

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

“PRAYING FOR THE DEAD”

With the celebration of last week's *All Souls Day* and the remembrance of all those who were buried from our parish church, we realize how important the funeral liturgy is for those grieving for a loved one who has died. We encourage parishioners to join us at the 10:00 a.m. liturgy when, in fact, it is a funeral. Parishioners who come to the funeral liturgy to support the grieving family in their time of sorrow are asked to sit on the right side of the church coming from the back. Family members are usually escorted to the left side of the church. As the family is being brought into the church, it is a wonderful consolation to them to see parishioners filling up the right side of the church as concerned members of the Parish Family there to offer their support and prayers. We can bring much hope to people experiencing such grief at this time in their life when we become part of the celebrating Community of Faith.

PASTORAL COUNCIL GATHERING

Members of the Pastoral Council will be gathering on Monday of this week in the rectory at 7:30 p.m. Those parishioners who feel called to serve in this role are invited to become part of this gathering. We all look forward to the First Sunday of Advent, when celebrating the FIFTH anniversary of our Pastoral Council, those currently serving in this Lay Leadership role will be commissioned.

RADIO CITY SPECTACULAR

Have you gotten your ticket yet to experience the World Famous Rockettes coming to Pittsburgh for the first time ever? Would you like to be part of the *St. Mary of the Assumption* contingent at the special benefit being held for our Parish Family on Friday, November 25th at the 5:00 p.m. show. Call 412-471-6930 or groupsales@pgharts.org and ask for the St. Mary special offer and we will receive \$5 for each ticket sold! Those wishing to ride the bus that will leave from our parking lot should simply call the rectory to reserve a seat on the bus.

**OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE AT RECESS
FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 1:15 P.M.
WHEN VEHICLES CANNOT TRAVEL
AROUND THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL!**

SECOND COLLECTION: TODAY

We have been asked by the Diocese to take up a SPECIAL second collection today to help *Catholic Relief Services* who are supporting victims of Hurricane Wilma and Stan and victims of the recent Asian earthquake. *Catholic Relief Services* is the official agency of the Catholic Church that responds to disasters outside of the United States, based on need and regardless of race, nationality or creed. There is no envelope in our packet for this collection so all are asked to make a free will offering.

SECOND COLLECTION: NEXT WEEK

We will welcome one of the religious of the Diocese next week who will speak at all the liturgies concerning the annual appeal for “Retired Religious.” There is an envelope in our packet for this collection. The collection will be taken up NEXT Week (even though there is another date on the envelope). We remind all persons to bring this envelope with them so that we can be generous to the needs of the retired religious who have served us for many years.

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

The Parish Family of St. Mary constantly raises in prayer the names of our sick relatives and friends. Once a month we publish in the bulletin the names of those who have been given to us. We remind all parishioners that these names will be published one more time in the month of December. After that, we will begin to collect names for our 2006 listing. We will not automatically include the names of the 2005 listing in the 2006 bulletins since many of those who were placed on the list in 2005 are no longer homebound or in need of prayers for a debilitating condition. New names may be placed on the 2006 list at any time during the year, so that, in fact, the listing will grow during the year.

OUR CHURCH WEBSITE

Have you noticed that our “Website Team” uses our church website for publication of the weekly bulletin for those who may be away on a certain weekend? The Parish Staff members involved with the catholic school, the faith formation programs and the youth ministries events continue to update the website to keep all parishioners abreast of the changing events of our parish life. Looking to enjoy a browsing on the web --- take a gander at our website and be alert to our parish life!

