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September 29, 2019

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parish Mission Statement

We, the Parish Family of St. Malachy, guided by the Holy Spirit are committed to continuing the works for Jesus Christ through worship, education and service thereby building the Body of Christ as a community of compassion and love.

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Sunday - 9:30 am to 11:00 am

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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:
Mon-Fri - 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

FAITH FORMATION SESSION TIMES:

Sunday K-8 9:15 am - 10:30 am

Monday 1-8 4:30 pm - 5:45 pm

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HOLY SACRAMENTS

EUCCHARIST:

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Saturday 8:30 am Mass

Saturday - 4:00 pm (Saturday Evening Vigil)

Sunday - 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration (3rd Tuesday) - 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm

RECONCILIATION: Saturday - 11:00 am - Noon

MARRIAGE: By policy of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, couples wishing to marry must contact the parish at least six months before the date of the wedding. No date may be set until the couple meets with the priest.

BAPTISM:

Fourth Sunday of each month.

INFANTS:

Please contact the Parish Office three (3) months before the expected birth. First time parents are required to attend Pre-Baptismal instructions.

ADULTS:

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Those adults desiring to become a Catholic who have never been baptized or were baptized in another faith are invited to contact Erin Stuvek at 412-787-2140 x103 for more information.

PARISH PHONE - 412-771-5483 / FAX - 412-331-7312

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Grouping Website: www.rockenrocatholics.org

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ST. MALACHY CHURCH

Mass Schedule	
Sunday, September 29-Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4:00 pm	Susan Parrish by Richard Parrish
8:00 am	Michael Sklarsky by M/M Mel Weinstein
11:00 am	People of the Parish
Monday, September 30 - St. Jerome	
8:30 am	William Olivani by Hileman Family
Tuesday, October 1 - St. Therese of the Child Jesus	
8:30 am	Mrs. Julia Fleming by M/M Martin J. Smithnosky & Family
Wednesday, October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels	
8:30 am	Birthday Blessings (100 yrs) Bea Kvaternik by Family
Thursday, October 3	
8:30 am	M/M James Finn by M/M Henry Kraba
Friday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi	
8:30 am	Helen J. Corsetti by Mrs. Edna DiFilippo
Saturday, October 5 - Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos	
8:30 am	Michael Desiderio by Wife
4:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, October 6-Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 am	Fran Laquinta by Bob & Denise Tovlin
11:00 am	Bea Kvaternik (Birthday Blessings) by Family

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST MALACHY

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30	
6:30 pm	Emmanuel Prayer Group - Church
7:00 pm	Bingo - Father Weirauch Hall
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2	
Noon	Card Party - Father Weirauch Hall
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts - Cafeteria
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Mtg - Parish Mtg Room
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3	
4:00 pm	Parish Festival
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4	
11:30 am	Scripture Study Group - Church
4:00 pm	Parish Festival
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5	
9:00 am	Marian Prayer Group - Church
4:00 pm	Parish Festival
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 7	
6:30 pm	Emmanuel Prayer Group - Church
7:00 pm	Bingo - Father Weirauch Hall
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9	
Noon	Card Party - Father Weirauch Hall
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts - Cafeteria
6:00 pm	Service of Love - Father Weirauch Hall
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10	
7:15 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Mtg - Parish Mtg Room
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11	
11:30 am	Scripture Study Group - Church

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Lisa Aburaad, Brian Breland, James Breslin, Josh Bruchwajski, William Duffy, Travis Dunham, Mark Finnegan, Edward Glance, Jason Glance, Lewis Hess, Spencer Lindsay, Christopher McDermott, James McGregor, Benjamin Macek, Jacob Mammay, Steven Marshall, Jeremiah Murphy, Kevin Murphy, Michael Murphy, Nick Obusek, Nicholas Rymniak, C.J. Stangl, Chris Straw, James Van Dyke, Jeffrey Vittorio, Chris Wasek, Eric Wasek, Jack Wasek, Joseph Wasek III, Matthew Zivic

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

We WELCOME all those who enter this Holy place to worship!

