



**For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled,
but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.**

Luke 14:11

ST ELEANOR CHURCH

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EMAIL: CHURCH@STELEANOR.COM WEBSITE: WWW.STELEANOR.COM SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**



September 1, 2019
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH REGISTRATION: New to the parish? Please call for an appointment with one of the priests
PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 8am to 7pm, Friday: 8am to 3pm, Saturday: 9am - 1pm

CLERGY

Msgr. Michael T. McCulken, Pastor
Rev. John A. Franey, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Alessandro Giardini, Parochial Vicar
Msgr. Thomas A. Murray, In Residence
Deacon John A. Hasson
Deacon Edward T. Hinson

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Linda Coyne, Finance Director
Ms. Janet Genuardi
Mrs. Laura Jusko
Mrs. Jean Phillips
Mrs. Madelyn O'Hara

SACRED MUSIC

Ms. Elizabeth Calabro, Director
Mrs. Mary Barbuto, Organist
Mr. Frank Orman, Organist

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mr. Matt Kirsch



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Week Ending August 9, 2019

Regular Collection	\$	28,542
Other Collection	\$	679
Total	\$	29,221
Diocesan Collections	\$	5

Regular Sunday Collections

Fiscal Year-to-Date**

June 30, 2018– August 9, 2019	\$	149,494
June 30, 2017–August 9, 2018	\$	161,683

YTD Tithing

June 30, 2018–August 9, 2019	\$	3,628
June 30, 2017–August 9, 2018	\$	3,831



A first aid kit and an AED are available in the Narthex across from the chapel.

Mass Schedule

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am,
12:00 Noon and 7:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 6:30 am
Monday to Saturday: 9:00 am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:00 to 8:45 am; 3:30—4:15 pm
(Wednesdays after Masses
By appointment anytime.)

PERPETUAL ADORATION

In Our Lady Chapel
(except 9am Saturday—2pm Sunday)

EDUCATION

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): For adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or adults in need of Confirmation. Meetings are held during the school year.

HOLY CROSS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Serves the families of Saint Eleanor and Sacred Heart Parish, Royersford. Christ-centered teaching and strong academic emphasis for Pre-K through Grade 8. Mrs. Theresa Healy, Principal. 610-489-9434 ext. 2225

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP: after-school religious instruction for children in grades 1 and up. Three components: One-week summer program, Family Option and Confirmation program. Teri Lahey, Director. 610-489-4677 X 31.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Offered to the younger children during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses on Sundays September through May.

PASTORAL COUNCIL Composed of elected & appointed members who advise the Pastor concerning pastoral circumstances and needs of the parish/parishioners.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Scheduled most Sundays at 1:00 pm. Please make arrangements in advance with one of the priests. First-time parents attend Pre-Jordan, a Baptismal Preparation meeting usually held on the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm.
Pre-registration with the parish office is required at least 7 days prior to the class. 610-489-1647.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made with one of the priests or deacons at least six months before the desired wedding date. Couples attend the Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program (also held here at St. Eleanor).

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: For anyone needing the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office or see a priest after Mass.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Communion is brought to the sick in their homes. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Bulletin—All info and announcements to be published in the bulletin are due to the Parish Office by the Thursday ten days prior. Flyer inserts are due to the Parish Office two weeks ahead of the desired bulletin date. Bulletin information and inserts should be e-mailed to jgenuardi@steeleanor.com.



Dear Friends,

Happy Labor Day Weekend! Whether or not Mother Nature goes along, our Fall level of activities gets into full swing this week. Holy Cross Regional Catholic opens its doors this Wednesday and the Faculty reports in on Tuesday. May the Lord bless both students and teachers with a faith-filled and successful academic year. The celebration for Catechetical Sunday will be at the 9 am Mass on September 15 with prayers and a special blessing for all catechists, teachers, Children's Liturgy of the Word volunteers, RCIA volunteers, Pre-Jordan leaders, Pre-Cana couples, ChristLife and Walking With Purpose Team members, volunteers and formators in our Faith.

