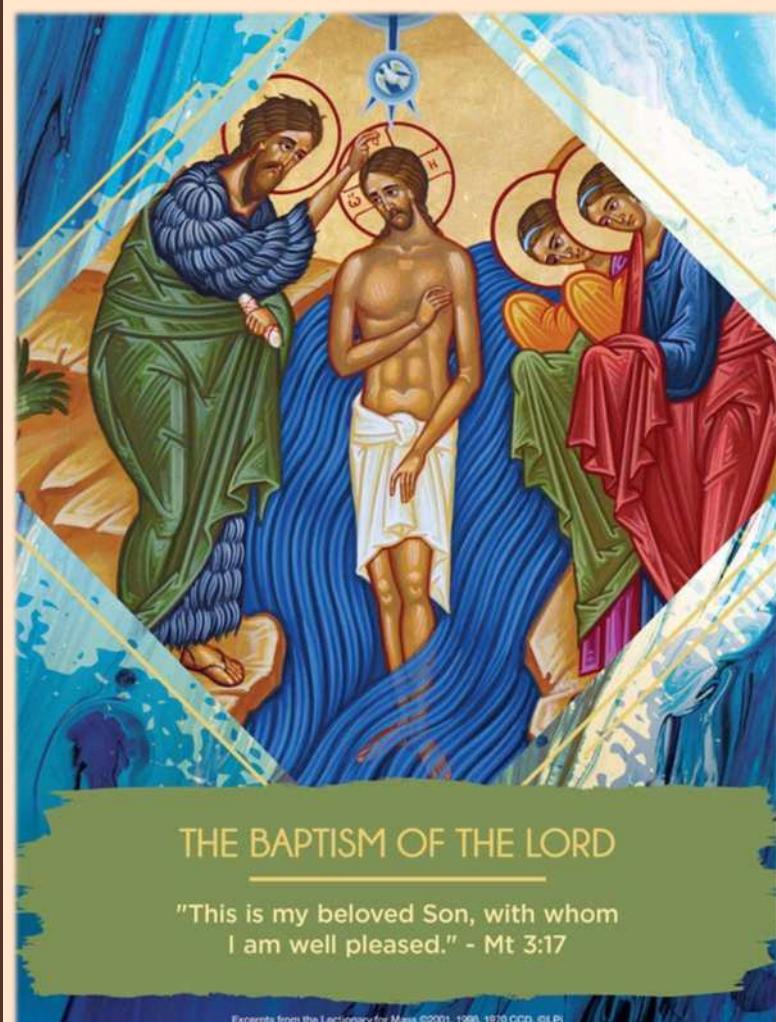


# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## JANUARY 11, 2026



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"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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### SACRAMENTS

#### Baptism:

Please contact Ellen Mady at MOS or Joann Giuffre at St. John and St. Mary at the Parish Office four months before the birth of your child.

#### Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 9:00 AM at MOS and 12:00 NN at St. John;  
Tuesdays at 5:00 PM at St. Mary;  
OR by appointment.

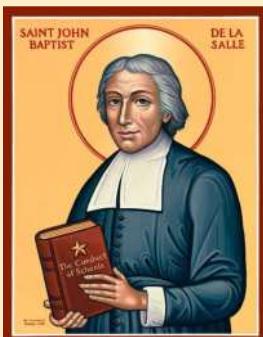
#### Marriage:

Please contact Monsignor Michael Begolly in the Parish Office at least one year in advance for information and scheduling.

#### Holy Communion

for those who are homebound:  
Please contact the Parish Office.

New members are always welcome.  
Please call the Parish Office to register.



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Saturday anticipated Mass 4:00 PM  
Sunday Mass 11:00 AM

Sunday Mass 9:00 AM

Saturday anticipated Mass 4:30 PM  
Sunday Masses 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 6:00 PM

## Sunday, Jan 11, 2026

### Make the connection

In his birth (Christmas), his adoration by the Magi (Epiphany), and the coming of the Spirit upon him (Baptism of the Lord) Jesus is revealed to be the Son of God. These significant events in Jesus' life are so closely tied that the Eastern Orthodox Church observes the coming of the Magi and the Lord's Baptism on the same day. In the same way, our own births and Baptism signal that we are children of God and followers of Christ. As a new year begins, find ways to reconnect with your family of faith and make daily choices that reveal your divine heritage.

#### FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17 (21). *"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."*

## Monday, Jan 12, 2026

### Listen up

The tech industry would have us believe that the most important connections we make are virtual. While it's true that tech devices are useful in today's world, there remains the crucial connection with that still, small voice within our own hearts that no computer or phone can reach. That voice, which is God's, can only be heard in stillness: in the bare branches of trees against a winter sky, the quiet of new-fallen snow, the starry brilliance in a winter night sky, our breathing in and breathing out. What is God calling you to do now? Spend some time today just listening.

1 Samuel 1:1-8; Mark 1:14-20 (305). *"Jesus said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.'"*

## Tuesday, Jan 13, 2026

### "I was a stranger"

Of all the lessons Jesus tried to teach us, the one that is perhaps hardest to believe—and therefore easiest to forget—is that we are all one. Jesus reminded us of this truth a number of times, most notably when he declared, "Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me" (Matt. 25:40). Take a few minutes today to reflect on what life would be like if you knew, with as much certainty as you know your own name, that there are no strangers among us; we are all one, united through Christ. What would be different? How would you act toward yourself? Toward others?

1 Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28 (306). *"What is this? A new teaching with authority."*

## Wednesday, Jan 14, 2026

### Now appearing

You don't have to look very hard into Catholic tradition to find stories of supernatural appearances of Jesus, the saints, and especially Mary to believers through the centuries. These kinds of occurrences really go back to biblical times. In the New Testament the Holy Spirit "appeared" in the form of a dove at Jesus' Baptism, Jesus himself appeared to his disciples after his Resurrection, and the risen Christ made a decisive personal intervention in the life of Saint Paul, to name a few examples. Most of us will never have such an experience, but we can indeed learn to make ourselves aware of the presence and guidance of God.

1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Mark 1:29-39 (307). *"Speak, for your servant is listening."*

## Thursday, Jan 15, 2026

### Wanted: Good leaders

The two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were the trusted priests of the ancient temple in Shiloh. But they were stealing from the temple and committing immoral acts. As a result, the army of Israel was cursed and got hammered by the Philistines. Hophni and Phinehas were slain and the Philistines took the ark of God captive. It is a cautionary tale about the faithful's need for good leaders. Pray for vocations, and very specifically for men and women to serve the Lord in truth and integrity.

1 Samuel 4:1-11; Mark 1:40-45 (308). *"The ark of God was captured, and Eli's two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, were among the dead."*

## Friday, Jan 16, 2026

### Move on

There's a lot in life that can get us down. Sometimes they are things of our own making, and sometimes, well, it's life. It's not always easy to know what to do. We can stand still and try to figure it out, or we can backtrack to see what happened. At some point, however, it is time to move forward—to step out of what happened and to imagine something new. "Begin now," says Saint Jerome, "to be what you will be hereafter."

1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2:1-12 (309). *"Rise, pick up your mat and walk."*

## Saturday, Jan 17, 2026

### Alone with the truth

Few of us would take aloneness to the extent of Saint Anthony of the Desert, who spent much of his 105 years in solitude. Stories of Anthony say he was besieged by all kinds of temptations in the desert night. At some level we know that silence forces us to confront the reality of who we are before God. But, as Saint Anthony explains, it is a worthy pursuit: "One who knows oneself, knows God . . . Therefore, my beloveds in the Lord, know yourselves." Opening up at such depth is indeed terrifying, but Jesus "gets" the weakness of being human. He calls each of us not for condemnation but friendship.

#### MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY, ABBOT

1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Mark 2:13-17 (310). *"Jesus said to him, 'Follow me.'"*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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We commend to your prayers Katherine Marinelli, who died recently. May

God welcome her to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to her family.

### MOS CHURCH DETRIMMING

Volunteers are needed **Monday, January 12** after the 8:00 AM Mass to take down the trimming and decorations on Christmas trees and pack up decorations for storage.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on **Sunday, January 11** after the 11:30 AM Mass. If you are planning to have surgery, are experiencing health problems, or facing the challenges of aging, you are welcome to celebrate the sacrament.

### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

The next Family Faith Formation sessions at MOS will take place **Sunday, January 11** at 4:00 PM or **Wednesday, January 14** at 6:30 PM.



Consider making your weekly offertory donations online through WeShare. You can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. Visit our website at [motherofsorrowschurch.org](http://motherofsorrowschurch.org), click on 'Giving' and then click on the 'WeShare' link.

