



“ I HAVE COME TO SET THE EARTH ON FIRE ”

— LUKE 12:49 —

ST ELEANOR CHURCH

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August 18, 2019
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH REGISTRATION: New to the parish? Please call for an appointment with one of the priests
PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 8am to 7pm, Friday: 8am to 3pm, 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. Madelyn O'Hara

SACRED MUSIC

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mr. Matt Kirsch

Parish Office Summer Hours

M-Th - 8:00 am - 7:00 pm
Fri - 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sat - 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Week Ending July 19, 2019

Regular Collection	\$	23,576
Other Collection	\$	412
Total	\$	23,988
Diocesan Collections	\$	266

Regular Sunday Collections

Fiscal Year-to-Date**

June 30, 2018– July 19, 2019	\$	66,430
June 30, 2017–July 19, 2018	\$	81,933

YTD Tithing

June 30, 2018–July 19, 2019	\$
June 30, 2017–July 19, 2018	\$

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

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 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).

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.

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

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.

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 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.



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

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@steeleanor.com.



Dear Friends,

Next Sunday, our parishioner Command Master Chief Mark Kochanowicz, will retire from the US Navy after thirty years of service. We warmly congratulate him on this milestone moment and profoundly thank him for his service to our country! May God bless Mark, his family and all who serve our nation in the Armed Services.

Our second reading for this weekend reminds us that we have a great multitude of heroes, our brothers and sisters in heaven, who encourage us to persevere. It's such a short reading but so encouraging I am reprinting it here. It is from Hebrews 12:1-4: *"Brothers and sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God. Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood."*

Amen, Amen! May we indeed keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, our leader and perfecter of Faith! In light of all that is going on in our Church, in our country, in our world, we can easily grow weary, discouraged, fainthearted, perhaps tempted to despair. But the Scriptures continuously remind us that we are not the ones in charge, that our hope is in Jesus Christ, that all our trust must be placed in Him, in His Cross and His Resurrection!

Although I am not a runner, I hear that long-distance runners sometimes hit a wall when they feel they cannot go on any further. With proper training though, they know when to push through it, so to go onto victory. If we are at such a wall personally, the author of Hebrews encourages us to consider the cloud of witnesses around us, to rid ourselves of every burden and sin, to not grow weary or lose heart, and to persevere in running the race, fixing our eyes, our minds, our hearts on Jesus Christ whose passion, death and resurrection is the key that conquers this world around us and leads us forth into His everlasting Kingdom.

And so my friends, I am accepting this advice personally and I encourage you, and all of us, to do so. For our heavenly Father has given us, *"Jesus Christ ... the same yesterday, today and forever."* Hebrews 13:8

God bless you, God love you,
Monsignor McCulken

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 17

BVM

9:00 Frank Desiderio
4:30 Raymond Smyth

Sunday, August 18

7:30 Anna Hertzog
9:00 Gloria Krause
10:30 Kathleen Heil
12:00 The People of the Parish
7:00 Anne Saumelch

Monday, August 19

Saint John Eudes, Priest

6:30 Nicholas Giacche (16th Anniv.)
9:00 Bruno Dellana

Tuesday, August 20

Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Kyle, Marie & Zovonimir Souvlj
9:00 Carl (Skippy) Petetti

Wednesday, August 21

Saint Pius X, Pope

6:30 Donna Flick
9:00 Jiovamin Mazzamuto

Thursday, August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 Nicholas Giacche
9:00 Raymond Smyth

Friday, August 23

Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

6:30 Jane Alba
9:00 Frank Iaquinto (15th Anniv.)

Saturday, August 24

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

9:00 David F. Witman
4:30 Margaret Hindley

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.

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, September 8th at 2 pm in Kateri Hall. *First-time parents need to attend & may attend this program before the birth of your child. Pre-registration with the parish office is required at least 7 days prior to the class. Baptismal paperwork is due two weeks prior to Baptism.*

Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:

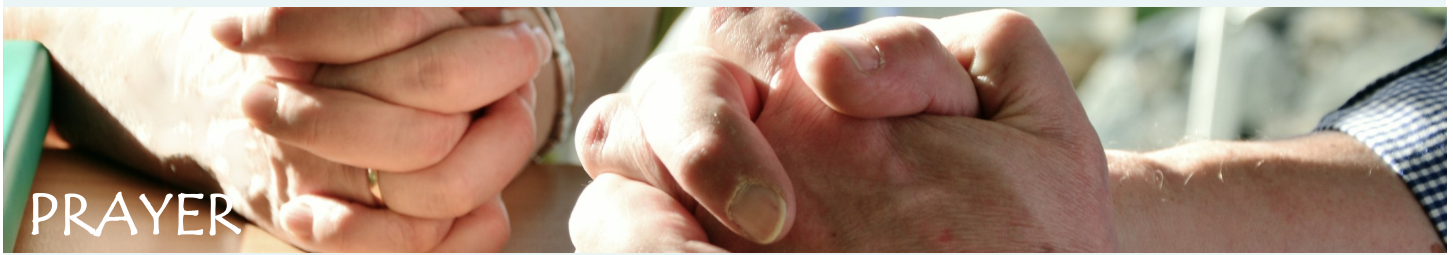
Maria Elena Olzewski on the 50th anniversary of our wedding, given by husband Watson

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.

