

# St. Ignatius of Antioch Church 999 Reading Avenue Yardley, PA 215-493-3377 contact@stignatius.church www.stignatius.church

First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020



#### **SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Saturday: 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 6:00PM

Daily, Monday to Friday: 9:00AM \*Special Schedules for Holy Days

#### **PERPETUAL ADORATION**

The chapel will remain closed at this time for Perpetual Adoration. Please see page 4 regarding **Eucharistic Adoration in our main church.** 

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays: 4:00 to 5:00PM

Confessions will also be heard upon request. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

#### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

**Sunday—CLOSED** 

\*Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM

Saturday—CLOSED

(\*Please see details on page 2)

# Mass Intentions

Sunday November 29, 2020

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1

Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

7:30AM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

9:30AM John O'Rourke (Alice O'Rourke)

11:30AM Giuseppa Covello (The Covello Family)

6:00PM Helen and George Moore

(Georgette and Steve Kornsey)

Monday November 30, 2020

Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

9:00AM Kathleen Preston (Ebby Conway)

Tuesday December 1, 2020

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

9:00AM Dolores Patton (Ruby Kirkup)

Wednesday December 2, 2020

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

9:00AM Lawrence Cowley

(James and Monica Walsh)

Thursday December 3, 2020

Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

9:00AM Jacob Gerhardt (James and Monica Walsh)

Friday December 4, 2020

Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

9:00AM Donald Stewart (James and Monica Walsh)

Saturday December 5, 2020

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-

10:1, 5a, 6-8

5:15PM Michael J. Downs Jr. & Michael J. Downs Sr.

(Lorraine Downs)

Sunday December 6, 2020

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14;

Mk 1:1-8

7:30AM All Living and Deceased Parishioners

9:30AM Ernest Zima (The Sullivan Family)

11:30AM John - Warrio Jimenez (The Young Family)

6:00PM Gus Kuhlman (Carolyn Kuhlman)

#### SANCTUARYCANDLE

The Church Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory of Robert Ferry requested by Fran Ferry.





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Reading I: Isaiah 63: 16-17, 19; 64: 2-7

The prophet quotes a psalmist who cries out like a despairing man, and implores God's intervention. He admits that God has abandoned the sinner to his guilt.

#### Reading II: I Corinthians 1: 3-9

Paul declares himself to be an authentic apostle by virtue of his calling. Using his regular salutation signifies God's goodness and His many gifts. He thanks God especially for His gifts to the Corinthian community.

The Gospel: Mark 13: 33-37

"Not knowing the day nor the hour" is Mark's reason for exhorting vigilance. Jesus expands His meaning to go past the pending destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple to include all Jews and Jewish Christians.

#### **RECTORY HOURS**

The rectory office is open Monday through Friday from 9AM until 4PM. All other times will be by appointment only. For your protection, and the protection of the staff, we ask that all persons over the age of 2 wear a mask while in the rectory. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 215-493-3377 or contact@stignatius.church before you stop by as most things can still be accomplished with a phone call.

#### Ministerial Staff

Rev. Andrew C. Brownholtz, Pastor	215-493-3377
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Whether it's your first time here or you have been coming to Mass here for years, we welcome you to join our parish. Please contact the rectory to register.

# RCA

Information is available for those who are considering becoming a member of the Catholic Faith . Please contact the Director of Religious Education, Annmarie Flanagan, at 215-493-5204 or 215-370-5701.



The Sacrament of Baptism is normally administered on Sundays at 12:45PM. Pre-Jordan class, for the first child only, is required for parents. Class is held on the first Monday of the month at 7:00PM in room 2B on the 2nd floor of the Meeting Center. Parents, please call the rectory to register for the class or for a Baptism.



Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Please call the rectory to make an appointment with one of the priests.

