

JULY 31, 2011

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, August 1/Saint Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church

6:30 AM Lois Surovy

8:00 AM Walter Marks

Tuesday, August 2/Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop; Saint Peter Julian Eymard, priest

6:30 AM Christopher Novakowski

8:00 AM Stephen Lang

Wednesday, August 3

6:30 AM Lucille Krause Ebert

8:00 AM Grace Mertz

Thursday, August 4/St. John Mary Vianney, priest

6:30 AM Bernadine Edwards

8:00 AM Margaret Mondrick

Friday, August 5/The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major in Rome

6:30 AM Stella Herman-Beehrle & William Reichl

8:00 AM Memorial Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6/The Transfiguration of the Lord

9:00 AM Douglas McCoach

Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Anna Watson

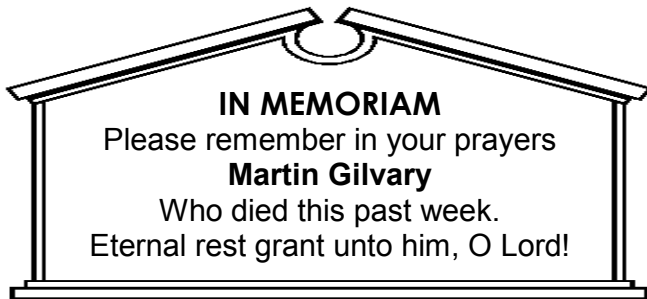
Sunday, August 7

7:30 AM Helen Churetta

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

10:30 AM Kathleen Cleary

12:00 PM Spadaro Family



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember to ask for God's blessing and the gift of good health for the 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 and Rose Bellucci, Dolores and Ken Boyce, Ryan Glose, Kathy Hock, Margaret Martin, Bernadette Marushak, John Pelizoto, Elizabeth Porter, Luke Ronco, John Schedler, Kyle Smith, Jeanette Standorf and Annette Yurish.

POLKA MASS

Every year at Musikfest there is a Polka Mass on the last day of the festival. This year the Mass is on Sunday, August 14 at 10 AM in the FestPlatz. The Polka Mass is sponsored by Sacred Heart Hospital.

PRO-LIFE

What does the Bible teach about abortion, a word it does not mention? Two principal life-affirming Biblical teachings hold that (1) human life is different from other types of life because human beings are made in the very image of God; and (2) children are a blessing.

Priests for Life newsletter, 2/07



LOW IMPACT AEROBICS SIGN-UPS

Looking for a night out with friends? Our instructor, Karen Hoff, is offering 8 weeks of aerobics on Tuesday nights (6:00 - 6:50 PM) from **September 6 to October 25** in the parish hall. The cost is only \$15.00 per person which includes 50 minutes of aerobic exercises followed by 30 additional minutes of toning and floorwork exercises for all who wish to stay. (All that is needed is a towel or mat for the floor work exercises. Feel free to bring light weights, as well.) Registration deadline is August 31 or until the maximum number of participants is reached. Please find registration forms in the back of church at the nurses' table. **Bring a friend!**

THANK YOU

The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, especially those serving in the foreign missions, would like to thank us for the kind assistance given to them during their recent appeal here at our parish. Our openness to their needs and our gracious response during the second collection was greatly appreciated.

SAINT ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

- Please continue to save boxtops, Campbells labels, ink cartridges, Redner tapes and stamps. Please put them in the container in the back of church. We do ask though that you send in the "entire" Save-a-Tape from Redner's. If you cut off and send in just the bottom, they are not valid. There is no personal information on the tape to worry about. All proceeds go towards the everyday operation of the school. The stamps are sent to the Missions.

- *The school office of Saint Elizabeth Regional School will be open from 9 am - 3 pm beginning August 1st. Registrations are being accepted for students in grades K - 8. Please call Joan Glover @ 610-264-0143 for information or if you have any questions. You can also email her at school@sercc.org*

JR. & SR. HIGH STUDENT EVENTS

There are many exciting opportunities for junior and senior high school students being offered throughout our Diocese's 50th anniversary year. Events include the October 5th pilgrimage to the National Shrine, November 6th - 50th Anniversary Youth Celebration, and Catechism Alive on October 23rd, March 4th and April 22nd. Details will be made available at www.adoyyam.com.

