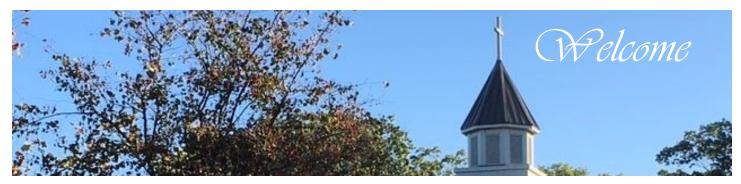


ST ELEANOR CHURCH

647 Locust Street, Collegeville, Pa 19426-2541 Phone: 610-489-1647, FAX: 610-489-7469 EMAIL: CHURCH@STELEANOR.COM WEBSITE: WWW.STELEANOR.COM SEPTEMBER 15, 2019



September 15, 2019 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time <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 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



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Week Ending August 23	, 2019
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Regular Collection	\$ 25,081
Other Collection	\$ 1,472
Total	\$ 26,553
Diocesan Collections	\$ 2.971

Regular Sunday Collections Fiscal Year-to-Date

June 30,2018– August 23, 2019	\$ 201,473
June 30, 2017-August 23, 2018	\$ 215,795

YTD Tithing

July 1,2018—August 23,2019	\$ 3,628
July 1, 2017-August 23, 2018	\$ 3,831

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.

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.



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

Dear Friends,

PASTOR As I write this column, we are in the midst of our Forty Hours devotions. The opening evening, Father Cooke provided much food for thought as he spoke about the mystery of redemption in the Cross of Jesus Christ and Jesus' presence with us in the Most Blessed Sacrament which helps us discover our self. May we embrace Jesus, His Cross and His gift of Himself in the Eucharist to help us on this journey through such a complicated and convoluted world.

This weekend we are celebrating the twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, but September 15 is ordinarily the feast of our Lady of Sorrows and last Sunday (September 8) was the birthday of our Lady. These two feasts remind us of Mary's pivotal role as the Mother of God and as our Mother who shares with us our humanity and intercedes on our behalf with her most Merciful Son. We can fly to her with trust knowing that we will be received by her and that she will help us with our every need. One of my most favorite prayers since childhood is the Memorare. Praying the Memorare brings me a sense of peace and help in times of worry,

anxiety or trouble. I often recommend it to people ~

Remember, O most compassionate Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto thee, O Virgin of Virgins, Our Mother; to thee do we come; before thee do we kneel sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your clemency hear and answer them.

May we seek out the powerful intercession and help of our Blessed Mother as we grow passionately in discipleship and navigate such a confusing and often frightening world.

Saint Paul highlights the theme of our Scriptures this weekend in referencing his personal life and discipleship story. Our Scriptures report on our willfulness in going our own way and God's intervention of mercy and healing towards us. Saint Paul identifies himself as a blasphemer, a persecutor and arrogant who received abundantly mercy, grace, faith and love in Christ Jesus. He asserts, "This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

Noting that he was the worst of sinners treated with such abundant mercy by the Lord reveals that everyone can take solace and refuge in the crucified and risen Jesus with trust and confidence for repentance and salvation. Jesus is our hope. In and through Him, we have life, the fullness of life. From Him, we receive forgiveness and healing of body, mind and soul. Let us make Paul's words our own, "To [Jesus] the king of ages, incorruptible, invisible, the only God, honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."

God bless you, God love you, Monsignor McCulken

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00 Donna Flick

4:30 Phyllis Salamone-Heffron

Sunday, September 15

7:30 Donna Flick

9:00 Tommy & Eddie Seponski

10:30 Robert Longo

The People of the Parish 12:00 7:00 Deceased members of the

Heil Family

Monday, September 16

Saints Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

6:30 John Keenan 9:00 Carmella McGuffin

Tuesday, September 17

Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and

Doctor of the Church

6:30 Grace Pinzka Maureen Vesey 9:00

Wednesday, September 18

6:30 Special Intention of

Anthony & Christina Viola José Jacobo, Jr. (Ist Anniv.) 9:00

Thursday, September 19

Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

6:30 Shawn Goetz 9:00 Mary Burns

Friday, September 20

Saints Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions, Martyrs

Jack McManus 6:30 9:00 Alfred Alexy

Saturday, September 21

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Louis "Sonny" Tulio 9:00

4:30 Maria Maieron (19th Anniv.)

