St. Eleanor Church

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August 13, 2017

PARISH STAFF

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Mrs. Linda Coyne, Finance Director

Mr. Matt Kirsch,
Director of Parish Services

Mr. Dan Weckerly, Music Director

OFFICE STAFF

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon and 7:00 PM

Ms. Janet Genuardi Mrs. Jean Phillips Mrs. Melissa Sinner Mrs. Madelyn O'Hara

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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 SCHEDUI Saturday:8:00 to 8:45 AM; 3:30—4:15 PM Wednesdays after Masses By appointment anytime.

Saint Eleanor Catholic Church



<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).

<u>ANOINTING OF THE SICK:</u> 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

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.

<u>HOLY CROSS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL</u>: 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.

<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.

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



MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday, August 12

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious/BVM

9:00 Johnelle Zimney 4:30 Charlotte Cuneo

Sunday, August 13

7:30 Joyleen Branco 9:00 John Treese

10:30 The People of the Parish

12:00 PM Chalotte Cuneo7:00 PM John Connor

Monday, August 14

Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

6:30 Raymond Hufnagel 9:00 Donna Zimney

Tuesday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 The People of the Parish 9:00 Mark Mastrocola 12:05 Mary Rosalie Milligan 7:00 Charles and Kathleen Heil

Wednesday, August 16

6:30 Monica Mary Kaicher 9:00 Johnelle Zimney

Thursday, August 17

6:30 Rosemarie DiPlacido 9:00 Raymond Smyth

Friday, August 18

6:30 Ernest Fanaro 9:00 Anna Hertzog

Saturday, August 19

Saint John Eudes, Priest/BVM
9:00 Charles Heil
4:30 Catherine McBeth

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 13, 2017

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, August 15Holy Day of Obligation
Mass Times:
6:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 12:05 PM, 7:00 PM



Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:



In memory of David Wallace on the 10th anniversary of his death given by his wife, Theresa In memory of Marie Santella on the anniversary of her death given by her 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.

Baptisms

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, September 10th, at 2 PM in Vianney Hall . First-time parents need to attend & may attend this program before the birth of your child. Baptismal paperwork is due *two weeks* prior to Baptism.

Pray for Those Serving Our CountrySqt. Thomas Albany

1st Lt. Andrew Bone Cpl. Bryan Luther Andrew Somplasky Ryan Somplasky Michael Thomas Cmdr Wendy Arnold, MD 1st Lt Brian Davis CM/Sgt Charles Gordon Sgt William Ronan Jeremy Somplasky Midn. Zachary Sermarini Lt. Sean Feeney Specialist Michael Thomas





Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons

For the month of **August** we will be praying for **Monsignor Michael T McCulken** 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

This has been a very busy summer here at Saint PASTOR Eleanor. Several parish offices are being relocated to the second floor of the old rectory,

making room for more meeting space on the first floor. Many projects large and small are unfolding around the parish campus and in our regional school. Four new trees have been planted in the upper parking lot and one behind the chapel, near the outdoor stations.

A lot of effort, energy and work has been given to developing our parish ministries and to opening a new initiative for our parish family, which will begin after Labor Day weekend. Our focus on being disciples, helping each other to be disciples, becoming more passionately disciples and making disciples will receive a direct impact through a long overdue initiative. This initiative is to be announced in conjunction with our annual Forty Hours Devotions ~ September 10, 11, 12. More details to come...

Remember that our Forty Hours devotions are held in conjunction with our Parish Feast Day, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, which is September 14. These devotions are a wonderful opportunity for a parish-wide "retreat" as we are gearing up for a new year of activities, programs and ministries.

We focus on the gift of the Eucharist personally and through our nearly perpetual adoration ministry in the Chapel as well as our annual Forty Hours devotions and Corpus Christi procession because we are a Church of the Eucharist. Pope Saint John Paul II wrote an encyclical with that title and explained beautifully the mystery of Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist and its meaning in the life of the Church and of every believer.

