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THE APOSTLE

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Andrew: by appointment

St. Fidelis: Wed. 7:00-8:00PM

Mon.: 5:45-7:15PM 3-7th. Tues.: 4:30-6PM 3-7th

St. Michael: Sat. 11:30AM-12:15PM St.

Paul: Sat. 8:40-9:30AM

St. Peter: by appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. Andrew: Pre-K - 9 9:30 - 10:45AM

St. Fidelis: 9:45AM - 11:15AM

Mon.: 5:45-7:15PM 3-7th. Tues.: 4:30-6PM 3-7th

Sts. Michael/Paul/Peter: 9:15 -10:30AM

(St. Michael the Archangel School building
RCIA

Classes for adults desiring full initiation into the Church are held from October to the Easter Vigil or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated by appointment Sundays at 12:30PM or during a weekend Mass. Call the Rectory Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact parish priest for arrangements at least six months prior to marriage.

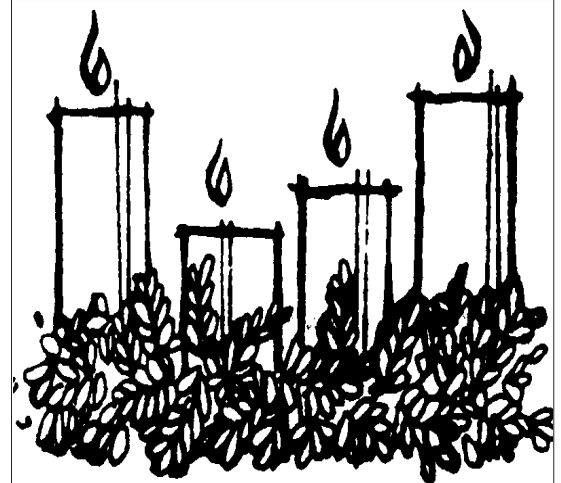
Abuse Hotline: 1-800-932-0313

BULLETIN INFORMATION

A week in advance: standrewbutler@zoominternet.net.

PARISH STAFF:

Louise Emmett - Admin. Assistant	724-355-0612
Sr. John Ann Mulhern CDP- Principal	724-285-4276
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December 23, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Blessed are you among women, and
blessed is the fruit of your womb.

- Luke 1:42

St. Andrew Parish Motto

"We have found the Messiah!"
(John 1:41)

St. Andrew Parish Mission Statement

St. Andrew Parish Family extends God's love and mercy to all on the path of Christian holiness, casting a wide net like our fisherman patron, St. Andrew. Under his patronage, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the help of Mary, our Mother, we seek to learn, love, and live Jesus.

BLUE ARMY DEVOTIONS

Blue Army will have First Saturday Devotions on January 5 at St. Paul Church. Mass, at 8:00am, will be followed by the rosary. Guest speaker is Fr. Dan Waruszewski.

PRO LIFE MARCH - FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019

Consider joining the March for Life. Our Parish Grouping will team up to make the trip to Washington, DC. Trip agenda: 5:00am Mass at St. Michael, 5:30am board bus, 5:45am bus departs for Washington, DC, 9:45am rest stop at Midway turnpike terminal, 12:00pm attend Rally at the Mall in Washington, 1:00pm March begins, 3:30-4:30pm meet our elected officials, 4:30pm board bus for return home, 7:00pm stop for dinner, 11 or 11:30pm arrive in Butler. No school or work the next day! Cost is \$25.00 for adults and \$20.00 for students. Family discounts available. Don't let the cost stop you from coming. Sign up early! Register by calling St. Paul Office at 724-287-1759. For information, call Ed Hoyt at 724-283-9070 or Ray Ferguson at 724-282-4298 or email ray_ferguson2@yahoo.com.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY LEADERS COLLABORATIVE

Twelve spaces are available for anyone working (full time, part time, or volunteer) in young adult ministry for CULTIVATE: A Young Adult Ministry Leaders Collaborative. Participants will acquire the fundamental competencies to implement effective ministry for people in their 20s and 30s. CULTIVATE will begin with a weekend retreat from January 4-6, followed by a six month community of practice experience. Visit www.org/cultivate for more information and to apply. Registration fee is \$150 and scholarships are available.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PEACE VIGIL

The Benedictine Sisters of Pittsburgh (Bakerstown) invite you to their 2018 New Year's Eve Peace Vigil "In Search of the Common Good and Civil Discourse" on December 31. Redemptorist Father Francis Gargani will be guest speaker. Vespers will be at 5:00pm; simple meal at 5:30pm. A Peace Concert featuring Cindy DeAlmeida, Pittsburgh Symphony & Friends will be at 6:15pm. Prayer and Presentation, at 7:00PM, will be followed by a social and refreshments. RSVP by phone to 724-502-2600.

The Collection for Sunday December 16, 2018

The collection will be announced in next week's bulletin.

