

# ST. ELEANOR CHURCH

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## Amazing Harvest Festival

**This Sunday—September 24th 1:00—6:00 PM**



**September 24, 2017**

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

## 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—4:15 PM

(Wednesdays after Masses  
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

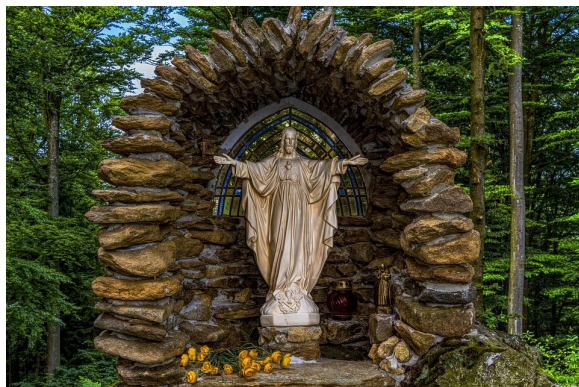
**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):** For adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or adults in need of Confirmation. Meetings are held during the school year. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

**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. 31. *Children's Liturgy of the Word:* Offered to the younger children in the parish during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9AM & 10:30 Masses on Sundays.

**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.



## MASS INTENTIONS

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**Saturday, September 23**

*Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

9:00 Elizabeth Balogh

4:30 Phyllis Salamone-Heffron

**Sunday, September 24**

7:30 Vincent T. Picariello, III

9:00 S. Thomas Fulmer

10:30 Mary Jo Cotteta

12:00 PM The People of the Parish

7:00 PM Deceased members of Waldron Family

**Monday, September 25**

6:30 Robert Leibfreid

9:00 Mary Ann Brady

**Tuesday, September 26**

*Ss. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs*

6:30 Steve and Beth Irwin

9:00 Dominic Cupo

**Wednesday, September 27**

*Saint Vincent de Paul*

6:30 Special Intention of Anthony and Christina Viola

9:00 Rosalba Mazzamuto (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)

**Thursday, September 28**

*Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr, and Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs*

6:30 Special Intention of Mary Burns

9:00 Charles and Kathleen Heil

**Friday, September 29**

*Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels*

6:30 Charles and Cecelia Heil

9:00 Jay Wojcik

**Saturday, September 30**

*Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

9:00 Eva Pine (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

4:30 Charles and Kathleen Heil

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY**

**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2017**

### **Rose of Resurrection in Memory of:**

MaryJo Cotteta on her birthday given by niece Marie



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

### **Baptisms**

Our next Pre-Jordan Program will be held on Sunday, October 1st, at 2 PM in Vianney Hall .



Ella Marie, daughter of Joseph and Kelly Greer

Ava Oliivianna, daughter of Kamiar and Linda Hamidi

Henry Robert, son of Dennis and Melissa Hannigan

Harper James, son of James and Lisa Mann

First-time parents need to attend & may attend this program before the birth of your child. Baptismal paperwork is due **two weeks** prior to Baptism.

### **Pray for Those Serving Our Country**

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

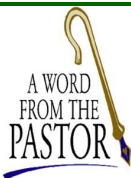
Alexander Franke , SN  
Specialist Michael Thomas  
Private Nicholas Bielski  
Lt Sean Feeney



### **Prayer Wheel for Priests and Deacons**

For the month of **August** 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.





Dear Friends,

This Sunday afternoon is our second Amazing Harvest Festival in the Church/School parking lot. Dolores Eichelberger and her committee have been working tirelessly on all the details.

There are *many more* games, activities and entertainment available this year *for all ages*. The food trucks are making a return appearance as well as this year our CYO Hoagies will be available for purchase. You won't miss the Eagles game either, as a large screen is being set up to cheer them on to victory. Bring a canned good to donate for the Saint Vincent DePaul Pantry. It will be an enjoyable and entertaining time for everyone. Be sure to take time Sunday afternoon between 1 and 6 pm to check out and enjoy all that will be happening. Harvest Festival Programs are available at Church entrances.