Next Sunday, we open our annual celebration of the **Forty Hours devotions** beginning with the 12 Noon Mass. *Adoration* will take place in our main Church from the conclusion of the Mass until Tuesday night, as well as our daily Masses. Adoration will return to Chapel after the conclusion of our outdoor Eucharistic Procession and Benediction on Tuesday night.

Father Christopher Cooke is our homilist this year. We welcome him back home to Saint Eleanor. Sunday evening will be Mass with Homily. Monday evening will be Evening Prayer, Homily and Benediction. Tuesday evening will be Evening Prayer, Homily, outdoor procession with Benediction. Each evening is a 7 pm start time. We look forward to the participation of our various ministries and program participants in the Tuesday procession along with the Verdi Band of Norristown. This is a special opportunity for prayer, adoration and worship in the life of our parish. We hope you make plans to be a special part of it.

A little over a week ago, the press reported on the arrest of Monsignor Joseph McLoone who faces criminal charges of theft. It was also reported that he had opened a bank account that was not reflected on the parish books. This is a violation of Archdiocesan financial control practices and procedures. investigation of this account showed that certain expenditures appeared consistent with normal parish expenses and others did not. Monsignor was placed on administrative leave and resigned as pastor. The matter was taken up by the Chester County District Attorney and the Archdiocese and the Parish cooperated fully.

The charges are serious and distressing to all of us. This situation of violating proper procedures and protocols along with misusing parish finances is perplexing, sad and disconcerting. Here at Saint Eleanor Parish as well as at Holy Cross Regional Catholic, every account is recorded and maintained on the parish/school financial books. We have a diligent finance director and part-time business manager along with active and engaged Finance Council/Committee members who provide an additional level of oversight. When the Archdiocese began to use outside auditing firms to review the financial records, we were among the very first to engage their recommended vendor, taking part in the piloting of this new system of review and accountability. We have had two audit reports which have been exemplary. These audit reviews occur yearly. We will continue to do everything we can to be good stewards of the financial gifts entrusted to the parish and school. May we pray for and support one another, helping each other to become more consciously disciples of the Lord sharing His gifts generously.

God bless you, God love you,
Monsignor McCulken

Happy Labor Day!- Monday , 9/2
Join us for Mass 9am (no 6:30 am)

Perpetual Adoration
will close Thursday, August 29th at 9 am & reopen Tuesday, September 3rd after 9 am Mass

Parish Office closed Monday, September 2

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 31

BVM

9:00 Jiovamin Mazzamuto
4:30 The People of the Parish

Sunday, September 1

7:30 Charles Heil, Jr.
9:00 The People of the Parish
10:30 Martha Connolly
12:00 Charles Cicala
7:00 No 7 PM Mass

Monday, September 2

6:30 No 6:30 Mass
9:00 Labor Day Mass

Tuesday, September 3

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

6:30 Kathleen Gomez
9:00 David Dellana

Wednesday, September 4

6:30 Nancy & Albert Viola
9:00 Scott Barszowski (1st Anniv.)

Thursday, September 5

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

6:30 William J. Mazzulla (4th Anniv.)
9:00 Carlo & Romana Dellana

Friday, September 6

6:30 Regina Keffer (7th Anniv.)
9:00 Anne Meng

Saturday, September 7

BVM

9:00 Donna Flick
4:30 Donna Flick

Baptisms

Emersyn Rose, daughter of John Castalas and Stacey Bohl

Congratulations and prayers from our Saint Eleanor Family to the parents, godparents, and families of the newly baptized incorporated into the Body of Christ.

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, September 8th at 2 pm in Kateri Hall. First-time parents need to attend & may attend this program before the birth of your child. **Pre-registration with the parish office is required at least 7 days prior to the class.** Baptismal paperwork is due two weeks prior to Baptism.

