# Stewardship...giving back to God with a grateful heart

# St. Eleanor Church

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#### **PARISH STAFF**

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#### **OFFICE STAFF**

Mrs. Susan Gordon Mrs. Jean Phillips Mrs. Melissa Sinner Mrs. Madelyn O'Hara

Ms. Casey Semenza

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

# PERPETUAL ADORATION

In Our Lady Chapel (except 9AM Saturday through 2 PM Sunday)

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 8:00 to 8:45 AM 3:30 to 4:15 PM By appointment anytime.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

<u>BAPTISMS:</u> 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 2PM in Vianney Hall. See page 2 for the next date.

<u>MARRIAGES:</u> 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.

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

<u>PARISH REGISTRATION</u>: New to the parish? Please call for an appointment with one of the priests.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 8 AM to 7 PM Friday: 8 AM to 5 PM Saturday: 9 AM to 1 PM

#### **EDUCATION**

Saint Eleanor Catholic Churc

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. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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 K thru 6. Classes held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Contact Ms. Teri Lahey, Director of Religious Education at 610-489-4677 ext. 2233 Children's Liturgy of the Word: Offered to the younger children in the parish during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9AM Mass on Sundays. G.I.F.T.: Junior High Program is held on select Sundays. Contact Mr. Matt Kirsch at 610-489-1647 ext. 15.

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

<u>FINANCE COUNCIL</u> Meets five to six times a year to advise the pastor on financial and administrative matters of the parish.



# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME**

OCTOBER 23, 2016

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

	Saturday, October 22
4:30	John P. Keffer, Jr.
	(6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

#### Sunday, October 23

7:30	John E. Coppinger, Jr.
9:00	Christine McLaughlin
10:30	For the People of the Parish

12:00 PM Betty Selby 7:00 PM Jason Capinski

#### Monday, October 24 Saint Anthony Mary Claret

6:30	Richard Angelo III
	(20 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
9.00	Èrank Fierro

# Tuesday, October 25

6:30	Andrew Kelhart
9:00	Rosemary Summers

# Wednesday, October 26

6:30	Mary Ann Ryan
9:00	Anne Marie Tate

#### Thursday, October 27

6:30	Albert and Nancy Viola
9:00	Mary Anne Petitto

# Friday, October 28

	Sairie Sillion and Jude
6:30	Special Intention of Anthony
	and Christina Viola
9:00	Sandy Good

# Saturday, October 29

9:00	Thomas Oakes III
4:30	Catherine Russo
	(12 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

#### **Baptisms**

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



- ~ Sienna James, daughter of Michael and Kristin Kotsch
- ~ Ryder Scott, son of Scott and Kathleen Wiegand

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, November 6, at 2 PM in Vianney Hall (lower level of the Parish Center and Offices\*). First-time parents need to attend and may attend this program before the birth of your child. Baptismal paperwork is due in the Parish Office two weeks prior to the Baptism. \* previously known as the rectory

#### Rose for Life

~ Ralph and Maureen Nelson celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary



To reserve a Rose for Life, please call Donna Kolb at 610-948-3955.

## Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:

~ Edward Miller on our 57th wedding anniversary, given by wife Edith

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.

#### Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons

For the month of **October** we will be praying for our parochial vicar, Father Christopher Moriconi, 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.



Dear Friends,

A WORD

FROM THE

All of us are struggling with anxiety and worry for our country and for our world. The political landscape is in grave confusion, the PASTOR problems we face at home and abroad are mind boggling. The information coming out

that intimate an attack on the Catholic Faith or at least grave disrespect for our Faith is devastating.

We have already made available at the Church entrances two publications to try to help our people understand how to be faithful citizens engaged in the public discourse and public square, especially in this tumultuous year. In this bulletin, we publish Archbishop Kurtz's recent statement and our Archbishop's recent column addressing several of these issues that we are facing as a nation and as a Church. Archbishop Kurtz's remarks are below, Archbishop Chaput's column is on page 4 of this bulletin and can be reached by going to www.catholicphilly.com where you will also be able to access the Archbishop's previous columns about the election. I encourage you to read these.

Allow me to offer you a few ideas or steps you can take, which were shared with me by a pastor friend of mine and which he offered to his parishioners  $\sim 1$ . Turn off the news: tv, radio, blogs. They will simply continue to provide confusion on a 24-hour basis; 2. Read each party's platform as well as the candidates' position pers; 3. Pray, pray and pray for the wisdom and ance of the Holy Spirit. We cannot give in to the confusion and fear. We must cling to our dear Lord for the wisdom, strength and enlightenment that we need.

