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Clergy in Residence

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LITURGICAL DIRECTORY

Saturday Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. St. Benedict the Moor
 5:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 6:00 p.m. Epiphany

Sunday Mass Schedule

8:00 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 8:00 a.m. Epiphany
 9:00 a.m. St. Benedict the Moor
 10:00 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 10:00 a.m. Epiphany
 12:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 12:00 p.m. Epiphany
 12:00 p.m. St. Benedict the Moor
 5:00 p.m. Epiphany

Weekday Mass Schedule

6:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 7:00 a.m. Epiphany
 7:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 9:15 a.m. School Mass
 12:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 12:05 p.m. Epiphany
 5:15 p.m. Epiphany

Confession Schedule

Monday thru Friday

11:30–12:00 p.m. Epiphany

Saturday

12:00–1:00 p.m. Epiphany
 5:30–6:00 p.m. Epiphany

Monday thru Saturday

11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
 12:30 p.m.–1:15 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy

Saturday

3:30 p.m.–3:55 p.m. St. Benedict the Moor

Black Catholic Forum

Black Catholic Forum welcomes Mr. Janard Pendleton as its guest for the January 25 radio show at 6:30 p.m. on WAMO 860 AM. Mr. Pendleton, who has an MSW, was educated in Catholic schools from grade school through college. He coordinates academic counseling and retention Services at the University of Pittsburgh, and previously was a therapist for the Pittsburgh Public Schools. The focus of the show is Catholic education and the challenges for adolescents today. Contact Black Catholic Ministries, 412-456-3170 for questions or comments.

Sunday School News

Sunday School will resume today at the regular time.

St. Benedict the Moor School News

There will be no school on Monday, January 19th, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day. There will be no school for students on **Tuesday, January 20th**, as it is a clerical day for the faculty.

Students will have their pictures taken individually and with their class on **Thursday, January 22nd**.

On **Saturday, January 24th**, both Boys and Girls' JV have basketball games. The girls will play at home. Game begins at 9:00 a.m. The boys' game is away.

Catholic School Week will begin on Sunday, January 25th with mass at 11:00 a.m. at St. Benedict the Moor Church.

Please join us for this Liturgy as we begin our week of celebration.

Camp Downtown

Camp Downtown will hold an Ice Fest on Saturday, January 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for children grades 1 thru 6, at the PPG Ice Rink. Children of grades 7 thru 12 are invited to participate as "Camp Counselors".

The cost is \$12.00 per child and includes lunch, skating, skates and snacks. Please register via flyer on the tables of the church, or call the Parish Social Minister at 412-471-0257 x11 or Cora at 412-4718125. Registration deadline is January 18.

As we approach Martin Luther King Day and the Inauguration, talk with your children about heroes. Who are the heroes in their lives? in yours?

Happy Birthday To You!

Brian Conroy, Quiana Dolby (Jan. 18); Chilufya Mulumba, Miles Randall, Norbert Schmitt, Chester Thompson (Jan. 19); Jennifer Ngugi (Jan. 20); Lucille Dabney, Gail Young (Jan. 21); Laura Horton, John R. Jones (Jan. 22); Mireille Antaki (Jan. 23); Erastus Ikiki, Regina Muhayinpunn (Jan. 24)

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Saturday, January 17 *Weekday*
4:00 p.m. Marie "Connie" Brescia † (B/Day)
 by Mary Ann Pacini

Sunday, January 18, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m. Edward Varkondi †
 by Richard & Judy Krall
12:00 p.m. Dolly Schleifer † by M/M/ Kenneth Schell

Saturday, January 24 *Sunday Vigil*
4:00 p.m. Catherine Brozovick † by Maryann

Sunday, January 25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m. Dick & Jackie Hornack † by Maryann
12:00 p.m. George Van Kirk †
 by Nancy & George Gerdich

Last Week's Stewardship

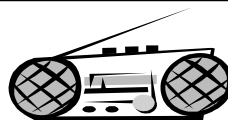
4:00 p.m. Mass.....	\$ 398.00
9:00 a.m. Mass.....	\$1,363.20
12:00 p.m. Mass	\$ 593.00
Mail in Donations.....	\$ 410.00
Total (Thank you).....	\$2,764.20

Pray for our sick and hospitalized

Please keep in prayer the following who request our prayers
 Mary Bropleh, James Burwell, Priscilla Charles, Lydia Francis, Brenda Glenn, Ruth Haston, Florence Hester, Cora Holmes, Eloise Humphrey, Joyce Johnson, Theresa Lewis, Nathaniel McKenzie, Betty Muse, Josephine O'Connor, Lealeda Stacey, Alan Stewart, Lucretia Tabb, Barbara Tucker, Dame Mary Walker, Adelaide Wilson.

Include in your prayers those who have been injured due to violence and in battles that continue.

