers for the sick/deceased for Sunday, please do so by Friday Noon. Requests received after Friday Noon will be prayed for the following Sunday.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS – we have Divine Mercy Prayers every third Sunday after the 10AM Mass in the Adoration Chapel.

Happenings Around the Parish

Troop 460 Pancake Breakfast – our annual Pancake Breakfast in Our Lady of Calvary Gym on Sunday, March 11, 2018 from 8:00AM to 12:00PM. This breakfast benefits Troop 460 – all funds go towards the boys – Adults \$7.00 Children \$4.00 (2 and under are free). Please come join us for a great cause! PANCKES – EGGS – SAUSAGE – BACON – JUICE – COFFEE - TEA. All you can eat!!

Please join the **Knights of Columbus Regina Coeli 4921** as we pray the rosary and ask Our Lady to help those suffering with substance abuse. No need to call first – all are welcome. Light refreshments will be served afterwards – The date is March 15th at 7:00PM at 9617 James Street.

Pre-Cana (Marriage Prep) Team – Our Lady of Calvary Pre-Cana team is comprised of married couples who are registered parishioners, living in a Christian marriage who enjoy sharing their marriage with engaged couples as they prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony.

This is a heart-warming ministry which helps engage couples comprehend the meaning of the commitment of married love and the necessity of enhancing the skills to share, listen, accept, and grow further in their life together.

If you and your spouse are interested in becoming a part of this dynamic and vital team sharing some aspects of your marriage, please contact: Deacon Michael Bell at deaconmike2015@gmail.com

Pre- Cana Classes will be held at Our Lady of Calvary on Saturday, April 21 and Sunday, April 22, 2018. If you would like to register for this class, please come to the rectory during regular business hours. The fee for this class is \$135 due upon registration.

OLC Mercy Ministry Group

In Support of Young Women Who Have Chosen Life You can become a part of this life-changing OLC Mercy Ministry by donating monthly Scrip gift cards purchased only for the following Stores: Acme, Burlington Coat Factory, CVS, Kmart, ShopRite, Target, Walmart. SEPTA token packs also can be donated. If you need more info or would consider volunteering, please contact Barbara Janiszewski 215-219-1430 or John Robbins 215-637-3876.

THANK YOU ... While Lent is a Season for alms-giving, it is also a time for Thanks-giving. The OLC Mercy Ministry wishes to acknowledge the ongoing generous support of our parishioners through the Scrip Program in providing aid to women and families in need who have the courage to choose life over abortion. Your continuing care and support of this Ministry helps improve the lives of women, children and families and is greatly appreciated.

St. Katherine of Siena – 9700 Frankford Avenue will have *Wednesday Prayer* at 7:00 PM. Rosary. Chaplet and Divine Office by Deacon Robert H. Hall.

WOMAN'S RETREAT – Friday, April 20 to Sunday, April 22 at Mother Boniface Spiritual Center. Theme: Missionary Disciples: Beloved, Called & Sent. Cost: \$165 – Enjoy a spiritual weekend meeting the needs of woman of all ages who gather to share so many life experiences. If interested, please contact Monica Bloesch at 215-632-9327 or email dorothydevlin6@yahoo.com

Girl Scout Troop 9744 wants to prove that even the smallest act of caring, like donating diapers and baby wipes can help make a huge difference for those parents that are less fortunate to provide for their babies. The St. Francis Inn tries to help provide baby supplies and are always in great need of diapers (esp. 3T-4T-& 4T-5T and baby wipes). The girls chose St. Francis because they have been going there on a regular basis and saw first hand what it is all about. There will be a bin in the back of church for any generous donations during the month of March. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Designer Bag Bingo hosted by The Ladies of the Knights of Columbus – Council 4765 on Saturday, April 7, 2018 – doors open at 5:30PM-games start at 7:00PM. Raffles, 50/50, door prizes- \$25.00 per person (must be 18 years of age or older) light refreshments. To purchase tickets, contact the Parish Office at 215-788-2989. Bingo will be at Father Crehan Hall, 121 Belmont Avenue, Croydon, PA.

Archbishop Ryan HS Field Hockey Association presents *Lunch with the Easter Bunny*. Please join us on March 24 from 11-2PM in the North Cafeteria. The cost is \$7.00 per person and includes: lunch, egg hunt, games, face painting and more! You can have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny at an additional charge and all proceeds benefit the Archbishop Ryan Field Hockey Team. For tickets please call Student Affairs Office at 215-637-1800 ext 211 or Sue Cerruti 215-432-3636. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

Reach Higher at St. Hubert Catholic High School for Girls – you are invited to these upcoming events –
SPRING OPEN HOUSE – Sunday, March 18 from 1PM to 3PM www.huberts.org/openhouse
7TH GRADE PRACTICE TEST – Saturday, March 24 at 8AM. www.huberts.org/practice
BAMBIE FOR A DAY SHADOWING PROGRAM – ongoing – www.huberts.org/shadow
Please come and see how St. Hubert has been bringing forth brilliance in young women for more than 75 years. For further information please call 215-624-6840, x 258.

