

North American Martyrs Parish

Two Churches ~ One Community ~ A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust
October 30, 2011, Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

North American Martyrs is a vibrant parish, built on multi-generational and cultural traditions blended through the grace of the Holy Spirit. Reflecting the unconditional mercy of Jesus Christ, we as a faith community sharing God's love with all people, enthusiastically reach out to embrace everyone, especially the poor, broken, suffering and lost. We draw our strength through prayer, listening to and acting upon God's Word and celebrating the Eucharist, to foster a closer relationship with Christ as humble and faithful members of His Universal Church.



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 740 Wall Ave • Pitcairn, PA • 15140
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil4:00 PM
 Sundays8:00 AM, 11:00 AM
 Children's Liturgy of the Word at 11:00 AM Mass
Weekday:
 Monday, Wednesday & Friday8:00 AM

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays9:30 AM
 Tuesday & Thursday8:00 AM
 St. Anthony Novena begins 13 Tuesdays before June 13th

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SACRAMENTS (AT BOTH CHURCHES)

Rite of Reconciliation: 12:00-12:45 PM: At Saint Michael Church the second Saturday of the month. All other Saturdays confessions will be at NAM.
Baptisms: By appointment only. Second Sundays during 11:00 Mass and fourth Sundays after 11:00 Mass at NAM. Baptisms at St. Michael Church will be on the third Sunday of the month during the 9:30 Mass. A Pre-Baptism Seminar is required for first-time parents. Call Charlotte to make arrangements.
Marriages: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Call Fr. Joe Luisi to make arrangements.



ALL SAINTS DAY, PREPARATION FOR THE 3RD EDITION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL,
HOSPITAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, IF YOU NEED TO ATTEND ANOTHER CHURCH . . .

ALL SAINTS DAY: This Tuesday, **November 1**, is All Saints Day and this year is observed as a Holy Day of Obligation. It is an important day of remembrance as we recall the heroes and heroines who were marked with the sign of faith and who we believe are now in heaven. On the flip side, it is considered a serious sin if we miss Mass on that day unless we are sick or ill, or are unable to attend Mass due to lack of transportation or because of necessary work. The latter could be described as your job(s) in which the employer will not let you out of work or face termination. Because we have four different Mass times to choose from (see Mass schedule on page 5) it is our aim to make it easy for everyone to come to Mass for at least one of the Masses.

Note that there is also a difference between **having** to work overtime and **choosing** to work overtime. While some work-related excuses are legitimate e.g. a surgeon called to the operating room, often times I have discovered persons who choose **money** over the **practice of their faith**. We all have to ask ourselves, do I work to live or do I live to work? Do I worship God or do I worship money? All good gifts come from God, including our jobs. God should always be primary, our job should always be secondary.

PREPARATION FOR THE 3RD EDITION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL: Now that the Mass changes for the Universal Church are a month away, you will begin seeing an insert in your bulletin from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for each of the next 9 weeks (like a novena!) that will accomplish two goals. The weeks leading up to November 26 will deal with **preparing for the changes** with inserts entitled as follows: *Oct. 30* (Liturgical Participation), *Nov. 6* (Embracing Change in the Liturgy), *Nov. 13* (Ten Questions on the *Roman Missal, Third Edition*) *Nov. 20* (Words in the *Roman Missal, Third Edition*). Beginning with the first weekend in Advent, when every church begins the use of 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal, the emphasis will be more on **learning/re-learning the significance of the Mass itself**, with insert titles as follows: *Nov. 27* (Parts of the Mass), *Dec. 4* (Scripture and the Mass), *Dec. 11* (Praying with Body, Mind, and Voice), *Dec. 18* (Liturgy and Life) and lastly, on Christmas (Celebrating the Lord's Day) which is significant since this year, Christmas falls on a Sunday. It is my hope that all those who come to church only on Christmas and Easter, will read the insert and change their thinking so that they will worship with us every week.