Rose for Life

In thanksgiving for the successful kidney transplant surgery of Karen Salfiti Park and Alice Salfiti Rubey offered by their parents Gail and David Shrader

To reserve a Rose for Life, call Donna Kolb, 610-547-0478. Cost is \$8 per request.



PRAYER

FOR OUR DECEASED:

FOR OUR SICK: Catherine Alexander, Cass Buben, Ralph Bucher, Connie Clarke, Joseph Clarke, Georgia Cordrey, Richard Dylinski, Joan Earhart, Tom Fuller, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Amy Hahn-Kirsch, Connie Henzler, Carl Janicki, Courtney Kirsch, Msgr. James McBride, Martha Meng, Debbie Palumbo, Doris Palumbo, Steven Pinto, Paul Schneider, Dr. Edward J. Szymala, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Bernadine Wahalla, Joan White.

OUR LITTLE ONES: Corey Gramazio, Noah Ellingsworth

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

PRAY for THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Sgt. Thomas Albany	Alexander Franke, SN
1st Lt. Andrew Bone	Lt Sean Feeney
Cpl. Bryan Luther	Specialist Nicholas Bielski
Andrew Somplasky	Ryan Somplasky
Sgt William Ronan	1st Lt. Connor Lyons
CDR Wendy Arnold, MD	Ens. Katherine Heacock
CM/Sgt Charles Gordon	Jeremy Somplasky
Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini	PFC Thomas Busfield

Prayer for an End to Infanticide

The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act—legislation that prohibits infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join us in prayer for an end to infanticide:

Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life."

DIVINE MERCY

The theme for the month of August is "Union".

United with Jesus St. Faustina was enabled to plead for the salvation of souls. From this union, her mission of mercy was powerful while she was on earth and continues even now from heaven.

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 at 610-409-2622.

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.

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@stleanor.com

PRAYER WHEEL FOR PRIESTS and DEACONS

For the month of **August**, we will be praying for **Monsignor Michael 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.

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 Music Ministry. All involved seek to celebrate the Liturgy in a manner that promotes participation by all with exultation and reverence.

A CALL FOR CANTORS

The primary role of a cantor is to lead & invite the congregation to actively participate in singing during Mass.

All parishioners who have received the sacrament of Confirmation are eligible to become a cantor.



Join the Adult Choir
Thursday sat 7:30 pm in the Church.
New members are welcome!

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

Growing as a Disciple of Christ

Young Adult Summer Bible Study

Calling all young adults! St. Eleanor's is doing a young adult bible study Thursdays at 7pm during the summer in the parish office. Whether you're home from school or have been in the area for a while now, come out to meet new people and encounter God in a new way.

Text or call Melissa at 610 554 0846 if interested or just show up!

KEYBOARDIST NEEDED

The Spirit Revival Band is searching for a keyboard player to join them!

The group rehearses Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm and share music with the 7pm Mass on Sundays.

Interested musicians please contact Elizabeth Calabro at ECalabro@stleanor.com

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: **HJEM3**

The **Gianna Center of Philadelphia** is open for business. Suburban Community Hospital, Medical Arts Pavilion, 2705 Dekalb Pike, Suite 207, East Norriton, . 844-204-0005, <https://www.phgiannacenter.org>

Traveling this summer?

Don't forget to attend Mass!

go to

Masstimes.org

to find a Mass while on vacation.

JOIN SAINT ELEANOR'S

Youth Choir!

Children in grades 3-8 are welcome!

Information session and first rehearsal on
September 5 at 6:00 pm in the Church.

Please contact Elizabeth Calabro at
ecalabro@stleanor.com for more information.



TV Mass for the Homebound

WDPN channel 2 at 7 am

Archdiocese Safe Environment Efforts

There is nothing more important than the safety of our children. Providing a safe environment for young people entrusted to our care through parish activities is vital. With God's continued guidance and grace, for over a decade the Archdiocese has put in place policies and procedures to protect the children in our care, some of which exceed those required by law.

We appreciate the invaluable commitment and continued compliance of our volunteers at Saint Eleanor.

@sainteleanorparish
Follow us!





