

NOVEMBER 8, 2009

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, November 9/Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
in Rome

6:30 AM Gloria Makovsky

8:00 AM John Handlon

Tuesday, November 10/Leo the Great, pope & doctor

6:30 AM Lila Smith

8:00 AM Margaret Fragnito

Wednesday, November 11/Martin of Tours, bishop

6:30 AM Frank Schmaldestin

8:00 AM For all Veterans, Living & Deceased

Thursday, November 12/Josaphat, bishop & martyr

6:30 AM Harry Shayka

8:00 AM Timothy Yankow

Friday, November 13/Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin

6:30 AM Blanche McLellan

8:00 AM Edward J. Pudleiner

Saturday, November 14

9:00 AM Mary Ernst

Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Turney Gratz

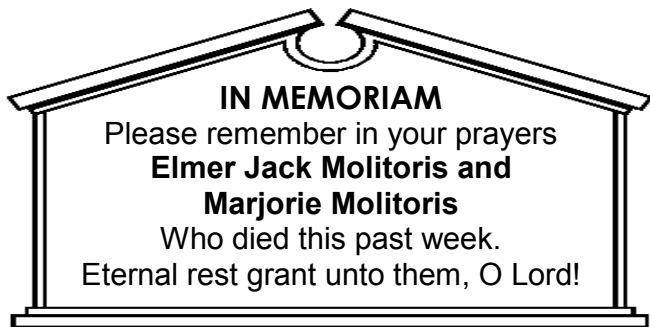
Sunday, November 15

7:30 AM Theresa Zaun

9:00 AM Dolores Seng

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

12:00 PM Nicholas & Elizabeth Leanch



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, Carol Crugnale, Anne Fox, Ryan Glose, Kay Gober, Andrew Hein, Marie Janenko, June Kilhefner, Matthew Korpics, Robert LaFrankie, Marjorie Molitoris, Andrew O'Boyle, Carol Reed, Luke Ronco, Colleen Tomline and Ida Unger.

ACCHS COLORGUARD CLINIC

Allentown Central Catholic will hold a colorguard clinic on Saturday, November 14 from 9 am to 11 am for any 6, 7, or 8 grade student in Masson Auditorium. This is a great opportunity to find out what colorguard is all about, learn some basic techniques and meet the current squad. Please RSVP to Mrs. Lisa Listwa (lilistwa@acchs.info) by November 11 if you are planning to attend.

FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS

Our Forty Hours Devotion will take place Sunday through Tuesday, November 15th, 16th and 17th at 6 pm. Our preacher for all three nights will be Father Andrew Gehringer the Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Allentown. Please mark your calendar and make the most of this wonderful opportunity to hear the inspiring words of this very fine preacher and to renew your faith in the real presence of our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist. Extraordinary Ministers and lectors are invited to participate in the Eucharistic procession at the closing, Tuesday, 11/17 at 6 pm. Please sit in the reserved pews in the front of church before devotions.

ST. ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL

- Vacation Sweepstakes tickets have been mailed. Drawings are held throughout the month of December - based on the PA Nightly Big 4 number. Tickets must be turned in by November 20th. Scrip/Gift Card fundraiser will begin November 18th, with delivery just in time for Christmas.
- The November school newsletter is available on line @ www.sercc.org/school along with other pertinent information. You can reach us at 610-264-0143 during school office hours 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

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!

VETERANS DAY

There will be a Veteran's Day Assembly on Monday, November 9th at 9:30 am in the parish hall. All veterans of St. Elizabeth and St. Mary's Parishes and their families are invited to attend. Please call the school office if you are going to attend (610-264-0143).

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The 2010 Entertainment Books are available in the Parish Office, Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM. The books can be used immediately through November 1, 2010. The price of the book is still only \$20.

GOLDEN AGERS

The Golden Agers Christmas Party will be on Friday, December 4. Tickets are available at \$15 for members and \$17 for guests. Please call Eileen Schedler at 610-437-4080. No Tickets will be sold after November 23rd.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

November is a very special month for our Parish Community – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. If you haven't picked a time slot yet, please do so, the chart is in the vestibule of the church. All we ask is that you spend an hour of your time with the Lord in the peace and quiet of our Chapel.

PARISH NURSING NEWS

Caregiver Hospitality Ministry – Please note the date has been changed to December 17 due to the Annual Parish Bereavement Mass scheduled on November 19. Brochures will be available this coming week at the Rectory.

