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LITURGICAL DIRECTORY

Weekend/Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy (Vigil)
6:00 p.m. Epiphany (Vigil)
7:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
8:00 a.m. Epiphany
9:00 a.m. St. Benedict the Moor
9:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
10:00 a.m. Epiphany
12:00 p.m. St. Benedict the Moor
12:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
5:00 p.m. Epiphany

Weekday Mass Schedule

St. Benedict the Moor

9:15 a.m. Thursday (according to school schedule)

Epiphany

7:00 a.m. Wednesday and Friday
12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday

St. Mary of Mercy

6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
12:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Benedict the Moor

8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. Sunday

Epiphany

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Monday through Friday
5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Saturday

St. Mary of Mercy

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Monday through Saturday
12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Benedict the Moor (1st. Saturday of the month)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Epiphany

Friday, following 12:05 p.m. Mass - 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary of Mercy

Tuesday, following 7:30 a.m. Mass - 11:45
Thursday, following 12:00 p.m. Mass - 5:30 p.m.

Epiphany

Novena to the Sorrowful Mother
Fridays following 12:05 Mass
Novena to St. Rita of Cascia
Mondays following 12:05 Mass

St. Mary of Mercy

Miraculous Medal **Novena**
Mondays 12:30

St. Benedict the Moor

Novena to St. Benedict the Moor

Christmas is Never Over

The dried-up trees are out at the curb, the seasonal trimmings are back in the boxes, the house is vacuumed. Christmas is over for another year.

The first reading sounds much like the beginning of Advent, "Make straight in the desert a highway for our God." Every verse in Psalm 104 points to the greatness of God, creator of the universe. The letter from Titus proclaims the essential Christmas truth, "The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all." And then the crowning glory ~ Christ speaks to us in the gospel, and we hear what he heard at the Jordan River, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Christmas shows us that Jesus came to guide us to the fulfillment of our destiny as human beings. We are to become one with him, to be the beloved of the Father.

Thus, we lead Christmas lives every day. In all the ordinary and extraordinary things that we do, we give witness and we give thanks, proclaiming that God intends the greatest gift for all persons in the universe and that Christ became one of us to guide us every step of the way. *Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

~ *Living with Christ*

Year for Priests: Through the intercession of St. John Vianney, let us pray that our priests become more prayerful and deepen their spiritual lives. This week we pray for the following priests:

Fr. Naos McCool, CSSp, Fr. Hugh McCormley, Fr. Michael McDermott, Fr. Malcolm McDonald, Fr. James McDonough, Most Rev. Bishop McDowell, Fr. Albin McGinnis, Fr. Donald McIlvane, Fr. John McKenna, Fr. Kevin McKnight, Fr. John McMillan, CP, Fr. Edward McSweeney, Fr. Francis Meenan.

Pray daily for the priests who serve our parish and those who assist them.

Pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Famous Fish Fry !

A New Year's resolution ~ I will try the famous fish fry at Epiphany every Friday!! Come down to meet some friendly folks and enjoy good camaraderie this Friday. Service is from 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eat in or take-out. Take-out orders available by calling 412-471-1008 after 9:30 a.m. Hope to see you there!

***Dr. Martin Luther King
Mass & Program***

All are invited to the annual Dr. King Mass at the 12:00 Sunday Mass this weekend at St. Paul Cathedral. A one-hour program and light refreshments will follow the Mass. The annual event that honors the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is sponsored by the Parish's Race & Reconciliation Dialogue Group in collaboration with the Office for Black Catholic Ministries. If you cannot attend the Mass, perhaps you will be available to participate in the program that follows the Mass.

Healing Mass

The Church of the Epiphany is pleased to welcome the Pittsburgh/Greensburg Fraternity of Priests on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. Our own Fr. Tom is a long-time member of this group of priests who gather each week for a time of prayer, adoration and fraternity. Part of their mission is to hold a Healing Mass once a month throughout the year. The Mass will begin at 7:00 p.m. and feature worship and praise music. All are invited to participate.

***Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
7th Annual Blood Drive***

Save a life by supporting the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blood Drive for Life on Monday, January 18, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. at St. Benedict the Moor Church. This event is sponsored by the Office of Black Catholic Ministries in partnership with the Central Blood Bank and several community organizations. Contact the BCM Office (412-456-3170), or the Central Blood Bank (1-800-310-9551) to schedule your appointment or log on to www.centralbloodbank.org, then enter sponsor code G0040259.

Readings for the Week of January 10

Sunday: Is 42:1-4,6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16,21-22
 Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20/Mk 1:29-39
 Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7,10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4,17-19;10:1a/Mk 2:13-17
 Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



Christian Mothers

Christian Mothers will have a special meeting today at 10:30 to finalize plans for the February 7th, Women's Day at the noon Mass. All parishioners are invited to this Mass.

Christian Mothers Newsflash!

Please pick up your "Silent Tea" fundraising package from one of the officers. In addition, items with the Steelers' logo are needed immediately for the "Steelers Basket" to be raffled in January. All proceeds from the fundraisers support the tuition assistance fund for St. Benedict the Moor School.

Brochures available!

Brochures are available now for the upcoming April 23-25, 2010 "Black Catholic Leadership Conference: Developing Church Leaders to Serve," to be held at the Antiochian Village in Ligonier. The brochure has pertinent information concerning who should attend, the costs, deadlines and a registration form. Brochures will be in the church information area and also by contacting the Office of Black Catholic Ministries, at 412-456-3170.

Pray for Our Sick and Hospitalized

The following requests our prayers: James Burwell, Lydia Francis, Brenda Glenn, Ruth Haston, Florence Hester, Elouise Humphrey, Joyce Johnson, Theresa Lewis, Nathaniel McKenzie, Betty Muse, Josephine O'Connor, Lucretia Tabb, Barbara Tucker, Adelaide Wilson.

Second Collection, next Sunday

Next Sunday, the second collection is for the St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech. Please be as generous as your means allow. This collection will go toward your Parish Share.

Happy Birthday!

Massah Doerue, Keynu Strickland, Adelaide Wilson (Jan. 10); Kathalyn Frazier-Howard (Jan. 11); Darren Dolby, Elsie Moore, Harry Orlando (Jan. 12); Brandon Burwell, Ann Fultz, Benedict Killang, Mary Seay (Jan. 13); Claudia Dykes, Aries Finch (Jan. 14); Joshua Townsend (Jan. 15); James Parham (Jan. 16)

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Sunday, January 10 **The Baptism of Our Lord**
 9:00 a.m. Mass for the people
 12:00 p.m. Rev. Leo Vanyo †

Sunday, January 17 **2nd Sunday, Ordinary Time**
 9:00 a.m. Mass for the people
 12:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of the Parish

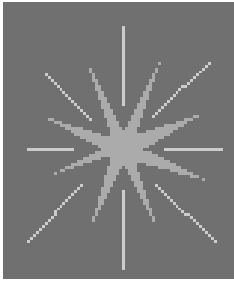
Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra

The PSO presents its Fourth Annual "Tribute" Concert ~ **A Symphonic Celebration of African-American Culture**, on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Heinz Hall. Resident Conductor, *Lawrence Loh*, is presented in association with the August Wilson Center for African American Culture and the Hill House Association. Special features ~ musical guest, trumpeter Sean Jones, performing with the PSO on pieces by *George Gershwin* and local composer, *David Cutler*; African American Composer, *Adolphus Hailstork's Symphony No. 3*, performed in its entirety; medley of *Duke Ellington* classics; an all-audience sing-along to "Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing." The Hill House Association will present "Live at the Hurricane" in the lobby before and after the concert. Tickets are priced at \$5, \$15 and \$25 for this family-friendly event. Discounts prices available for groups of 10 or more. To purchase tickets, call 412-392-4900 or visit pittsburghsymphony.org.

Your Stewardship

Christmas	\$275.00
Christmas Charities	\$110.00
December 27	
9:00 a.m.	\$1,644.04
12:00 p.m.	\$1,448.50
Mail-ins.....	\$1,203.00
New Year's	\$132.00
January 3	
9:00 a.m.	\$1,714.00
12:00 p.m.	\$1,482.00
Mail-ins	\$1,203.00

Thank you!



