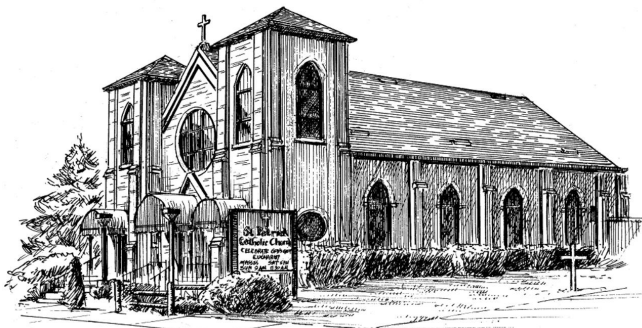


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November 4, 2018

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

SECRET OF SUCCESS

The readings are fairly simple and straightforward. Do just these two things—love God with your whole self and love your neighbor as yourself—and you will be saved. Deuteronomy and the psalm emphasize the importance of loving God with our whole selves. Hebrews reminds us that Jesus loved us as he loved his Father and so he offered himself for our sins. Mark says that loving God completely must also be accompanied by loving our neighbor. Jesus loved his Father with his whole soul, his whole mind, his whole strength. The love between God and Jesus makes them one. Everything hinges on the completeness and the inclusiveness of that love.

Today's Readings: : Dt 6:2–6; Ps 18:2–3, 3–4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23–28; Mk 12:28b–34

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Baptisms: By appointment

Weddings: Arrangements must be made with the priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

Spiritual Formation (CCD):

Grades K-5: Sunday: 9:05 AM - 10:15 AM
Grades 6-8: Monday: 7:00 PM - 8:10 PM

Bulletin Deadline:

15 days advance notice in writing.

Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM



Sunday Mass:

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Holy Day:

Check the bulletin for Mass times

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00 AM

Reconciliation:

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:30 AM - 7:45 AM

Benediction/Holy Hour: 2nd & 4th

Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM
(Check the bulletin for any changes)

Mass Intentions



SUNDAY 10:30 AM Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ernest Buck
 (Peg Willison)

TUESDAY 8:00 AM Weekday
Frank Buck
 (Marlene Peluso)

THURSDAY 8:00 AM Weekday
Nicholas & MaryAnn Portman Family
 (MaryAnn McHenry Cunningham)

SUNDAY 10:30 AM Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Michael Cardillo
 (Annette & Ron Stewart)

ST. ALPHONSUS MASS SCHEDULE

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Saturday Vigil—4:00 PM; Sunday—8:30 AM
 Monday & Friday—8:00 AM
 Confessions— Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:40 PM

SCHEDULES

Sunday - 10:30 AM
November 11th

Lectors:

K. Keast

Altar Servers:

Curtis Venturini

Eucharistic Ministers:

B. Foreman

C. Little

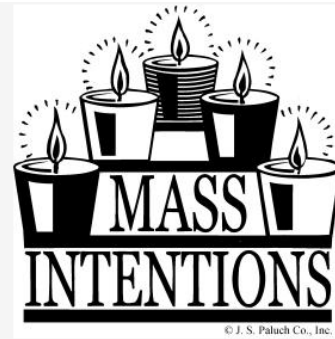
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HOLY HOUR/BENEDICTION: The next scheduled Holy Hour and Benediction will take place Wednesday, November 7th, at St. Alphonsus from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

PARISH COLLECTION VERIFICATION: Individuals are needed to verify the weekly collection received. This procedure usually takes 1-2 hours by a team of three individuals. If you are interested in assisting in this endeavor or wish more information, please contact Paul Kowal at 724.693.8604 or drop a note in the collection and you will be contacted. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: If you attend Mass at another church, please use your envelopes and your contribution will be delivered to your parish church.

MASS INTENTIONS: The Mass Intention Book has finally been caught up and we have some (weekday and Sunday) Masses available in the month of December 2018. Please note Mass requests at this time will be for December only and will be accepted on a first-come/first-served basis. The suggested donation is \$10.00 per Mass; please clearly mark your check “**Mass Intentions**.” Please stop by the office or drop your request in the collection basket and you will be contacted as to which dates are still available; no over-the-phone requests will be accepted.



BEWARE-EMAIL ALERT: The Vicariate III office has been made aware that some of the parishes in the vicariate are experiencing a spoofing scam. Please be suspicious of any email received asking for gift cards (i.e. iTunes or phone cards). The emails appear to be from a gmail account and the address may have one of our priests’ names, St. Patrick@gmail.com. Please know that St. Patrick’s office did not send the email! If you receive any such email, please use caution and immediately delete it. **Never** click on any link in an email, respond or reply to the email, or call a phone number listed (even if you think you know the sender). If you are unsure if the email is legitimate, please contact the parish office directly. Remember, **do not reply!** One spoofing email received read, “How are you? I need a favor from you, please email me back as soon as possible. Hope to hear from you soon. Thanking and Regards. Fr. XXXX, Pastor.” This email is a scam!

