

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

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# ST. ELEANOR CHURCH

*November 13, 2016*



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## OFFICE STAFF

Mrs. Susan Gordon  
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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. 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.

**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.



# THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 13, 2016

## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Saturday, November 12**

4:30 For the People of the Parish

### **Sunday, November 13**

7:30 Joyleen Branco

9:00 Timothy Lloyd

10:30 Julie Gaines

12:00 PM Frank A. Buscaglia

7:00 PM Diane Falvey-Costello

### **Monday, November 14**

6:30 Albert and Nancy Viola

9:00 James Petaccio, Jr.

### **Tuesday, November 15**

*Saint Albert the Great*

6:30 All Souls

9:00 Clayton Reese

### **Wednesday, November 16**

*Saint Margaret of Scotland Saint Gertrude*

6:30 Special Intention of Christina

Viola and John Schork

9:00 Elizabeth Smith

### **Thursday, November 17**

*Saint Elizabeth of Hungary*

6:30 Elizabeth Calitri

9:00 Mary Barbara Taran

### **Friday, November 18**

*The Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter and Paul, Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne*

6:30 Anthony R. Capaldi

9:00 Keeley Collins

### **Saturday, November 19**

*BVM*

9:00 Paul Malikkal

4:30 Theresa Warliga

## 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:



~ Gena Marie, daughter of Kenneth and Kristina Liskey

~ Gabrielle Adebimitan, daughter of Solagbade and Kehinde Oyefara

~ Nicholas Iyiola, son of Solagbade and Kehinde Oyefara

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

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



## Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:

~ Timothy Wallace on his birthday, given by his mother, Theresa

~ Tillie Meltzer on the 5th anniversary of her death, given by the Drummy family

~ Helen Dewey Wicker on the 1st anniversary of her death, given by her daughter, Carolyn



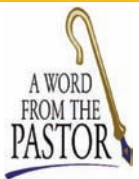
For a Rose of Resurrection to remember those who have passed away, call Paula Pezzano at 610-489-0533. Please request roses at least one month before the rose is to be placed on the altar.

## Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons

For the month of **November** we will be praying for our resident priest, **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.







Dear Friends,

This is the next-to-last Sunday in Ordinary Time. Next weekend, we celebrate the great solemnity of *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*. It is not surprising then that the Church presents Scripture readings to us that invite us to examine the things of the end times.

You know, life and death, heaven and hell. It is an invitation to ponder again the questions which well up within every human being ~ who am I, where did I come from, where am I going?

For disciples of Jesus Christ, we find the answers to such human longings in our Lord, most especially in His Passion and Death on the Cross and His Resurrection. By His power and grace, we are able to *make a difference* in this world. Not only are we transformed by His grace but His grace within us helps us to bring transformation into our world. All we must do is follow Him with complete surrender and serenity, doing what He does. May each of us open ourselves more intensely to His grace so that His work may be accomplished within us and through us!

If you had the opportunity to come to the parish campus over the last two weeks, you may have noticed that we have been having a lot of tree service done. Approximately nine trees have had to be removed and many more have had to be trimmed back or dead branches removed. We wanted to be sure that this was accomplished before the snow and ice begins to show up. Of course, it is a very costly project into the thousands of dollars but it will help keep our trees and property in the best condition. We will also have at least five trees planted come Spring. Four in the parking lot near the front doors of the Church where we had to remove trees and one behind the Chapel where another pine tree had died.

Our gardening angels have done a truly wonderful job throughout the summer and now the fall months keeping flowers blooming in the various flower pots near the entrances of Church and the parish offices. Recently two other “angels” planted somewhere around 700 tulip bulbs around the church, the parish offices and the parish house. Next spring should look truly beautiful with so much color.

I believe that our new marble statues of Our Lady and Saint Joseph will arrive on November 15. We will still need to construct the appropriate pedestals for them in the Sanctuary. I was told they weigh near 800 pounds each. Someone has already committed to donating the statue of Our Lady and I believe there are some people interested in Saint Joseph. One of the 3 red stoles also is being donated. The other two are still available as memorials. Once I have a design and pricing on the two marble pedestals for the statues, they also will be available as memorials.

