

# ST•JOHNTHE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

"What we have seen and heard we proclaim to you, so that you may share life with us." 1 John 1:3

## **November 12, 2017**

# **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **CLERGY**

Reverend Timothy F. O'Sullivan Pastor thepastor@stjohnpa.org Weekend Assistants

Reverend Patrick Brady Reverend Raju Pilla Deacon James E. Hartmann Deacon Robert P. Gellentien

### **RECTORY**

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 9 AM - 5 PM No office hours Saturday & Sunday, except by appointment

### PREP OFFICE

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### PREP-RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTIONS

Sunday 10:00 AM to 11:15 AM Monday 5:15 PM to 6:30 PM

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism preparation should begin before the child is born. All expecting parents and parents of newborn children are asked to enroll themselves in our parish Baptism Preparation Program. Baptism preparation is our Pre-Jordan class (2nd Monday in March, June, September and December at 7:00 PM in the Deacon James Hartmann Meeting Room). Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM. Please contact the Parish office for more information



### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil Mass: Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 AM Weekdays Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM Holy Days Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM (Also see Church bulletin)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 - 5:00 PM Other times by appointment

### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Arrangements should be made with the priest at least 6 months before the wedding.

Attendance at Pre-Marital Classes required.

### **DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION**

Fridays: 3:00 PM in the Chapel

# ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays: after 8:00 AM Mass until 6:50 PM

### **BLUE ARMY DEVOTION**

Tuesdays: 7:00 PM in the Chapel

### VISITATION CHAPEL OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

Spend time in prayer and reflection from 6:00 AM till 8:00 PM Monday through Saturday

On the web at www.stjohnpa.org

### PARISH STAFF

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# RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The R.C.I.A. is a process of welcoming new members into the Catholic Church. It also welcomes baptized Catholics who have not received Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, or Confirmation. For information contact the Parish Office at sjeoffices@stjohnpa.org.

### LECTIO DIVINA

Thursdays: after 8:00 AM Mass in the Chapel

STAY AWAKE! BE READY!

Friends, our readings today pick up some urgency as we move closer to the season of Advent. Taking a look at our Gospel passage, St. Matthew offers the familiar vignettes of the ten virging. of the ten virgins – five so-called foolish ones and five desig- \$ Enated as wise. So, let's put ourselves into this picture, imag-Sining that we are expecting someone important who has been Xperhaps unexpectedly delayed. What to do? Well, wait, of § course! But, these virgins are having a hard time staying \( \) awake and so they ALL fall asleep. The difference between  $\S$ the two groups: five appear to have no worries in the world Swhile the other five soon discover when they awaken that  $\S$ they have a big problem! Why? They are not ready to greet \$ their important guest! How do we know that? Well, they didn't plan on that big delay and the oil in theirs lamp has gone out. Now, we know the rest of this story. Those seem-Singly "selfish" wise virgins will not share their oil and the  $\check{\mathbb{X}}$ reasons are given. BUT, here is where we need to STOP!! Look for the two key words: oil and lamp. You see, if we Sapply this story to ourselves we can see that the oil is much  $\S$ more than a greasy, liquidly substance. And the lamp which produces light by burning the oil has a very important role. Picture this: WE are the lamp, the vessel that holds the oil § s- our virtues which may be our patience, kindness, gentle-Sness, joy. . . We know that our virtues can do a lot of good, § especially when we use them to show our love for others ?--- AND our love for our special guest, the bridegroom – Je-  $\S$ sus! Do you see why we, if we are truly wise, cannot share \( \) these virtues? For they are who WE are. The virtues, our Soil, are what we bring with us. Oh, we can try to help others cultivate virtue and hopefully we will continue to work § on developing virtues over our lifetime. But, these virtues in our vessel are for the bridegroom and, quite honestly, he is not the one who is late! Jesus may come when we least \( \) expect him. Or, we may get a semblance of his coming as we age or incur a debilitating illness. This is what we must do: GET READY! Planning for the bridegroom requires? more than simply preparing for the arrival of our in-laws for  $\S$ dinner! St. Paul, writing to the Thessalonians, tells us that  $\S$ the Lord himself will come down and "we will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air." This promise has been made to each of us by the bridegroom. And the time is NOW! Let us develop an ensemble of virtues which characterize a complete, Christian life. And then --- BE VIGILANT! The grand reunion will happen! And what a day that shall be!

May our parish patron, St. John the Evangelist, show us the way!

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God bless you!