> A statement from Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville, Kentucky President, USCCB "The Gospel Serves the Common Good, Not Political Agendas"

WASHINGTON—At this important time in our nation's history, I encourage all of us to take a moment to reflect on one of the founding principles of our republic – the freedom of religion. It ensures the right of faith communities to preserve the integrity of their beliefs and proper self-governance. There have been recent reports that some may have sought to interfere in the internal life of the Church for short-term political gain. If true, this is troubling both for the well-being of faith communities and the good of our country.

In our faith and our Church, Christ has given us a precious gift. As Catholics, we hold onto our beliefs because they come to us from Jesus, not a consensus forged by contemporary norms. The Gospel is offered for all people for all times. It invites us to love our neighbor and live in peace with one another. For this reason, the truth of Christ is never outdated or inaccessible. The Gospel serves the common good, not political agendas.

I encourage my fellow Catholic brothers and sisters, and all people of good will, to be good stewards of the precious rights we have inherited as citizens of this

country. We also expect public officials to respect the rights of people to live their faith without interference from the state. When faith communities lose this right, the very idea of what it means to be an American is lost.

Politicians, their staffs and volunteers should reflect our best aspirations as citizens. Too much of our current political discourse has demeaned women and marginalized people of faith. This must change. True to the best hopes of our founding fathers, we are confident that we can and will do better as a nation.

#### RCIA ~ Sessions on and about the Catholic Faith ~ Begins!



#### Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM

was the opening night for all those inquiring or interested in discovering more about our Catholic Faith! These sessions, about an hour and a half long, are information and faith sharing evenings that will continue through the coming months on Thursday evenings. They are hosted by a team of our parishioners and clergy. We are looking forward to an inspiring and awesome journey together investigating the ways of God, the person of Jesus Christ our Savior, and the prayer life of the Church.

There is no commitment required. Any adult, interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, or interested in joining the Catholic Church, or a Catholic wishing to complete the reception of their Sacraments, is invited to

If you couldn't make it on October 13th, please join us on any other Thursday in Vianney Hall, the basement of the Parish Center and Offices (the former Rectory). We look forward to meeting you. Any questions, please call the parish office, 610.489.1647.

FORMED is here! Formed offers FORMED is field. To make the first free downloadable books, Bible studies, video and movies with a

Catholic focus. Log on at www.formed.org and sign up using your e-mail address and the Parish Code: HIEEM3.

# Feast of Pope St. John Paul II Movie: Pope John Paul II

This epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter. It explores his life behind the scenes: how he touched millions of people and changed the face of the Church and the world and how he defended the dignity of mankind. Jon Voight's powerful, Emmy-nominated performance as John Paul II was widely praised, as was Cary Elwes as the young Karol. Shot on location in Rome and Poland in close connection with the Vatican, this is the definitive epic film on the life of Pope John Paul II.



FOR OUR SICK: Ann Marie Allen, Nathan Allen, Joseph Art, Jr., Elizabeth Ashenfelder, Kathleen Bani, Lisa Caruso, Lori Bani, Christine Barrett, Kaitlyn Barrett, Kathleen Beaudoin, Rachel Beck, Michael Bell, Deacon Manny Beltran, Jackie Bielski, Arthur Buben, Jennifer Buczkowski, Diane Burg, Sandy Burns, Rosemary Carney, Anne Cartenuto, Marc Chevrier, Monica Cipriani, Doris Coffey, Gerald Collins, Ray Cooper, Kathy Cronin, Sheila Davis, Denise DeCaro, Todd DeMent, Mary Derivan, Vince DiDonato, Pat DiPiano, Christopher Dorman, Betty Dougherty, Linda Dougherty, Claire Esposito, Vito Fabiano, Dorothy Fairbanks, John Fitzgerald, Neil Florio, Sandy Forcine, Stephanie George, Mary Ann Gibbie, Jessica Gladwin, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Shari Richardson Gray, Helen Guarnaccia, Joan Hallman, Virginia Heinz, Bobby Henzler, Tammy Hockenbrock, Jim Holland, Ray Kelley, Joanne Kennedy, Carisa Koziol, Nettie Krall, Eva Kramer, Leona Kretzu, Marilyn Kretzu, Al Lamar, Linda LeNoir, Ann Lentz, Nate Lentz, Stephen Lewis, Carol Logue, Steve Love, Joe Lutz, Tom Lytle, Joan Mahoney, Julia Mahoney, Mary Mahoney, Marie and Sarah, Barbara Marosky, Elizabeth Mauger, George Mauger, Agnes McCarver, Jaime McNutt, Doreen Keckley Meader, Allison Leo Mitchell, Francesca Moran, Fr. Tom Morris, Charles Mruskovic, Jr., Gene Mullin, Chucky Nelson, Marion Niedzolkowski, Pat O'Rourke, Ed Osisek, Lorraine Osisek, Marla Pennypacker, Steve Pinto, Ed Pressler, Carol Ann Price, Faith R., Joseph Reeves, Kathleen Riggs, Dick Robbins, Megan Roth, Jack Russo, Linda Sauer, Paul Schneider, Mary Pat Seiss, Dorothy Sloan, Joe Somers, Anne Marie Stoudt, Yoshiko Strohlein, Dennis Sullivan, Howard Taormino, Ron Tautkus, Michael Troemel, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Cristina Utti, Dominic Vacanti, Jr., Billy Watts, Nancy Wenrich, Pat Willits, Albrette Zvarik

