

St. Malachy Catholic Church

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Coraopolis, PA 15108

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November 13, 2016



Parish Mission Statement

We, the Parish Family of St. Malachy, guided by the Holy Spirit are committed to continuing the works for Jesus Christ through worship, education and service thereby building the Body of Christ as a community of compassion and love.

REV. JOHN E. HISSRICH
Pastor

REV. RUSSELL J. MAURER
In Residence

LISA DAVIS
Business Manager

LAURIE LANZ
Director of Music

CATHERINE MILITZER
School Principal

JENIFER O'SHEA
School Secretary

STEVEN SWANK
Coordinator of Religious Education

Youth Minister
Safe Environment Coordinator

CAROL PFEUFFER
Religious Education Secretary

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:
Monday thru Friday - 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday thru Thursday - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
and during Religious Education times

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TIMES:

Sunday K-7 9:15 am - 10:30 am
Sunday 8 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm
Monday 1-7 4:30 pm - 5:45 pm

ADULT CHOIR:

Wednesday - 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

HOLY SACRAMENTS

EUCHARIST:

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday 7:15 am Mass
Saturday 4:00 pm (Saturday Evening Vigil)
Sunday 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration (3rd Tuesday) - 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm

RECONCILIATION: Saturday - 3:00 - 3:45 pm and the
First Friday of the Month after 7:15 am Mass.

BAPTISM:

Second and Fourth Sunday each month after 11:00 Mass.

INFANTS:

Please contact the Parish Office three (3) months before the expected birth. First time parents are required to attend Pre-Baptismal instructions.

ADULTS:

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Those adults desiring to become a Catholic who have never been baptized or were baptized in another faith are invited to the sessions on Mondays in the rectory from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

MARRIAGE:

By policy of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, couples wishing to marry must contact the parish at least six months before the date of the wedding. No date may be set until the couple meets with the priest.

PARISH PHONE - 412-771-5483 / FAX - 412-331-7312
Hours: Monday-Thursday 8 am to 8 pm; Friday 8 am -4 pm
PARISH WEBSITE: <http://www.stmalachypgh.org>
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PARISH SCHOOL.....412-771-4545
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CAFETERIA..... 412-771-0848
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KENNEDY TOWNSHIP, PA

Mass Schedule

THIS WEEK AT ST. MALACHY

Sunday, November 13 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Faye Michelangelo by Louise Brennan
8:00 am People of the Parish
11:00 am Larry & Lil Cross by Family

Monday, November 14

7:15 am Eugene Koskee by Bernice Koskee & Family

Tuesday, November 15 - St. Albert the Great

7:15 am Bill Alex by Wife & Children

Wednesday, Nov. 16 - St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude

7:15 am Louise Muzik by Judy Underwood

Thursday, November 17 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary

7:15 am Vincenzo & Francesco Cercone by Lena Cercone & Family

Friday, November 18

7:15 am George Gleason by Wife & Family
8:45 am Alma Morrone by Husband, Joseph

Saturday, November 19

4:00 pm Guy Calorie by Wife & Children

Sunday, Nov. 20 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 am Wanda Perri by Jackie & Mel Weinstein
11:00 am People of the Parish

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6:30 pm Emmanuel Prayer Group - Church
7:00 pm Bingo - Fr. Weirauch Hall
7:00 pm RCIA - Parish Meeting Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

1:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Church
6:30 pm Benediction - Church
7:00 pm Speaker Series - Church

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Noon Card Party - Father Weirauch Hall
7:00 pm Cub Scouts - Classroom
7:00 pm First Penance Meeting - Church

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

11:00 am Catholic Scripture Study - Church

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Mon	Nov	21	6:30 pm - Emmanuel Prayer Group - Church
Mon	Nov	21	7:00 pm - Bingo - Father Weirauch Hall
Mon	Nov	21	7:00 pm - RCIA - Parish Meeting Room
Wed	Nov	23	Noon - Card Party - Father Weirauch Hall
Wed	Nov	23	7:00 pm - Cub Scouts - Classroom
Fri	Nov	25	11:00 am - Catholic Scripture Study - Church
Sat	Nov	26	9:00 am - Marian Prayer Group - Church

We WELCOME all those who enter this Holy place to worship!