Another way that we are preparing for the 3rd Edition of the Roman Missal is by having two workshops. The first will be on Monday, November 7 at 7:00 pm at North American Martyrs Church and the second (which will be a duplicate of the first workshop) will be offered on Thursday, November 10 at 8:45 am (after the 8:00 am Mass) at St. Michael Church. **Deacon Rick and our Pastoral Associate, Denise**, will be assisting me with both workshops. By having a workshop in the evening and in the morning will hopefully better accommodate your schedule.

HOSPITAL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: I am happy to announce that three of our parishioners have volunteered and are approved by me to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist at Forbes Regional Hospital. They are: **Kathleen Chapman, Catarina Leonette, and Patricia Whitaker**. Congratulations to all three ladies in their ministry of charity to the sick.

IF YOU NEED TO ATTEND ANOTHER CHURCH . . . Sometimes Catholics have a need to attend another Catholic church. Perhaps it's because they are related to the family whose baby is being baptized that day. Maybe it's because of a conflict with a sporting event, that they choose to attend the 5:30 pm Sunday Mass at St. Colman or the 7:00 pm Sunday Mass at St. Bernadette. While we would love to see you here for worship every week, if you do need to go to another Catholic church in the area, remember to use your church envelopes. We have an agreement with our neighboring parishes to mail each other the envelopes of the parishioners who belong to that particular parish. For example, each week **Tim Thorsen**, our Business Manager, mails about six envelopes to neighboring parishes and receives in the mail about six envelopes from neighboring parishes of our own parishioners' envelopes.

Fr. Joe



ST. PAUL MISSION TWINNING PROJECT

The semi-annual collection for St. Paul's Catholic Mission, our twin parish, will be taken up at all Masses the weekend of **November 5 & 6**. You can read the most recent letter from Sister Maureen in the binder located in the main vestibule. You will find a specially-marked envelope in your packet for this collection. Your help and prayers are always so gratefully received at the mission, and we know you will be as generous as always.

CRAFT SHOW

Plan a day of leisurely shopping Saturday, **November 12** at the NAM Women's Guild Craft Show from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping by visiting the wide variety of craft tables where you will find many beautiful and unique hand-made items. Come early to browse, stop for lunch, and take a chance with our Share the Wealth drawing. Before leaving, stop by the baked goods table and take home something sweet and delicious.

The Women's Guild is in need of baked goods for the Craft Show Bake Sale. As in the past, we are asking all families of the parish to bake something to contribute. Please bring donated baked goods to DeLuca Hall on Friday, **November 11** between 6:00-8:00 PM or Saturday, **November 12** between 8:00-10:00 AM. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

MEETINGS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY will meet Wednesday, **November 2** at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room.

THE SENIOR ENRICHMENT GROUP will attend the 8:00 AM Mass on Wednesday, **November 2**. After Mass and the recitation of the rosary, the group will meet at Denny's for breakfast and fellowship. All couples and singles over 50 are welcome to attend. Call Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 with questions.

LADIES OF CHARITY will meet at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, **November 8** in the Rectory Conference Room. Please remember to bring donations for Angels Place and Food Bank.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

Please note that the Altar Rosary Society meeting has been changed. The new date and time is at 1:00 PM on Monday, **November 7** in the Rectory Conference Room.

WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

All women of the parish are invited to the next meeting of NAM Parish Women's Guild which will be held at St. Michael's Church on Tuesday, **November 8** at 7:00 PM. We will make a Christmas centerpiece with direction by decorators from Johnston's Florist. Please bring your own container, ribbon of your choice and a pair of wire cutters to be able to complete your centerpiece. We will begin with a brief meeting followed by our craft program. We will conclude the evening with refreshments provided by Group #2. If you were unable to make the October meeting please feel free to join us for the November meeting. See you there!!

This week's Sanctuary Candle at North American Martyrs burns in memory of Maria Petrilli, requested by NAM Parish Ladies of Charity.

This week's Sanctuary Candle at St. Michael burns in memory of John Chuba, requested by Jenny Cukas & Cathy Feo.