**FOR OUR LITTLE ONES**: Brandon Gallagher, Baby Corey Gramazio, Maggie Lutz, Baby Nicholas Manzi, Kiera McMahon, Baby Zachary Sinnk, Philomena Stendardo, Isaiah Thoxton, Baby Dell Tolas, Justin Wichner

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

## About those unthinking, backward Catholics By Charles J. Chaput

Back in 2008, in the weeks leading up to the Obama-McCain presidential election, two young men visited me in Denver. They were from Catholics United, a group describing itself as committed to social justice issues. They voiced great concern at the manipulative skill of Catholic agents for the Republican Party. And they hoped my brother bishops and I would resist identifying the Church with single-issue and partisan (read: abortion) politics.

It was an interesting experience. Both men were obvious flacks for the Obama campaign and the Democratic Party — creatures of a political machine, not men of the Church; less concerned with Catholic teaching than with its influence. And presumably (for them) bishops were dumb enough to be used as tools, or at least prevented from helping the other side.

Yet these two young men not only equaled but surpassed their Republican cousins in the talents of servile partisan hustling. Thanks to their work, and activists like them, American Catholics helped to elect an administration that has been the most stubbornly unfriendly to religious believers, institutions, concerns and liberty in generations.

I never saw either young man again. The cultural damage done by the current White House has — apparently — made courting America's bishops unnecessary.

But they can always get worse. I'm thinking, of course, of the contemptuously anti-Catholic emails exchanged among members of the Clinton Democratic presidential campaign team and released this week by WikiLeaks. A sample: Sandy Newman, president of Voices for Progress, emailed John Podesta, now the head of Hillary Clinton's campaign, to ask about whether "the bishops opposing contraceptive coverage" could be the tinder for a revolution. "There needs to be a Catholic Spring, in which Catholics themselves demand the end of a middle ages [sic] dictatorship." Newman writes.

Of course, Newman added, "this idea may just reveal my total lack of understanding of the Catholic church, the economic power it can bring to bear against nuns and priests who count on it for their maintenance." Still, he wondered, how would one "plant the seeds of a revolution"? John Podesta replied that "We created Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good to organize for a moment like this . . . likewise Catholics United" (emphasis added).

Another Clinton-related email, from John Halpin of the Center for American Progress, mocks Catholics in the so-called conservative movement, especially converts: "They must be attracted to the systematic thought and severely backwards gender relations and must be totally unaware of Christian democracy." In a follow-up, he adds "They can throw around 'Thomistic' thought and 'subsidiarity' and sound so-phisticated because no one knows what . . . they're talking about." On the evening these WikiLeaks emails were released, I received the following angry email myself, this one from a nationally respected (non-Catholic) attorney experienced in Church-state affairs:

"I was deeply offended by the [Clinton team] emails, which are some of the worst bigotry by a political machine I have seen. [A] Church has an absolute right to protect itself when under attack as a faith and Church by civil political forces. That certainly applies here ...

"Over the last eight years there has been strong evidence that the current administration, with which these people share values, has been very hostile to religious organizations. Now there is clear proof that this approach is deliberate and will accelerate if these actors have any continuing, let alone louder, say in government.