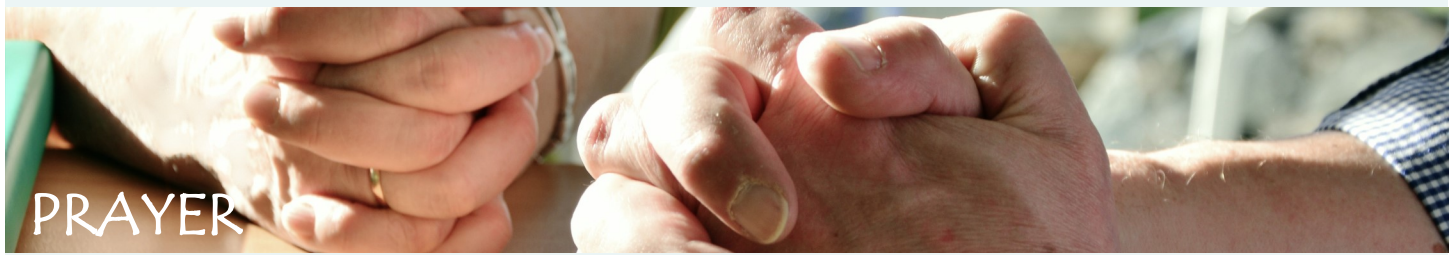
Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:

Rose Marie Drummy on her birthday given by the Drummy family

For a Rose of Resurrection to remember those who have passed away, call Paula Pezzano at 610-489-0533. Please request roses at least one month before the rose is to be placed on the altar.

Rose for Life

To reserve a Rose for Life, call Donna Kolb, 610-547-0478. Cost is \$8 per request.



PRAYER

FOR OUR DECEASED: Gregory Magee (father of Greg), Teresa DiNicolò (aunt of Giuseppe Shilia), Domenica Violante, Terrence Tinneney (father of Michael), John Blackmon (stepfather of Deborah Cava)

FOR OUR SICK: Catherine Alexander, Cass Buben, Ralph Bucher, Connie Clarke, Joseph Clarke, Georgia Cordrey, Richard Dylinski, Joan Earhart, Tom Fuller, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Amy Hahn-Kirsch, Connie Henzler, Carl Janicki, Courtney Kirsch, Msgr. James McBride, Agnes McCarver, Martha Meng, Debbie Palumbo, Doris Palumbo, Steven Pinto, Paul Schneider, Sue Somers, Dr. Edward J. Szymala, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Bernadine Wahalla, Joan White

OUR LITTLE ONES: Corey Gramazio, Noah Ellingsworth

When your loved one recovers, please notify the Parish Office so we can offer a prayer of thanks!

PRAY for THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Sgt. Thomas Albany	Alexander Franke, SN
1st Lt. Andrew Bone	Lt Sean Feeney
Cpl. Bryan Luther	Specialist Nicholas Bielski
Andrew Somplasky	Ryan Somplasky
Sgt William Ronan	1st Lt. Connor Lyons
CDR Wendy Arnold, MD	Ens. Katherine Heacock
CM/Sgt Charles Gordon	Jeremy Somplasky
Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini	PFC Thomas Busfield

Lector Ministry

Has anyone ever complimented you on your speaking voice? Do you wish you could do more to help spread God's Word? Why not use your talents to proclaim the Word of God as a lector at Mass? Training and preparation is provided and the time commitment is not extensive and is flexible. Lectors read at weekend Masses, Holy Days and other special Masses during the year. Lectors must be at least age 14. Child safety clearances are also required. Contact Mark Pinto at lectorpinto@hotmail.com

DIVINE MERCY

The Divine Mercy theme for September is: **"God's Will"**
Saint Faustina writes: "The Lord Jesus gave me to know how very pleasing to Him is a soul who lives in accordance with the will of God"

Please join us for Divine Mercy Devotions every Thursday at 7:00 pm in Our Lady's Chapel. For more information please call Mary Ann McDonnell at 610-409-2622.

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

Call Kevin 610-489-4412 to schedule a week to host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. We will deliver the statue for those who need assistance. Sept 01: Open, Sept 08: Lisa Fuges, Sept 15: Kevin Strnad, Sept 22: John Miller

ROSARY

All are welcome
Monday thru Friday after the 9am Mass;
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM- Chapel

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We need a few good men and women! We have some times, especially in the overnight hours, that have your name on them!
perpetualadoration@steleanor.com

PRAYER WHEEL for PRIESTS and DEACONS

For the month of **September**, we will be praying for **Reverend John Franey**, and all his intentions.

If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons, please call Betty Rowlands at 610-489-3742.