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, October 6th 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:

John McNally on the 17th anniversary of death given by his sister Maureen Lewis Tessie McNally oon her 101st birthday given by daughter Maureen Lewis

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.

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Rose for Life

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



FOR OUR DECEASED: Helen Mlynarski (aunt of MaryAnn McDonnell), Beatrice Vogler, mother of Marytheresa, Vincent Jogan

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

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

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

1st Lt. Andrew Bone

Cpl. Bryan Luther

Andrew Somplasky

Sgt William Ronan

CDR Wendy Arnold, MD

CM/Sgt Charles Gordon

Midn. 2 Class Zachary Sermarini

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Alexander Franke, SN Lt Sean Feeney Specialist Nicholas Bielski Ryan Somplasky Ist Lt. Connor Lyons Ens. Katherine Heacock Jeremy Somplasky PFC Thomas Busfield

Lector Ministry

Has anyone ever complimented you on your speaking voice? Do you wish you could do more to help spread God's Word? Why not use your talents to proclaim the Word of God as a lector at Mass!? Training and preparation is provided and the time commitment is not extensive and is flexible. Lectors read at weekend Masses, Holy Days and other special Masses during the year. Lectors must be at least age 14. Child safety clearances are also required. Contact Mark Pinto at lectorpinto@hotmail.com



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 ECalabroesteleanor.com

DIVINE MERCY

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

Please join us for Divine Mercy Devotions every Thursday at 7:00 pm in Our Lady's Chapel. For more information please call

Mary Ann McDonnell 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. Lisa Fuges , Sept 15: Kevin Strnad , Sept 22: John Miller

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 **September**, we will be praying for **Reverend John 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



St. Eleanor's Perpetual Adoration Sign up for a Holy Hour of Adoration!

We are fortunate to have a wonderful, loyal team of adorers. We have a few open hours and need committed adorers to fill the following time slots. Can you help us? It is only one hour a week and the blessings from adoration, especially in the overnight hours, are very great. Pick one and give it a try; if you find after a few weeks that you cannot continue, you may certainly cancel.

Mondays at 1 AM Tuesdays at 2 AM Wednesdays at 10 AM, and 4 and 5 PM Fridays at 2, 3, and 8 AM, and 4 PM

You will need an electronic key fob to access the building at night which will be arranged if you are interested. Please email your availability to perpetual adoration@steleanor.com

Young Adult Bible Study

Calling all young adults! St. Eleanor's is doing a young adult bible study Thursdays at 7pm in the parish office. 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!

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: HJEEM3



40 Days for Life—Philadelphia

Opening Mass and Holy Hour Sunday, September 29 6:30 pm Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul Celebrant: Archbishop Charles Chaput Preceded by holy hour at 5:15 pm led by the Sisters of

Hosted by the Pro-Life Union

https://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/ philadelphia/

Walking with Purpose

Coming this fall to St. Eleanor Parish Thursday's starting October 3, 2019 Vianney Hall

Open House for all women interested in finding out more about our Catholic Bible study—come and see why over 60 women of Saint Eleanor Parish are walking with purpose! Light refreshments—come with a friend & share a glass of wine with us! Thursday, September 19th 7 pm Vianney Hall

Opening your Heart: The Starting Point

This foundational course is designed for women who are new to Walking With Purpose as well as those with more 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. (22 sessions) \$75 for study guide and meeting expenses.

Grounded in Hope *

Have you grown weary as you run your race and need encouragement to persevere? Do you long to know Christ better? Are you ready to grow in your trust of God as your true source of hope? A study of the Book of Hebrews, Grounded in Hope helps us to encounter Christ in such a powerful, comforting and stabilizing way that He can become our lifeline.