We know that the set up for this family focused and almost entirely free Harvest Festival involves *some sacrifice with parking for the 10:30 and Noon Masses*. We are grateful for your flexibility and understanding in that regard. Our PREP classes have begun. We are grateful to the PREP Office Staff and the innumerable volunteer Catechists who give of their time and commitment to share the Faith with our young disciples. Sharing and teaching about Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, is truly a blessing in every way. The work that takes place week after week is truly inspiring.

Our new Facilities Manager, Ted Locker, has been following up on the work slated for the steps leading down to Locust Street as well as the drainage project in that area. He has been able to get additional bids for the replacement of the steps, railing and lighting, which will help bring this project to a completion. We are trying to have it all accomplished before winter sets in, of course.

Our Walking With Purpose and ChristLife Series will begin anew. These programs, which are very engaging and helpful to being more passionate disciples of the Lord, are well worth taking the time to investigate. For more information, contact the Parish Office and the parish staff will have someone reach out to you.

Our RCIA program is beginning as well. This is the weekly series for those interested in learning more about becoming Catholic as well as for Catholic Adults who may need to receive Confirmation. We have a wonderful team. Meetings are Thursday evenings at 7 pm, in the Kateri Meeting Room, which is located in the modular building between the parish office and school buildings. No pre-registration is required, just stop by.

I leave tomorrow for my annual five-day retreat. I will be keeping all of you, your intentions and your loved ones in my prayers. *Please pray for me!* Thank you!

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



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

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

Please give us a call if you have questions or would like further information.. You can reach us at 610-489-1647 or email [church@stleanor.com](mailto:church@stleanor.com)

**Thursdays, 7:00 PM, Kateri Hall**

### **Mass for Healing Wednesday, October 18th 7:00 PM**

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



### **Gluten Free Hosts**

A reminder that gluten free hosts are available for anyone who has celiac disease or gluten intolerance. All you need to do is see someone in the sacristy before Mass and they will take care of your request.

### **Sacrament Dates**

First Penance – Saturday, February 24, 2018

Sacrament of Confirmation – Saturday, April 7, 2018

First Holy Communion – Saturday, May 5, 2018

### **Sacrament of Confirmation**

Bishop Michael L. Fitzgerald will celebrate Confirmation at St. Eleanor Parish on Saturday, April 7, 2018. All parents of children in 6<sup>th</sup> grade 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 610-489-4677 or [tlahey@stleanor.com](mailto:tlahey@stleanor.com) to make the proper arrangements. Thank you!



**FOR OUR DECEASED:** Sylvia Snow, Edward McCormick Jr, brother of Maureen Dyer, Doris Garabrant, grandmother of Diane Campbell and Christine O'Donnell

**FOR OUR SICK:** Catherine Alexander, Ann Marie Allen, Nathan Allen, Betty Anne Aquilante, Joseph Art, Jr., Elizabeth Ashenfelder, Kathleen Bani, Lori Bani, Lisa Caruso, Christine Barrett, Kaitlyn Barrett, Rachel Beck, Michael Bell, Deacon Manny Beltran, Jackie Bielski, Arthur Buben, Diane Burg, Florence Burkett, Sandy Burns, Marcia Capaldi, Rosemary Carney, Anne Cartenuto, Marc Chevrier, Monica Cipriani, Mary Clinton, Doris Coffey, Gerald Collins, Ed Coyle, Lori Craig, Mike Creeden, Kathy Cronin, Marie Cunningham, Mary Ann Daley, Sheila Davis, Denise DeCaro, Todd DeMent, Mary Derivan, Isabella DeSimone, Vince DiDonato, Ron DiNicola, Pat DiPiano, Christopher Dorman, Betty Dougherty, Linda Dougherty, John Doyle, Claire Esposito, Vito Fabiano, Dorothy Fairbanks, Mary Filippini, John Fitzgerald, Neil Florio, Sandy Forcine, John Fritz, Stephanie George, Mary Ann Gibbie, Jessica Gladwin, Charlie Gordon, Kristen Gramazio, Shari Richardson Gray, Elizabeth Groff, Helen Guarnaccia, Joan Hallman, Helen Hart, Marjorie Hebard, Virginia Heinz, Bobby Henzler, Tammy Hockenbrock, Ray Kelley, Joanne Kennedy, Nettie Krall, Eva Kramer, Marilyn Kretzu, Al Lamar, Margaret Lange, Bud Leo, Linda LeNoir, Ann Lentz, Nate Lentz, Stephen Lewis, Carol Logue, Steve Love, Marion Lukens, Joe Lutz, Tom Lytle, Francis Magee, Joan Mahoney, Julia Mahoney, Mary Mahoney, John Mancini, Marie and Sarah, Barbara Marosky, Agnes McCarver, Ed McDade, Kathleen McFadden, Paul McFadden, Jaime McNutt, Allison Leo Mitchell, Francesca Moran, Fr. Tom Morris, Charles Mruskovic, Jr., Gene Mullin, Gabe Muscella, Bob Newton, Marion Niedzolkowski, Maria Olszewski, Pat O'Rourke, Ed Osisek, Lorraine Osisek, Francis Panfile, George Pastino, Jim Pickersgill, Ed Pressler, Faith R., Joseph Reeves, Carolyn Rider, Marjorie Rigg, Kathleen Riggs, Dick Robbins, Megan Roth, Betty Rowlands, Ralph Russo, Linda Sauer, Paul Schneider, Mary Pat Seiss, David Sebok, Angela Shinal, Bob Smith, Joseph Smith, Anne Marie Stoudt, Yoshiko Strohlein, Dennis Sullivan, Howard Taormino, Ron Tautkus, Maggie Terrance, Michael Troemel, Barbara Tulio, Mary Tybeski, Cristina Utti, Dominic Vacanti, Jr., George Vermuth, Billy Watts, Nancy Wenrich, Barbara Witman, Pat Willits, Albrette Zvarik