"These bigots are actively strategizing how to shape Catholicism not to be Catholic or consistent with Jesus' teachings, but to be the 'religion' they want. They are, at the very core, trying to turn religion to their secular view of right and wrong consistent with their politics. This is fundamentally why the Founders left England and demanded that government not have any voice in religion. Look where we are now. We have political actors trying to orchestrate a coup to destroy Catholic values, and they even analogize their takeover to a coup in the Middle East, which amplifies their bigotry and hatred of the Church. I had hoped I would never see this day — a day like so many dark days in Eastern Europe that led to the death of my [Protestant minister] great grandfather at the hands of communists who also hated and wanted to destroy religion."

Of course it would be wonderful for the Clinton campaign to repudiate the content of these ugly WikiLeaks emails. All of us backward-thinking Catholics who actually believe what Scripture and the Church teach would be so very grateful.

In the meantime, a friend describes the choice facing voters in November this way: A vulgar, boorish lout and disrespecter of women, with a serious impulse control problem; or a scheming, robotic liar with a lifelong appetite for power and an entourage riddled with anti-Catholic bigots.

In a nation where "choice" is now the unofficial state religion, the menu for dinner is remarkably small.



# Pray for Those Serving Our Country

Sgt. Thomas Albany 1st Lt. Andrew Bone LTJG Sean Feeney Bryan Luther Jeremy Somplasky

Cmdr. Wendy Arnold, MD 1st Lt. Brian Davis CM/Sgt. Charles Gordon Andrew Somplasky Ryan Somplasky

Midn. Zachary Sermarini



#### Week Ending September 23, 2016

Regular Collection 26.127 Other Collections \$ 4,368 \$ Total 30,495 **Diocesan Collections** 3,367

#### Regular Sunday Collections Fiscal Year-to-Date

July 1, 2016—September 23, 2016 \$ 310,516 July 1, 2015—September 23, 2015 \$ 302,135

#### Amount Available for Tithing the Tithe

July -\$3,684 August - \$3,298

#### **Gluten Free Hosts**

A reminder that gluten free hosts are available for anyone who has celiac disease or gluten

tolerance issues. All you need to do is see someone in the sacristy before Mass and they will take care of your request.

# **World Mission Sunday**

This week we celebrate World Mission Sunday. This year's theme,

inspired by the Jubilee Year of Mercy, is "Witnesses of God's Mercy." Pope Francis invites the whole world to support developing Mission diocese in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, formerly Communist countries of Europe and remote regions of Latin America where priests, religious and lay ministers are called to share our faith and serve the poorest, those with the least possibility of finding assistance from other sources. Please keep Missionaries in your prayers and be as generous as possible in today's second collection.



WICS - The St. Eleanor Women In Catholic Service will hold their first meeting of the year on Tuesday, October 25th, at 7:30 PM in Vianney

Hall. New members are always welcome.

#### Looking for disciples interested in sharing our faith with our parish children

One of the greatest joys of our parish family is sharing our Catholic Faith with our young members! This is a vital, life-giving and ever dynamic aspect of parish life. Here at St. Eleanor, our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is responsible and leads this endeavor for all our children attending public schools and all our children receiving Sacraments. We have about 800 children who attend PREP and we need countless numbers of volunteers to help share our faith with our precious young ones. Will you consider helping out this coming Fall? You will join dozens and dozens of others who have answered this call already. The primary requirement of a catechist is a love for Jesus and a willingness to share the Catholic faith. If you are interested in learning more about what is involved in being a volunteer, please contact our Director of Religious Education, Teri Lahey, at 610-489-4677 ext. 2232, or tlahey@steleanor.com. You will be glad you did.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Edward Deliman will celebrate Confirmation at Saint Eleanor Parish on *Saturday, April 1, 2017*. All parents of children in 6<sup>th</sup> grade or above who attend a *Catholic Private School*, other than Holy Cross Regional Catholic School, and who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, should immediately contact *Teri Lahey*, at 610-489-9434, ext 2232 or tlahey@steleanor.com to make the proper arrangements. Thank you!



#### 2017 Sacrament Dates

First Penance Saturday, February 25, 2017

**Confirmation** Saturday, April 1, 2017

First Holy Communion Saturday, May 6, 2017



The Divine Mercy theme for the month of October is "Eucharist." Jesus said, "He who feeds on my flesh, and drinks my blood has life eternal, and I will raise him up on the last day." (John 6)

The Eucharist was the center of St. Faustina's life. She wrote: "One thing alone sustains me, and that is Holy Communion. From it I draw my strength; in it is all my comfort. I fear life on days I do not receive Holy Communion....Jesus concealed in the Host is everything to me." (para. 1037)

If you would like to know more about St. Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy, please join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Thursday at 7:00 P.M. in Our Lady's Chapel. For more information, please call Gerry Daly at 610-454-7984.

