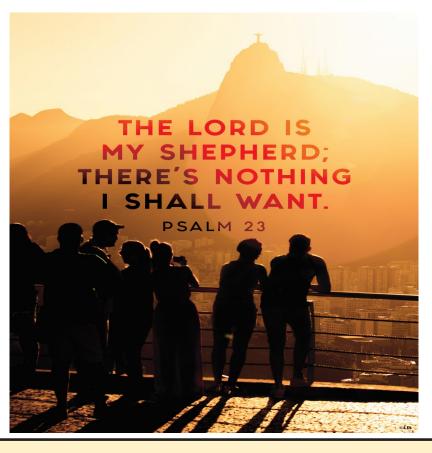


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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26 2023

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M-TH: 9 am-12 pm & 1-3 pm Friday-Closed

MASS SCHEDULE Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm
Sunday: 8 am and 11 am
Weekday Masses
Tuesday: 9:00 am
Thursday: 9:00 am
Friday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 9:00 pm - Confession

PARISH STAFF

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34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

MATTHEW 25:34

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to join our parish and become part of the Notre Dame Church family, please complete this form and return by mail or drop in the collection basket.

REQUEST FOR PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Address:	City/State:	Zip:

Name:



Video Mass 11/26	+Dorothy Fill [Son, John Fill]
MON 11/27	NO MASS
TUES 11/28 9AM	+Jim & Carole Lee Arnold [Gary & Cindi Byers]
WED 11/29	NO MASS
THU 11/30 9AM	+Lucy Zakrzewski [Michael & Deborah Lavin]
FRI 12/1 9AM	+Paul T. Brestelli Sr. [Family]
SAT 12/2 9AM	+Courtney Hillman [Kaczmarczyk Family]
SAT 12/2 * 3-3:30PM	* Confessions
SAT 12/2 4PM	+Nicholas Theofilis [Marla Dalesandro]
SUN 12/3 8AM	+Margaret Papay [Papay Family]
SUN 12/3 11AM	+Anthony & Alice Colecchi [Natalie Flack]



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" Item is **PAPER NAPKINS**. The upcoming item will be toilet paper.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE



Please keep the family of **Karen VanCise** in your prayers.



"Into your hands Oh Lord we commend our brothers and sisters"

ALTAR FLOWERS



Altar flowers this weekend are donated In Memory of

Bill Boyle & Ann C. Boyle

On Behalf of: Barb Boyle





SAT 12/2 4PM LECTOR J. Pursel	EUCH. MIN. A. Costar / S. Goclano P. Polesnak / P. Polesnak 2 - Volunteer Needed	ALTAR SVR Volunteer Needed
SUN 12/3 8AM LECTOR B. Lackey	EUCH. MIN. P. Clark / T. DeCaprio R. Mentrek / T. Pagliaroli J. Trenga / J. Wolinsky	ALTAR SVR Volunteer Needed
SUN 12/3 11AM LECTOR K. Higgins	EUCH. MIN. K. Davenport / M. Hohman S. Hohman / B. McVey 2 - Volunteer Needed	ALTAR SVR M. Tarbay
THU 12/7 7PM	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	
LECTOR T. Bain	EUCH. MIN. Volunteers Needed	ALTAR SVR Volunteer Needed

*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! Please sign-in prior to Mass

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MASS SCHEDULE:

DAILY:

MON, WED, FRI TUES

7:30 AM 6:00 PM / *6:30 PM Confessions

WEEKEND:

SAT 5:30 PM SUN 9:30 AM



Thank you for being a part of the Notre Dame community!

We're excited to announce that we are once again participating in #iGiveCatholic on

#GivingTuesday November 28, 2023!

All gifts you make to Notre Dame on November 28, 2023, or during the Advanced Giving Day phase running from November 13th through November 28th, either online or offline through a gift of cash or check directly to our organization, will be used to continue the ministry of Taping Weekly Mass for our homebound.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26, 2023

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

SCRIPTURE - Questions of the week

First Reading:

Ezekiel offers a beautiful vision to the Israelites held captive in Babylon of God as a shepherd tending carefully to the sheep in his flock who are lost, injured, or sick. Who do you know needs to hear this message of hope?

Second Reading:

Paul teaches the Corinthians how believers are destined to share in resurrected life with our Lord Jesus Christ. What do you imagine resurrected life with Christ will look like?

Gospel:

The final Gospel reading of the Liturgical Year focuses on Judgement Day. All will be measured by how we treated those on the margins of society. What could you do this week to help the poor or the stranger or those in prison?

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God is always closer to us than we suspect. He is in every need we encounter and every person we meet. Never stop seeking His face.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The King Comes Holding a Mirror

Of all the many wonderful, thorough examinations of conscience I have come across, the one I normally utilize is very simple, and perfectly suited to someone like me who is not capable of profound thought at the end of the day.

It's just one very short question: Which Christs did I not recognize today?

The King always comes in disguise, and I know I miss him in so many ways every single day. I miss him in people ignored or dismissed. I miss him in opportunities avoided and in moments that could have turned into prayer but instead turned into phonescrolling. I miss him when he is right in front of me, holding up a mirror and calling my name, begging for my conversion of heart.

