

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

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ST. ELEANOR CHURCH

May 14, 2017



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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

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 2PM in Vianney Hall. See page 2 for the next date.

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.

PARISH REGISTRATION: 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

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. 31. *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.

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

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 14, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 13

4:30 For the People of the Parish

Sunday, May 14

7:30 Joyleen Branco
9:00 Concetta Mazzulla and
Mary Tatasciore
10:30 Robert Kennedy
12:00 PM Palmina Palatano
7:00 PM Denise Dougherty

Monday, May 15

6:30 Joseph W. Brandt (1st Anniv.)
9:00 Elizabeth Davitt

Tuesday, May 16

6:30 Special Intention of
Father Ed Hamilton
9:00 Michael Hudak

Wednesday, May 17

6:30 Daniel Zoltowski
9:00 Dorothy Krumenacker
(4th Anniv.)

Thursday, May 18

Saint Pope John I
6:30 Pellegrino Romano
9:00 Jeff Milligan

Friday, May 19

6:30 Special Intention of
Father Joseph Keating
9:00 Stephen Hershey

Saturday, May 20 *Saint Bernardine of Siena*

9:00 John Silvestre
4:30 Michael Hudak

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:

~ *Franco Philip, son of Philip and Donna DiGinto*
~ *Alessandra Rose, daughter of Francisco and Jennifer Fernandez*
~ *Henry Bolton, son of Joseph and Michelle Kelly*

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, June 4, 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

~ *For Lila Naples by her grandparents, Bob and Pat Keeney, on the celebration of her First Communion.*



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

Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:



~ *Mark Wallace in memory of his birthday, given by mother, Theresa*
~ *Mary Tatasciore on Mothers Day, given by her family*
~ *Eleanor Vetrano on the anniversary of her death, given by the Vetrano 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.



Dear Friends,

On this second Sunday of May, our priests and deacons extend wishes for a *very blessed and happy Mother's Day to all Mothers!* This year, Mother's Day falls on the day after the one hundredth anniversary of our Lady's first appearance to the shepherd children of Fatima. As we are filled with profound gratitude and love for our natural mothers, who have nurtured us and supported us in so many countless ways, we turn to Mary with our gratitude for her "yes" to God's invitation to become the Mother of God. She, the first and foremost disciple of Jesus, continues to offer her motherly care for us, helping us to be the best disciples we can be in this moment of history.

Our children in our PREP program have concluded their religious studies for this year. Their last class this past week was a gathering together with their parents and catechists for the celebration of Holy Mass and the distribution of awards and recognitions. We are *deeply grateful to our volunteer catechists* for their devotion and commitment in passing along the Faith to our young parishioners, helping our children to grow as disciples of our Lord, even while they themselves grow more passionately as His disciples.

In our efforts to engage our younger members, there are plans in progress to extend our Children's Liturgy of the Word experience to the 10:30 Sunday morning Mass in addition to the 9:00 Mass starting next Fall. *I hope all our families remember that there are special Sunday bulletins for our young children available at the Church entrances each week.* We are also examining the possibility of setting up babysitting service for one of the Sunday Masses to assist young parents while they attend Sunday Mass. Anyone interested in assisting with these plans, please contact our parish office.

Our youngest members are a reminder to us of the ever-renewing gift of God's love and care for His people. They are special gifts not just to their parents but to all of us as a parish family. *We are happy to welcome them to Sunday Mass!* Parents remember God placed the "wiggle" into them and it is normal for them to move around a bit. We recommend trying out the front of Church for Mass, as young ones get easily bored looking at the backs of heads when they can't see what's happening.

To everyone and to all, may you have a blessed week, filled with God's help and graces!

God bless you, God love you,
Monsignor McCulken

Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons

For the month of **May** we will be praying for **Monsignor Thomas Murray** 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.



St. Eleanor Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration- in Our Lady Chapel

"Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration."

– St Teresa of Calcutta

Monday 1 AM
Tuesday 12 AM
Tuesday 5 PM
Thursday 10 AM
Friday 12 AM
Friday 8 AM

Please contact Erin Finkelmeier at
efinkelmeier@gmail.com for more information or to
commit to an hour.