Masses for the Week

Sunday, November 6 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ord. Time

- 4:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 6:00 pm Theodore Frankowski (Richey)
- 7:30 a.m. Fowkes Family (Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Rich & Toni Matessa 40th Wedding Anniversary
- 11:00 a.m. Dr. Earl B. Smith (Wife & Sons)

Monday, November 7

- 7:00 a.m. Frank Fusca (Albert & Katie Presto)
- 10:00 a.m. George Williams (Tom & Kathy Goral)

Tuesday, November 8

- 7:00 a.m. Ann Kocmit (Bernie Taylor)
- 10:00 a.m. Donna & William Kelsh (Family)

Wednesday, November 9 - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

- 7:00 a.m. Margaret Duncan (Tom & Dona Hotopp)
- 10:00 a.m. Caroline Cygnarowicz (Don Bellisario Family)

Thursday, November 10 - St. Leo the Great

- 7:00 a.m. Giovanna Barbieri (M/M Gregory Distilo)
- 10:00 a.m. James Missenda (Streyle Family)

Friday, November 11 - St. Martin of Tours - Veteran's Day

- 7:00 a.m. Marian Kost (Buddy & Karolyn Hunkele)
- 10:00 a.m. Alfred Michael Bartoldi (Mom & Dad)

Saturday, November 12 - St. Josephat

- 8:00 a.m. Gloria Hurley (Family)
- 2:00 p.m. **Wedding - Beth Hudson - Mark Wogenrich**
- 4:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 6:00 p.m. Stephanie McNalley (Family)

Sunday, November 13 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. Frances Barsh (Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Jim Rafferty (Family)
- 11:00 a.m. Marion Beckley (David & Carol Thompson & Family)

A VOCATION VIEW

**Are your eyes open to the presence of God?
Is your lamp lit? Are you prepared to sit, wait
and welcome God in your midst? (Matt 25: 1-13)**

CARRYING THE GIFTS: Those persons who carry the gifts for the Parish Family liturgies are representatives of all of the generosity that we offer to the Lord. It is a great honor to be asked to fulfill this responsibility. We remind those who have scheduled the liturgy for their family member to inform the Ushers that you are at the liturgy to take up the gifts; so, in fact, they do not ask another couple. Meanwhile, all those couples who are invited by the Ushers to represent us in the carrying of the gifts are encouraged to accept this honor so that the Parish Family may be represented by a variety of people with each passing week.

R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Stephen R. Goyak, father of Ronald Goyak of our Parish family.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III. Beth Hudson (St. Mary's) - Mark Wogenrich



October 30, 2005	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	879	\$18,357.66
Cash/Loose Cks.	—	925.00
Children's Offer.	18	17.25
Mission Collect.	20	402.00
All Saints	38	335.33
Religious Retire.	4	50.00
Parish Share	6	180.00
Parish Needy	38	1,046.00
TOTAL	1,003	\$21,313.24

DAILY



READINGS

- Nov. 7: Wis 1: 1-7; Lk 17: 1-6
- Nov. 8: Wis 2: 23 — 3:9; Lk 17: 7-10
- Nov. 9: Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2: 13-22
- Nov. 10: Wis. 7:22b —8:1; Lk 17: 20-25
- Nov. 11: Wis 13: 1-9; Lk 17: 26-37
- Nov. 12: Wis 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9; Lk 18:1-8
- Nov. 13: Prv 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128; 1 Thes 5: 1-6; Mt 25:14-3- {14-15, 19-21}

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

R.C.I.A. meets following the 9:00 a.m. Liturgy each Sunday in the Rectory. This week's topic: **The Creed I**. Next week's topic: **The Creed II**. All are welcome!



Adult Enrichment-Gospel Spirituality

with Sister Jacqueline Ketter in Marian Hall Thursday, November 10, 7:00-9:00 PM for "Gospel Stories for Catechists"- PARENTS too! Call 412-486-5521 NOW to register; useful handouts for all participants.

"The Struggle of Black Women Religious in the U.S." to be discussed Sunday, Nov.6 , 1:15 PM in Synod Hall, St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland by Father Cyprian Davis, OSB and Sister Sylvia SSF. ALL WELCOME . Both of their communities' schools and homes were devastated by Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans.