The **St. Padre Pio Prayer Group** meeting and Mass for November will be on **Nov. 19** The prayer meeting and confessions will begin at 9:40 AM. Mass will begin at 10:30 AM and blessing with Padre Pio's relics will take place after Mass. The celebrant is Fr. Hamilton.

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## Mass for Healing Wednesday, November 16

We are continuing our monthly **Mass for Healing**. Our next one will be on **Wednesday, November 16** at 7:00 PM.

We warmly invite everyone to this Mass, family members, friends and neighbors.

# **GETREADYTOVOTE**

On the tables at the church entrances you will find blue booklets entitled "A Brief Catechism for Catholic Voters." This publication is intended as a guide which will assist you in making choices and decisions about voting in elections. IT DOES NOT TELL YOU WHO TO VOTE FOR! You are encouraged to pick one up.

Walking With Purpose is offering a new course called Keeping In Balance. This 22-week course focuses on keeping balance within. Do you feel pulled in many directions? Do you find it hard to balance the demands placed on your time? Is it difficult to manage all the details thrown your way? If so, this study is for you! Join us as we explore biblical ways that we can manage life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. We will be meeting on Thursdays beginning Oct. 6th from 12:30-2:15pm in Vianney Hall. Cost is \$75 for the study guide and meeting supplies. For more information or to register please contact Maureen Bulwicz at

610-454-0650 or <u>MBulwicz@gmail.com</u>. No prior bible study experience needed.

Walking with Purpose is in search of someone to provide childcare during our Bible Study. Children will be in the room adjacent to where the study will take place. The study is scheduled for Thursdays from 12:30-2:15 PM starting October 6 to March 30. Visit <a href="https://www.childprotection.org">www.childprotection.org</a> for Safe Environment clearance requirements.

If interested and for more information, please contact Geraldine Petr (<u>geraldine.petr@gmail.com;</u> 617-935-5653).



St Eleanor Catholic Youth Organization is open to all 5th through 8th grades, 9th through 12th grades (Basketball only & Co-Ed Volleyball in Spring), and 1st through 3rd (Pee Wee Track/Cross Country) children of our PARISH. Please visit our web-site for more information: cyo.steleanor.com.



Registration for CYO Basketball will begin on Sunday, September 11th and end on Sunday, September 25th. Registration is open to registered St. Eleanor parishioners that are currently in 5th thru 8th grade (boys and girls). JV Level consists of 5th and 6th graders and Varsity Level consists of 7th and 8th Graders. Registration and payment are only available through the CYO Registration website: http://cyo.steleanor.com/registration/cyo.steleanor.com . All late registrants will be wait listed until it is determined that there is space available to add to the registration. All late registrations will incur a \$10 late fee. If you are interested in a position as a head coach for one of the teams, please contact Vince DeFlavia, Athletic Director at mailto:vinman6399@comcast.net, or Chris Phillips, Winter AD at mailto:christophermphillips@yahoo. (FYI: Registration for High School Basketball will be held at a later date.)

CYO DANCES: SE CYO sponsors monthly dances throughout the school year. These dances are open to 6th through 8th grade boys and girls in our local community. To enter the dance, the student must have a Dance Pass. Parish children have the choice of ordering an Annual Dance Pass or a Single Dance Pass. Children who are not members of St. Eleanor Parish must purchase a Single Dance Pass online prior to the dance and bring proper ID to enter the dances. Current school year ID's are considered proper ID. ID's from the previous school year, library cards, YMCA cards, report cards, etc. are not considered proper ID and cannot be used to gain admittance. To be admitted into the dance, you must have purchased either an Annual Dance Pass or a Single Dance Pass on line. The dances are chaperoned by parents of our CYO teams and programs. The doors open at 7 PM and the dancing ends at 10 PM sharp. Once inside, a child cannot leave without a parent before 10 PM. When dropping off your child please ensure your child has entered the dance before you depart. Please remember that there will be no dance tickets sold at the door. You must have a pre-purchased Dance Pass to enter the dance. There is a standard dress code for the dance and guidelines for parents to assist in chaperoning. Annual Dance Passes Will Be For Purchase: Cost \$35 and will admit you into all 7 dances. Individual Dance Pass: Cost \$7- per dance. Please visit our web-site for more information and to purchase dance passes: http:// cyo1.steleanor.com/registration/cyo.steleanor.com.