The Divine Mercy theme for the month of May is "Misery-Mercy." Knowledge of our misery and nothingness leads us to trust in God's mercy with greater assurance, and allows us to know His mercy more deeply.



St. Faustina writes: "I keep one eye on my misery and the other on God's mercy; the greater the misery, the greater the trust in His mercy: I do not fear because of His mercy".

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 Mary Ann McDonnell at 610-409-2622.

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THE CATHOLIC FAITH,
ON DEMAND.

FORMED is here! Formed offers 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: HJEEM

Mother's Day

Did you know FORMED.org has ebooks? Check out this and other inspirational books for mothers. And don't forget Mary, our heavenly mother! On this 100th anniversary of her first appearance to the children in Fatima, watch the movie *The 13th Day* with your family.



FOR OUR DECEASED: Frances Gale Baker, mother of Leslie Casey; Jessica Priestman, cousin of Ryan and Rose Nyce; Mary Sarro, wife of Mike; Robert Marek, husband of Ann; Henry Wojton, husband of Ann; Dorothy Marek, wife of Thaddeus; Elaine Maxcy, aunt of Paul Shelton

FOR OUR SICK: Catherine Alexander, Ann Marie Allen, Nathan Allen, Joseph Art, Jr., Elizabeth Ashenfelder, Kathleen Bani, Lori Bani, Lisa Caruso, Christine Barrett, Kaitlyn Barrett, Kathleen Beaudoin, Rachel Beck, Michael Bell, Deacon Manny Beltran, Jackie Bielski, Arthur Buben, Diane Burg, Florence Burkett, Sandy Burns, Marcia Capaldi, Rosemary Carney, Anne Cartenuto, Marc Chevrier, Monica Cipriani, Doris Coffey, Gerald Collins, Ed Coyle, Mike Creeden, Kathy Cronin, Marie Cunningham, Sheila Davis, Denise DeCaro, Todd DeMent, Mary Derivan, Vince DiDonato, Ron DiNicola, Pat DiPiano, Christopher Dorman, Betty Dougherty, Linda Dougherty, John Doyle, Claire Esposito, Vito Fabiano, Dorothy Fairbanks, Mary Filippini, John Fitzgerald, Neil Florio, Sandy Forcine, John Fritz, Stephanie George, Mary Ann Gibbie, Jessica Gladwin, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Shari Richardson Gray, Elizabeth Groff, Helen Guarnaccia, Joan Hallman, Helen Hart, Virginia Heinz, Bobby Henzler, Tammy Hockenbrock, Ray Kelley, Joanne Kennedy, Nettie Krall, Eva Kramer, Marilyn Kretzu, Al Lamar, Bud Leo, Linda LeNoir, Ann Lentz, Nate Lentz, Stephen Lewis, Carol Logue, Steve Love, Marion Lukens, Joe Lutz, Tom Lytle, Joan Mahoney, Julia Mahoney, Mary Mahoney, Marie and Sarah, Marianne Marcello, Barbara Marosky, Agnes McCarver, Ed McDade, Jaime McNutt, Doreen Keckley Meader, Allison Leo Mitchell, Francesca Moran, Fr. Tom Morris, Charles Mruskovic, Jr., Gene Mullin, Gabe Muscella, Bob Newton, Marion Niedzolkowski, Maria Olszewski, Pat O'Rourke, Ed Osisek, Francis Panfile, Ed Pressler, Faith R., Joseph Reeves, Kathleen Riggs, Dick Robbins, Megan Roth, Betty Rowlands, Jack Russo, Ralph Russo, Linda Sauer, Paul Schneider, Mary Pat Seiss, Anne Marie Stoudt, Yoshiko Strohlein, Dennis Sullivan, Howard Taormino, Ron Tautkus, Michael Troemel, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Cristina Utti, Dominic Vacanti, Jr., George Vermuth, Billy Watts, Nancy Wenrich, Pat Willits, Albrette Zvarik

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

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

In Gratitude for God's Generosity: Tithing the Tithe Committee News

As part of our efforts to be ever more passionate disciples of Jesus and to express our gratitude for all of God's abundant blessings and gifts, we are in our second year of the *Tithing the Tithe* program. Through this program, for every dollar donated to our Sunday collection by the parishioners of Saint Eleanor, 3% is given to support organizations engaged in Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy within our local and greater Philadelphia community.