PARISH NURSING NEWS

Circle the Date -- Sunday, October 23rd-7:30 AM-1:30 PM to receive your Flu and/or Pneumonia vaccine in the parish hall. The satisfaction surveys support the success of our 7th year in offering this preventive health program to our parish. Last year 80 parishioners received either vaccine. More details to follow in a flyer!

PREP (CCD) TEACHER AIDES NEEDED



The school year is almost upon us and our PREP program can use some of your "spirit" to assist in the classrooms. Please consider volunteering your time to help on Monday evenings from 6:00 – 7:30 PM. The more helping hands the more things we can do and learn to bring our faith to our children. We promise it will be worth the investment of your time! For more information please call the parish office at 610-266-0695 or e-mail Mrs. Spieker at dirreled@sercc.org.

GOLDEN AGERS

The next meeting of the St. Elizabeth Golden Agers will be August 5. This meeting will be in the style of a picnic with a magician, make your own sundaes and root beer floats. Start time is 12:30 pm.

BUSINESS TAX INCENTIVES

You can turn your business' state taxes into scholarships for students attending Saint Elizabeth Regional School by participating in Pennsylvania's Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program. A simple, one page application form is all that is needed to apply. If you are a business owner, executive or CPA, and you want to find out more about directing state tax dollars to Saint Elizabeth Regional School, please contact the principal, Sister Bonita Smith, RSM at 610-264-0143 or altlse@ptd.net. Every dollar donated through this program is directed to the students of Saint Elizabeth Regional School in the form of scholarships. By law, no funds are retained for other purposes. CCorps, SCorps, LLC's and LLP's are all eligible. Think of the advantages, you will save tax money and at the same time help deserving children receive a Catholic education.

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

All St. Elizabeth parishioners going into fifth grade to twelfth grade are eligible to be an altar server. There will be training August 12, 19 and 26 from 7 – 8:30 pm at the St. Elizabeth Chapel. Call the parish office to register at 610-266-0695

MALVERN RETREAT

The Our Lady of Perpetual Help Group of the Lehigh Valley Men of Malvern will be holding their Annual Retreat from 6 pm Friday, August 26 until 12 Noon on Sunday, August 28. The men of the parish are invited to join the 200 men from the Lehigh Valley who annually attend. Contact Jim Rieker at 610-435-6439 for reservations.

NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

The Nursery school has an opening on Tu & Th mornings and a few openings on M, W, F afternoons. For information please call 610-266-0450.

DID YOU (OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW) EVER CONSIDER THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AS A MEANS OF CONTINUING YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH?

Have you ever come to Mass with your family or friend and wished to participate fully in the beautiful sacramental traditions of our faith? Then, whether baptized or unbaptized, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is what you are looking for! Starting this September on Tuesday evenings, a new RCIA class will be forming. The initial phase "the period of inquiry" requires no commitment and is designed specifically for general information as well as discernment. It is also for interested Catholics who wish to learn more about their faith. Please call the parish office for information at 610-266-0695.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI FESTIVAL

St. Francis, 11th & Washington Sts, Allentown is having their festival Friday, August 5 (6-10:30 pm), Saturday, August 6 (5:30-10:30 pm) and Sunday, August 7 (5-10 pm). Friday's entertainment in the Church Hall will be Walt Groller, the 4:30 Mass on Saturday will be a Polka Mass with the Emil Shanta Band. Outside entertainment Saturday will include the Allentown Municipal Band. Sunday entertainment in the Church Hall will be the Joe Weber's Band. The festival also features food, games for children and adults, raffle drawing, attic treasures and fun for the whole family.

CHILD CARE CENTER

The child care center will be open during the summer for children ages 6 wks to 12 yrs from 7 AM to 5:30 PM, M-F. If you need care for your child during the summer you may contact Maria Sosa at 610.266.1322.

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