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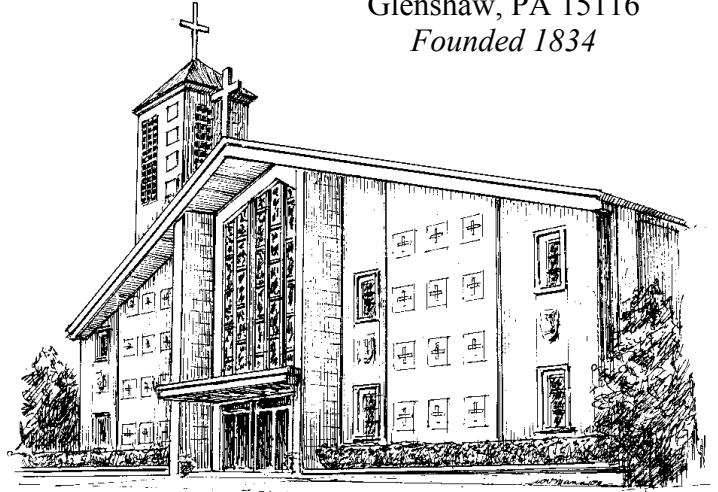
PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 16, 2007

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SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

DAILY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00 a.m. until final penitent is finished

BAPTISM

On Sunday twice a month after parental interview

ANointING OF THE SICK

Twice a year in a communal celebration
Individually upon request

MATRIMONY

Saturday weddings at 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m.
Notification at least 6 months in advance

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00 noon



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

The Parish Family of *St. Mary of the Assumption* joins Communities of Faith throughout the country as we celebrate Catechetical Sunday TODAY! We wish to recognize all those who serve in our Faith Formation Programs at every level of participation --- from the youngest child to the oldest adult. It is so vital to the life of any Parish Family to have a Faith Formation Program that gives all parishioners an opportunity to deepen their spiritual relationship to the Lord Jesus. We offer a special sense of gratitude to all those who make this deepening process possible in our Parish Family. The theme for this year's celebration is *Encounter The Living Christ* with the hope that every member of the Parish Family will commit to doing so!

MINISTRIES FAIR: A SUCCESS!

We offer a special round of applause to all those parishioners who made our annual "Ministries Fair" last weekend such a magnificent success. With "52 different ministries" being identified, it is quite obvious that many parishioners offer their TIME and TALENT to the work of our Parish Family. We thank all those chairpersons and leaders of our parish ministries for their generous cooperation with Jim Finn, our Pastoral Associate who set the Fair in motion. So many volunteers are needed to allow such a major event to have such an impact on so many others. It is at events such as these that all of us realize how wide spread the influence of our parish life goes in affecting so many people.

"MASS INTENTIONS" LIMITED

With the numerous funerals that we have in our Parish Family and with the great number of "mass intentions" that are brought for our beloved dead, we must once more LIMIT the number of intentions that can be satisfied in our church. The Parish Family regulation is such: (a) only 8 intentions a year from the same family; (b) only 2 intentions for the same person, from all families; (c) only 4 intentions from the same family for one of the Saturday evening or Sunday morning liturgies. With this regulation, we hope to serve more members who seek a "mass intention" for their loved ones.

"UNVEILING AND DEDICATION"

All members of the Parish Family are invited to join the Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) on Wednesday of this week, September 19th for the "Unveiling of the Memorial Plaque" and after that the "Dedication of the Parish Activity Center" (PAC). Festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. with the program starting at precisely 7:00 p.m. This is another one of those memorial parish events that have been long in coming. There are some members of our Parish Family that remember the need for this type of building being talked about in the early 1960's. Forty years in the coming --- but finally a reality! One might not wish to miss such a special moment in the life of our Parish Family!

PRIESTS AWAY FROM THE PARISH

This is a reminder that both Father Ed and Father John will be away from the parish and participating in the triennial convocation of all priests of the Diocese this coming week from Monday thru Thursday. Bishop Bradley will convene this event as a time of spiritual renewal, pastoral and professional development and priestly fraternity. The theme of the convocation is "The Priest as Evangelist and the Evangelizing Parish." The Parish Staff will continue to lead the Parish Family in the daily events of parish life during these days. Should a priest be needed for an emergency, please telephone the rectory for provisions have been made for this emergency event.