**FOR OUR LITTLE ONES:** Elizabeth DePaul, Brandon Gallagher, Baby Corey Gramazio, Maggie Lutz, Baby Nicholas Manzi, Madeline Marzen, Kiera McMahon, Baby Zachary Sinnk, Philomena Stendardo, Isaiah Thoxton, Baby Dell Tolas, Justin Wichner, Baby Evan Gerhold, Kate Greco

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



Tweeted by Pope Francis on September 15th: The Lord does not leave us orphans: we have a Mother, the same one as Jesus. Mary takes care of us and always defends us.



#### Bulletin Deadlines

All info and announcements to be published in the bulletin need to be in the Parish Office by the Thursday that is ten days prior. Flyer inserts need to be in the Parish Office two weeks ahead of the desired bulletin date. Bulletin information and inserts should be e-mailed to [jgenuardi@stleanor.com](mailto:jgenuardi@stleanor.com).

**Kickoff 2017 Fall 40 Days for Life  
Prayer Vigil with the Cenacles of Life  
Tuesday, September 26, 2017  
6:00pm - 7:00pm  
St. Eleanor' Church in Our Lady Chapel  
Collegeville, PA**

The Missionaries of the Gospel of Life will be sponsoring the 2017 Fall 40 Days for Life peaceful prayer vigil. From September 27 through November 5, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Norristown Planned Parenthood at 1221 Powell Street Norristown, PA 19401. Also to help spread the word about this important community outreach.

If you'd like more information and especially if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact: Rita Smith, M.E.V. 610-489-1929 or email at [providarital@gmail.com](mailto:providarital@gmail.com). Please sign-up for daily devotionals at local website: [www.40daysforlife.com/norristown](http://www.40daysforlife.com/norristown)

Thank you for praying and for those prayer warriors who had attended the 5th National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children on Saturday, Sept. 9th at Saint Eleanor's Unborn Memorial. A big thank you to Saint Eleanor's Deacon Ed Hinson for leading and blessing us in the solemn prayer vigil.