Here we provide information about four organizations, with strong ties to our Parish Family, engaged in valuable respect life activities that have been supported this Fiscal Year through the *Tithing the Tithe* program. Each of these organizations are sustained by devoted volunteers and private donations.

Knights of Columbus ~ a donation of \$2,600.00 was made in February 2017 to the Knights of Columbus Valley Forge Chapter which represents the various Knights of Columbus Councils in western Montgomery County and eastern Chester County, including our own Perkiomen Valley Council 3633. The Valley Forge Chapter exists for the sole purpose of promoting pro-life initiatives, and raises funds that are regularly distributed to local crisis pregnancy centers and are used to advertise a pro-life telephone hotline. Past funds have also been used to assist the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in establishing Project Rachel, a grief counseling ministry serving parents who chose abortion. If you would like to provide additional support for this vital work, please send your donation payable to the Knights of Columbus Valley Forge Chapter to PO Box 101, Perkiomenville, PA 18074.

A Baby's Breath ~ a donation of \$2,500.00 was made in February 2017 to A Baby's Breath, with locations in Collegeville, Jeffersonville, Phoenixville, Wayne, and Warminster. Founded in 2000, the primary mission of A Baby's Breath is to 'help a mother to see her child take his/her first breath'. The organization maintains a 24-hour phone line to allow mothers to explore life-affirming choices in a non-judgmental fashion and offers free pregnancy testing as well as pregnancy counseling sessions for new mothers and fathers. Clients are offered pre-natal classes; ultrasound services; adoption information and support; parenting support classes; and help in accessing other organizations. A Baby's Breath also offers a structured housing solution that enables clients to work on issues designed to prevent homelessness and create greater opportunities for independent living. Additionally, working in partnership with the Stacy Zallie Foundation, women coping with abortion can be connected to post abortion care and counseling for depression. If you would like to learn more about this organization or to provide additional financial assistance, visit their website at <http://ababysbreath.org/index.html>.

Birthright of Pottstown ~ a donation of \$500.00 was made in February 2017 to Birthright located on King Street in Pottstown. Birthright provides friendship and support to women facing unplanned pregnancies, including free pregnancy tests, information and resources, as well as referrals for medical, social, legal, financial, and educational assistance. It operates a toll-free help line that is staffed 24 hours every day of the year. All of the services provided by Birthright are free of charge and available to all women, regardless of age, race, religion, marital status, or financial situation. If you would like to learn more about this organization or to provide additional financial assistance, visit their website at <http://birthright.org/en/landingpage/lp-pottstown>.



Pray for Those Serving Our Country

Cmdr. Wendy Arnold, MD
1st Lt. Brian Davis
CM/Sgt. Charles Gordon
Sgt. William Ronan
Jeremy Somplasky
Midn. Zachary Sermarini

Sgt. Thomas Albany
1st Lt. Andrew Bone
Lt. Sean Feeney
Bryan Luther
Andrew Somplasky
Ryan Somplasky
Michael Thomas

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Week Ending April 21, 2017

Regular Collection	\$ 7,782
Other Collections	\$ 34
Easter	\$ 59,401
Easter Flowers	\$ 2,467
Total	\$ 69,684
Diocesan Collections	\$ 4,685

Regular Sunday Collections Fiscal Year-to-Date**

July 1, 2016—April 21, 2017	\$ 1,137,360
July 1, 2015—April 21, 2016	\$ 1,130,717

YTD Tithing

2016-17	\$ 31,920
2015-16	\$ 10,504

***Regular Sunday collection figures now include YTD Tithing*



SAVE THE DATE! **Sunday, September 24**

The 2nd St. Eleanor Parish AMAZING HARVEST FESTIVAL

Hope to see you there!



