

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 5-Teresa of Calcutta

5:00 P.M. - Norma Klaja (Bill Kunkel)

Sunday, September 6– Twenty-Third Sunday in

Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Bernard Kowalski
(Kowalski & Dailey Families)

9:00 A.M. - Michael Baldauf
(Library Golden Agers)

10:30 A.M. - Mary Kubis (B-Day Remembrance)
(Husband Paul & Family)
- People of the Parish

12:00 Noon - Dolores Lis (Eugene & Eleanor Lis)

Monday, September 7– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Michelina Baiano (Husband)

Tuesday, September 8– Nativity of the Blessed Mary

8:00 A.M. - Joseph Pointer (Wife)

Wednesday, September 9– Peter Claver, priest

8:00 A.M. - William Roberts (Betty & Joe Mahr)

Thursday, September 10– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Velma Vitale Wasieleski
(Salvatore & Mary Vitale)

Friday, September 11– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Bill Jurgeвич (Carol & Clem Lacher)

Saturday, September 12– Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 P.M. - Stanley & Josephine Gierlack
(Dora & Stanley Gierlack)

Sunday, September 12– Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Betty Kit Witwicki
(Husband Raymond & Family)

9:00 A.M. - Shirley McKinley
(Tom & Regina Wernert)

10:30 A.M. - Sandy Schwenning
(Daughters & Grandchildren)
- People of the Parish

12:00 Noon - Ermond Mazzolini (Despres Family)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Rosemarie Jabo, Jeannie Obidzinski, Marnie Rennie, Louise Hillman, Emily Herring, Michael Pro, Paul Pro, Tim Zalewsky, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Villella, Kathleen Gearhart, Judy Zadkar, Dottie Kennedy, Bob Bittner, Stephen Nicholas, Margaret Smith, Anna Pierce, Jericho Fedor, Pat Rae, Al Furno, Ed Stetar, Jan Roberts, Carl Humphreys, Frank Mathews, Frank Tapolci, William Pendergast, Camryn Surman, Janice Will, John Kirpsak and . Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

Financial Statement

Last Week's Income was:

Regular Collection.....\$8668.00

Mission Co-Op.....\$5583.00

Parish Share.....\$112,048.00

Thank you for your generosity.

From the Pastor's Desk

We welcome back to school our students and staff as well as our CCD students and catechists and pray God's Holy Spirit upon all to give witness to Christ the Lord!....thanks to the family of the late Marie Engelhart, two picnic tables have been donated to the parish for use by school students and CCD students for "outdoor" study weather permitting....on August 26 a parishioner was coming to the Rectory and had a lapse of mind/foot and broke the window curtain at the nurse's office Fortunately no one was injured and there was no structural damage to the building....accidents do happen without injury, Thank God!....insurance will cover repairs....Happy Labor Day to one and all as we mark the unofficial "end", did I say "end" to summer...when did it start?

Father Pribonic

Second Collection Next Sunday is for Repairs and Replacements. The parish incurred a cost of 1,030.00 to replace the automatic control panel on the hall hot water tank and to make repairs to the dishwasher..

Parents of first child baptism: Monday, September 28, at 7:00PM in the Rectory, please call to register!

Position Available: beginning part-time Youth Minister at St. Joan of Arc Church, please apply with Pastor.

St Vincent DePaul Society will have a truck parked in our parking lot on September 19, 9-12 Noon and 4-6PM, and on September 20, 8AM - 12 Noon. Contributions of clothing, household items, etc. will be accepted.

Sanctuary Lamp will burn for one week for the Blessed Virgin Mary in Memory of Mary Kubis, Requested by Her Husband Paul Kubis & Family.

Sanctuary Lamp will burn for one week in memory of John the Baptist in Memory of Joseph Pointer, Requested by his Wife.

Attention all Saint Joan of Arc Volunteers and Saint Joan of Arc School Parents and Parishioners If you still have your Child Abuse Clearance, please return it to the Rectory as soon as possible **The next Protect God's Children Class at St. Joan of Arc will be September 20,2009 at 10:00 AM in the Schuster Room.** Please check on www.diopitt.org to see where the next Protect God's Children class will be held if you are unable to attend this class. Please contact the Rectory during business hours to register. NOTE: If you are not compliant, **you may not act in your volunteer capacity.** Thank you.

