

Bulletin # 910038

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MESSAGES:

## 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!

## AUTUMN PACKET SENT HOME

The fourth and final "family packet" for this liturgical year has been sent to every registered family so that the HOME can be a place of spiritual enrichment for all of us. The packet contains a variety of articles suggesting the need for a "formational" as well as informational process to take place in the daily life of our Parish Family.

## PARISH FAMILY 2005-2006 REPORT

**INCOME = \$1,143,451**

**EXPENSES = \$1,134,570**

<u>COLLECTIONS</u> -----1,020,655	<u>STAFFING</u> --- 666,607
Offertory Collections 935,898	Salaries/Benefits 571,708
Easter/Christmas 57,394	Utilities 76,570
St. VindePaul Envelope 19,282	Telephone 18,329
Catechetical Envelope_ 4,946	<u>MINISTRIES</u> -- 63,838
Catholic Sch Envelope 3,135	Faith Formation 32,854
	Liturgical 21,869
<u>DONATIONS</u> ----- 23,495	Youth Ministry 7,091
Flower Donations 8,433	Social Ministry 2,024
Baptism/Wedding/Funeral 7,730	
General Donations 7,296	<u>SERVICES</u> ----- 66,947
	Administration 7,775
<u>MINISTRIES</u> ----- 64,070	Contracts 14,342
Faith Formation 31,809	Maintenance 12,265
Social Service 19,727	Rectory 11,953
Youth Ministry 12,534	Pgh. Catholic 10,612
	<u>OTHER</u> ----- 32,898
<u>OTHER</u> ----- 35,267	Envelopes 9,880
Parish Share Overage 16,904	Insurances 8,494
Votive Candle 9,425	Honoraria 5,865
Other Usage Income 5,500	Real Estate Taxes 5,845
Investment Income 3,438	Social Events 2,812
	<u>ADJACENT</u> --- 304,282
	<u>School Subsidy</u> 285,000
	VincDePaul Soc. 19,282

**We thank all those members of the Parish Family whose financial generosity has allowed our Parish Family to be SOLVENT again this year!!!!**

## "CATCH THE VIBE" VITALITY IN BUILDING EXCELLENCE

During last week's Ministerial Fair, members of our Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) not only made well-received presentations at the liturgies, but were also present in Marian Hall to share the most recent update of our Campaign with interested parishioners. These members continue to meet with those in the Parish Family who would like to make a contribution or pledge to the Campaign. With the tremendous improvements that have been made on our grounds, it would seem that EVERY parishioner has benefited from all that has been going on this past year. Beginning with the first week in October, a letter will be sent to all registered parishioners to invite them to add to the Pledge Campaign.

## 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 construction taking place on our grounds, as well as be brought up to date on the roof situation of the church, the plans for a Marian shrine in our Pedestrian Plaza, and all the other temporalities taking place in our Parish Family.

## PARKING DURING SCHOOL HOURS

For the safety of our children, there will be NO access around the school building during the recreational hours from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please be alert to the sign that is set across the access road each day during this time. We underscore this alert especially to those who come each Wednesday for the events in Marian Hall.

## MINISTERIAL FAIR --- A SUCCESS

We offer a special round of applause to all those parishioners who made our annual "Ministerial Fair" last week-end such a magnificent success. 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.

**Masses for the Week**

**Sunday, September 17 - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ord. Time**

- 4:00 p.m. Richard Goral (Tom & Kathy Goral)
- 6:00 pm Richard O'Leary (Cathy O'Leary)
- 7:30 a.m. Emil & Sallie Wagner (Edna & Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Sp. Int. K. J. Palmer (Mother)
- 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish

**Monday, September 18**

- 7:00 a.m. Anna Mae Walsh (Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Marie & Arthur Harvey (Daughter Dorothy)

**Tuesday, September 19 - St. Januarius**

- 7:00 a.m. Paul Duncan (Dona & Tom Hotopp)
- 10:00 a.m. Mary Schultz (Schultz Family)