🐉 Sister Marganne Drago, SSJ



### Sunday, November 12

Adopt-A-Family Food Drop off, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM PREP, 10:00 AM to 11:15 AM

### Monday, November 13

PREP, 5:15 PM to 6:30 PM

### Tuesday, November 14

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:30 AM to 6:50 PM Little Flowers Girls Club, 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM YDisciple (All HS Boys), 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Benediction, 6:50 PM to 7:00 PM Bible Study, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Blue Army Holy Hour, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

### Wednesday, November 15

Rosary at Manor Care, 6:15 PM to 6:45 PM Social Concerns Meeting, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Seton Society, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Shared Meal Meeting, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

### Thursday, November 16

Lectio Divina, 8:35 AM to 9:35 AM CRS in Action (ESL Class), 9:00 AM to 12 Noon YDisciple (All HS Girls), 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Adult Choir Practice, 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

### Friday, November 17

Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM Jr. CYO Youth Group, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Rosary, 7:00 PM to 7:30 PM

### Saturday, November 18

Jr. CYO Retreat, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Miraculous Medal Novena, immediately following Mass Confessions, 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM Jesse Tree Angel Tag Pick-up, after 5:30 PM Mass

# GOD BLESS THE CHILDREN!

On Sunday, November 5th, Deacon James Hartmann **Baptized** 

> Emily Bongiovanni (daughter of Richard and Linda)

> > and

Jack Bray (son of James and Jessica)

in our Catholic faith. May the Blessings of their Baptism Day always keep the presence of the Lord in their lives!



# Join with Father O'Sullivan on an Extraordinary Pilgrimage to experience

# The Splendor of Italy

JUNE 27 to JULY 8, 2018



# Highlights include the cities of Rome, Assisi, Florence, Venice and more!

First Class accommodations; most meals and experienced tour guides will make it a trip of a lifetime!

Detailed brochures are available in the Parish Office.

### SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI



One of thirteen children raised on a farm. She received a convent education, and training as a teacher. She tried to join the order at age 18, but poor health prevent ed her taking the veil. A priest asked her to teach at a girl's school, the House of Providence Orphanage in Cadagono, Italy, which she did for six years. She took reli-

gious vows in 1877, and acquitted herself so well at her work that when the orphanage closed in 1880, her bishop asked her to found the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart to care for poor children in schools and hospitals. Pope Leo XIII then sent her to the United States to carry on this mission.

She and six Sisters arrived in New York in 1889. They worked among immigrants, especially Italians. Mother Cabrini founded 67 institutions, including schools, hospitals, and orphanages in the United States, Europe and South America. Like many of the people she worked with, Mother became a United States citizen during her life, and after her death she was the first US citizen to be canonized.

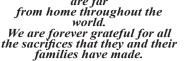
**BORN:** 15 July 1850 at Sant'Angelo Lodigiano, Lombardy, Italy

DIED: 22 December 1917, Chicago, IL of malaria

CANONIZED: 7 July 1946 by Pope Pius XII

### God Bless Our Service Members

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all service men and women, along with their family members, when so many are far from home throughout the world.



Lt. Timothy Abbracciamento (son of John and Ana Abbracciamento)

Lt. Commander Matthew Piasecki (nephew of Alan and Linda Marquis)

Majors David and Ann Driscoll (grandchildren of Joseph and Mary Loncosky)

Chief Petty Officer Jim Buckley, USN (cousin of Linda Russell)

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### <u>Sunday, November 12</u> <u>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

7:30 AM All Priests, requested by the 31 Club

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Cardilli Family, requested by the Family

11:30 AM For All the Members of our Parish

### Monday, November 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:00 AM Arline Comfort, requested by Alice Samel-Foley

### Tuesday, November 14: Tuesday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Helen Schanbacher, requested by her family

### Wednesday, November 15: Saint Albert the Great

8:00 AM John Gerace, requested by his family

### <u>Thursday, November 16: Saints Margaret of Scotland</u> and Gertrude

8:00 AM Theresa P. Kirlin, with love, from daughter, Maureen

### Friday, November 17: Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00 AM Anna Laubach, requested by the Sharko Family

# <u>Saturday, November 18: The Dedication of the</u> <u>Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul</u>

8:00 AM Sara LaSalle-Tarenton, requested by the Tarenton and LaSalle-Tarenton Families

5:30 PM All the Members of our Parish

### <u>Sunday, November 19</u> <u>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

7:30 AM Jonathan Cottrell., requested by Carolyn Cottrell 9:30 AM Kay Grossi, requested by the Sargent Family 11:30 AM Matthew Graves, love, Aunt Moe Kirlin

# SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO SEMINARY APPEAL

This weekend, Seminarian Max McGallagher, will speak at all Masses regarding the Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Appeal. For more information about the Appeal and how you may contribute you can visit their website, stcharlesseminaryappeal.org. Thank you!