While many Christian denominations celebrate Communion Services, their belief is vastly different than ours. For most of them Holy Communion is a symbol, a memorial, a remembrance. In Mass, at the words of consecration, the ordinary elements of bread and wine are changed substantively; they are no longer bread and wine but become Jesus. We hold, affirm and state unequivocally that Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Eucharist, IS Jesus Christ Himself! ~ Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity! To our bodily senses, there appears no change; to our mind and to our soul, faith reveals these elements to be Christ, hidden and yet truly, really and fully present. Like the burning bush in Genesis, they reveal the very presence of God.

That is why we come and adore the Eucharist, Jesus Christ. That is why I hope and pray that every member of our parish family will be with us throughout our Forty Hours devotions. We can only be passionate disciples, if we know and love Jesus who abides with us in the Eucharist!

God bless you, God love you and I love you, Monsignor McCulken



We will soon begin inquiry sessions to share with others the truths of our Catholic faith and the fellowship of our parish family. Starting in September on Thursday evenings at 7 pm, we will hold weekly session for those who would like to look into the Catholic

Church and its teachings.

These sessions are open to people who are not baptized as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant to Evangelical backgrounds or baptized Catholics who have not received their First Communion or Confirmation. They are free and do not imply commitment on your part to join the Catholic Church. We are simply inviting you to learn what the Church teaches and to meet some of our parish members who are joyful disciples of Jesus. These sessions are also opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask any questions you may have about our Lord Jesus and the Catholic Church.

Please give us a call if you have questions or would like further information. You can reach us at 610-489-1647 or email church@steleanor.com

Mass for Healing Tuesday, September 18th

We are continuing our monthly Mass for Healing.

The upcoming Mass will be on Wednesday, September 18th at 7:00 PM.

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We are planning to extend our Children's Liturgy of the Word experience to the 10:30 AM Sunday morning Mass, in addition to the 9:00 Mass, starting in the Fall! Our children are special gifts, not just to their parents, but also to all of us as a parish family!



We will be needing additional help for this most precious work, so if God is tugging at your

heart, step up and become a part of this special ministry. Please contact Teri Lahey at tlahey@steleanor.com or 610-489-4677, ext 31.

Looking Ahead to Christmas!! Change in Mass schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent Dec. 23-Vigil Mass -4:30 PM

Dec. 24-7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM ONLY

Christmas Eve Masses-Dec. 24 4:00, 4:15, 6:30 and 8:30 PM Christmas Day Masses-Dec. 25 7:30, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon ONLY



FOR OUR DECEASED: Eugenia Romana, Salvatore DiBattisto

FOR OUR SICK: Catherine Alexander, Ann Marie Allen, Nathan Allen, Betty Anne

Aquilante, Joseph Art, Jr., Elizabeth Ashenfelder, Kathleen Bani, Lori Bani, Lisa Caruso, Christine Barrett, Kaitlyn Barrett, 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, Lori Craig, 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, Al Freitag, 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, Francis Magee, Joan Mahoney, Julia Mahoney, Mary Mahoney, Marie and Sarah, Barbara Marosky, Daniel Mazzenga, Agnes McCarver, Ed McDade, Jaime McNutt, 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, George Pastino, Jim Pickersgill, Ed Pressler, Faith R., Joseph Reeves, Carolyn Rider, Marjorie Rigg, Kathleen Riggs, Dick Robbins, Megan Roth, Betty Rowlands, Jack Russo, Ralph Russo, Linda Sauer, Paul Schneider, Mary Pat Seiss, David Sebok, Angela Shinal, 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, Barbara Witman, 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, Kate Greco

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



Tweeted by Pope Francis on August

Forgiveness sets our hearts free and allows us to start anew. Forgiveness gives hope. Without forgiveness, the Church is not built up.



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 igenuardi@steleanor.com.

MISSION APPEAL

August 19-20

The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette will preach our annual parish mission appeal

Having brought the fullness of Life to our world when He rose from the dead, Jesus sent his disciples to share this life with all of creation. "They went forth and preached everywhere" (Mk 16:20) Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette minister to people of every race, language, culture and way of life - beginning at the La Salette Shrine in France where

our Blessed Mother appeared in

1846.

Her final words, "Well, my children, you will make this known to all my people," echo Jesus' Gospel mandate. This spirit brought them to mission in 27 countries, especially



among the poor in Angola, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Haiti, India, Madagascar, Myanmar, the Philippines and most recently, Tanzania. With your cooperation, the Missionaries of La Salette can continue to provide spiritual and financial assistance to these mission countries as they bring God's reconciling message to the poor.