The Christian life calls us to constant self-scrutiny. It's not a comfortable life, always thinking about what you could do better, but the Lord shepherds us rightly. His pastures have nothing to offer those who are perfect and strong.

He has gone in search of the lost. He has reclaimed those who have strayed, healed those who were injured, given rest to those who were weary.

We can't be followers of Christ if we are not willing to own our sins. God's mercy does not dismiss our sins, as if they never existed and were not important.

No, it does something far, far better — God's mercy absolves our sins. It sets us free from them. But to be truly free, you have to understand the tyranny of what once enslaved you.

"And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats." — Matthew 25:32

PRINCE OF PEACE PEGGY'S STOCKINGS TOY DRIVE GIVING CHILDREN HOPE NOW—DECEMBER 13TH

Brighten the lives of children this Christmas by choosing one of "Peggy's Stockings" and purchasing a gift for one of the 300 children [ages 14 and under] in need. Each of these children receiving gifts is enrolled with the Prince of Peace Center's food pantry—OR will be an identified child in need whose parents are not registered with any food pantry within the Community Food Warehouse network.

To participate, simply take a "Peggy's Stockings" tag and purchase a toy or item for the age and sex of the child. Return the unwrapped gift, along with the identifying tag attached, no later than December 13th. You may also purchase items from the Prince of Peace Center's Amazon Wishlist at the following link:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/U3C8C057C5TN?ref =wl share

While we ask that gifts be offered unwrapped, feel free to include wrapping paper for parents to wrap the gifts themselves. Gifts will be delivered to families on December $14^{\rm th}$.

If you have any questions, please call the Prince of Peace Center 724-346-5777.



TAIZE PRAYER DECEMBER 10 – 7:00 PM SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

On Sunday, December 2nd at 7pm, the choir and folk group of Notre Dame Musicians will be having an Advent Taize prayer gathering. It is a time of quiet in the midst of a very busy December, when it is tempting to skip through Advent and get right to Christmas.

Taize prayer began in Eastern France where people of all faith backgrounds gather to pray to be a sign of reconciliation among divided Christians in a world in need of peace. It is composed of light, gathering around the Cross, song, scripture, and silence. Please plan to join us for one hour in Advent. **There is no charge.**

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OPLATKI

The Christmas Wafer, an Eastern European prayer tradition typically used for prayer at Christmas Eve dinner, is again available for \$1.25 for a package of Four (4) wafers.

If you need more than 10 packages for your family, please reserve your order with Kathy Higgins, at the church office, 724-981-5566, ext 109.



2023 - 2024 Religious Ed FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

*Mass schedule: Saturday 4:00PM / Sunday 8:00 & 11:00AM

*Grades: $PreK-10^{th}$ / Sunday Mornings 9:15-10:45AM *Grades: 11^{th} - 12^{th} / First Sunday of every month / 9:15-10:45AM / Facilitator: Deacon Frank Hannah

*Director: Joe Ranelli / Secretary: Mary Lou Hornyak /

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November 2023

26 NO Class [Thanksgiving]

December 2023

3 Class

10 Class [Taize' Prayer / 7PM Church]

17 Class Confirmation Parent/Candidate meeting following 11AM Mass in Chapel]

24 NO Class [Christmas]

31 NO Class [New Year]



We all continue to experience higher prices for food, clothing, rent etc. Many families in the Shenango Valley who were already struggling can no longer provide for their families without help. Increasing numbers are turning to our Sharon Salvation Army for food and help with housing. While demand has increased for food banks all over our country, food banks are at their lowest inventory.

Again, this year the Salvation Army is asking local churches to partner with them by providing volunteer help to staff the Red Kettles. All the money collected stays in the Shenango Valley.

The Salvation Army is very pleased that Notre Dame Church will be participating again this year! We will be ringing the bells at Kraynak's rear entrance in 2 hr. shifts. from 9AM – 7PM on the following days:

WED Dec. 6 GREEN WED Dec. 13 **PURPLE** THU Dec. 7 RED THU Dec. 14 **ORANGE** FRI Dec. 8 BLUE FRI Dec. 15 PINK SAT Dec. 9 BLACK SAT Dec. 16 **YELLOW**

Ringing The Bells to help our neighbors in need is a very rewarding experience. Your gift of 2 hours of your time will be greatly appreciated! You can serve alone, with a spouse, a friend, or with a child. This is a wonderful service experience for people of all ages!

There will be Signup Sheets in the church entrance. Each day will have its own Color- Coded SignUp Clipboard (See color beside date). Please include your phone number and email! A more detailed General Information instruction sheet will be available at the SignUp Table. Hand Warmers be available in the church entrance on the Dec 2/3 week-

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call or text Pat Galsky at 724-977-0914. Pat will call to remind you of your scheduled time.

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

Praver Line, Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858



NOTRE DAME CHURCH

Under the direction of Rhonda Paglia, the Notre Dame Church Youth Choir will be singing once again at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass, Dec. 24th.

The practice schedule is: All Sundays: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17th. All practices will begin at noon and last for about 45 minutes.

If you have any questions, or your child/ children would like to participate, please contact Rhonda at 724 977-0847.



The next pot-luck dinner is Sunday, December 3rd after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Main dish, chicken. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule.

Any questions, contact Ann Nicolls 724-962-7164

