

Bulletin # 910038

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Attn: Bee

MESSAGES:

MINISTRIES FAIR -- TODAY!

Today's liturgy will spotlight all those who serve IN MINISTRY in our Parish Family! On behalf of the entire Parish Family we offer a deep sense of gratitude to each and every one of you. The Parish Family of St. Mary of the Assumption in Glenshaw has served the people of this area since 1834, and only able to be of such a witness to the Catholic Faith because of the many parishioners who have given of their time, talent and treasure over these many years. The tremendous reputation our Parish Family has among all the other parishes of the Diocese is only possible because of the spirit of generosity offered by all those who serve in the many varied MINISTRIES of the Parish Family. Today we remember all of them and praise God in thanksgiving for all that they do in the name of our Parish Family!

AN INVITATION EXTENDED TO ALL
TO JOIN US IN MARIAN HALL
AFTER THE LITURGY TO WITNESS
THE MULTIPLE MINISTRIES
OF OUR PARISH FAMILY!

SECOND COLLECTION: TODAY

All those who gather for the liturgy TODAY are reminded of the second collection that will be taken up at each liturgy. This is the annual "Bishop's Education Fund Campaign" that is taken up in every parish in the Diocese. There is an envelope in our packet for this collection. The funds received in this collection are sent to the Diocese and distributed to those families in the catholic school who are in need of financial assistance. We are all invited to be as generous as possible in this collection.

PARISH LIFE COLLABORATOR (part 9)

A Parish Life Collaborator must fulfill the responsibilities of such an office in four basic areas: all those items pertaining to Worship, Education, Pastoral Services and Administration. Each one of these four major areas is subdivided into very specific duties as outlined by the Diocese. It is presumed that all responsibilities will be done in accordance with diocesan policies, and that this person will work in close collaboration with diocesan offices, diocesan personnel and other members of the Parish Staff. Might YOU wish to serve as a Parish Life Collaborator for the Church some day?

STEWARDSHIP REPORT – TODAY!

(formerly "Finance Sunday")

Today is "Stewardship Sunday" which becomes the one day each year when we "talk about money." We thank the members of the Finance Council whose dedicated expertise kept our Parish Family solvent again this year. A full blown report of the 2005-2006 finances of the Parish Family will be sent to every registered home in the quarterly mailing for all parishioners to examine.

PLEDGE CAMPAIGN UPDATE – TODAY

This year's "Stewardship Sunday" will be dedicated to our Pledge Campaign. We welcome a member of the Capital Campaign Committee to each of today's liturgies to inform all parishioners of the progress of the project. The details of this project will be included in the September quarterly that will be sent to each registered home. Members of the CCC will be on hand during the Ministerial Fair to answer any questions or sign up those who might wish to make a pledge to the campaign.

MEMORIAL PLAQUE REVEALED

As an integral part of today's presentation, a "mock up" of the Memorial Plaque being created by the CCC will be revealed. Every pledge of \$2000 or more will be included on one of the levels of the plaque. This pledge can be extended over a three year period, and all those who have already given to the Campaign since 2003 will have that amount also included in their total. (i.e., if you have already given \$1000 to the Campaign, a pledge of \$1000 more will make that person eligible for the plaque). There will be a deadline for making this pledge since we need to give the Company a final set of names to be engraved on the plaque.

OUR \$800,000 DIOCESAN LOAN

To make sure that we have sufficient funds to complete our Parish Activity Center (PAC), we are borrowing \$800,000 from the Diocese. We hope that pledges and contributions will come during this next year so that we will not go into debt from this borrowing. The pledges made to this Campaign are excluded from the Parish Share assessment, and will go directly to eliminating the parish debt.