Counting Our Blessings

Week Ending June 30, 2017

\$ 27,382 Regular Collection Other Collections 330

Total \$ 27.712 Diocesan Collections \$ 4.279

Regular Sunday Collections Fiscal Year-to-Date**

July 1, 2016—June 30, 2017 \$ 1,408,479 July 1, 2015—June 30, 2016 \$ 1,405,137

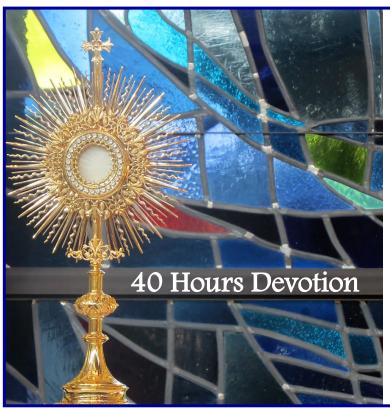
> YTD Tithing 2016-17 \$ 42,254

2015-16 \$ 14,051

**Regular Sunday collection figures now include YTD Tithing

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Spend Time with our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament throughout our upcoming 40 Hours Devotion

Our guest Homilist is: Father David Friel

The 40 hours devotion begins with the 12 noon Mass on Sunday. Evening devotions are at 7:00 PM, Mass on Sunday; evening prayer, homily and benediction the other nights. On Tuesday evening there is an outdoor procession accompanied by the Verdi Band and a Cider Social in the school cafeteria.

September 10, 11 & 12

Father David Friel was ordained in 2011 & he served as Parochial Vicar at Saint Anselm Parish, Philadelphia. The concentration for his M.A. in Pastoral Theology was Sacred Music. Father Friel is currently a priest student at Catholic University of America and is an active writer for the Corpus Christi Watershed.

The Divine Mercy theme for August is: "Union. St. Faustina's union with God was unparalleled. One day in 1937, after Mass, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and said,

"You are my great joy. Your love and your humility make Me leave the heavenly throne, and unite myself with you. Love fills up the abyss that exists between My greatness and your nothingness."

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.

Obt. Eleanor Respetual Eucharistic Adoration

On Our Rady 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

If you would like to commit to an hour, the following hours are open:

Monday 1 AM, 2AM, 3PM Tuesday 12 AM, 2 AM, 2PM Thursday 12 AM, 7 AM Friday 12 AM, 2 AM, 8 AM, 4 PM



Please contact Erin Finkelmeier for more information at efinkelmeier@gmail.com

Perkiomen Valley Council 3633 Knights of Columbus serving the parishes of St Eleanor and Saint Mary. Meets 2nd Sunday of each month. Call GK Joseph Stephey (610) 489-1341 or visit www.kofc3633.org

Catechetical Sunday September 17 9:00 am Mass

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

"Prayer: Living as Missionary Disciples"

All those parishioners who are involved in a catechetical ministry (Catholic schoolteachers, volunteer catechists, RCIA instructors, Pre-Jordan and Pre-Cana 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!

Protecting God's Children Classroom Training

- 2 ½ hours
- Required of all volunteers <u>having REGULAR</u> contact with children in and all employees of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia (ie: school volunteers, CYO coaches, PREP volunteers) Pre-registration is required and can be done at https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=0
- Space is limited to 50 attendees
- Class will be held in Holy Cross School's cafeteria
- Tuesday, August 29th, 2017
- 6:00 PM It is imperative that attendees arrive 15 minutes early to sign in and gather materials. Late arrivals WILL NOT BE ADMITTED. If you are unable to

arrive on time, please register for another session.

Due to the subject matter of the training, NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 is allowed in the training. This includes infants and toddlers.





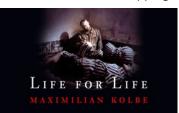
Looking for a way to be a disciple of Jesus? Volunteer to team teach in our PREP program!

