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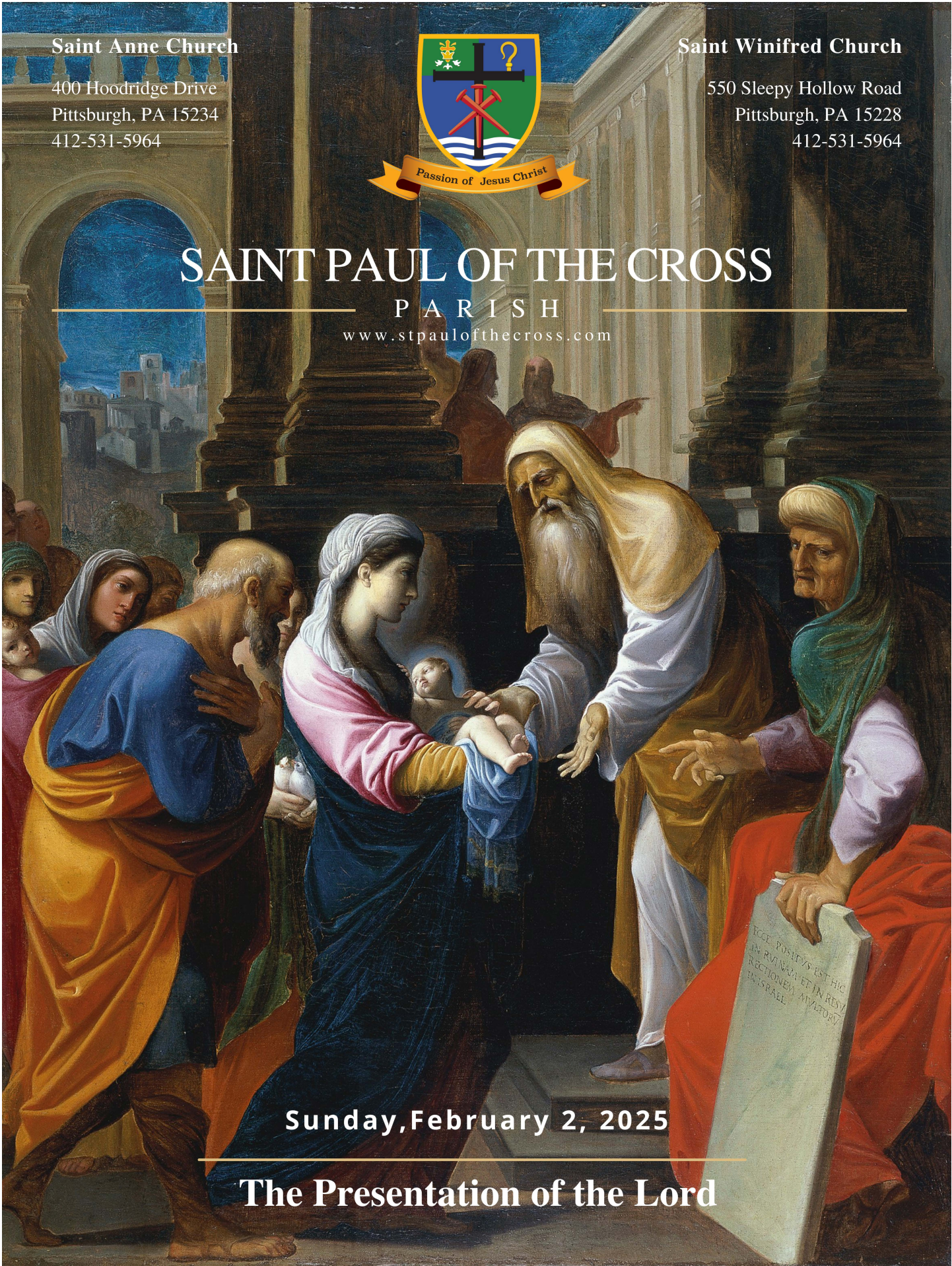
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Sunday, February 2, 2025

The Presentation of the Lord

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Mass Schedule:

