



St. Agnes PREP
November/December Newsletter
2017

With the cooler temperatures and fall festivities, we are surrounded by the joy of the season. A time for family. A time for fun. A time to give thanks...

Remember to take time for prayer as a family – Our PREP students have the opportunity to bring home our Blessed Mother prayer kits weekly. When they come home, honor Mary by putting her in a place of honor. Each kit comes with a Rosary and a prayer card, as well. Take some time as a family to pray together, and use the opportunity to importance and power of prayer in our lives.



[Are you being called to be an Altar Server?](#)

Deacon Tucker is looking to train new Altar Servers for our liturgies! Don't miss out on this wonderful chance to be a part of this ministry!

What: Altar Server Training

Where: St. Agnes Parish

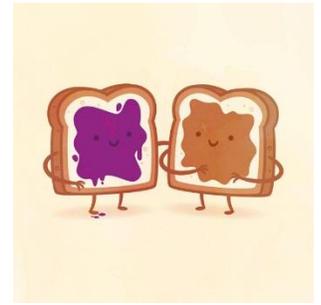
When: Monday December 4th, 2017 and Wednesday December 6th, 2017 during PREP class. Mrs. Hass will walk over the trainees and meet with Deacon Tucker. Please let Mrs. Hass know ahead of time with parent permission to be trained!

Who: School aged children who have received their First Holy Communion

Led By: Deacon Harry Tucker (DeaconTucker@verizon.net)

Thank you for your generosity!

A heart thanks to all who donated to our annual Archdiocesan peanut butter and jelly drive! Thanks to you, the Nutritional Development Services of the Philadelphia Archdiocese will be able to donate almost 70 bottles and jars of peanut butter and jelly to families in need. As you can imagine these items are a pantry staple for many families in need. Your generosity is so appreciated!



Upcoming Calendar Dates:

November:

11/6 and 11/8 - class

11/13 and 11/15 - class

11/20 and 11/20 - NO class

11/21 - Parent Evening of Reflection on the Sacrament of Reconciliation

All parents who have a child receiving Penance on 2/20 should attend. 6:45 pm in the parish social hall. No children, please.

11/23 - Happy Thanksgiving!

11/27 and 11/29 - class - Advent Confessions for grades 4-7

December:

12/3 - First Sunday of Advent

12/4 and 12/6 - class - Altar Server training for those who RSVP'd - during PREP class

12/8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception

12/11 and 12/13 - class - Advent prayer service during PREP

12/18 and 12/20 - class

12/25 - Blessed Christmas

12/25 and 12/30 - NO class

CYO Sports!



CYO Winter Sports Registration is now open for CYO Winter Sports. Players can now register for Boys/Girls 4th Grade Basketball, Boys/ Girls JV Basketball (5th&6th), Boys/Girls Varsity Basketball (7th&8th), Boys/Girls High School Basketball, Girls JV Cheerleading (Competition Season) Please register at <http://www.olsh-hilltown.com/jointcyo.html>

Preparing for the season of Advent...

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of **Christmas**.

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas).

Advent devotions including the **Advent wreath**, remind us of the meaning of the season. Our Advent calendar above can help you fully enter in to the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ. (USCCB.ORG)

Click on the link for an interactive Advent calendar!

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/>



I wish all of you a Blessed Thanksgiving! May God continue to Bless you with his gifts!

Peace,

Mrs. Kristen A. Hass



*Happy Thanksgiving!
To You And Your Family*