Requirements? - A Love of Jesus and a desire to share your Catholic faith with children.
No experience necessary—training provided
Contact Teri Lahey at 610-489-4677 or
tlahey@steleanor.com

FORMED

FORMED is here! Formed offers free downloadable books, Bible studies, video & movies with a Catholic focus. Log on at www.formed.org and sign up using your e-mail address & Parish Code: H[EEM3

This week we remember St Maximilian Kolbe – the saint of Auschwitz & the dropping of the A-bomb on Nagasaki.



Reflect on God's mercy & providence with stories that show incredible goodness coming out of incredible evil and suffering.

In WATCH: Movies/Modern
Day Saints

Saint Vincent de Paul Society / Saint Eleanor Conference

Serving our local community & surrounding neighborhood families in need of emergency assistance.

- Operate a Food Pantry to community of need
- Clothing
- Utilities
- Rent/Mortgage
- Job Direction
- Transport
- Funds Toward Medical Expenses
- Participate in Haiti Adopt-a-Student program
- Holy Cross Prep Scholarship program

How can you help?

-Join us and get involved!!

Contact Erin at 215-421-7033

-Pray for our clients and our conference

Donations Needed Too THANK YOU

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!?

If you feel called to this ministry, you can answer that call at either weekend Masses , Holy Days and/or other

special Masses during the year. Lectors must be at least age 14 & have been confirmed. A child abuse clearance and criminal background check are required. Training and preparation materials will be provided.

For more information or to volunteer, please call Mark Pinto at 610-792-1679 or e-mail him at <u>lectorpinto@hotmail.com</u>.

Legion of Mary

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! To learn more about the Legion of

Mary, contact Ray Hritz @ 610–489–4167.





CREATIVE AND FUN CO-CHAIRS NEEDED

The Amazing Harvest Festival is in need of 5 parishioners willing to serve as co-chairs. We need a team to help with ministry contacts, vendors, volunteer coordination and general planning for the Festival to be the success that it was last year. Meetings will be held to a minimum and much of the work can be done around your schedule. Please share your talents and creativity and become a "gift of the harvest"!

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SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, September 24

The 2nd St. Eleanor Parish

AMAZING HARVÉST FÉSTIVAL

Hope to see you there!





Are you called to be an Altar Server?



Training Dates:
Wednesday nights
7-8:30pm
Held in the church

September 13th September 20th September 27th October 4th

What are the qualifications to be an altar server?

•6th—12th grader

- Reliable and willing to serve Mass
 - Able to attend training sessions

Register at:

http://www.showmyevent.com?jumptoevent=3004

CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)

St. Eleanor CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) is open to ALL St.

Eleanor parishioners. Therefore, if you are a St. Eleanor parishioner, 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.steleanor.com/ or contact Jim DeBald at jdebald@yahoo.com.

The CYO Board is looking for NEW volunteers to join our team.

If interested please contact Jim DeBald at jdebald@yahoo.com

Has your email address changed? If

so, please visit our website and update your profile so we can keep you informed.

http://cvo.steleanor.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!

Junior Legion of Mary

Mondays - 4:30 - Kateri Hall Weekly meeting and service opportunities Ages 8-17

Interested in growing in your relationship with our Lord through the guidance & love of the Blessed Mother? Our Heavenly Mother is waiting for the youth of our parish to aid her in good works and prayer.

Meetings are Mondays at 4:30-5:30 PM in Kateri Hall.

Contact 215-390-0933 or laurajusko@gmail.com.

THEOLOGY FOR TEEMS

DISCOVERING GOD'S PLAN FOR LOVE AND LIFE

St. Eleanor Parish *presents* **Eight-week** DVD Presentation and Discussion!

Topics include:

Who Am I? Discovering My True Identity.
Me, Myself, and I: Body and Soul.
How Should I Act?
Vocation: God's Call, My Response

Beginning Wednesday, October 4

 $7:00 \sim 8:00 \text{ PM}$ Ages: 13 - 16

Location: Holy Cross School Library

Program is free- advanced Registration is required.

Participants and parents' books available for purchase.

