

AUGUST 9, 2009

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, August 10/Lawrence, deacon & martyr

6:30 AM Eleanor Fox

8:00 AM Benny & Fanny Cottone

Tuesday, August 11/Clare, virgin

6:30 AM Patricia Schmaldinst

8:00 AM Margaret Ferry

Wednesday, August 12/Jane Frances de Chantal,
religious

6:30 AM William S. Anthony

8:00 AM Eric Mertz

Thursday, August 13/Pontian, pope & martyr, &
Hippolytus, priest & martyr

6:30 AM Margaret Rucci

8:00 AM Joseph Julo

Friday, August 14/Maximilian Mary Kolb, priest & martyr

6:30 AM Donald Pasda, Sr.

8:00 AM J. Michael Kresge

Saturday, August 15/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
Mary

9:00 AM John & Theresia Lagler

Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Winifred McFadden

Sunday, August 16

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Kedl
Family

9:00 AM Paul Makovsky

10:30 AM Living & Deceased Members of
our Parish Family

12:00 PM Francis Malinauskas

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember to ask God's blessing and gift of good health for members of our parish family and friends who are in nursing homes, or in the hospital. Also, those confined to their homes with an illness or disability, sick or in the hospital: Dominic Bellucci, Sr., Rose Bellucci, Frances DiFonzo, Ryan Glose, John Handlon, Andrew Hein, Joseph Link, John Redding, Carol Reed, Luke Ronco, Anna Soltys, Colleen Tomline, Maryann Wagner and Timothy Yankowy.

GIFT CARDS SUMMER SPECIAL

Applebee's \$25 cards and Barnes and Noble \$10 cards are being offered for a limited time this summer at the parish office and after Mass. Stop after Mass or stop in at the Rectory or School and pick up your grocery card(s) this week. **Remember when you buy the gift cards; five percent of the purchase price comes back to the parish without any additional cost to you.**

NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registrations are being accepted for the 2009-2010 school year. Classes are Mon., Wed. & Fri, 9:00-11:30 and 12:30-3:00 for 4 year olds; Tues. & Thurs. 9:00-11:30 and 12:30-3:00 for 3 year olds. If you are interested in registering please call 610-266-0695 between 8:00 and 4:00 PM.

PARISH BREAKFAST

Our monthly parish breakfasts, which run from September until April, have been a tradition here at St. Elizabeth's for some time. The breakfasts provide an opportunity for our parishioners to gather with their families and their friends for a delicious Sunday breakfast at a very low price and at the same time, they raise a nice little bit of income which we use for the maintenance of our parish hall. The success of the breakfasts is due to a loyal group of parishioners who volunteer their time and their talent as cooks, food servers and whatever else may be needed. All those who worked the breakfast last year, please call the parish office and let us know if you are still working and any one new interested in volunteering to help should also call the rectory office at 610-266-0695.

ST. ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL

Registration is being accepted for Grades K-8. Please call the school at 610-264-0143 for more information. Our parish school admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights privileges, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at our school. Our school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, or in any school-administered program. Don't forget to visit our web page at www.sercc.org/school. The office hours are 8:30 am – 3:30 pm. Tuesday, August 11th, will be a used uniform sale in the parish hall from 9 am to 2 pm.

Looking Ahead to the New School Year.

The opening dates for St. Elizabeth Regional School Year 2009 – 2010 are:

August 31 – Grades 1 through 8 - full days - 8 am to 2:50 pm. Kindergarten Orientation – 9 – 11 am (last names A-K)

September 1 – Kindergarten Orientation – 9 – 11 am (last names L-Z)

September 2 – Grades K – 8 Full Day

September 4-7 – Labor Day Weekend – School Closed

September 8 – Return to School – Full Day

September 9 – Back to School Night – 7 pm – Parish Hall

CYO COACHES CLINIC

There will be a CYO Coaches Certification Clinic on Wednesday, August 19 at St. Anne's Church in Bethlehem with registration at 6 pm and the clinic beginning promptly at 6:30 pm. Pre-registration is required and must be submitted no later than Monday, August 10. Any person in need of certification is asked to contact Rick Wagner at 610-821-0917 or your parish CYO representative.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CCD

Registration forms for the 2008/2009 session have been mailed to former students. If you did not receive your registration form, or if you are a new registration, please call the office at 610-266-0695 or stop by for a registration form.