SACRED MUSIC MINISTRY

We invite you to share your talents.

Did you know that there are over 1000 verses in the Bible that reference music—singing hymns of praise, blowing of trumpets, making a joyful song unto the Lord! You are invited to share your talents and become a member of St Eleanor's Sacred Ministry.

All involved seek to celebrate the Liturgy in a manner that promotes participation by all with exultation and reverence.

Join us!

All inquiries for all Sacred Music Ministries, contact Elizabeth Calabro at 610-489-1647 x 22 or ecalabro@steleanor.com



KEYBOARDIST NEEDED

The Spirit Revival Band is searching for a keyboard player to join them!

The group rehearses Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm and share music with the 7pm Mass on Sundays.

Interested musicians please contact Elizabeth Calabro at ECalabro@steleanor.com



Growing as a Disciple of Christ



40 Hours Devotion September 8, 9 & 10

Our guest Homilist is:
Father Christopher Cooke

- Begins with the 12 noon Mass on Sunday
- Continues with 7:00 pm Sunday Mass & homily
- Followed by Evening Devotions at 7:00 pm Monday and Tuesday. These include evening prayer, homily and benediction the other nights.
- Concludes with Outdoor Procession on Tuesday evening accompanied by the Verdi Band.



Attention boys and girls of Saint Eleanor's Parish!

Become an Altar Server

Come and join the noble cause of serving at the altar!

Age: 5th grade (new) and up!

Dates for Orientation coming soon

To sign up, please contact Father Giardini at the parish
office-agiardini@steleanor.com

Join and help serve God and your parish family!

JOIN SAINT ELEANOR'S

Youth Choir!

Children in grades 3-8 are welcome!

Information session and first rehearsal on
September 5 at 6:00 pm in the Church.

Please contact Elizabeth Calabro at
ecalabro@steleanor.com for more information.



FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER HELP NEEDED

Please sign up to help on Saturday, September 14,
from 12-2 for our 4th great
Amazing Harvest Festival!.

Help celebrate this joy-filled event to honor each other as one of God's Amazing Harvest. Free Games, to include Free Bingo, Kiddie Korner, Basket Raffles, Food Trucks, Magician, Balloon Artist, and Bounce House and await you at this indoor event. This year we have a Golden Ticket drawing, the winner will receive a \$200 school tuition credit at our Holy Cross Regional Catholic School. To Volunteer to help please email Dolores at: doloressteleanor@gmail.com or Shanise at Shanise.Depaul@gmail.com. Thank you.

Young Adult Bible Study to continue...

Calling all young adults! St. Eleanor's is doing a young adult bible study Thursdays at 7pm in the parish office. Come out to meet new people and encounter God in a new way.

Text or call Melissa at 610 554 0846 if interested or just show up!



Coming Soon

September 8-10—40 Hours
 September 12—Protecting God's Children Training
 September 14—Amazing Harvest Festival
 September 14—Padre Pio Prayer Group
 September 15—Catechetical Sunday
 September 16—Mass for Healing
 September 22—Children's Liturgy of the Word Begins

MASS FOR HEALING

September 16 —7:00 pm

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Next Meeting and Mass - September 14

9:40-Prayer & Confession

10:30— Mass & blessing with Padre Pio's relics

SCRIP

SCRIP Gift Cards

are available for a variety of items: tools, clothes, entertainment, favorite restaurants & more.

SCRIP HOURS

Mon.—Thurs., Noon— 7:00 pm and Friday, Noon—4:00 pm in Parish Office; Before & after Saturday Vigil Mass & Sunday 8:00 am—12:00 Noon in Narthex

No SCRIP Sales— August 31-September 1

Protecting God's Children Training

Thursday September 12 - 6 pm

Holy Cross cafeteria

To register, go to: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=



Save the Date
Amazing Harvest Festival
September 14th

St Vincent DePaul Society



Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "...when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." During the summer, through your gifts, Society of St. Vincent de Paul members assisted neighbors in need during 40 plus visits to the Pantry with approximately 225 bags of groceries and gift cards to purchase meats and other perishable items. Contributions to the Poor Box supplied the funds to provide gas cards and payment assistance of utility, housing, and insurance bills.

