

JANUARY 11, 2009 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Monday, January 12

6:30 AM Steven Kuncio

8:00 AM Eileen Hughes

Tuesday, January 13/Hilary, bishop and doctor

6:30 AM Catherine E. Lake

8:00 AM Special Intentions for the health
of Mary Kucharik

Wednesday, January 14

6:30 AM Frank Mamon

8:00 AM Edward Pramik

Thursday, January 15

6:30 AM Richard L. Hoff

8:00 AM Mark David Ratcliffe

Friday, January 16

6:30 AM Alberto Albino

8:00 AM Charles Keiser

Saturday, January 17

9:00 AM Myron Romanyshyn

Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Rena Fortier

Sunday, January 18

7:30 AM Helen Wagner

9:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of
our Parish Family

10:30 AM Edward J. Blasko

12:00 PM Mildred Fetherolf

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., Kristen Bloomfield, Lorraine Corso, Francis Craig, Ryan Glose, John Handlon, Andrew Hein, Carol Reed, Luke Ronco, Colleen Tomline, Rosemarie Toronto and Timothy Yankowy.

2009 CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES

Children's envelopes are available after Mass in the vestibule of the Church. Please encourage your children to practice stewardship for their parish by using their envelopes.

BREAKFAST BUFFET

We will serve our monthly Breakfast Buffet, this Sunday, after the 7:30, 9:00 and 10:30 Masses. Bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, home fries, pancakes, French toast sticks, Danish, juice and coffee – all for only \$5.50/adult, \$2.50/children (4-12) & children 3 & under are free. Besides getting a good meal, you are also helping your Parish! This month's sponsor is ***The St. Elizabeth Athletic Association.***

ST. ELIZABETH ATHLETIC ASSOC.

Valentine's Day Social - The St Elizabeth Athletic Assn is sponsoring a Valentine's Day Social on February 14th at 8:00 PM in the Social Hall. \$15 includes soda, beer and food as well as the band "Becky and the Beasts". For ticket information call Mike Brosious at 610-262-7143 or Jeff Scheuren at 610-432-5577.

Baseball/Softball Sign Ups - All parishoners, regardless of school are eligible to play for St Elizabeth. Signups will be Wednesday January 14th and 21st from 5:30 to 7:00 PM and Sunday January 18th and 25th after the 9:00 and 10:30 masses. All sign ups are in the Social Hall.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Lose Weight, Eat Better, Exercise More. Here is a resolution that is easy to keep: Buy Shopping Certificates! What better time to begin to buy shopping certificates! If you have never purchased certificates, make a resolution to buy one per month. Shopping Certificates are available for Giant, Weis, Redner's, Kohl's, JC Penny and Olive Garden. You can purchase gasoline or purchase other gift cards with your Giant, Weis, and Redner's cards. Kohl's and JC Penny cards can be used to pay on your store accounts. Olive Garden cards are an excellent way to treat Mom for a night out of the kitchen. If you already buy Shopping Certificates, encourage a friend to purchase them. Shopping Certificates can be purchased after all of the Masses, in the parish office and through the school. All proceeds from the sale of these certificates go to our school. Make a resolution that is easy to keep and will benefit our school: Buy Shopping Certificates in 2009.

ST. ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL

▪ Congratulations to Samuel Oliveria, Jane McGorry, Michelle Gannon, Tammy Chamberlin, Joseph Schrantz, John Berlin and Richard & Gayle DiMeglio who were winners in the Vacation Sweepstakes Lottery for the 3rd week of December. Winners for the 4th week of December were Joan Glover, Erna Trinkle, Michael Schneider & Robert Richmond. And finally, winners for the 5th week of December were Joe Birchak, Pamela Kametz & Melissa Schneck. A total of \$4850 in prize money was given to 23 lucky winners. 2 individuals won \$1000 and another \$1200. The school's overall profit was \$3704. We thank all who supported us in this fundraiser. Look for another chance to win in the May Vacation Sweepstakes. Tickets will go on sale in March.

▪ Please continue to save Bxotops for Education, Campbells labels, Ink cartridges, Nestle's GoPlay labels, Redner's tapes and cancelled stamps for our school. We are now collecting used cell phones for recycling. You may have a few older phones lying around your house and don't know how to dispose of them, so please bring them to the school or to church and look for the box that says "Recycle Your Old Phones Here". Thank you for your support in all of our fundraising efforts.

