

PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica of Rome
November 9, 2008

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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

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 RECOGNIZED

Congratulations to all the members of OUR Pastoral Council for being recognized by the Diocese as one of the premiere councils in the Diocese. Our Council has been invited by the Diocese to be part of a brainstorming session with one of the facilitators of the Diocese to help create a resource manual for other parish councils. We wish our Council members the best in this very important adventure of theirs.

CATHOLICS COMING HOME

Members of the “Catholics Coming Home” Ministry will gather this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory to assess the importance of the Renewal in welcoming those who have become distant from the Faith. This gathering is always open to any person who would like to offer suggestions on how we can more effectively reach out to those distant from the Faith so that we can become a Parish Family that has a great sense of hospitality to all our members.

TWO “RED LETTER DAYS”

NOVEMBER 23rd ----- CHRIST THE KING
NOVEMBER 27th ----- THANKSGIVING DAY

A NEW PLACE FOR SIGNS

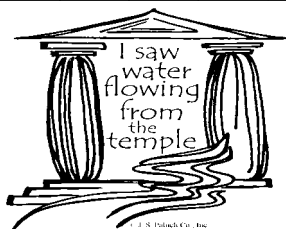
One of the very dangerous features of our driveway is the fact that those who wish to place a public sign on the road for those passing by cause “sight-line” difficulties for those pulling out from our driveway. There is a constant fear by many who leave our grounds that their vision is impaired by the various signs that are put at the end of the driveway. We are hoping to eliminate this problem by creating an electronically generated board that would be placed at THE CORNER of Middle Road and Klein Road. With the four stop signs that are there, all those traveling either way on Middle Road, those coming up Klein or Burchfield would be able to see this sign. Then, any group in our Parish Family would wish to place a sign outside would not need to make one of their own, but simply call the rectory and have their event placed on this permanent sign. Once and for all we will eliminate all signs that might block the vision of those leaving our grounds!

“CARRYING THE GIFTS” AT LITURGY

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.

“VOX POPULI” (part 9)

The analysis of the nearly 1500 surveys that were turned in by the parishioners is still under the scrutiny of the Pastoral Council. The Council has spent much time reviewing all responses in the many different categories without any clear cut direction being able to be determined. For instance, in the category of MASS, the greatest number for any one topic was “25 about the time of mass” --- without any clear consensus even among these 25. The Council is trying to determine how much weight should be given to “25 different ideas” among 1500 surveys!



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 9, 2008 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica of Rome

4:00 p.m. John A. Bell - Don & Joan Hammel
 6:00 p.m. John W. Murray, Jr. - Murray Family
 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
 9:00 a.m. Deceased Family Members of Deasy Family
 11:00 a.m. Josip & Katarina Simunovic - Family

Monday, November 10, 2008 - St. Leo the Great

7:00 a.m. Marge Duncan - Dona & Tom Hotopp
 10:00 a.m. George Sapsara - His Family

Tuesday, November 11, 2008 - St. Martin of Tours

7:00 a.m. Elizabeth Berrang - Family
 10:00 a.m. Alexander Polesiak - Dan & Shirley

Wednesday, November 12, 2008 - St. Josaphat

7:00 a.m. Joseph Szymkowiak - Marie Hunkele
 10:00 a.m. John Roche - Wife - Anniversary

Thursday, November 13, 2008 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

7:00 a.m. Clarence Bittner - Agnes Kohan
 10:00 a.m. Irene Lyons - The Yates Family

Friday, November 14, 2008 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Filippo & Vincenza Ruffa - Ruffa Family
 10:00 a.m. George Stankovich - M/M Jerry Crites & Sons

Saturday, November 15, 2008 - St. Albert the Great

8:00 a.m. John Babicki - Mary Serwick
 4:00 p.m. Mae Gentile - Dolly Gentile
 6:00 p.m. 40th Wedding Anniversary of Raymond & Marie Wiehagen

Sunday, November 16, 2008 - Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Betty Jane Hunkele - Family
 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
 11:00 a.m. Stephanie McNalley - From Her Parents

