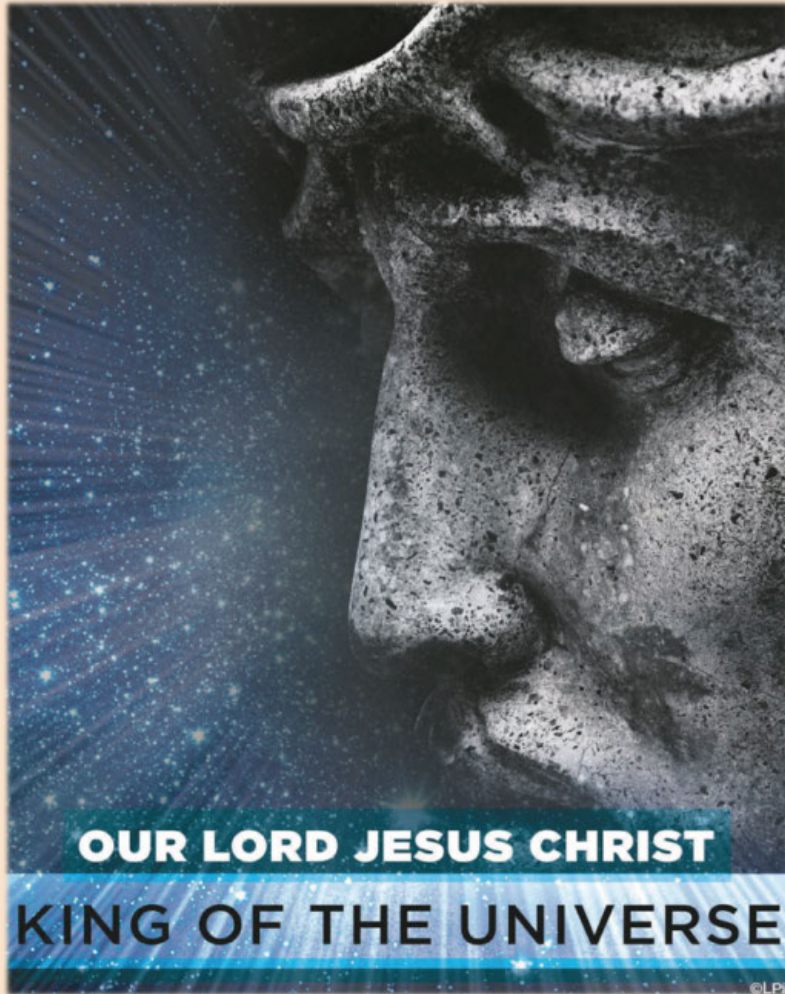


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Please call the Parish Office to register.

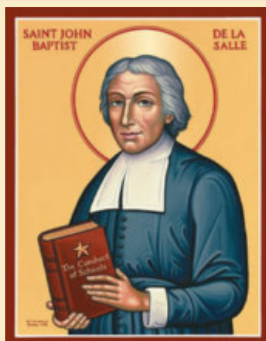
## SACRAMENTS

**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.



**St. John Baptist de La Salle**

497 Athena Drive  
Delmont, PA 15626  
(724) 327-0647

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



**Saint Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes**

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Export, PA 15632  
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Saturday anticipated Mass 6:00 PM  
Sunday Mass 9:00 AM



**Mother of Sorrows**

4202 Old William Penn Highway  
Murrysville, PA 15668  
(724) 733-8870

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

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## WORD OF THE WEEK

### Solemnity *ˌsə-ˈlem-nə-tē*

From Latin *sollemnis* for “fixed ceremonial,” highest-ranking day of the church calendar that celebrates a mystery of faith such as the Trinity, an event in the life of Jesus, Mary, the Mother of God, or another important saint. **Solemnities** override every other feast or memorial, including Sundays in Ordinary Time. The church assigns Sundays and **solemnities** three readings—from a prophet, apostle, and gospel—to instruct the faithful in the work of salvation.

**Pronunciation:** <https://tinyurl.com/Take5-solemnity>

### CONTEXT

There is a difference between a private devotional life and a corporate one. **Solemnity** is proper in church, but things that are proper in church are not necessarily proper outside, and vice versa.

—C.S. Lewis

The Gloria is used for **solemnities** and feasts and is appropriate for “special celebrations of a more solemn character.”