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Please pray for: Lisa Aburaad, Brian Breland, James Breslin, Josh Bruchwajski, Ian Donovan, Eric Dudash, William Duffy, Travis Dunham, Mark Finnegan, Edward Glance, Lewis Hess, Chris Holton, Matthew Kost, Spencer Lindsay, Christopher McDermott, James McGregor, Benjamin Macek, Jacob Mammay, Steven Marshall, Jake Mathews, Jeremiah Murphy, Kevin Murphy, Michael Murphy, Nick Obusek, Nicholas Rymniak, C.J. Stangl, Chris Straw, Jeffrey Vittorio, Chris Wasek, Joseph Wasek III, Matthew Zivic

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for: Joanie, Patrick Alex, Vincent Barbera, Rita Battaglini, John Bedmar, Ann Borden, Joe Bowler, Esther Burik, Janet Cain, Nancy Calhoon, Charles Campbell, Betty Campalong, Lucia Catanza, Earl Cetto, Margaret Coppler, Ryan Costa, Bev Cummins, Alice Curtolo, Stella Cusano, Jane Davis, Judy Deczkowski, Madeline Deluca, Anya DeFeo, Rene Dewine, Gil Diетeman, Connie Dovich, Tom Drost, Rocky Esposito, Marge Ferraro, Helena Ferro, Jim Finn, Taylor Finn, Linda Garofalo, Cynthia Gilchrist, Frank Gracy, Georgiana Guerra, Bruce Gutt, John Gutt, Lizzie Guzman, Brenna Halbedl, Robert Hodgkiss, John Hopay, Justine Hudak, Elizabeth Jakiel, Victoria M. Jeffrey, Louise Jones, Melissa Jones, Sean Jones, Sue Joseck, Alberta Kale, Ann Kane, Stella Karg, Wasil Karlobski, Bonnie Kempton, Fred Komernitski, Ed Krall Sr., Penny Kramer, Sue Kyle

**And for those who request prayers anonymously
Please pray for those who are in the
hospitals, nursing homes and the homebound.
May they continue to receive the Lord's blessings.**



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Diocese Victim Assistance Hotline 1-888-808-1235
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www.priestsforlife.org **catholicscomehome.org**
www.womenofgrace.com **www.rachelsvineyard.org .org**
www.helpourmarriage.com

ST. MALACHY PRAY FOR US!

REMEMBER ST. MALACHY IN YOUR WILL!

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

Let's start with a little trivia. You have most likely heard the phrase "short shrift," as in not getting all of what you feel you deserve. But do you know where the phrase comes from? "Shrift" is an archaic term for Confession, particularly for the penance we do when we go to Confession. Short shrift would come when a condemned criminal was about to be executed. They would allow him to see a priest, but it was often so late that the condemned man would not have time to complete any serious penance, such as you would expect for a capital crime. Thus, he was unfairly given "short shrift."

There are times when I feel like I have to give short shrift. When I came here, one thing that made me uncomfortable was the schedule of Confessions on Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45. When I have a Sunday Mass, I like to be in the sacristy about half an hour before Mass starts. When I come in fifteen minutes before Mass, I feel like I am rushing. But while I have gotten used to that, I have wondered what might happen if the day comes when Fr. Russell is no longer here to help us. I got a preview of that eventuality last week, with Fr. Russell in the hospital. Despite the wedding, we started Confessions on time. But we had a good number of people coming, and I didn't finish until about 3:57. It's good to have more people for Confession than the time allotted, for that's a sign of a spiritually alive parish. But it meant that I was trying to move quickly through the last few people in line. Furthermore, I was rushing into the sacristy at a time when the Altar Servers and Lectors were wondering where I was. I was out of breath as we started the Mass, and I didn't feel like I was properly focused on the Eucharistic Liturgy.

My attitude toward Confession times has always been, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." I've been in parishes where not many people come to the sacrament, so I've tried different times to get people coming. When I have been in parishes where people come, I'd rather not change things. But for two and a half years, I have thought about a different time for Confessions. I want to have time to give everyone a good experience of Christ's mercy without having to give "short shrift." And I want to be prepared to be the best celebrant I can be for the Mass, the most important thing we do. So I am thinking about starting January by scheduling Confessions from Noon to 1:00 on Saturday afternoons. We had those times in other parishes where I have been stationed, and they have worked well. I may have to beg off of going to the cemetery if we have a Saturday morning funeral, but I should have plenty of time for Confessions, even if we go overtime and even if there is a wedding.

I said that this timing has worked well in other parishes. But what works in one place does not always work in another. I would like to ask people's opinions about changing Confession times before I make the final decision. Please let me know what you think. I don't want to give "short shrift" (either literally or figuratively) to anyone.

