

Monday November 25, 2024
6:30 Thomas Elmer req. by Mother
8:00 Michael Lenahan req. by Family

Tuesday November 26, 2024
6:30 Dom Campagna req. by Cistone Family
8:00 Nancy Rymal req. by Joan McGuckin

Wednesday November 27, 2024 6:30 Trudy Gaughan req. by Denise Herens 8:00 Frank Quigley req. by Wife

**Thursday** November 28, 2024 9:00 Alice Ott req. by Vizza Family

Friday November 29, 2024
6:30 Barbara Campagna req. by Cistone Family
8:00 Massott Family req. by Family

Saturday November 30, 2024 8:00 James McGuckin req. by Joan McGuckin 5:00PM Victor Scarengelli req. by Family

Sunday December 1, 2024
6:30 Alice Ott req. by Nora Kramer
8:00 Richard Alburger, Jr. req. by Family
10:00 Dec'd Mem -Lasota Fam req. by Makowiecki Fam
12:00 Rocco Grassi req. by Palumbo Family

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 1, 2024

Mass	Communion	Lectors
5:00PM	R. Hill	V. Haggerty
	C. Hill	
6:30AM	L. Konopka	A.M. Coyle
8:00AM	R. Juliano	R. Johnson
	J. Klady	
10:00AM	D. Makowiecki	C. Comly
	L. Makowiecki	J. Lynch
12:00PM	J. Spear	J. Spear
	R. Spear	



## PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

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



On Sunday, November 17, 2024, two girls received the sacrament of Baptism by which they were incorporated into the Body of Christ: *Katie Jane Kerr* – daughter of M/MM Timothy Kerr *Estelle Elizabeth Taylor* – daughter of Jacob Taylor and Rachel Razzano



#### All sick parishioners, their relatives, and friends:

<u>Brady James Smith</u> – son of Diane & James Smith <u>Matilda Fallon</u> – former parishioner Susan Fallon – relative of Caputo Family

#### All deceased parishioners, their relatives, and friends: Joan Kelly – mother of Diane Depman

For those in the armed forces: Joseph Pitts-Air Force; Brendan Vizza-Marines; Andrew Morrison, Marine Corp; Eric Charles Taylor-Navy; Emma Marks-Navy; Ryan Sylvester-Air Force; Kyle Higgins-Army; Justin T. Erbrick-Army; Sean Conroy-Navy; Joseph Erbrick, III-Marines; Joseph Costick-Coast Guard; 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 Taylor-Air Force; Stephen Winther-Marines; Bobby Winther-Navy; Amanda Smith-Navy; Joseph Patty-Army; Christian Curtis-Marines; Thomas Campbell-Marines

**Divine Mercy Prayers** are on the third Sunday of each Month after the 10 AM Mass. All are welcome.

**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 - we must hear directly from the patient/family.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our October Calendar Winners - #264, 627, 501, 231.



# OUR LADY OF CALVARY FORTY HOURS

Come and pray before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after all Masses 6:00PM Mass – Opening of 40 Hours MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25 – The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day & night

6:30 & 8:00AM Daily Mass

7:00PM Devotions, Homily & Benediction

<u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>NOVEMBER 26</u> – The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day & night

6:30 & 8:00AM Daily Mass

7:30PM Devotions, Homily, Benediction & Procession A sign-up sheet to spend an hour with our Lord will be available.

Guest Preacher is Fr. Thomas O'Donald, Pastor, Epiphany of Our Lord



Home & School will be hosting

Our Annual Christmas Bazaar on Friday,

December 6, 2024 -7PM-10PM ADULTS ONLY and December 7, 2024 - 10AM-3PM and we are asking for donations to help continue to make this event our biggest fundraiser of the year. Donations of any unopened merchandise, gift certificates and cash to create raffle baskets for our Silent Auction and/or prizes to be won at our games is greatly appreciated no matter how small or large. We are asking that all donations be received in the rectory no later than Saturday, November 30, 2024.

If anyone would like to make a donation, please reach out to

homeandschool@olcalvaryschool.org or please call Kathaleen McGinley 215-901-3094.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE – Help TJ FLUEHR & his STAFF to fill the cupboard at Holy Redeemer Food Pantry this December. We will be collecting non-perishable food items to be distributed to families in need through December 22<sup>nd</sup>. The food pantry is in need of ready-made items such as, but not limited to, canned soups, canned raviolis, canned pasta and meatballs, pasta sauces in plastic jars, etc. Through your generosity, we hope to feed many families this holiday season. Please place items in the designated box at the back of church or reach out to us directly at 215-637-7373.

OLC will be sponsoring a

"giving tree" to help those less fortunate in the St. Martin of Tours Catholic community. If you wish to purchase a gift for a needy child, we ask that you take a tag from the tree. The trees will remain in the front and rear of church and will stay until all tags are gone.

