

From Pontiff to Pew (continued):

Christ's Resurrection is not an idea, a theory, but the Event that is the foundation of faith. He, the Risen One, through the Holy Spirit, continues to remind us of this, so that we can be His witnesses even where human history does not see light on the horizon. Paschal hope does not disappoint. To believe truly in the Pasch through our daily journey means revolutionizing our lives, being transformed in order to transform the world with the gentle and courageous power of Christian hope.

Shadow Stations of The Nativity - St. Clement Church is starting a new Advent Tradition: Experience the "Shadow Stations of the Nativity, a Journey of Hope" presented by Parishioners on Saturday, November 29th following the 4:00PM Mass. It will be held in the St. Clement Church social hall, and the price will be \$10 a person. Enjoy a dinner of ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, and dessert. The service will begin after dinner at 7:00PM. Escape the commercial rush and enter into the true spirit of preparation this advent. We invite you to a special devotional service, using shadow art and Scripture. Join us as we walk the path of Mary and Joseph as they awaited the birth of our Savior! This powerful experience is a wonderful way to prepare your heart for Christmas! Get your ticket after any of the weekend masses, or at the St. Clement Church office Monday-Friday 8:00AM-3:00PM. Reservations will be taken for those who cannot use the stairs to the social hall and would like their dinner to be served in the classroom. Please call the church office at 814-255-4422 with any questions.

CCW Advent Program - A day of reflection titled: "Christmas at the Nativity" will be offered at the CCW Incarnation Center on December 5, 2025 from 10 AM - 3 PM. Pope Francis writes in his book by the same title: The nativity scene is like a living Gospel rising up from the pages of Scripture. As we contemplate the Christmas story, we are invited to set out on a spiritual journey, drawn by the humility of the God who became man in order to encounter every man and woman. We come to realize that so great is his love for us that he became one of us, so that we in turn might become one with him. Take some time during the early days of Advent to reflect upon the common images we are so accustomed to in the nativity scene. Allow what may have become common place to be transformed into an enlivened sense of awe and wonder when reflecting upon the gift of God's tremendous love. Materials and lunch will be provided. Registration required by December 1. To register, email CommunityofficeCCW@gmail.com or srmarilynw@CCWcommunity.org, or call 814-886-4098. A free-will offering is appreciated.

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), this weekend, a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish and diocese. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection