

Be Filled
with the
Holy Spirit



Confirmation

December 2, 2018

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Magdalena Clare Daukaus

Victoria Christopher Deschambault

Thomas William Drages

Meaghan Rose Dugan

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Faith Agrippina Flores

Shane Matthew Hartnett

Dathan Dominic Lang

Joseph Anthony Lorenzo

Olivia Julia Obfenda

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM
Sunday: 8:30 and 11:30 AM
St. Joseph: 10 AM
Daily: 6:30 AM (Adoration Chapel) Mon. through Fri.
 10:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Tues. and Thurs.
 8:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Sat.
St. Joseph: 9:30 AM Mon., Wed., Fri.
Holyday: No Vigil Mass at Presentation
 Holyday: 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM
 (Except Christmas & New Year's Day)
St. Joseph: Vigil Mass, 7:30 PM
 Holyday: 9:30 AM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Each Saturday following the Rosary at 7:30 AM

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM
BAPTISM: Third Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM
Baptismal Instructions: 2nd Monday of each month at
 7:00 PM in the rectory. Pre-registration is required;
 please contact the Rectory.
MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made at least six
 months before the date of the wedding.



December 2, 2018 – First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Here is the prophet's oracle on the future king who will be from David's line. He will also be "right and just."

Second Reading: I Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Paul urges the people to be faithful to their calling to enter God's kingdom and to reflect this by their conduct. He shows his pastoral concern for them as he offers his encouragement.

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Luke describes with cosmic signs the destruction of Jerusalem and the whole world. This is Jesus' charge. He is also to be our Judge and so a set of admonitions follows.

Reflection:

The apocalyptic language of today's gospel depicts the collapse of all that seems so fixed – sun, moon and the stars. A once-thought secure world is not as secure as we thought.

So we ask ourselves:

- What and on whom have we relied for security and hope in times of crisis?
- Have these been supportive and sustaining?

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 8 – DECEMBER 9			
	Lectors	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM	Samantha Ruch	Gianna Scamby Maria Brubaker	David McCarron, Andrea Martin-Perry, Rosemarie Fisher, Mary Alice Windish
8:30 AM	Patrick Masluk	Magdalena Daukaus Meaghan Dugan	Beatrice Ramirez, Gus Ramirez, Rocco Nicoletti, Patty Walsh
11:30 AM	Nicholas Morgan	Faith Flores Johnny Cruz	Rhonda White. Kathleen Ashenfelter, Arlene Hudson

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 2, 2018

8:30 Cyrenian Society
11:30

Monday, December 3, 2018, Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest

6:30 Broni and Adolf Altmann
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

6:30
10:00 School Mass

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, December 6, 2018

6:30 Souls in Purgatory
10:00 Souls in Purgatory

Friday, December 7, 2018, Memorial of St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Rose Caparas
7:30 pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph

Saturday, December 8, 2018, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the BVM

8:00

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Please keep in your daily prayers, those who are sick and in need of God's healing touch.



Daniel Dalbey, Rita Marie Smith, Joan White, Joanna DeNofa, Donna McGonigle, Joey Lanzi, Chris Vogel, Patty Rowley, Howard Stickley III, Bob Gottschalk, Bill Mahoney, Mary Rowland, Josephine D. Smith, Michael R. Smith, Stanley Grey, Fred Henderson, Theresa Noraka, Ann Schlimer, Matthew Balent, Ethel Thomas, James White, Ann Ruocchio, Brian Hinchey, Patricia Wilbert, Debbie Chakler, Mary McGlinn, Norah Mason, Francis Lordan, Stanley Hrynko, Eileen S. Smith, Doris Dalbey, Marie Verna, Eileen Myer, Virginia Bonawitz, Ethel Iannuzzi, Joan Unterkofler, Joseph Affet, Steven Specht Jr., Regina Carberry, Julia Michel, Sharon Hartman, Josephine Hillenbrand, Edward Anstotz, Bill Bambery, Russel Kahny, Mary Ellen Murphy, Aiden Smith-Kirk

COLLECTION AMOUNTS	
November 25, 2018	\$4,537
November 18, 2018	\$4,392
November 11, 2018	\$6,023
November 4, 2018	\$4,382

Pres Events		
	Parish	School
Sun., 12/2	Confirmation, 11:30 am Mass; Adult Bowling, 6 pm	
Mon., 12/3		
Tues., 12/4	PREP- 6:45 – 8:05 pm Holy Hour, 8 pm (Chapel)	School Mass, 10 am
Wed., 12/5		
Thurs., 12/6	Scripture Study- 7:15 pm (RMR)	Dress Down Day for Box Tops; Advanced Band Concert
Fri., 12/7		First Trimester Ends
Sat., 12/8		

Food Cupboard Sunday

"When I was hungry, you gave Me to eat"

Please bring your food donations to Mass next weekend. They will be donated to the St. Helena's Food Cupboard, which is run by Sister Anne Marie. Items most in need at the cupboard are peanut butter, jelly, mac and cheese, juice, cereal, rice, canned beans, and evaporated milk.