#### RECTORY OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

#### **November:**

Wednesday 11/25 – Open 9am to 12pm, Thurs. 11/26 - Closed, Fri. 11/27 - Closed

#### **December**

Wednesday 12/23 – Open 9am to 12pm, Thurs. 12/24 - Closed Fri. 12/25 - Closed, Wednesday 12/30 Open 9am to 12pm, Thurs 12/31 - Closed, Friday 1/1 - Closed



Parishioners are encouraged to let the rectory know when they are in the hospital, nursing home, or other medical care facility. Please contact the rectory if you or anyone you know might be ill, a shut in or unable to attend Mass on a weekly basis. The Holy Eucharist will be brought to anyone homebound.

#### FISCAL CORNER

Our Online parish giving continues to be a success. However, we are noticing a small decrease in our overall collections. One way you can help with the parish finances is to sign up for online giving. If you are considering using online giving and have questions, please give us a call! We would be happy to answer any questions, or address any concerns you may have. We would like to increase our participation in this program, since it ensures a consistent cash flow from week to week! For those who participate, thank you for signing up for this modern way of contributing! For those of you who do not participate, we would like to ask that you please take a look at the program. Those who use the program love it! You can visit our parish website at http://www.stignatius.church and click on the Parish Giving logo to take a look. Thank you all for your generosity towards our parish with your Sunday Gifts!



Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, last weekend's collection will be posted in next weekend's bulletin.





Exposition will be held Monday thru Friday from 10AM to 8PM. The restrictions for church attendance such as social distancing and wearing of masks apply. To assist with church sanitizing we are designating the front 3 pews for this devotion. We hope to resume 24/7 Perpetual Adoration in the Chapel when it is advisable. In the meantime, let us pray for each other and may God continue to bless you and your families.



Due to the projected spike in new Covid cases, we are now requiring masks be worn while in the Church. The ushers will be instructed to make sure everyone is wearing a mask while attending Mass. Please help to keep everyone safe and help to avoid another shutdown. If you do not want to wear a mask for yourself, please wear one to help protect your parish family members!

Please for the sick of our parish and return to the comfort of good those that care for them health: Loretta Amerine, Sabrin

Edward Torres.

Lord hear our prayer for the sick in our community that they health: Loretta Amerine, Sabrina

Amerine, Baby Brianna, Lorraine C., Rich C., Ruthann Carroll, Brynn Clare Connor, Evelyn Conway, Stacie Crane, C. Crawford, Rose Ann Grall, Jonathan Grubb, Madeline Guarnieri, Lou Gunkel, Charles Jacobson, Nathan Kilgore, Michael Kotwicki, Sean Marriott, Toni McConnell, Dorothy McMullen, Baby Eva McNamara, Christine Nassar, Nabil Nassar, Carolyn Rupprecht, Irene Schuka, Walter Shimp, Darwin Stout, Catherine Torres,

Brian Basheda, Daniel Basheda, Matthew Bauer, Me-TEMEMBER TO lissa Bishop, Christian Blaydon, Erik Bresnahan, Sara FOR OUT Brill, Mark Buckley, Michael Joseph Buckley, Brad Bull-Q ITTOOPSman, Evan Cumming, Brent Cummings, Kevin O'Brien Darby, Staten DeTample, Andrew Dill, Ronald Ernst, Anthony Fuscarello, Rick Fuschetti, Jessica Garcia, Shane Gibbons, Stephen Greene, Jonathan Grubb, Edward Hill, David & Christine (Kawoczka) Krueger, Matthew Krall, Justin Kumor, Daniel LaMorte, Thomas LaMorte, Marty Alexie Leonard, Nels Alexie Leonard, Matt Leonardo, James Limer, Matthew Listner, Michael Lowe, W. Kyle Magrisi, Joseph Marchand, Greg Marolo, Matthew McGurk, Phil Melandez, Chris Merrick, David Morgan, Kevin Nash, Stephen Neder, Fred Olivari, John O'Rourke, John Parente, J.C. Peabody, Laura Perazzola, Gregory B. Procaccini, Jason Propst, Matthew Rieser, Brett Ryan, Luke Stapleton, James Tams, Scott Toro, John Worman.