(22 sessions) \$75 for study guide and meeting expenses. *Opening Your Heart is the prerequisite for this study.

> For information or questions contact **Tracey Klauder** Klauderhickory@comcast.net / 610-917-2306





Coming Soon

September 16—Mass for Healing (time change—7:15)

September 22—Children's Liturgy of the Word Begins

September 25—Playgroup begins October 19—Padre Pio Prayer Group

MASS FOR HEALING

September 16 —7:15 pm (note time change)

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Next Meeting and Mass - October 19th 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-September 21-22

All Engaged Couples Planning to Marry PRE-CANA PROGRAM

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Phoenixville Saturday – October 5, 2019

Light continental breakfast is served starting at 8:30AM and class begins at 9:00AM and ends after the 4:00 PM Mass. It includes lunch, snacks and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day Program meets all the requirements of the archdiocese. A certificate is provided upon completion.

Call the Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit our website www.stmaryassumption.org - click on Forms/PRE CANA.

Baby's Breath Run for Life

October 19th Pope John Paul II High School



Enjoy music and children's activities along with our 1 mile FUN Run and 5k. Sponsorships available

Call 610-489-0083 or

Online registration at www.ababysbreath.org/events/ CV_RFL.htmlcontact them at abbcollegevillecpc@gmail.com The **Gardening Angels** are looking for some helpers to plant and aid **volunteers** from Villanova University.

Sept. 21 from 10 til 3

we could use a few helpers to aid and assist with the pruning and planting, etc. or to just be their to guide them along with their project. We will be planting and pruning and hauling.

Contact Rachel at

holdsworth123@verizon.net or call 610-409-9408.

Holy Cross Regional Catholic School Presents

A Family Fairytale - Adventure Fun Party

Sunday, October 6 1:00 to 3:00 pm

In the Holy Cross Gym and Cafeteria Pre-school children through 2nd grade are invited! Bring friends! Meet princesses and super heroes! Make new

friends! See our school!
Enjoy Games, Face Painting, Photo Booth, and much more in our fairytale adventure land!

All children are encouraged to dress up, but costumes are <u>not</u> mandatory.

Attendance is free of charge, sponsored by Holy Cross Regional Catholic School. Children who attend need not be registered at Holy Cross. Parents, please accompany your children.

RSVP to <u>meshields5@aol.com</u> by September 30.



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. Contact Paul Klauder at 610-676-2225 or pklauder@seic.com.





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

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. First playgroup will be held on Wednesday Sept. 25.

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

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events Coming Soon!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

will resume at the **9 am** and **10:30 am Mass** beginning Sunday, **September 22**. We look forward to sharing God's Word with your children! We wish to thank all of the volunteers who plan to serve in this special ministry this coming year. In addition, we always *welcome new volunteers!*

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

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

Registration for *Family Option*, Levels I – 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

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



CYO News—http://steleanor.website.sportssignup.com

St Eleanor Catholic Youth Organization is open to all 5th through 8th grades, 9th through 12th grades (Basketball only & Co-Ed Volleyball in Spring), and 1st through 3rd (Pee Wee Track/Cross Country) children of our PARISH. Please visit our web-site for more information: http://steleanor.website.sportssignup.com

REGISTRATION for CYO Basketball will run September 8- 22 & is open to registered St. Eleanor's parishioners that are currently in grades 5-8.(boys and girls). JV Level consists of 5 and 6 graders and Varsity Level consists of 7 and 8 graders. Registration and payment are only available through the CYO Registration website. (FYI: Registration for High School Basketball will be held at a later date.)