TEMPORALITIES COMMISSION

All members of the Temporalities Commission are reminded of their meeting set for Wednesday of this week beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory. The members will continue to monitor the "punch list" items for the PAC, the plans for a Marian shrine in our Pedestrian Plaza, the completion of the Scout project on the pavilions, as well as all the other temporalities taking place in our Parish Family.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ENVELOPE

All registered parishioners will notice that this month's envelope packet contains one entitled "Opening of Catholic School." We remind those who have a commitment to catholic education that the monies from this envelope stay here in our Parish Family, and help those who seek financial assistance.

Liturgies for the Week

Sunday, September 16, 2007-Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:00 p.m. Louis & Dolores Wiegand - Carol Vivaldi
- 6:00 p.m. Joseph Astemborski - Henry & Stella Newland
- 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 9:00 a.m. John Molenda - Richard Zielmanski
- 11:00 a.m. M/M Charles Dabek - Son-in-Law, Joe

Monday, September 17, 2007 - St. Robert Bellarmine

- 7:00 a.m. Richard O'Leary - Wife
- 10:00 a.m. Anna Fritsch - Ted Storoz Family

Tuesday, September 18, 2007 -

- 7:00 a.m. Paul Berrang - Evelyn Huber
- 10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Bible Service

Wednesday, September 19, 2007 - St. Januarius

- 7:00 a.m. Ted & Alma Rygielski-Daughter, Kelly Zoeller & Family
- 10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Bible Service

Thursday, September 20, 2007 - Ss. Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Hasang & Their Companions

- 7:00 a.m. Phillip Ionadi - M/M Marco Imbarlina
- 10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Bible Service

Friday, September 21, 2007 - St. Matthew

- 7:00 a.m. Louise Sunseri - Amberg & Anderson Family
- 10:00 a.m. Michael Blum - The Urso Family

Saturday, September 22, 2007 - Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:00 a.m. Paul Duncan - Dona & Tom Hotopp
- 2:00 p.m. Wedding of Shannon Merz & Frank Rozyczka
- 4:00 p.m. M/M Charles E. Dugan 46th Wedding Anniversary-Family
- 6:00 p.m. Hedy Sierka - Marie Hunkele

Sunday, September 23, 2007 - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. Florian Walter - Sons
- 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 11:00 a.m. Duane Lis

A VOCATION VIEW

We are called to proclaim God's abundant love for all people. How can you be an instrument of that love? Our world needs you! (Luke 15:1-32)

The Mass Intentions for:

Tuesday, Sept. 18: Bohan Chawluk - Tony & Pat Babusci
 Wednesday, Sept. 19: Mary Schultz - Schultz Family
 Thursday, Sept. 20: Huminski Family - Adeline & Russ
will be celebrated by Fr. John at the Convocation in Oglebay, WV.

R.I.P.: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anna Marie Michel, sister of Margaret Deasy, Ernest Restori, father of Michael Restori, and Gene A. Pietragallo, Sr., father of Laurie Hayes.

OKTOBERFEST, Sunday October 14, 1:00 PM at Holy Spirit, Millvale. For details and/or tickets contact Miss Rose, 412-486-5521.



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- I Sara Barna (St. Mary) & Sean Kwiatek (St. Mary)
- II Gretchen Huffman (St. Mary) & Joseph Ley (St. Mary)
- II Daena Ruffa (St. Mary) & Robert Fiori
- III Shannon Merz (St. Mary) & Frank Rozyczka (St. Mary)



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*A clean heart create for me, O God,
 And a steadfast spirit renew within me.*



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Offertory Collection

September 2, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	723	\$15,415.49
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$1,195.00
Children's Offertory	34	\$55.45
Catholic Schools	3	\$51.00
Bishop Ed. Fund	2	\$2.59
Assumption	4	\$51.00
Parish Needy	142	\$1,915.00
Total	908	\$18,685.53

Daily Readings



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- Sept. 17: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10
- Sept. 18: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17
- Sept. 19: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35
- Sept. 20: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50
- Sept. 21: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
- Sept. 22: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15
- Sept. 23: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 (10-13)

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

MILITARY PRAYER LIST- PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN LISTED ON OUR PRAYER LIST NEAR THE SACRED HEART STATUE. A CANDLE IS KEPT BURNING TO REMIND US TO KEEP ALL IN PRAYER. **To add a name to this prayer list, call the rectory.**

RCIA- Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Church? Would you like to develop your faith? Do you have questions that need answered?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which non-Catholic adults enter the Catholic Church. Those planning to enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil will gather in the rectory dining room this weekend following the 9:00 am liturgy. It's not too late to join us, just come over to the rectory or call Fr. Ed or Jim Finn at the rectory (412)486-4100. Next week we will discuss: The Mass. All welcome!