Cultural Heritage Mass – The Cultural Heritage Mass is scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul at 18th & Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA. Procession will begin at 2:00PM followed by Mass at 2:30PM. Archbishop Charles Chaput will be the principal celebrant and homilist. All are welcome.

Medical Mission Sisters Thrift Shop – serving the local community for over 30 years, the Medical Mission Sisters Thrift Shop, 8400 Pine Road, Philadelphia, PA 19111 – features quality new and gently used merchandise, including jewelry, books, clothing for the entire family and household items. All proceeds from the thrift shop sales support the work of the Medical Mission Sisters, a non-profit organization. For more information, please check our website: www.mmsthiftshop.org or call us at 215-745-7930.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST sponsored by Knights of Columbus Regina Coeli 4921 – will be on Palm Sunday, March 25 following the 10AM Mass at Our Lady of Calvary– Breakfast will be served at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 9617 James Street. Cost is \$7 per person – family of 4 is \$25. Please call Mike Ciampoli 215-605-2857 if interested in attending.

Aid for Friends is hosting *DESIGNER BAB BINGO* on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at St. Dominic's Marian Hall from 1 to 4PM. Tickets \$30 in advance; \$35 at the door. Must be 21 to attend. 12 games of bingo, snacks, beer, wine, soda, coffee and tea. Gift baskets, Mystery Box Drawing, Beer Wall chances and 50/50 available for purchase: For tickets and information call 215-464-2224.

“Little Flower Alumnae Association’s” *Kick off for the Spring Season* at Maggie's on the River on Friday, April 27, 2018 from 7 to 10PM. Cost \$40 in advance \$45 at the door. Contact Barbara McGovern a babica.mcgovern@gmail.com for additional information.

St. Hubert Class of 1958 would like to invite you to come and reminisce with them on their 60th Reunion at St Hubert HS on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 12:00pm. Tickets \$40.00 Contact: Carolyn Kennedy at ck10294oken@gmail.com

St. Hubert Alumnae Association presents COACH BINGO! On Sunday, April 15, 2018 from 1PM-4PM in the school cafeteria. Tickets \$35.00 – Advance purchase only – assigned seating. Must be 18 to attend – contact SHAACoachBingo@gmail.com or 267-205-0675. All proceeds will benefit the St. Hubert High School Scholarship Fund.

Blessed Among Us

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

Fannie Lou Hamer – Civil Rights Leader (1917-1977) - Until 1962 the life of Fannie Lou Hamer was little different from that of her parents or other poor blacks living in the Mississippi Delta. One of twenty children, she was educated to the fourth grade and then fell into the life of sharecropping. Her life changed after attending a civil rights rally when she decided to register to vote. As a result, she and her family were evicted from their home. She took this as a sign to work full time as a field secretary for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, quickly rising to a position of leadership.

In 1963 she was arrested while trying to desegregate a bus terminal in Charleston, South Carolina. In jail she was savagely beaten, emerging with a damaged kidney and permanently impaired eyesight. In 1964 she led a “Freedom Delegation” from Mississippi to the Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City. “I am sick and tired of being sick and tired,” she proclaimed. Though the delegation was evicted by the party bosses, Hamer touched the conscience of the nation with her eloquent account of the oppression of blacks in the segregated South and their nonviolent struggle to affirm their dignity and human rights.

She continued in that struggle, battling injustice, war, and poverty, sustained by her deep faith in the God of the oppressed. “If I fall,” she said, “ I will fall five-feet four-inches forward in the fight for freedom.” She died on March 14, 1977.

I feel sorry for anybody that could let hate wrap them up. Ain't no such thing as I can hate anybody and hope to see God's face.”

-Fannie Lou Hamer

Welcome the Mystery

Why God should love any of us, why God should love sinners, love men and women who reject God with a curse or pass God “down the street,” is hidden ultimately in the mystery that is God. Oh yes, we can speculate, surmise, imagine. Perhaps God, looking on Adam and Eve exiled from Eden, saw traces of the man and woman He had shaped in the image of divinity, had made like God. Perhaps. But whatever drew God's love, it does not explain why the Son of God drew our love by crucifixion. He could have saved us in so many simpler, bloodless ways: a single breath of Bethlehem's breeze, the hidden years in back-water Nazareth, his baptism by John, his compassionate “Your sins are forgiven you,” the kiss of Judas, one soldier's slap of his cheek. Any one of these would have been enough.

Then why Calvary? Frankly, we do not know. And we do not know because we cannot fathom three slender syllables in the First Letter of John: “God is Love” (1 Jn 4:8). God not only loves; God *is* Love. That alone begins to make some sense out of Calvary, out of a God-man pinned to a cross for sinners, for you and me. All through human history love has made sacrifices beyond the power of sheer intelligence to grasp. Out of love our father in faith, Abraham, was willing to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. What Calvary tells us is that God will not be outdone even in sacrifice, that even God can sacrifice His only Son.

Don't ask, “Why me?” If God offers you crucified love, offers God's Son on a cross for you, the least you can do is accept it. Welcome the mystery and move on from there.

Walter Burghardt, SJ (1914-2008), spent much of his career as a scholar of Church history and theology. He was a spellbinding preacher whose powerful calls for social justice and understanding influenced generations of priest and pastors.

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