ALTAR SERVERS-CANTOR-LECTORS- EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please check your calendars for **September and October** and call the parish office by **August 17**, for the dates you will be unavailable to serve. If you do not notify the office by August 11, and you are shown on the schedule, remember it is your responsibility to find someone to substitute for you.

BAPTISMS

We welcome the following children to our family of faith. Congratulations to parents, godparents, family members and friends.

Amerina Layne Raub
Luca Charles Sciortino
Carys Sophia Margaret Rose Smith

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouvaille Marriage Program has helped married couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. Retrouvaille can help your marriage too. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille Marriage Program or to register for the August 14-16 program, to be held at St. Joseph in the Hills Malvern Retreat House, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

PARISH NURSING NEWS

Prayer Shawl Ministry – August 1st was the 2nd Anniversary of this healing and joyful ministry! To date 470 prayer shawls, lap covers, bereavement covers, birthday, anniversary covers, baby blankets, RCIA, military covers, expectant mothers with problem pregnancies and special “blessings” have been given to parishioners and their loved ones! We thank all of you who have contributed in any way with unused yarn, monetary gifts, baby caps and endless hours of knitting and crocheting to this rewarding ministry! Our meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 13th, 7-8:30 pm in the parish center. New members are warmly welcomed! Come and celebrate with our “2nd” Birthday Cake as our refreshment!

Flu Vaccine Clinic – Circle Sunday, October 18th, 8 am – 1:30 pm. More information to follow in future bulletins.

PRO-LIFE

Rep. Chris Smith, R-NJ, the author of a 2005 law authorizing \$265 million in federal research funds for adult stem cells from cord blood and bone marrow, asked in a statement: “Why does the president persist in the dehumanizing of nascent human life when better alternatives exist? On both ethics grounds and efficacy grounds nonembryonic-destroying stem-cell research is the present and future of regenerative medicine – and the only responsible way forward.”

(Catholic News Service, 3/9/09)

BISHOP BARRES ORDINATION DVD

To purchase a DVD of Bishop John Barres' Ordination and Installation Mass, send a check for \$10, payable to the Diocese of Allentown, to: Installation Mass DVD, c/o Office of Communication, Diocese of Allentown, PO Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538. You will receive a DVD of the Mass in the mail. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This year, August 15, falls on a Saturday and is not a holy day of obligation. The regular Saturday Mass schedule is in effect.

GOLDEN AGERS

The Golden Agers will be going to see “A Holiday Classic” on Thursday, November 12 at the American Music Theatre. This is a show that will fill your heart with the holiday spirit and experience the magic of a musical Christmas. The show is at 3 pm. The bus will leave the St. Elizabeth parking lot at 10 am. They will make a stop along the way at Kitchen Kettle for lunch (on your own) and Shady Maple for dinner (included) after the show. The price is \$78. For reservations call John Klusarits at 610-437-1570 and make checks payable to St. Elizabeth Golden Agers.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Are you celebrating 5, 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in the year 2008? Celebrate this special occasion with your family and renew your vows with Bishop John O. Barres at the 30th Annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2009 at 3 PM at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Siena, Allentown, PA. Complete a registration form, found on a poster in the church vestibule, and mail to: Office of Family Life Ministries, 900 S. Woodward St., Allentown, PA 18103, Attn: Ruth Baker or telephone 610-289-8900, ext 239. You can also email her Rbaker@allentowndiocese.org. The deadline for registration is September 14, 2009.

R.C.I.A.

The RCIA is a process for those adults (un-baptized or baptized) who are considering becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church. The period of inquiry is the first step of the process. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 610-266-0695.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Allentown Diocesan Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers to help families understand income tax requirements and receive income tax preparation assistance. Volunteer training will be provided. Please contact Rob Nicoletta at 610-435-1541.

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