Prayer Shawl Ministry – Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12 at 7 pm in the parish center. 525 prayer shawls, etc. have been given to grateful parishioners or their loved ones! We welcome new members and completed items can be dropped off at the rectory office M-F 8 am to 4 pm. At this month of Thanksgiving, we express our heartfelt thanks to the entire dedicated ministry team and all generous donors.

100th Birthday Surprise Card Shower – Hilda Sarka, a parishioner of more than 50 years, will be celebrating her 100th Birthday on December 8, 2009! She is a permanent resident of Phoebe Home, Trexler Room 1125A, 1925 Turner St, Allentown, PA 18102. Please consider showing your love and prayers for Hilda with a greeting card and honor her long life as a parish family member!

HEALTH NEWS – Help yourself to a “yellow paper” handout entitled “**Differences between Cold & Swine & Seasonal Flu Symptoms**” on the Parish Nursing table in the vestibule or pick up a copy at the rectory office. It is an informative and handy reference guide presented in an organized manner.

Outreach Ministries: St Elizabeth Adult Choir and fellow parishioners accompanied by Gary Stokes, Director of Music, will be singing **Christmas Carols** at *Whitehall Manor* on Sunday, December 6th at 1 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. Everyone is invited to join us for a joyful get together with the residents and their families. Please call or email Anne at 610-435-2182 or ambaran0719@ptd.net to **sign up**.

St. Elizabeth Regional School children, Grades 2, 3, 5 and 8 are also sharing their Christmas Spirit with **caroling** and proclaiming the birth of Jesus on Friday, December 11th at *Whitehall Manor* in the *Florida Room* and *Sunshine Unit*. The children will proceed to the residents at *Strawberry Patch* in the *Community Room* for a repeat performance. Thank you to Mary Spieker for coordinating this ministry of spreading LOVE and JOY associated with the true meaning of Christmas.

Christmas Gifts and Cards will be delivered to our fellow parishioner shut-ins at the local hospitals, Assisted Living Facilities, Skilled Nursing Facilities and their homes on Tuesday, December 1st. Volunteers are needed to help with this ministry. Pickup and delivery of **presents** would be between 10 a.m. to Noon at the rectory on December 1st.

Please call Anne at 610-435-2182 or email ambaran0719@ptd.net to volunteer for a rewarding ministry.

PRO-LIFE

The difference between the pro-abortion side and the pro-life side is not that they favor women's rights and we love the baby. The real difference is that they think you can separate the two and we don't. Thus, the pro-life position is, “Lets love them both. Mother and child belong together.”

Priests for Life newsletter, May-June, 2008

THANKSGIVING SHOPPING

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY to start planning your Thanksgiving Day dinner. Make sure your plans include buying Shopping Certificates for all your holiday dinner needs. Whether it is Turkey, Ham or Football Party Trays, shopping certificates are a great way to support our school. Shopping certificates are easy to buy. You can purchase them after all the masses, at the parish office or through the school. You can purchase them in as little as \$10 denominations. Our school earns 5% of the face value on each card sold. If every family in the parish used a shopping certificate for their Thanksgiving meal, our school could earn hundreds of dollars. This is the easiest and most convenient fund raiser we have!!! So as you give thanks for all that you have, give a special gift St. Elizabeth Regional School. We are ever so thankful to you for your continued support.

CENTRAL CATHOLIC OPEN HOUSE AND VIKING CHRISTMAS GIFT SALE

Parents, what's next after middle school, will your child be prepared for college and life challenges? Central Catholic students are prepared. Find out more directly from Central faculty, parents and administration, on Sunday, November 15th 2 pm to 4 pm. Visit classrooms with faculty and tour our educational facility. And, don't miss the Viking Christmas Gift Sale for all your future and present students and graduates! Sale will be held in Rockne Hall 2 to 4 PM. MC, Visa, cash and checks accepted.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING PROGRAM

This week you will receive a mailing regarding Sacrificial Giving for our parish. Please take a moment to review the materials presented and reflect on how you might be able to make a positive difference in our parish community through the weekly collection.

HOMEMADE HALUPKI SALE

St. Mary's Parish in Catasauqua is sponsoring a homemade Halupki sale the weekend of December 5th/6th. Halupki's are only \$2.50 each, buy four (4) get one (1) free. Please call their Parish Office at 610-264-0332 to place your order. Pick up on Saturday, December 5th is from 3:00 - 5:30 PM and on Sunday, December 6th from 8:45 AM to 12:00 PM. Orders and money are due by November 29th. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy St. Mary's great Halupki's.

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