

ST ELEANOR CHURCH

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March 10, 2019 First Sunday of 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. Jason Buck, Parochial Vicar Msgr. Thomas A. Murray, In Residence Deacon John A. Hasson Deacon Edward T. Hinson

PARISH STAFF

Mrs. Linda Coyne, Finance Director Mr. Ted Locker, Facilities Manager

Ms. Janet Genuardi Mrs. Laura Jusko Mrs. Jean Phillips Mrs. Madelyn O'Hara

SACRED MUSIC

Ms. Elizabeth Calabro, Director Mrs. Mary Barbuto, Organist

Ms. Mary Kate McGuigan—Ministry Development Director

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mr. Matt Kirsch



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Week Ending February 22, 2019

Regular Collection \$ 27,311 Other Collection \$ 280 Total \$ 27,591 Diocesan Collections \$ 5,605

Regular Sunday Collections

Fiscal Year-to-Date**

June 30,2018-February 22, 2019 \$ 950,728 June 30, 2017-February 22, 2018 \$ 951,821

YTD Tithing

June 30,2018—February 22, 2019 \$25,897 June 30, 2017–February 22, 2018 \$26,033



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

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.

<u>PASTORAL COUNCIL</u> 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.

Dear Friends,

A WORD

PASTOR \

of honor.

We have come to the first Sunday of Lent. It is a rather late start this year, often on this date we are several weeks into our Lenten journey. We have available at the Church entrances free copies of the Word Among Us and the "Little Black Book."

Both are resources for utilizing Sacred Scripture daily throughout the holy season of Lent. Elsewhere in our bulletin, you will find a listing of some online or email options to help you journey through this Lent.

We also have some copies of Covenant Eyes' book, *Equipping the Family;* Safeguarding Children. This is the free resource which we distributed last weekend as part of Safe Haven Sunday. If you were away last weekend, or unable to attend due to the weather, please be sure to pick up your copy today. We hope that adults and families will find it valuable in identifying ways to protect themselves and their children from inappropriate material and websites that so easily can find their way onto the computers and mobile devices that we use daily.

Our *Discovering Christ* series ended last Monday evening with its seventh session. It was a wonderful and uplifting experience for many of our people. I am so grateful that the ChristLife series is happening in our parish. The next series, *Following Christ*, will begin on April I. A "for your information update" ~ *The locking mechanism on our Tabernacle may need some repair. The key broke inside the lock and has been removed but we are checking to see if the mechanical and moving parts are in need of adjustment. We hope to return it quickly to its place*

Back to Lent! We hear this weekend about Jesus in the desert for forty days and the temptations He endured. These temptations are uniquely crafted to trip Jesus up, to keep Him from fulfilling His Father's will and plan. This Scripture makes it plain that if the devil went after Jesus, He goes after us as well. It reveals that we are in a battle, a struggle. The devil has not yet given up even though he has been conquered. This Scripture also reveals to us how to combat the devil. Jesus shows us the tools to use; and, His total obedience to the point of His death and resurrection gives us access to God's grace to help us share in the victory as well.

Whatever we undertake during this Lenten journey \sim extra prayer, daily Mass, abstinences, fasts, adoration, Stations, Confession, almsgiving \sim it is all directed to consciously surrendering ourselves to the graces of God, to the presence of God, to the Will of God so that we indeed become all that God has created us to be.

God bless you, God love you, Monsignor McCulken

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 7:00 pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 9

Saint Frances of Rome, Religious 9:00 Samuel Karpa 4:30 George Haly

Sunday, March 10

7:30 Joyleen Branco 9:00 Patrick A. Rufo 10:30 Wilson Clarke 12:00 Dorothy Manion

7:00 The People of the Parish

Monday, March II

6:30 Ted Krensavage 9:00 Elizabeth Geigus

Tuesday, March 12

6:30 Joe Litvinas

9:00 Special Intention of

Anthony and Christina Viola

Wednesday, March 13

6:30 Richard Russo

9:00 John Mancini (Ist Anniv.)

Thursday, March 14

6:30 Matthew Cwalina 9:00 Anna Bozzelli

Friday, March 15

6:30 Francis Markel 9:00 Joseph Malone

Saturday, March 16

9:00 Dorothy Krumenacker 4:30 The People of the Parish

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. -

Dylan Angelo, son of John and Kristina Gentile Isla Rose, daughter of Kyran and Heather Laudeman

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, March 3rd 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 <u>two weeks</u> prior to Baptism.

Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:

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

To reserve a Rose for Life, call Donna Kolb,610-547-0478

(Note: Roses are not placed during Lent. Therefore the last week for roses would be 2/23-2/24 until 4/20-4/21.) Cost is \$8 per request.



FAST AND ABSTINENCE AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE FOR LENT 2019

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 Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019, 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 are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.

Operation Rice Bowl Catholic Relief Services

Operation Rice Bowl gives all a chance to participate in almsgiving by collecting monetary gifts throughout the season of Lent to help our brothers and sisters. As a disciples of Christ, all are invited to join in Operation Rice Bowl and contribute to assist poor and suffering people in more than 100 countries. Pick up your Rice Bowl starting this weekend—return them through Holy Week. Crsricebowl.org

FOR OUR DECEASED: Kathleen Gessitz (sister of Mary Fran Leahy), Victor Pavone (grandfather of Michael and Megan), Gary Temoyan, John Catanzaro (grandfather of Michael and Stephen Buglak), Michelle Olimpo (niece of Tom & Eileen Mulhall), Jack Storrs (husband of Carolyn)

FOR OUR SICK: Cass Buben, Ralph Bucher, Connie Clarke, Joseph Clarke, Georgia Cordrey, Tom Fuller, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Amy Hahn-Kirsch, Carl Janicki, Courtney Kirsch, Elizabeth Murphy, Sr., Debbie Palumbo, Doris Palumbo, Barbara Tulio, Bernadine Wahalla, Donna Wilson.

OUR LITTLE ONES:: Corey Gramazio

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

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 17: Kevin Strnad; March 24—Todd Sisca; March 31 Lisa Bruder

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

Family Rosary March 10th, Chapel, 1:00 pm

Families and parishioners are invited to pray the rosary together to honor our Blessed Mother Sponsored by the Jr Legion of Mary

DIVINE MERCY

The theme for the month of March is Mercy. Jesus told St. Faustina:. "Pray for souls that they be not afraid to approach the tribunal of My mercy. Do not grow weary of praying for sinners."

Please join us for Divine Mercy devotions on Thursday evenings at 7 pm in Our Lady's chapel. For more information call Mary Ann at 610-409-2622.

Please Note: In the interest of safety, if the Chapel is closed due to inclement weather on a Thursday evening Divine Mercy Devotions. will be cancelled that evening.

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 Specialist Michael Thomas Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini Alexander Franke, SN Lt Sean Feeney Michael Thomas Ryan Somplasky Ist Lt. Connor Lyons Ens. Katherine Heacock Jeremy Somplasky Specialist Nicholas Bielski Private Thomas Busfield

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.

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Growing as a Disciple of Christ

Prayer & Lenten Inspiration— Lent is a time of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. The following links are presented to offer you opportunities for daily reflection throughout the season and beyond.

Genesis to Jesus, Coming Lent 2019 https://stpaulcenter.com/genesis-to-jesus/. A journey through scripture study that presents the whole sweep of salvation history, and helps you make sense of the Bible, literally, from Genesis to Jesus.

Share Jesus- https://redeemedonline.com/lent/ - a daily 2-3 minute video about who Jesus is that's published on Facebook and YouTube. The videos are created with both viewing and sharing in mind.

Word on Fire—https://www.lentreflections.com/Daily meditations from Bishop Barron

Living Faith—http://www.livingfaith.com- Living Faith provides brief daily Catholic devotions based on one of the Mass readings of the day.

Formed—https://formed.org/promo/lent-registration- Set yourself up for a transformative 40 days with FORMED Lenten Reflections. Get daily videos from esteemed Scripture expert Dr. Tim Gray delivered right to your inbox.

Pray As You Go- https://pray-as-you-go.org/- Pray As You Go is a daily prayer session, designed to go with you wherever you go, to help you pray whenever you find time, but particularly whilst travelling to and from work, study, etc.

Best Lent Ever- https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent- An incredible forty-day journey toward the-best-version-of-yourself.

Daily Mass Readings are available at the USCCB website—http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm

DISCIPLESHIP AND GENEROSITY

Thank you to all who have taken the time to respond to our Discipleship and Generosity effort 2019. We are very grateful that you are letting us know your intentions. A *second letter* about this initiative was sent out at the end of February. If you have already responded and yet received this second mailing, we apologize as it most likely simply crossed in the mail due to timing. It is difficult to time everything exactly.

