

SEPTEMBER 6, 2009

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, September 7/Labor Day

6:30 AM NO MASS

8:00 AM Robert Dolan

Tuesday, September 8/Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 AM Frank and Anthony Fasching

8:00 AM Eleanor Fox

Wednesday, September 9/Peter Claver, priest

6:30 AM Paul Bonenberger

8:00 AM Elizabeth Pasioka

Thursday, September 10

6:30 AM Patricia Schmaldest

8:00 AM Dr. Michael Liaw

Friday, September 11

6:30 AM Rudolph A. Brem

8:00 AM Edward Urban

Saturday, September 12/Most Holy Name of the BVM

9:00 AM Catherine Kucharik

Vigil: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Living & Deceased Members of our Parish Family

Sunday, September 13

7:30 AM Theresa A. (Handlon) Fowler

9:00 AM Gertrude "Toots" McKenna

10:30 AM Pasquale Stravino

12:00 PM Sylvia Tauber

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, Frieda Bush, Francis Craig, Veronica Delucas, Frances DiFonzo, Ryan Glose, John Handlon, Andrew Hein, Louise Hunsberger, Robert Kraftician, Mary Ann Kulhamer, Raymond Laudenslager, Robert Marzano, Bruno Masucci, John Redding, Carol Reed, Luke Ronco, John Spack, Colleen Tomline, Theresa Yanger and Timothy Yankowky.

GIFT CARDS SUMMER SPECIAL

Don't forget you can use store gift cards to purchase back to school items. Stop after Mass, 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.

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.

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.

PARISH BREAKFAST

We will serve our monthly Breakfast Buffet, Sunday, Sept 13, 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 Golden Agers**.

ST. ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL

The August 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 8:30 am – 3:30 pm or email us at school@sercc.org.

Looking Ahead to the New School Year.

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

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

CCD TEACHERS NEEDED

We are in need of some new CCD Teachers for Monday nights at 6 pm. If you are interested or have questions, please call Carol at 610-266-0695. 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.

AN RCIA INVITATION

Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and/or receiving the Sacraments? Please join us for Inquiry Night on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at 7 PM to learn about the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) process. All are welcome. Please contact Father Stan at 610-266-0695, extension 201 if you have any questions.

DESIGNER CLOTHING SALE!

Ladies, we will once again have our Designer Clothing Sale! If you have come to this sale in the past, you know the clothing is of exceptionally good quality and is discounted at 70% off the regular retail price! Don't miss this sale on Saturday, 9/19 from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM and on Sunday, 9/20 from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM in the St. Elizabeth Parish Social Hall. Proceeds benefit St. Elizabeth Regional School.

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.

ST. ELIZABETH DAYCARE

The St. Elizabeth Daycare has openings from 6 weeks old to 5 yrs old. Please call Maria at the Daycare (610-266-1322) for more information. On Sunday September 13th there will be an open house for the daycare from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm.

PARISH NURSING NEWS

Wellness Programs: Low Impact Aerobics will start **Tuesday, Sept. 22nd** (6 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.) in our parish hall twice a week (Tues. & Thurs.) until **Nov. 12th**. Certified Aerobics Instructor – **Karen Hoff**. There is an error on the registration form for Low Impact Aerobics, the following are the correct Thursday dates: 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/12. Sorry for the inconvenience. **Line Dancing -- Wednesday, Sept. 16th to Nov. 11th**, (6:00 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.) Dance Instructors – Ray & Myra Rosenberger. Registration forms are available on our Parish Nursing Table in the vestibule of our church OR in the rectory office (Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.). Sign up NOW! Deadline is Sept. 14th for both programs.

“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 any questions. The 12 week support group begins Wednesday, Sept. 9 (7-8:30 PM) 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” finding hope and healing your heart! Jim Seng, M.S., LCADC, will facilitate a 12-week support group beginning Monday, Sept. 21 (6:30-8 PM) in our parish center. Please call Jim at 610-746-9940 to register or to ask any questions.

Prayer Shawl Ministry – Will meet Thursday, Sept. 10, 7-8:30 pm in the parish center. 485 prayer shawls have been given to grateful parishioners or their loved ones. Please bring completed items to the rectory if you are unable to attend the meeting. New members are welcome to join.

Flue Clinic – Flu vaccines will be available free to all primary Medicare “B” subscribers, all Aetna subscribers, Highmark Freedom Blue, Highmark Senior Blue and Bravo Health Insurance subscribers! Circle Sunday, October 18, 8 am to 1:30 pm. More info to follow.

Blood Drive – Sunday, Sept. 27, 8 am to 1:30 pm in our parish hall. Did you know that someone needs blood every 2-3 seconds? Can you “spare” about 30-40 minutes (donation process) on September 27th to help save lives? Your body contains 10-12 pints of blood. Please pray for a generous blood drive.

OCTOBERFEST

Save the Date: St. Elizabeth's Octoberfest Dance on Saturday October 17th 5:30pm - 10pm Polka Music by Johnny Dee, Food & Refreshments. Stay tuned for more information on Tickets.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day. Normal business hours will resume on Tuesday, September 8.

ADULT MUSIC MINISTRY

The adult choir will begin their full time schedule at the 10:30 Mass beginning on September 13th. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. with bell rehearsal @ 8:30 p.m. While the ability to read music is beneficial it is not a requirement to join. If you have an interest in joining please contact Mary Fran Kaminski via email @ mfkaminski@verizon.net or leave a message at the church office for her or for Gary Stokes, Choir Director.

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.

BISHOP BARRES' LEHIGH DEANERY MASS

Our newly installed bishop, Bishop John O. Barres will celebrate Mass for all priests, deacons, religious and laity of the Lehigh Deanery on Tuesday, September 8 at 7 PM in St. Thomas More Church, Allentown, PA. Following the Mass there will be a reception for all in attendance in St. Thomas More Parish Center. All the faithful of the Lehigh Deanery are invited and encouraged to participate in the celebration of Mass and the reception following.

PRO-LIFE

A former worker at a Dignitas suicide clinic told the *London Daily Mail* that she began to see the clinic not as a compassionate place for ending lives but as money-making killing machine taking advantage of the disabled and terminally ill.

(Life News, 6/1/09)

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