Weekly Activities at a Glance

Sunday Nov. 9 (Marian Hall) 8:30AM - Parish Breakfast
 (Rectory) 10:00AM - R.C.I.A.
 (Church) 11:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
 (PAC) 6:00PM - Open Gym - 9-12 Graders
 (Marian Hall) 7:00PM - CYM LIFE Night

Monday Nov. 10 (School) 6:30PM - CCD Program - All Grades
 (Marian Hall) 2:45PM - Brownies Troop #804
 (Marian Hall) 7:00PM - Communion Ministers Mtg.
 (Church) 8:00PM - Brass Practice

Tuesday Nov. 11 (Church) 1:45PM - Veteran's Day Prayer Service
 (Marian Hall) 2:30PM - School Band
 (Pantry) 6:00PM - Open Pantry
 (Marian Hall) 6:00PM - CYM Drama
 (Rectory) 7:00PM - St. Vincent DePaul Meeting

Wednesday Nov. 12 (Marian Hall) 1:30PM - 55 Specials - Bingo/Cards
 (Church) 2:45PM - Children's Choir Practice
 (Rectory) 7:00PM - Catholics Coming Home
 (Church) 7:30PM - Adult Choir Practice
 (Marian Hall) 7:30PM - 55 Specials Meeting

Thursday Nov. 13 (Marian Hall) 2:45PM - School Drama Club
 (Marian Hall) 6:30PM - CYM Drama Club
 (Rectory) 7:00PM - Pro Life Meeting
 (Church) 8:00PM - Adult Hand Bell Practice

Friday Nov. 14 (Church) 10:00AM - School Mass

Saturday Nov. 15 (School) 9:30AM - CCD Program
 (Marian Hall) 7:00PM - Middle School Dance

Sunday Nov. 16 (Church) 9:00AM - Family Program
 (Rectory) 10:00AM - RCIA
 (PAC) 6:00PM - Open Gym - 9-12 Graders
 (Marian Hall) 7:00PM - CYM LIFE Night

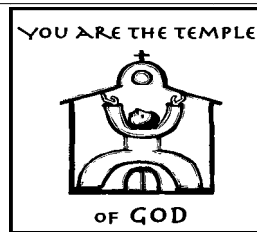
R.I.P.: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Christine Stawecki, grandmother of Christine Martier, and Joseph Pankowski, father of Donna Leon.

Flower Memorial

The flowers beautifying our altar and tabernacle are in loving memory of George Sapsara requested by his family.

November 2, 2008	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	821	\$18,291.01
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$1,169.00
Children's Offertory	49	\$77.30
All Saints Day	142	\$1,596.00
Retirement Fund/Religious	2	\$75.00
World Mission	5	\$55.00
Parish Share 2008	11	\$511.00
Parish Needy	208	\$1,533.00
Total	1,238	\$23,307.31

Daily Readings



Nov. 10: Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6
Nov. 11: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
Nov. 12: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
Nov. 13: Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
Nov. 14: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
Nov. 15: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
Nov. 16: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

RCIA

Please continue to pray for the individuals who are currently involved in the RCIA process as they continue their journey of discovering the meaning and the message of the Catholic faith. Pray, too, for the RCIA team who share the faith with these individuals as they complete the initial steps of the journey of faith in preparation for the Easter Vigil. All are welcome to join us on Sunday mornings following the 10:00am Mass in the rectory dining. This week we will discuss the Beatitudes and next week, The Commandments. Call Father Ed or Jim Finn 412.486.4100 to find out more.

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)

EVENING OF REFLECTION WITH BISHOP ZUBIK

Will be held at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center on Thursday, November 20, 2008 from 7:00pm until 9:00pm. This Evening of Reflection begins with a talk by the bishop entitled, **THE CHURCH ALIVE** and also includes the celebration of Mass and a social. Registration is requested by contacting Sister Mary Lou at 412.931.9766. A free will offering will be accepted. All men and women are welcome!

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

Parents with children age five and under are welcome to plug into the various activities planned. Each month on the first and third Wednesdays, we meet for **PRAY and PLAY DAY**. Call Monica 412.492.0242.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus is clear: our homes are meant to be "my Father's House" where everyone grows in love under the protection of commitment and forgiveness and not a "marketplace" where we store our "trophies" of consumer spending.