#### JRNFY PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

God our Father, Thank you for calling Griffen Schlaepfer, Andrew Lane, Michael Lewis, Philip Cheung, Erik Reyes, Anthony Albanese, and Juan

Builes, to prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer. Help them form their personalities as credible witnesses to others. Bless them while they study Your word and the teachings of the Church, and give them generous hearts to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen

To learn more about our seminarians visit http://heedthecall.org/poster/



#### THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

On Tuesday, December 8th we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Monday, December 7th at 7:00PM and Tuesday at 7:00AM, 9:00AM, and 7:00PM.



Pray for our beloved deceased especially those who have no one to pray for them, and the Holy Souls in purgatory.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed with safety measures in place. All participants will be asked to wear masks/face shields. The children will be spaced six feet apart while we process downstairs at the start of Children's Liturgy and again while we process upstairs afterwards. In addition, we will set up the worship space on the floor of the auditorium to provide additional room to spread the children. The children will sit on individual mats that will be disinfected each week. Siblings will be permitted to sit next to one another, if they choose, but all other participants will be spaced six feet apart. For the time being, leaflets will not be distributed. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Alice LaMorte at malamorte@verizon.net at any time. We look forward to an interactive Children's Liturgy with your children once again!



## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ATTENTION ALL 8th GRADERS...DEADLINE APPROACHING - DECEMBER 7TH!

Applications are now open for the DLFF CEC Scholarship Class of 2025! Together DLFF and CEC are working to make a Catholic Education affordable! APPLY NOW for a \$2,000 scholarship (per year for all 4 years) at dlff.org/dlff-cec-scholarship or go to conwell-egan.org/scholarships to learn more about scholarship opportunities. HURRY...the deadline to apply is DECEMBER 7th!

IMPORTANT: Please allow enough time for your LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION to be submitted DLFF Scholars...building life skills in Accountability, Responsibility, Service, Initiative and Leadership



From the Religious Education Office ... The PREP office is open from Sundays through Thursdays. I am in the Antioch Center (old rectory) on Sundays and weekday evenings.

#### PREP REGISTRATION:

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) is for children in Grades K to 8. PREP classes are being held remotely at the present time. Parents can find the lessons on the parish website. (Go to stignatius.church, and then click on PREP. The grade levels will come up, so click on the level you want. Finish up by completing the Interactive Session Review and send results to Mrs. Perini's email – lperini@stignatius.church). Each class's lesson will be available for 3 weeks only. Then the next lesson will replace it. Registered families can communicate with the teachers by email. If you missed registration, please stop in our office or call us (215-493-5204) to receive the registration form by email.

Special Needs: Parents, are you aware that we have a PREP class for students with special needs? If we could help to give your child a religious education in a small group environment, please call Annmarie at 215-493-5204.

8th Grade Students: Our program this year is Matthew Kelly's Decision Point. Parents, please encourage your 8th graders to continue their study of God and his Church. Confirmation is not graduation from learning about God; this is a lifetime commitment.

#### **SACRAMENTS:**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION:** If you missed the informational Parent Meeting for First Penance/Holy Communion, we will have a Zoom meeting soon. First Penance will take place on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. First Communion is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. Mass and 12:00 noon Mass.

#### **CONFIRMATION:**

There will be a Parent Meeting for Confirmation on Thursday, December 10, at 7:00 p.m. in Church. We are using the church so you can spread out and maintain social distance. Please wear a mask. Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., with Bishop John J. McIntyre.

Don't forget our annual Advent Gift-Giving Mass scheduled for Thursday, December 3, at 7:00 p.m., in Church. Please bring an unwrapped gift for a child of any age. If you are unable to attend the Mass, you can bring your gift to the altar server sacristy anytime during the day on Dec. 3.

