

Bulletin # 910038

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Attn: Bee

MESSAGES:

## “CATCH THE VIBE”

### VITALITY IN BUILDING EXCELLENCE

The work of the Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) continues, as the construction of our Parish Activity Center (PAC) is foremost in the minds of many of our parishioners. The PAC will be a great asset to the parish life of all of us --- as many and varied events are already being planned in a building with a gymnasium floor and stage area. Also, more storage room will be created for all those organizations and groups who need such a place. Beginning with the first week of October, the CCC will be sending individualized letters home to parishioners giving all families an opportunity to place their name on the “Memorial Plaque” being created for this Campaign.

Members of the Committee are reminded of their meeting set for Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 7:00 p.m. Any parishioner wishing to know more about the Campaign is certainly welcome to join the Committee on that evening.

### RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH

Once more the month of October will be dedicated to our commitment to the dignity of Human Life. This year’s theme is “Created, Loved, Redeemed by God – Priceless.” We remind all those associated with our Parish Family that the stone commemorating the life of the unborn that has been placed at the corner of our Pedestrian Plaza will be blessed on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> as we begin the month of October.

### BLESSING OF ANIMALS

To celebrate the day in honor St. Francis of Assisi who had a great love for all life, even that of the animals of the world, we invite those who wish to have their animals blessed in his name to join us on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> (the Memorial of St. Francis) at 6:00 p.m. on the Pedestrian Plaza for a special blessing service for all animals brought that evening.

### KEEP OPEN THE EVENINGS OF OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> – 10<sup>TH</sup> – 11<sup>TH</sup> FOR THE CELEBRATION OF OUR PARISH FAMILY RENEWAL

## SOLVENT AGAIN THIS YEAR

A special thank you to all those persons who have been so generous in the Sunday collection each week, especially those who are faithful to the use of their envelopes. We certainly endorse the practice that some parishioners have of increasing the amount of their contribution each year realizing that the expenses of maintaining such a high quality of parish life continue to rise with each passing year. As the total financial report was sent to every registered home, it has become obvious to those who examined that report that both the Church budget, and the School budget have been solvent again this year!

### SCHOOL BUDGET 2005-2006

<b>INCOME: \$1,292,687</b>	<b>EXPENSES: \$1,286,796</b>
Tuition: Par Fam. 627,315	Salaries & Benefits 1,131,825
Tuition: Non-Par 67,847	Utilities 49,544
John Neumann 39,996	Telephone 3,426
Extended Day 22,751	Instructional Program 23,361
Preschool 20,865	Admin/Office 8,374
Bishop’s Grants 13,975	Oper/Maintenance 6,240
PTG Donation 20,000	Upkeep 2,750
Other donations 9,559	Student Activities 14,019
Retail Cert 115,000	Food Service 6,844
Magazine Drive 3,539	Extended Day 1,533
Interest 5,234	Bookstore 324
Student Activity 12,572	Property/Liability 22,994
Book Store 1,034	Contracted Services 15,562

Parish & Diocesan Subsidy --- \$333,000

### MARIAN HALL KITCHEN CLEANING

Those who use Marian Hall will note that we have contracted with a company to come and clean all of our equipment. We ask that those who use the kitchen equipment try to keep it in this condition. One of the most important ways to get maximum benefit from our newly installed kitchen equipment is to keep it as clean as possible.

### CHURCH ROOF A MAJOR PROBLEM

The Temporalities Commission is now faced with a serious problem in attempting to repair the roof of the church that has been leaking in a few places. It is becoming obvious that the problem is much more severe than originally expected. The cost of \$15,000 that was originally approved by the Finance Council will not cover the cost. We now await bids to see what the best price might be!