**Wednesday, September 20 - St. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang, and companions and martyrs**

- 7:00 a.m. Phillip Ionadi (M/M Marco Imbarlina)
- 10:00 a.m. James O. Frink (Wife & Family)

**Thursday, September 21 - St. Matthew**

- 7:00 a.m. Matthew Wilczynski (Uncle Richey)
- 10:00 a.m. Veronica C. Caricato (Bernie & Tia Persichetti)
- 7:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of CM/WO

**Friday, September 22**

- 7:00 a.m. Andrew & Marian Kost (Chuck & Kit Martier)
- 10:00 a.m. Anthony Pugliese, Sr. (John Tori)

**Saturday, September 23 - St. Pio of Pietreclina**

- 8:00 a.m. Florian Walter (Sons)
- 4:00 p.m. Helen Rihn (Rihn Family)
- 6:00 p.m. Barbara Newland (Henry Jr. & Stella Newland)

**Sunday, September 24 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ord. Time**

- 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 9:00 a.m. Arthur Fazio (Friend)
- 11:00 a.m. Nicola Didomenico (Lou & Veronica Ganster)
- 6:00 p.m. For the Stewardship of Planet Earth (CYM)

**A VOCATION VIEW**

**Do you want to follow Jesus? If you lose yourself for Jesus' sake, you will find life. It is worth the cost of your life. (Mark 8:27-35)**

**FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR THIS WEEKEND  
ARE IN CELEBRATION OF  
THE MARRIAGE OF CHRISTINE MOLEND  
AND SCOTT HICKENBOTH**

**OCTOBER – RESPECT FOR LIFE**

With the month of October only two weeks away, all parishioners should be alert to the variety of experiences that will underscore the dignity of HUMAN LIFE, not only in our Parish Family but across the entire country. We will begin the month with the dedication of our “memorial to the unborn child” as it is placed in a prominent place in our Pedestrian Plaza to be a witness to all those who come to our sacred grounds.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**III. Linda Ferentchak (St. Mary) - Scott Slagel (St. Mary)**

**R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the souls of Bill Foster, Leonard Lang and Jeanne Voytko, mother of Paula Bresnei.**



Sept. 10, 2006	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	886	\$19,567.31
Cash/Loose Cks.	—	778.00
Children's Offer.	53	67.92
Assumption	3	15.00
Bishop's Edu.	219	3,019.00
Parish Share	47	2,104.48
Parish Needy	17	700.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>\$26,319.71</b>

**DAILY**



**READINGS**

- Sept. 18: 1 Cor 11: 17-26, 33; Lk 7: 1-10
- Sept. 19: 1 Cor 12: 12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7: 11-17
- Sept. 20: 1 Cor 12: 31 —13: 13; Lk 7:31-35
- Sept. 21: Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13; Mt 9: 9-13
- Sept. 22: 1 Cor 15: 12-20; Lk 8: 1-3
- Sept. 23: 1 Cor 15: 35-37, 42-49; Lk 8: 4-15
- Sept. 24: Wis 2: 12, 17-20; Ps 54; Jas 3: 16—4: 3; Mk 9: 30-37

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

**R. C. I. A.** –There’s still time to join us on Sunday morning following the 9:00 am liturgy. Those interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith are welcome! Call Fr. Ed or Jim Finn to find out more at (412)486-4100. This week we will discuss the Mass and next week’s topic is “Prayer.”

**BAPTISM SUNDAY TWICE A MONTH:** Next week is Baptism Sunday and we welcome those who are bringing their children to the liturgy to celebrate the sacrament of baptism. What a wonderful experience for the entire Parish Family who gathers at the liturgy to experience this sacrament. We remind parents planning a baptism that the pre-baptism session with one of the Staff Persons can be done at anytime in the pregnancy of the mother. The sacrament of baptism is celebrated two Sundays a month, and the exact Sundays for this celebration will be given to the couple at the time of the pre-baptism session. Simple call the rectory during the regular office hours and make this appointment with one of our office personnel.