Please feel free to call or stop in to make arrangements for the Sanctuary Candle for your loved one.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

November is set aside by the Church as a month in which we remember those who have gone ahead of us in death to everlasting life. Our deceased loved ones, family members and friends are called to mind and heart in our prayers and especially in our celebration of Mass. In keeping with this custom, there will be a special liturgy for members of our families and parish who died during this past year. This special Mass will be celebrated Wednesday, **November 2** at 7:00 PM at St. Michael Church. All parishioners are invited to attend.

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

All are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life campaign now through Sunday, **November 6**. The first step is prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. In addition, consider volunteering to pray outside Planned Parenthood, an abortion facility located at 933 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh. NAM Parish will be there at 11:00 AM-3:00 PM on Friday, **November 4**. To get more information, or to volunteer to help, please contact Carol at 412-373-8807 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/Pittsburgh. Carpooling is available.

SOMETHING NEW!

Have you ever been on your way to Church and realized you forgot your envelope? Coming in November, North American Martyrs Parish will be offering **On-Line Giving**. With On-Line Giving there is no worry about missing your Sunday or Holyday offering due to sickness, vacation or forgetfulness. You can specify a recurring donation weekly or simply sign on to our website and make a quick, one-time offering. Donations will be automatically deducted from your checking, savings or credit card account on the date you specify for any amount you choose. Look for more information in coming bulletins.

GOT PHOTOS?

The directory committee is asking for "candid photos" of any and all church activities from the year 2011. Put them in an envelope, put your name and number on the envelope and drop it in the designated box in the NAM Church office or in the vestibule at St. Michael. Only unused photos will be returned. Call Patti at 412-372-8543 with questions.

SCHOOL NEWS

OUR SCHOOL HAS ENTERED A COMPETITION. We are asking that all parish and school families vote for our school in the "Clorox Power a Bright Future" contest. Our school needs everyone to help us win much needed funding for a portable cart equipped with new laptops. Voting is now open and continues until Friday, **December 9**. You may vote once a day on-line at www.powerabrightfuture.com. North American Martyrs School **ID number is 916**. The school that receives the highest number of votes will be awarded a \$50,000.00 grand prize grant, and the next top vote getters will each be awarded a \$25,000.00 grant. Please ask your friends and family to vote for our school by emailing them or posting the information on facebook. Entries may also be sent via telephone through text messaging. Since we are a small school, we are going to have to really spread the news about the importance of voting if we stand any chance of winning. We are hoping with our enthusiasm and a little investment in time and organization, that we might realize a nice payoff. There is also a link on the homepage of our school website. You must be at least 13 years old in order to vote. You may vote everyday and/or text your entry.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR is coming to North American Martyrs School Monday, **October 31**-Tuesday, **November 8**. On Sunday, **November 6**, it will be open for parish families to make purchases from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM. In addition, families may make purchases on-line until Monday, **November 14**, and our school will get credit for the books. A link to the fair may be found on our school homepage, or at www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs/2890870. Thank you for your support.

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS will be Monday, **October 31**. Weather permitting, we will parade around the school and church parking lots beginning about 1:30 PM. The parade will leave from and return to DeLuca Hall. After a photo, parties continue in the homerooms. This is a dress down day for everyone. Children in grades K-6 will bring their costumes to school to change into after lunch. Preschool students should wear their Halloween costume to school.

TUESDAY, November 1 is a Holy Day of Obligation. You are welcome to join us at the 9:00 AM Mass. Mrs. Weisser and our sixth graders will help to plan this liturgy. Due to a Mass scheduled for 12:15 PM on this day, there will be no outdoor recess.

PLEASE REMEMBER that all pie orders and pumpkin roll orders are due by Wednesday, **November 2**. Please contact any school family or call the school office. Thank you.

REPORTS CARDS will be distributed Friday, **November 4**.

WE ARE NOW saving Shop 'N' Save receipts. Please put these in an envelope marked "Shop 'N' Save Receipts" and turn them in at the school or the rectory. The receipts will bring a Carnegie Science Center program to school. Thank you for your help.