—Paul Turner, *At the Supper of the Lamb*

### WHY IT MATTERS

Celebration is a key aspect of what we do as social beings. Distinguishing the level of significance of each kind of gathering helps us to appreciate its value. We can't be present for every get-together. But surely some are not to be missed. In the life of the church, 24 days identified as **solemnities** are high-value events for people of faith.

From *The Liturgical Year & Calendar*: Saints and other celebrations are distinguished by importance. Sundays and **Solemnities** begin their celebration on the evening before. Feasts and Memorials are celebrated over the course of one day, and Memorials are either Obligatory or Optional.

### RELATED WORDS

Liturgical Calendar | Feast | Memorial

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

### Why do we have a feast called Christ the King?

Before Italy became a nation in the late 1800s, popes governed geographical territory (the papal states) for centuries. These were erased with the fall of Rome in 1870, leaving then-Pope Pius IX a prisoner of the Vatican. Four popes later, the “Italian Question” of what territory, if any, the church could claim remained unresolved. In 1922, with Mussolini in power, Pope Pius IX emerged on St. Peter Basilica’s balcony to offer his first *urbi et orbi* (“to the city and to the world”) address, the most solemn blessing of the church, which no pope had offered in 50 years. It signaled Pius XI’s engagement in world affairs, and negotiations resulted in the Lateran pacts of 1929, defining the Holy See’s independence from Italy and creating the tiny state of Vatican City. Celebrating the **Solemnity** of Christ as King further clarified the relationship between the church and temporal affairs. Though Mussolini, Stalin, and Hitler ascended to world domination in that generation, the throne of Christ superseded them all. Worldly princes have but a season of greatness. Christ reigns forever.

—Alice Camille, from *Questions Catholics Ask* <http://tinyurl.com/QCA-Christ-the-King>

## REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (NOVEMBER 24)

### Christians without borders

When Pope Pius XI established the feast of Christ the King in 1925, he wrote that “it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from Christ’s empire.” Jesus must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies. Whatever love and loyalty we have for our country, the values we ultimately choose to espouse must be those of the kingdom of God. The church is a global family that unites people beyond national borders. As Saint Paul reminds us in his Letter to the Philippians: “Our citizenship is in heaven.”

READINGS: Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33b-37 (161) <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/112424.cfm>. “Pilate said to him, ‘Then you are a king?’”

### FAITH IN ACTION

Do something for God’s kingdom today.



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**Mother of Sorrows Regional Catholic School**  
**Darcie Gatti, Principal**  
*dgatti@mosschool.org*  
724-733-8840

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## ADULT FAITH FORMATION BACK TO BASICS

The Back to Basics adult faith formation series will continue monthly. Join us in the church from 7:00 to 8:30 PM on **Sunday, November 24**. The evening's topic will be "Living the Liturgical Year." We hope to see you there.

### SERVICE PROJECT

All Faith Formation students are invited to participate in a service project on **Sunday, December 1** in the Social Hall after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses.

### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS AND LADIES GUILD

All women are invited to attend the Christian Mothers and Ladies Guild meeting on **Wednesday, December 4** at 12:00 NN in the Mother of Sorrows Parish Social Hall.

Christmas Oplatki, the Christmas Wafer, and Christmas cookie Rosettes will be made at the meeting with Larry Kozlowski. Christmas traditions will also be discussed and refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there!

### ADVENT PROGRAM FOR MEN

All men of MOS are invited to join in the opportunity to embrace a program of fraternity, discipline and prayer to enter into the fullness of anticipation of the coming of our Lord at Christmas. Any man interested in having a fulfilling Advent should email Jacob Gindhart at [jgindhart@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jgindhart@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

# MOS LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## Saturday 11/23

9:00 AM **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

4:30 PM † David Battaglia (*Janet Higgins*)

**Sacrament of Baptism**

## Sunday 11/24 **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

7:30 AM † Carmella Cardillo (*Cardillo Family*)

9:30 AM For the Parish

**First Holy Communion**

11:30 AM † Walter & Bettie Cisko (*Bracken Family*)

12:30 PM **Sacrament of Baptism**

6:00 PM † Bob Simon (*Simon Family*)

## Monday 11/25

8:00 AM † Jack Diehl (*Baba Family*)

## Tuesday 11/26

8:00 AM † Madeline Rosenberger (*Judy Chanyi*)

## Wednesday 11/27

8:00 AM † Ann & Dom Cristello (*Rosalie Lesser*)

## Thursday 11/28

9:00 AM For the Parish

## Friday 11/29

8:00 AM † Adele Stile (*Emily Stile*)

## Saturday 11/30 **Saint Andrew**

9:00 AM **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

4:30 PM † John Stramat  
(*Margaret & Amber Stramat-Pisano*)

## Sunday 12/1 **First Sunday of Advent**

7:30 AM † Thomas Dabre (*Sanjay Dabre*)

9:30 AM † Cecelia Weber (*John & Donna Stasko*)

11:30 AM For the Parish

6:00 PM † Rosemary Halchak (*Gloria Czesnakowski*)

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on **Sunday, December 8** after the 11:30 AM Mass.