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Bob Langmann, Karen Lamping, Jennifer LePore, Sam Lewis, Patricia Leyda, Irene List, Mariyanna McCarthy, Marla McKnight, Frieda (Streiner) Mandus, Charlotte Markle, Patricia Martin, Mary Mazzocco, Johnny Mucha, Patrick Murphy, Tim Nolan, Mali Olivani, Emil Parent, Sr., Kathy Pfeuffer, Shirley Pioto, Margaret Porter, Gerard Powers, Shannon Preininger, Aaron Prosperini, Alice Rhoades, Lois Schipani, Sam Scotti, David Shankin, Joanna Simmons, Carol Sinatra, Frank Sinatra, Amy Sloat, Marianne, Raymond Soffa, Jessica Soliz, Anna Spezialetti, Barb Stemmler, Shirley Stephenson, Ron Thoma, Elizabeth Vein, Theresa Viziana, Mary "Mia" Walsh, Marci Williams, Ron Woshner

**For those who request prayers anonymously
Please pray for those who are in the
hospitals, nursing homes and the homebound.
May they continue to receive the Lord's blessings.**

BAPTISM

We wish to welcome into our Catholic Community of Believers:
Vincent Alan Peretic
son of Erik & Tara

REST IN PEACE

We remember our beloved dead who recently passed from this earthly life to eternal glory, especially
Douglas Sabol
May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. AMEN.

WEDDING BANNS

The couple below intends to be united
In the Holy Sacrament of Marriage:
II Matthew Dines & Mallory Fogle

REMINDER: Next weekend is our parish's monthly non-perishable food items collection for the F.O.R.

www.diopitt.org
www.thecatholicviewforwomen.com
www.priestsforlife.org catholicscomehome.org
www.womenofgrace.com www.rachelsvineyard.org
www.ForYourVocation.org www.helpourmarriage.com

ST. MALACHY PRAY FOR US!

REMEMBER ST. MALACHY IN YOUR WILL!

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Holy Trinity

I conclude a three-week series of pastoral descriptions of the RockKenRo parishes. My thanks to: (a) advisory councils who edited the documents, (b) Amy Maxin & Dan Skantar who wrote first drafts, (c) interviewers Tom Adams, Sharon Cercone, Rich Gennuso, Dave Hess, Sandy Horgan, Pat Joyce, Wayne Madden, Barbara Marshall, Lisa Polar, Donna Spohn, Claudia Van, Bob Waruszewski, Mary Weibel, and Lisa Worms; and (d) the many who sacrificed their time and candor in order to be interviewed. I publish Holy Trinity's today because it coincides with the parish assemblies at Holy Trinity Parish on September 28 at 6:15 and September 29 at 1:15. If you can't make it to the parish assemblies, you can view the on-line version by visiting the consolidation section of the website www.RockKenRoCatholics.org.

—Fr. Dave

Holy Trinity boasts a more balanced mix of young, middle-aged, and elderly members than much of the rest of southwest Pennsylvania. In that respect, Holy Trinity reflects its location in Robinson, a sprawling community that experienced a population boom over the past half century. Unlike older parishes where affiliation is handed down over generations, Holy Trinity is composed of an unusually large proportion of members who self-consciously chose the church or the neighborhood, or both, for their location, liveliness, choir, school, or high-quality programming. Many name special clergy or lay persons whose help or friendship inspired them to join the parish or stay.

Most continue to derive satisfaction from their choice. They tend to think of outreach in similar terms, as a matter of meeting the needs of individuals or families who might be "shopping" for the right church, school, or community. But of course, Holy Trinity Parish also includes a minority of lifelong members who take pride in their deep roots. Both are conscious of their accomplishments at Holy Trinity and eager to pass on the virtues of responsibility and leadership to the next generations, especially children and youth currently in the community.

Parishioners at Holy Trinity are most satisfied with their community and so tend to be most likely to want to "stay the course" for their parish. A noticeable number appreciate their parish especially in contrast with the surrounding culture: They recognize the "world" as secular, selfish, or immoral, and they feel called to set a counterexample of reverent piety, right doctrine, and moral discipline. A few others are primarily concerned with showing support for the divorced and remarried or for cohabiting couples.

Holy Trinity parishioners articulate the most vivid plans for accompanying children and youth in their spiritual development, for teaching them the Catholic faith, and for engaging them by entrusting them with age-appropriate gradations of responsibility in the parish. They share the anxieties of the broader Catholic community about failures in faith formation but are most determined to avoid these by energetic attention to their children.

Like almost all Catholics, Holy Trinity members highly value the Mass. They especially cite Holy Communion, but also mention their music program, homilies, and the spirit of reverence which distinguishes their community. Many say they are eager to see more vigorous catechesis, adult education programs, or even book recommendations. A few note their eagerness to cultivate "the small-church feel in this relatively large church" or provide "more opportunities for people to connect with each other." They imagine achieving these tasks by promoting volunteerism and by assigning more high-visibility responsibilities to youth and young adults.

