The Archdiocese of Philadelphia announced that Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez has suspended all public Masses in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia effective at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18th and until further notice.

Last week, the Archbishop dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Both decisions were made in response to the growing concern over the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the directives provided by government and health department officials at the local, state, and national levels. These measures will be re-evaluated pending future developments.

Archbishop Pérez said, "As the Archbishop of Philadelphia, my first priority is to ensure the health and welfare of those entrusted to the pastoral and temporal care of our Church. So, in light of the developing Coronavirus pandemic, a decision has been made to suspend the public celebration of all Masses in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for the time being.

All of us need to do our part to slow the spread of this illness. Like you, we are monitoring coronavirus developments and look forward to continuing our lives on a more normal basis. While things may look and feel different during these uncertain times, I want to be very clear that the Catholic Church in Philadelphia is not closing down. It is not disappearing and it will not abandon you. Time and again as our history has proven the Church has risen to meet great challenges and provide a beacon of hope and light.

As your Shepherd, I promise that the Church remains steadfast and is prepared to walk with you and serve you. Neither the Church nor its charitable works will stop. God is always by our side. He never abandons us. I invite you to join me in prayerful solidarity for the intentions of the sick, suffering, and their caregivers as well as government and health officials. With God's grace and blessing, we will navigate the difficult waters of this challenge as a united human family, for after all is said and done, we are people of Hope!"

# Fourth Sunday of Lent



# ST ELEANOR CHURCH

647 Locust Street, **Collegeville, Pa 19426-2541 Phone: 610-489-1647**, FAX: 610-489-7469 Email:church@steleanor.com Website: www.steleanor.com March 22, 2020



March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday in Lent <u>PARISH REGISTRATION</u>: New to the parish? Please call for an appointment with one of the priests <u>PARISH OFFICE HOURS</u>: Monday-Thursday:8am to 7pm, Friday: 8am to 5pm, Saturday: 9am -1pm

# **CLERGY**

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

# PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Linda Coyne, Finance Director Ms. Janet Genuardi Mrs. Laura Jusko Mrs. Jean Phillips Mrs. Jane Watson

# SACRED MUSIC

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

# YOUTH MINISTRY

Mr. Matt Kirsch



#### **COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS**

# Week Ending February 28, 2020

Regular Collection	\$ 26,030
Other Collection	\$ 455
Ash Wednesday	\$ 2, 802
Total	\$ 29,287
Diocesan Collections	\$ 329

# Regular Sunday Collections

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July 1,2019– February 28, 2020	\$ 999,069
July 1, 2018– February 28, 2019	\$ 979,902

# YTD Tithing

July 1, 2019-	-February 28, 2020	\$ 26,395
	- February 28, 2019	



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

Mass Schedule WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

# WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

# SACRAMENTS

<u>BAPTISMS:</u> Scheduled most Sundays at 1:00 pm. Please make arrangements in advance with one of the priests. Firsttime parents attend Pre-Jordan, a Baptismal Preparation meeting usually held on the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm.

# Pre-registration with the parish office is required at least 7 days prior to the class. 610-489-1647.

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

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

# **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 8:00 to 8:45 am; 3:30—4:15 pm (Wednesdays after Masses, by appointment anytime.) **PERPETUAL ADORATION** 

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

# EDUCATION

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

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

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

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

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

**Bulletin**—All info and announcements to be published in the bulletin are due to the Parish Office by the Thursday ten days prior. Flyer inserts are due to the Parish Office two weeks ahead of the desired bulletin date. Bulletin information and inserts should be e-mailed to jgenuardi@steleanor.com. The deadline for the April 4 bulletin is March 23 and for the April I2 bulletin is March 25

# Some Links and Resources-more available on the website-www.steleanor.com

# General- Links with multiple resources:

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Resources—archphila.org/resources

# <u>Mass</u>

Vatican News Live Streaming Pope Francis' Masses - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxIsefyl9g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/videos">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxIsefyl9g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/videos</a>

Live-Streamed Sunday Mass 11AM at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul <a href="https://vimeo.com/event/17522">https://vimeo.com/event/17522</a> Daily Mass Live-Streamed from Bishop Barron's Chapel—<a href="https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/">https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/</a>

# Adoration

Adorecast - Live Perpetual Adoration - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m4A6RIOwC2E&feature=youtu.be

# Daily Readings

# USCCB Daily Readings

English-<u>http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/031820.cfm</u> Spanish- <u>http://www.usccb.org/bible/lecturas/031720.cfm</u> USCCB Daily Readings Audio- <u>http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings-audio.cfm</u>

# Dear Friends,

This is being written on Sunday afternoon, March I5. There is an early bulletin deadline. The coronavirus pandemic continues to evolve daily and sometimes hourly. The media's obsession with it, I believe, is leading to fear and panic. One parishioner told me that he had to stop watching the news reports for they were not helpful and creating an abundance of worry.

