

St. Cyril of Alexandria

3854 Brighton Road
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212

April 29, 2018



Mission Statement

Members of Saint Cyril of Alexandria Parish, a Catholic community of faith serving Brighton Heights, strive to live Christ-centered lives through worship, partaking of the sacraments, and serving those in need.

Our parish family welcomes and accepts without judgment all those who wish to join us. We will serve and motivate each other so that we continue to grow in our Catholic faith.

Together we will nurture our faith, hope and love of God, our parish, and our neighbors, here and throughout the world.

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Religious Education

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Holyday TBA
Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Baptism

*Second Sunday of each month 12:15 p.m.
(arrangements must be made at the Rectory in advance)*

Baptism Seminar

First Sunday of each month 12:15 p.m. (all parents of newly baptized must attend prior to Baptism)

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married are to contact the Rectory six months prior to the intended date of the wedding, in order to complete the necessary Diocesan requirements.

Diocese of Pittsburgh Abuse Hotline

1-888-808-1235

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., April 28 - Vigil

4:30 pm- Martha Hatala - Pete & Joan Bellisario

Sun., April 29 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am - For Our Parishioners

11:00 am - Lorinc Family - Kaylor Family

Mon., April 30 - St. Pius V, Pope

7:30 am - Father Larry Bruney - Darlene & Rich

Tues., May 1 - St. Joseph the Worker

7:30 am - Chuck Crawford - John & Marianne Burns

Wed., May 2 - St. Athanasius

7:30 am - Ed Christopher - Marlene Hillenbrand

Thurs., May 3 - Sts. Philip & James, apostles

7:30 am - Wilma Kowach - Bob Sowa

Fri., May 4 - Easter Weekday

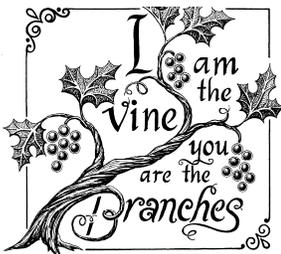
7:30 am - Virginia Linhart - Pete & Joan Bellisario

Sat., May 5 - Vigil

4:30 pm- For Our Parishioners

Sun., May 6 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am - Bill White (birthday) - Family

11:00 am - Dorothy & Frank Gennaccaro -
Jean & Linda

I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in Me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing."

Have you ever really thought about the relationship between a branch and the vine? We don't use these kinds of word pictures very much anymore, but think about it — if the branch is not attached to the vine, it withers and dies. The very life of the branch depends on being attached to the vine. The same thing happens if we try to operate in this life without Jesus. Without Him, we can do nothing. We are cut from our life source. But when you remain in Him by daily connecting with Him through prayer, worship and study of the Word, then your life will be fruitful. You'll walk in joy and blessing. Notice that this verse says "much fruit." It's saying that you will have an abundant harvest in your life. Remember, God doesn't want you to just

barely get by. He wants to overwhelm you with His goodness! Choose to remain in Him today; choose to make Him your top priority, and you'll see His hand of blessing operating in every area of your life!



The Sanctuary Light at Saint Joseph's altar will burn as a **Memorial Light for all members of our Military** on active duty throughout the war-torn areas of the world. Let's let the candle remind all of us to pray for peace.

This week the Vigil Light was donated by Tom & Marcy Shaughnessy

Our Pre-Cana classes for nine couples have been completed. The couples and teams were wonderful! Gratitude to our parish volunteer teams: Rich and Kriss Boyce, Susan Chunko, Mike and Chris Hoss, Bob and Jan Greca, Theresa Hammond and Dan Keller. Thank you to our Diocesan teams also: Randy and Lisa Koslosky, Mike and Delores Shipe and Ted and Katie Sweeney. Thank you, Joe and Elaine Lowrie, for faithfully purchasing and delivering the refreshments and for Valerie Beam for baking our awesome wedding cake. Thank you, Sister Delia for all the schedules, name cards, love letters, and certificates, etc. that you prepared for this event!



First Holy Communion will be celebrated Sunday, May 6 during the 11:00 Mass and Retreat Day will be held on Friday, May 4 in Axmacher Hall. Please keep our Communicants, staff,

and volunteers in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

All Parishioners attending the First Holy Communion Mass: please note that the Communicants' families remain longer in church for photos, etc. Please park where you can exit easily.

Join your friends and neighbors for a monthly **Candlelight Mass at Saint Stanislaus Church in the Strip District.** The next Mass will be Friday, May 4 at 8:00 pm. If you can't make it this month, join us every First Friday at 8:00 pm. For more information, visit facebook.com/beholdpittsburgh.

Your Weekly Charity

Total Parishioner donations: \$3,265
 General Loose Offertory \$ 273
 Total donations this week: \$3,538

This generosity goes a long way in sustaining the ministry of our Faith Community. Thank you!

Would the winner of Package 22 at the Ladies Guild Spring Fling please call Rose at 412-931-4328.



The Third Grade at Northside Catholic School has been very busy this Spring. We are working on fractions in Math and just completed a graphing project. Our Science classes are

working on Chemistry. We are using scales to measure mass and make chemical reactions. We are also learning how matter changes state.

We are completing our first novel this week and will be starting our second one next week. The Pizza Hut 'Book It Program' ended in March. We are now planning our Pizza Party to celebrate our whole class reading 300 pages each month since October.