## OUR WEEKLY NUMBERS

Due to early publishing deadlines, our numbers for November 16 and 17 will be available in next Sunday's bulletin.

## STEWARDSHIP NOTES

*"Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world.'" (JOHN 18:36)*

Life is short. How much time, energy and money do you put into building "your" kingdom here on earth? We all know we can't take it with us. The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time, energy and money do you invest in working for that eternal kingdom? Ask God for His guidance. Detach from earthly possessions. Generously share your material goods with others for the greater glory of God.

## FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Donuts and coffee will be served after the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary on Sunday, **November 24**.

## CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Julian McKay who received his First Holy Communion last weekend. May God bless him always!

# ST. JOHN AND ST. MARY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday 11/23</b>	
12:00 NN SJ	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
4:00 PM SJ	† Amil DiPadova ( <i>Wife MaryAnn</i> )
6:00 PM SM	† Michael Davis ( <i>Grammy &amp; Family</i> )
<b>Sunday 11/24 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b>	
9:00 AM SM	For the Parish
11:00 AM SJ	† Marian "Dolly" Bortot ( <i>children</i> )
<b>Monday 11/25</b>	
8:30 AM SJ	† Don Rivardo ( <i>Marge Bonati</i> )
<b>Tuesday 11/26</b>	
8:30 AM SM	† Joanne M. Kuchar ( <i>Betty Wolfe</i> )
12:00 NN SM	Eucharistic Adoration
5:00 PM SM	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
6:00 PM SM	Benediction and Reposition
<b>Wednesday 11/27</b>	
8:05 AM SJ	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
8:30 AM SJ	† Ken Krotz ( <i>Siblings</i> )
<b>Thursday 11/28</b>	
8:10 AM SM	St. Joseph Novena
8:30 AM SM	For the Parish
<b>Friday 11/29</b>	
8:30 AM SJ	† Florence Zeyzus ( <i>Daughters Renee &amp; Julie</i> )
<b>Saturday 11/30 Saint Andrew</b>	
12:00 NN SJ	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
4:00 PM SJ	For the Parish
6:00 PM SM	† Robert Cain ( <i>Melissa A. Biondi</i> )
<b>Sunday 12/1 First Sunday of Advent</b>	
9:00 AM SM	Carolyn Thatcher ( <i>Mom, Dad &amp; family</i> )
11:00 AM SJ	† Deceased members of the Snaman & Dunn Families ( <i>Jim Dunn &amp; Family</i> )

## MASS INTENTIONS

During the month of November, we take time to remember those who have gone before us. The Catechism of the Catholic Church affirms that the Church commends the dead to God's mercy and offers prayers, especially the Holy Sacrifice of the Eucharist, on their behalf. We are reminded that the souls in purgatory cannot help themselves and rely on our prayers and sacrifices.

Consider having a Mass said for the souls of your departed loved ones or for the intentions of a living loved one.

To schedule a Mass intention at St. John or St. Mary, please contact Joann at 724-327-0647.

## DIOCESAN POVERTY RELIEF FUND

This weekend, **November 23/24**, our Diocese will take up a collection for the Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund and Catholic Relief Services.

Due to the increased local need of assistance, the funds from the Catholic Relief Services and the Diocesan Poverty Relief Fund are divided so that 3/4 of the contributions will remain in the diocese.

Working together we can do so much to advance God's Kingdom on earth. Thank you for your generosity.

## NO ADORATION

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration at Mother of Sorrows Parish on Thanksgiving Day, **Thursday, November 28**.