Coming Soon

August 27 —Mass for Healing
 September 12—Protecting God' Children Training
 September 14—Amazing Harvest Festival
 September 14—Padre Pio Prayer Group

MASS FOR HEALING

August 27 —7:00 pm

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Next Meeting and Mass - September 14th
 9:40-Prayer & Confession
 10:30- Mass & blessing with Padre Pio's relics

SCRIP

SCRIP Gift Cards

are available for a variety of items: tools, clothes, entertainment, favorite restaurants & more.

SCRIP HOURS

Mon.—Thurs., Noon— 7:00 pm and Friday, Noon—4:00 pm in Parish Office; Before & after Saturday Vigil Mass & Sunday 8:00 am—12:00 Noon in Narthex
No SCRIP Sales August 17-18



Save the Date!

Amazing Harvest Festival

September 14th
 10 am—2 pm

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in helping out around the parish, the Saint Eleanor Cleaning Ministry is in need of some helpers.
 Call Ginny at 610-539-9543.

Retired (or Not)

One of the benefits of being retired is that one is no longer bound to the daily responsibilities of work or raising a family. Normally we have more time and the option of how to use it.

Members of Mary, Mother of Divine Mercy Praesidium of the Legion of Mary are currently visiting recently parishioners and visiting Catholic residents at the Landing Elder Care Facility in Upper Providence Township. All work is assigned by our pastor, Msgr. McCulken. The Legion provides the perfect environment for spiritual growth through prayer, study, fellowship, & service.

Meetings are held Wednesday evenings in Kateri Hall, 7:30 to 9 Ppm. Auxiliary members are also needed to support active members by their prayers and sacrifices. For more information, come to a meeting on Wednesday evening or contact Richard Branco at rbranco@btcawards.com or Ray Hritz at 610-489-4167.

Protecting God's Children Training Thursday September 12 - 6 pm Holy Cross cafeteria

To register, go to:

https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=

SCOUTS

Are you interested in joining our Cub Scouts? St. Eleanor Pack 707 is accepting new registrations for boys and girls in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade! We also accept students from the surrounding area and districts! You can register online anytime at the scouting.org site.

Our pack will have a registration and information event on SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2019 FROM 8:30AM-12 NOON in the Kateri Room (beige trailer off of the church parking lot). Stop by to find out more about our program and sign up!



HOLY CROSS REGIONAL SCHOOL

A School United in Faith, Hope, and Love

www.hcrc.school

Have you considered sending your child to Catholic School?

Registration is open at Holy Cross

Regional Catholic School for students in Pre-K through 8th grades.

**Call 610-489-9434 ext. 1 for more information.
 Help Us Support the Spiritual and Academic Tradition of a Catholic School Education!**

The experience of a Catholic school education is shared and valued by many of us.

*Direct donations help fund resources and technology for Holy Cross Regional Catholic School

*PA EITC tax credits provide scholarship opportunities to families who desire a Catholic education but need assistance in making that dream come true.

*Through the generous participation of companies and individuals like YOU the EITC program at Holy Cross was able to provide over **50 students** with scholarship assistance for the coming school year.

*Your help to continue to provide this support is still needed.

Please contact Paul Klauder at 610-676-2225 or pklauder@seic.com to learn more. Thank you!



Programs for Young Disciples

YOUTH MINISTRY



BOLD (Becoming Our Lord's Disciples) is Saint Eleanore'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. Eleanore'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 Eleanore'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: <https://tinyurl.com/y6vopyrt>

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events

Coming Soon!

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 and prayer. Meetings are Mondays 4:30-5:30 pm, Kateri.

P.R.E.P. Religious Education 2019 – 2020

Registration for **Family Option**, Levels 1 – 6, home-based catechesis, is now open!

New families: please visit www.steleanor.com/prep and complete the online application and learn more about this new exciting program!

Returning families: To register for **Family Option**, please go to <https://www.parishgiving.org> to access your account.

Contact **Parish Giving** directly if you forgot your username and password by calling **866-307-7140**.

Contact Teri Lahey, 610-489-4677 with questions



Attention boys and girls of Saint Eleanore's Parish!
Become an Altar Server
Come and join the noble cause of serving at the altar!
Age: 5th grade (new) and up!
Dates for Orientation coming soon
To sign up, please contact Father Giardini at the parish office-agiardini@steleanor.com
Join and help serve God and your parish family!

Great News!

Holy Cross Regional Catholic School is adding an additional 4-year old Pre-K classroom for the 2019-2020 school year. This **full-day** program runs from 8:00 AM - 2:45 PM daily with optional after school care available.

SEATING IS LIMITED. Please call 610-489-9434 ext. 1 to schedule a tour or for more information.