Saint Anne Church

Every day: 8:00 AM

Tuesdays: 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM

Saturdays (Vigil): 4:00 PM

Sundays: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,
and 6:00 PM

Saint Winifred Church

M, W, F : 8:45 AM

Saturdays (Vigil): 5:30 PM

Sundays: 11:30 AM

Confessions:

Saint Anne Church

Tuesdays: 5:15 - 6:15 PM

Saturdays: 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

Saint Winifred Church

Saturdays: 4:45 PM - 5:15 PM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Saint Anne Church

Tuesdays, after the 8:00 AM mass,
with Benediction at 6:15 PM.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour:

Saint Anne Church

Tuesdays, at 3:00 PM



*Behold, this
child is destined
for the fall and
rise of many in
Israel.
Lk 2:34*

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 3, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Mary Margaret Roellinger, *requested by Vi & Joe Luttringer*

8:45 AM (St. W) Adam Streng, *requested by The Sayre Family*

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Angie Kennedy, *requested by Gail Moineau*

6:30 PM (St. A) Joseph Alfery, *requested by Donna & Peter*

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Fr. John Moineau, *requested by his sister*

8:45 AM (St. W) Michael & Jennifer Miller, *requested by The Stewart Family*

Thursday, February 6, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Mary Ann Vespa, *requested by Esther Vespa*

Friday, February 7, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Kerry Michael Sullivan, *requested by his friend, Lola*

8:45 AM (St. W) Joseph E. Sioli, Sr., *requested by Fr. Michael Caridi*

Saturday, February 8, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Jean Donati, *requested by Rich & Bev Burgundy*

4:00 PM (St. A) William Sakmar (BR), *requested by Rich & Cindy Manning*

5:30 PM (St. W) Joseph Bienko, *requested by The Harrison Family*

Sunday, February 9, 2025

8:00 AM (St. A) Austin Arovitz, *requested by Donna & Peter*

10:00 AM (St. A) Julianne Williams Coyne, *requested by Susan & Jim Kemper*

11:30 AM (St. W) For the People of the Parish

6:00 PM (St. A) Giuseppe Strangis (WA), *requested by Maria Strangis & family*

In your prayers please also remember to pray for all the deceased members of Saint Paul of the Cross Parish.

From the Pastor

February 2nd and 3rd – Two Meaningful Feast Days

TODAY the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which commemorates the event when 40 days following His birth, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple, in accordance with Jewish law. In essence, today's feast is a celebration of light, as Simeon proclaimed Jesus as "the light for revelation to the Gentiles" when He arrived at the Temple (cf. LK 2:32).

In practical terms, today's feast reminds us of the importance of offering ourselves to God and to always being open to His Will in our lives. In imitation of Mary and Joseph, we are called upon to present ourselves to God, seek His guidance and blessings, and offer to Him that which is most dear to us, our very lives.

At the 10:00 AM Mass, candles that we will use throughout the year for liturgical and devotional purposes will be blessed – candles that will remind us that Jesus Christ is the "Light of the World".

TOMORROW, some of those candles will be used for the traditional Throat Blessing ritual for the Feast of Saint Blaise. Blaise was a bishop and martyr who is known for his miraculous healings, particularly of throat ailments. His feast day reminds us of the power of prayer and the intercession of the saints in our lives – that through them we have access to God for our physical and spiritual well being.

The Blessing of Throats will take place tomorrow during the 8:00 AM Mass at Saint Anne's and the 8:45 AM Mass at South Hills Catholic Academy/Saint Winifred's. The blessing will also be offered from 12 noon until 12:30 PM in Saint Anne church.



New Seton LaSalle Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Last Tuesday I had the honor of representing our parish at a special Dedication Mass for the new Blessed Sacrament Chapel in Seton LaSalle Catholic High School. The chapel is beautiful, has been a long time in the making and will provide teachers and students with a fitting place to gather for Mass, weekly Adoration and private prayer.