This is a very serious and dangerous situation. Everyone needs to exercise restraint, caution and prudence. Following the advice and direction of the Center for Disease Control as well as the PA Health Department is sound guidance.

As disciples, believers in a merciful and compassionate Father, we also entrust ourselves to Him through prayer. Prayer can bring peace to our souls and enlist the power of God to help alleviate this health crisis. Archbishop Jose Gomez, President of the USCCB, offers this beautiful prayer invoking the help of our Blessed Mother for our use  $\sim$ 

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

May we all stay safe and well. God bless you, God love you, Monsignor McCulken

#### MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, March 21 9:00 George and Mabel Finnin 4:30 John Catanzaro Sunday, March 22 7:30 The People of the Parish 9:00 John Catanzaro 10:30 Barry Jones Joseph Merritt 12:00 7:00 Kathy Seckinger Monday, March 23 Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop 6:30 Elsie West 9:00 Elaine Mayoue Tuesday, March 24 Saint Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr 6:30 Mary Ursula Hopko 9:00 Doris Gilligan Wednesday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord 6:30 Phyllis Maniscalco 9:00 William Dierkes Thursday, March 26 Josie Kennedy 6:30 Frank Audino 9:00 Friday, March 27 6:30 Roseann Vallone 9:00 John Catanzaro Saturday, March 28 9:00 Aloysius Nase 4:30 John Catanzaro Sunday, March 29 7:30 Dan and Ruth Lundy 9:00 The People of the Parish 10:30 Chris Cusatis 12:00 James Molieri 7:00 William Dierkes

# Rose of Resurrection in Memory and Rose for Life

Roses will not be placed on the altar during Lent. Roses will resume for Easter Weekend.

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<u>FOR OUR DECEASED</u>: Marina Lucious Gomez (aunt of Geraldine Petr), SWAT Corporal James O'Connor

*FOR OUR SICK*: Anthony Adamo, William Adams, Catherine Alexander, Bob Bielski, Henry Blaney, Ralph Bucher, Connie Clarke, Joseph Clarke, Georgia Cordrey, Ruth Daukus, James Donaldson, Richard Dylinski, Joan Earhart, Molly Enright, Doods Fetalvero, Tom Fuller, Leroy Gallus, Rita Gaspar, Betty Gephardt, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Amy Hahn-Kirsch, Connie Henzler, Bill Howat, Helen Karchner, Mary Marinari, Msgr. James McBride, Agnes McCarver, Martha Meng, Patrick O'Rourke, Debbie Palumbo, Doris Palumbo, Steven Pinto, Paul Schneider, Jeanne Sproat, Anthony Stumpo, Dr. Edward J. Szymala, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Bernadine Wahalla, Joan White

<u>OUR LITTLE ONES</u>: Baby Clara Krsnich, Corey Gramazio, Noah Ellingsworth, Erica Roque

# LEGION OF MARY

An age in which God has made known, through the Blessed Mother, that he wishes the whole world to be devoted to her Immaculate Heart. The Legion presents itself as an ideal instrument for spreading devotion to Jesus through Mary. Members distribute Marian sacramentals as well as propagating the Holy Rosary in carrying out Legion work.

Visit us at one of our meetings. All Catholics are welcome

# PRAY for THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

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



#### **DIVINE MERCY**

The theme of Divine Mercy for March is: Mercy. The Novena of Divine Mercy is the fourth vessel of mercy revealed to St. Faustina. Especially say this Chaplet for a dying person and God's anger is placated and unfathomable mercy envelops the soul. The fifth vessel is the Great Hour of Mercy at 3 o'clock. It is the time to recall the Passion and Death of Our Lord and to implore His Mercy on all sinners.

Please join us at 7 pm each Thursday evening in Our Lady's Chapel for Divine Mercy Devotions. For more information

# PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

Call Kevin 610-489-4412 to schedule a week to host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. We will deliver the statue for those who need assistance. March 22: Todd Sisca, March 29; Karen Cedrone April 5; Kevin Strnad

#### ROSARY

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

#### PERPETUAL ADORATION

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

## PRAYER WHEEL FOR PRIESTS and DEACONS

For the month of March, we will be praying for Rev. John A. Franey and all his intentions. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons, please call Betty Rowlands at 610-489-3742.