CYO News—<http://cyo.steleanor.com>

St Eleanore Catholic Youth Organization is open to all 5th through 8th grades, 9th—12th grades (Basketball only & Co-Ed Volleyball in Spring), and 1st through 3rd (Pee Wee Track/Cross Country) children of our PARISH. 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.

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

United Way 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. Eleanore, and please specify CYO. Our number is 08018


Has your email address changed? If so, please visit our web-site and update your profile so we can keep you informed.

CYO WEBSITE <http://cyo.steleanor.com> ****Remember to Like Us On Facebook!**



MINISTRIES

Altar Cross Society	Take care of altar linens	Irene 610-287-8552
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 7:30pm Vianney Hall	Joann 610-584-6552
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
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
Hospitality	Plans events to make all parishioners feel welcome.	Leslie 610-948-9122
Knights of Columbus	Meet 2nd Sunday of each month serving St Eleanor & St Mary	Robert 610-783-4106
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

World Mission Rosary Event—August to October, 2019- A larger-than-life wooden World Mission Rosary will be on display in the Cathedral Basilica SS Peter & Paul. Brochures will explain the Rosary, its history and the colors tied to five Mission areas worldwide. Prayer intentions for these areas may be written and tied to the Rosary. Visit the Cathedral to add your own prayer or parish intentions!

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School/Parish Reunion St John the Baptist Parish, Manayunk, August 18 , 1-5pm at Toll Man Joe's, Shawcrest, NJ \$30 pp. Marie Kwartnik@215-317-2775 or mariek0925@gmail.com

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Mass for Those Suffering from Addiction. Saturday, August 24th, 11:00 am. All invited. St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church. 3640 Schuylkill Road (Rt. 724) Spring City. Celebrant: Rev. Charles R. O'Hara. Healing blessing offered after Mass

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Monthly On-Line Support Group –Last Thursday of month -On-line 8-9 pm. August 29. St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Adult Children of Divorce/ Separation" www.nonnatus.org or email director.srnf@gmail.com. 215-870-9913.

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Little Sisters of the Poor St. Jeanne Jugan Glal, Saturday September 8th \$150 per couple for buffet and chances win great prizes. Drexelbrook Banquet Center. Send check to Holy Family Home—Dept PB 5300 Chester Ave Phila www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.com

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Widows and Widowers- Our New Beginnings group is an opportunity to socialize with in a supportive environment. Our group meets monthly during the school year, first Wednesday of each month, 7pm in St. Helena's cafeteria. Our first three meetings will be on Sept. 4, Oct. 2, and Nov. 6. Contact Janice Baker at janlb@comcast.net or call 610-278-9916.

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Courage/Encourage Ministry—Courage, an apostolate of the Roman Catholic Church, ministers to those with same-sex attractions and their loved ones, focusing on chastity, prayer, fellowship, support and good example. Info-call (215) 587-4505

Gender Matters—Discover the compassion and clarity of Jesus for persons facing sexual identity problems. September 7th, 9 am—4 pm with 8 am Mass. St Katherine of Siena Parish, Wayne 816-767-1730 or gendermattersphilly.eventbrite.com

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Remain in My Love Mini-Conference on Marriage. Sept 15, 2:00-4:30 pm. Catholic speakers will present the splendor of Christ's teachings on the vocation of marriage and family life. Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Free & open to the public; Childcare provided; RSVP at <http://archphila.org/remain2019/>

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Deepening Centering Prayer Retreat. Sept 15-19 at Mother Boniface Center, Phila. 267-350-1830

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Bishop Kenrick 40th High School **Reunion** Class of 1979. Save the date: Sat. 10/19/19 at PJ Whelihan's Blue Bell, PA. More information to come. Also check out the BKHS FB page.

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The **Role of the Laity** in a Time of Crisis -an evening of reflection on the mission of the laity in times of ecclesial crisis and learn what you can do to cooperate with Christ's action to purify and heal His Church. . RSVP at phillyevang.org/events. Date/time options for this talk:

- Tues, Sept 17 at 7 pm, St. Stanislaus, Lansdale
- Mon, Oct 7 at 7 pm, St. Andrew Olde Church, Newtown

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Attention All **Neumann-Goretti Alumni-** 9th Annual All Classes Reunion is scheduled for Saturday, September 28th from 2 - 6 pm at Chickie's & Pete's Play 2 in South Philadelphia. www.themillayclub.org or call 215-389-0925

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Father Cioppi invites you to **travel through France, 14 - 24 OCTOBER 2019-** two wine tasting excursions through Chateaufort de Pape and Bordeaux! www.grouptravelexperiences.com/booking, Booking Code: G003270, Ventresca Travel, 215.674.3662.