We ask everyone to complete the response card sharing with us your intentions and return the card this week. You can place it in the collection basket or mail/drop it to the Parish Office. Additional response cards are available in the narthex.

The cards are set up as for the weekly donations model. We realize that some of our parishioners utilize a monthly, quarterly or even yearly model. We are grateful for your generosity always! Remember *electronic giving* (E-giving) is a popular option and you can accessed that through our parish website.

This Discipleship and Generosity effort is an invitation for us to consciously reflect on our charitable giving and to prayerfully consider what we can do going forward out of gratitude to God for all the blessings He has given to us. *Thank you for sharing God's blessings so generously!*



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 2-22-19, our parish family has: **169** donations (2nd in the Archdiocese, **\$38,426** pledged (5th in the Archdiocese) which is **28%** of our parish goal

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

Give your child something to text about: 7th Grade Visitation Day! When it comes to high school, there's only one person who can really tell you exactly where your son or daughter will fit in best — him or herself! That's why we're giving 7th graders the opportunity to explore the Archdiocesan high school of their choice. With the chance to spend a full day touring the campus, meeting teachers, and taking part in fun activities, they'll come home with plenty to talk — and text — about.

Our Archdiocesan high schools will host their annual 7th Grade Visitation Day on Wednesday, March 20. The event gives 7th graders throughout Philadelphia's five county area the opportunity to spend a day touring one of our schools, meeting students and faculty, and participating in activities at any AOPS high school. Info is available at www.AOPCatholicSchools.org/VisitUs2019.

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

Saturday & Sunday, March 23/24 Saturday & Sunday, March 30/31

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.

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



SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY: Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children

Thank you to everyone who participated in last weekend's Safe Haven Sunday celebration! This was an archdiocesan wide effort to support holy and chaste marriages, families and children in combatting pornography and other online threats.

It is a difficult topic, but the resources made available will be most helpful in establishing a culture of respect for the human person and protecting the beauty of God-given marriage.

If you did not receive your copy of Covenant Eyes' book, Equipped: Smart Catholic Parenting in a Sexualized Culture please take one home today. Although Safe Haven Sunday is over, the work and effort remains to ensure every home is a safe haven for everyone. Stay informed and learn more about how to protect and guide your family and friends by contacting the Office for Life and Family or visiting their website: www.Phillycatholiclife.org.

Coming Soon

March 10—Family Rosary

March 12—Mass for Healing

March 13—Confirmation Meeting

March 16—Padre Pio Prayer Group

March 17—Rise Against Hunger

March 29—Women's Guild Lenten Supper

April 7—Holy Cross School Open House April 15—Holy Cross School Living Stations

May 4—First Communion

Rise Against Hunger Lenten Meal Packaging Event Sunday, March 17th -After the 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am and 12:00pm Masses

Please consider volunteering and donating. Flyers are available in the Narthex.

CORE Team -at least 12 people who would be willing to be a part of facilitating the RISE AGAINST HUNGER

SET-UP Team—Set-up for this event will take place on the Friday or Saturday prior to the event (on March 15th or 16th). The time and date of set-up TBD.

If you have interest, please contact MaryKate McGuigan (610-489-1647) or mmcguigan@steleanor.com.

Lenten Supper Friday, March 29th-Holy Cross Cafeteria hosted by Women's Guild of St. Eleanor



Open to men, women, and young adults. Doors open at 5:15pm serving a small meal until 6:00pm. Homemade winter vegetable soup, salad, rolls, cookies, coffee, tea, iced tea, water Father Jason Buck will be our guest speaker.

The supper will conclude in time for the Stations of the Cross at 7pm in the church. Please RSVP by March 20th to Eva Kolodziej at ekolodziej5@comcast.net, 610-331-8489 or Alice Ann Schiele at aliceannschiele@yahoo.com so that we can plan ahead with food. Bring a friend.

Dear Monsignor McCulken & St Eleanor Parishioner, We were so humbled by the generosity shown to us! We are so grateful for the many donations of baby items and the financial support of Birthright of Pottstown. We could not support moms and babies without the faithful generosity of people like you.