# A PEEK AT THE WEEK...

## Sunday

November 24

8:30 AM	MOS	Faith Formation for those with special needs, Ave Maria Room
10:00 AM	SM	Faith Formation, Parish Center
7:00 PM	MOS	High School Youth Ministry, Social Hall

## Tuesday

November 26

10:00 AM	MOS	Staff Meeting, Conference Room
7:00 PM	SJ	Handbell choir, Church

## Wednesday

November 27

9:30 AM	MOS	Women's Bible Study, Social Hall
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## Friday

November 29

9:00 AM	MOS	Legion of Mary, Ave Maria Room
9:00 AM	MOS	Centering Prayer, Madonna Room
6:30 PM	SM	Pastoral Council, St. Mary Office

## Saturday

November 30

7:00 AM	SM	Catholic Men's Fellowship, Social Hall
9:00 AM	MOS	Men's Renewal Group, Ave Maria Room

## Sunday

December 1

8:30 AM	MOS	Faith Formation for those with special needs, Ave Maria Room
10:30 AM	MOS	Service Project, Social Hall
12:30 AM	MOS	Service Project, Social Hall
4:00 PM	MOS	Middle School Youth Ministry



## THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

A Mass of thanksgiving for all God's blessings will be held on Thanksgiving Day, **Thursday, November 28** at

8:30 AM at St. Mary Parish and at MOS at 9:00 AM.

Plan to start the holiday by giving thanks to God, the giver of all good gifts.

## PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

The Parish Offices will be closed on **Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29**. The offices will reopen Monday, December 2.



## CHRIST THE KING

The Kingdom of God is justice, love, and peace. It exists in every home where parents and children love each other. It exists in every region and country that cares for its weak and vulnerable. It exists in every parish that reaches out to the needy.

The Kingdom of God happens whenever someone feeds a hungry person, shelters the homeless, or shows care to the neglected. It happens whenever we overturn an unjust law, correct an injustice, or avert a war. It happens whenever people join in the struggle to overcome poverty, to erase ignorance, to pass on the faith.

The Kingdom of God is revealed in the past, it is manifest in the present, and it will exist fully in the future.

**Jesus Christ is king!**  
We pray today that God may  
free all the world  
to rejoice in his peace,  
to glory in his justice,  
to live in his love.



## ADVENT TAIZÉ PRAYER

Taizé is a distinctive style of meditative prayer developed by an ecumenical community of monks in rural France. This quiet, moving, reflective prayer combines elements of the Church's traditional Liturgy of the Hours with elements of contemplative meditation.

A typical Taizé prayer service incorporates periods of silence with meditative readings from Scripture, prayers of praise and intercession, and the frequent repetition of simple, contemporary chants based on the Psalms or other parts of Scripture. The result is to gradually move prayer from the head to the heart.

All parishioners from St. John, St. Mary and MOS are invited to join us at Mother of Sorrows Parish on **Thursday, December 5, December 12, and December 19** at 6:00 PM.



## LIGHT UP NIGHT

Save the Date! Light up Night begins with 4:30 PM Mass on **Saturday, December 7**, followed by a light Community Dinner in the school gym. Tour the beautifully decorated school hallways, visit the Living Nativity, the Gingerbread House Village and the Santa Shoppe. Please RSVP for the Community Dinner by scanning the QR code, or by visiting our website at [motherofsorrowschurch.org](http://motherofsorrowschurch.org).



### Christmas Craft Show

The Christian Mothers and Ladies Guild Holiday Craft Show will be held in the Social Hall on **Saturday,**

**December 7** from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM and on **Sunday, December 8** from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. The show will feature 50 crafters, Chinese Auction gift baskets and door prizes. Admission is free and refreshments will be sold.

## BLUE CHRISTMAS LITURGY

As we approach the darkest night of the year, we are aware that the holidays can be difficult for any number of reasons. The Blue Christmas Liturgy allows people to acknowledge their sense of loss or pain and the shadow it casts over the holiday season.

Join us at Mother of Sorrows Parish on **Sunday, December 15** at 3:00 PM as we stand by one another during life's difficult seasons.



**PARISH RECEPTIONIST  
NEEDED**

St. Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes, Export is seeking a part time Parish Receptionist, 4 hours per day, Monday through Thursday. Responsibilities include welcoming visitors, answering the phone, scheduling Masses, collection posting and coordinating calendar events. Qualifications include strong interpersonal, communication and computer skills, including Microsoft Office.

Please send a letter of interest and resume to Karen Munson at [kmunson@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:kmunson@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES**



The Christmas Giving Trees will be displayed this weekend, **November 23**

**and 24.** If you are able, please take a tag and purchase the gift listed on the tag for someone less fortunate.

The gifts will be distributed at several different centers, each with different requirements, so please follow the detailed instructions listed on the tag. The gifts must be returned by the date listed.