*The Priests, Deacons and Staff of Saint
Eleanor Parish wish all of our mothers a very
Happy and Blessed Mother's Day.*



2017 Catholic Charities Appeal Update

Our parish response to the Catholic Charities Appeal this year is off to a solid start. Thank you to all of you who have taken the time to make your pledge or send in your donation. This is a vitally important and needed Appeal that allows us to participate in the archdiocesan efforts to share the love of Jesus with countless numbers of people in need.

As of 04/21/17, our parish family has made **470 donations** (1st in the Archdiocese), with gifts totaling **\$92,699** (5th in the Archdiocese) which is 92% towards our parish goal of \$100,823. As you can see we are quickly closing in on the 2017 goal that was set by the Archdiocese. Since we will likely achieve that goal very soon, we would like to establish two additional stretch goals for this year. First, we would like to surpass last year's pledged amount which was \$115,987. Second, we would like to set an aspirational goal of \$130,000 (approximately 30% over our 2017 goal).

Please prayerfully consider your gift and participation in this beautiful work of Catholic Charities, *Giving Hope to All*. You may use the envelopes sent to your homes or pick up one at the Church entrances. You may also go online to donate at catholiccharitiesappeal.org. Each and every gift, large or small, has an impact and accomplishes so much good. May God bless all our efforts on behalf of those in need.



Gluten Free Hosts

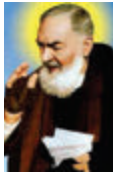
A reminder that gluten free hosts are available for anyone who has celiac disease or gluten tolerance issues. All you need to do is see someone in the sacristy before Mass and they will take care of your request.

*WICS - The next meeting for the Women In Catholic Service will be on **Tuesday, May 23rd**. We will begin the evening with a 6:30 Mass in the Chapel. After Mass we will enjoy some fellowship in Vianney Hall with our covered-dish dinner at 7:30. We hope you can join us.*



Save The Date - Yard Sale! The St. Eleanor WICS, Women In Catholic Service, will be hosting a yard sale in the St. Eleanor parking lot on **Saturday morning, June 3rd from 8am-noon**. Mark your calendar and look for more information to come soon.

The **St. Padre Pio Prayer Group** meeting and Mass for May will be on **May 20**. 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.



Mass for Healing Tuesday, May 16

We are continuing our monthly **Mass for Healing**. Our next one will be on **Tuesday, May 16**, at 7:00 PM. We warmly invite everyone to this Mass, family members, friends and neighbors.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue Call Kevin at 610-489-4412 to schedule a week to host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. We will deliver/pick up the Statue for those who can't manage its size and weight.



Bulletin Deadlines

All info 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@stleanor.com.



TRINITY DOME COLLECTION

The last planned aspect of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. is a mural of the Trinity on the interior of the Basilica's dome. If you would like to make a donation to help complete this final phase, please send your contribution to the Office for Financial Services, 222 North 17th Street, Phila., PA, 19103. Checks should be made payable to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and note that it is for the Trinity Dome Collection. Donations must be made directly to the Archdiocese, **not** to Saint Eleanor. Your check should be sent no later than June 11, 2017.



Join the Catholic Charities Appeal (CCA) for Catholic Charities Night with the Phillies, a night of family fun in support of the CCA!



Wednesday, June 14, 2017 7:05 PM
Citizens Bank Park

Tickets range from \$20 to \$38 and a portion of all proceeds will directly benefit the CCA. Tickets should be purchased at: www.phillies.com/catholiccharitiesnight
We hope to see you at the ballpark!

St. Eleanor CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) is open to **ALL** St. Eleanor parishioners. Therefore, if you are a St. Eleanor parishioner, and regardless of the grade school, middle school or high school your son or daughter attends, your child can participate in ANY and ALL CYO sports. CYO sports include; volleyball, field hockey, soccer, football, cross country, basketball, track & field, tennis, golf and lacrosse. For additional information please visit our web site at <http://cyo.stleanor.com/> or contact Jim DeBald at jdebald@yahoo.com.