Of course, the focal point of the new chapel is its tabernacle, where Our Lord resides in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I'm happy to share with you that the chapel's tabernacle was donated by our parish, along with matching altar candles and candelabra for Eucharistic Adoration. These items were used in Saint Anne church prior to our recent restoration, and I'm so happy they've found a new home where many of our younger parishioners attend high school.



Harkins Hall Update

I'm happy to report that the Harkins Hall renovation project is on schedule and due to be completed this May. While access is still off limits to parishioners, it has been nice for me to see how it's taking shape.

For future planning, I did want everyone to be aware that at some point in early April the upstairs accessible church restroom will be closed for reconstruction and the addition of the elevator access. Simultaneously, however, the new downstairs bathrooms will be open, but the elevator will not yet be functioning. So, if you're in need of an accessible restroom, this could be an issue for about a month, and you may want to consider worshipping at Saint Winifred's or a neighboring church during that time frame.

Thank you for your patience!

Parish News



Traditional Blessing for the Feast of St. Blaise

The traditional Saint Blaise Blessing of Throats will be offered at the following times on Monday, February 3rd:

- After the 8:00 AM Mass in St. Anne church
- After the 8:45 AM Mass in St. Winifred church
- At noon in St. Anne church

Prayer to Saint Blaise

O Glorious Saint Blaise, who by thy martyrdom has left to the Church a precious witness to the faith, obtain for us the grace to preserve within ourselves this divine gift, and to defend, without human respect, both by word and example, the truth of that same faith, which is so wickedly attacked and slandered in these our times.

You who miraculously cured a little child when it was at the point of death by reason of an affliction of the throat, grant us your powerful protection in our misfortunes; and, above all, obtain for us the grace of repentance, together with a faithful observance of our Church, and avoidance from offending Almighty God.
Amen.

Parent Sacramental Meetings

Meetings for parents of 2nd and 8th graders preparing to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held on Monday, February 10th, in Saint Winifred church. A meeting for 2nd grade parents will take place at 5:00 PM. A meeting with 8th grade parents will begin at 6:00 PM.



Grief Support For Loss to Addiction & Overdose

Cope with grief and loss while receiving support & encouragement

One valuable lesson learned over the past few generations is that people with similar pain can be very good for each other. The expansive growth of AA is probably the largest example, but there are many others. Anyone that has ever lost a child knows how helpful others can be who have time spent in the club in which no one wants membership. Those who have lost a family member or friend because of an addiction have a uniqueness to their grief and thus far, not many groups have been created for this specific pain.

Addiction Recovery Ministry (ARM) is running a grief group for family members or friends who have lost a loved one because of overdose or addiction. Our discussion will be framed by the video *Among the Many*. We will strive to offer hope to anyone grieving such a tragic loss.

Weekly meetings will begin on Thursday, February 27th and end on April 10th, and take place in the DePalma Room from 7:00 -8:30 PM. If you or someone you know has experienced this tragedy, please invite them. For more info, contact Deacon Tim Noca at 412-607-8328 or by email at tnoca@diopitt.org.



Expectant Mothers Blessing- Feb. 1/2

A blessing of expectant mothers will take place after all of the Masses this weekend. Please approach the sanctuary after mass.

Online Giving with Faith Direct

For information about how you can give online, visit our website at stpaulofthecross.com/Support. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Parish Offertory January 29, 2025

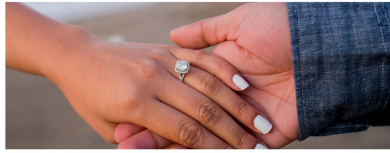
Offertory: \$ 15,908.13

Utilities: \$ 206.13

The second collection on 2/9/2025 will support the Saint Paul of the Cross Youth Ministry.

Ministry Announcements

Pre-Cana Class Registration is Open



Couples who are planning to be married in the Church this year must first attend marriage preparation, or "Pre-Cana" classes. Our parish Pre-Cana Program allows you and your fiancé to complete part of your preparation at home and part in-person. This year's Pre-Cana in-person weekend is scheduled for **Friday, February 28th from 7-9 PM and Saturday, March 1st from 9 AM- 5 PM** on the campus of St. Anne church. It is open to all couples, including those of other parishes. For more information please see the "news" section of our parish website. The cost is \$60 per couple, for materials and meals. You must pre-register by February 24th. You can do so by scanning this QR code, clicking the link found on our webpage, or calling the parish office (412) 531- 5964. Questions should be directed to Don Fontana at dfontana@stpaulofthecross.com.