Young Adult to Adult

ANNOUNCING: LAUNCHING OF A PARISH BOOK CLUB AND ONLINE DISCUSSION BOARD ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AFTER THE 9 AM LITURGY.

Want to get together with other adults and talk about faith issues related to current books or even movies? Would you like to take a few minutes after liturgy to explore our Catholic faith? **Come share your faith development needs and questions with us by stopping by after the 9 AM liturgy on Sunday, November 6, 2005 in Marian Hall.** We will also be talking about another new adventure: **an online discussion board** so that you can explore issues of faith at your own convenience.

St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, Southside will offer a DREAM AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT - "AWAKENING TO THE WISDOM OF OUR DREAMS" on November 18-19. Rev. Joseph Sedley, C.P. and Mrs. Rita Dwyer, Past President of the Association for the Study of Dreams will present this retreat. Please call the Retreat Center at (412) 381-7676 for further information or reservations. Pre-Registration is requested.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing 32nd Week Ordinary Time

WISDOM is not what you know, it involves how you think and make decisions. Today's Gospel discusses some women who had wisdom and others who did not. What do you think the oil represents? How do you react to the words "Keep your eyes open, for you know not the day or the hour?" What are YOU doing to prepare for Jesus' second coming?

Sacrament Cluster Groups in November, contact facilitator for YOUR group. If no one listed, call to volunteer at 412-486-5521. Check your own list for phone numbers of host/hostess of your group. These are also posted on our parish web page, stmaryglenshaw.org, to church icon, to Faith Formation, to sacrament name.

CLUSTER #	GR. 2	GR. 8
1A	Kristy Kessler	Toni Acri
1B	Jeannie Collins	Shelby Mueller
2A	?	?
2B	Mary Beth Jennings	Not applicable
3A	Debra Gubanic	
3B	Karen Gralewski	?
3C	Joe Nevling/Shelly Wells	Not applicable
4	?	Jill Thens
5A	Patti Jo Evans	?
5B	Not applicable	Valerie Jaspert
6	Deb/Don Schwoegl	Cindy Smetanka
7	Fran/Des O'Connor	?
8	Michelle D'Amico	Not applicable
9	Mary Lynn Donatelli	Dori Monahan
10A	?	?
10B	Not applicable	?
10C	Not applicable	Brina Thompson
11	Ron/Barb Stone	Christy Bugel
12	Tom/Pat Bontempo	Debbie Byrns

MONDAY Faith Formation parent/guardian and all children and youth meet Nov. 7th in Church.

YOUTH MINISTRY

TOTALLY RELY ON CHRIST – T-ROC

Sunday, November 13 – 6:30-9:00 - Let's talk about "Being Catholic". Bring a snack and your bible. Session begins in the church. **GRADE 9 – 12.**

HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT

What is our hidden agenda? Simple, we want you to get closer to God. How often do you have the chance to go off for a weekend and spend time with other youth, having fun and focus on your faith. **It is a perfect time for active high school students, November 18-20, 2005, the weekend before Thanksgiving.** Cost is \$80, some grants are available. **REGISTRATIONS MUST BE IN BY NOVEMBER 10.** Call the CYM office at 412-492-9344 for information.

HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tues., Nov. 8 Service day for Hampton and Shaler youth during the day and play practice Marian Hall in evening.

Thur., Nov. 10 Play practice Marian Hall in evening.

Sun. Nov. 13 T-ROC 6:30 – 9 PM. Gather in church.

Fri.-Sun., Nov. 18-20 High school retreat. Must pre-register.

Sun. Nov 20 Breakfast and Bible Talk – 10 AM – Noon- Youth House

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LIGHT THE WAY FOR JESUS

Luminaria project for Christmas Eve.