CYO will be holding GIRLS JV and Varsity Basketball Clinics. All St. Eleanor Parishioners are welcomed and invited to come and work on basketball fundamentals. The rising 7th & 8th grade clinics will be held on Wed., May 31 and Wed., June 7 from 6:00 to 8 PM. The rising 5th & 6th grade clinics will be held on Thursday, June 1 and Thursday, June 8 from 6 to 8 PM. There is no charge for this clinic, but we would like to have an idea of the number of girls attending. Therefore, if your daughter wishes to attend, or if you have any questions, please email SECYOCLINIC@gmail.com. Additional information can also be found on the St. Eleanor CYO web site <http://cyo.stleanor.com/>.

SAVE THE DATE: CYO Varsity Sports Banquet will be held on Sunday, June 4th from 4:00 pm - 8 pm. More details to follow.

Has your email address changed? If so, please visit our web-site and update your profile so we can keep you informed: <http://cyo.stleanor.com/>. **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!

Remember to Like Us On Facebook!



Understanding the Sunday Readings

Please join us every Tuesday at 7pm in the Guadalupe room (at the lower level of the offices). We will be starting on May 23, 2017. Bring your copy of the Bible and the Catechism. Call, text and leave a message for Giuseppe Scillia at (484) 961-0575.



The Gardening Angels are in need of some volunteers to help with watering during the summer. If you are willing to assist with this occasional task please call Rachel Holdsworth at 610-409-9408. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Saint Vincent de Paul Vehicle Needed

One of our clients is in need of a car to get to work. If you would like to donate a car to a needy family please contact Kathy Zavrotny at (610) 489-3911. Thank you.



Knock Knock!

Parishioner visits by members of our Legion of Mary are ongoing. It is their aim to systematically visit all members of the parish. Please welcome them if they visit your neighborhood!



MOVIE NIGHT!

On Saturday, May 20 there will be a showing of the movie, **Voiceless**, in the school cafeteria. Show time is at 7:00 P.M. A young former Army Ranger starts an urban community center in Philadelphia and is challenged when an abortion clinic opens

in the same neighborhood. Admission is free - please sign up in the narthex for seating. Rated PG-13 for mature thematic material and some violence. For movie guide information: <http://www.movieguide.org/reviews/voicelss.html>



The Centennial of Our Lady of Fatima: Mary Continues to Speak to the Church

Beginning this May, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia joins with the Universal Church to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Fatima, Portugal.

Our Lady's appearances and the messages that she gave were a means by which God called man to prayer, sacrifice, and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

God's Revelation, begun in the Old Testament, was brought to fulfilment in the Life of Christ and the witness born to Him by the Apostles and the New Testament. In this public revelation, God has spoken all that He desires to communicate to man. The apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima are examples of private revelation. Private revelations are helps that God grants to His Church to enable it to live more fully by Christ's definitive revelation in a particular period of history.

"God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart." In Fatima, Our Lady asked specifically for the consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart, but she also promised that Christians who would turn to her in prayer, especially through the recitation of the rosary, would be granted the grace they need to overcome sin and would be led by her Immaculate Heart to God.

The Practice of Reparation on the First Saturdays. Our Lady of Fatima asked for this devotion specifically to prevent God's punishment upon the sins of the world, and for the conversion of Russia. The First Saturday devotion makes reparation for the offenses committed against Mary's honor by those who reject her Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity, and Divine Motherhood. It also offers reparation for those who reject her spiritual maternity or who outrage her in holy images.

"In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph." The unique message of Our Lady of Fatima continues to shape the lives of Christian believers. She promises peace to the world and salvation to sinners through prayer and through the sacrifices that Christians offer to God. The prayers of the children of Fatima are simple yet profound pleas for the conversion of the world that all of us are invited to integrate into our daily prayer life.

To join in the Archdiocesan Fatima celebrations, visit archphila.org/fatima.



Quo Vadis Days 2017

June 26-29, 2017
Black Rock Retreat Center

Retreat for young men graduating
8th - 12th grade.

\$35.00 / person

Register by Friday, June 9th

Gather with the Philadelphia Seminarians and other high school men for 4 days of dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful prayer experiences, and a fun environment including a ropes course, swimming pool and a lake, basketball, soccer, ultimate frisbee, and more.