# Next Sunday's Readings – November 19, 2017

Prepare for Sunday Mass by reading, reflecting and praying the readings with family and friends.

### Reading 1

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

### Reading 2

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

### Alleluia

John 15: 4A, 5B

### Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30



### ADMINISTRATION

| Regular Sunday Collection | \$ 12,324 |
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| Number of Envelopes       | 353       |
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### Fifth Sunday in October 2016

| Regular Sunday Collection | \$ 14,918 |
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| Number of Envelopes       | 399       |
| YTD Collection            |           |

(July 1, 2017 – October 29, 2017) \$227,040 Average Number of Envelopes

Thank you for your continued generosity!

# Come, Let Us Worship The Lord!

On the Weekend of Oct.28 / Oct. 29, 2017 202 people joined us at our 5:30 PM Mass;

158 people joined us at our 7:30 AM Mass;

292 people joined us at our 9:30 AM Mass;

and, 255 people joined us at our 11:30 AM Mass.

Thank You For Making The Lord A Priority In Your Life!



### HOSTS FOR CELIAC DISEASE

We have special hosts available to anyone who suffers from Celiac disease. Please see the priest in the Sacristy before Mass begins if you have a need for these

# **Monthly Food Collection**

The food drive this month will be taken up on the weekend of November 18th and 19th at all Masses. As usual it will be taken to Mary's Cupboard on the Levittown Parkway. With Thanksgiving just a few days away this would be a great time to boost the food donations to help those in need -- the poor, the elderly, the unemployed and those just down on their luck through an emergency such as fire, sudden loss of job, abandonment or any other calamity. St. John's food donations in October totaled 287 pounds. Hopefully November and December collections will go up.

# PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Adoration Society: Maria DiDonato, Cynthia Mariotti Adult Faith Formation: Debbie Brzezynski, 267.918.8834

Aid for Friends: Mary Africa, 215.428.9581

Altar Servers: Father Timothy O'Sullivan, 215.295.4102 Community Food Dr.: Cathy & Joe McLean, 267.833.3177 **Blessed Counters:** Father Timothy O'Sullivan, 215.295.4102

**CYO Athletic Directors:** *Mike & Mary McGill*,

215.337.8282

**Disability Advocate:** Kathy Ross, 215.736.8017 **Extraordinary Ministers Holy Communion:** 

Sister Marganne Drago, 215.295.4102

Faith in Action/Staying Put in Bucks County:

Susan Cridge, 215.295.5726

Funeral Liturgy Assistance: Kathy Ross, 215.736.8017 Hospitality/Bakery Basket: Ann Damron, 215.736.3527

Knights of Columbus #7515: Grand Knight,

Joseph Retallick, 267.997.1087

Lectors: Sister Marganne Drago, 215.295.4102 Men's Faith Share: Vince Bodnar, 215.321.5155 Pastoral Council: Magda Manetas, 215.295.2512

Prayer Network: Lisa Petrino, 215.295.6468

**Respect Life:** *Ed Barry, 215.295.4335* Seton Society: Tom Brunner, 215.734.3031

Social Concerns Committee: Diane Coyle, 215.493.8472

Ushers/Greeters: Jim Karkosak, 215.493.3463

Women of the Word Prayer Group:

Bunny Maffey, 215-369-3183



# **SETON SOCIETY**

Meeting on Wednesday, November 15th, 7:00 pm in the Convent Meeting Room.

A grief support group for everyone

Grief, no matter where it comes from, can only be resolved by connecting to other people. - Thomas Horn For more information for individual or group support, please call Tom Brunner, 215-734-3031. (All discussions are confidential)

Robert Amadio, Merriam B. (friend of Kristen Yost), Nancy Baradziej, Michael Barkovich (son of Michael and Diana Barkovich), Tom Biester, John Camerlengo, (brother of Carmine Camerlengo), Kathy Camerlengo (niece of Carmine Camerlengo), Richard Cash, Claudia (4 yrs. old - granddaughter of Karen and William DiBraccio), Louis D., Edward, Dennis Flynn (daughter-in-law's father of Chris and Diane Ledes) Patricia Funk, Pauline Garceau (mother of Kathryn DeMorro),

Peter Garceau (brother of Kathryn DeMorro), Ann M., Annette Macecevic (wife of Joe Macecevic), L. Mahoney, Derrick and Marty Warren, Joseph Wasiakowski (husband of Shirley Wasiakowski), and all residents of Manor Care and Arden Court.