# SACRED MUSIC MINISTRY

We invite you to share your talents. Did you know that there are over 1000 verses in the Bible that reference music—singing hymns of praise, blowing of trumpets, making a joyful song unto the Lord! You are invited to share your talents and become a member of St Eleanor's Sacred Ministry. All involved seek to celebrate the Liturgy in a manner that promotes participation by all with exultation and reverence. Join us!

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





# GIVING HOPE TO ALL 2020 Catholic Charities Appeal

**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 have taken the time to make your pledge or send in your donation. This is a vitally important Appeal that allows us to participate in the Archdiocesan efforts to share the love of Jesus with countless numbers of people who are in need.

As of 2-21-20, our parish family has: 201 donations (2nd in the Archdiocese) \$38,885 pledged (6th in the Archdiocese) Achieved 29% of our parish goal

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<sup>4</sup> 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. <u>https://</u>catholiccharitiesappeal.org

# Lenten and Easter Schedule 2020

PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD Blessing & Distribution of Palm at all Masses Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 4, 4:30 pm Sunday, April 5, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, and 7:00 pm **Solemn Procession and Mass, 12:00 pm** 

### PARISH LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Wednesday mornings after 6:30 and 9:00 am Masses Saturdays 8-8:45 am; 3:30-4:15 pm Tuesday, April 7, 7:00 pm, Church Good Friday, April 10, 12:30-1:30 pm, Chapel Holy Saturday morning 8-8:45

HOLY WEEK DAILY MASSES Monday to Wednesday 6:30 and 9:00 am, Chapel

HOLY THURSDAY, April 9 Morning Prayer, 9:00 am, Chapel Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 pm Adoration in Chapel until 11 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, April 10 Morning Prayer, 9:00 am, Chapel Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3:00 pm Recitation of Rosary & Stations of the Cross, 7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, April 11 Morning Prayer, 9:00 am, Chapel Easter Egg Hunt (age 6 and under)—10:30 am Blessing of Food, 12:00 pm, Chapel

EASTER SCHEDULE 2019 Saturday, April 11 The Easter Vigil, 7:45 pm

EASTER SUNDAY, April 12 6:00 am—Sunrise Mass in Church 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM and 12:00 pm, Church (No 7 pm Mass and no Masses in Gym)

EASTER MONDAY, April 13 9:00 am (no 6:30 am Mass)

# FAST AND ABSTINENCE AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE FOR LENT 2020

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light. All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended. All encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese and throughout our nation and our world.



# Coming Soon

April 11—Easter Egg Hunt April 18—Easter Potluck April 18—Padre Pio Prayer Group April 21—Mass for Healing

# MASS FOR HEALING

April 21st 7:00 pm

### PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Next Meeting and Mass - April 18th 9:40-Prayer & Confession 10:30– Mass & blessing with Padre Pio's relics

# EASTER POTLUCK

When: Saturday, April 18 – After the 4:30PM Mass Where: Holy Cross Cafeteria

Come celebrate Easter by enjoying food and fellowship with your parish family. Please bring your favorite ready-to-eat main dish, side dish or salad to share. <u>This event is BYOB</u>. Sign-up below to let us know if you'll be attending and what dish you will be contributing. More information and registration at: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c45aead2da5f85easter1</u>

## ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe.

Partner with St. Vincent de Paul so that others can see God's grace and believe that Jesus can heal all situations by providing an Easter feast for all our neighbors in need. Sign ups for donations of hams and gift cards are taking place in the Church Narthex after all Masses this weekend.

#### SCRIP

Scrip is our fabulous Gift Card Program that pays you to shop. Each store has a rebate amount and that rebate is split 50/50 with St. Eleanor Parish. You receive your yearly rebate check at the end of the year. Scrip can be bought before and after each Mass in the Narthex and in the Parish Office during the week starting at noon M-F. Also consider volunteering to sell. In order to cover all the Masses each weekend, we need more volunteers. A volunteer shift usually is 2 hours long. Contact Jane Watson at jwatson@steleanor.com.

#### The Fourth Annual St. Eleanor Parish Easter Egg Hunt Holy Saturday, April 11

The teens involved in the St. Eleanor Parish Youth Ministry are already getting ready!

Once again, we are asking our parishioners to **donate Easter candy.** As you begin your Easter shopping, please consider picking up an extra bag of candy. You can drop off the candy in the baskets near the entrances of the Church.

Candy can be dropped off anytime between now and April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Early donations are appreciated so that we have



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# HOLY CROSS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL Now accepting Registrations for 2020-2021 School Year

Tour the school, visit classrooms and meet teachers. Get to know our school community!