Thank you for your generosity.

Scrip Hours

Sunday: 10:30 am – 11:45 am; **Mon.:** 8:30 am – 10:30 am

Tuesday: 2 pm – 3 pm

Wednesday: 2 pm – 3 pm; 6:30 pm - 7:30 p

Thursday: 8:30 am - 10:30 am; 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 10:30 am; **Saturday:** after 5:15 pm Mass

Early Bulletin Deadlines

Bulletin Date	Info is due in the rectory or by email by:
12/23/18	11 am, Thursday, 12/13/18
12/30/18	11 am, Wednesday, 12/19/18
1/06/19	11 am, Wednesday, 12/26/18

Christmas Tree Sale

Our Christmas Trees have arrived!

When: The sale will begin Saturday, December 8th.

Saturdays: 10 am - 7 pm

Sundays: 10 am - 1 pm

Monday through Friday- 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Where: Presentation BVM Rectory parking lot

More Info: Contact Dave McCarron - 215-722-1987,

Ron Camp - 215-663-8853, or Greg Strup- 215-280-6856



Fresh Wreath Sale

Beautifully decorated fresh wreaths provided by Cheltenham BSA Troop 22.

When and Where: at the Christmas tree sale at Presentation BVM Church

More Info: Gail, 215-512-3855; Gailchase1@comcast.net
Erin, 267-978-6421, Philly199@aol.com

Rummage Sale Update

The total profit from the parish fall rummage sale, which was held on October 19-20, is \$3,052. Once again many thanks to Pat Skiendzielewski and her wonderful work

crew and all those who participated, donated, and/or purchased treasures.



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception December 8 - Holy Day of Obligation



The Dogma of the Immaculate

Conception: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin." (Pope Pius IX)

The Wellness Ministry

Did you know that the Wellness Ministry is a parish-based volunteer group that provides transportation for elderly parishioners (PBVM and St. Joe's) to doctor's appointments, or pharmacy, or store?

If you know of anyone who needs a ride, or if you could spare a few hours a month in this worthwhile endeavor by joining the ranks of our volunteers, please give us a call. Contact Fran at (215) 379-1926

The CYO Needs Your Help!

During this holiday season Presentation BVM CYO will donate complete Christmas dinners as well as toys to families in need. If you know of any family who needs help, could you please submit their name either directly to Father Harrison or put their names in the collection basket on Sunday. We will respect their need for privacy. Thank you.

Five Keys to Freedom:

Unlocking the Power of the Gospel in Your Life

Come learn about the Five Keys of Unbound, a simple process of prayer that will help you find greater freedom from the things that bind you. This presentation is for everyone. It can be especially helpful for situations such as marital/family discord, habitual sin, chronic anger, fear, sadness, or other areas of life where you feel "stuck" and unable to move forward.

Speaker: Meghan Cokeley, Director, Office for the New Evangelization & Archdiocesan Unbound Ministry, Archdiocese of Philadelphia

When: Monday, December 10, 2018, 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Where: Mother Boniface Spirituality Center, Northeast Philadelphia

More information: This free presentation includes an optional dinner followed by 2 talks including a break and time for Q&A. Flyer: www.phillyevang.org or RSVP at <https://form.jotform.com/81516313735151>

Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas celebration is back and better than ever. Cathedral Music Director Charlene Angelini leads an uplifting program of beautiful carols and the traditional music of Christmas, performed by the combined forces of the Cathedral Choir and the choirs of the AoP.

When: December 9, 2018, 3:00 pm -4:30 pm

Where: Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, 1723 Race St. Philadelphia, PA 19103.

To purchase tickets: Visit cathedralphilaconcerts.org

Red Cross Blood Drive

When: Monday, January 14, 2019; 2 pm - 7 pm

Where: Presentation BVM Church Hall

More Info: Call Jessica Stickley, 267- 909-4899



Ans. to this week's "Name Our Founder/Foundress."

1. St. Ignatius of Loyola
2. St. Dominic
3. St. Francis of Assisi
4. St. Frances Cabrini
5. St. John Baptist de La Salle

Advent at Presentation BVM Advent Family Prayer Cards

Once again, our parish will have Advent Family Prayer Cards. We ask that during the Advent Season, you pray daily for the name(s) indicated on your prayer card. Pray that the Holy Spirit will be with that person or family as they prepare their hearts for the coming of the Lord Jesus on Christmas Day

Christmas Flowers/Plants for the Altar



You may name a person (s) whom you wish the flowers "to be in memory of." **In order to have your names listed in the bulletin for January 5-6, flower donations need to be made by**

Dec. 16. If your donation for the flowers comes in after Dec. 16, your info will appear later. Please print clearly. Thanks.