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# PREP HAPPENINGS

Barbara Ann Nuzzolo, Director of Religious Education SEE MORE ABOUT PREP ON THE WEBSITE: http://www.stjohnpa.org/PREP or call 215-295-9239

Mr. Vince Bodnar shares his love for the Catholic Faith with the 13students in the Middle School Program on Sunday mornings Junior and High School CYO Registration from 10:00 to 11:15 am. He does so in a gentle and welcoming manner and provides each student a safe place to learn and discuss the tenets of the Catholic Faith. Our 7th, 8th, and 9th graders really enjoy coming to class and they are willing participants. They set the standards high for all the other students that are their age! There was much enthusiasm for this program and the students who attend are learning and becoming stronger witnesses of their faith. Our goal is to double the number of students even now. You can join us whenever you wish. Come and see what this class is all about. This year is a flexible year where weekly attendance, though encouraged, is not a requisite for participating in the class. The purpose of this class is to connect the students with a leader who is an awesome realization the students make when they discover that their faith is an integral part of their everyday life!

So much dedication and love for his faith is evidenced weekly as Loaves and Fishes will be taken place on November 25th. We will be put-Sunday morning. This is the seventh year that Mr. Bodnar has held this class starting with only three students. Mr. Bodnar resides with his wife and children as parishioners of St. John's and is the coor-

dinator of the ministry of "Men's Faith Share."
Centered on discussion so that each student" makes the Catholic Faith their own," Mr. Bodnar delves into points of the doctrine that hold the interest of the students in a non-threatening peer setting. The springboard for his discussion comes from selections of the Bible. He wants all his students "to take ownership of their faith and keep it through young adulthood." This is a daunting task that **Pretzel Sale** is made easier under his guidance. There are resource materials The next pretzel sale will be held after the 5:30pm Mass on November that are used on this grade level to help guide the students with 25th, and after all Masses on November 26th. Thank you for your support! their faith journey. The Dunkin Donut lattes and beverages that Mr. Bodnar treats the students to weekly make the class a little sweeter than it would ordinarily be.

All parents are encouraged to register their seventh or eighth or **Lunch with Santa** this article, it is never too late to register. Ceasing to learn about the 9th from 11AM-1PM. Catholic faith in sixth grade hampers the full understanding of the many tenets of faith that are part of an individual's faith journey.

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH Youth Minister: Meghan Horn

http://www.stjohpa.org/youth-ministry or 215-295-4102

For anyone who would like to register for Jr. CYO (6th, 7th, & 8th grade) or High School CYO (YDISCIPLE) for the upcoming school year, please contact Meghan.

- \*\*Jr. CYO youth group will be held on Friday's from 6-8pm
- \*\*All H.S. Girls will meet with Meghan on Thursday's from 6-8pm

# **Pie Pick Up**

Those that ordered Thanksgiving pies can pick them up on Monday and Tuesday November 20th and 21st from 5 PM until 8 PM or Wednesday able to lead discussion from the material found in the Bible. What November 22nd from 9 AM to 12 PM in the Parish Office Building.

### **Loaves and Fishes**

Mr. Bodnar prepares for the seventh, eighth and ninth graders each ting together 800 bagged lunches at St. Mary's Cathedral in Trenton, NJ. Email Meghan for more information.

### Junior CYO Retreat Team

Anyone in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade who is interested in attending our retreat at St. John's on November 18th, should contact Meghan to register!

ninth grade child for this program. And as was said at the start of Lunch with Santa will be taken place in the Parish Center on December

# "An ApPEALing Campaign"

In his bulletin column on October 22nd, Father O'Sullivan wrote about his desire to install a carillon bell system in our Church. (If you did not have the chance to read his column on the bell system, please call the Parish Office and ask Darlene to send you a copy of his column.) The system, fully installed, will cost fifteen thousand dollars - twelve thousand dollars for the actual system and three thousand dollars for the installation. Our Parish's Knights of Columbus Council have generously pledged twelve-hundred dollars towards the purchase. Father O'Sullivan is hoping that many other parishioners will share his desire to bring bells back to our Parish and donate to reach our goal. Father is hoping to have the system in place to ring for our Christmas Eve Masses; but for that to happen, we need to have the system ordered by the end of November. Any parishioners who wishes to pledge towards our campaign for a new bell system is asked to return their donation to our Parish Office. All donations towards the carillon bell system will be credited towards a parishioners donations and all donations will be listed in the bulletin, so all can see how close we are to hearing bells at Saint John's once again.