Contact *Teri Lahey* at tlahey@steleanor.com

Sacrament Dates

First Penance – Saturday, February 24, 2017 Sacrament of Confirmation – Saturday, April 7, 2018 First Holy Communion – Saturday, May 5, 2018

P.R.E.P Registration for 2017-2018

The Parish Religious Education Program provides After-School Religious Education, as well as Sacrament preparation for Public School Students in Level K—6



Early Registration and savings are NOW through August 11, 2017

https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-2729983/

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

State of Vocations Address by Fr Stephen DeLacy—Facebook Live event—Tuesday, August 22 at 7:00pm

Catholic Grandparents Association Conference— Saturday August 26th. Keynote speakers Jim & Joy Pinto & Catherine Wiley. Registration at 8"30 am; \$35/ person, \$65/couple. Call 888-510-5006

Married Couples Retreat – September 8-10th St. Joseph's in the Hills. Retreat Director is Fr William Gaffney, CSsR., Call610-644-0400 for more information.

Mass for those suffering from addiction—St. Ann Church, Phoenixville on Saturday Sept. 9 at 11:00 am. Celebrant Fr John Newn. Join us that we may draw strength from one another in the power of faith.

Little Sisters of the Poor **St. Jeanne Jugan Pot of Gold Raffle event**—Sunday Sept. 10 12:30—4:00pm. Buffet dinner, raffles, silent auction and more. 215-729-5153 x1115 www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org

Retreat for Healing Abuse—Grief to Grace -Healing the Wounds of Abuse - an integrated psychological & spiritual program for those who have suffered physical, emotional, sexual, or spiritual abuse. The program is held September 10-15, 2017 in Newark, NJ. Contact info@grieftograce.org or call 610-203-2002

Theology of the Body Institute and Anthem in a **minimmersion retreat encounter** called "Awaken" Friday, August 11 (5 pm) - Sunday, August 13, at 1 pm at St. Mary of Providence Retreat Center in Elverson. To register, contact Samantha at 215-302-8200

St. Teresa of Calcutta 9th Annual Community Festival Aug 23-26 runs Wednesday, Aug. 23—Saturday, Aug.
26 starting at 6 pm at Swamp Pike & Neiffer Road. Visit www.stfestival.org for more details.

Regina Nursing Center **Annual Bazaar**, September 9th, 8:30am—2:00pm, 550 E. Fornance St, Norristown; currently **seeking vendors**-\$20/space. Contact Nancy at 6910-272-56900

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St. John's Hospice **Fall Fling Gala**—Friday, September 15th at the American Swedish Historical Museum at 1900 Pattison Avenue, Philadelphia. Free Parking.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing after Abortion on September 22-24, 2017, Doylestown. For more info, call Evelyn at 215-317-5752 or email at evelyn-walsh59@gmail.com. Info at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Annual Basket Raffle held by Women's Group at Saint Joseph Church, Spring City. Held October 8th at Friendship Hook & Ladder, Royersford. Doors open at noon, raffle starts at 2:00 pm. No alcoholic beverages please. You must be 18 years of age to attend. Call Carmella at 610-948-7731 or Emma at 610-948-2064 or ejm727@comcast.net

National Catholic Women's Conference: Drawn by Love: Sent on Fire—October 21—8:30 am—4:00pm—National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. Come learn about God's never-ending love for you. Speakers: Kelly Wahlquist, Teresa Tomeo, Sarah Christmeyer, Kitty Cleveland, Amanda Vernon. Register at PhiladelphiaWINE-2017.eventbrite.com. Visit www.wineconference.org

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico December 9 – 14, 2017, sponsored by Saint Cecilia Parish. We will be there for the Feast Day & the Mass of Roses. Cost is \$2049 per person including air from Philadelphia. Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

Birthright of Pottstown is in need of caring individuals to help pregnant mothers!! Can you commit to volunteering some time to helping moms in need of love and support? We will provide training. 327 King Street, Pottstown, or call 610-327-2626.

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s & 30s who are looking to deepen their faith & meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our ministry includes: Theology on Tap, faith-based meetings, community service, retreats, and outdoor events. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:30pm unless otherwise noted.

Contact <u>metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com</u> for more information, or visit our Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults)

Upcoming Events:

August 15th: Mass for Feast of Assumption (Time and Location TBA)

August 22: Theology on Tap, Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegeville. 7:00 pm Speaker—Dr Angie Corbo

August 26: 6th Annual Retreat, St EleanorParish, Collegeville, 10am-10pm

August 29th: Holy Hour, Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales, 7:30 PM