Father H

SPEAKER SERIES

Before all the Thanksgiving festivities, consider taking time out to join us for the third installment of the St. Malachy Speakers Series on Tuesday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Malachy Church. Fr. Joe Freedy, Director of Vocations for the Pittsburgh Diocese, will give us tips on "Living Life to the Full." Refreshments and a chance to speak with Fr. Joe will be at 7:45 p.m. You'll be thankful you did. Free childcare is available by reservation only. To reserve a spot, contact 412-771-7480 no later than 1 week prior to the event. See you there!

BE AN ANGEL FOR CHRISTMAS

As Christmas rapidly approaches, there are still many in our community who may not have a Merry Christmas due to financial problems. We can make a difference. Please take an angel from the Angel Trees in the church vestibule, purchase the appropriate gift, wrap it and return the gift, with the angel securely attached. Cash donations can be placed in an envelope marked Angel Tree Gifts which will be used to purchase food certificates and gifts. We ask only new items be donated. Also there is a box near the Angel Trees for a donation for new unwrapped toys. Please return all donated gifts by ***Sunday, December 4.***

Pink Yarns - needy children

Blue Yarns - senior citizens

Green Yarns - families in need

Red Yarns - residents of Allegheny Valley School

As you select a gift please remember to pray for that person and thank God for all your blessings, especially His Son. Thank you!

CHRIST THE KING

On ***Sunday, November 20***, our parish will celebrate the ***Feast of Christ the King*** with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 11:00 a.m. Mass and at 3:00 p.m. there will be prayers and Benediction. Each family in the parish is invited to attend.

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT

A special collection will be taken next weekend of November 19/20. Your donation supports the care of the elderly religious. Please be generous. Thank you.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Revelation 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Luke 18:35-43
 Tuesday: Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22; Luke 19:1-10
 Wednesday: Revelation 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28
 Thursday: Revelation 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44
 Friday: Revelation 10:8-11; Luke 19:45-48
 Saturday: Revelation 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40
 Sunday: 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20;
 Luke 23:35-43

CHEER RALLY

On October 30, the Varsity Cheerleaders attended the Cheer Rally in the Valley competition held at Westminster College. The Bombers took first place in the Junior High Mount division and were named Grand Champions of the competition. The Grand Champion is awarded to the team with the highest total score out of any of the competing teams, youth through high school. In addition to the trophies and medals, the team also received a \$200 prize. Seventh grader, Alexia Stanley placed first in the ages 12-14 Tumble Off and eighth grader, Marissa Trocchio earned first place in the ages 12-14 Jump Off. What a successful day for the Bombers!

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Are you both healthy? Hopefully yes, but in any marriage there are times when one spouse gets sick. Whether it's a simple cold or a serious illness how do you like to be treated when you're not feeling well. Do you want to be left alone or get lots of tender, loving care? What kind of care?

NORTH POLE EXPRESS ADVENTURE

The Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus will host the North Pole Express Adventure on Friday, December 19. It is a live performance by Stage Right! Company based on the movie *The Polar Express*. Tickets at the door are \$5/person. Hot chocolate and cookies served at 5:30 p.m. Performance begins at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 412-787-3853.

FIRST PENANCE PARENT MEETING

The First Penance parent meeting will be held this Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. This important meeting is for the second grade parents from both our religious education program and school.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS

Pre-Baptism class will take place on Sunday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. This class is for parents seeking the Sacrament of Baptism for their children. To register, please call 412-771-7480. The next class after this one will be held in January.

PIZZA FUNDRAISER

St. Malachy School will be raising money with the "Pizza, Pizza" Fundraiser. Order forms are in the back of the church on the school easel. Order forms and payment due Tuesday, November 22. Late order will not be accepted. You may order online by visiting www.pizzakit.com and clicking products then shop. The St. Malachy fundraiser id# is 324306. Either select ship order to group or ship order to me. Please pick up your pizza kit on Tuesday, December 6 in the cafeteria from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. We are not responsible for orders that are not picked up on delivery day as we do not have onsite storage. Any questions call the school office at 412-771-4545.

CHRISTMAS DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Fr. Joe Freedy, Fr. Mike Ackerman, Fr. Brian Welding and Fr. Brian Noel will be leading a retreat for men who are seeking to know their vocation and to learn more about discerning a vocation to the Priesthood, from Friday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m. through Sunday, December 18 at 11:00 a.m. at Gilmory Retreat Center. The weekend will include Mass with Bishop Zubik, Adoration, opportunities for Confession, conferences, and solid brotherhood. No cost. Must be 18 or older. Visit www.pghpriest.com to register.