Pray for those who have died.



Black Catholic Perspective Radio Program—Tune in to WAMO

860 AM 6:30 to 7:00 PM radio program featuring Sunday Services from St. Benedict the Moor/St. Charles Lwanga. On the 4th Sunday of each month, there will be a talk show, Black Catholic Forum. For more information, call St. Benedict the Moor Church Office at 412-281-3141, ext. 10, or Black Catholic Ministries at 412-456-3170.

“Epiphany” Catholic Calendars

Epiphany Catholic calendars for 2009 are on sale. These calendars include holydays, holidays, saints days, scriptural reflections and reflections on “stewardship”. The calendars are \$2.00 and are available at the office. You may also purchase one at the Fish Fry.

Monthly Remembrance

The altar wind and hosts to be consecrated during the Masses for the month of **January** will be offered for **John C. Gaita** requested by the **Gaita** Family. If you are interested in donating this memorial in honor of a loved one or for other intentions, please call the office or make it known through the offertory basket. The donation for a month is \$100.00.

Membership

We welcome into new membership of Epiphany, Tim Peters and Amber Scalise, who have recently joined our parish. May Tim and Amber grow in faith and spirituality as they join with us in prayer and worship.

Ministry to the Bereaved

Experiencing the death of a loved one can be very overwhelming! The process of grief with all its twists and turns can be a frightful experience. Grief is a process, and healing for grieving people comes about through the support of faith, family and friends. We are in the initial stages of forming a ministry for those who are bereaved. If you are interested and feel you would want to participate in this ministry, please call the office at 412-471-0257x10. Training sessions will be held for those who volunteer.

Fish Fry, Fish Fry and More!

The “special” this week is 1/2 Roasted Chicken, Gravy, Rice, Vegetable, Roll, Butter. Serving is from 11:00 am. to 6:30 pm. Eat in or take out. For take out orders, call 412-471-1008 after 9:00 am. Come down and bring a friend!

Pray for the unborn

Pray for the unborn this week. Pray in a special way on Thursday, which marks the 36th anniversary of the tragic Roe vs. Wade and Doe vs. Bolton Supreme Court decisions, which legalized abortion in the United States. Pray also for all those traveling to Washington DC in support of this sacred cause.

Pray for the sick, homebound and hospitalized

We ask you to remember the following in prayer ~ Mary Barry, Margaret Hagan, Vince Lusardi, Nancy Meinert, K. Prosser, Joe Schramm, Mary Beth Starosielec, Diane Stebler, Jodi Stebler, Dan Simsick.

*Let us pray also for those who have
been injured and continue to be injured in the
battlefields of violence and war.*

MASSES THIS WEEK AT EPHIPHANY

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

**Sunday, January 18, Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

- 8:00 a.m. William & Margaret Garvey †
Fr. James Garvey (By Family)
10:00 a.m. Stanley & Mary Kirkavitch † Children
12:00 p.m. Margaret DeCort † *by Family*
5:00 p.m. Alice Baldessari † *Mary Florian*

Monday, January 19 Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. M/M R. Irwin (Spl Int) *Family*
12:05 p.m. Intentions of the Sorrowful Mother
Dario Lorenzi
5:15 p.m. Mass for the People

Tuesday, January 20 St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

- 7:00 a.m. Emily Oxenreider † *M/M Randal Kotwica*
12:05 p.m. Mary Malerbo (Spl Int, 85th B/Day)
Phyllis Donato, niece
5:15 p.m. John & Charlotte Chester † *John T. Collins*

Wednesday, January 21 St. Agnes

- 7:00 a.m. Dr. & Mrs. Lawrence Beinhauer †
Leo & Laurene O'Donnell
12:05 p.m. Michael Haas † *Joan & Gerald Skweres*
5:15 p.m. Vincent Falvo † *Daniel & Joyce Murphy*

Thursday, January 22 St. Vincent

- 7:00 a.m. Donald R. Berty † *MCM*
12:05 p.m. Anthony Francis † *(Anniv)*
Frank & Rosalie Francis
5:15 p.m. Pat Gaito † *John & Jean Chiapetta*

Friday, January 23 Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Charlotte A. Webber (B/D) † *John F. Webber*
12:05 p.m. Christine L. Wolf † *(Anniv)*
M/M Christopher F. Wolf
5:15 p.m. Intentions of the Sorrowful Mother
Dario Lorenzi

Saturday, January 24 Sunday Vigil

- 6:00 p.m. J.P. Harris Family † *by Family*

**Sunday, January 25 Third Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

- 8:00 a.m. Edward Kocian † *(Anniv)*
Douglas & Josephine Crame
10:00 a.m. Robert A. Brannigan † *(Anniv)*
Pat Doherty
12:00 p.m. John Urban † *M/M Sam Manfredi, Jr.*
5:00 p.m. Mafalda DiVecchio †
Gerry (Casella) Kochosky

Last Week's Stewardship

1st. Collection.....	\$ 2,606.00
2nd. Collection.....	\$ 1,062.00
Total (Thank you!).....	\$3,668.00

Respect Life Mass

This Thursday, January 22, at 12:00 noon, Auxiliary Bishop Paul J. Bradley will be the principal celebrant for the Respect Life Mass.