## MOS LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday	1/10	
9:00 AM		<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
4:30 PM	†	Jill & Ed Oroukin ( <i>Family</i> )
Sunday	1/11	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>
7:30 AM		For the Parish
9:30 AM	†	Elaine Dwyer ( <i>Marty &amp; Mary Kay</i> )
11:30 AM	†	Tony Seneca ( <i>Sharon Kelley</i> )
12:30 PM		<b>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick</b>
6:00 PM	†	Deceased members of the Magister Family ( <i>Family</i> )
Monday	1/12	
8:00 AM	†	William Sepich ( <i>John &amp; Marian Keyes</i> )
Tuesday	1/13	
8:00 AM	†	Ed Peduzzi ( <i>Dan &amp; Joanne McDermott</i> )
Wednesday	1/14	
8:00 AM	†	Joseph Boone ( <i>Rosendale Family</i> )
Thursday	1/15	
9:00 AM	†	Margaret Mary Scarpelli ( <i>Kinsey Family</i> )
9:45 AM		Eucharistic Adoration
6:00 PM		Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	1/16	
8:00 AM	†	Ron Melinchak ( <i>Cheryl Melinchak</i> )
Saturday	1/17	<b>Saint Anthony</b>
9:00 AM		<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
4:30 PM	†	Ted & Mary Stahurski ( <i>Rita &amp; Box Uziel</i> )
Sunday	1/18	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:30 AM	†	Debbie Stramat ( <i>Jim &amp; Jan Conrad</i> )
9:30 AM	†	William Gillis ( <i>Mary Ann Bebar</i> )
11:30 AM	†	Phyllis Sabol ( <i>Ron Sabol</i> )
6:00 PM		For the Parish

## OUR WEEKLY NUMBERS

### December 24 and 24

**Thank you for your generous Christmas and year-end contributions which totaled:**

MOS \$178,360.26  
St. John \$ 4,835.00  
St. Mary \$ 4,016.10

### Children and family services:

MOS \$ 7,204.00  
St. John \$ 886.00  
St. Mary \$ 1,041.25

### Christmas Attendance:

MOS 3,260  
St. John 554  
St. Mary 235

### December 27 and 28

#### MOTHER OF SORROWS

Attendance 1,842  
Offertory \$ 34,366.25  
Outreach \$ 1,670.00



#### ST. JOHN

Attendance 349  
Offertory \$ 11,477.75



#### ST. MARY

Attendance 150  
Offertory \$ 6,037.55



### January 3 and 4

#### MOTHER OF SORROWS

Attendance 1,839  
Offertory \$ 37,854.11  
Outreach \$ 4,620.00



#### ST. JOHN

Attendance 291  
Offertory \$ 9,329.05



#### ST. MARY

Attendance 191  
Offertory \$ 8,868.50

## A PEEK AT THE WEEK...

### Sunday

### January 11

8:30 AM MOS Faith Formation for those with special needs, School  
10:30 AM MOS Baptism Preparation, Ave Maria Room  
4:00 PM MOS Family Faith Formation, Church  
4:30 PM MOS Becoming Catholic, Ave Maria Room  
7:00 PM MOS High School Youth Ministry, Gym

### Monday

### January 12

8:00 AM MOS Life Line Screening, Social Hall

### Tuesday

### January 13

10:00 AM MOS Staff meeting, Conference Room  
11:30 AM MOS Boomers and Beyond, Social Hall  
1:00 PM Support Ministry, Fortune Kitchen  
7:00 PM MOS Pastoral Council, Social Hall

### Wednesday

### January 14

9:30 AM MOS Women's Bible Study, Ave Maria Room  
6:30 PM MOS Family Faith Formation, Church

### Friday

### January 16

9:00 AM MOS Centering Prayer, Madonna Room

### Saturday

### January 17

7:00 AM SM Catholic Men's Fellowship, Social Hall  
9:00 AM MOS Men's Renewal Group, Social Hall  
10:00 AM MOS Prayer Shawl Ministry, Social Hall  
6:00 PM Family Ties Event, D's 6-Pack & Dogs

### Sunday

### January 18

8:30 AM MOS Faith Formation for those with special needs, Ave Maria Room  
7:00 PM MOS High School Youth Ministry, lower narthex

## SUPPORT MINISTRY

Support Ministry welcomes recent widows or those who have been widowed for many years.