**WEDDING PLANS IN YOUR FUTURE?**

We remind all those couples who might be planning a sacramental wedding in the future that they must give a “six month” notice to the Parish Family before the church can be reserved for them. The couple must make sure that the priest or deacon is available for the date and time they wish to choose. Once the couple has had an initial contact with the priest or deacon, then the couple may begin to make the other necessary arrangements for their important wedding day.

September 3, 2006	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	760	\$16,169.03
Cash/Loose Cks.	—	876.00
Children’s Offer.	64	104.05
Bishop’s Edu. Fund	4	26.00
School Collect.	3	9.00
Parish Needy	21	211.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>852</b>	<b>\$17,395.08</b>

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

**FAITH SHARING - 24<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time**

How are YOU challenged to “take up your cross” and do something difficult for Jesus? Are there some of the teachings of Jesus that you find hard to follow? Do you take seriously your baptismal mandate to be a witness of Jesus Christ? How?

**Catechetical Sunday,** observed today, is a timely moment for each family , each adult, to assess what commitment do you make to keep informed and re-formed in understanding the many facets of our Catholic faith. Our Faith Formation office provides opportunities for Adult Enrichment. See a complete listing on the yellow flier in the packet mailed to each home this week. Also available in the Parish Library are books, videos, DVD’s to borrow. Our Religious Items Sale display includes Bibles, CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, children’s booklets, and a NEW book *YOUR CATHOLIC FAMILY -Simple Ways to Share Faith in the Home* by Jim Merhaut , formerly of Hampton. Contact us at 412-486-5521 if there may be a resource that you will like.

**Faith Formation Sessions resume this week:**

**Family Program** at 9 AM Mass, then parents accompany children to their class(es). At 10:45 AM all adults assemble in Marian Hall .

**Monday Session Families meet Sept.18,** 6:30 PM in the plaza . Stop at the check in table by the church entrance for an activity packet.

**Saturday Session Families meet Sept. 23**

At 9:30 AM in the plaza. Stop at the check in table by the church entrance for a packet.

**MARKET DAY - LAST days to order**

for pick up September 25. Call Lee by THIS Tuesday, 724-443-0673 or place your order online at marketday.com. Proceeds from the MD sales will be used to keep updating the equipment in our parish kitchen.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

6 PM SUNDAY LITURGY

SEPTEMBER 24 AND OCTOBER 1

**HELP: CANNED GOODS FOR OUR FOOD PANTRY ARE IN LOW SUPPLY. [SEE HOW YOU CAN HELP ON MIDDLE SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT]**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT** for any students in Grade 6-8 on Saturday, September 23 after the 6 PM liturgy. Movie is "**Second-hand Lions**"; parents are welcome to stay. Bring your middle school friends to enjoy this PG rated movie that tells the adventure story of two uncles from the perspective of their young nephew. Bring a **canned good [Sr. Lois is requesting canned fruits or vegetables]** for our parish St. Vincent de Paul **AND** a toiletry or a school supply item for the Homeless Children's Education Fund collection.

### **T-ROC SESSION ON STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S CREATION**

**ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 AT 6 PM.**

**Parent** session with the priest celebrant. **High school students** with Mike, Susan, Erin and Chris. **Middle School** will meet with Kevin and Mr. B. **Grade 4 & 5** will have their own session. Mrs. Kelly Spagnoletti will assist with child supervision for children **Grade 3 and younger**.

**APPALACHIA 2007 Kick-off liturgy will be on Sunday, October 1 at 6 PM. Patrick Sample will sponsor the Skill Workshop which is a requirement for participation in the work camp. Parents/guardians will need to attend the information session scheduled immediately following the liturgy while youth participate in the skill workshop.**

**CHANGE FOR NINTH GRADE STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND THE JAM CENTER SESSION TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:** Instead of the original session planned at the JAM center, we will take students to the VA Hospital in Aspinwall to assist the veterans to their 10:30 AM liturgy. You must pre-register with Mrs. B. Call 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

**Hiking the trails at Ohio Pyle and overnight tent camping.** For high school (grade 9-12) youth of our parish, limited spots remaining. Date: Saturday, September 30 depart St. Mary's in early AM, we will return home on Sunday, October 1 and attend 6 PM liturgy here at the parish. Must have appropriate gear for hiking. Call 412-486-4100, ext. 409. Cost per youth will be \$20.