New Membership

We welcome Christina Bolton and David Ohm who have recently joined our parish. Welcome Christina and David, and may you grow in faith with us as we strive to become a strong community of faith and hospitality

Interested, Anyone?

Epiphany is seeking a few people (men or women) who would be interested in joining the team in assisting the priests with wedding rehearsals. The rehearsals are usually Friday (early) evenings; a training session will be held for those interested. Call Lalla , 412-471-0257, x11.

Monthly Remembrance

The altar wine and hosts to be consecrated during the Masses for the month of **January** will be offered in remembrance of **the living & deceased of the Pawlak & Burrell Families**, requested by **Mary Burrell**.

Pray for the Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized

We ask you to remember the following in your prayers ~ Mary Barry, Virginia Chiappetta, Dee DiPofi, Chrystil Dougherty, Margaret Hagan, Karen Kraeer, Vince Lusardi, Carmella Magnelli, Nancy Meinert, K. Prosser, Joe Schramm, Mary Beth Starosielec, Jodi Stebler, Dan Simsick.

Second Collection, Next Weekend

The second collection next weekend is for *St. Anthony School Programs* and *DePaul School for Hearing and Speech*. Since we have our Parish Share paid off, we remind you that we will get diocesan credit for this collection and it will stay within our parish (as will the *Christmas Charities* collection of Dec. 25). This is a “win-win” situation! So please be as generous as your means allow. Thank you!

Help Wanted!

The Diocese of Pittsburgh’s Catholic Youth (CYM) Co-ed Softball League is in need of a Softball Coordinator for the 2010 season. This adult person will work with the Associate Director of the Department for Youth and Young Adult Ministry. This part-time position requires approximately 3-5 hours per week from April thru July. The stipend is \$1,000. For more information, contact Gary W. Roney, 412-456-3140 or groney@diopitt.org.

MASSES THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Saturday, January 9 **Christmas Weekday**

6:00 p.m. Sam & Clara Manfredi †
M/M Sam Manfredi, Jr.

Sunday, January 10 **The Baptism of Our Lord**

8:00 a.m. For the people of Epiphany Parish
10:00 a.m. Pat Gaito † Sis Gaito
5:00 p.m. Tom Foerster † Georgeann Foerster

Monday, January 11 **Weekday**

12:05 p.m. Helen Larkin † Helene Larkin

Tuesday, January 12 **Weekday**

12:05 p.m. For the living & deceased of the parish

Wednesday, January 13 **St. Hilary**

7:00 a.m. Frances Bonasso † (B/Day) Mary Briggs
12:05 p.m. Shirley Burke † Mary & Bill Belack

Thursday, January 14 **Weekday**

12:05 p.m. Frank Capodanno † M/M Sam Manfredi

Friday, January 15 **Weekday**

7:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Epiphany
12:05 p.m. Living & Deceased of the Luffy Family

Saturday, January 16 **Weekday**

6:00 p.m. Mass for the people of Epiphany

Sunday, January 17 **2nd Sunday, Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Epiphany Parish
10:00 a.m. John Allen † Marc & Josie Pitta
5:00 p.m. James Samuel † (B/Day) Patricia Morra

Your Stewardship

Christmas	\$2,915.70
Christmas Charities.....	\$752.00
December 27	\$2,082.00
Maintenance.....	\$378.00
New Year’s	\$809.00
Maintenance.....	\$120.00
January 3	\$1,362.25
Maintenance.....	\$ 335.25

Thank you!



**Mass Book of Intentions,
2010**

Reminder ~ the Mass Book of Intentions for 2010 is now open. Please call the office or stop in to request your Mass intentions for this year, 2010.

St. Mary of Mercy Food Drive

St. Mary of Mercy participates with the Downtown Ministerium of Churches with the "Walk-in" Ministry Program for those in need. Beginning the **third Sunday** in January and continuing every third Sunday of the month, we will be collecting canned food goods and other food products. Bring your items with you to Mass and place them at the communion railing. If you have questions, call Betty at 412-261-0110.

Second collection next weekend

The second collection January 17 is for the *St. Anthony Programs* and *DePaul School* for Hearing and Speech.