We will continue to do a food collection at each dance. Each child is asked to bring at least one canned good which will be donated to the St. Eleanor Food Bank. Thank you in advance for your help with the worthy cause. The First Dance of the 2016-2017 school year will be held in Saturday, September 24th. Contact Dan Cordrey with any questions at myah22700@comcast.net . Has your email address changed? If so, please visit our web-site and update your profile so we can keep you informed. United Way is an important source of funding for our program. Please consider us when you are completing your donor card. Our number is 08018. Thank you!

Playgroup ...

#### St Eleanor Playgroup

We invite all parents, grandparents and caregivers to join us with your children to play, pray, have fun and learn about Jesus. We meet on Wednesday mornings from 9–11 AM in Vianney

Hall. Each week we share fun songs and prayers and do a simple craft. Please join us with your infants, toddlers or preschoolers with plenty of time for the children to play and for the adults to chat. Please contact Laura with any questions at 215.390.0933 or <a href="mailto:laurajusko@yahoo.com">laurajusko@yahoo.com</a>. First fall meeting is Wednesday September 21.

# Our website has a new look!



Visit our newlydesigned website at www.steleanor.com. Same address—lots of new and enhanced information! We are always working to improve the site-please be patient as we are still under construction.

## SVdP Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Program

This year we will provide Thanksgiving turkeys and dinners, plus a Christmas turkey or ham and scrip for Christmas for several needy families in the Collegeville area. We will be in the narthex after each Mass on Oct. 22 and 23 with a signup sheet for both holidays. We will also accept gift cards for local grocery stores. The St. Vincent de Paul Society thanks you in advance. For info please call Kathy Zavrotny





(610) 489-3911.

# Saint Charles Borromeo Seminaru Presents

# THEOLOGY ON TAP

TOPIC: HOLINESS ~The Only Tragedy is Not to Become A Saint! Friday, October 28 Ms. Kelly Anderson, S.S.L., S.T.B. Asst. Professor of Biblical Studies Mr. Chris Massaro, Seminarian

7:00 pm | Doors 6:45 pm Adults age 21-35 Must have a valid photo ID Evening ends with Night Prayer 100 East Wynnewood Road Wynnewood, Pennsylvania 19096

Beer, wine, soft drinks, and snacks will be served. Please Like Us and RSVP on Facebook!

# Mass of Remembrance

Saint Eleanor Parish family cordially invites you, your family and your friends to the annual "Mass of Remembrance" Liturgy to be held at Saint Eleanor Church.

Sunday, November 6, 2016 at the 12 noon Mass

All families who have lost a loved one during this past year, please stop in the Narthex to pick up a candle in memory of your loved one. Then we ask that you sit near the middle aisle so that you can carry your candle up during Mass when called forth.





Holy Cross Regional Catholic School Basket Raffle.

Saturday, November 5th, 2016

Pope John Paul II High School

181 Rittenhouse Road, Royersford

Doors open <u>at 6:00pm</u>, Raffle starts <u>at 8:00pm</u> Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door Over 200 baskets, 50/50's and Grand Prizes

Bring your own snacks and drinks this year!

To order tickets call Melissa at 610-952-7875 or Email basketraffle@hcrc.school





The 2016 Schedule for our Pilgrim Virgin Statue home visits has some openings. Consider signing up to host Our Lady's Statue

for a week special to you and tell your friends

and family about this devotion. To reserve your week contact Kevin at 610-489-4412. We will deliver/pick up the Statue for those who can't manage its size/weight.

October 23: Sandy Maiale

October 30 through December 18: Open

#### SECOND COLLECTION

In response to the devastating destruction that has occurred from Hurricane Matthew, we will take up an emergency collection to help address the humanitarian and Church needs caused by the storm. We will take up this collection on Oct. 29 and 30. Checks should be made payable to Saint Eleanor Church. Thank you for your compassionate response to our brothers and sisters in need.



## New Members

Christine McInnis Joseph and Mary Beth Demidovich John and Josephine Engelhardt Stephen and Anna Malyszka Cesar and Johanna Contreras Michael and Kristin Kotsch Scott and Kathleen Weigand Anthony and Sheila Tinetti Denise D'Attore David and Marlene Keebler Michael and Danielle Zielinski Theodore and Mary Elizabeth Kensicki Matthew and Brittany Barber James and JoAnn Pvne Robert and Jennifer Pacelli Stephen and Michelle Riggs Flaviano and Sharon Rosal

# ALL ARE INVITED TO POPE JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL'S ANNUAL COLLEGE FAIR.

- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26TH, 2016
- 6 8 PM IN THE MAIN GYMNASIUM
- IIO+ INSTITUTIONS WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE!
- OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND ADMISSION IS FREE

CARES After School Program at Holy Cross Regional School has paid positions available for Childcare Assistant from 2:45pm-6:00pm Monday-Friday working with children ages 5 and older. Job duties would include some of the following: Serving students snacks, supervising students outside on the playground or in the gym, assisting students with homework, promoting recreational activities for students.