RESPECT STARTS WITH ME POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to Evan Dancik, BCS 8th grader, and Nick Rine, BCS 2018 Graduate on being winners in "The Respect Starts with Me" poster contest. The contest, supported by youth drug and alcohol education, encourages students to creatively express their opinions about substance abuse. As winners, their artwork was placed in the 2019 Drug and Alcohol Prevention Calendar produced by the Butler County Drug and Alcohol Program and the Butler County District Attorney's Office. Nick's artwork was selected for the cover of the calendar and Evan's artwork was selected for the month of January.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel at St. Michael the Archangel Church in Butler needs the following hours filled: Wednesday 3:00-4:00am; Friday 2:00-3:00am, 4:00-5:00am, 11:00am-noon, and 5:00-6:00pm; Saturday 3:00-4:00am and 5:00-6:00am. Call Pat Nocera at 724-287-6496 or Linda Spohn at 724-283-2555. You may leave a message. There is a great need for night adorers.

ALL CEMETERY INQUIRIES

The Catholic Parish Cemeteries Association of the Pittsburgh Diocese. Contact North Regional Office - New Castle, 2636 Elwood Road, New Castle, PA 16101. Telephone: 724-323-0033. Email: cpca@cpca-pgh.org.

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES LAW

If you suspect a child is in imminent danger, call 911 immediately. Mandated reporters having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to child abuse shall report immediately to the following agencies:

Children & Youth Services: Butler County
724-284-5156

Children & Youth Services: Allegheny County
412-473-2000

Abuse Hotline: 800-932-0313

BUTLER GROUPING MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday
8:00AM **Dec. 22 - Late Advent Weekday**
 St. Paul - Addyson Martin (Daddy, Nana & Pappy)
4:00PM St. Michael - Living & Deceased Parishioners
5:00PM St. Fidelis - Samuel Fazzino (Wife & Kids)
6:00PM* St. Paul - Pauline Graham (Madeline & Norman Young)
Sunday
8:00AM **Dec. 23 - Fourth Sunday of Advent**
 St. Paul - Rose Kulick (Kathy VanGrootenbruel)
8:30AM St. Fidelis - Matthew Noto (Family)
10:00AM+ St. Paul - Mary Ellen Lewis (Mike & Margie Balog)
11:00 AM St. Peter - George Gullo (Wife, Derryl & Children)
11:00AM St. Andrew - Diane Dancik (Nancy Mikan)
11:30AM St. Fidelis - Thomas & Harriet Kisner (Mary Jane, Jeff, Manda & Aaron)
7:00PM St. Paul - Richard & Jane Sarver (Deborah Sarver)
Monday
8:00AM+ **Dec. 24 - Late Advent Weekday**
 St. Paul - Joseph Canel (Marly Eckert Koenig)
4:00PM St. Paul - Living & Deceased Parishioners
4:00PM St. Peter - Living & Deceased Parishioners
4:00PM St. Michael - Living & Deceased Parishioners
4:00PM St. Fidelis - Rylee Cygan (Grandparents)
4:30PM St. Andrew - Fr. Jim Salberg (Bill & Barb Reich)
7:00PM St. Paul - Living & Deceased Parishioners
10:00PM St. Paul - Living & Deceased Parishioners
10:00PM St. Fidelis - Jeanne McNeil (Steve & Karen Ward)
Midnight St. Michael - Living & Deceased Parishioners
Tuesday
8:00AM+ **Dec. 25 - Nativity of the Lord**
11:00AM St. Paul - Living & Deceased Parishioners
11:00AM St. Peter - Living & Deceased Parishioners
11:00AM St. Andrew - Debbie Tokey (Jim Shope Family)
11:30AM St. Fidelis - Furka Children, Cecilia, David & Joseph (Family)
Wednesday
8:00AM+ **Dec. 26 - St. Stephen First Martyr**
 St. Paul - Paul Langland (Barbara Radzyninski)
6:30PM St. Fidelis - John Tarcha (Bernice Goepfner & Bob P.)
Thursday
8:00AM+ **Dec. 27 - St. John, Apostle**
 St. Paul - Samuel Vero (Children)



Earl, Angela, David Mikan, John Gibson, Fr. Bill Keil, Jan, Frankie IV, Stephanie Lubinsky, Erma Fontaine, Terri Lynn, Dennis, Stephen Vargosko, Debbie Gibson, Dasha Doyle, Becky Ray, Rick Cupps, Paul Worst, Dawn, Victoria, Nancy, Hailey Ball, Jill, James, Connie Cancilla, Mary Zandier, Walter, Joe Foster, Harry Boben Sr., Jennifer Richardson, Mary Lou Boben, Debbie, Anne Boben, Frank, Jamie, Bernie, Mary Lou Correy, Joseph Smith, Rick, Bob, Noah, Rose, Jay, Bill, Caleb, Jim, Joan Elizabeth, Mary, Becky Richardson, Margaret Albert, Geno Spohn, Nancy & Bob Mikan, Aida Baker, Jack McKain, Louise, Marlene Fisher, Chuck, Kristina Gerten.