A few at Holy Trinity see the possibility of consolidation of parishes as an occasion for a greater variety of programming or "styles" of Mass. Others see parish consolidation as an opportunity for Holy Trinity to mature as a community by refocusing on outreach and hospitality.

DEAR ROCKENRO COMMUNITY

In times of tragedy and crisis, people start to pray. This was certainly the case with the attacks of 9/11, after which Churches were filled for weeks. Nowadays, I have heard some people, frustrated by the lack of meaningful action in response to troubling events, proclaiming, "Prayer is not enough." It is to those who speak in such a manner as this that I should very much like to say, "Perhaps *your* prayer is not enough." If we understand what prayer means, then we will see that the problem has less to do with whether prayer is enough and more to do with whether we are willing to pray enough. Prayer is not a feel-good mental exercise. It's not just becoming centered or mindful. It's not just kind thoughts or good vibes. It is conversation with the God of Power, with His Immaculate Mother, and with His Holy Angels and Saints. By means of it, we unite our hearts with God and gain the aid of all of heaven. Prayer is the most powerful weapon we have against the evils of the world. We will do more good in praying one Rosary than in organizing a hundred rallies or in writing a thousand "tweets." That does not mean we should not act in the face of evil. Prayer is never divorced from the radical life it causes us to lead and the radical love it causes us to give our neighbor. It impels us to do great things for love of God which we could never do alone. But all of our best efforts, unaided by persevering, trusting prayer, are not able to sustain us in the many troubles we face in the world today. Prayer is enough; and without it, nothing else is.

- Jacob Gruber

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zechariah 8:1-8; Luke 9:46-50
Tuesday: Zechariah 8:20-23; Luke 9:51-56
Wednesday: Nehemiah 2:1-8; Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Thursday: Nehemiah 8:1-4, 5-6, 7-12; Luke 10:1-12
Friday: Baruch 1:15-22; Luke 10:13-16
Saturday: Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Luke 10:17-24
Sunday: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

GIVE YOUR FEEDBACK FOR THE NEW SHARED BULLETIN

Beginning on October 20 Holy Trinity, Saint John of God, and Saint Malachy will share one consolidated bulletin. The bulletin will be 16 pages of full color. If you're interested in giving your feedback as to how the new bulletin will look please visit: www.rockenrocatholics.org/vote4bulletin to review some templates and choose your favorites. Please know that the bulletin will continue to change in the next several weeks and months as we discover how to best utilize it.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ARISE SPEAKER SERIES

Thursday October 24 kicks off Arise Speaker Series, which is a melding of what used to be the Speaker Series and Connect Nights. Several volunteers are needed to help greet, set up, and tear down.

For more info or to volunteer, please email Jacob at jwilliamson@holyltrinityrobinson.org.

PARISH ASSEMBLY

Miss the parish assembly or want to review the presentation again? If so, please visit www.rockenrocatholics.org/consolidation where you can see an online version of the parish assembly, offer your official response, and see a list of frequently asked questions. All responses are due by tomorrow, September 30.

ST. MALACHY FESTIVAL NEWS

St. Malachy's Nationality Festival will be happening this week, from 4-10 p.m. each night. Come experience food booths from Mexico, Eastern Europe, Italy, Germany, Greece and more. Don't miss out on the cash prizes, kids games, and cash bar. Interested in helping? Please call Tim Davis at 412-445-0113 for more information.

Our second early bird winner was Eileen Gallagher.
Congratulations Eileen!

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LIFE CHAIN

You are invited and encouraged to participate in **Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday, October 6 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the upper parking lot.** Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing for sixty minutes praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. We will meet in the back of the church at 12:55 p.m. to distribute signs. Please join us!

FAITH FORMATION

All students were given a 2019-2020 Faith Formation calendar at the first session. Additional copies can be downloaded from our website: rockenrocatholics.org/children.

HEADS UP!