Scripture Reflection

In April, during the first-round competition of “Britain’s got Talent” a self-admittedly “frumpy” 47-year-old woman took the stage before a panel of judges and a live audience. As she walked to center stage, a rumbling of comments and giggles could be heard from the audience, and the judges– who have a reputation for critical and even caustic assessment of the contestants-looks both amused and apprehensive.

Nothing happened to disperse the cynicism in the air during the short interview. When the woman announced that she wanted to be a professional singer like Elaine Page, her words were almost drowned out by derisive laughter. But when Susan Boyle opened her mouth and began to sing “I Dreamed a Dream” from “Les Miserables,” the audience grew hushed, then flabbergasted, and then they were on their feet cheering and clapping.

They had thought they knew what to expect because they were judging Susan Boyle based on her appearance. When she began to sing, their expectations and their judgments were proven to be completely wrong. Not only could she sing, but she proved herself to be an extraordinary body.

In today’s second reading, the author of James addresses this human penchant for making hasty and faulty judgments of others based on perceived notions and outward appearances. He encourages his readers to make their own the mind and heart of God, who does not show partiality. Indeed, God chooses the poor and those whom others may regard as unworthy or in capable “to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom.”

R.C.I.A. – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – is a program developed for all those interested in becoming a Catholic. Begins September 16 at St. Francis. If, by any chance, you know of someone, or are related to someone who has shown an interest in becoming a Catholic, please contact the Rectory Mondays or Wednesdays at 412-833-2400 – thanks and God Bless Sr. Kathy

Coming in October– A Journey through the Bible- mark your calendars for Tuesdays beginning October 20th through December 8th!!!! Look for more information each week in the bulletin .

Altar Server Schedule	
Saturday, September 12, 2009	
5:00 P.M.	- M. Welsh & C. Shakespeare
Sunday, September 13, 2009	
7:30 A.M.	- N. Wilhem & B. Swiess
9:00 A.M.	- D. Morgret, T. Brdar, A. Kyle
10:30 A.M.	- N. & M. Leng
12:00 Noon	- A., C. & K. Swindell

Choir season is upon us! I ask you to give thoughtful consideration to joining the choir. The adult choir, for members 15 years and older, rehearses from 7 to 8:30 starting Tuesday September 8th. This is a great opportunity for our young adults to gain community service time, and for parents and students to be involved in a ministry together. It is important to me that the music ministry here is inclusive of all parishoners. Please join this fun and fulfilling ministry! If you are hesitant to join for the year, perhaps consider joining thru the Christmas season, or after Christmas thru the Easter season. I need you! A change for the children's choir this year: we will assemble a group at Christmas to sing the 4:00 children's mass on Christmas Eve. Rehearsal TBA. I'm also calling all musician's, including students, to participate in the liturgy. Contact me at divakeys@gmail.com. See you Tuesday evenings! Thank You, Deana

Yards signs: Thanks to everyone who was gracious enough to place one of our festival signs in their yards to spread the word about our festival. We plan on using the signs again next year by just changing the dates. If you haven't returned your sign, please do so by leaving it at the front door of the festival house. Please return all signs by September 20, 2009. Thank you.

Dear Joan,

The current Health Care Debate is quickly pitting American against American. History has proven to “Divide and conquer” has been the downfall of great civilizations. “No country will be conquered itself from within.” In these tenuous times, it is apparent that government cannot be trusted. Our so called leaders are not interested in the “good” of the people. Selfish and arrogant, they think only of themselves and re-election. Everything is political and how much money they can tax American people for this own self-interest. In this kind of atmosphere, people must turn to God and their faith. If people cling to their bibles and guns, it is because their government has abandoned them. The Church should not become entangled in affairs of government. There are Catholics on both sides of this fray.

Let us not pit Catholic against Catholic. “Render unto Caesar’s, render unto God what is God’s.

Sincerely,
Concerned Parishioner

A Prayer for Priest and Priestly Vocations:
Heavenly Father, please grant to your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. Please help inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen.