HOLY HOUR FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH

The Church in Pittsburgh is preparing to welcome Bishop-Designate David Zubik as the twelfth Bishop of Pittsburgh. The Bishop will celebrate a Holy Hour at St. Paul Cathedral on the eve of his solemn installation, Thursday, Sept. 27 at 7:00pm. It is open to the public. In the spirit of solidarity, Bishop-Designate Zubik has invited all parishes in the Diocese of Pittsburgh to celebrate a Holy Hour at the same time so that we can be joined in prayer for the needs of the Church. **On Thursday, September 27, 2007 from 7:00pm until 8:00pm a Holy Hour will be celebrated in our church.** Plan to participate in this Holy Hour so that we can join in prayer with Bishop-Designate Zubik for the needs of the church.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME- By now all families with children four years of age and under should have received our Newsletter. Plan to participate in any or all of the activities. **PRAY and PLAY** is scheduled for this coming Wed. Sept. 19th at 9:30am in the Children's Liturgy Room. All are welcome! Call Monica (412)492-0242 for more information.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by BUD OZAR

Launching is the process by which an adult child leaves home to become independent. Some children succeed on the first try. Others, like the son in today's gospel, must launch several times. Notice how the Father welcomed his adult son and did not make him feel like a failure.

NEW ALTAR SERVER ALERT

If you recently signed up to become an altar server, you should have received information in the mail about the upcoming training sessions with Father Ed. Be sure to return the permission slip and indicate whether you are coming on Sat. Sept. 22 at 9AM or on Mon. Sept. 24 at 3PM for training. If you have questions, call Mr. Finn (412)486-4100.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

FAITH SHARING – 24th Week Ordinary Time

The Scriptures this week challenge us to seek transformation and relish in God's prodigal love. What do the three parables in the gospel today teach us about sin, repentance and God's love? When have YOU felt most in need of God's mercy? When have you given mercy? When have you felt God's prodigal love?

CCD Faith Formation Class List will be posted on the plaza near the school entrance this Sunday and Monday evening. For those families who did not receive a copy of our Calendars-Brochure, please get your copy at the class of your youngest child at this first session.

CATECHISTS are the volunteers who give generously of their time, talent, and love to share faith and their own love for Christ with the children and youth of our parish. Keep them in your prayers as they embark on a new season of catechesis, *Encountering the Living Christ*.

Faith Formation Sessions resume:

Family Program, Sept. 16 at 9 AM Mass, then parents accompany children to their class(es). At 10:40 AM all adults assemble in Marian Hall.

Monday, Sept. 17, 6:30 PM in the plaza .

Sunday, September 23, Pre-school during 11:00 AM Mass for children ages 3 through 5; meet in our school building, room 7.

September 20th, Feast of Saints Andrew Kim Taegan & Paul Chong Hasang, and Companions, 19th century Korean Christians, mostly married men and women who died for their faith when their government persecuted and martyred those who dared to be baptized. Keep in prayer our neighbor Korean Catholic community who celebrated their first liturgy at their new "home parish" based at Saint John Cantius in Sharpsburg.



YOUTH MINISTRY

WhatS'up?

Alexandra DiPerna has just been elected President of her sophomore class. And, sister, Kathleen DiPerna, has just been elected President of her freshmen class.



DROP IN

Wednesday, September 19

JAM center FROM 3 – 6 PM

Volleyball, pool, board games or just hang out. Teens in Grade 6 – 12 are invited to drop in for food, faith and fellowship.

Parents who are launching their young adults:
A meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 20 at 7 PM in the CYM office** to organize activities such as: mailing care packages to our college students or other young adults away from home and setting up our annual holiday welcome gatherings for our young adults.

MASS MEAL MAKING FOR THE HOMELESS SHELTER

Our parish has adopted the SOAR shelter for homeless women by providing dinners on a monthly basis. The shelter receives only 10 meals each month from volunteers. We think we can do more to provide for these women. On **Sunday, September 23**, CYM will host "**Mass Meal Making**." Please bring a group to prepare a dinner entrée, side dish, dessert or homemade bread to serve 16-18; bring all of the ingredients and items needed to make your menu contribution, e.g. disposable pans. The final product must be able to be wrapped and frozen that day. Whenever the shelter puts out an emergency call for a meal, we will call for volunteers to deliver a meal to the shelter from our freezer stockpile. Report to Marian Hall **after the 9 AM liturgy**. The kitchen will be available to prepare and cook your menu contribution with your group. Contact the CYM office to register or show up that day with your group: 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