Over the last few weeks, we have collected toiletry items for the needy and clothing for Saint Vincent DePaul Society. Thank you, one and all, for your care and concern for our brothers and sisters in need. Your generous response will be remembered by our gracious and loving Father God!

We recently made the final donations from the *Tithing the Tithe* funds for last fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. Information will be published here shortly on those who received the donations. The *Tithing the Tithe* Committee will soon get to work on reviewing requests and the funds available for this fiscal year. As you know 3% of our ordinary Sunday collections is being set aside for this purpose this year. This is up from 1% last year. The *Tithing the Tithe* program allows us as a parish family, relying on God's generosity, to gratefully give something back to help those who accomplish the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. Your generosity and goodness in supporting our parish efforts in ministry, programs, pastoral initiatives and tithing is deeply appreciated!!

This weekend we welcome our Seminarian, Austin Chukinas, at all the weekend Masses as he speaks about the annual *Seminary Appeal*. ***Did you know we were among the top ten donating parishes to last year's appeal?*** Congratulations to all of you for your kind generosity!!

Thanksgiving is coming quickly. We have a 9 am Mass on Thanksgiving morning at which we bless fresh bread for everyone to take home to your Thanksgiving tables. What a wonderful way to begin this national holiday, at Holy Mass giving thanks to God, the giver of every good gift. Hope to see you there!

God bless you, God love you,  
*Monsignor McCulken*

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



**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 join us.

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 free downloadable books, Bible studies, video and movies with a Catholic focus. Log on at [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and sign up using your e-mail address and the Parish Code: HJEEM3.

### **Feast of St Luke the Evangelist** **Program: Lectio: Evangelization** **(Session 1 – Why Study ACTS)**

This program talks about signs of our modern times—sobering reminders of how desperately our world needs a restoration of a biblical worldview. It also looks at the missionary character of the Church and answer the question: How can the evangelization efforts of the early Church help us today?



**FOR OUR DECEASED:** Lucy Valenti; Ramona Gonzales; Jason Minehart, son of Heather Karr

**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, Brooke Bielski, Jackie Bielski, Arthur Buben, Jennifer Buczkowski, Diane Burg, Sandy Burns, Rosemary Carney, Anne Cartenuto, Marc Chevrier, Monica Cipriani, Doris Coffey, Gerald Collins, 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, Joseph Heller, Bobby Henzler, Tammy Hockenbrock, Ray Kelley, Joanne Kennedy, Carisa Koziol, Nettie Krall, Eva Kramer, Mike Creeden, 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, 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, Joseph 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., George Vermuth, 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!*



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.

During our monthly dinners, members listen to lively and engaging speakers on a variety of topics relevant to faith, family and business. Legatus members also have access to "Legatus Forums," which are private business peer groups (similar to Vistage and YPO), where members can benefit from the wisdom of other business owners. To learn more about Legatus, contact: John Knowles at (215) 262-3832, jknowles@legatus.org or <http://legatus.org/legatus/>.



## Jubilee Year of Mercy – God the Father, Rich in Mercy

The director of the Christian rehab facility was explaining its approach. "Around here we don't talk about God the Father," he said. "Fathers have too bad a reputation. Instead of loving their families well, many have deserted their families, or are abusive. "Father" brings up bad memories. So it's all about Jesus for months until they're ready to hear."

What a tragedy! As many others can attest, fathers who live up to their calling—even if they're not perfect—help us to see the face of our heavenly Father. The best fathers, by mirroring God's love to their children, are faithful, kind and merciful. But even when they're not, God the Father is all of these things. He is love, and there's no end to his mercy.

What does that mean? When God revealed himself to Moses at the burning bush, he didn't just say, "I AM." He began to explain: "I have seen" the afflictions of my people, he said. "I have heard" their cry. "I know" their sufferings, and "I have come down" to deliver them. That is mercy! In Latin, misericordia: "miserable heart." Fr. George Kosicki, CSB, describes it as "having a pain in your heart for the pains of another, and taking pains to do something about their pain." God is the same today. He sees our need, he hears our cries, he knows our sufferings, and he has come down to deliver us. His mercy never ends.