PARENTING POINTERS

Does your family have a family password? Agree on a word that only you and trusted friends know. Teach your child not to go with anyone who doesn't know the family password unless they are in danger or lost. Although you don't want to instill undue fear in your kids, you also want to keep them safe.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Divorced men and women can teach married couples a lot. Often they tell of taking their marriage for granted or being too busy making a living to live their vocation. Let their pain not be in vain.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for Week of November 9

The Church of Saint John Lateran in Rome is the cathedral, or seat of the Bishop of Rome, our Pope.

We celebrate this special place of worship in today's liturgy and are also reminded in Saint Paul's letter to the people of Corinth, that "YOU are God's building" 1 Cor.3:9 "**We are God's temple**, the place where he lives and that he touches, loves, and heals the world through us." Some special Saints whom we honor this week, and whose lives were fruitful in "building up the body of Christ", inspire us to ponder...

Saint Martin of Tours, a soldier in the Roman army converted to Christianity and was acclaimed bishop by the community in Tours. He spent himself in service to his people, especially the sick, imprisoned, and poor. His feast this year is observed on the same day as Veterans' Day. Beg his intercession for all those serving in the military now, as well as for all Veterans.

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, known as the first American citizen saint, came as a missionary from her home in Lombardy, Italy and traveled across the United States founding convents, hospitals, schools, and orphanages. She died in Chicago in 1917 and was canonized in 1946. Her example reminds us that "there is no limit to the good we can do, if we will just look around us." What good for another will you do today/this week?

C.C.D. Faith Formation

Monday, Nov. 10 Parent/guardians of Grade 5-6-7-8 meet in church for Catholic Vision of Love /sexuality discussion with Father Ed. ; all children and youth go to classrooms.

Saturday, Nov. 15 All meet in classrooms, 10:30AM Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grades 3 thru 8, parents/guardians welcome.

Sunday, Nov. 16 – Family Program 9AM Mass and session for age groups, 10AM till Noon.

Catholic Vision of Love, our diocesan catechesis on the dignity and sacredness of **human sexuality**, will be introduced to parents new to our programs. Those with children in Grades 5-6-7-8 are welcome to attend the presentation and discussion with Father Ed, Monday, November 10, 6:30 PM. **Meet IN church.**

Family Program

The next Sunday Family CCD session will be held on November 16th, beginning with the 9:00 am Liturgy (Grade 6-22 - G. Butera serves). Sessions for children and adults begin at 10:00 am. Closing Prayer will be Grade 6 - R. Stone.

The Special Project for November is ANGEL'S PLACE. Donations should be taken to Marian Hall at the beginning of the adult session. Needed items for Angel's Place are: all sizes of diapers, baby wipes, healthy snacks, art supplies, paper towels, storage bags, cleaning supplies and detergents. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!



YOUTH MINISTRY
Tonight's LIFE NIGHT is
Game Night - 7 - 8:30 PM

Come to the PAC
OPEN GYM - 6 - 7:00 PM
 for both boys and girls in Grades 9 - 12

FOOD TO FOLLOW OPEN GYM
 Parents of all basketball players need to stay for a short meeting at the end of Open Gym at 7 PM. Teens who wish to play CYM basketball, please plan to stay for that meeting as well.

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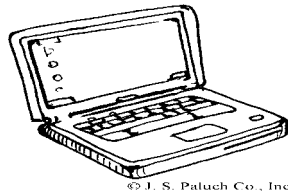


Call out to all Thespians:
Thespian - an actor or player; of, or relating to drama and acting. We have the cure for your "acting bug."

Calling on all adults, young adults, and teens: we actually need more men than women for this play! Stage crew also needed. All those over age 18 will need to obtain full diocesan certification under the "Safe Protection of our Children" policy, but we will help you with that. **Auditions for the February 2009 production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" directed by Mr. Christian DeFilippo, will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 11 6:45 PM in Marian Hall**

GAMES NEEDED

Can you donate any electronic games? We are specifically looking for a Play Station 2 and also Guitar Hero. We also need the Dance, Dance Revolution DVD.