Walking with Purpose

Coming this fall to St. Eleanor Parish

Thursday's starting October 3, 2019

Vianney Hall

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Black and Indian Mission Collection has changed the landscape of evangelization and education efforts for Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans throughout the United States. Your financial contribution to this fund assists clergy, religious and lay catechists, parishes, schools and catechetical centers for the evangelization of the Black and Native American peoples throughout our country.

As we embark on another year of evangelization in the Black Catholic, Native American and Alaskan Native communities, everyone is encouraged to make a difference by offering their prayers for the fruitful support of the missions in the United States and to consider expressing concretely their Christian solidarity through sacrificial offerings.

Your support impacts the daily pastoral work of our bishops, consecrated religious women and men, and lay-leadership who labor on Indian reservations, urban centers, Black Catholic and Alaskan Native parishes, mission schools and the many, many diocesan programs and projects that strengthen the work of the Gospel. Locally, through grants awarded from this collection, a number of parishes within the Archdiocese are able to fund pastoral outreach and evangelization programs. It is only through your continued generosity of this collection that such efforts are realized.

The Collection for the Black and Indian Missions will be held in parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on the weekend of September 7 and 8, 2019. I ask your continued prayers and generous financial support of this collection.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.



HOLY CROSS REGIONAL SCHOOL

A School United in Faith, Hope, and Love

www.hcrc.school

Have you considered sending your child to Catholic School?

Registration is open at Holy Cross Regional Catholic School for students in Pre-K through 8th grades.

Call 610-489-9434 ext. 1 for more information.

Help Us Support the Spiritual and Academic Tradition of a Catholic School Education!

The experience of a Catholic school education is shared and valued by many of us.

*Direct donations help fund resources and technology for Holy Cross Regional Catholic School

*PA EITC tax credits provide scholarship opportunities to families who desire a Catholic education but need assistance in making that dream come true.

*Through the generous participation of companies and individuals like YOU the EITC program at Holy Cross was able to provide over **50 students** with scholarship assistance for the coming school year.

*Your help to continue to provide this support is still needed. Please contact Paul Klauder at 610-676-2225 or pklauder@seic.com to learn more. Thank you!



Programs for Young Disciples

YOUTH MINISTRY



BOLD (Becoming Our Lord's Disciples) is Saint Eleanore's high school youth group. All students in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for BOLD nights and high school events.

4Thirteens St. Eleanore's junior high youth group. All students grades 7-8 are invited for 4Thirteens nights & junior high events.

GIFT (Growing in Faith for Teens) is St Eleanore's service program for youth. All students grades 7-12 who wish to serve are invited to participate in GIFT programs.

We have 1 registration for all 3 programs. Registration is online and it is free! Please follow this link to register for the Youth Ministry programs: <https://tinyurl.com/y6vopyrt>

P.R.E.P. Religious Education 2019 – 2020

Registration for **Family Option**, Levels 1 – 6, home-based catechesis, is now open!

New families: please visit www.steleanor.com/prep and complete the online application and learn more about this new exciting program!

Returning families: To register for **Family Option**, please go to <https://www.paritygiving.org> to access your account.

Contact **Parish Giving** directly if you forgot your username and password by calling **866-307-7140**.

SCOUTS

Are you interested in joining our Cub Scouts? St. Eleanore Pack 707 is accepting new registrations for boys and girls in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade! We also accept students from the surrounding area and districts! You can register online anytime at the scouting.org site.

Our pack will have a registration and information event on **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2019 FROM 8:30AM-12NOON** in the Kateri Room (beige trailer off of the church parking lot). Stop by to find out more about our program and sign up!

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events Coming Soon!

Sunday, September 15, 2019 Opening of a New Catechetical Year

Each year the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops proposes a theme for the new catechetical year. This year's theme is **"Stay with Us."**

All those **parishioners who are involved** in a catechetical ministry (Catholic schoolteachers, volunteer catechists and facilitators, RCIA instructors, Pre-Jordan and Pre-Canva leaders, and Children's Liturgy of the Word volunteers) are **invited to attend the 9:00 Mass** for the annual blessing and commissioning to open the new catechetical year.