	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion			Lectors	Altar Servers
Saturday Nov. 19 4:00 PM	Carol Chambers Ken Dorman Mary Ann Fenio	Tom Fenio Mel Weinstein-W Sharon Cercone-W	Lisa Worms-W	Brody Connor Karen Criscella	Oliwia Karney McKenna Chestnut Mara Tucci
Sunday Nov. 20 8:00 AM	Peg Collins-W Jean Formosa-W Linda Hoffman	Ann Kachmar Cindy Laquinta-W/CH Dan Beyer-E	Mimi Schneider	Alyssa Brinza Dell Oakes	Nick Collins Adam Klimas
Sunday Nov. 20 11:00 AM	Regina Osman Pat Kulak Sara Lyons	Barbara Marshall-W Peg Spisak-W Sandy Vaught	Terry Donovan-W	Randy Lowden	Hogan Schirnhofner Elizabeth Cross Matthew Rees

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

A Lovewalk for the Poor is scheduled for Sunday, November 13 at Sacred Heart Church in Shadyside. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. followed by the one mile walk to East End Cooperative Ministry. For more information please visit <http://ccpgh.org/pages/eventdetails/2016-LoveWalk>.

FINGERPRINTING WAIVER UPDATE

Thank you to all the volunteers who have completed and returned the waiver that was mailed to them. If you did not return the waiver please do so immediately. Volunteers who do not comply with this state law will have their applications archived, and shall no longer volunteer in ministry. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our Parish Safe Environment Coordinator, Steven Swank, at 412-771-7480 or swankymca@gmail.com. Thank you for your cooperation!

CHRISTMAS SARRIS CANDIES FUNDRAISER

St. Malachy School just kicked off their Christmas Sarris Candies Fundraiser these make great gifts! Order forms are in this week's bulletin, and the color brochure of items is on display in the back of the church. You can give the order form with a check made payable to St. Malachy School PTG to a parent sitting at the scrip table after each mass or deliver it to the school office or rectory. Orders are due November 16, and pickup will be Friday, December 8, in the school cafeteria. For each order of \$50.00 or more, you will receive one ticket to Carnegie Science Center. Family and friends who live out of town can order candy on-line at:

www.sarriscandiesfundraising.com.

Their orders will be shipped directly to them. Enter Group No. 10-0458 when placing orders. Questions, contact Kristy Mosur at 412-771-4136 or kmosur@comcast.net.

SCHOOL NEWS



Now that parent/teacher conferences are over the students are well in to the second quarter activities of basketball, forensics, bowling...

Our week ends with an annual Gala on Saturday. This is one of our biggest fundraisers. A big thanks goes out to the committee for putting it together.

SIXTH GRADE NEWS

It has been a great start to the year for 6th grade. Report cards just went home and they reflect all the hard work that has been done so far. As mathematicians, students have been refreshing their memories on multiplication and division. Once they found their groove, they challenged their minds by using numbers bigger than they've ever used before. These future authors have also been exploring the world of fictitious literature, focusing on different types of characters and the settings of the stories. As scientists, students have been exploring matter. They can identify matter, its different states, and its smallest parts. Next to come is what happens when we mix matter together! With God always on our minds, students have been expanding their knowledge of covenants. They understand that, as Catholics, we have many types of covenants in our lives and we strive to keep these promises. Finally, as historians in training, the 6th grade has been diving into the rich culture of Greece. Each student chose a Greek god or goddess to research and report on.

ADVENT MINI-RETREAT

A Ignatian Advent Mini-Retreat in Daily Life will be offered with both an afternoon and evening options on Monday, November 28. A fee of \$75 includes materials and individual direction. Register by November 19 at <http://bit.ly/IgnatianIntro> or call 724-869-6587. After the opening session participants commit to a four-day mini-retreat of 20 minutes of personal prayer with four individual sessions with a Spiritual Director who provides prayer material and help with exploring personal prayer experiences.

Electronic Giving is NOW available!
A convenient way to give
To enroll 412-771-5483

CHRISTIAN SHARING

Sunday Collection	11-06-16	\$ 9,293.00
Children Collection	11-06-16	\$ 10.50
Votive Candles	11-06-16	\$ 493.00
All Saints Day	11-06-16	\$ 3,471.00
School	11-06-16	\$ 564.00
Military	11-06-16	\$ 1,175.00
Electronic Giving	Oct 2016	\$ 4,414.36

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