We are learning about vocations in Religion. Students are interviewing with Father Larry, Sister Carol Ann and Sister Delia to learn about religious life.

For more information on our Preschool through Eighth Grade school, give us a call at 412-761-5043m ext. 101.

Duquesne University's largest Open House event, DuquesneFest, will be held this summer on Sunday, June 10 beginning at 8:00 am. This exciting day is a fun way for Fall 2018 high school seniors to learn more about the University. Register at www.duq.edu/duquesnefest.

KENNYWOOD TICKET SALES

Tickets for Kennywood will be on sale at Northside Catholic School Thursday, May 3 from 12:30 to 1:00. Tickets are \$26 each. Only cash or money orders will be accepted. No personal checks. The school picnic will be held on Monday, June 25.

55 CLUB MEETING

Tuesday, May 1 at Noon in Axmacher Hall

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5/5 4:30 D. Partridge, D. Chulack, G. Slavinsky
 5/6 8:30 T. Callahan, D. Callahan, L. Rankin
 5/6 11:00 D. Vaughan, A. Hopper

LECTOR CANTOR

5/5 4:30 R. Partridge B. Sowa
 5/6 8:30 S. Lazzara L. Klimko
 5/6 11:00 D. Lang A. Murtha

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS

Wed., 5/2, 7:00 - 9:00 pm Church
 Sun., 5/6, 10:30 am Axmacher Hall

2019 World Youth Day News

Message of the Holy Father for the 33rd World Youth Day: "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God" (Luke 1:30). This is the second message that the Pope has addressed to the young during the journey of preparation for WYD in Panama, which will take place January 22-27, 2019.

The Holy Father wanted the young people to be accompanied by the Virgin Mary in this spiritual pilgrimage. Indeed, while last year's message was focused on the words of the Magnificat: "He who is mighty has done great things for me", next year's will reflect on Mary's answer to the angel: "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word".

Please visit: www.diopitt.org/wyd. For more information and to join the diocesan pilgrimage to Panama.

To know what is right and not to do it is the worst cowardice. ~ Confucius

From Our Administrator

As I write this article on Monday, April 23, I am thinking ahead of the events that will occur this week, especially my meeting with Bishop today at 1:00 pm, our Holy Hour on Wednesday and then the gathering of priests and deacons on Thursday to hear the announcements *On Mission For The Church Alive*.

Of course, looking ahead for the announcements I will make this weekend (April 28 & 29), I turn to Sacred Scripture and the readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter. Jesus tells us, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." With changes ahead, we place our trust in God, especially the outpouring of the Holy Spirit to guide our efforts. Let us continue to offer our prayers for Bishop Zubik, the new clergy who will be coming on October 15, and the people of God in the parishes who will work together to form a new parish. Together in God's loving presence, THIS CAN BE DONE.

My thanks to the Christian Mothers for providing a very relaxing and enjoyable afternoon last Sunday at their annual Spring Fling. I am also grateful to the Youth Group who weeded Father Bruney's garden which will undergo a transformation and become a flower garden.

Next Sunday, May 6, our little children will receive their First Holy Communion. They will come together this Friday for prayer, practice, and sharing. Remember our children in your prayers on this their special day.

As we begin the month of May, dedicated to our Blessed Lady, we implore her intercession, and under the mantle of her love, she will draw us ever so close to her beloved Son.

Have a great week, reflect upon the announcements you hear, and ask for the grace to play a role in building God's Church.

~ ***Father Larry Smith***

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
ROCK-A-THON
Saturday, June 9, 1:00 - 4:00 pm**



**The 15th Annual Saint Cyril
Golf Outing Monday, June 11
at Shannopin Country Club!**

Please join us for a great day of golf, prizes, dinner and fun! And as always, we need your help! We need golfers, we need donations of adult beverages, door prizes, Chinese Auction and Silent Auction items, sporting event tickets and bottles of liquor and wine for our Basket of Cheer! **Or consider purchasing a Tee Sign** - available for a \$100 donation. The sign will be professionally made and placed on the golf course with the information you provide. Company, individual, family, or in memory of a family member or St. Cyril's Graduating Class.

Please kindly drop your donation off at the Rectory. For more information, please call Vince Curtin at 412-992-8424, Bill Murtha at 412-327-4567, or Maureen in the Rectory at 412-761-1552.

If you don't play golf, why not just join us for cocktails and dinner! Always a great time just being together.

On Mission For The Church Alive!

Today at Mass you will hear about the *On Mission* decisions for your parish. In the announcement you will learn: (1) the final Parish Grouping that your parish will be in; (2) the clergy team assigned to serve the grouping; and (3) the maximum number of Masses for the grouping beginning October 15. With these announcements, there are still many tasks ahead to bring about the vision for vibrant parishes in our communities. The first task over the coming weeks and months is to build relationships, especially between the parish communities in the grouping and with the clergy teams who are eager to begin serving you. As we continue to share in the joy of the resurrection of Jesus during the Easter season, we must not be discouraged by the challenges that may come. Instead, we are called to go forward with hope for the good of our parishes and for the good of our own lives with God. The information about all the groupings is available online at **onmissionchurchalive.org** and will be shared in your parish bulletin and the *Pittsburgh Catholic* next weekend. May God bless the Church of Pittsburgh, our parish communities and each of us.