YOUTH GROUP MASS/MEETING - All high school students are invited to join the youth group at the 10:30 AM mass next Sunday, September 13 followed by our first meeting of the school year from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the Schuster Room.

SWIM PARTY - Sunday, September 20 at Mrs. Sherratt's house 2-5 PM. Girls bring 1 bag of snacks or cookies; boys bring a six pack of pop or water. Permission forms are due by September 13.

Welcome SJA School Staff:

Pre-School - Mrs. Kristin McCormick

Kindergarten - Mrs. Lisa Belmont

First - Mrs. Carol Gamrat

Second - Ms. Betty Smith

Third - Mrs. Cheryl Westine

Fourth - Mrs. Marilou McFeaters—Briggs

Fifth - Mrs. Kathy Moeslein

Sixth/Seventh - Miss Katie Tarasovic

Eighth - Mrs. Lynn Martik

Principal: Mrs. Louanne Davis

School Secretary: Mrs. Peggy Rodi

School needs: a "play kitchen" set for our preschool. Play Room. Call the school @412-833-2433.

Back to school needs? Thinking of Christmas Shopping? Try shopping at the SJA Certificate table, after all masses. (Benefits the SJA School)

We have a year round fund raiser for SJA School on AVON products. Please consider taking a catalog home .. you will be surprised at the variety available. You may place your order by e-mail (kgasior2@yahoo.com) by phone Kathie Gasior 412-833-7561. website to order, and your purchases would be mailed directly to your home. <http://www.youravon.com/kgasior>

The Mission of Tabitha Women's Ministry is to be Christ's ambassadors. We demonstrate the love of Christ to those who are hurting spiritually, emotionally and physically. With the power of the Holy Spirit, our main objective is to be an extension of God's love through Christ Jesus to those who are in need. First meeting September 25, 2009 at Lowe Hall of Shiloh Baptist Church, South Park. Meetings begin at 6:30 PM with a delicious buffet to follow. For further information, please call Alma Gilliam at 412-835-7220.

Father Ray's Quote:

Don't put a question mark where God put a period.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Meeting Thursday, September 17 at 7:00 P.M. in the Gathering Place. (**ENTER THROUGH THE ATRIUM DOORS**). If you don't know how to crochet or knit, we will teach you. Bring a friend, everyone is welcome. Please call Carol Lacher at 724/348-4692 for details and or questions. The Ministry is looking forward to seeing everyone after our summer break.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: September 23-25 at Seven Spring Resort in Champaign, Pa and November 13-15 at Bishop Connaire Center in Greensburg. For more information or to register, contact Mary & Lou Locante at 412-635-7775 or check us out on the web at wwme-pittsburgh.org.

St. Anne Parish: Charity Card Party, September 21 at 7:00PM in Harkins Hall. Cost \$5.00. A light lunch will be served. For reservations call Noreen @ 412-531-5964.

On Sunday, September 27th, the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God will present their fall Connecting Women's Wisdom "**Finding Faith and Hope in Life Losses**" from 8:30 AM 1:00 PM at their Motherhouse located in the Whitehall section of Pittsburgh's South Hills. The morning retreat is designed to allow women to take time to focus more clearly, breathe more deeply and live more mindfully. The retreat will begin with a liturgy service in the Sisters' Mary Immaculate Chapel followed by brunch and a program that includes group sharing and quiet reflective time. Discussion topics at the Sept 27th retreat include how faith helps us deal with personal losses and planning to help navigate life losses. Connecting Women's Wisdom is free to attend, but reservations are required. Those interested in attending should call Sister Althea Anne Spencer at (412) 885-7407 by Saturday, September 19th.

Stress in Your Marriage? – Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriage. In today's busy world, many couples experience anger, coldness, frustration, and loneliness. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 25 - 27, 2009, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available at www.helpourmarriage.com

Prime Time Care: Provides Adult Day Care for older Seniors. Located 44 Highland Road, Bethel Park, PA. For more information, please call 412-835-6661.

Congratulations to David & Molly Misgalla Snelling on the occasion of the baptism of their daughter Sydney Grace.