#### Counting Our Blessings

##### Week Ending September 8, 2017

Regular Collection	\$ 24,567
Other Collections	\$ 415
Total	\$ 24,982
Diocesan Collections	\$ 620

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

July 1, 2017—September 1, 2017	\$247,023
July 1, 2016—September 1, 2016	\$259,569

##### YTD Tithing

July 1, 2017—September 8, 2017	\$7,274
July 1, 2016—September 8, 2016	\$6,982



### *Pray the Rosary With Us*

*All are welcome*

*Monday through Friday—after the 9:00 AM Mass*

*Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM*

*Chapel*

### *St. Eleanor Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration*

*In Our Lady Chapel*

"Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration." – St Teresa of Calcutta

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

**Mondays: 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 PM**

**Tuesdays: 12 AM, 2 PM**

**Thursdays: 12 AM, 7 AM**

**Fridays: 12 AM, 2 AM, 8 AM, 4 PM**

Please contact Erin Finkelmeier for more information at [efinkelmeier@gmail.com](mailto:efinkelmeier@gmail.com)



*Perkiomen Valley Council 3633 Knights of Columbus serving the parishes of St Eleanor and Saint Mary. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month. Call GK Robert Donaghy at*

*215-783-4106 or 610-287-0794*

*bob.donaghy@hpe.com or visit*

*[www.kofc3633.org](http://www.kofc3633.org)*

### **Legion of Mary**

**Knock Knock!** Parishioner visits by members of our Legion of Mary are ongoing. It is their aim to systematically visit all members of the parish. Please welcome them if they visit your neighborhood!



To learn more about the Legion of Mary, contact Ray Hritz at 610-489-4167.

### **St Vincent de Paul Society /St Eleanor Conference**

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

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



How can you help? 1. **Join us and get involved!!**

2. **Pray** for our clients and our conference

**Donations Needed Too - THANK YOU**

Call 610-489-1647 x 43

**Special request—** One of our clients is in need of a car to get to work. Please contact Kathy Zavrotny at (610) 489-3911. Thank you.

### **The Divine Mercy theme for September is: "God's Will."**



*St. Faustina's union with God was unparalleled. One day in 1937, after Mass, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and said, "You are My great joy. Your love and your humility make Me leave the heavenly throne, and unite Myself with you. Love fills up the abyss that exists between My greatness and your nothingness."*

Saint Faustina writes: "The Lord Jesus gave me to know how very pleasing to Him is a soul who lives in accordance with the will of God"

*If you would like to know more, please join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Thursday at 7:00 P.M. in Our Lady Chapel. For more information, please call Mary Ann McDonnell at 610-409-2622.*

### **Next Meeting and Mass October 21st**



**Padre Pio  
Prayer Group**

9:40-Prayer &  
Confession  
10:30- Mass and  
Blessing with  
Padre Pio's relics  
Celebrant -  
Father Hamilton



## Kingdom Kids Program to Start

A New Ministry To Consider



We are beginning a new ministry & service on Sundays at the 9 AM Mass. Kingdom Kids will provide babysitting care for our youngest disciples (aged 6 months to 3 years old) in a safe and caring environment (Vianney Hall). There will be two adults & an aide (Grade 6 or older) who will help to babysit our children while their parents attend Mass. We welcome all our children to Mass but know that sometimes parents might benefit from such a ministry like this.

We are looking for dependable, warm, friendly, loving, patient & young at heart volunteers to help out ~ this is a wonderful ministry of caring which allows you to exercise your discipleship in a loving way. The commitment will not be overwhelming but is essential to the success of this service. If interested in helping out or for information, please contact Lisa Weaver at [Lsoda08@yahoo.com](mailto:Lsoda08@yahoo.com).

### **Protecting God's Children Class** **Holy Cross cafeteria** **October 12<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 9 pm**

Required of all volunteers having REGULAR contact with children and all employees of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia (ie: school volunteers, CYO coaches, PREP volunteers) Signups can be done here:  
[https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg\\_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=0](https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18461&theme=0)

- 2 ½ hours
- Space is limited to 75 attendees
- Class held in Holy Cross cafeteria
- Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- 6:00 PM—9:00 PM
- Starts at 6:00 PM sharp!
- No one under age 18 permitted to be in attendance

### **Starting September 24th...** **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

will be held at both the 9:00 AND 10:30 Masses!!  
Interested in helping?

Please contact Teri Lahey at [tlahey@stleanor.com](mailto:tlahey@stleanor.com)  
or 610-489-4677, ext 31.



### **Join the Contemporary Ensemble!**

Participate in the 9:00 AM Mass  
while sharing your talent.