So many people have "father wounds." We long for someone to see and hear and know us -- and love us unconditionally. Our own fathers may fall short, but God does not fall short! He is the ultimate Father. And because he is who he is, because he lavishes his mercy on us, we can be merciful too. –Sarah Christmyer, St. Norbert Parish, Paoli, Catholic author and speaker

Quote from Catholic Tradition: "God is a Father who never abandons his children, a loving Father who supports, helps, welcomes, forgives, saves, with a fidelity that immensely surpasses that of men, opening up to an eternal dimension... The love of God never fails, never tires of us, it is a love that gives to the extreme, even to the sacrifice of His Son. Faith gifts us this certainty, which becomes a sure rock in the construction of our lives so that we can face those moments of difficulty and danger, experience those times of darkness, crisis and pain, supported by the faith that God never abandons us and is always near, to save us and bring us to life. It is in the Lord Jesus that we fully see the benevolent face of the Father who is in heaven." -Pope Benedict XVI  
To continue reflecting on this theme, consider one of these resources!

- Recommended Book for the Month: Abba's Heart, Neal Lozano
- Lighthouse Catholic Media CD: To Hell and Back: Divine Love and the Cross by Anne Marie Schmidt

Archdiocese of Philadelphia · [archphila.org/mercy](http://archphila.org/mercy) · Jubilee Year of Mercy



### Pray for Those Serving Our Country

Sgt. Thomas Albany  
1st Lt. Andrew Bone  
Lt. 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

### **COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS**

#### Week Ending October 14, 2016

Regular Collection	\$ 28,603
Other Collections	\$ 3,146
Total	\$ 31,749
Diocesan Collections	\$ 25

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

July 1, 2016—October 14, 2016	\$ 389,485
July 1, 2015—October 14, 2015	\$ 385,750

#### Amount Available for Tithing the Tithe

July -	\$ 3,684
August -	\$ 3,298
September -	\$ 3,389



The Divine Mercy theme for the month of November is “**Humility.**” Jesus once told St. Faustina, “With no other soul do I unite Myself as closely, and in such a way as I do with you, and this because of the deep humility and ardent love which you have for Me.”

If you would like to know more about Saint 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 Chapel. For more information, please call Gerry Daly at 610-454-7984.



First graders of Holy Cross Regional Catholic School celebrated All Saints Day on November 3. Saint Patrick, Saint Andrew, Saint Rose of Lima, Saint Francis of Assisi, and Saint Catherine of Siena were just a few of the Saints represented. Children dressed in period costumes and respectfully spoke about their patron Saint, in front of the entire school.



### 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> 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 [llahey@steleanor.com](mailto:llahey@steleanor.com) to make the proper arrangements. Thank you!

P.R.E.P. children will be performing a **Corporal Work of Mercy** throughout the month of November! Families will be collecting and donating individualized packaged snacks to share with children who live at **St. Mary Franciscan Shelter for Homeless Families** in Phoenixville.



**P.R.E.P. kids reaching out to St. Mary's kids ~ great work!**



#### 2017 Sacrament Dates

First Penance  
Saturday, February 25, 2017

Confirmation  
Saturday, April 1, 2017

First Holy Communion  
Saturday, May 6, 2017

### **Bulletin Deadlines**

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](mailto:jphillips@steleanor.com).

#### **Holiday deadlines:**

**November 27 bulletin-Deadline is Noon on November 14**

**December 25 Bulletin-Deadline is Noon on December 12**

**January 1 Bulletin-Deadline is Noon on December 16**



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.



### 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.



## SCRIP NEWS

### SCRIP SELLERS NEEDED

**Position Description:** The Scrip Team needs volunteers to sell Scrip before and after weekend Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Volunteers work 3 different shifts.

**Time Commitment:** 2 hours once or twice a month

**Talent to Share:** Attention to detail for monies collected and information taken

**Contact Person:** Madelyn O'Hara, 610-489-1647, ext. 25, [mohara@stleanor.com](mailto:mohara@stleanor.com)

### THANKSGIVING

There will be **no Scrip Sales** from Thursday, November 24 through Sunday, November 27.

### CHRISTMAS

Starting Saturday, November 6, we will have special small denomination gift cards available—perfect for stocking stuffers and holiday gift-giving. The following cards will be available: \$10 Amazon, \$10 AMC, \$5 Barnes & Noble, \$10 Regal Cinema, \$5 Panera, \$5 Starbucks, and \$10 Target. **December 11** is the last day to order special gift cards for Christmas. Please plan ahead and keep this in mind so that you have all the scrip you need on time.