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Barone at 724-461-7146, Regina Schrello at 724-468-8165, Cindy Woods at 724-561-7467, or Patty Zaccagnini at 412-915-7844. We thank you very much for your generosity!

**NO FAITH FORMATION**

There will be no Faith Formation on **Sunday, December 1** at St. Mary. Faith Formation classes will resume on **Sunday, December 8** after the 9:00 AM Mass.



**SUPPORT MINISTRY**

Support Ministry Lunch was November 12 at Dee Jay's Lounge. We shared great conversation and much laughter. We were excited to welcome several new women to the

group and we missed others who weren't able to make it.

Support Ministry is open to all widows. The group meets to share a meal, have conversation and to relate to others who share the feeling of loss.

The next gathering, the Christmas Luncheon, will take place on **Tuesday, December 10** at 1:00 PM in the St. John Social Hall. Please RSVP to Sandy at 724-787-9305 or email [sandymartin112@gmail.com](mailto:sandymartin112@gmail.com).

**EVERGREEN BRANCHES NEEDED**

Evergreen branches are needed for the St. John Advent Wreath. If you have branches to donate, please call Bob Stackiewicz at 724-709-7832. He is able to pick them up.

**DELMONT PILGRIMAGE**

The Delmont Pilgrimage is a walk-through event at Delmont's Shields Farm. Tickets are required to experience the pilgrimage and are available online at [www.delmontpilgrimage.com](http://www.delmontpilgrimage.com).

Visiting the local Delmont churches is free and each church has something different to offer. Five shuttle buses will run continuously on **Saturday, December 7** from 4:30 to 9:30 PM and on **Sunday, December 8** from 1:30 to 7:30 PM. The shuttle bus will travel to all five churches and will also take you to Shields Farm for your assigned ticket time to go through the eight Pilgrimage scenes.

Pilgrimage Junior will take place on Sunday, **December 8** from 2:00 to 4:00 PM for children ages 12 and under.



## Third Grade Faith Formation



Highlight of the week: Our 3rd grade faith formation! A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated catechists Mrs. Green, Mrs. Pulizzi, and Mrs. Tribou for making the 3rd grade class so special. This lesson centered on experiencing joy and gratitude in knowing that God loves us. The class ended on a high note with a lively and joyful freeze dance!



## Meet Our Catechists

My name is Alexis Green and my husband, Dan, and I have been married for 15 years. We have 3 children, Michael (10), Charlotte (almost 8) and Jack (6). I have been a stay at home mom for the past 6 years and before that I worked for the American Cancer Society and also was a 10th grade English Teacher. Just last year, I started substitute teaching in my kids' schools, along with volunteering as a board member for the PTO. I have taught Faith Formation in the past and took last year off. I am so excited to be back to help this year in 3rd grade Faith Formation. I was raised in the Catholic Church and my faith has always been such an important part of my life. It's important to show my children the importance of learning our faith and continuing to learn about our faith by teaching others.



My name is Angela Tribou and I have been involved in Faith Formation now for the last 4 years. My husband Micah and I have four children, Lexi (13), Mason (11), Maddox (8), and Maxwell (5). Faith is a big part of our lives and in our home and we want our children to grow up knowing and experiencing the goodness of God. As a catechist I want the children to understand the importance of living a life rooted in the truths that the Bible teaches.

My name is Christine Pulizzi and I was born and raised Catholic and attended Catholic School. My husband (also born & raised Catholic) and I have 6 children ranging in age from 22 to 8~ 3 boys and 3 girls. I currently work as a tutor and occasionally substitute at FR. I enjoy the outdoors as well as reading and a good cup of coffee. I love to learn about the lives of different saints and the mysteries of our faith. This is my 13th year as a catechist and I am thankful to be blessed with the task!



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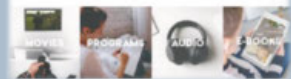
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## FORMED



**This week on FORMED:**

**St. Andrew the Apostle | Catholic Saints**

All of the saints had a story before they met Christ. For St. Andrew, he was a fisherman. Hearing the call of Christ, Andrew and his brother Peter left everything behind to follow Jesus. Join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they discuss St. Andrew, his life, and the example he provides to all Christians.

**The Perpetual Virgin | Lectio: Mary | Episode 5**

Why do Catholics believe that Mary remained a virgin her whole life? Dr. Brant Pitre unpacks this much debated topic in this engaging presentation.