All widows are invited to join us on **Tuesday, January 13** at 1:00 PM at Fortune Kitchen in the Shop 'n Save Plaza. Please RSVP to Sandy Martin at [sandymartin112@gmail.com](mailto:sandymartin112@gmail.com) or 724-787-9305.

## STEWARSHIP NOTES

*"John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, yet you are coming to me?"* Matthew 3:14

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

## EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place **Thursday, January 15** at Mother of Sorrows from 10:00 AM until 6:00 PM. To become a weekly adorer, sign up using the QR code or go to <https://adorationpro.org/mosmurrysville>.

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary will take place on **Tuesdays** from 12:00 NN until 6:00 PM.



In need of material assistance? Contact the St. John St. Mary St. Vincent DePaul Conference. Call (724) 575-9888

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# ST. JOHN AND ST. MARY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday	1/10	
12:00 NN SJ		<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
4:00 PM SJ		For the Parish
Sunday	1/11	The Baptism of the Lord
9:00 AM SM		For the Parish
11:00 AM SJ	†	Jason Saxton ( <i>Family</i> )
Monday	1/12	
8:30 AM SM	†	Anthony Mediate ( <i>Mediate Family</i> )
Tuesday	1/13	
8:30 AM SJ	†	Helen & Henry Robel
12:00 NN SM		Eucharistic Adoration
5:00 PM SM		<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
6:00 PM SM		Benediction and Reposition
Wednesday	1/14	
8:30 AM SM	†	Terry & Mike Polechko
Thursday	1/15	
8:30 AM SJ	†	Margaret Koshiba
Friday	1/16	
8:30 AM SM	†	Jim Palochik
Saturday	1/17	Saint Anthony
12:00 NN SJ		<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
4:00 PM SJ	†	Tom Smeal ( <i>Wife, Barbara &amp; Family</i> )
Sunday	1/18	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM SM		For the Parish
11:00 AM SJ	†	Rose "Elaine" Carbone ( <i>John Carbone</i> )
3:00 PM SJ		Sto. Niño Celebration



## Where is GOD calling YOU?

### St. John:

- Saturday and Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, following 4:30 pm and 11 am Mass
- Parish Hall

### St. Mary:

- Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, following 9 am Mass
- Parish Hall during Donut Sunday

Event hosted by Pastoral Council

## MANY HANDS MAKE THE WORKLOAD LIGHT



**Altar Servers**  
help lead faithful into the  
Sacred Mystery of Mass.

### SERVERS UNITE!

All current altar servers and those interested in becoming one are invited to *Servers Unite*, a special mini retreat night at

St. John on **Friday, February 6**, from 5:30 to 8:30 PM.

This evening will include dinner, meaningful teaching, hands-on altar server training, and an escape room challenge.

Students in 2nd through 11th grade are welcome, including 2nd graders who would like to begin serving this summer.

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a great night of faith, fellowship, and fun!

## A NEW YEAR - A RENEWED COMMITMENT TO MASS AND FAITH FORMATION

As we begin the new year, we also begin the second half of our Faith Formation Program at St. Mary. With only 12 classes remaining, this is a wonderful time for families to renew their commitment to growing in faith together. Regular attendance at Mass and class helps children build a routine, deepen their understanding and feel connected to our parish community.

Faith Formation will meet at St. Mary **on January 11 and 18**. Please note that Volunteer Sunday will be held in place of class on **March 15**. We invite families to support our parish by signing up to help at the Spaghetti Dinner at St. John on **Sunday, March 15**. Volunteer sign-up information will be coming soon. Your time and help make these events possible and we are truly grateful for your support.

We are grateful for your continued participation and look forward to finishing the year strong together!

## LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

The next Liturgy of the Word with Children will take place **January 11 and 25** during the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary.

## LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR PILGRIMAGE OF THE HEART!

As we announced in last week's bulletin, Mother of Sorrows Church will be closed for Mass and liturgical services for eight weeks **beginning on February 1**. We will reopen for Mass on Palm Sunday weekend, **March 28 and 29**.

**What's going on and why do we have to close?** During this time, we will be expanding the footprint of the sanctuary to provide additional space during Mass for our liturgical ministers. The tabernacle will be moved to the center of the sanctuary behind the altar, and Eucharistic Chapel will become the Chapel of the Holy Family, a devotional space, housing the statues of the Mary, St. Joseph, and the votive candles. The cracked and broken tile flooring of the sanctuary will be replaced, and the carpeting (installed in the 2002 renovation) in the church, narthex and lower narthex will be replaced. The interior of the church and chapel will be repainted.