To Register, or for more information, visit:

www.heedthecall.org

Questions? Contact the Vocations Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at (610) 667-5778

Brothers of Borromeo Vocation Camp

a summer day of fun, food and formation for 6th, 7th and 8th Grade boys of the Archdiocese, will be held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on **July 15, 2017**. This year, we celebrate the 10th gathering of youth for this event, which provides an

opportunity for boys to have a day of fun, food, games, prayer, and activities with the seminarians. Registration deadline is Friday, June 30, 2017. Registration cost is \$15.00 - reduced rate of \$10.00 if you register by June 15, 2017. Download forms at www.HeedtheCall.org.



BBVC 2017
Saturday, July 15th
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

Set the World Ablaze!

\$10 - Early Birds who register by 6/15
\$15 - All who register 6/16 - 6/30
6th, 7th & 8th Grade Boys

Register by 6/30/17 Download forms at:
www.HeedtheCall.org



ST. ELEANOR PARISH PAPER RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

**We earn money when you recycle
paper in the paper retriever bin!**

We are asking you to help us reach our paper recycling and fundraising goals. Please bring your newspapers, catalogs, junk mail, magazines, phone books, office paper, cardboard and books to the Paper Retriever Bin located in our rear parking lot near the Religious Education Center.

Susan Gordon Retires

Our long-time parishioner and parish office worker/secretary, Susan Gordon, officially retired on May 5. Anyone who has been to or called the parish office and the many volunteers in our various ministries know personally this gentle and kind Catholic woman for whom nothing is ever too much trouble.

Susan has worked tirelessly on absolutely any project or parish need that came up. She quietly went about her duties and compassionately responded to the needs of our parishioners and visitors. Susan began working for the parish as Stewardship Coordinator in 2004. She also has volunteered, along with her loving husband, Charlie, in untold number of parish projects and ministries since 1968 when they moved into our parish. Probably their most cherished involvements were with the Pre-Cana/Marriage Preparation Program and our RCIA. They have also been dedicated promoters of the Theology of the Body teaching.

Susan will be dearly missed in our parish office for so many reasons but it is good to know that she and Charlie will continue to be vibrant members of our parish family. We wish Susan (and Charlie) every good blessing in this next stage of life. Thank you, Susan, for everything!

A Mass to Honor Those Who Served God and Country

Monday, May 29th, at 9:00 AM

What better way to celebrate Memorial Day than to begin the day with a Mass to remember our brothers and sisters who made the supreme sacrifice in defense of our country and all those who serve today to protect our God-given freedom?

“There is no greater love than this, that a man shall lay down his life for his friends.” John 15:13

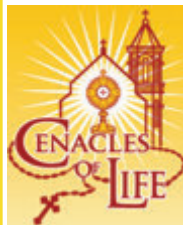


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Mom's House ~ a donation of \$500.00 was made in February 2017 to Mom's House located at 145 South Main Street, Phoenixville. Mom's House is a state-licensed daycare operation that provides safe, secure and free childcare for children aged 3 months to 5 years of low income, single parents while they are pursuing full time education. In addition, children receive nutritious meals, clothing, diapers and other essentials. While services are free, mothers volunteer their time at the center and are expected to maintain passing grades and attend monthly parenting meetings. Mom's House also offers scholarship opportunities, tutoring, and emergency needs grants. To learn more about this organization or to provide additional financial assistance, visit their website at

<https://momshouse-phoenixville.org/giving-to-moms-house>.

We will continue to provide you information on all donations made to those involved in the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy in future editions of the parish bulletin. Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish family! God bless you!!



As Our Lady and the Apostles were praying in the Cenacle for the Holy Spirit to descend upon them and fill them to be courageous witnesses to the gospel of Jesus Christ. So we, here at St. Eleanor, enter into the Cenacles of Life movement. It is growing, all across our nation, as a gift to Our Lord. We are praying and fasting one day each week for our Blessed Mother's intention, the end of the Culture of Death.