YOUTH GROUP & YOUNG ADULT NEWS

LAUREN GATES, 412-445-6570 OR youthmin@stbrnadet.org

SR HI YOUTH GROUP, for students in grades 9-12, will meet Monday, **October 31** at 7:30 PM in Biedenbach Hall at St. Bernadette. **Join us on November 4** for a Festival of Praise at St. Vincent College! This is a night of Eucharistic Adoration and praise and worship. We will meet at St. Bernadette's at 5:00 PM, stop for dinner and be at St. Vincent by 7:00. We will return by 9:45 PM.

JR HI YOUTH GROUP, for students in grades 7-8, will meet Tuesday, November **8** at 7:30 PM in DeLuca Hall at NAM. **The Middle School Faith Rally** is coming Friday & Saturday, **November 4 & 5**. Teens and parents are welcome to join us for this enthusiastic evening of music, prayer, story-telling, and fun. The fee is \$10 if paid before October 24 and \$15 afterward. Contact Lauren if you plan on attending!

JR Hi: The Middle School Faith Rally is coming Friday & Saturday, **November 4 & 5**. Teens and parents are welcome to join us for this enthusiastic evening of music, prayer, story-telling, and fun. The cost is \$10 before **October 24** and \$15 afterward. Contact Lauren if you plan on attending!

THE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP is for those who are from college age to 35 years. Our November Theology on Tap is scheduled for Thursday, **November 10**, 7:00 PM, at the Rivertowne Pour House. Our speaker is Fr. Joe Freedy, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Pittsburgh. All ages and faiths are welcome!

"You learn more from your friends than you'll ever learn from books. Choose your friends wisely, and make Jesus the first."~ Matthew Kelly

**LOTTERY CALENDARS**

NAM School is selling lottery calendars based on the Pennsylvania Daily Lottery, the 3-digit number drawn each evening at 7:00 PM beginning in January, 2012. Each calendar is sold for \$30 and gives you 365 chances to win prizes ranging from \$30 to \$1,000. Calendars will be sold after all Masses this month. If you have any questions call Kristen Watson at 412-427-2759 or kristen.watson@gmail.com. We appreciate your continued support with our fundraising efforts.

HARVEST TIME BINGO, Sponsored by Our Lady of Joy Holy Name Society, will be held in Marchukonis Hall Saturday, **November 5** at 7:15-10:00 PM. Tickets are available at the door at \$15/6 cards. Proceeds benefit the Plum Food Pantry.

DO YOU KNOW SIGN LANGUAGE?

The Persons with Disabilities Ministry is searching for a person who has training in sign language and closed captioning of programming. Please call Yvonne at 412-551-8832 or email at ydd3@verizon.net.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Mon: Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17
 Mon: Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14
 Tue: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24, 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
 Wed: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11
 Thu: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10
 Fri: Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8
 Sat: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15
 Sun: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14];
 Mt 25:1-13

CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS

St. Michael: B.A. Baklarz #604, N. & R. Lecce #657,
 D. Podrebarac #771, C. Kapinski #740.
NAM: #558 D. Serafin, #774 B. Reid, #604 H. Kistler,
 #657 C. Nowalk, #475 J. Satolli.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



Martha Smeltz, James Bauccio, Joe Condrasky,
 Andy DeBone, Theresa Ventresco, Enza Bauccio,
 Josie Fasano, Sophie Stahl, Homer Sheridan, Pat
 Emmick, Victor Caruso, Richard Colaric, Rachel
 Edwards, Jean Perazzelli, Tina Bianchi, Jamison
 Byrne, Andrea Rosso, Karen Gallagher, Gert Mo-
 cadlo, Dean Na Pizzuto, Cori Poole, Carmel Seibert, Jamie
 O'Grady, Florine Mikolaczyk, Nancy Yothers, Katie Rizzo,
 Beverly King, Charles Dial, Violet Palatas, Peggy McKenna,
 Barbara Busch & Jim Ackerman.