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About Catholic Men's Fellowship

CMF is a private association of the laity operating and functioning in accordance with the Code of Canon Law and the blessings of the Church in Pittsburgh. The mission of the CMF is a response to the call made by Pope John Paul II, for a new evangelization, particularly the reinvigoration of faith among Catholics. The St. Mary of Mercy CMF members meet every other Thursday in Lawless Hall at 7:00 a.m. (following the 6:30 a.m. Mass). All Catholic men are welcome. No reservations are required. For more information, visit <http://www.cmfitt.org>. The next meeting of the CMF is

Opportunity for Ministry

We are currently offering a position as **Volunteer Coordinator of Social Services Outreach Ministry**. Requirements as follows: A Bachelors Degree in Social Work is preferred with a minimum of 5 years experience in Social Services. Study/knowledge of theology, spirituality, and wholistic approaches to outreach ministry, working with clients of the Red Door and assisting with other outreach services of the Parish Social Services/Health Minister. Knowledge of community resources a plus. Proficient in written and verbal communication skills necessary. Experience working with volunteers preferred. To apply send a cover letter and resume to Brenda Younger, Business Manager, St. Mary of Mercy Church, 202 Stanwix Street, Pittsburgh, PA. 15222 by

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY OF MERCY**Saturday, January 17 St. Anthony**

12:00 p.m. Patrick J. McKeegan
by M. & T. McKeegan
5:00 p.m. Rosemarie DeGurian
by Carole Clifford

Sunday, January 18, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Margaret & Albert Falvo
10:00 a.m. Mary Wisniewski by Family
12:00 p.m. Mass for the People

Monday, January 19 Martin Luther King, Jr.

6:30 a.m. Mass for the People
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
12:00 p.m. Cyrilla Kulina by David J. Malone

Tuesday, January 20 St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

6:30 a.m. Mass for the People
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
12:00 p.m. Joseph Rumancik by Elizabeth

Wednesday, January 21 St. Agnes

6:30 a.m. Mass for the People
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
12:00 p.m. Louise Angst by Alice Angst

Thursday, January 22 St. Vincent

6:30 a.m. Mass for the People
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
12:00 p.m. Respect for Life

Friday, January 23 Weekday

6:30 a.m. Mass for the People
7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
12:00 p.m. Monica Przywara by Daughter, Joan

Saturday, January 24 St. Francis de Sales

12:00 p.m. William P. Doyle by
Daughter, Joan M. Kilpatrick
5:00 p.m. Paul D. Pasquale by Georgiann Zoog

Sunday, January 25 Third Sunday, Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. For the People
10:00 a.m. William Fritzges by Elaine & Lois Elder
12:00 p.m. Peggy Basial by Rose Mary Apel

Living with Christ this week

Do I stand ready to do God's Will? To respond generously to Jesus' call to follow Him? The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us of Jesus' priestly role as mediator of the new covenant relationship with God. In the gospels, Jesus' close relationship with God spills over into His ministry of preaching and healing. Saints Fabian and Sebastian (Tues), Agnes (Wed) and Vincent (Thurs) and Francis de Sales (Sat) show how the call to discipleship leads to witness and service. Pray for the new leaders of our country this week, that they may be wise and compassionate servants.

Pastoral Team Notes

As we mark the second Sunday in Ordinary time, our lives are anything but ordinary. On Monday we observe the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On Thursday, thousands upon thousands will gather for a peaceful and prayerful rally to be a mouth piece for the unborn during the March for Life, praying to put an end to the atrocities of Abortion. Certainly, one of the most extraordinary events in the history of our country will occur on Tuesday, when Barack Obama will be sworn in as the first African-American President of the United States. We encourage everyone to pray for equality for all people, for the protection of life from conception to natural death and for our soon to be new President Obama that he will do good for the people and by the people, in upholding the Constitution of the United States. These times are anything but ordinary. It is our hope that you will reflect on the writing in the column to the right, "Ordinary Time", taken from the *Ordo*, a book that directs us in the prayers to use during the celebration of Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. We are all called to live extraordinary lives in the ordinary of every day. May your week be blessed.

Fr. Carmen and Fr. Tom

Second Collection, this weekend

The second collection this weekend is for two diocesan educational programs for children with special needs: St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech (formerly known as The DePaul Institute). St. Anthony School Programs provides Catholic special education to children with development delays and autism in 10 schools within the diocese and one college-age program located on the campus of Duquesne University. DePaul School for Hearing and Speech teaches deaf or hard of hearing children how to listen, learn and speak, so that these children may fully participate in our hearing and speaking world.