IDEAL SERVICE PROJECT FOR BOTH SECOND AND EIGHTH GRADE CLUSTER GROUPS. We will need approximately 300-400 jars to place candles on our property before all Christmas Eve liturgies. We are asking parishioners to drop off CLEAN, clear glass jars up to a 16-ounce size; baby food jars and small jelly jars are perfect. A specially marked box has been placed in the CYM lobby.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Any high school senior wishing to apply for a scholarship to La Roche or Duquesne needs to make an appointment with Mrs. Belski before Friday, November 18 by calling 412-492-9344. Or Students may stop by the Youth Office on Monday evening between 6:30 – 8 PM, Nov. 7 or 14. Information also will be provided regarding a substantial scholarship through the John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, D.C.

YOUNG ADULTS IN MID-TWENTIES

WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOU!!!

A core group of **young adults** (age range in mid-twenties) has formed and is planning activities for young adults. Want to get in on the action? Call 412-492-9344.

Contact Barb Belski or Lisa Rulis Ross

@ 412-492-9344 or

cymoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org We're on the web !!!! www.stmaryglenshaw.org/cym

ST. MARY SCHOOL

VERY MERRY EVENING - Join us for a very merry evening of shopping at Kaufmann's in downtown Pittsburgh on Wednesday, November 9th, from 6:00-10:00 PM. The cost of tickets is \$10 each, which includes a 25% off coupon for shopping. Tickets are available at the school Scrip office or call Maribeth at (412) 486-8335. Proceeds benefit the school.

MARIAN MALL EXTRAVAGANZA - Mark your calendars for a shopping trip right here in Marian Hall (or is it Mall?). Enjoy one-stop shopping in the unique boutiques while avoiding the crowds and hassles at the other malls. Please join in the gala event which will take place on Saturday, November 26th, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. For more information, please call Susan Wisneski at (412) 487-1814.

SUPER BINGO - There will be another Super Bingo held on Friday, November 11, 2005, at St. Mary Church in Marian Hall. Advance tickets are \$35.00 each; \$40.00 if purchased at the door. Admission includes 12 cards for regular games and 5 specials. Doors open at 5:30 PM; early birds begin at 7:00 PM. The evening includes 40 regular games (50 points each), 5 specials (100 points each), one jackpot at 500 points and another jackpot at 1000 points. All proceeds benefit St. Mary School. Call Coleen at 412-486-6622 for Information or to purchase tickets.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE - Another dance for middle school students will take place on Saturday, November 19, 2005, from 7:30-10:00 PM., in Marian Hall. Tickets are \$5.00 and must be purchased in advance. Tickets will be available for purchase in the rectory and CCD offices from November 16th-18th. Tickets will be sold in the school in the mornings of those same dates. No tickets will be sold at the door. The dress code will be strictly enforced. This dance is sponsored by St. Mary School PTG.

GIANT EAGLE - You may use Giant Eagle gift cards to pay for your gas at the Giant Eagle "Get Go" stations. Use your Advantage card to receive fuel perks and then pay with a Giant Eagle gift card. You may also use Giant Eagle gift cards to pay for prescriptions. This will help to further accumulate those fuel perks.

GENERAL PARISH NEWS

SECOND SATURDAY MEN'S GROUP: Will meet on Saturday, November 12th, following the 8:00 a.m. Liturgy. All Men Are Welcome!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Would like to thank the boy scouts, leaders and parishioners for helping to take the Veterans to Mass on the Sundays during the month of October. Also, many thanks to the 7th and 8th grade students and their teachers for making up bags of candy for the Shuman Center Halloween Party.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME: Each week a different Family Perspective by Bud Ozar will appear in the bulletin courtesy of the Core Team of our post baptism ministry to young children (birth to age 5) and their parents. **The five virgins in today's Gospel missed the wedding because they were not ready. Our family teaches us important skills such as planning ahead, responsibility and being ready. Responsible and dependable people don't just happen; they are created in family life.**

MOM'S NIGHT OUT: Join the other Moms this Wednesday evening, November 9th, as they meet at LaVerna House with Sister Kathy Adamski. Call Cindy Shadle for directions and to let her know to expect you (412) 487-5272. **ALL WELCOME!**