The Giving Tree

Because of the popular response to the Giving Tree over the past 28 years, we will once again have it as part of our Advent observance. This year our donations will go to the Breathing Room and the Tabor Home. The tree in the front of church will be decorated with cards containing gift suggestions, such as mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves for older children and adults **or** any type of infant and baby clothing. Before or after any Mass, you are welcome to come and pick a card from the Giving Tree. There is no need to wrap these items. Also when you return your gift, please place one of your decorations on the tree. In this way, your decoration will serve as a symbol of your sharing in this beautiful expression of the true Spirit of Christmas. Thank you for helping others less fortunate during this busy, beautiful, and blessed season.



Advent Book

The parish has again purchased an advent reflection book for each family. This will be a wonderful way to connect your family members to the season of waiting and preparing one's heart for the wonder and awe of Christmas.

Empty Manger

We will have an **empty manger near the podium.** Parishioners are asked to write **petitions of hope**—petitions for our world, our neighborhood, our families and our hearts. After the petitions are completed, place the petitions into the manger. When Christmas comes, the petitions are placed under the straw in the manger, close by the Infant Jesus.

ADVENT—Sooner than you think!

Don't let the sudden appearance of Christmas in stores get you down. Plan now to join your fellow parishioners to study, pray, and discuss the *Anima Series* on Formed.org. Plan now to join us.

This series explores some fundamental questions about God's revelation of the meaning of life through Christ's Incarnation, Resurrection, and institution of the Church. Attend and join in the discussion, or follow the program on your own at home on Formed.org.

The first time you log on at home, you will be asked for our parish code. After that you can set up your own log in.

That code is: Z4YNTN

When: Tuesday mornings during Advent, after 10 am Mass

Where: Room A of the Rectory

Theology: "Name Our Founder/Foundress"

1. Who founded the Society of Jesus who are known as the Jesuits?
2. Who founded the Order of Preachers?
3. Who founded the Franciscans?.
4. Who founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart?
5. Who founded the Christian Brothers?

(Answers on p.3)

Fairmount Brass Concert

The Fairmount Brass is a renowned ensemble that has performed throughout the Philadelphia area at many distinguished venues. Please plan to attend this gala concert which will feature the music of Christmas.

When: Sunday, December 2, at 7:00 pm

Where: Immaculate Conception Church, 602 West Avenue, Jenkintown, Pa 19046

High School News

Congratulations to **Samantha Ruch**, a student at St. Hubert CHS, who was inducted into the Christus Vincit Chapter of the National Honor Society on Thursday, Nov. 8, 2018..



Congratulations also to **Hailey Magilton**, a student at St. Basil Academy, who achieved High Honors for the first quarter of the 2018-2019 school year,

Matthew Kelly Invitation

During the season of Advent, everyone is invited to sign up for daily emails from Matthew Kelly focusing on having 'The Best Advent Ever' this year. Please take advantage of this wonderful blessing from Matthew. There is no charge for this, and you may just find it will help draw you closer to God. To sign up, go to <http://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever/> and fill in the info for your email address.

St. Charles Seminary Open House & Concert

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend our annual Open House and Christmas Concert, featuring our seminarian choir.

When: Sunday, December 9; the Open House and seminary tours begin at 1:00 pm and the concert begins at 4 pm in our St. Martin of Tours chapel.

More Info: Visit <https://www.scs.edu/node/2506>

Holy Hour of Reparation and Petition for the Scandals of the Catholic Church

All Catholics of the greater Philadelphia area are invited to attend a monthly holy hour of prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to ask for His mercy upon His Church.

When: December 16, 2018 - 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Where: Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Phila.

More info: Visit archphila.org/vigil

"Dare to Prepare" Advent Retreat for Teen Girls

Young Women of Grace is hosting an Advent retreat for teen girls ages 12+. The day features a continental breakfast after Mass, pizza for lunch, social time, games, lots of Christmas treats and a very special Christmas craft. Author Susan Brinkmann, OCDS will give two presentations on the critical role women play in the world today through the gift of their feminine genius, and how to welcome Emmanuel by learning to practice the presence of God. A local youth minister will also address the girls on the importance of respecting themselves in their dress and in how they relate to themselves and others.

When: December 15, 2018, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Where: St. Agnes Church in Sellersville, PA

Cost: i\$30 per girl.

More Info: Visit the "Events" page: www.womenofgrace.com

Sung Mass in the Traditional Latin Rite for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

When: Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 7 PM

Where: Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

More info: <http://www.phillyevang.org>

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