**Masses for the Week**

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

- 4:00 p.m. Helen Rihn (Rihn Family)
- 6:00 pm Barbara Newland (Henry Jr. & Stella Newland)
- 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. Stewardship of Planet Earth (CYM)

**Monday, September 25**

- 7:00 a.m. Maria Antonia Imbarlina (M/M Marco Imbarlina)
- 10:00 a.m. John Kirby (Raelise Ostrowski)

**Tuesday, September 26 - Ss. Cosmas & Damian**

- 7:00 a.m. Martha M. Lynch (M/M Paul Ambrose)
- 10:00 a.m. Earl B. Smith (Wife & Sons) from 6-20-06 funeral

**Wednesday, September 27 - St. Vincent de Paul**

- 7:00 a.m. Mildred Munio (Lou & Marie)
- 10:00 a.m. Lorraine Scolieri (Family)

**Thursday, September 28 - St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and companions, martyrs**

- 7:00 a.m. Mary Ann Mozyeko (Husband & Children)
- 10:00 a.m. Nick Didomenico & Maria Lucrizia (Son Pat & Cathy)

**Friday, September 29 - Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael**

- 7:00 a.m. Leo V. Adams (Rita Adams & Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Norman Lis (Daughter Sally)
- 5:00 p.m. **Wedding - Nancy Ferentchak - Scott Slagel**

**Saturday, September 30 - St. Jerome**

- 8:00 a.m. Giacinto Derenzo (Elisabetta Derenzo)
- 4:00 p.m. John Genco (Mom & Dad)
- 6:00 p.m. George C. Betz, Sr. (Family)

**Sunday, October 1 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ord. Time, Respect Life Sunday/World Community Sunday**

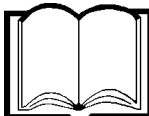
- 7:30 a.m. Evelyn Wilczynski (Richey)
- 9:00 a.m. Rose Cunich (M/M Thomas Streyle & Children)
- 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 6:00 p.m. Edward Fusan (CYM)

**PRAYER VESSEL-** Beginning the weekend of our Parish Family Renewal, October 7-8 all will have the opportunity to write their special intentions and place them in a glass container near the tabernacle to be known as our **PRAYER VESSEL**. Cut out the intention slip found in the bulletin and when you come to Mass place it in the glass prayer vessel. Each week these intentions will be remembered in the General Intercessions. Additional prayer intention slips can be found near the pamphlet rack.



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

**R.I.P.** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael Blum and Alma Rygielski, mother of Kelly Zoeller.

**DAILY**  **READINGS**

Sept. 25: Prv 3: 27-34; Lk 8:16-18  
 Sept. 26: Prv 21: 1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21  
 Sept. 27: Pro 30:5-9; Lk 9: 1-6  
 Sept. 28: Eccl 1: 2-11; Lk 9: 7-9  
 Sept. 29: Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12: 7-12a; Jn 1: 47-51  
 Sept. 30: Eccl 11: 9 —12: 8; Lk 9: 43b-45  
 Oct. 1: Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19; Jas 5: 1-6; Mk 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

Sept. 17, 2006	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	763	\$16,357.25
Cash/Loose Cks	—	1,162.00
Children's Offer.	46	60.10
Bishop's Edu.	14	255.00
Parish Share	17	872.06
Parish Needy	9	110.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>\$18,816.41</b>

## **SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

### **A VOCATION VIEW**

**If we want to be great we must serve others. Are you willing to serve others? You can make a difference with your life. (Mark 9:30-37)**

**R. C. I. A.** - how someone comes to consider joining the Catholic Church is unique to each individual. Years of marriage to a Catholic spouse, conversations with a Catholic friend or co-worker, or even something written or viewed in the media can move an adult toward membership in the Catholic Church. Informally, this can go on for years! Our R. C. I. A. Team is available each Sunday after the 9am liturgy. All are welcome to come to the rectory to find out more! This week the topic is "Prayer". Next week we will discuss the "The Bible and How it works". Call Fr. Ed or Jim Finn for more information at (412) 486-4100. **Have you ever considered inviting someone to join our parish family?**

### **SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

If you or a loved one is seriously sick, facing an operation, incapacitated with some infirmity or are struggling with the infirmities of old age, please accept the invitation to come to the 10:00 a.m. liturgy on Tuesday, October 10, 2006, to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The communal celebration of the sacrament will take place following Father Carmen's homily. It is appropriate to celebrate this sacrament during **RESPECT LIFE** month and during our parish family **RENEWAL**. For more information call Jim Finn at (412) 486-4100 or if you need a ride, call Sister Lois at (412) 486-4021.

**MARKET DAY PICK UP - TOMORROW**, September 25, 7:00 till 7:45 PM in Marian Hall. Proceeds from the MD sales will be used to keep updating the equipment in our parish kitchen.. If YOU will like to assist on the Market Day team, contact Lee Holleran at 724-443-0673 or 724-272-6455.

## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

### **FAITH SHARING - 25<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time**

What are some things you could do to serve others humbly? Whom should we welcome who are in need, like children, because they are innocent and vulnerable? Why do people want to harm those who confront them with the truth?

**Sunday morning Pre-school begins today during the 11:00 AM liturgy.** Tots are engaged in gospel related stories and activities while parents can participate at the 11 AM Mass. Call 412-486-5521 for details or if you'd like to register YOUR child.

**NEW MOVIE: St. Therese** - Sat., Sept. 30th, 11:30 a. m. - 1:15 p.m. in Marian Hall. Call (412) 486-5521 if you will attend.

**Confirmation and First Eucharist Candidates come to the RITE OF WELCOME on the weekend of October 7 -8.** Families arrive at least 15 minutes before the Mass, show your child in which pew you will be seated, then child report to Marian Hall to be part of the procession with the liturgical ministers. Parent and catechist volunteers welcome to assist with the line up and procession. Call 412-486-5521 for details.

**Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors meet with Deacon Fran in Marian Hall** either Saturday, October 7, 5:00 PM or Sunday, October 8, 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, or at NOON.

An important Handout will be given to each sponsor for participating in the journey of faith with their candidate.

**Faith Formation Sessions have begun.** 548 children and youth of our parish came to the Family Program, Monday or Saturday sessions. THANKS to a team of volunteer catechists who meet with our youngest members and reflect with them how the gospel messages apply to life in our contemporary lives. More helpers needed, especially on Monday evenings. Call 412-486-5521 for details.

## 6 PM SUNDAY LITURGY

**ST. MARY SCHOOL**

SEPTEMBER 24 AND OCTOBER 1

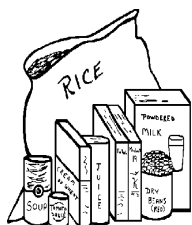
**T-ROC SESSION ON STEWARDSHIP  
OF GOD'S CREATION  
FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY**

**LITURGY AT 6 PM, OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS. Sessions for all age groups will follow the liturgy. We will conclude with a short presentation by one of our student leaders in Marian Hall. Students will then also have an opportunity to sign up for our service projects. Snacks will not be served at this session but there will opportunities for parents to sign up for future hospitality.**

**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. Registrations and payment are due by September 24 at the T-ROC session. WE WILL HAVE A SHORT PLANNING MEETING IN MARIAN HALL AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE STUDENT PRESENTATION.

**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.**

**IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR OUR 2007 TRIP THE APPALACHIA APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SEPTEMBER 24 T-ROC SESSION; AN INTERVIEW WITH MRS. B. MAY BE SCHEDULED AT THAT TIME.**



**HELP: CANNED GOODS FOR OUR FOOD PANTRY ARE IN LOW SUPPLY. PLEASE BRING CANNED FRUITS OR VEGETABLES TO ANY CYM EVENT FOR OUR PARISH SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY.**

**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 will be playing a game on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> against St. Bartholomew 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. Their next game will be played on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> against St. Bonaventure. Same times as above. Go Condors!

**CROSS COUNTRY** - Our Cross Country students will hold a meet on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, against St. Alpha and St. Bonaventure at St. Mary's at 4:00 PM. Come cheer on our team. Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> will be the next meet against St. Gregory's at St. Gregory's at 4:00 PM.

**INNISBROOK WRAP FUNDRAISER** - St. Mary PTG is sponsoring their first fundraiser of the school year: the Innisbrook Wrap sale. A table will be set up outside of church today 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**

**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY:** is in need of help to take the Veterans (Aspinwall) to Holy Mass each Sunday during the month of October. If you can help one Sunday, it will be truly appreciated. Please meet at the Chapel at the Vet's Hospital at 10:00 a.m. to get directions. (1st floor). Mass is at 10:30 a.m.

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

is a ministry of families doing their best to bring their young children, birth to age five, closer to the Lord, through pray time, play time and service to others. All welcome! We're informal, fun and friendly. To find out more call Cindy Shadle (412)487-5272.