#### **Our Annual Advent Gift-Giving Mass**

Our annual Advent Gift-Giving Mass will take place on Thursday, December 3, at 7:00 p.m. This annual tradition helps to support the families of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Chester and Sacred Heart Parish in Camden, NJ. All are welcome and encouraged to come to Mass. Please wear a mask and spread out through the Church. Bring an unwrapped gift for a child of any age. The gifts are usually toys, but people sometimes bring jackets or other items. If you are unable to come to the Mass, you can still give to the children in these parishes by bringing your gift(s) to the sacristy (where the altar servers dress) during that day. In this time of Covid, these gifts are more needed than usual. Please help us to help these kids.

# **CARING FOR FRIENDS** (Formerly Aid for Friends)

Due to health concerns during the holiday season, Caring for Friends will be CANCELLED on December 10, 2020. We will resume meeting to assemble meals for the homebound on January 14, 2021.



Please remember that the Thanksgiving collection at St. Ignatius has been designated for Caring for Friends. This collection provides a substantial amount of our available funds for the year. We are able to purchase food and supplies for the

meals we assemble at St. Ignatius with these funds so please be as generous as possible. Thank you to our loyal supporters. A special Thank You to Father Brownholtz for his generosity!

If you would like to make meals at home, please use the packets available at each church door for this purpose. These packets have enough supplies for five meals. If you would like to obtain a larger supply of materials, please contact Kathy (215-321-0116) or Jayne (215-321-5739) to obtain these supplies.

Thank you so much for your understanding during these crazy times! We hope that in the new year we will be able to resume a more consistent schedule. We have made these adjustments to our schedule in the hopes that we are protecting our wonderful volunteers. Please have a joyful and safe holiday season. Kathy and Jayne

"For it is in giving that we receive."—St. Francis of Assisi

#### FOOD COLLECTION

With your help, the Social Action Committee continues to support Mary's Food Cupboard at Catholic Social Services.

Please consider donating to our collection on the second Sunday of each month. There are burlap bins at each church entrance labeled "Food Collection" to accept your donation of non-perishable food items, paper goods and baby needs. Donations may also be dropped off anytime in the baskets provided at the Adoration Chapel.

#### RENTAL ASSISTANCE

Are you in need of rent, mort-gage, or utility assistance? Catholic Social Services is here to help you! You may be eligible for financial assistance. Please call 215-624-5920 for further information.



# LIVESTREAMING ON OUR WEBPAGE AT 9:30AM

until we gather again in WORSHIP know that you are MISSED know that you are LOVED



Today is the first Sunday of Advent, so let us prepare for His coming. Let us do something very special during the next four weeks for ourselves, for our families, for our friends and for our neighbors and especially for

Jesus. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at St. Ignatius every Saturday afternoon at 4 PM and the lines are NOT long!!! Today is also the beginning of a new liturgical year- happy Church new year. This is a time for the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all who follow Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavors to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who was Incarnated for us. Hopefully we will be awakened in our Christian life and be placed in a 'vigilant' disposition to wait for the Lord Jesus who is coming. Let us live this time of waiting not only to celebrate an historical memory but to repeat this memory in our lives and in the service to others. Do something special for Jesus and be vigilant and excited about His upcoming arrival. St. Thomas Aquinas pray for us.



This is the first Sunday of Advent. What is coming in 4 weeks? Why is this called Advent? What should we be doing during Advent? Advent is the period of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ at Christmas

and also the of the preparation for the Second Coming of Christ. Jesus was an unplanned pregnancy; John the Baptist was an unplanned pregnancy; Isaac was an unplanned pregnancy. How does our culture handle unplanned pregnancies? Abortion? Some, adoption? Some, foster care? When Christ was dying on the Cross Jesus lamented to His heavenly Father "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do". Do we know what we are doing to God's plan for life and love? Do we really think that some of these babies are 'mistakes' of God's plan for creation? That they weren't supposed to exist? That there was no purpose for these children?? Let's start with what we know about how important was the birth of Jesus; after 2000+ years, we now know the story of the life of Jesus, his death and resurrection and what that has meant to our salvation. What we don't know is what plans God had for all the aborted babies- would they be leaders, teachers, doctors, lawyers, architects, peacemakers, inventors, scientists, fathers, mothers??? We don't know, but in aborting them we have interfered with God's plan. What if Mary, a young unwed Jewish virgin dedicated to the Temple, who became pregnant without being married as a teenager decided to abort Jesus? What if? We need to prepare for His coming and we all need to help all pregnant women who have unplanned pregnancies prepare for the coming fo their children.