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Call the CYM line for current information on our social, spiritual and service activities for teens and young adults at 412-492-9344 or 412-486-4100, extension 409 or email at belskib@verizon.net

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VETERAN'S DAY

Please come and pray with the school community on Tuesday, November 11th, at 1:45 PM for a Prayer Service honoring our Veterans. The service will take place in Church.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE



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Another dance for students in grades 6 through 8 will take place on Saturday, November 15th, from 7:15 - 10:00 PM in Marian Hall. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in the school office, rectory, or Faith Formation office beginning Wednesday, November 12th. The dress code will be strictly enforced. This event is sponsored by St. Mary's PTG.

MAX & ERMA NIGHT

St. Mary School PTG is sponsoring a fundraiser at Max & Erma's (Gibsonia location) on Wednesday, November 19th. Included in this week's bulletin is a "ticket" which must be presented to the server in order for the school to receive 20% of your bill total. Please share the other ticket with another family member or friend. As always, we appreciate your support!

ONE-SIDED PAPER

We are still accepting donations of one-sided paper for school use. Please check that no personal information is included on the printed side. Donations can be dropped off in the school office Monday through Friday. Thank you!

LABELS FOR EDUCATION

If you look closely on the labels of Campbell's soups, Spaghetti O's, Prego spaghetti sauce, V-8 juice, or Swanson products, you will see a UPC label "Labels for Education." We ask that you simply clip the UPC code, put them in an envelope, and drop them off in the school office. Our school receives points for each item that allows us to purchase educational materials for the school. Once again: thank you, thank you, thank you!

HIGH School News

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Open House

St. Joseph High School, Harrison, will host an Open House at the school on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM. Parents and students interested in visiting the school and learning more about what St. Joseph High School has to offer are invited to attend. Walk-ins are welcome. For additional details please call the school at 724-224-5552.

OUR PARISH NEWS

COMMUNION MINISTERS

There will be a meeting for ALL Communion Ministers on Monday, November 10th at 7:00PM in Marian Hall. Please call Alexis Raible at 724-443-2164 with any questions.

SERVICE OUTREACH Opportunities

Baby Bottle Campaign

Baby Bottles available in the Children Liturgy Room includes information. Return to the school or parish office before Thanksgiving.

Shoebox Gifts for Persons in Military Service

Call 412-486-5521 for a list of items to include. Return boxes to the Faith Formation Office before Thanksgiving.

Middle School Faith Rally –THIS WEEK

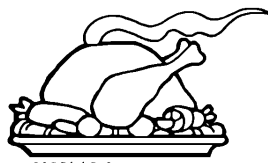
Friday, November 7, 7:00-9:00 PM at Seton La Salle High School. You may still be able to get aboard for late fee of \$15 per youth! Contact Mark Tobin, 412-486-5521.

“CHRISTMAS a la Sister’s CATECHISM”, at City Theater, South Side. St. Mary’s group reserving Tuesday, December 16, leaving St. Mary’s at 6:00 PM @ \$35.00 per ticket for the show. A free will offering will be asked to help with bus expenses; or if only a small group, car pools will be arranged. Call 412-486-5521 if you wish to make a reservation, and send check payable to “St. Mary CCD” for ticket(s).

MARKET DAY

orders due by **THIS Tuesday, Noon, on www.marketday.com.**

Get **TURKEY DINNERS**, two for only \$8.29, includes turkey, stuffing and vegetables. Order now for November 17 pick up! Fliers available at church exits and Scrip office.



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CAHAL DUNNE

Come and join us for an evening of fun with Cahal Dunne, singer, songwriter, pianist, and comedian at St. Mary’s Parish in Marian Hall on Saturday, November 29, 2008, at 7:30PM. You are welcome to BYOB, and enjoy coffee and cake that will be served. Please call Sr. Lois for tickets at 412-486-4021 which will be on sale for \$12.00. Proceeds are for our Marian hall Kitchen renovations. This event is co-sponsored by the American Slovenian CU-KSKJ Life as a matching fund project.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS WOMEN’S ORGANIZATION

Our covered dish dinner/surprise auction is on November 20th. Guests are welcome. Charge is \$5/ person and can be paid the night of the dinner. However, we need a count to order the main entree, so please RSVP by November 17th. Along with your covered dish, plan to bring a minimum value \$10 wrapped gift to be auctioned off by our very own CM auctioneers, Elaine & Ginny. It is a very fun night. Please consider coming to this first of only two fundraisers of the year. RSVP via e-mail or call Marilyn at 412-492-8367 or jambuck@verizon.net.