Experience the power of praying two Rosaries, prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty and prayer to the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary with your fellow parishioners, every week, week after week, before the Most Blessed Sacrament. Also, the power of many, many people fasting for the same intention. **The Cenacles of Life are held before the Most Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady's Eucharistic Adoration Chapel every Tuesday at 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.** We begin our Cenacles of Life with the Regina Coeli/Angelus and we end our Cenacles of Life with the Divine Mercy Chaplet. For more information, please call Rita, M.E.V. 610-489-1929 or visit cenclesoflife.org. May the Holy Spirit today fill us with gratitude for all that God has done for us.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Join the Catholic Family Fun Club (CFFC) in the Archdiocese Every day local Catholics view the crowd-sourced events calendar at the Catholic Family Fun Club over 100 times. Join the CFFC to discover fun movie nights and other events—and even create your own playdates, craft nights, or other activities. Meet others of all ages in this group created by families, for families, to have fun and friends. <https://www.meetup.com/Catholic-Family-Fun-Club>.



Tradition Conference June 19 In 1992, St. John Paul II approved the Catechism of the Catholic Church. To celebrate the 25th anniversary of its promulgation, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will sponsor a conference on Monday, June 19, 2017 entitled, Tradition, A Celebration of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This day features national speakers who will focus on the four pillars of the Catechism and will be held at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel. All of the faithful are invited to attend. Please note, that headsets for translation will be provided for those who wish to listen to the talks in Spanish. More info & registration: <http://phillyocf.org/>.



Mount Saint Joseph Academy invites 7th grade girls to experience life at the Mount. Join us for a morning visit. Half day visitations will continue through May 23rd. A parent may go online to arrange a visit. Visit our website at www.msjacad.org for more information.



This year Living Bridges will be having their annual **Camp Guadalupe** at St. Francis of Assis, June 26-30 and at Malvern Retreat House July 17-21 (9:30 AM to 2:15 PM each day.) All children ages 4-12 are invited to join the week-long celebration of Catholic Faith, art, music, and rich cultural traditions. The theme for this year is "Be the Light." Contact Living Bridges at 610-525-4770 for registration forms. Email: staff@livingbridges.org.



The **Called & Gifted Discernment Workshop** is open to those who want to better understand the unique gifts God has given them and to discern their mission and place in the Church. Fri, June 2, 7-9:30pm & Sat, June 3, 9am-4pm; St. Monica Parish, Berwyn, PA. Cost \$60. More info & registration at: <http://www.phillyevang.org/events/>.



Malvern Family Festival Malvern Retreat House will host a Family Festival on Sunday, June 11 from 1pm-6pm. The day will kick off with outdoor Sunday Mass presided by Bishop Edward Deliman at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine. After Mass, other activities that will be offered include performances by The Donut Man and Grammy-Nominated Singer/Songwriter Marty Rotella, children's games, food, and DJ-directed music and activities. The cost is only \$25 per car, including food. Please visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.



Separated & Divorced Retreat A special retreat for separated and divorced Catholics will be held the weekend of June 16-18 at Malvern Retreat House. Catholic author, speaker and divorce recovery expert Lisa Duffy will give several presentations, including *The Six Keys to Healing* and *Your Own Self Worth*. Please visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.



IHM Nun Run Join us on June 3, 2017 for the IHM Nun Run, a 5K run/walk at Villa Maria House of Studies, Immaculata, PA which is across the street from Immaculata University. Start time is 8:30 am. Proceeds benefit Camilla Hall, the retirement home for the aged and infirmed Sisters of IHM. Registration information: www.ihmnunrun.org. May 30th is the last day to register. No race day registrations.



The St. Teresa of Calcutta 6th Annual Trivia Night is being held on Saturday, June 10th in the Education Center located at 256 Swamp Pike, Schwenksville, PA 19473. First round begins at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$15 per person. 8 players maximum per team. BYOB and snacks. Cash prizes. Contact Marie Beehler for table reservations (mariebeehler@gmail.com) or buy seats online at www.stcevents.org.