Contact Cindy at  
[cindydurrell@gmail.com](mailto:cindydurrell@gmail.com)



**OPEN HOUSE** - Come and see what  
**Walking with Purpose** is all about!  
Tuesday, September 26th - Kateri Hall

**DAY and EVENING sessions starting October 5th**  
**THURSDAYS 12:30pm - 2:15pm & 7:00pm - 8:30pm**

Opening Your Heart (offered day and evening) is our foundation Bible study, and we recommend all new participants to begin here, regardless of previous Bible study experience. Join us as we examine the core questions that we wrestle with if we want to experience all that God has for us.

Touching the Divine (daytime only) draws us into a deeper relationship with Jesus as we reflect on Christ's personality through the study of the Gospel of John. John will teach us how much Christ loves us and how his love is the true satisfaction of our souls. \* **Opening Your Heart is a prerequisite for this course\***

Walking with Purpose is a Catholic Bible study that aims to bring women into a deeper personal relationship with Christ through personal study and small group challenges.

Fee: \$75 includes study guide and meeting expenses. Full and half scholarships available. No questions asked.

For more information contact Maureen Bulwicz at  
[MBulwicz@gmail.com](mailto:MBulwicz@gmail.com) or 610-454-0650 or go  
to [www.WalkingWithPurpose.com](http://www.WalkingWithPurpose.com)

**Scrip Gift Cards** are available for a variety of items: tools, clothes, entertainment, favorite restaurants, and anything else. **SCRIP HOURS** Mon.—Thurs., Noon—7:00 pm and Friday, Noon—5:00 pm in the Parish Office; Before and after the Saturday Vigil Mass & Sunday 8:00 am—12:00 Noon in the Church Narthex.



**50/50  
Raffle**

**This  
Sunday!!**

## **Amazing Harvest Festival**

**September 24th 1:00—6:00 PM**

- Games •Face Painting •Rosary Making
  - Children's Entertainment •Clown performer •Family Feud
  - Cupcake Wars (bring 2 of the same cupcake ) •Bingo
  - 3 on 3 Girls & Boys Basketball Tournament •Hoop Shot Contest
  - Ice Cream Madness •CYO Hoagie Sale •Food Trucks
- And much more!!**

**Hope to see you there!**

**Watch the  
Eagle's  
Game Too!**

Congratulations to **Andrew Tufillaro** who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout!

Andrew's Eagle Scout project was creating an outdoor science workstation in the courtyard at Upper Providence Elementary School in the Spring-Ford Area School District.

He worked with the administration to design the space, fund raised the money to pay for the



project and oversaw the scout's implementation of the patio/station.

The project included laying a stone patio, building and installing the science station and general clean-up of the pond area.



Congratulations to **Julia Gray**

who was recently awarded her Girl Scout Gold Award!

The Gold Award is the most prestigious award a high school Girl Scout can earn. It is equivalent to the rank of Eagle Scout in Boy Scouts.



To earn a Gold Award, a girl must complete two leadership journey books in high school, or have completed her Silver Award as a middle schooler and completed a single high school level journey.

For her project, Julia created awareness about food allergies. Her project website can be found below:

<https://www.juliasguidetoallergies.com/>



# Youth Programs and Activities

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

**4Thirteens** is St. Eleanor's junior high youth group. All students grades 7-8 are invited for 4Thirteens nights and 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 at St. Eleanor Parish: <https://tinyurl.com/y6vopyrt>

## Upcoming Youth Ministry Events

October 4th— BOLD Kick-Off Session  
7:00—8:30 PM

October 5th—GIFT Kick-Off Session  
6:30—8:00 PM

October 13th—Amazing Pizza Night Party  
& Fun Night 6:00—9:00 PM

October 28th—Haunted Hayride at Scream  
Mountain 6:30 PM

See website for full details: <https://www.steleanor.com/youth-ministry>



**Altar Server Training Dates:**  
**Wednesday night, 7-8:30 PM;**  
**Held in the Church**  
**September 27th**  
**October 4th**

Register at:

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



Interested in growing in your relationship with our Lord through the guidance & love of the Blessed Mother? Our Heavenly Mother is waiting for the youth of our parish to aid her in good works and prayer. Meetings are Mondays at 4:30-5:30 PM in Kateri Hall. Contact 215-390-0933 or [laurajusko@gmail.com](mailto:laurajusko@gmail.com).