**GOOD
NEWS
TO
SHARE**



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BREAKFAST PARISH BREAKFAST



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Our monthly parish breakfast begins today after the 7:30 AM and 9 AM liturgies. We will serve pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, toast, baked goods, fruit salad, oatmeal, fruit juice, coffee, tea and PLENTY OF FELLOWSHIP. Join us as we kick off this new tradition at our parish. All proceeds will go to a great cause!

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Do you know someone that doesn't have anywhere to go for Thanksgiving Dinner? Our family cooks and serves a complete thanksgiving meal (no charge) to anyone with that need. Attend the sit-down meal in Etna at 2pm. Transportation is available, if necessary or we will deliver to their home. Reservations by 11/16. (but we can always squeeze a few last minute requests) The last few years we have served about 70 people/yr. All are welcome! 412-417-3320 / tjbontempo@hotmail.com

RETREAT NEWS

This is the weekend that several of our women are on retreat at St. Paul’s. They ask for our prayers. In return they will pray for us. If you missed this retreat weekend, watch the bulletin for upcoming retreats. For more information call Jim Finn 412.486.4100.

DIOCESAN ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

An age old problem for human beings is to think of the body as something evil that must be transcended. However, Catholics know better than that even if the body remains a temptation. Sister M. Timothy Prokes, FSE will talk about this in the second installment of this year’s adult lecture series. In her talk entitled “**St. Paul’s Challenge: Glorify God in Your Bodies,**” Sister Timothy will base her talk on this passage from 1 Corinthians 6:19-20. All are invited to Sister’s presentation to be held on **Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 7:30 P. M.** at St. Paul’s Seminary Auditorium. The lecture is free. All are welcome.

CATHOLIC SINGES, 21 AND OVER

Looking for a new way to meet people, make friends, and share good times with others. Check out the Catholic Alumni Club. The group offers a variety of social opportunities. For more information, go to their website: www.cacpittsburgh.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

November 14-16 at the Bishop Connare Center in Greensburg, PA. For more information or to register, contact Mary & Lou Locante at 412.635.7775 or at wwme-pittsburgh.org.

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

There is many a day in my life when I take a stroll through the cemetery where my mother and father have been buried side by side. It seems like the older I get with more of my life behind me than in front of me, this meditative walk takes on a greater significance. There is nothing morbid about my reflection concerning the death of those whom I love, for the basis of my “impression” lies in the magnificent experience of the Resurrection as the destiny designed by God for all of us. November brings these thoughts to the fore since this is the month when we remember our beloved dead. What a touchingly powerful celebration we had on All Souls Day when FORTY-NINE candles were lit in our sanctuary --- each one representing one of the 49 persons who was buried from our Parish Family this past year! Yet we have come to believe that death is not a tragic end to life. It is simply the entranceway that allows us to bask in the light of eternal glory.

Those of us who saunter through the cemetery adjacent to our own parish church can literally “feel” the presence of the divine Lord in the beauty of these sacred grounds. The wonderful care of the cemetery by our devoted Maintenance Department bespeaks to all who pass this way of our commitment to those who have gone before us. What a superb memory for any family --- to bury their beloved on the same grounds where they come to celebrate the liturgy each weekend! Our Catholic Faith has always underscored the precious importance of a funeral liturgy. Having just completed the month of October when the emphasis was on Respect For Life, we now move through the month of November where “eternal life” becomes the focus of the liturgical action. We began the month remembering our beloved on All Souls Day, and we will end the month with the triumph celebration of the Solemnity of Christ the King.

Might this be the month when we visit the sacred burial grounds of the members of our own family? Might this be the month when we keep alive their memory in our daily prayers? Might this be the month when we take a serious look at our own personal preparations for burial? These are not thoughts of morbidity, which stems from an unwholesomely gloomy attitude of death; but these are glorious thoughts of Resurrection, which comes from a deep-seated faith experience in the Lord Jesus.... “Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting” (1 Corinthians 15:53)!