Sincerely, Birthright of Pottstown

MASS FOR HEALING

March 12-7:00 pm

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Next Meeting and Mass - March 16th 9:40-Prayer & Confession 10:30- Mass & blessing with Padre Pio's relics

Congratulations to the following students of Pope Joh Paul II High School for academic achievement in the 2nd quarter:

First Honors: Nora Hinke, Corine Lontoc, Molly Moore, Madeline Mulcahey, Jack Phillips, John Sciele, Caroline Slattery, Sarah Abruzzo, Hannah Aukers, Emma Brogan, Delaney Cordrey, Lauren Keefe, Nina Mariano, Julia Peterson, Kathleen Schiele, Veronica Charyna, Lily Costantini, Rocco DiRico, Sydney Farnsworth, Emma Getts, Heather Lesinski, Alyssa Margerum, Stephanie Marinelli, Daniel Martin, Kelly Paris, Isabella Ricevuto, Abigail Snyder, Erin Burke, Caroline Cooper, Tess Crossan, Catherine Fiore, Kathleen Heller, Kathryn McGowan, Paige Millard, Kelly O'Connor, Anna Patterson, Rachel Ramkawsky, Kristine Rist, Colleen Schiele, Emma Sills

Second Honors: Bryan Bendig, Sophia Bonanno, Grace Bruder, Faith Colliluori, Shannon Farnsworth, Elana Figliuolo, Erin Gibson, Caitlin Gilinger, Madisan Green, Benjamin Grimm, Claire Hoban, Madelyn Lesinski, Kevin Lynn, Alexander Williams, Mark Bowen, Luken Cisick, Erin Fox, Colin Fuges, Braden Hourigan, Emily Morrissey, Kathryn Teles, Sarah Ward, Claire Weigand, Justin Carr, Ella Colarossi, Gina Marinelli, Francesca Pergine, Kathryn Phillips, Caroline Regan, Hanna Tulli, Owen Dougherty, Grace Fuges, Sophia Hinke, Lauren Kent, Elizabeth Lynn, Hillary Mack, Aidan O'Brien, Brooklyn Rogers, Kathryn Todd

Living Stations of the Cross

We cordially and warmly invite you to attend the Living Stations of the Cross, enacted by our Holy

Cross Regional Catholic School eighth grade students. This is a special encounter with the story of our Lord's Passion and Death, and will be held on Monday, April 15 at 1:15 and 7pm in Church.

Ît is beautifully done and most inspiring. A wonderful way to begin Holy Week!



YOUTH MINISTRY

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: https://tinyurl.com/y6vopyrt

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.

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

PLAYGROUP

Please join us in Vianney Hall on Wed mornings after (please attend with us) -11:45am. All ages are welcome to join us for play and fellowship! Contact geraldine.petr@gmail.com

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events

May 19th—Catholic Youth Rally at Great Adventure

Easter Egg Hunt

April 20th 10:30 am Ages 6 and under

SACRAMENT NEWS

<u>Sacrament of Confirmation:</u> A special gathering is planned for <u>Wed.</u> <u>March I3 at 7 PM</u> for parents of all young people preparing for Confirmation in 2020. Contact 610-489-4677.

Holy Cross Spring Open House

Holy Cross Regional Catholic School will be hosting an Open House for prospective families on **Sunday**, **April 7**, **2019**, **from 10:00 A.M. until 11:30 A.M.** Families with students entering Kindergarten in the Fall are especially invited to attend. Please come and tour our spectacular facility, meet our highly engaging teachers, and learn why Holy Cross would be the perfect place for your child to grow, not only in academics, but also in faith, hope and love. Guests will also have the opportunity to view student artwork and technology projects hanging throughout the school from our Art and Technology Fair. Registration packets will also be available at this time. For more information about our school, please visit our school web site at www.HCRC.school



CYO—http://cyo.steleanor.com

A great time was had by all at our last CYO dance. And the SE CYO Board would like to recognize our wonderful sponsors for gift cards for prizes: Wendy's Collegeville, Chik-Fil-A Audubon, and Wegmans Collegeville with a Special Thank You!

St Eleanor Catholic Youth Organization is open to all 5th through 8th grades, 9th—I2th grades (Basketball only & Co-Ed Volleyball in Spring), and Ist 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.

Open Gym For CYO Volleyball Begins Wednesday April 3rd & Ends May 8th. ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME to participate! Girls who are entering 5th & 6th grade in September 2019 please join us from 6:30-8:00 and girls who are entering 7th & 8th grade in September 2019 join us from 8:00-9:30. The open gyms are intended to teach new players & players who have already played, the game of volleyball...and HAVE FUN! ****Please bring knee pads and water bottles. Email Jim DeBald @jdebald@yahoo.comwith questions.