All applicants are required to provide a current Pennsylvania Police Clearance and Child Abuse Clearance, attend a class on child safety (dates and times will be provided), submit a resume to jreynolds@hcrc.school along with days available.

# ST. ELEANOR PARISH PAPER RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

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All information and announcements to be published in the bulletin need to be in the Parish Office by the Thursday that is ten days prior. Flyer inserts need to be in the Parish Office two weeks ahead of the desired bulletin date. Bulletin information and inserts should be e-mailed to jphillips@steleanor.com.

Watch for special deadlines at Thanksgiving and Christmas time.



Domestic Church Media, an affiliate of EWTN – The Global Catholic Network. Domestic Church Media (DCM) currently operates three full time Catholic radio stations in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. While 80% of their programming comes from EWTN, 20% is produced locally, featuring hosts, guests, stories and special programming from within the Archdiocese. Two programs airing on DCM are The Vocation

Hour with Father Stephen DeLacy, which promotes vocations and the work of the Archdiocese, and La Voz de Dios en Las Voces de Nuestros Pueblos, a Spanish language program seeking to bring Hispanic Catholics closer to their faith. DCM can be heard on WFJS 1260 AM. Although there are many areas of the Archdiocese that do not receive the DCM radio signal at this time, anyone can listen via streaming audio and via their free mobile app. Pertinent links are below.

#### LIVE STREAMING AUDIO:

http://www.christiannetcast.com/listen/player.asp?station=wfjs-am

#### ARCHIVED PROGRAMS:

http://domesticchurchmedia.org/archived-programs

FREE MOBILE APPS:

http://domesticchurchmedia.org/mobile-apps

#### PODCASTS:

http://domesticchurchmedia.org/podcasts

#### AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

St. Titus' Annual Harvest and Holiday Vendor Event on Saturday, November 5, from 9 AM to 4 PM. Last year we had over 45 crafters/vendors on hand together with some awesome food to enjoy. If you are interested in renting table space for \$30, please contact Eileen Heflin at heflin618@verizon.net.

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Catholic Pilgrimage to Mexico's Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine over the Feast Day. December 8 – 13, 2016, \$2,149.00 per person including air from Philadelphia. Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily. Holy Mass everyday. For a Flyer or more information please call Cathie or Mike Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

St. Joseph's Preparatory School Interested 8th grade boys should sit for the Scholarship/Entrance Exam on Saturday, November 12, or Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. Students are registered automatically upon completing an application. Academic scholarships and financial aid grants will be awarded to eligible students.

The Academy of Notre Dame de Namur will offer its Ninth Grade Entrance and Scholarship Exam on Sat., Nov. 5 and Sun., Nov. 13. Open House will be held on Sun., Nov. 6, 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM. For more info, call 610-971-0498 or visit www.ndapa.org/admissions. **유유유** 

Immaculata University will hold four admissions events in October for undergraduate students, including those interested in the university's nursing and education majors, and graduate students. For more information about these events, or to register, visit

www.immaculata.edu/october.

Neumann Adult Spirituality Ministry November 9, 2016 - 9:30 A.M. -Nativity of Our Lord Parish Conference Center, Warminster, PA The Mass - The Sacrament of Unity - Uniting Us with Heaven - We will review the elements of our lituraical celebration in order to better understand Mass as the "source and summit" of Christian life Presenter: Deacon James Duffy Cost: \$20 Brown Bag Lunch. Continental Breakfast Provided with Desserts at Lunch. Contact Cathy (215-262-0265).

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Celebrate the **Blessing of Pets** — The residents of Saint Mary Center in Lansdale extend an invitation to an outdoor Blessing of Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi on Sun., Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. in the Chapel Courtyard. Pets and animals of all types are welcome! If your animal is unable to attend, consider bringing a picture to the blessing. Please have all animals on a leash, or in a carrier/cage. 유유유

Solemn Closing of the Cathedral Holy Door of Mercy Join Archbishop Chaput as he solemnly closes the Holy Door of Mercy at the Cathedral to end to the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Let us come together to thank God for all the graces we have received during the Jubilee! Sunday, November 6, 2016 - 6:30pm at the Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter and Paul, Philadelphia. More info: http://archphila.org/wpcontent/uploads/2015/10/Closing-of-Holy-Door-Nov-2016.pdf.