This collection is a two-fold win. Not only does it benefit these two vital programs, **but all monies collected will be credited towards our 2008 Parish Share assessment.** We ask that you be as generous as your means allow. Thank you!

Christian Unity Celebration

A Musical Celebration of Christian Unity will take place this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church at 615 Grant Street. Organists and other musicians from downtown churches will be featured in presenting a festive concert to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. A reception will follow in Holy Cross Hall. There is no cost and all are invited.

Ordinary Time

Wasted time is not a prized commodity in American society. We are a people ruled by the clock. Time is money because time is to be filled with purposeful controlled activity which is productive of things which can be sold. We are convinced that we must be in control of time. The last thing the productive American would want to do is waste time playing around with realities that do not produce a saleable commodity.

But the Creator of heaven and earth is described by the scriptures as the original and the best of players. Creative activity is playful, and creative people do not feel that what they do is a job. Creative people also have a sense that their creativity and all that they fashion in the creative spirit are gifts they have received. The Christian can speak of this and the contemplative vision which sees all reality as gift or grace. Our thankful response we call worship or Eucharist.

We cannot speak of Ordinary Time without speaking of Sunday. The every seven-day celebration of the Lord's Day is the basic structure upon which the Church Year is built. The great liturgical seasons of Advent-Christmas and Len-Easter are more expansive celebrations of particular aspects of the one paschal mystery which we celebrate every Lord's Day. These special seasons focus our attention upon critical dimensions of one mystery, a mystery so overwhelming that we are compelled to separate out its various elements for particular attention. These seasons in no way minimize the critical importance of the Sunday celebration throughout the rest of the year. Ordinary Time is not very ordinary at all. Ordinary Time, the celebration of Sunday, is the identifying mark of the Christian community which comes together, remembering that on this first day of the week the Lord of Life was raised up and creation came at last to completion. Sunday as a day of play and worship is a sacrament of redeemed time. How we live Sunday proclaims to the world that we believe about redeemed time now and for ever.

What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of our week past, is the beginning of the week to come. Sunday, like all sacraments is simultaneously a point of arrival and departure for Christians on their way to the fullness of the kingdom. This is not ordinary at all. This is the fabric of Christian living.

Readings for the Week of January 18

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20/Jn 1:35-42
Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3,15-17/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: Heb 7:25-8:6/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3,11-14/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5,10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

THE CENTER CITY CATHOLIC PARISHES—THREE PARISHES, ONE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF FAITH

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.

MINISTRIES, SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS, EVENTS

St. Benedict the Moor	Epiphany Church	St. Mary of Mercy
<p>AJAPO (Acculturation for Justice, Access & Peace Outreach): ministry to African and Afro-Caribbean, immigrants and refugees, 412-391-4985.</p> <p>Bereavement Ministry meets every 5th Sunday after 9:00 am Mass.</p> <p>Christian Mothers meets 1st Sunday of each month after 9:00 am Mass.</p> <p>Evangelization meets last Monday of each month at 6:30 pm.</p> <p>Food Pantry Distribution 10th & 25th day of each month, 11:00 am-1:00 pm.</p> <p>Health Ministry meets as needed.</p> <p>Ministry to the Disabled serves as a resource and advocacy to persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Youth Ministry meets for 12:00 noon Mass and meeting on 4th Sunday of each month.</p>	<p>Fish Fry operates each Friday from September – June, 11:00 am-6:30 pm.</p> <p>Ministry to the Disabled serves as a resource and advocacy to persons with disabilities.</p> <p>St. Vincent de Paul meets the third Thursday of each month.</p>	<p>Ministry to the Disabled serves as a resource and advocacy to persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Red Door Ministry serves food to the poor Monday thru Saturday, 10:30-11:30 am.</p> <p>Television Ministry: channel 3, WBGN, and Christian Associates, channel 95, in the city.</p> <p>Catholic Men’s Fellowship members meet every other Thursday at 7:00 a.m. in Lawless Hall.</p> <p>Walk In Ministry provides hunger assistance, clothing and toiletries to the homeless and less fortunate</p>

Pastoral Council Chairs

Janice Simmons, St. Benedict the Moor Church
 William Baumgarten, Epiphany Catholic Church
 Tom Feola, St. Mary of Mercy Church

Business Office Hours

St. Benedict the Moor Church
 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
 Epiphany Catholic Church
 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
 St. Mary of Mercy Church
 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Novenas

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

Monday thru Friday
 12:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m. **Epiphany**
 1st Saturday of the month
 3:00–3:45 **St. Benedict the Moor**

Diocese of Pittsburgh

Abuse Hotline
1-888-808-1235

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CHURCH NO.:042

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