If you should have questions, please contact Madelyn O'Hara at 610-489-1647, ext. 25 or [mohara@stleanor.com](mailto:mohara@stleanor.com).

**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.stleanor.com](http://cyo.stleanor.com).



**SE CYO DANCES:** CYO sponsors monthly dances throughout the school year. **Individual Dance Pass are available for Purchase:** Cost \$7- per dance. Please visit our web-site for more information and to purchase dance passes: <http://cyo.stleanor.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 Next Dance of the 2016-2017 school year will be held in Saturday, January 14th.** Contact Dan Cordrey with any questions: [myah22799@comcast.net](mailto:myah22799@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!



*The Perkiomen Valley Council 3633 of the Knights of Columbus of St. Eleanor and St. Mary Parishes are offering two scholarships to The Pope John Paul II Catholic High School. Each scholarship is for an entering freshman and is limited to a one-year award of \$1500.00. These competitive Scholarships are available to any Catholic eighth grade student enrolled in either St. Mary School or the Holy Cross Regional School, or belonging to St. Eleanor or St. Mary Parish, regardless of where or how they complete their elementary education. The applicant must have made a request for admission to Pope John Paul II High School and received notification of eligibility prior to the awarding of the scholarship.*

*The application form will provide additional details. Applications and criteria will be available at Holy Cross School. If you have any questions or need assistance getting an application, please contact Joe Klobusicky at 610-653-0829. All essays and application must be postmarked no later than February 1, 2017.*



### 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 [laurajusko@yahoo.com](mailto:laurajusko@yahoo.com).

On October 29th, a group of 50 parishioners traveled to Washington, D.C. to the shrine of Pope St. John Paul II. The Shrine is a place of pilgrimage. It houses first-class relics of Pope St. John Paul II. Through our prayer at Mass, through the art, we shared in John Paul II's deep love for God and for man. This holy site was designated a national shrine on March 14, 2014, by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. This Shrine is a major pastoral initiative of the Knights of Columbus. We owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. Joe Bondi for all the work he and the Knights put into this pilgrimage. Pope St. John Paul II, pray for us.



*The Giving Tree will be placed in the Narthex on November 26th. Several organizations will be represented. Please take a tag and return the wrapped gift with the tag attached on December 10th or 11th. Thank you in advance for your generosity and dedication to those in need.*



## Food Pantry

### Saint Eleanor Parish Food Pantry

The Saint Eleanor Conference of the Saint Vincent DePaul Society will open its food pantry to all parishioners and members of our local community in need of food assistance.

The pantry, located at the white Saint Kateri Tekawitha trailer in the school parking lot, will be open from 10am to 12pm on the third Saturday of the month. This program is supported and made possible through the outstanding generosity of our parishioners. Now more than ever food and monetary donations are needed in our efforts to support all those in need.



WICS - St. Eleanor's Women In Catholic Service will **not** meet in November. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, **December 20th** at 7:30 in Vianney Hall.



## Boy Scout Troop 119 Wreath Sale

As is tradition, these Fraser wreaths are a large 30" outer/16" inner diameter wreath. Decorations included are pine cones, artificial berries and a bow. Cost of the wreaths is still \$20.00.

### How to place an order:

This year's wreath sale will have a slightly different look. Orders will now be placed on-line or by phone. You will be able to pick up your order on the dates listed below. Follow this link... <http://www.troop119.net/> and click on "Christmas Wreath Order Form" (in the center of the page above the oval scout picture) to place your on-line order, or call 610-409-9006 (Dalton Roberto, your troop 119 scout representative) to place your order by phone.

Wreaths will be ready for pickup at St. Eleanor's, at the Kateri Meeting Room, the modular building in the church parking lot, on Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> between 4:00 and 5:00 PM or Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> between 6:30 and 7:30 PM.







## Hibernian Hunger Project 2016

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, Officer Jack Duffy Division 6 will once again be holding our "Hibernian Hunger Project" food drive to benefit the St.

Vincent dePaul food pantry at Saint Eleanor before and after all Masses over the weekend of Nov. 12 & 13. We are seeking donations of pastas, can fruits & vegetables, soups, pasta sauces, & condiments. Please help us help those less fortunate during the upcoming holiday season.

## CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 21-39)

**THEOLOGY ON TAP**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2016**  
**AT 7 PM**

**SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER**  
**ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT**



**STOVE AND TAP RESTAURANT**  
**329 W. MAIN STREET**  
**LANSDALE**

[HTTP://](http://www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/)

[WWW.METANOIAYOUNGADULTS.WEEBLY.COM/](http://www.metanoiayoungadults.weebly.com/)

Parkhouse Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Royersford is in need of volunteers to help residents participate in our Craft Room program. Volunteers are most needed on Thursday mornings, but other times are available. Residents need assistance with getting back and forth to the Craft Room in their wheelchairs, as well as with their many projects. Other volunteer opportunities are also available at Parkhouse as well. For more information, please contact Sally Hawk-Jones, Director of Activities and Volunteers at 610-792-2341.

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](mailto:jreynolds@hcrc.school) along with days available.

## 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.



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**Memorial Mass for Parents of Deceased Children** In recognition of November being the Month of the Holy Souls and in anticipation of the holiday season, St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, 256 Swamp Pike, Limerick will host a special Mass in memory of deceased children, from pre-born to adult. This liturgy will take place on **Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.** All loved ones who have lost a child(ren) are invited to be part of this Memorial Mass. Anyone who plans to attend is asked to respond to Shawn Marie Brown, Director of Parish Services at [dps@stteresacalcutta.com](mailto:dps@stteresacalcutta.com) or call (610) 287-2525 ext. 100 for information and details. All are welcome! A light reception will follow the Mass.



**Healing Retreat** Renowned Retreat Director Kathleen McCarthy is returning to Malvern Retreat House for her Ad Lumina Christi Healing Retreat. The mid-week retreat, held Nov. 14-18, offers the opportunity for medical, emotional and spiritual healing. McCarthy has been actively involved in the healing ministry for more than four decades and has changed numerous lives with her documented healings around the world. Her message focuses on the "fire of the Holy Spirit" and the Eucharistic presence of Christ. For more info or to register, please visit [malvernretreat.com](http://malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400.



**St. Mary of the Assumption Cemetery Plot Sale** Running Now Till Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Black Rock Cemetery – Phoenixville Jacquie Marburger, Business Manager, St. Mary of the Assumption Phoenixville, Phone: 610-933-2526.



The **Miraculous Medal Shrine** Hosts the Annual Solemn Novena and Feast Day Mass, November 14 - 23, 2016. Free, secure parking. For Details and Full Schedule, please visit <http://MiraculousMedal.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cecbfe298ee6dae8158984395&id=cb9efc9257&e=e9680ec1c4>.



The **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Marian Day** will be celebrated on Sunday, November 27, 2016 from 12:30 pm – 6:30 pm at the Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA. This year's theme is: **"The Power of Mary in the Spiritual Battle for Families."** We will be blessed to have Fr. John McFadden and Fr. Ronan Murphy and additional priests ministering to us for the Celebration of the Eucharist, Confession, Talks, Healing Service, Benediction, and activities for youth. Dinner will also be served. For more information and registration, please contact: Living Bridges, 610-525-4770, or [staff@livingbridges.org](mailto:staff@livingbridges.org).



**Saint Mary Church, Schwenksville, Christmas Bazaar and Craft Show** on Fri., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> from 5PM to 9PM and Sat., Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> from 9AM - 3PM. Featuring over 50 unique crafters in both the Parish Hall and Saint Mary School. There will be musical entertainment, homemade soup, chili, pulled pork, pierogies, hot dogs, walking tacos, pizza, candy, raffle baskets filled with goodies, pictures with Santa and so much more! Take a chance at winning our 50/50 or one of over 50 beautiful raffle baskets on display! For more information please go to the Saint Mary website at [www.churchofsaintmary.org](http://www.churchofsaintmary.org) or contact Sandi via e-mail at [solzinski@churchofsaintmary.org](mailto:solzinski@churchofsaintmary.org) or call 610.287.8156.