## **ST. MARY SCHOOL**

**BASKETBALL REGISTRATION** - St. Mary School students in grades 4 through 8 are invited to join the Condor basketball team. Registration will take place in the school on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00-8:00 PM.

**CONDOR FOOTBALL** - Our Condor teams play a game on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> against the South Hills Saints at J.C. Stone Field in North Park. The junior varsity team plays at 1:00 PM; the varsity team plays at 3:15 PM. Go Condors!

**CROSS COUNTRY** - Our Cross Country students will hold a meet on Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, against St. Sebastian and Aquinas Academy at 4:00 PM. Come cheer on our team.

The Fox Chapel Invitational meet will take place at Hartwood Acres on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 4:00 PM.

**INNISBROOK WRAP FUNDRAISER** - St. Mary PTG is sponsoring their first fundraiser of the school year: the Innisbrook Wrap sale. A flyer is included in this week's bulletin with more information. Next week a table will be set up outside of church for anyone who might want to view some of the products or perhaps place an order.

**SCRIP NEWS** - The **ENJOY** book, rather than the Entertainment book, will be sold for 2007 and will be available for sale through Christmas. The ENJOY book offers much the same, if not more, for the money. The cost per book is \$25.00 and can be pre-ordered through the Scrip office which is now located in the rear of Providence Hall. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 to 10:00 AM.



## **GENERAL PARISH NEWS**

**ADULT ENRICHMENT:** with Father Ed Schleicher begins this Tuesday, Sept. 19th, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. in Marian Hall. Come to enjoy the "Mass in Slow Motion", and to learn the Scriptural and Cultural bases for how we celebrate the Eucharistic liturgy. Call (412) 486-5521 to register before Tuesday evening.

**CMWO, SEPT. 21 AT 7:00 P.M.** Begin with Mass followed by fellowship in Marian Hall. Prepare to learn how to quilt, crochet, play cards and weigh in! a fun night planned for all. Last names with the initials A, B and C are in charge of kitchen and snacks. Make them simple! Cream cheese tea sandwiches perhaps? Surprise us!

**Flea Market-Bake Sale** at St. Nicholas Church, 24 Maryland Ave, Millvale. Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM

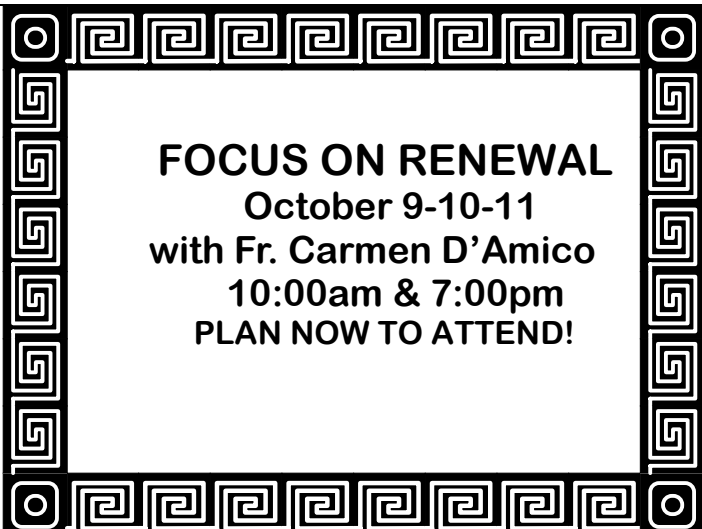
### **LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO**

**ME:** is a unique ministry for parents with children from birth to age five. Our aim is to bring our young children closer to our Lord, through pray and play time and service to others. For more information, call Cindy at (412)487-5272.