RCIA, MARRIAGE & THE TRIBUNAL: If you are in the RCIA program and you and/or your spouse or fiancé has been previously married and is now in another marriage, it is necessary that any previous marriage(s) be ecclesiastically adjudicated before an individual can celebrate the Rite of Election in the RCIA program. For more information, please immediately contact the Tribunal Office for guidance and make certain to inform us that you are an RCIA candidate. 412/456-3033.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES: Schedules for Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors from **January 6, 2019**, through **March 10, 2019**, will soon be prepared by Bev Foreman. Please call her by **Sunday, November 18, 2018**, at 724.693.8264 if you have any preference or particular days NOT to be scheduled. Thank you for your ministry.

EASTERN STANDARD TIME: Remember, turn your clocks back one hour at 2:00 AM, **this Sunday, November 4th**. Enjoy that extra hour of sleep.



REMINDER: Election Day is Tuesday, November 6th. **Please remember to vote.**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just two years ago, we engaged in one of the core activities of our democratic system: a presidential election. Actually, the institution of election can be traced to traditions in the Church, and although bishops are no longer chosen in this way, abbots and abbesses (heads of monastic communities) have almost always been elected by full voting members of their communities. The lifetime appointment begins when the monks or nuns are gathered in "chapter" at the death or resignation of the abbot, and fortunately for all involved, campaigning is not allowed! The members of the community discern, with prayer to the Holy Spirit, who among them is the best suited for leadership. Once chosen, the new leader requests the blessing of the local bishop, who usually presides at a ceremony of consecration or investiture. The ballots are always secret, and a simple majority must be achieved.

In our American system the Electoral College is the determining voice in the presidential election, not the popular election on a November Tuesday, just as the monastic chapter is the electorate. Today, most religious orders elect general superiors in "chapter" by delegates of the professed members, and usually for a term of six years. A few, like the Jesuits, elect for life. At least we don't have that weight on our shoulders when we choose a president. Four years at a time will do! —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LADIES: Magnificat Pittsburgh Prayer Breakfast will be held on **November 17th**, at 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the Marriott (Rt 228) Cranberry Twp. Hear Emily Stimpson Chapman tell a faith journey you won't forget. A nominal Catholic with little catechesis, she left the Church being drawn to Evangelical Christians. She returned to Catholicism after she was challenged to learn about the Catholic faith and Scripture. She struggled with anorexia but then encountered the Theology of the Body, which redeemed her relationship with food and helped her rediscover the Eucharist. She waited to find her husband and then waited through an adoption process she called beautiful and terrifying. Emily is a Catholic writer, book author, blogger, and speaker. Cost is \$23. To register, call Pam, 412.461.8906 or Kay, 724.772.6749 or go to www.magnificatpittsburgh.org by **November 9th**.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them. —St. John Chrysostom

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7322 Noblestown Rd, Oakdale, PA 15071 (724.693.9260)

CHRISTMAS DISCERNMENT RETREAT: College and post-college men come to "The Word Was Made Flesh: A Christmas Discernment Retreat," held December 14-16 at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center. This retreat will speak to the call God has placed in your life and allow you to learn more about discerning your vocation. The weekend will include Mass, Adoration, conferences, opportunity for Confession, and solid brotherhood. No cost. Must be 18 or older. Visit PGHPriest.com by December 7 to register.

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR POST-ABORTION HEALING: Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held November 16th -18th at The Ark and The Dove. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere, Rachel's Vineyard demonstrates God's love, compassion, and forgiveness to women and men struggling in abortion's aftermath. To register or for more information call Toni Jester 412-352-5348 or email toniafj1@comcast.net.

MEN MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE MENS' RETREAT: at St. Paul of the Cross on **February 8-10, 2019**. If you have any questions or would like to attend please contact Matthew Lewis at 412.589.2978 or thebeast3508@gmail.com or Michael Kiss at 412.551.7598 or michael.kiss@thermofisher.com.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: will be taken up in the month of November on the weekend of **November 18th**. This collection is to assist religious communities in caring for their elderly and infirm members. Thank you for your cooperation in supporting this collection.

NEITHER DESPAIR NOR PRESUME

Two criminals were crucified with Christ. One was saved; do not despair. One was not; do not presume. —St. Augustine

SICK LIST: Your prayers are requested for Gabriel J. Belak, Tim Berty, Rosalyn (Belak) Heleniak, Adeline Slovick, Joe Swider and Virginia Shattuck Zang. Please pray also for those in hospitals, nursing homes, and at home.

STEWARDSHIP:

268 Envelopes: 74 Returned; 194 NOT Returned

(10/28/18) Offertory Collection \$ 1,717.00

GRAND TOTALS FOR OCTOBER 2018

Offertory Collection	\$ 6,372.00
Monthly Collection	\$ 910.00
World Mission Collection	\$ 436.00

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