If you are interested in a position as a head coach for one of the teams, please contact Megan O'Donnell, Athletic Director at meganodonnellcyo@gmail.com

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

<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

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 7:30pmVianney 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
CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)	Provides opportunities for children to participate in spiritual, social and athletic activities	Jim 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
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



The **Role of the Laity** in a Time of Crisis -an evening of reflection on the mission of the laity. phillyevang.org/events. Tues, Sept 17, 7 pm, St. Stanislaus, Lansdale & Mon, Oct 7, 7pm, St. Andrew Olde Church, Newtown

Alpha Course- Visitation BVM in Trooper, 10-weeks beginning Thurs, Sept 19, 6:30pm. "Information Night" on Thurs, Sept 12, 7pm. Call/text Joe 610-715-1593, or Ed 610-608-8629. www.alpha.org.

Golf Tournament benefits St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Church, Fri, Sept 20, 11am, Blackwood Golf Course, Douglassville. \$85, \$25/banquet only. Kathy 610-326-5127) or <u>contact@sgsm62.org</u>.

AbbeyFest: Faith, Music and Family Festival, Sept 21, 12-9:30 PM. Join over 4,000 others for a day of music, praise, prayer, sacraments and fun. Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, http://www.theabbeyfest.com/

Family Faith Day, Sat, Sept 21, 10 am—3 pm, 44 Lake St, Leron Ny. events@ourladyofmercyleroy.org

Contemplative Prayer Retreat, Sept 23 – 26 Marianist Family Retreat Center –\$155/pp www.capemaymarianists.org. Cape May Point, 609-884-3829.

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The Holy Trinity: The Catholic Church teaches that the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian Faith. To learn more, join us for the next meeting of the Patricians Adult Discussion Group on Wednesday, September 25, 6:45 - 8:45 pm, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 502 Ford St., Bridgeport.Contact Edel

at: r.edel.lukens@villanova.edu or 610-256-7125.

Corpus Christi Bingo September 28th, doors open at 9 am, admission \$25 (includes lunch) Laurie at 610-584-5694 or geraldponticello@comcast.net

Sharing Life with Disabilities presents **Breakfast and More.** Saturay, Sept 28 8-11 am. Queen of the Universe Parish Center, Levittown. 215-791-5113, sharinglifewithdisabilities@gmail.com

St. Mary Polish American Society's 4th Annual **Polish Harvest Festival** at TK Club at 521 East Hector St,
Conshohocken, Sunday, Sept 29- Noon to 5
pm. stmaryconshy@gmail.com or call Dorothy at 610
-630-0861

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Genesis to Jesus-If you never attended a bible study this is a perfect course for you. Come join us starting Tuesday, October 1, 7:00 in the Visitation Junior high . Contact Bob Hehn, 484-557-1371 or rahehn@aol.com to register.

St Laurence School and Centennial Celebration and Hall of Fame, Sunday October 6. Noon Mass followed by reception at Drexelbrook 1:30—5:30 pm. www.stlaurence.org Terri 484-454-5565 or Cathleen 610-789-8792

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Women's Group **Basket Raffle**, Oct 6 at Friendship Hook & Ladder, Royersford. Doors at noon, raffle at 2pm. \$20. 18 years and up. Carmella 610-948-7731 or Emma at 610-948-2064, ejm727@comcast.net

Our Lady of Confidence Christian **Retreat for Persons** with **Disabilities:** A 3 day retreat at Malvern Retreat House has been scheduled for October 8, 9 & 10 for adults with disabilities. 610-644-0400 or OLCRetreat@gmail.com or Jenny at marsfam1@gmail.com.

Chris Stefanick - REBOOT! Live! Thursday, October 10, 7-9:30PM. A fun, inspiring and practical experience of applying the beauty and genius of the heart of the Gospel. For ages 12 and up! Archbishop John Carroll HS, Radnor. www.RealLifeCatholic.com

Called and Gifted Workshop. Saturday, October 12, 8:30 am-4:30 pm. includes Church teaching on the laity and lay apostleship, the nature of charisms, call and vocation, and how to undertake the process of discerning your spiritual gifts. St. John Neumann Hall, Philadelphia.\$45; archphila.org/gifts

The Militia Immaculata invites you to pilgrimage to Sacred Heart of Jesus Basilica in Hanover, PA, Sat, October 12. \$85.). Joe 610.322.0007 or at irvimi@verizon.net