CYM CALENDAR

Tues., Sept. 18 Foremen meeting, 7 PM, CYM office
Wed., Sept. 19 **Drop In** from 3 – 6 PM for Gr. 6 – 12
Thur., Sept. 20 Social ministry meeting 7 PM, CYM office
Sun., Sept. 23 **Mass Meal Making** after 9 AM liturgy
Sun., Sept. 23 **Appalachia** youth and adult **sign up and information meeting** 11 AM Marian Hall
Tues., Sept. 25 Service ministry meeting 7 PM, CYM office
Wed., Sept. 26 Drop In from 3 – 6 PM for Gr. 6 – 12

ST. MARY SCHOOL

CONDOR FOOTBALL - Our teams play an away game at Our Lady of Grace on Sunday, September 16th. The times are 1:00 PM for 4th grade; 2:00 PM for junior varsity; and 3:30 PM for varsity.

Sunday, September 23rd, will be another away game against St. Bonaventure at Shaler Turf Field.

CROSS COUNTRY - Our running Condors team will compete on Monday, September 17th, against St. Ursula at 4:00 PM. They will run again on Friday, September 21st, at the Fox Chapel Invitational at 3:00 PM; the Northern Area JV Invitational at 5:00 PM.

**COME AND
CHEER ON OUR
TEAMS!**



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS - The school will be selling Entertainment Books again this year. They are now available at the Giant Eagle/Shop 'n Save table at church or in the Scrip office in school. The books will sell for \$20, with a \$5 assessment credit for each book sold going to any school family you designate. Thank you for your continued support!

ATTENTION, SHOPPERS -

Join us for a day of shopping at Macy's "Shop For A Cause" on **Saturday, October 13th**. Tickets are \$5 each, with all proceeds benefiting our school. Tickets may be purchased at the Scrip office or at the Giant Eagle/Shop 'n Save table at church. Each ticket includes a 20% off coupon as well as a \$10 off coupon good on one purchase.



PTG Gift Wrap/Candy Sale

Innisbrook high quality gift wrap and Helen Grace Gourment Chocolates donate 50% of all sales back to St. Mary's School. The sale runs through Sept. 29th. See the display inside the school's main entrance and contact any St. Mary's student or Mrs. Dausch at 412-487-3675 to place an order. Catalogs are available in the back of church or at the school office. Thank you for your support!

OUR PARISH NEWS

Around Our Town

NEXT WEEK - ADULT Enrichment with Father Ed Schleicher begins Tuesday, Sept. 25, 6:30-9 PM in Marian Hall. Bring your Bible and COME to “PRAYING THE PSALMS.” Call 412-486-5521 NOW to register.

IN SERVICE FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS- All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers are asked to mark their calendars and come to St. Mary’s for the Holy Hour from 7-8PM on **Thursday, Sept, 27th** followed by in-service and refreshments. If unable to attend, please call either Alexis (724)443-2164, Tricia (412)486-2162 or Jim Finn (412) 486-4100. Thanks for your cooperation. All parishioners are welcome to join us at the Holy Hour.

Christian Mother’s/Women Organization

Our first CMWO meeting is Thursday, Sept. 20th. **Dolores Penezic will lead us in our Rosary at 6:30**, followed by **Mass at 7:00 p.m.** Please try to join us for this very important part of our devotion to Our Lady and Mass intended for our families. It is also our **Installation of new members** (we have some more) and the **installation of our new Treasurer Ann Mitsch**. Our theme is a **Calendar Party** in Marian Hall. **Lois Kreig** will be handing out invitations downstairs to the various tables. Please do not sit down till you receive your invitation and then **sit only at the table specified on your invitation**. It's important to our theme. **Elma Plietz** will be collecting **DUES** (\$5 a year, and \$4 a year for over 62). If you need a ride or can offer your services to give a ride, please give your name to one of our officers so we may contact those who can help. Jan Raible 412-486-0367, Marilyn Buck 412-492-8367, Ann Mitsch 412-767-8882, Theresa Goeller 412-486-1870, Marge Wesolek 412-486-5621. If your not a member, wish to be a member, or just want to come see what we're all about. Your **WELCOME TO JOIN US** anytime!

Desperate for the Word? Another opportunity to learn more about your Catholic Faith. This is an informal, friendly gathering where we discuss scripture and other literature we can all learn from. Please join us Tuesdays, from 1:00—2:30PM in the Faith Formation Office starting on September 18th. Please call Dori Monahan at 412-492-9891 with your questions.

Offertory Collection

September 9, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	841	\$18,739.10
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$837.70
Children’s Offertory	46	\$91.19
Catholic Schools	1	\$5.00
Bishop Ed. Fund	220	\$2,992.75
Parish Share 2007	26	\$685.00
Parish Needy	39	\$467.00
Total	1,173	\$23,817.74

International Day of Peace:

Observance on Thursday, September 20, 2007.