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| Enclosed is my donation t | owards the Carillon Bell System for our Church.                      |
| NAME:                     | PHONE:()   |
| Amount enclosed: \$       |  |
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# SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

### **ACTIVITIES:**

Thank you to all who participated in the Day of Service. Your support made it

**FUTURE EVENTS: (All Meetings will be held in the St. Francis Room unless** otherwise noted.)

November 15, 2017 - Social Concerns Meeting, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

November 19, 2017 - Feed My Flock, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM

November 24, 2017 - Shared Meal, 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM (School Cafeteria) December 9, 2017 - Christmas Bazaar and Lunch with Santa, 10:00 AM to 3:00

**DONATIONS**: (leave in St. Gianna room (Cry Room)

Prison ministry – black rosaries for prison ministry; other colors for our guests at the Shared Meal

Refugee Centers – snacks

Backpack Center – cereal; Pancake Mix and Syrup Soldiers' Ministry - used cell phones or chargers

"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed." Proverbs 11:25

# PASTORAL CARE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Catholic Bishops Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments for Persons with Disabilities may be found by going to http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/ policies/guidelines-sacraments-persons-with-disabilities.cfm.

When baptized Catholics who have been regular communicants develop advanced Alzheimer's or other age related dementias, there is to be a presumption in favor of the individual's ability to distinguish between Ho-ly Communion and regular food. Holy Communion should continue to be offered as long as possible, and ministers are called to carry out their ministry with a special patience. If swallowing becomes particularly diffi-cult, decisions regarding the continued reception of Holy Communion may have to be faced. This pastoral decision is to be made on a case by case basis, in consultation with the individual, those closest to Him/her, physicians, and the pastor." All are

"I have loved you my people with an everlasting love; with unfailing love I have you to Myself." Jermiah 3:1-3

# Helping Hands Thank You!

Thank you to all who participated in our Helping Hands Meal Packing Event, sponsored by St. John's CRS in Action Committee. Thanks to all who contributed to the effort through our fund-raisers, and to those who packed meals. Our packing resulted in 10,152 meals, which are on their way to Burkina Faso in West Africa. And a special 'thank you' to all who came early and helped with set up, and to those who stayed until everything was cleaned up and put away. Well done!

### HIS (HANDS IN SERVICE)

Saint John's HIS (Hands in Service) Group does light cleaning of our church once a month and we could use your help. We meet the second Friday of each month after the 8:00 AM Mass and we are finished in less than two hours. If you can help and have any questions, please contact Rosemary Hayes, rgradyhayes@comcast.net.

# **Knightly News** ADOPT-A-FAMILY FOR THANKSGIVING

As a reminder, if you adopted a family for Thanksgiving please bring your food to the SCHOOL before and after the Masses this weekend, November 11th - 12th. Please contact Tom Rossi (215.295.1654) if you have any questions or if you know of any families that may need some assistance this year. Thank you, in advance, for providing Thanksgiving dinner to a family in need.

### **Mark Your Calendars for the Best Ever SJE Christmas Bazaar and Lunch with Santa**

Saturday, December 9, 2017, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

The event will include crafters, vendors, build-a-basket gift table, Secret Santa Shop for children, silent auction, a raffle, and much more. For children there will be lunch with Santa that includes a craft, which will be \$5.00. Other food/ lunch items will be available for purchase as well. In addition, every child will receive a free book from Cops-n-Kids! Proceeds will benefit Interfaith Food Alliance Morrisville, St. John's Youth, Shared Meals, Feed My Flock, AHTN, and other area non-profits.. If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Diane Coyle at 215-493-8472 or socialconcerns@stjohnpa.org.

# **Jesse Tree Program 2017**

Make this a special Christmas for a child in need. The Jesse Tree Program is an opportunity to bring the love of Christ to those less fortunate in our community during the Christmas season. Next week, ornaments will be hung with gift wishes of children . You are invited to take as many ornaments as you would like from the tree, purchase the gift wish on the tag, and return your wrapped gift (with the ornament attached) to the church vestibule not later than 1:00 PM on Sunday, December 10th.

# OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONCERT AT CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF STS. PETER AND PAUL Sunday, November 19, 2017, 3:00 TO 5:00 PM

Westminster Williamson Voices, led by James Jordan, the Grammy-nominated ensemble returns to the Cathedral Basilica with a diverse and inspiring program showcasing the choir's distinctive artistry and rich palette of choral colors in music by a wide range of composers exploring spirituality. Tickets can be purchased at CathedralPhilaConcerts.org.

# Saint Andrew Catholic School and Preschool Fall Open House

51 Wrights Road, Newtown, PA Thursday, November 16, 2017 6:30PM - 8:00PM