Roman Catholic High School: Fall Open House Sunday, October 30, 11:00 AM -2:00 PM. Walk-Ins welcomed but pre-registration is preferred. Register online RomanCatholicHS.com/admissionsevents. E-mail <u>Admissions@RomanCatholicHS.com</u> or call 215-627-1270 ext. 146/159 if you have questions or need additional information. 유유유

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St. Teresa of Avila Christmas Bazaar, Friday, Nov 11, 2016 5PM to 10PM. Food, Vendors/Crafters, Basket Raffles, Silent Auction, Baked Goods, Cookie Walk and Kid's Activities. Phone 610-666-5820. https://www.facebook.com/StTeresaOfAvilaChristmasBazaar2016. **유유유** 

St. Philip Neri Catholic Family Life Center On Tuesday, October 25, 2016 beginning at 7:00 pm, Prior Provincial of the St. Thomas of Villanova Augustinians, Father Michael DiGregorio OSA, will offer a presentation on the life and spirituality of Father Bill Atkinson OSA and the cause for his canonization that is underway. To register for this program please visit catholicfamilylifecenter.com or contact Tom Dewees, Director at 215.679.2237.

Sacred Heart Parish Royersford, PA offers "Come and Be Comforted-Seasons of Hope," a 6-week group for the bereaved begins Tues., Oct. 4th. If you are in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing is for you. The evenings run from 7 to 9PM. For registration, please call: Dottie Williams at 610-948-6406. If you attended last session, this is a new session. All bereaved are welcome.

Villa Maria Academy High School, a Catholic college prep school in the tradition of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, will administer its entrance/scholarship exam on Sat., Oct. 29 and Nov. 5, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. 8th graders who seek admission to Villa Maria as freshmen next fall can take the exam on either day. For further info, contact the Admissions Office at (610) 644-2551 or register online.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy is a Catholic college preparatory school for girls, The Scholarship/Entrance exam will be given on Sat., Oct. 29th at 8:00 a.m. For more information please call the Admission Office at 215-233-9133 or visit us online at www.msjacad.org.

**Divorced & Separated: You are not alone!** is offered on Sundays evenings from 7:15-8:45 pm. at Daylesford Abbey in Paoli. This 13week series begins on October 23 and runs (biweekly) through June 11, 2017. This is a Catholic ministry offering welcome, support and direction in navigating this most stressful, confusing and painful time. Topics covered include anger, depression, loneliness, forgiveness, finances, children, and more. Contact: Cathy Peacock, Program Director at 610.644.1655 ext. 141 or email stepsforhealing@amail.com for more information or to register. Deacon John Lozano provides pastoral support at John@StNorbert.org.

All are invited to the St. Mary Polish American Society Christmas Bazaar at the TK Club at 500 East We are also taking advance orders for babkas and frozen pierogi. For tickets, babkas, and pierogi pre-orders, please email stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.

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Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist Invite You To A Special Weekend Retreat A Time Apart With Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life, Friday evening, November 11 — Sunday at Noon, November 13, 2016. The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-Founder of OLME and EWTN Host of "Eucharistic Journey," and is held at the Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, PA. This retreat includes Daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours, and much more. For more information, please contact olme@olme.org or 610-582-3333 or visit www.olme.org.

St. Helena Council Knights of Columbus 9th Annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 6 in the Empress Room following 11 AM Mass. Speaker is Fr. James Martin, SJ. For more info, cost and reservations, contact Don DeBrakeleer art DrDeBrakeleer@comcast.net.

LaSalle College High School in Springfield Twsp, Montgomery County will administer its scholarship and entrance exam for 8th grade boys at 8:30 AM on Saturday, Oct. 29 and again on Sunday, Nov. 12. For questions or additional info, please contact the Admissions Office at 215-402-4800 or admission@lschs.org. Register online at www.lschs.org.

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Archdiocesan Office for the Deaf Apostolate will celebrate the 10:30 Mass at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, 256 Swamp Pike Schwenksville, PA 9473 on Sunday, October 30th. Fr. Sean Loomis, Chaplain to the Deaf Apostolate, will celebrate the Mass. We invite all who are hearing impaired to attend this Mass. For further information, please contact the Parish Office of St. Teresa at (610) 287-2525.