MINISTERS SCHEDULE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2018
11:00 AM

Lector: Karen Minehart
 Servers: Jaeden Malacaman, Tori Cupps
 Ushers: D. Dancik, P. Kengor, J. Hudak, D. Fuechslin,

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
Julie Cupps, Jim & Carol Shope

MASS INTENTIONS

Thursday **Dec. 27- St. John, Apostle**
12:05pm St. Andrew - Connie Maletta (John & Betty Lou Nemcek)
Friday **Dec. 28 - Holy Innocents, Martyrs**
8:00AM+ St. Paul - James Fischer (Karen & Family)
12:05PM St. Peter - Vincent (Sam) Litz (Ron Presco)
Saturday **Dec. 29 - 5th Day in Octave of Nativity**
8:00AM+ St. Paul - Helen Frotta (Friends of Suzy Fleeger)
4:00PM St. Michael - Living & Deceased Parishioners
5:00PM St. Fidelis - Josephine Gall (Ron & Patti Blazejewski)
6:00PM* St. Paul - John Hook Jr. (Martha McClure)
Sunday **Dec. 30 - Holy Family - Jesus, Mary, Joseph**
8:00AM St. Paul - Mary Lou Zissi (Rachelle Savannah Haberberger)
8:30AM St. Fidelis - Helen Krul (Stan Barth Family)
10:00AM+ St. Paul - Thomas J. Walsh (Pam & Franklin Zelinka)
11:00AM St. Peter - Mary M. Noullet (Jim & Linda Leitem)
11:00AM St. Andrew - Herb Hildebrand (Linda, Bob & May Leo)
11:30AM St. Fidelis - Dorothy Schnur (Martha Vavro & Family)
7:00PM St. Paul - Ann O'Sullivan (Gala Hindman)

CHRISTMAS IS HERE!

Our fourth and final Sunday of Advent is a whole two days this year! When informed of such news, an upset first-grader told me, “We are getting ripped off....only two days”! Indeed, there will be less time for us to genuinely prepare for the celebration of God entering our human existence as one of us. Perhaps this will prompt us to cherish this time even more than usual.

My guess is the vast majority of gifts we will exchange this week are things we do not *need*. We live in a time and a culture that values ‘things’ which add very little long-term value to our lives. Rather, we should learn to value the ‘things’ that are most important in life. If we call ourselves Christians, we need to seriously evaluate how and what we prioritize. This message is as ‘old as the hills’, but must continue to be preached about, and lived out in who we are called to be as the beloved sons and daughters of God.

The message and the life of Jesus of Nazareth, God’s Only Begotten Son, is in many ways quite simple (although at times it can be very challenging): Love God by loving and serving others; live lives of compassion and forgiveness.

After celebrating Mass during this time of the year at a retreat center a few years ago, a young lady approached me and said that her dad gave her the most precious gift that she could have received that Christmas: After many years, he told her that he forgave her for going astray and making some bad decisions. Her burdens of shame and guilt were beginning to lessen because of her father’s increased mercy.

Her father, she said, let her know that he had recently returned to attending Mass regularly, and had just received forgiveness from his Father, Our Father, in the sacrament of reconciliation after twenty-five years.

God is good.

Receive Him today.

Merry Christmas!

Yours in Christ,

Father Kevin



JAL

YOUTH COUNCIL AND ADULT CORE TEAM MEMBERS WANTED

As we prepare to reboot JAL, I am looking to fill some gaps on the youth council and the adult core team. For youth council I am looking for representatives from Butler Catholic School, St. Andrew, St. Peter, and St. Michael. For our core team, I am looking for adults who not only work well with youth but want to bring them closer to Jesus (diocesan clearances required.) Please fill out our application form on our website and return to any of the parish offices or email me, Fr. Dan, at dwaruszewski@zoominternet.net. Peace.

PARISH GROUPING JOB OPPORTUNITIES DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Parish Grouping comprised of St. Andrew, St. Fidelis, St. Michael, St. Paul, and St. Peter, all in Butler, PA, is seeking a highly qualified individual for a fulltime position of Director of Communications. The position will manage any staff members that work in communication positions, i.e. parish secretaries, and all communication flow for the five parishes in our grouping; this includes but is not limited to, websites, bulletins, social media, and the development of electronic news. This individual will be responsible for development of a strategic plan combining all communication avenues for the individual parishes into one. Required qualifications include a Bachelor's degree in Communications, Journalism, or related discipline and should possess strong writing, editing and leadership skills. Please submit a letter of application and resume to Mrs. Cathy Rodgers, St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen Parish, 125 Buttercup Rd., Butler, PA 16001. Deadline for applications is January 4, 2019. Clearances will be required.

DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

The Parish Grouping comprised of St. Andrew, St. Fidelis, St. Michael, St. Paul, and St. Peter, all in Butler, PA, is seeking a well-qualified Director of Business and Property Management to oversee the Administrative, Human Resources, Financial, and Property Management of the combined Parishes. Required Qualifications: Minimum - Associate Degree in Accounting or Business Administration, prefer Bachelor's Degree in Accounting or Business Administration. Experience in financial management, supervision, familiar with property and plant management and personnel management. Applicant shall be well organized, possess excellent communication and supervisory skills. Familiarity with Canon Law regarding parish administration would be helpful. Submit a cover letter and resume to Mrs. Cathy Rodgers at St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen Parish, 125 Buttercup Rd., Butler, PA 16001. Deadline for applications is Friday, December 21, 2018. Clearances will be required.