- Safe, Christ-centered Environment
- <u>Full-day</u> Pre-K (4) through 8th Grade
- After-school CARES Program
- Science Labs

• Accelerated Reading Program

• 1:1 Chromebooks for all 5th -

• State-of-the-Art Computer and

Middle States Accreditation

Robotics/Garden Clubs

8th Grade Students

- Advanced Honors Math
- Interactive Panels in all

Classrooms

SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE

# CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHT-2nd Grade

After studying and practicing for months, the Holy Cross Second Grade Students were very excited to receive Reconciliation for the first time on March 7th. Now we are ready to begin learning all about the Mass and Jesus as we look forward to receiving Holy Communion in May! In order to share their knowledge, the students will create a diorama of an altar. We were blessed to have been given a tour and learn all about Saint Eleanor Church.

Our second grade students have been learning to write in cursive. They have been working hard on this skill and their writing is beautiful! We are also working hard in math and reading. Second grade is studying three-digit subtraction with regrouping and have taken over 900 tests in our Accelerated Reading program. We love to read!

610-489-9434 **\*** www.HCRC.school





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

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

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

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



P.R.E.P. Religious Education for SUMMER 2020 is open!

*Take the Plunge* ~ One-week summer program June 22 through June 26, 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

*New families:* please visit www.steleanor.com/prep and complete online application!

**Returning Families:** information was emailed directly to all currently registered P.R.E.P. families.

Please contact **Teri Lahey** at 610-489-4677 or <u>tla-hey@steleanor.com</u> with any questions! Thank you!

## JUNIOR LEGION of MARY (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 prayer. Meetings are Mondays 4:30-5:30 pm, Kateri.

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

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** 9 am and 10:30 am Mass

#### We look forward to sharing God's Word with your children!

If you are interested in joining this beautiful ministry for our parish children, contact Teri, <u>tlahey@steleanor.com</u> or 610-489-4677.

#### PLAYGROUP

Come join us for fellowship and playtime on Wednesday mornings immediately following the 9am Mass (please attend if you are able to) until 11:15 AM in Vianney Hall. Parents/caregivers and children aged 0-4 years are welcome.

Caregivers stay with their children the entire time and our mornings may include circle time with Bible stories, a simple craft as well as plenty of time for caregivers to chat and kids to play.

Contact: Geraldine Petr at geraldine.petr@gmail.com



### **CYO News**—<u>http://steleanor.website.sportssignup.com</u>

**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: <u>http://</u><u>steleanor.website.sportssignup.com</u>

<u>Has your email address changed?</u> If so, please visit our web-site and update your profile so we can keep you informed. Please update your family information, including e-mail address. This is how CYO Registrar, AD, &/or your child's coach will contact you for meetings, practice schedule, etc.

CYO WEBSITE http://steleanor.website.sportssignup.com Remember to Like Us On Facebook!

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

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

# MINISTRIES

Altar Cross Society	Take care of altar linens	Irene 610-287-8552
Ancient Order of Hibernians, Div 6	Irish Catholic charitable organization; Meet last Thurs ages 16 and up	Mike Brown 610-324-0486
Cenacles of Life	Meet each week to pray the rosary to end abortion. Tuesdays, 6:00 PM, Chapel	Rita 610-489-1929
Charismatic Prayer Group	Strives to develop a deeper understanding of the Holy Spirit, Scriptures & the Mass. Wednesdays 7:30pmVianney Hall	Joann 610-306-6934
ChristLife	Helping people discover, follow & share Christ as members of the Church.	Frank 610-650-8457
Church Cleaning Ministry	Group who beautifies our church each Monday	Ginny 610-539-9543
Church Decorating Group	Enhance our church each season	Margarida 215-888-7509
Couples for Christ	Couples & families supporting each other in the quest to live for Christ	Jinky 610-454-5754
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	Provides opportunities for children to participate in spiritual, social and athletic activities	Jim DeBald 610-476-6756
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	Assists with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and/or to our homebound.	Nancy 610-659-0237
Gardening Angels	Help keep our campus beautiful.	Rachel 610-409-9408
Knights of Columbus	Meet 2nd Sunday of each month serving St Eleanor & St Mary	Robert 215-783-4106
Lector Ministry	Read at weekend Masses, Holy Days and other special Masses. Must be age 14.	Mark-610-792-1679
Legion of Mary	Lay ministry giving service to parish, visiting parish households and meeting for weekly prayer	Richard 610-489-3891
Lupus Support Group	Providing support, prayer and hope for those with this autoimmune disease	Christie 610-489-2761
Men of St Joseph	Meet for prayer & reflection on the Sunday readings every Friday after the 6:30 am Mass	Anthony 610-489-8812
MOSES. (Men of St Eleanor)	Strengthen and encourage men to be strong husbands, fathers and neighbors	Sandy 610-409-0587
Pilgrim Statue	Traveling blessed image of the Virgin Mary	Kevin 610-489-4412
Pray the Rosary	M-F after 9:00 Mass; Wed evening 7pm, chapel	am Betty 610-489-3742 pm Angie 610-489-9903
Respect Life Committee	Promotes Gospel of Life through prayer, witness and education	Chris 610–409–0179
St Vincent DePaul Society	Through corporal works of mercy, SVDP bears witness to love of Christ by helping those in need	Maureen 610-489-1647
Ushers	Assist during weekend liturgies, Holy Days & special occasions	Butch 610-584-0225
Walking with Purpose	Catholic women's Bible study	Maureen—610-454-0650
Welcoming Ministry	Greet and welcome parishioners before Mass	Bettie 610-933-7243
Women's Guild	Gather to celebrate fellowship	Celeste 610-409-8808

# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Give Up Worry for Lent! Speaker Gary Zimak Various parishes are hosting this event for Lent 2020. To find this presentation, visit  $\underline{followingthetruth.com}$ .

All invited to visit Jesus in the **Blessed Sacrament** at the Saint Mary center, Lansdale March 22 (noon-6:30)23 & 24 (9—3). 215-368-0900

**Celebrating Mary's Yes**, Wednesday, March 25- Archdiocesan-Wide Rosary Rally at 6 locations, to pray the Rosary & hear about a new initiative! Archbishop Ryan HS, Bishop Shanahan HS, Cardinal O'Hara HS, Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter & Paul, National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Pope John Paul II HS, St. Raymond of Penafort

There are roughly 5.4 million deaf or hard-of-hearing Catholics in the United States. With English as their second language, many of these Catholics are left searching for scarce resources, often not finding what they need. Hands of Grace: The Catholic Sacraments in American Sign Language is an innovative program that features video presentations by Father Séan Loomis teaching in ASL, as well as a workbook that is specifically designed with a visual emphasis to provide a better, dynamic learning experience for the deaf and hard-ofhearing community. Through 7-sessions, participants will gain a deeper understanding of the sacraments and the Catholic Fait:. https://ascensionpress.com/collections/ hands-of-grace-the-catholic-sacraments-in-americansign-language

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Brothers of Borromeo **Vocation Camp** (B.B.V.C)0-Saturday, April 4, 8:30 am—5 pm- Know a young man in Grades 6, 7, and 8? If so, invite him to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary for B.B.V.C. Offers grade school boys an opportunity to gather for a day of fun, faith-filled activities, Mass, games, camaraderie and food, as well as the opportunity for confession. Registration fee \$25 includes lunch, snacks and t-shirt.HeedTheCall.org/BBVC or by contacting Sue Matour at 610-667-5778 / smatour@archphila.org. You Are Called to Holiness Day of Recollection and Conference, Sat April 4-9 am—6:15 pm, Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul. Adoration, rosary presence of National Pilgrim Virgin Statue with 5:15 pm Palm Sunday vigil Mass. Reservations required. Www.stjohnneumannchapter.org, 215-247-2585

Corpus Christi **Bingo**, Lansdale—Saturday April 4 doors open at 9 am. \$25 (includes brunch and bingo)For advanced tickets and table reservations call Laurie Ponticello0 610-584-5694 or geraldponticello@comcast.net

Retrouvaille: Rediscover the love in your Marriage– April 17-19 Family Life Center Malvern www.helpourmarriage or 215-766-3944

A Baby's Breath **Run for Life** 2020 - Saturday, April 18 -Norristown Farm Park - 9 am Fun Run; 9:30 am **5K Run**. Come run, walk or wheel! A fun Spring morning for the entire family! Pre-register at www.ababysbreath.org Proceeds benefit moms and their babies at A Baby's Breath Jeffersonville Center. For more info, please call Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281 or budswed@verizon.net

Morning Reflection and Mass for **Adult Children of Divorce**. Saturday, 4/18, 9:30 a.m. – Noon. St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, 219 Fayette Street, Conshohocken. This retreat is free with an optional free-will offering. Refreshments served in the morning. Presented by the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation. Pre-register at director.srnf@gmail.com or go to www.nonnatus.org/events. 215-870-9913. Feel free to bring a breakfast item to share, if you wish.

**villa Maria** Academy High School– 6th& 7th graders and their families are invited to events on campus. 7th Grade Practice Exam on April 4. Preview Breakfasts for 6th and 7th grade students and their families on April 22 or 24. 7th Grade Visit Villa Days on May 12 or 13. (610) 644-2551 or register online at www.vmahs.org.