APPROPRIATE GENUFLECTION: In our Catholic tradition, there has always been a distinction between "kneeling" and "genuflecting" in liturgical usage. We kneel at various times throughout a particular liturgical service, but we are asked to genuflect (i.e. going down on one knee) whenever we pass before the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. This is also included when we come into Church for a liturgical celebration. It is a very reverential act if we turn toward the tabernacle, recognize the living presence of Jesus within, and make a slow genuflection in respect for the **REAL PRESENCE**. For those who are not able to genuflect because of age or physical conditions, a slight bow of the head toward the tabernacle will achieve the same effect of recognizing the living presence of the Christ living among us.

WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING: All members are asked to come to the meeting on Tuesday, November 8th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory.

WALK OF FAITH: Jonathan Coholich, one of our 8th graders and a member of St. Mary's Scout Troop 169, is planning an Eagle Scout Project to begin this coming Spring. He will build a **WALK OF FAITH** using the inscribed pavers that previously were set in front of our Church to make a path following the Stations of the Cross on our Sacred grounds. If you would like to have your inscribed brick returned, call the rectory within the next week. Otherwise, the inscribed bricks will be part of this Eagle Scout project.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us.

Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.

I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/LADIES GUILD: All are welcome to the Covered Dish Dinner and Blind Auction to be held on November 17th. Starting with 7:00 p.m. Mass. Please remember to bring a covered dish to share, your place setting and a wrapped gift (\$5 - \$10 value). Cost of the dinner is \$5.00 per person and reservation deadline is Monday, November 14th. Please call Kathy at (412) 486-0588 or Elaine at (412) 487-4667. Please remember a non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry.

The Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild will be selling Cookbooks after all Masses November 19-20. The cost of each Cookbook is \$10. They make a great holiday gift.

AROUND THE TOWN

THANKSGIVING DINNERS FOR LOCAL

FAMILIES: North Hills Community Outreach is requesting donations for its Turkey on Every Table sharing project. Last year, 592 local low-income families received a complete, nourishing Thanksgiving Dinner thanks to the generosity of the local community. Items needed are: grocery store gift cards, stuffing mix, instant potatoes, cranberry sauce, canned vegetables, pie crust mix, "easy" pumpkin pie mix, evaporated milk, muffin mix, turkey gravy mix, and napkins. This project is ideal for congregations, schools, civic groups and businesses to work together to help others. Contact Judy Murchak at (412) 487-6316 or drop off your donation to 1975 Ferguson Road, Allison Park, PA, weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

In the frenzied world in which we live where the front page headlines in newspapers and the leading story in the television news media include gut-wrenching events such as ---

the inner workings of an American foreign policy concerning war in the Middle East ---
or the nightmarish fright of Americans fearing to be possible targets of a crazed terrorist ---
or the turbulent effect of the stock market having Americans wondering about their financial future ---

AMERICANS of the United States of America sometimes lose sight of the magnificent opportunity that is at the heart of life in the most democratic county in the history of the human race!

OUR PRIVILEGE TO VOTE --- ELECTION DAY ON TUESDAY

We live in a free and democratic country where there is a separation between the life of the Church and the life of the State. The basis of that separation simply means that the State cannot endorse any one religious way of life, but must allow all Americans the opportunity to express their religious beliefs in their own particular way. Thus, we have the ability to come each week on the Lord's Day to celebrate the mystery of our Catholic Faith. However, those who are true to the celebration of their religious belief should not take lightly their privilege to vote in this democratic nation. Our Catholic Faith calls us out to participate in the political system of the country that gives us the freedom to be Catholics.

We are called to vote! Those of us who use the political rhetoric of the candidates as an excuse for not voting violate the very freedom we cherish so dearly. For whom we vote is our own personal choice. Not to vote is also a choice -- a choice we should never express. Each of us should drop to our knees this Tuesday to thank the Father in heaven for the gracious gift of creating us to live in a country where every vote counts!

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