### **FALL OUTING: ENJOY GOD'S CREATION-**

(Let the Little Children Come To Me) Join us on Friday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am for a walk at Beechwood Farms. Take a walk and have a chance to visit with other caretakers and children, and enjoy the wonder of the world God made. Call Monica (412)492-0242 today to sign up!

**MOM'S NIGHT OUT:** This Tuesday, Sept. 26th, at LaVerna House on Mark Twain Dr., off of South Magnolia Dr. at 7:30 p.m. Sister Kathy will lead a discussion on obscure Biblical Women. All Welcome! Call Arlene (412) 492-7275 for directions.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE By Bud Ozar**  
**Though disagreements are common in families what would you say if Jesus asked "What were you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give up. We are not meant to control, but to serve each other.**  
 (412)486-4100.

**TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE-** An invitation to host this prayer tool for vocations has been mailed to all parish families. Please consider hosting the chalice in your home. Simply fill out the form and return it to school or the rectory via the collection basket in an envelope marked: "Mr. Finn-Chalice." **Families, single parishioners and shut-ins are welcome to host. A member of the Vocation Council will assist you. For more information call Jim Finn at (412)486-4100.**

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

**55 Specials:** Join your friends for "A Tragic Demise in the Laurel Highlands" on Monday, October 30, 2006. Cost is \$69 per person. For reservations contact Jane Fabry at (412) 487-3091. The 55 Specials are also planning a trip to Mountaineer Casino on Monday, October 16th. Price is \$21.00. Call Jane Fabry to make a reservation.

**RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY:** This is national event and for us it will be our fourth Life Chain. The Respect Life Organization of St. Bonaventure is asking you to take an hour of your time to stand with us in a quiet, prayerful line as we witness against abortion. We will meet in front of Church and then spread out along Mt. Royal Blvd. Signs and rosaries will be available. All ages are welcome, and families are encouraged to attend. You may bring a chair if you need one. Sunday, October 1, 2006, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions please call (412) 821-1634 or (412) 487-4197.

### **LAST CHANCE TO GET YOUR FAMILY PORTRAIT TAKEN FOR OUR PARISH DIRECTORY.**

Don't miss out on this opportunity for a FREE family photo and a copy of the Parish Directory. October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> are the final days to get your photos taken at St. Mary's. There are minimal time slots available for the above days so if they don't work with your schedule please call **Marianne Germinaro at (412) 487-9242** so that we can work with Lifetouch to get you an appointment that will work for you. Please get your reservations made as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for making our parish directory a success.

## **PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Father John

I stand today, with all the members of the Parish Family of *St. Mary of the Assumption*, and extend the best wishes of the HIGH HOLIDAYS to all of our Jewish friends and neighbors who are beginning their very important feasts. We gather this day right at the start of the ten-day period that begins with Rosh ha Shanah and ends with Yom Kippur in 10 days. Since the basis of the official Jewish calendar is lunar, in that it depends upon the waxing and waning of the moon, each new month is determined by the coming of the New Moon. We are now in the month of Tishri, the first month of the year, and the celebration of Rosh ha Shanah is simply the Jewish words for “New Year” as the calendar begins with the creation of the world. The year is 5767! The members of the Jewish community derive this number from an intense search of the Hebrew Scriptures, those books loosely related to the OLD Testament of the Christian Bible. If one adds up all years that are mentioned in the Hebrew Scriptures, in relation to the ages of the people and time periods of their great events, the number would be 5767. Thus, for them, in the light of their revealed word of God, such is the age of the earth.

This ten day period is highly penitential as it ends with the celebration of Yom Kippur, translated the “Day of Atonement.” These ten days mark a concentrated form of introspection and reconciliation. The “Day of Atonement” becomes one in which forgiveness is asked of the one we have offended, and given to those who have done such to us. Would it not be a better world that we live in this day if all persons would accept the invitation of the High Holidays? As the blast of the shofur (i.e., the ram’s horn) awakens all of us to the coming of a new year, we are called to a moment of forgiveness.

For us Catholics, the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation becomes the summit of such a call. Yom Kippur speaks loudly to hearts changed in a spirit of forgiveness. A special greeting is offered from one to the other: Gemar Hatimah Tovah --- “May you be sealed for good in the Book of Life!” By this time, NEXT YEAR, with the coming of another NEW year, may all of us --- Jew, Christian, Muslim --- be so sealed!

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