**Where should we go to Mass?** Additional Masses will be scheduled at St. Mary in Export and St. John in Delmont. The schedule from the weekend of February 1 – March 27 will be as follows:

### St. Mary

Sunday 7:30 AM - contemplative Mass (no music)  
Sunday 9:00 AM Mass

### St. John

Saturday 4:00 PM – Anticipated Mass  
Sunday 9:30 AM Mass  
Sunday 11:30 AM Mass  
Sunday 6:00 PM Mass

- Ministers from St. Mary will serve the 9 AM Sunday Mass.
- Ministers from St. John will serve the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass and the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass.
- Ministers from Mother of Sorrows will serve the Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 6:00 PM Masses.

**What is a pilgrimage?** Pilgrimage is one of the Church's most ancient and meaningful traditions—a sacred journey that reflects our deeper spiritual longing for God. Whether walking ancient roads or traveling to a nearby shrines, pilgrims leave behind the routine of daily life to step into a space and time of grace, prayer, and encounter with God. In our Catholic tradition, a pilgrimage is more than a journey to a sacred place - it's a spiritual act of devotion and a response to God's call. It involves traveling to a sacred place with the intention of growing closer to Christ, seeking spiritual renewal, healing, or guidance. It is marked by prayer, sacrifice, and an openness to grace, which is a perfect way to celebrate Lent this year.

## PILGRIMAGE OF THE HEART - CONTINUED

We will begin this Pilgrimage of the Heart with a parish mission led by Father Joseph McCaffrey, Episcopal Vicar of the North Vicariate of the Diocese of Pittsburgh on the weekend of January 24 and 25. Fr. McCaffrey will preach at all the Masses at MOS that weekend. On the following Monday and Tuesday, **January 26 and 27**, Fr. McCaffrey will offer two additional evenings of reflection at St. John Parish at 7:00 PM which are open to parishioners from all three of our parishes.

Additional information will be posted in the weekly bulletin and in the weekly emails that are sent to MOS parishioners. Plan to join this **Pilgrimage of the Heart** during Lent and enter into the spiritual transformation that and the celebrate our return throughout the Easter season.

**CAMP VIRTUE INVITES YOU INTO ADVENTURE, CONVERSATION, FRIENDSHIP, AND PRAYER FOR A WEEK THAT MOVES YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION.**

**CAMP SCHEDULE - July 13-17**

- Monday - Team Building @ St. Emma's
- Tuesday - Catholic Kennywood day (returning around 8:30 pm)
- Wednesday - Celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese of Greensburg with a trip to the Cathedral
- Thursday - Kayaking and Service Project Day
- Friday - Mega Party and Closing Mass

**REGISTER NOW**

**CAMPERS REGISTER HERE CURRENT 5-7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**COUNSELORS (CURRENT 9-12) JR. COUNSELORS (CURRENT 8<sup>TH</sup>)**

**\$200/Camper**

**APPLY HERE**

**CAMP VIRTUE HELD AT ST. BARBARA JULY 13-17**

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

High School Youth Ministry will begin the new year on **Sunday, January 11**, with a grand kick-off to catch up with old friends and make some new ones, too. There will be Moe's, Nine-square-in-the-Air, music, and Get-to-know-you-Bingo with prizes, so please join us in the MOSS gym from 7:00 to 9:00 PM!

There are lots of great plans in place for the coming months that you won't want to miss. We will also continue our study of the Catechism, this time looking at the Sacraments, and we will prepare for the *Living Stations of the Cross* that we'll present on the Friday and Saturday evenings of Palm Sunday weekend. If you would like to take part in this year's Living Stations, please contact Jacob at [jgindhart@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jgindhart@dioceseofgreensburg.org).



### BOOMERS AND BEYOND

Join us on **Tuesday, January 13** at 11:30 AM in the Mother of Sorrows Parish Social Hall for a presentation on "What is a Therapy Dog?" presented by Jan and Frank Mallak and featuring LiLi.