The Philadelphia community is blessed with another **NaProTechnology** trained physician. Dr. Delia Larrauri returned from the Pope Paul VI Institute in April and is currently helping develop the Gianna Center Philadelphia. To help celebrate her graduation from the Institute, the Friends of FertilityCare-Philadelphia is sponsoring a free event at Holy Saviour Church in Norristown on May 31. Please see this link from Catholic Philly for details: <http://catholicphilly.com/2017/04/news/events/ga-with-philadelphias-newest-naprotechnology-trained-obgyn-physician/>.

Only three weeks until our **retreat weekend at St. Joseph's - in - the - Hills**, Malvern, Pa. Don't pass up this chance to join fellow members of the parish in giving witness to God. He reaches out to us in many ways and provides so much for us. A retreat can be our response to Him in thanksgiving for His love. Retreat weekend is June 2,3,4 at St. Joseph's - in - the- Hills, Malvern, Pa. For more information please visit our web site at www.malvernretreat.com or call parishioner Mark Pinto @ 610-792-1679.



Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet friends and fellow Catholics in the area. Tuesday, May 16: Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegeville; Doors open at 7:00pm, Talk starts at 7:30pm; Speaker – Chris Anderson. Tuesday, June 20: Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co. Doors at 7:00pm, Talk Starts at 7:30pm.

For more details, check us out on Facebook (facebook.com/groups/MetanoiaYoungAdults). Or visit our website at www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com. You can also reach us via email at metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com



In honor of the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady's apparition at Fatima, a **public square rosary** will be held on Saturday, May 20th at 12 noon. The gathering will be held in Collegeville at the corner of Rt. 29 and Main Street (across from McDonald's). Subsequent rosaries will be conducted on the second Saturday of each month, June through October. For more information, call Ray Hritz at 610-489-4167.



Attention Catholic High School Students Want to share your faith with others? 9th thru 12th grade Catholic high school students are asked to volunteer as assistant teachers in St. Mary of the Assumption – Phoenixville summer religious education program (PREP). The program lasts two weeks. It begins June 19 and ends June 30. Both are Monday to Friday, 8AM to 12 noon. Assistant teachers help in class activities. They assist in teaching under the direction of the assigned teacher and supervise students during recreation and related activities. Participation meets service hour requirements for all Catholic High Schools. **Volunteers Accepted for one or both weeks. Have Fun, Earn Service Hours, Teach Young People about Jesus** For more information please contact Barbara Hritz at 610-489-4167 after 7PM by May 15, or St. Mary's Parish Office: 610-933-2526.



The Second Annual Padre Pio Festival at St. Bede the Venerable Parish, Holland, PA, is being held on the weekend of June 23, 24 & 25, 2017. Friday evening: Youth and Young Adult Night, holy Hour, Exposition, Confessions followed by live entertainment, food trucks; Saturday: 5:30pm Vigil Mass (blessing with relics). Sunday: 12:30pm Solemn Mass, followed by street procession. 2:30pm Healing Service (blessing with relics /confession). (Saturday and Sunday afternoon & evening outdoor festival, with several food/beverage vendors, craft vendors, inflatable children's amusements, live entertainment). www.padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com.



All are invited to a **Spring Social at the TK Club** at 521 East Hector Street in Conshohocken on Sunday May 21st from 1 pm to 5 pm to support St. Mary Polish American Society. There will be live music from the Nite Gig band. The menu will feature roast pork, baked chicken, stuffed shells, cold cuts, and more! There will also be a 50/50 drawing, and a full cash bar. Tickets are \$20 each, and include admission and the meal. Tickets are on sale until Monday May 15th. For tickets, please email stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.



Are you a business owner or senior executive? If so, you may be eligible for membership in **Legatus**, a unique, international Catholic association of business leaders. Legatus is the only organization in the world designed exclusively for Catholic business leaders and their spouses. Legatus membership is comprised of CEOs, Presidents, Managing Partners and Business Owners who, with their spouses, meet on a monthly basis to strengthen their faith. Legatus was founded in 1998 and has provided a rich environment for members to become "ambassadors" (legates) for the Catholic Faith. Philadelphia is blessed to have its own chapter and has a strong membership base from all areas in the Philadelphia region. To learn more about Legatus, contact: John Knowles jknowles@legatus.org (215) 262-3832 <http://legatus.org/legatus/>

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