Catechetical Sunday is our opportunity to recognize, celebrate, and thank these men and women for their participation as disciples of Jesus in the teaching mission of the Church!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

will resume at the **9 am and 10:30 am Mass** beginning Sunday, **September 22**. We look forward to sharing God's Word with your children! We wish to thank all of the volunteers who plan to serve in this special ministry this coming year. In addition, we always **welcome new volunteers!**

If you are interested in joining this beautiful ministry for our parish children, please contact Teri, lahey@steleanor.com or phone 610-489-4677.

CYO News—<http://cyo.steleanor.com>

St Eleanore Catholic Youth Organization is open to all 5th through 8th grades, 9th—12th grades (Basketball only & Co-Ed Volleyball in Spring), and 1st through 3rd (Pee Wee Track/Cross Country) children of our PARISH. Please update your family information, including e-mail address. This is how CYO Registrar, AD, &/or your child's coach will contact you for meetings, practice schedule, etc.

-Looking for **CYO Spirit Wear**? Maybe for a birthday, Christmas or Graduation Gift? St. Eleanore CYO Gear can be ordered on-line here: <https://ragtee.com/store/index.php/portfolio/stecyo/>

United Way is an important source of funding for our program. Please consider SE CYO when you are making charitable donations, this includes company matching thru United Way. Our agency name is St. Eleanore, and please specify CYO. Our number is 08018

Has your email address changed? If so, please visit our web-site and update your profile so we can keep you informed.

CYO WEBSITE <http://cyo.steleanor.com> ****Remember to Like Us On Facebook!**



MINISTRIES

Altar Cross Society	Take care of altar linens	Irene 610-287-8552
Cenacles of Life	meet each week to pray the rosary to end abortion. Tuesdays, 6:00 PM, Chapel	Rita 610-489-1929
Charismatic Prayer Group	Strives to develop a deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit, Scriptures & the Mass. Wednesdays 7:30pm Vianney Hall	Joann 610-584-6552
ChristLife	Helping people discover, follow & share Christ as members of the Church.	Frank 610-650-8457
Church Cleaning Ministry	Group who beautifies our church each Monday	Ginny 610-539-9543
Church Decorating Group	Enhance our church each season	Margarida 215-888-7509
Couples for Christ	Couples & families supporting each other in the quest to live for Christ	Jinky 610-454-5754
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	Assists with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and/or to our homebound.	Nancy 610-659-0237
Gardening Angels	Help keep our campus beautiful.	Rachel 610-409-9408
Hospitality	Plans events to make all parishioners feel welcome.	Leslie 610-948-9122
Knights of Columbus	Meet 2nd Sunday of each month serving St Eleanor & St Mary	Robert 610-783-4106
Lector Ministry	Read at weekend Masses, Holy Days and other special Masses. Must be age 14.	Mark-610-792-1679
Legion of Mary	Lay ministry giving service to parish, visiting parish households and meeting for weekly prayer	Richard 610-489-3891
Lupus Support Group	Providing support, prayer and hope for those with this autoimmune disease	Christie 610-489-2761
Men of St Joseph	Meet for prayer & reflection on the Sunday readings every Friday after the 6:30 am Mass	Anthony 610-489-8812
MOSES. (Men of St Eleanor)	Strengthen and encourage men to be strong husbands, fathers and neighbors	Sandy 610-409-0587
Pilgrim Statue	Traveling blessed image of the Virgin Mary	Kevin 610-489-4412
Pray the Rosary	M-F after 9:00 Mass; Wed evening 7pm, chapel	am Betty 610-489-3742 pm Angie 610-489-9903
Respect Life Committee	Promotes Gospel of Life through prayer, witness and education	Chris 610-409-0179
St Vincent DePaul Society	Through corporal works of mercy, SVDP bears witness to love of Christ by helping those in need	Maureen 610-489-1647
Ushers	Assist during weekend liturgies, Holy Days & special occasions	Butch 610-584-0225
Walking with Purpose	Catholic women's Bible study	Maureen—610-454-0650
Welcoming Ministry	Greet and welcome parishioners before Mass	Bettie 610-933-7243
Women's Guild	Gather to celebrate fellowship	Celeste 610-409-8808



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Little Sisters of the Poor, Saturday Sept 8 \$150/couple. Drexelbrook Banquet Center; send to Holy Family Home, www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.com

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Widows and Widowers- Our New Beginnings group is an opportunity to socialize with in a supportive environment; meets monthly during school year, first Wed/month, 7pm in St. Helena's. Our first three meetings held on Sept. 4, Oct. 2, and Nov. 6. Janice Baker at janlb@comcast.net or call 610-278-9916.