CONFIRMATION 2009

Our 8th grade children will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 10. If you would like to be a prayer partner for one of these young people, please call Carol O'Connor (610-266-0695). All this entails is praying for the person during their time of preparation.

PARISH NURSING NEWS

Blood Donor Signup: In two weeks, January 24th & 25th - before and after all Masses, in the vestibule of our church. Please call Anne @ 610-435-2182 or email AMBaran0719@ptd.net by Monday, January 12th to volunteer approximately 35 minutes of your time. Thank you for considering this noble cause. Note: Winter Blood Drive – Feb. 1st – Sunday, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. Please pray for a generous response to donate blood and give the Gift of Life!

“We the Living” Support Group – Understanding the grief process and receiving support from those experiencing the same are integral to working through grief. Please call Carol Crugnale @ 610-439-4932 or Marie Signarovitz @ 610-434-7009 to register or ask questions. The 12-week support group begins Wednesday, January 21st (1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.) in the parish center.

“Repair With Care” Support Group – Are you a separated or divorced person who is experiencing the pains of grief and grieving? This group places special emphasis on recovery “principles” and “ten essential touchstones” for finding hope and healing your heart! Jim Seng, M.S., LCADC, will facilitate a 12-week support group beginning Monday, January 19th (7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.) in our parish center. Please call Jim @ 610-746-9940 to register or to ask any questions.

“Caregiver Support Group Ministry – will meet Thursday, January 15, 2009 – 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the parish center. The theme will center around dealing with “The Stresses of Caregiving”. All are invited to attend.

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Celebrates Service - In two weeks, we will begin our Catholic Schools Week observance, the annual celebration of Catholic education and its role in making the world a better place. Catholic schools incorporate service projects into the curriculum, teaching students the value of helping others as an expression of faith and good citizenship. Catholic Schools Week – Saturday, January 24th, CSW begins with our School Board sponsored Spaghetti Dinner and will conclude on Friday, January 30th with a student assembly. Look for our schedule of events in the upcoming bulletin. Remember to visit our school web site: www.sercc.org/school

ADORATION

Thursday, January 22 there will be adoration in the chapel from 8:30 am to 12 noon in the chapel in honor of the Day of Penance for the Violations to the Dignity of the Human Person. This is the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade.

FAREWELL FATHER MULLINS

Bishop Cullen informed us this week that he has found it necessary to transfer Father Mullins from his position as resident at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish to the same position at Holy Trinity Parish, Egypt, effective January 20, 2009. We take the opportunity to express our gratitude to Father Mullins for his dedicated priestly service during his years with us here at St. Elizabeth's and we extend our prayerful best wishes for a continuing fruitful priestly ministry in his new assignment.

FREE SELF-DEFENSE CLASS

A free self-defense class for women will be offered at the Schnecksville fire Hall from 6-9 p.m. Jan 11, 2009. Robert Gerken, who is retired from a 25 year career as a Pennsylvania State Trooper, will teach the class for women ages 14 and older. Gerken, director of Public Safety at Albright College in Reading. The class will include risk awareness, risk, reduction, and practical moves. Women will be taught how to get away in case someone attacks them. According to Gerken, women of any age should be able to respond and benefit from the guidelines. To sign up for the class, call 610-737-4230 or email Gracezmum@yahoo.com

IT'S SPAGHETTI DINNER TIME!



The St. Elizabeth School Board will be hosting its annual spaghetti dinner on Saturday, January 24, 2009. Salad, bread, spaghetti, meatballs, homemade desserts – the works! **Seating times are 4:00, 5:30, and 7:00 PM.** Advance ticket prices remain the same: \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 5-12. Children under age 5 eat free. Tickets will be sold after all masses on January 10th/11th and 17th/18th. They can also be purchased by contacting Karen Hoff at (610) 439-6101. They are also available for purchase at the school and church office. A very special thank you goes to Gilbert Funeral Home for sponsoring this dinner. Their generous support enables 100% of the proceeds from this dinner to benefit the children of St. Elizabeth Regional School.

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