**PRAY AND PLAY DAY-** All are invited to join us on Wednesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in church for a time of music, movement, story and fun designed specially to introduce young children to Scripture and to elements of the Catholic Faith. No reservations necessary. Call Jodee (412)267-3027.

### **A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

Does your family "think as God does or as humans do?" "Who do people say you are?" Do they see you as different or one of the crowd? If you are like everyone else, perhaps you are not "thinking as God does."



**FOCUS ON RENEWAL**  
**October 9-10-11**  
**with Fr. Carmen D'Amico**  
**10:00am & 7:00pm**  
**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND!**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word,** new team members training coming soon. Call Donna for details at (412) 492-9312.

**Bible Study -** Tuesdays, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. begins September 19th in the Faith Formation Center. Call Dori Monahan at (412) 492-9891 for details.

**WIDOW/WIDOWERS GROUP:** will meet for Dinner on Sunday, September 24th at 5:00 p.m. at the Runway Restaurant, Rte 8, in Butler, PA. For directions or to car pool, please call Barb at (412) 486-4209 or Marge (412) 486-5621.

**THE BURCHFIELD DANCE PROGRAM:** will begin on Friday, Oct. 6th. We are currently accepting registrations for pre-school thru adult. You can choose from the following classes: Creative Movement (3 & 4 yr. Olds), Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Baton, Acro, Hip Hop and Yoga/Pilates. If you are interested, please call Elaine Lascher at (412) 492-7227. Registration deadline is Wed., Sept. 27th.

**WOMEN'S AND MEN'S FALL RETREATS:** at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center on the Southside. Women's dates are: Friday, Nov. 3rd to Sunday, Nov. 5th. Men's dates are: Friday, Oct., 27th to Sun., Oct. 29th. Questions or more information call: Women - Irene Linkowski at (412) 487-1779 Men: Carl Lichvarcik (412) 903-7607.

**PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Rose Stegman

"What's in a name?" asked a Shakespearean actor. So what images do these names conjure in your mind: Einstein, Mom, Schakleton, Lemieux, Big Ben, Dad, DaVinci, Clemente, Moses, Andrew Kim Taegon, Pio of Pietreclina, or Barack Obama who admits, "I have a lot of different pieces of a lot of different people in me?" And in this week's gospel the man Jesus asks, "**Who do YOU say I am?**" How do YOU respond to His question? Have you encountered Jesus in the people with whom you live, or work, or meet each day?

Peter boldly says to Jesus, "You are the Messiah," the Hebrew word meaning "anointed one." Then, after His resurrection, the believers used the Greek Christos meaning "anointed one" when referring to Jesus the Christ. His identity as 'the Christ,' is used five hundred time in the Christian scriptures. Eventually this title became shortened to "Jesus Christ." Yet, "what's in the name?" The messenger from God told Joseph, "you shall give him the name of Jesus (Savior), for he will save his people from their sins." (Mt.) In the Hebrew tradition, those who were anointed were priests, prophets, and kings, for each were representatives of God, strengthened to accomplish His work among His people.

Today we observe **Catechetical Sunday**, a nationwide focus on the many aspects of how the GOOD NEWS is "echoed", or passed on. It is a day to remember that each baptized person has been anointed as "priest, prophet, and king," and is called to proclaim the good news of Jesus as Savior. Such "echoing" or catechizing is done formally as through reading, listening, through discussions or surfing catechetically informative websites. Most catechizing is "caught, not taught"; catching on by participating in the lifestyle of Jesus, praying to Our Father, healing, comforting, giving water, blessing, eating with friends, grieving with those who mourn, and often times, simply listening and looking attentively and affirmingly into the eyes of another. I observe SO much of this "Jesus-style" in catechists and the members of our Parish Family. May you each celebrate this day and keep sharing the GOOD NEWS.

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