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Courage/Encourage Ministry—Courage, an apostolate of the Roman Catholic Church, ministers to those with same-sex attractions and their families. Info-call (215) 587-4505 or .philadelphia@gmail.com or visit: phillycourage.com. Confidentiality is assured.

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Regina Nursing Home **Annual Bazaar**, September 7, 8:30 am—2 pm 550 E Fornance St, Norristown Vendors welcome. Kathleen at 610-272-5600

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Healing Service at St. Mary Magdalen, Media Sept 9 with Fr. Jim Blount . 6:30 pm Rosary 7pm Mass

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Saint Mary Feast- Sept 7 & 8. Sat, raffle baskets & Attic Treasures w/music 5-7:30pm. \$20. Sunday- food, fun 1- 6:30pm. 40 Spring Mount Road, Schwenksville. www.churchofsaintmary.org. 610.287.8156

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Tea with Therese! 4-wk course at Fatima House in Bedminster, Tuesdays, 7-8:30 p.m. Sept 10- Oct 1. Same course held on-line on Thursday 8-9 p.m. on Sept 13. <https://www.catholiclifeinstitute.org/calendar/special-events/>

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Married Couples Retreat: Malvern Retreat House, Sept13-15. Directed by Deacon Anthony Cincotta. MalvernRetreat.com or 610-644-0400

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National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children—Sat, Sept 14, 2-3pm. Join us for memorial service in our community: St. Eleanor's Unborn Memorial, Rita , 610-489-1929 or providar-ita1@gmail.com. Let us remember victims of abortion & pray for end to this injustice during the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Remain in My Love Mini-Conference on Marriage. Sept 15, 2-4:30 pm. Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Free; Childcare provided; RSVP at <http://archphila.org/remain2019/>

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Deepening Centering Prayer Retreat. Sept 15-19 at Mother Boniface Center, Phila. 267-350-1830

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The **Role of the Laity** in a Time of Crisis -an evening of reflection on the mission of the laity. phillyevang.org/events. Tues, Sept 17, 7 pm, St. Stanislaus, Lansdale & Mon, Oct 7, 7pm, St. Andrew Olde Church, Newtown

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Alpha Course- Visitation BVM in Trooper, 10-weeks beginning Thursday, Sept 19, 6:30pm. There is an "Information Night" on Thursday, Sept 12, 7pm in the Junior High school library. Call/text Joe 610-715-1593, or Ed 610-608-8629. www.alpha.org.

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Golf Tournament benefits St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Church, Fri, Sept 20, 11am, Blackwood Golf Course, Douglassville. \$85, \$25/banquet only. Kathy 610-326-5127) or contact@sgsm62.org.

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AbbeyFest: Faith, Music and Family Festival, Sept 21, 12-9:30 PM. Join over 4,000 Christians for a day of music, praise, prayer, sacraments and fun. Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, <http://www.theabbeyfest.com/>

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Family Faith Day, Sat, Sept 21, 10 am—3 pm, 44 Lake St, Leron Ny. events@ourladyofmercyleroy.org

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Contemplative Prayer Retreat, Sept 23 – 26 Marianist Family Retreat Center —www.capemaymarianists.org. Cape May Point, 609-884-3829. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, quiet personal time, special liturgies and daily Eucharist. \$155/pp

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Corpus Christi Bingo September 28th, doors open at 9 am, admission \$25 (includes lunch) Laurie at 610-584-5694 or geraldponticello@comcast.net

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Sharing Life with Disabilities presents **Breakfast and More.** Saturay, Sept 28 8-11 am. Queen of the Universe Parish Center, Levittown. 215-791-5113, sharinglifewithdisabilities@gmail.com