Thanks especially to Jim Manion and a special task force of advisors from Holy Trinity Parish, the next phase of many-years-delayed projects from Our Campaign for The Church Alive! Are now underway: New pews, a renewed floor, and a freshly painted ceiling. Construction is expected on weekdays 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. beginning October 7 and concluding December 20, and then resuming January 6 and concluding again on March 6. Off hours, the church will be usable but often unsightly; please be prepared for some inconvenience. Sunday Masses and evening confessions and Mass are expected to proceed as usual; funeral Masses and school Masses will be relocated in a manner to be announced.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Have you suffered the loss of a loved one, are struggling with your feelings and wondering why people don't always understand? Meeting and sharing with others who also have experienced the death of a loved one can be a source of healing for you. Our parish family at RockKenRo is offering a Bereavement Support Group that is open to anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one. The group will offer an opportunity to meet with others who have a common experience of grief. It will provide a safe and healing environment where grieving individuals can listen, share and learn together. The group will meet on Sunday afternoon in the Parish Ministry Center Holy Trinity. The meetings will start each Sunday at 1:30 p.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. The first meeting will be on Sunday, October 20 and the group will continue to meet for the following six Sundays, ending on December 1. Participants are **strongly** encouraged to register in advance. For more information or to register for the Bereavement Group, please contact Mary Stevens at 412-874-0604 or mps2150@yahoo.com.

ROSARY FOR AMERICA

Please join us as we say a public Rosary in reparation for our sins and to ask for the conversion of America from its moral decay on Saturday, October 12 at Noon at Holy Trinity Blessed Mother Grotto in front of the school. This is a nationwide effort with over 20,000 groups participating across the country organized by American Needs Fatima. For questions call Helen at 412-480-2908.

BAKED GOODS NEEDED

Calling all bakers! Please bake your favorite treats and deliver them to the Christian Mother Cookie Patch in the School Cafeteria for our Parish Festival beginning this Wednesday, October 2. Please help us make this the most successful festival ever!

CHRISTMAS LANCASTER TRIP

Join Suzanne Venneri and friends on November 15 & 16 for a trip to the Sight & Sound Theater & The American Music Theater to enjoy performances of the "Miracle of Christmas" and "Musical - Joy to the World". The \$315 fee includes motorcoach transportation, departing from Rockefeller's in Kennedy Township, to Lancaster, a one night stay at the Hawthorn Suites, tickets to both shows, and more. For more information or to sign up, call Suzanne at 412-264-8446 or pick up a form in the narthex of the church and return to the address listed on the form.

WINTER COAT & CLOTHING DRIVE

Holy Trinity Parish community is conducting our 21st annual coat and clothing drive for the needy families of the Appalachian Region of WV beginning October 1 through October 31. Please leave any winter coats, clothing, hats, gloves, blankets and toys in front of the right door of the 3-car garages located at the Parish Ministry Center. Your donated items will be delivered and distributed directly to our Appalachian neighbors who struggle to meet the basic needs of daily life. If you need any additional information, please call Barb Angelo at 412-787-3655.

LADIES OF THE ROCKENRO GROUPING

Please join the ladies at Holy Trinity Ladies Guild for our October meeting on October 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Ministry Center at Holy Trinity's site. We are looking for new members to grow our guild in order to support all of the RockenRo Grouping in the future. Come to see what we are working on for the coming year and enjoy some fellowship too.

TALK & PRAYER

On October 5, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, Seminarian Jacob Gruber will give a short talk on the "Icon of Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians" and lead us in a prayer service for Christians suffering all over the world.

REDEEMER SERIES

Mark your calendars for an adult faith formation speaker series led by seminarian Jacob Gruber, called Redeemer Series. Part I of this series, "On the Mother of the Redeemer," will take place at Holy Trinity Church this October - Saturdays, October 12, 19, and 26 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Childcare is available please email jgruber@holyltrinityrobinson.org to let us know. All are welcome.

RCIA - BECOMING CATHOLIC

If you have ever considered joining the Catholic Church or are curious about Catholicism, the RCIA process just started for this year. There is still time to join us to learn more, ask questions, and seek a deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith. All are welcome, regardless of your previous religious background! For more information, contact Erin Stuvek at estuvek@holyltrinityrobinson.org.

ARISE - SPEAKER SERIES

Please join us on Thursday, October 24 at the Archangel Gabriel Kennedy Gym (St. Malachy) for a casual evening with beer, wine, refreshments, time for fellowship, and a fascinating talk by Dave VanVickle. Dave will present on what the Church really teaches about angels, demons, ghosts, exorcisms, and hauntings, drawing from his extensive experience assisting priests in their ministries of exorcism and deliverance and from his study of Church teaching. Dave will clarify many misunderstandings surrounding this topic during this thorough and dynamic presentation on the world of evil and the unfathomable power of the mercy of God flowing through his priests. After the talk there will be time for questions. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., talk begins at 7:15 p.m. RSVPs are appreciated at www.rockenrocatholic.org. Contact Erin Stuvek (estuvek@holyltrinityrobinson.org) with questions, or to volunteer to help (help is needed with light setup, greeting, childcare, and more).

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