Malvern Retreat House is happy to announce that **José Antonio Meléndez Rodríguez** will be coming to the retreat house on Sunday, November 20 at 2pm. Tony is a Nicaraguan American guitar player, composer, singer, and songwriter, who was born without arms and plays the guitar with his feet. In 1987, Meléndez sang *Never Be the Same* while playing the guitar in a special performance for Pope John Paul II. The Pope was visibly moved by Tony's performance. He also gives motivational talks, has written a book, and campaigns for the pro-life cause. Tickets are \$25. To buy tickets, please contact Edie Petillo at 484-321-2544 or email her at [epetillo@malvernretreat.com](mailto:epetillo@malvernretreat.com).



**Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** from March 21 – 31, 2017, \$3,749.00 /person including air from Philadelphia, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily. Mass daily at the Holy Sites. For a Flyer or more detailed information please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

The **Sacred Heart Silver Liners Senior Circle Fund Raiser**—Homemade Pierogi and Nut Rolls. Orders will be taken after all Masses on Saturday, November 5 thru Sunday, November 20 in the Sacred Heart Café or call Sara Nyce – 610-948-9116. Cost is \$ 8 a dozen for Homemade Pierogi, \$15 each large Homemade Nut Roll. Please pay when ordering. Pick-up: Saturday, December 10 from 9 a.m. - Noon in Sacred Heart Church Café, Royersford.



**Men's Retreat**, November 18 - 20, at Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, NJ 08212. [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org) or 609-884-3829. This weekend, open to men from all walks of life, focuses on unique male issues on the spiritual journey. The retreat will consist of Eucharist and other prayer, input, quiet time, small group sharing, socializing, and fun within a supportive, intentional community of men. Cost: \$130 per person, double occ.



**St. Teresa of Calcutta Retreats** Malvern Retreat House is hosting two retreats focusing on one of the church's newly canonized saints - St. Teresa of Calcutta. On Wednesday, November 16, a Day of Reflection will be directed by Monsignor Michael T. Mannion, S.T.L., who enjoyed a twenty nine-year friendship with Mother Teresa. Monsignor will be sharing his personal experiences with this newly proclaimed saint, as well as the spiritual insights that he gained from her. The day retreat will begin at 9am and conclude at 3pm. The cost is \$35, including continental breakfast and lunch. To register, please visit [malvernretreat.com](http://malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400 for more information. A couple of days later the St. Teresa of Calcutta weekend retreat for women will begin. This November 18-20 traditional retreat will be directed by Fr. Simeon Gallagher, OFM Cap and will be held in the beautiful McShain Horstmann Family Life Center. Please visit [malvernretreat.com](http://malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400 for more information.



**Mother of Divine Providence** in King of Prussia is holding their 16<sup>th</sup> annual **Christmas Craft Fair and Bazaar** on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am. - 3:00 pm. in their school facility. Shoppers and guests will find over 100 crafters selling their hand-made only items, a wide range of café selections for breakfast and lunch, Santa, attic treasures, and much, much more. For directions or to learn more log on to [www.mdpparish.com](http://www.mdpparish.com).



**Immaculata University Undergraduate Open House** Saturday, November 19 from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Immaculata University. Visit <http://www.immaculata.edu/admissions/cus/visit> for details and to RSVP. **Adult Undergraduate Open House** Tuesday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m. Visit <http://www.immaculata.edu/cll/events/rsvp> for details and to RSVP. **Graduate Open House** Saturday, December 3 8:30 a.m. Loyola Hall Lobby Visit <http://www.immaculata.edu/graduate/open-house> for details and to RSVP.



**IHM Discernment Retreat:** November 18 to 20, 2016 (Friday 6PM - Sunday 1PM) Villa Maria House of Studies. Young women (18-35) are invited to join us for this retreat which focuses on the IHM Charism and the importance of listening to God's call and discovering the many ways that God speaks to us. Time will be included for personal and communal prayer as well as the opportunity to interact with the sisters in Formation (Contact: [ihmvoc@aol.com](mailto:ihmvoc@aol.com) or 610-889-1553)



As part of the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions in Fatima, Fr. Dennis Gill will be leading a **pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes** on June 5-12, 2017. This Pilgrimage promises to be a deeply spiritual event in communion with the Mother of the Lord, with prayers for peace and healing for all of us, especially for the clergy and people of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. For more on the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fatima celebration, visit: <http://archphila.org/fatima/>




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