Our Lady of Guadalupe pray for us.

Intercessory Prayer: Let us pray for all children, both planned and unplanned, especially for our Lord and Savior who came to save us all; we pray to the Lord

Rose of Life Intention: For all unplanned pregnancies and their moms and dads.

## DECORATE THE CHURCH

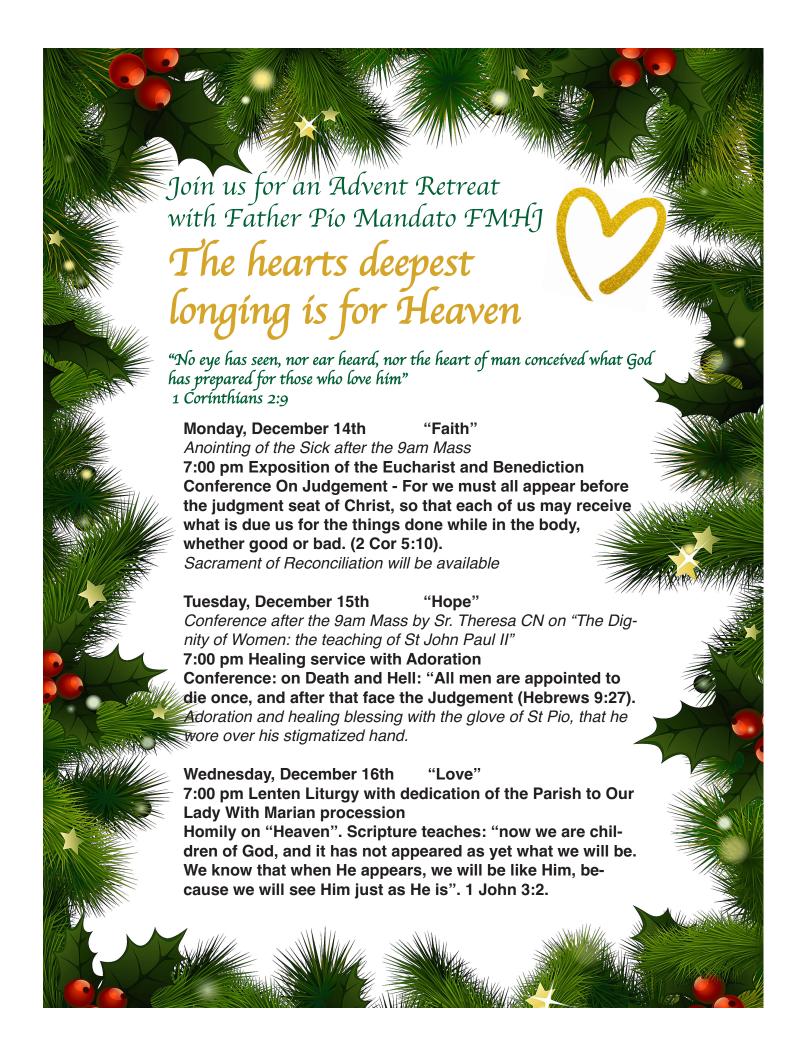
Please join us in decorating our church for Christmas on Sunday, December 20th at 12:45PM. This is a great opportunity for service hours! If you can help, please call the rectory, 215-493-3377 extension 211, and leave your name and phone number. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

#### **BOY SCOUT WREATHS**

Once again Boy Scout Troop 230 will be selling beautiful Christmas wreaths after all the masses the weekends of November 28 and 29 and December 5 and 6. These classic wreaths are from our new partner-Mickman Brothers in Minnesota, a family-owned business. The cost of each beautiful wreath is \$25 and includes a red bow and white pinecones.