SE CYO DANCE: CYO will be hosting the next dance on Saturday, May 18, 2019 (7:00 - 10:00 PM). Only boys and girls in grades 6th through 8th are allowed to attend CYO dances. Note: Each child should bring toiletries for St. Vincent de Paul (e.g. toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, shampoo, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, dish detergent, or laundry detergent). Individual Dance Pass: Cost \$8 per dance, PURCHASED AT THE DOOR ONLY with proper ID.

The CYO Board is in the process of securing candidates to interview for the position of Varsity Girl's Basketball coach for the 2019-2020 season If you are someone who is enthusiastic about teaching our parish's youth the sport of basketball and believes in the importance of doing so within the context of CYO, we'd like you to consider coaching our Varsity Girl's basketball team for the 2019-2020 season and beyond. All interested candidates should contact Jim DeBald at jdebald@yahoo.com.

-Looking for **CYO Spirit Wear** for your son or daughter? St. Eleanor CYO Gear can be ordered on-line here: https://ragtee.com/store/index.php/portfolio/stecyo/

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 7:30pmVianney 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



Five Keys to Freedom: Power of Gospel in Your Life—Can be helpful where you feel "stuck". Tues, Mar 12, 7-9 PM, Visitation BVM, Free phillyevang.org/events.

What exactly is meant by "Papal Infallibility"? Join us for a discussion on a misunderstood topic. **Patricians Adult Discussion Group** Wed, March 13, 6:45-8:45 pm, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Bridgeport.

PJP HS presents **The King and I** , March 15-16 https://pope-john-ii-high-school.ticketleap.com/king-and-i/

Mass in Support of Those Suffering from Addiction. St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Spring City March 16th, 11 am. Celebrant: Rev Charles O'Hara

Come and See Weekends- opportunity for a young man to explore priesthood. For high school men, March 16-17. https://heedthecall.org/comeandsee/

Parish Mission: WORD, WORSHIP & WORKS OF MERCY. March 17-19, 7 pm St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, 856 Euclid Avenue, Warrington. 215-343-0315

A Parish Retreat: A Time of Grace. Sun, March 17-20, 7-8:30 pm. Saints Peter & Paul Church, West Chester 484-473-8205 or jmagee@sspeterandpaulrc.org

Cultural Heritage Mass 2019, Sat, March 23, 2pm Procession, 2:30 pm Mass. Celebrant Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul. Visit http://culturalministries.org/

Innovations in Women's HealthCare- A seminar on the Creighton Model Fertility Care System and NaProTECHNOLOGY. March 23, 11am -1pm. It will help couples who want effective and morally acceptable family planning & women struggling w/gynecologic issues. Saint Maron Maronite Church, Philadelphia. http://www.cedaroflebanonfcc.com/

SMM Moms in Prayer, St. Pius X MOMS & St. Joe's, Aston Moms Group presents: Mon, March 25, 7pm With humor, honesty and spirit Heather Renshaw will share her experiences on motherhood. St. Mary Magdalen Church, Media danawestby@hotmail.com

The Shroud of Turin, a Silent Witness of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. March 28, 7pm, or April 6, 9am, or April 10, 7pm. A life -size replica of the Shroud will be displayed. Presenter: Massimo Paris, March 28 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Morton, PA; April 6 at Assumption B.V.M. Parish, West Grove; April 10 at Saint Mary Parish, Conshohocken Free. 610-356-6778.

Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, Sat, March 30, 10:30 a.m. Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. Celebrant: Archbishop Charles J. Chaput. Reception follows the Mass. RSVP www.opdarchphilly.org, 215-587-3530

Lenten Day of Recollection, Saturday, March 30, 9 am-3:30 pm Join us for a Day of Recollection in Lent. Speaker: Rev. G. Dennis Gill, Director of the Office for Divine Worship. Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Sr. Gabrielle Mary at sr.gbraccio@archphila.org

Little Sisters of the Poor **Spring Concert**– Sat, March 30 6-10:45 pm \$50pp (includes admission, food), Villanova Jake Nevin Field House. littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org

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Whom Shall I Send? - a musical Drama—Sun, March 31 7 pm, Mother of Divine Providence Church—Depicts God's call to the disciples and their response. Donations accepted.

Dynamic Catholic Event- Find Your Greatness- with Dr Allen Hunt. Sun, March 31,1-5pm. Will introduce you to four simple ways to reach your full potential. St. John the Baptist Church 146 Rector Street, Philadelphia. dynamiccatholic.com/find-yourgreatness-philadelphia-pa-mar-31-2019