THE PITCAIRN WOMAN'S CLUB will hold their annual
 "Pancake Breakfast" on Sunday, **November 6** from 9:00 AM-
 1:00 PM in the Park Building. Tickets are available at the door
 or by calling 412-856-7294.

A DAY OF REFLECTION sponsored by Sisters of St. Joseph
 Associates will be held Saturday, **November 12**, at 9:00 AM-
 3:00 PM at the St. Joseph motherhouse in Baden, PA. Fr.
 Eugene Lauer will present "Discovering Spiritual Joy in a
 Complex Contemporary Society" For information, contact
 Kathy Haver at 412-373-1039 or by email at
kjhaver@verizon.net. Carpooling is available.

If you know someone who is ill and who would like their name published
 in the bulletin, please have them contact Linda Freytag at
 412-856-7321 or at jimlyn2@verizon.net
 no later than Tuesday evening.

>EMERGENCY FOOD, CLOTHING & MORE<
>IN MONROEVILLE, TURTLE CREEK & PITCAIRN<
>ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CAN HELP<
>CALL 412-372-8149<

If you or someone you know would benefit from receiving a Prayer
 Shawl, please submit their name for consideration to
 Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or at meh227@aol.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 30 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM 60th Wedding Anniversary-Helen & Tom Steimer
 9:30 AM **St. Michael**, People of Parish
 11:00 AM Lucy Parisse-Rita & Dave Dolan

Monday, October 31

8:00 AM Nancy Vareha-Family
 5:00 PM **St. Michael**, Tom Cable-Donna DeBone

Tuesday, November 1 All Saints

9:00 AM **NAM**, Tereza Ondova-Sam & Eva McDowell
 12:15 PM **NAM**, People of Parish
 7:00 PM **NAM**, Mary Eisenberg-NAM Stitching Angels

Wednesday, November 2 Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of Altar Rosary Society
 7:00 PM **St. Michael**, Remembrance Mass

Thursday, November 3

8:00 AM **St. Michael**, John Donis-Lou & Rose Mediate

Friday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo

9:00 AM Kate O'Malley-NAM Altar Rosary Society

Saturday, November 5

12:00 PM **Confessions/NAM**
 4:00 PM Michael O'Toole-Ralph & Joann Conte

Sunday, November 6 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Dugan & Tahaney Families-Rege & Jackie Dugan
 9:30 AM **St. Michael**, People of Parish
 11:00 AM 50th Anniversary of Catholic Daughters of America

*We reserve the right to make unavoidable changes
 in the Mass schedule.*

*Articles for the November 13th bulletin must be submitted to the
 Rectory Office by this Tuesday, November 1.
 You may submit to office@namcatholicchurch.org*

Mass for the Living and Deceased Members of N.A.M.'s Altar Rosary
 Society is said at our twin parish, St. Paul's Catholic Church in
 Crownpoint, New Mexico, on the first Monday of each month.

**PLEASE DO NOT USE STAPLES OR TAPE
 TO CLOSE YOUR ENVELOPES. THANK YOU!**

October 23, 2011 Wkly Offertory Rec'd	\$ 8,025
2011/12 Wkly Offertory Needed	\$ 9,790
2011/12 Wkly Offertory Over/(Short)	\$ (1,765)
2011/12 YTD Offertory Rec'd	\$ 149,528
2011/12 YTD Offertory Needed	\$ 166,430
2011/12 YTD Offertory Over/(Short)	\$ (16,903)
2011/12 Fiscal Year Budget	\$ 509,080

WELCOME TO NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS PARISH

**In order that we may serve your needs better, please fill out this
 form, check any interests and drop it in the collection basket, mail or
 bring to the Rectory/Office. Thank you.**

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) (____) _____ (Work) (____) _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Moving out of Parish | <input type="checkbox"/> School information |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Returning Catholic | <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Women's Guild |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Persons w/Disabilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in St. Vincent dePaul |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Altar Rosary Soc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in Stitching Angels |
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