This year we have also added another option---you may order wreaths, swags and tabletop trees online for yourself or as a gift. FedEx will deliver to you or your gift recipient the first week in December. Wreaths come with a hanger and you can include a gift message. I f you wish to order a wreath or other item online go to www.GiftItForward.com and type our Fundraising Code: in TR230NJ001 and the name of your referring member is: BSA Troop 230. Easy shipping to multiple gift recipients. Something for everyone on your Christmas List!

Troop 230 appreciates your support of our one fundraiser! Thank you! If you have any questions you can email Colleen White at: colleenandgreg@comcast.net.



ST. IGNATIUS CUB SCOUT PACK 230 FUNDRASING EVENT\*

#### Poinsettia Sale

Because the reason for the season is almost here



6" POT = \$10 EACH 8" POT = \$15 EACH

1. Place your orders by Nov 29 (Sun) via any of the following:

- o Complete the bottom portion of this flyer and submit to Jen Wiggins
- o Complete Online Form: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/Pack230PoinsettiaSale2020">https://tinyurl.com/Pack230PoinsettiaSale2020</a>
- Email: cubscoutpack230treasurer@gmail.com
- o Call: 267-879-3020 (Jen Wiggins)
- 2. Pay by Nov 29 (Sun) via Paypal <u>paypal.me/cubscoutspack230</u> or Check payable to Cub Scout Pack 230 (must be received by Nov 29 via mail or dropped off to Jen Wiggins at 1149 Dickinson Dr. Yardley, PA 19067
- 3. Pick up your orders on Dec 5 (Sat) from 12:30-2:30PM at 1149 Dickinson Dr. Yardley, PA 19067



Access the online order form by scanning the QR Code:

For questions, contact: Jen Wiggins 267-879-3020 cubscoutpack230treasurer@gmail.com

#### Poinsettia Order Form

Drop off or mail completed form	(together with	check) to: Jen	Wiggins 1149	Dickinson Dr.	Yardley PA	19067

Name:	Phone No:			
Email Address:				
No. of 6" pots (\$10/each):				
No. of 8" pots (\$15/each):	Total Amount due:			
Are you supporting a specific scout family in Pack 230? If so, please list their				
last name:				
Check payable to Cub Scout Pack 230 (mail or dropped off to Jen Wiggins 1149 Dickinson Dr. Yardley PA 19067)  Paypal (Send money to a friend <a href="mailto:paypal.me/cubscoutspack230">paypal.me/cubscoutspack230</a> )				

\*Proceeds go toward Cub Scout registration dues.

#### **Volunteers Needed!**

Advocates for the Homeless and Those in Need (AHTN) an interfaith organization, runs a Code Blue shelter to house the homeless in lower Bucks County on cold winter nights. It will be opening on December 1st this year, and the shelter will be housed at Calvary Baptist Church, 250 Green Lane in Bristol, PA.

Volunteers are needed each night the Shelter is open to help welcome the guests, prepare meals and take overnight shifts. Volunteer training can be completed online, and all COVID protocols will be followed.

St. Ignatius already works closely with AHTN, by preparing and serving a Shared Meal to our homeless and needy friends each month. For more information about volunteering at the Shelter or any other mission, please visit Home | Advocates For Homeless & Those In Need or contact Jen Sullivan (jenny\_sullivan414@yahoo.com or (215)369-9262).

# GET FORMED



Take courage; get up, he is calling you.

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MASS AT HOME FAITH AT HOME SCHOOL AT HOME

PRAY AT HOME

**KIDS STUFF** 

**MOVIE NIGHTS** 

FORMED LIVE

**HOLY HOURS** 

**AUDIO BOOKS** AND MORE...