Please be as generous as your means allow. This collection will go toward your Parish Share.

Immediate Occupancy

Two HUD subsidized apartments are ready for immediate occupancy at Sto-Rox Plaza, a senior citizen high-rise on Chartiers Ave, McKees Rocks. Applicant must be at least sixty-two years of age or mobility impaired and pass eligibility standards. For more information or to obtain an application, call 412-331-4112. Thank you.

To Ponder

*Let the reality of Christmas
chase away the blahs of winter.*

Your Stewardship

Christmas	\$4,363
Christmas Charities	\$1,499
December 27	\$2,204
New Year's	\$ 964
January 3	\$1,505
Hungry & Homeless	\$ 453

Thank you!

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY OF MERCY

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Saturday, January 9 **Christmas Weekday**
 12:00 p.m. Patrick J. McKeegan †
 5:00 p.m. Frank Fico/Duane Morris by Family

Sunday, January 10 **Baptism of Our Lord**
 7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
 9:30 a.m. Repose of the soul of Marco Imbarlina by Nancy & Dave Stroud
 12:00 p.m. John & Agnes McElligott † by Charles McElligott

Monday, January 11 **Weekday**
 6:30 a.m. Frances El † by Helene & Sylvia Krebs
 7:30 a.m. Mary Lunz † by Mary E. Rodgers
 12:00 p.m. Andrew McGlynn † by Mary Enright

Tuesday, January 12 **Weekday**
 6:30 a.m. John & Elizabeth Moon † by Daughter
 7:30 a.m. Carl Moss by Ann Flaherty
 12:00 p.m. Ann & Anthony Cello † by Frank T. & Mary Ellen Anania

Wednesday, January 13 **St. Hilary**
 6:30 a.m. Miriam Taylor by M/M Richard Miles
 7:30 a.m. Rose Mancini † by Fr. Carmen D'Amico
 12:00 p.m. Helen Pawlik † by Debbie & Norb Lukus

Thursday, January 14 **Weekday**
 6:30 a.m. Sorrowful Mother by Dario Lorenzi
 7:30 a.m. Helen Vehec † by M/M Francis Corbett
 12:00 p.m. Monica Przywara † by Judy

Friday, January 15 **Weekday**
 6:30 a.m. Sorrowful Mother by Dario Lorenzi
 7:30 a.m. Abused Children by Friend
 12:00 p.m. Edward & Henry Golobic † by Sister, Marie

Saturday, January 16 **Weekday**
 12:00 p.m. In Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus
 5:00 p.m. Ellen Palko † by Stephanie & Jim Baumgartner

Sunday, January 17 **2nd Sunday, Ordinary Time**
 7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
 9:30 a.m. Leon Yagmin † by Irene Stacer
 12:00 p.m. Margaret & Mary Basial † by Rose Mary Apel

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES

Infant Baptism: To schedule, call Deacon Reynold Wilmer, 412-281-3141, x 5.

Adult Baptism and Children (RCIA): Call Deacon Reynold Wilmer.

Reconciliation (Confession): See the Directory for the schedule or call for an appointment.