Ladies of **CHARITY**

All ladies are welcome to join us at our next Ladies of Charity meeting on Saturday, February 15th at 12 Noon in the Convent dining room. We will be assembling 300 lunch bags for the Red Door starting at 11:30AM with our meeting starting immediately afterwards. Please come and see what our ministry is all about and the organizations we support. Hope to see many old and new faces there.



Young adults (ages 21+) are invited to Theology on Tap, Thursday, Feb. 20th from 7:00-9:00 PM at Caliente's (Upper Room). Pizza, wings, salad, and first beer/wine are compliments of our parish. Chris Chapman will discuss "Children: Are they Worth Having?" Visit our webpage to learn more about Mr. Chapman. Contact Don Fontana at dfontana@stpaulofthecross.com for more information. Registration is preferred.



Catholic Men's Fellowship

New Members Welcome

The Catholic Men's Fellowship supports members in becoming better husbands, leaders, and Catholics. Meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. Their next meetings will be on February 6th and 20th. Men in this group seek opportunities for faith formation and teach men to proactively support their faith within their families, parishes, and communities. Our fellowship continues through service projects we complete together for our parish and our community. Please contact John Raimondi to become involved or inquire at (412) 344-9690.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Mon., February 3 (Feast of St. Blaise)

5:00 PM CCD at South Hills Catholic Academy

Tues., February 4

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration in St. Anne church
8:45 AM Adult Ed Tuesday series (*Hope in the Lord*) in the Convent Dining Rm
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Holy Hour in St. Anne church
5:15 - 6:15 PM Confessions in St. Anne church

Wed., February 5

7:00 PM OCIA in the DePalma Rm
8:30 PM A.A. in the Convent Dining Rm

Thurs., February 6

7:00 PM Catholic Men's Fellowship in the Convent Dining Rm

Fri., February 7

11:30 AM First Friday Confessions in St. Anne church

Sat., February 8

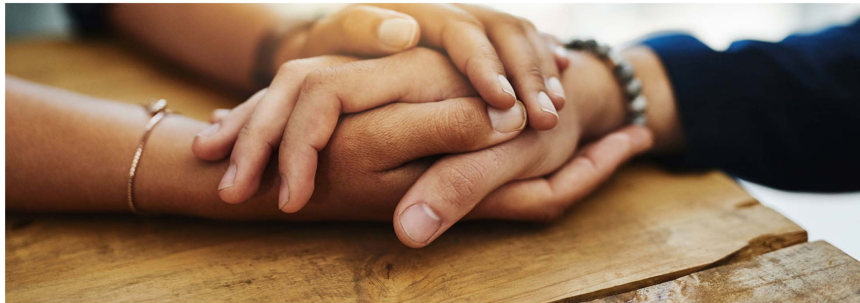
11:00 AM Confessions in St. Anne church
4:45 PM Confessions in St. Winifred church
5:30 PM World Marriage Day Dinner (off campus)
9:30 PM NA in the Convent Dining Rm

Sun., February 9

9:00 AM Carmelites meeting in the DePalma Rm
7:00 PM Adult Ed Sunday Series (*From Nothing to Cosmos: God & Science*) in the DePalma Rm

Ministries and Contact Information

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Sun. 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Mon. and Wed. 8:30 AM - 7:30 PM
Tues., Thurs. and Fri. 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

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www.stpaulofthecross.com has all the news of the parish, plus links to other content and information.

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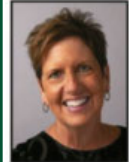
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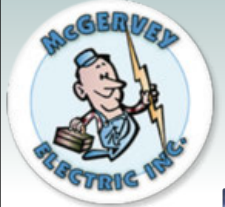
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