Please purchase the gift and return it UNWRAPPED, with the tag, to the OLC GYM on December 7 – 4:30PM to 6:15PM or December 8-8:30AM to 1:15PM. Gift cards may be purchased at the rectory or at the store. The gift cards can be returned to the rectory, with the yellow tag, anytime during rectory hours. Donations to purchase additional gifts are also accepted.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to share our blessings with less fortunate members of the Catholic community during the Christmas Season.

Thank you for your generosity.

CALVARY SENIORS meet every Tuesday at Regina Coeli Hall (across from Torresdale train station), 9617 James Street. Doors open at 9:30 and the meeting start at 10:30.

**Al Anon** meeting at 7:00PM on Sundays (in person) in the lower church meeting room.

### The Ethics of Donating Money to Charitable Foundations

In this weeks' column, Fr. Tad reminds us that although giving money to charitable foundations is good, we have a responsibility to exercise due diligence in knowing where the money goes and how it will be used, thus ensuring, as much as we are able, that the funds are not used to support immoral projects or use immoral means in their research.

Private foundations and nonprofit groups are frequently involved in advocating for particular causes, ranging from cancer research to protecting the environment. Some of these foundations rely almost exclusively on charitable donations to carry out their promotional work. Potential donors seeking to support these causes face the challenge of exercising "due diligence," so that their funds are properly utilized and not misdirected or otherwise targeted by the organization to support immoral projects.

An example of the need for this due diligence can be seen in the case of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, which promotes scientific research to cure type 1 diabetes. The ethical concern arises because this organization has gone on record in support of a highly unethical form of research, namely, human embryonic stem cell research. Similarly, we may need to consider whether it is appropriate to support the Susan G. Komen Foundation's Race for a Cure, which seeks to promote breast cancer research and awareness. One of the rarely-discussed problems with the Komen Foundation's activities is that some of the money they raise may be used to promote morally objectionable activities that run counter to their mission of fighting breast cancer: some of Komen's funds are made available to Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion provider in the U.S., even though abortion of a woman's first pregnancy has been shown to correlate with an elevated incidence of breast cancer. More than 28 different studies over a period of 45 years have shown abortion to be a significant risk factor for breast cancer.

In fiscal year 2009, Komen affiliates contributed around \$730,000 to programs sponsored by Planned Parenthood, and in fiscal year 2010, they contributed about \$569,000. In January of 2012, the Susan G. Komen Foundation courageously decided that it would discontinue its financial support of Planned Parenthood. In the media firestorm that ensued, Komen experienced the backlash reserved for those who dare to cross the pro-abortion lobby. After little more than twenty-four hours, the Komen Foundation withered under the pressure, reversed itself, and assured the public it would continue to make funds available to Planned Parenthood. This backsliding solidified the beliefs of many donors that the Komen Foundation could not be trusted with their funds.

Komen's support for the abortion provider may stem from the fact that Komen's founder, Nancy Brinker, is a long-time promoter of Planned Parenthood, having served as an advisory board member for the organization's Texas affiliate. John Hamarley, a spokesman for Komen, indicated that about 20 of Komen's 122 affiliates are responsible for the money that goes to Planned Parenthood and has claimed that those funds are used only for breast cancer treatment, education, or screening programs that happen to be affiliated with the abortion group.

Planned Parenthood, however, is not licensed to provide screening beyond Level 1 breast examinations – the same exam that can be done by a woman in her shower, or in any clinic or physician's office. They do not even perform mammograms. Even if they did provide serious breast cancer screening, it would still remain a financial fact of life that an organization that receives money for Project A can divert other funds in its budget to Project B. Every dime that Komen provides to Planned Parenthood allows a different dime to be freed up for overhead, supplies, equipment and personnel to perform abortions.

When foundations have a generally sound list of activities but promote an intrinsically immoral activity as well (e.g. abortion, human embryonic stem cell research, contraception, etc.) one must consider the serious matter of the fungibility of donated funds. If we engage in fundraising for such organization, even if they assure us that specified funds will only be used for activities with an ethical profile, it can end up being little more than a shell game. In this sense, there is a real danger that our fundraising activities will not only engender scandal but may even contribute to the perpetuation of grave evils like abortion and human embryonic stem cell research.

Our fundraising initiatives need to be carefully directed towards foundations and organization without such connections to intrinsically immoral actions. Donors who are concerned about the use of funds by Komen may wish to consider alternative groups such as the National Breast Cancer Foundation, as organization that funds mammograms, or the Breast Cancer Prevention Institute, which offers information on avoidable risks including abortion. The *lacocca Family* Foundation, to consider another example, promotes cuttingedge diabetes research without supporting human embryonic stem cell research. Some smaller, local organizations may also have suitable profiles for us to be able to support their work unreservedly. A determined decision to redirect our fundraising energies can also have a powerful practical impact, serving to evangelize and provide witness, as organizations become aware of the reasons why such efforts are being channeled away from them.

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