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Nov 24th & Dec 1st or Venmo \$25 to the  
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**Pick up date:  
Dec 22nd from 10am-1pm @ St John's Social Hall**

Contact Dina Colangelo to volunteer or for more info  
[dina.colangelo@gmail.com](mailto:dina.colangelo@gmail.com) or cell 410-300-1244

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY



Last night, High School Youth Ministry welcomed guest speaker Father David Schmidt, who talked about what it means to live in the Spirit, and shared the story of how he discerned his vocation as a priest. After several intense games of dodgeball in the gym, Deacon Brandon sang and played guitar as Father Schmidt led us in a holy hour of adoration and praise in the church.



On **Sunday, November 24**, we will look at the greatest and the first commandment, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." God has loved us first. The commandments then make explicit the response of love that man is called to give to his God..

We will not meet on **Sunday, December 1**. Be sure to join us on **Sunday, December 8** from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM for a look at the seven commandments that teach us what it means to love our neighbors as ourselves.

### BOOMERS AND BEYOND



Join us on **Tuesday, December 10** at 11:30 AM as Mike Buggiey, Sales Manager of Brookdale Murrysville and Penn Hills presents, *"Alzheimer's & Dementia Care: Understanding Signs, Symptoms and Support."*

Nearly 7 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's. Disease In fact, one in three seniors dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia. It is important we all understand the signs and symptoms in order to get the support we need.

Boomers and Beyond lunch and learn sessions are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the Mother of Sorrows Social Hall. 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 begin at 12:00 NN until 1:00 PM.





# MOTHER OF SORROWS CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Elementary students enjoyed spending time with Sister Joanne and Sister Viannea from the Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Redeemer last week. The students asked many questions that helped them understand the calling to religious life.



MOSS students love their music class with Mrs. Shaffer and art class with Mrs. German!

## JOB OPPORTUNITY AT CLELIAN HEIGHTS

Clelian Heights is a private, non-profit, education, vocational and residential facility for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Founded in 1961, owned and operated by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Clelian Heights is licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services Office of Developmental Programs.

Just like many organizations, they are experiencing difficulties in securing employees to care for their very special population. Clelian Heights is looking to hire the following positions:

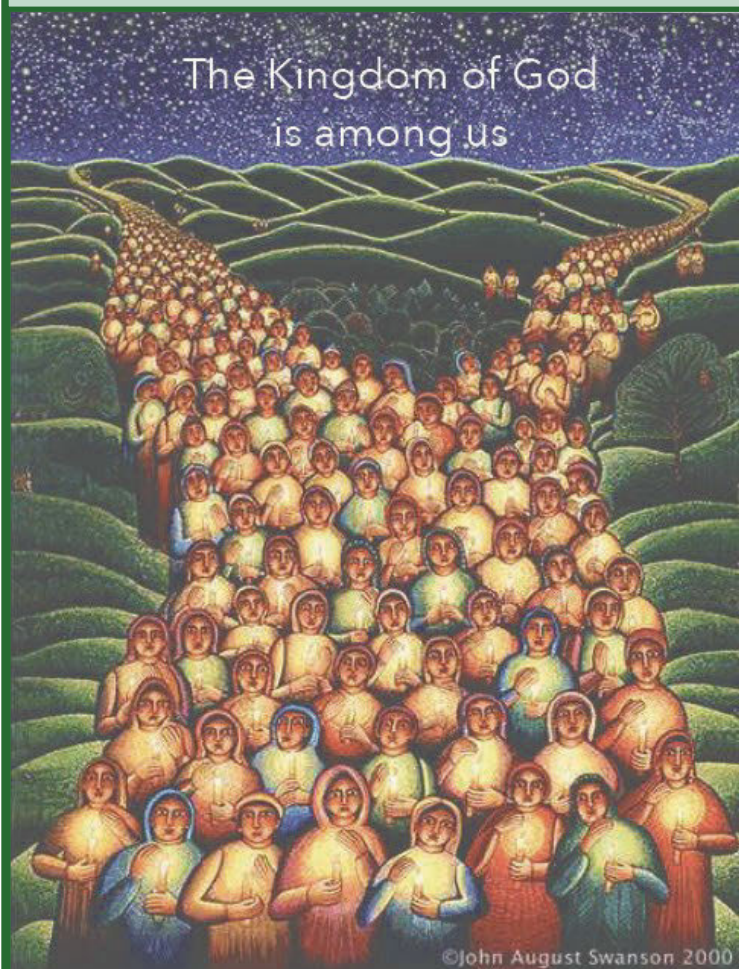
- Paraeducator: pay starts at \$16.50 /hr
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