Family Celebration of Peace: Thursday, September 20th at 7:00-8:30PM at Kearns Spirituality Center, 9000 Babcock Blvd. Guest speaker is Tony Norman, noted Post Gazette Columnist. Children’s activities and refreshments.

Interfaith Peace Service: Friday, September 21, 8:00AM-8:30PM at Kearns Spirituality Center.

Observances, prayer vigils, liturgies: All day on Friday, September 21st. Churches, faith communities, schools, & groups are welcome.

Ringing of Church Bells: Noon, Friday, September 21st. All encouraged to observe a Moment of Silence.

St. Mary’s Prolife Organization is having a meeting on Wednesday, September 19, in Marian Hall at 7:00PM. All those interested in protecting the unborn are welcome. Please contact Ginny Dougherty at 412-486-8241 or 412-726-2136 or Mary Kay Brown at 412-983-9366 for more information.

MARKET DAY pick up THIS MONDAY, September 17, 6:30-7:30 PM in Marian Hall. THANKS to those who ordered; proceeds from the MD sales will be used to update the equipment in our parish kitchen.

A Christmas to Remember in Lancaster: Nov. 29th & 30th— We begin with a visit to Our Lady of Grace and the Padre Pio Shrine and Museum situated on 106 acres in a setting reminiscent of the mountainous terrain of San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy, the birthplace of Padre Pio, a Franciscan monk who was canonized a Saint in 2002. After our visit, it is on to Lancaster and the Living Water Theatre for “Voices of Christmas” followed by dinner at Hershey Park. A shopping trip to Bird-in-Hand Farmers Market, the stage production of “Miracle of Christmas” at the beautiful Millennium Theatre and dinner will round our Day Two. Cost is \$253.00! Hurry! Our last trip was a sell-out. Make check payable to Mary Ann Coholich and mail to St. Mary Church. Please call Mary Ann at 412-486-0165 or Arlene at 412-487-1891 for more info.

Autumnfest: Join your friends for Autumnfest at Seven Springs, on Saturday, October 13, 2007. Deluxe motorcoach transportation, fully escorted, featuring our famous “Happy Hour” with soft drinks, juices, snacks, fun, games, Craft Show, and an outdoor buffet. \$69.00 per person. For reservations, please call Jane Fabry at 412-487-3091.

St. Mary’s Golf Outing: Will be held on Monday, September 24th at the River Forest Country Club. There will be a Shotgun Start at 12:00PM. Cost is \$125.00 which includes 18 hole scramble, steak dinner, St. Mary golf shirt, hot dog at the turn, beer and pop on the course and raffle prizes as well as prizes for top two teams. Individuals, foursomes, and hole sponsors, please send checks made payable to SMAA to: Kelly Cannon, 402 Scott Avenue, Glenshaw, PA 15116. Call Kelly at 412-551-3150 or kellycannon@verizon.net. Please support St. Mary’s Athletic Association Fundraiser. All proceeds will go to the **Parish Activity Center**.

Pastoral Impressions

by Rose Stegman

Catechesis: Encountering the Living Christ is the theme of this week's national **Catechetical Sunday** observance. This is a timely moment for each family, each adult, to assess what commitment YOU make to keep informed and re-formed in understanding the many facets of our Catholic faith. Where and when do YOU *encounter the living Christ*? As I reflect on the past twenty-four hours, I admittedly recognized the living Christ in many persons. Children here at Saint Mary's caring for one another, a toddler in arms whose smile brightened the rainy morning, some workers whose bodies vibrated to the rhythm of a jackhammer, eager to open the pavement and repair a waterline break, some very patient secretaries at the service of unexpected visitors, priests lifting the bread and wine to become the Body and Blood of Christ at the break-of-dawn liturgy, a couple married forty-nine years seeking blessing on their anniversary, motorists en-route to work, a woman shut-in with an incurable disease yet offering her pain in union with the passion of Christ. I see His face in catechists, coaches, and group leaders who devote endless hours to guiding the young in the ways of virtue and discipline, and in a retired veteran of the second world war whose eyes twinkle when I visit to bring him the Eucharist. I embraced Him also by reading Father Karl Rahner who affirms: "You're actually only encountering Jesus (the living Christ) when you throw your arms around Him and realize right down to the bottom of your being that this is something that you can still do today." My hope is that you WILL throw your arms around Him TODAY and experience the deep peace of knowing His love enfolds and upholds you forever. Happy Catechetical Week !