Come and learn what Therapy Dogs do and how they differ from other "working dogs." Jan and Frank Mallak are approved Alliance of Therapy Dog Handlers and dog owners for over 50 years. Meet LiLi of the Laurel Highlands - Certified ATD/AKC Therapy Dog and AKC Trick Dog. Hear about how LiLi has been bringing comfort and joy to humans for almost 10 years.

Boomers and Beyond is a ministry serving the 'baby boomers' and all adults of Mother of Sorrows Parish and the surrounding communities. Lunch and learn sessions are held on the second Tuesday of each month. Topics are varied and reservations are not required. Participants gather at 11:30 AM and are encouraged to bring a 'brown bag' lunch and a friend. Presentations follow from 12:00 - 1:00 PM.

### MOS OUTREACH

Do you need something else this holiday season to give you that warm fuzzy feeling? How about this: The Merry Mittens Program was able to help 67 families with gifts and 82 senior citizens in various nursing facilities. Your generosity and kindness showed these families and seniors that they are not alone--we are there for them, to help them and care for them. Thank you!!



All women of MOS, St. John and St. Mary Parishes are invited to the annual Women's Retreat **January 16 to 18, 2026** at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center in Pittsburgh.

This year's theme is Pray Always/Pray All Ways. This Women's Retreat provides a wonderful opportunity to step away from your busy life and spend a weekend focused on God.

The Retreat begins with a Friday evening Mass and ends Sunday at noon. Activities include daily Mass, speakers, and workshops or you may choose to spend solitary time in prayer and reflection. You will have the opportunity for Reconciliation, Adoration and fellowship.

To register, call 412-381-7676 or visit our website at [motherofsorrowschurch.org](http://motherofsorrowschurch.org) and click on the image of the ad under the 'Upcoming Events' section.



Do you know of someone in our parish who is newly expecting a baby? Our parish would love to celebrate and support them! We provide a special gift basket for expectant mothers and can connect them with forms of social and spiritual support from our Walking with Moms ministry.

If you know of a newly expectant mother in our parish community, please contact Barb Koury at [barbkoury@gmail.com](mailto:barbkoury@gmail.com).

## FEAST OF THE STO. NIÑO CELEBRATION

St. John Baptist de La Salle Parish in Delmont joyfully announces its first-ever celebration of the Feast of the Sto. Niño. The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on **Sunday, January 18, 2026** at 3:00 PM.

Our pastor, Msgr. Michael Begolly, will preside at Mass, joined by the Filipino priests serving in the diocese. A short program and fellowship will follow in the parish hall.

The devotion to the Sto. Niño, the Holy Child Jesus, is one of the oldest and most cherished Filipino traditions. Rooted in deep faith and joy, it invites the faithful to trust in Christ with the simplicity, humility, and hope of a child. For generations, Filipino families have honored the Sto. Niño as a symbol of protection, unity, and God's abiding love.

All parishioners, families, and friends are warmly invited to join us for this beautiful celebration of faith and culture. Come and share in the joy of the Holy Child.

Viva Pit Señor!



## CONGRATULATIONS

We welcome Dante Paul Capezzuto and Bennett Hays Gearhard to the Church through the saving waters of Baptism. Congratulations to these two children and their families on this joyful celebration.

## LIFE LINE SCREENING

Mother of Sorrows Parish is hosting Life Line Screening on **Monday, January 12**. Life Line Screening is the premier provider of stroke and cardiovascular disease risk screenings since 1993. Life Line Screening is extending a discounted offer to all Mother of Sorrows, St. John and St. Mary parishioners which will identify your risk level for carotid artery disease, peripheral arterial disease, abdominal aortic aneurysm, and atrial fibrillation.

To book your appointment, call 1-888-814-0466 and use promo code HSCA001, or visit [LLSA.Social/HSCA](http://LLSA.Social/HSCA).



## REBORN

YOU, YOUR CHILD AND THE HEART OF BAPTISM



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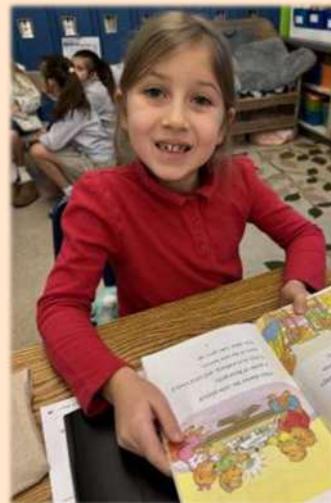



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