## CYO News

### St Eleanor Catholic Youth

**Organization** is open to all children of the parish—5th through 12th grades, with a pee wee program for 1st through 3rd grades. For all information, please go to our website

### THEY'RE BACK!! CYO HOAGIES

We will be making & selling our delicious hoagies on Sunday, 9/24, the day of the AMAZING HARVEST FESTIVAL. Orders taken via CYO web-site for pick up after all Masses if unable to attend the AMAZING HARVEST FESTIVAL or pick up at CYO Hoagie Tent during event.

### CYO Website for information

<http://cyo.steleanor.com/>

### REGISTRATION for CYO

**Basketball** September 10th— 24th for 5th thru 8th grade (boys and girls) is only available through the CYO Registration on the website.

Interested in volunteering? If you are interested in a position as a head coach for one of the teams, please contact Megan O'Donnell, at [meganodonnellcyo@gmail.com](mailto:meganodonnellcyo@gmail.com), or Chris Phillips at [christophermphillips@yahoo.com](mailto:christophermphillips@yahoo.com). (FYI: Registration for High School Basketball will be held at a later date.)

**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.

**CYO Dances:** Come join us for our monthly dances through the school year—for 6-8 graders. **Annual Dance Passes Will Be For Purchase:** Cost \$35 and will admit you into all 7 dances. Individual Dance Pass: Cost \$7- per dance. Please visit our website for more information, dress code etc and to purchase dance passes. **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.

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



## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**Benefit Exhibition** for Catholic Center for Young Adults; Friday September 29th 5:00-9:00 PM; featuring 12 local artists. Elaina's Art Gallery 314 W Main Street, Trappe. Call 610-454-0785; refreshments served & basket raffle

**Women's 24-Hour Retreat** - Walking in Confidence, Trusting in God's Promises -Malvern Retreat House - a 24-hour women's retreat September 29-30 with Jennifer Hubbard, who shares a message about the mercy and hope God provides us, even in the face of unexpected life events. For info or to register, visit [Malvernretreat.com](http://Malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400.

Join us for a 7 week program "**Seasons of Hope**" for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one. This is a faith based program starting October 3 at 7pm in the St Katherine Drexel Room. Please call Dottie Williams at 610-246-2826 to register or with questions. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**Celebration of the Eucharist** honoring the Lives and Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, Deaf Community, Families, Friends and Caregivers; Principal celebrant: Monsignor Joseph Logrip. October 1, 2017, 9:30 AM, Saints Peter and Paul Parish, West Chester, PA

**Evening of Reflection with Gary Zimak**—On Thursday, October 5, Malvern Retreat House - evening retreat that will focus on how to overcome negative thinking and believe in God's promises. Speaker, author and radio host Gary Zimak will offer simple and practical steps for moving away from negativity and moving closer to Christ. This 6pm-9pm retreat includes dinner. For information or to register for this retreat, please visit [malvernretreat.com](http://malvernretreat.com) or call 610-644-0400.

**IHM Sisters Oktoberfest**—The annual IHM Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 7 from 10 am - 3 pm on the grounds of Camilla Hall, located in Immaculata, PA. Join us for a fun-filled day of delicious food, crafts, children's games, white elephant flea market, and entertainment. Proceeds benefit Camilla Hall Nursing Home

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

**Open House** -6th and 7th grade girls are invited to an Open House event on Sunday, October 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m at Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School. Explore classrooms, interact with students and faculty and the Admissions process. Register at [gmahs.org/admissions](http://gmahs.org/admissions).

Visitation BVM School will be hosting our annual **High School Information Night** on Tuesday, October 10 from 6:30—8:00 PM. The event is held for parents and students to learn more about prospective high schools in our area. High School Night is open to the public and all area children and parents are welcome to attend. Several private high schools and Archdiocese High Schools will be in attendance to speak to students about the admission process.

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Contact **Teri Lahey** at [llahey@stleanor.com](mailto:llahey@stleanor.com)



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### Upcoming Events:

September 26: Holy Hour @ Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, 7:30pm

October 10: Bible Study @ Corpus Christi, Lansdale, 7:30 PM