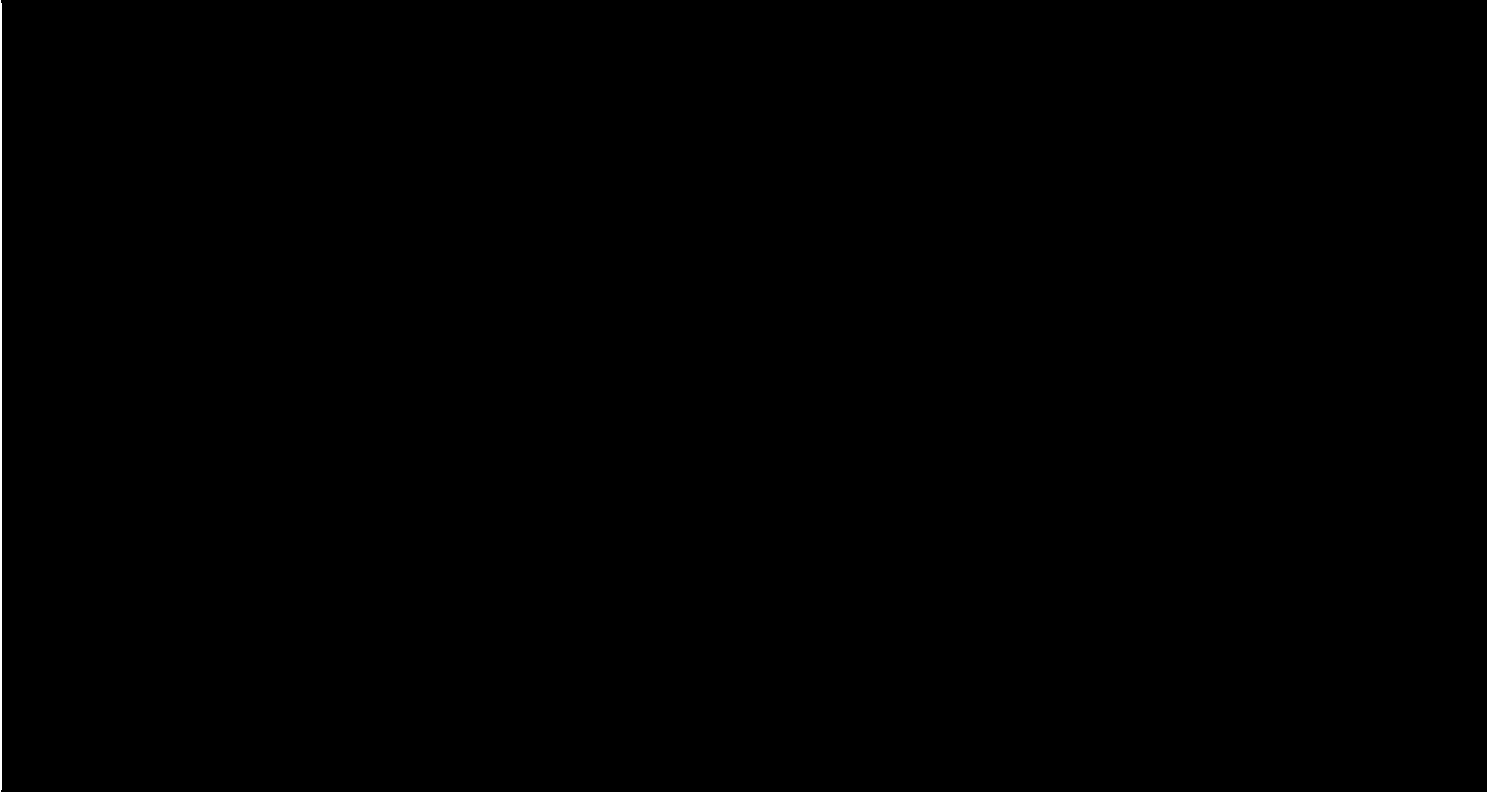
Holy Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick: For those who are sick and confined to home or those who are seriously ill, call the Parish Office for a priest to visit.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples planning to marry are to contact our Deacon at least six months before the desired date. Marriage preparation is required.

Religious Vocations: If you feel called to the Diocesan Priesthood or Religious Life, contact Fr. Carmen, Fr. Tom or Sr. Marlene.

Inactive Catholics are warmly welcomed back to our Faith. Call the Parish Office.

New parishioners are invited to join our Catholic community. Call the Parish Office.



Pastoral Council Chairs

Janice Simmons, St. Benedict the Moor Church
Arlene Gallagher, Sue Pavick, Epiphany Church
Interim Pastoral Council, St. Mary of Mercy Church

Business Office Hours

St. Benedict the Moor Church
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Epiphany Catholic Church
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
St. Mary of Mercy Church
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Center City Parishes Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

CHECK ONE: New Registration Change of Address
 Moving Out of Parish Need Envelopes

CHECK ONE:
 St. Benedict the Moor
 Epiphany
 St. Mary of Mercy

Please drop membership form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.

Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

CHURCH NAME: CENTER CITY PARISHES

CHURCH NO.: 042

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Any special instructions go here.

We do not proofread pages 2 and 7. Please let us know if changes are ever made to these two pages.