Masses for the Week

Sunday, September 10-Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:00 p.m. Tom Deasy (Second Sunday Money Counters)
- 6:00 pm Joe Astemborski (Henry & Stella Newland)
- 7:30 a.m. Agnes Fowkes (Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 11:00 a.m. Thaddeus T. Bober (Family)

Monday, September 11

- 7:00 a.m. Carl Hunkele, Sr. (Family)
- 10:00 a.m. Earl B. Smith (Wife & Sons)

Tuesday, September 12 - Holy Name of Mary

- 7:00 a.m. Gerald Rihn (Paul & Patty Grguras)
- 10:00 a.m. Edward Sobehart (Chief & Mrs. William Eckert)

Wednesday, September 13 - St. John Chrysostom

- 7:00 a.m. Zak Piekarski (Grandma & Grandpap Mankowski)
- 10:00 a.m. Bud Walsh (Wife & Children)

Thursday, September 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 7:00 a.m. Mildred & George Schirmer (Isabelle & Joe)
- 10:00 a.m. Bruce Collins (Family)

Friday, September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

- 7:00 a.m. Special Intention (Lou & Marie)
- 10:00 a.m. George Vinski (Paul Zoeller & Family)

Saturday, September 16 - Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

- 8:00 a.m. John T. Wisneski, Sr. (Wisneski Family)
- 2:00 p.m. Wedding - Christine Molenda - Scott Hickenboth**
- 4:00 p.m. Richard Goral (Tom & Kathy Goral)
- 6:00 p.m. Richard O'Leary (Cathy O'Leary)

Sunday, September 17 - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 a.m. Emil & Sally Wagner (Edna & Family)
- 9:00 a.m. Sp. Int. K. J. Palmer (Mother)
- 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish

Sick Relatives & Friends

Michael Ackman, Bobbie Aiello, Martha Anderson, Anna Marie Belch, Beth Ann, Erin Claus, Brenna Cordell, Mary Evankovich, Roberta Evankovich, Seth Fabry, Sally Farmerie, Colleen Farrell, Kevin Finn, Lizzy Frederick, Dave Fry, Joseph George, Tom Giel, Finisia Golden, Eileen Golya, Linda Hays, John Hoehn, Maggie, Martha Hornak, Joyce Hung, Ava Hutchenson, Janice Jenko, Kristy Kessler, Mildred Klein, Leonard Lang, Denise Lendl, Abigail Lutz, Michelle Midgley, Darryl Miersch, John Mitchell, Kitty & Regis Murphy, Al Newill, Hannah Shuker Palas, Courtney Rachel Ryce, Carl Schulze, Annabelle Segriff, David Sell, Patricia Sovek, Robert Sperling, Joshua Stanek, Christopher Stevens, Kerry Stiffey, Margaret Thimons, Mark Thimons, Jim & Clare Young,

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: New team members training coming soon. Call Donna for details at (412) 492-9312.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

- III. Christine Molenda (St. Mary) - Scott Hickenboth
- I. Linda Ferentchak (St. Mary) - Scott Slagel (St. Mary)

R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Josephine Oneschuk, mother of Jeffrey Fenton and Velma Frank, mother of Carl Frank.

DUE TO VACATION SCHEDULES, THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF SEPTEMBER 3RD AND SEPTEMBER 10TH WILL BE IN THE BULLETIN OF SEPTEMBER 17TH. WE APPRECIATE YOUR PATIENCE.



DAILY



READINGS

- Sept. 11: 1 Cor 5: 1-8; Lk 6: 6-11
- Sept. 12: 1 Cor 6: 1-11; Lk 6: 12-19
- Sept. 13: 1 Cor 7: 25-31; Lk 6: 20-26
- Sept. 14: Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2: 6-11; Jn 3: 13-17
- Sept. 15: 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22b-27; Jn 19: 25-27 or Lk 2: 33-35
- Sept. 16: 1 Cor 10: 14-22; Lk 6: 43-49
- Sept. 17: Is 50: 5-9a; Ps 116; Jas 2: 14-18; Mk 8: 27-35

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

A VOCATION VIEW

Ask God to open your ears to hear his call. May he also free your tongue to proclaim the good news. Consider serving God as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. (Mark 7:31-37)

AMERICA NEEDS PRIESTS- There are more Catholics that ever in our country—69 million Americans. However, there are 6,738 fewer priests—just 42,271---compared to 10 years ago. You can help change those statistics. Pray for an increase of church vocations and host the Traveling Chalice in your homes. Call Jim Finn at (412)486-4100 to reserve a time.

R. C. I. A. BEGINS THIS WEEKEND!

All interested in finding out more about becoming a Catholic Christian are invited to come to the rectory on Sun. Sept. 10th at 10:00 a.m. Those interested in “brushing-up” are also welcome! Call Father Ed or Jim Finn at (412)486-4100 for specifics! Each week we will publish the topic to be discussed. Next week we will discuss THE MASS.

PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE: The members of the Pastoral Council are reminded of their meeting set for this Monday, September 11th beginning at 7:30 p.m. Members are invited to come a little early to join those in church at 7:00 p.m. remembering the 5th anniversary of 9/11 in prayer. Those members of the Parish Family who have suggestions concerning the work of the Council may contact any one of the members at any time. The Pastoral Council offers a unique appreciation for our parish life since it is not confined to any one group or organization, but rather looks out for the deepening of the spirituality of ALL the members of St. Mary of the Assumption Parish.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for 23rd Week-Ordinary Time

How does God care for you when you are in need? During what frightening times have you found God helping you? What stops you from seeing and hearing in Godly ways? Who needs Jesus' healing touch from you?

Faith Formation / Catechesis brochures are available at the Faith Formation display at our Ministry Fair this weekend. Families who have registered to participate in any of the sessions may pick up the copy with your name label attached at the display.

Bibles, Catechism of the Catholic Church, Parish Vision-Mission Logo on canvas bags, rosaries, statues are some items available at the gift table TODAY at the Ministry Fair. Many beautiful religious articles appropriate for Birthdays, and various occasions are here and on display in our showcase near the Faith Formation Office throughout the year.

9-11 Fifth Anniversary of Destruction of World Trade Centers...a Time of Remembrance and Prayer for Peace....

7:00 PM Gathering for Evening Prayer in church this Monday - all welcome !

Catechists Meet Monday, Sept. 11, 7:30 PM or Tuesday, September 12, 7:30 PM in Marian Hall.

Faith Formation Sessions for families with children who attend public schools will begin:

Sept. 17 - Family Program, 9 AM Mass till Noon;

Sept. 18 - Monday session, 6:30-8 PM;

September 23 - Saturday session, 9:30 - 11 AM;

Sept. 24 -Sun.Pre-School during 11 AM Mass.

Participation in our parish weekly liturgy and parish family activities is the BEST example parents/

guardians can give, for children "learn what they live" ! Our parish process is a support to families to

keep focus on the Lord Jesus and His call to be nour-

ished at the table of the Eucharist and to be

faithful on the journey as disciples after His heart.

SUNDAY LITURGY
6 PM
SEPTEMBER 24 AND OCTOBER 1

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 \$20.00.

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 for our parish St. Vincent de Paul **AND** a toiletry or a school supply item for the Homeless Children's Education Fund collection.

APPALACHIA 2007 applications must be turned in at the CYM table after any of the liturgies this weekend at the Parish Ministries Fair. At that time, youth will also need to schedule a meeting with Mrs. B. Each application must include a signature from the youth and their parent/guardian indicating an understanding of the expectations as noted on the form. Applications can be found in the folder on the shelf in the CYM lobby.

At our Parish Ministry Fair CYM table: Sign up for **THE FALL RETREAT**, and **Night of the Stars** or help with our February 2007 production of "**Fame**," our annual fundraiser for our CYM Mission Committee.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: Prepare and serve meals at **Bethlehem Haven** shelter for women. **Escort veterans at VA Hospital** in Aspinwall to Sunday morning liturgy. Sign up to work at East End Cooperative ministry **soup kitchen** on days off school. (meals are served Monday through Friday). Help at **Market Day** one Monday evening each month as we work to replace the dishwasher and become more environmentally friendly.

CHANGE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND THE JAM CENTER SESSION ON 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 AM liturgy. Departure from St. Mary's will be ~ 9:10 AM and we will return no later than 11:45 AM. A signed consent form will be required for any teens under age 18. Call 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

ST. MARY SCHOOL

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.

NEW LOCATION FOR SCRIP ROOM - Please remember that the Scrip office is now located in the rear of Providence Hall and is open Monday through Friday from 8:00-10:00 AM each day. Please use the back entrance of the school from now on to gain access to that office. Your cooperation is most appreciated.

"SHOP FOR A CAUSE" - Macy's department store is providing us an opportunity to raise thousands of dollars for our school by sponsoring a benefit, "Shop For A Cause." This event will take place on Saturday, September 16th, 2006. St. Mary School retains all ticket sale proceeds. School families can earn assessment credit for each ticket sold. Everyone who purchases a \$5 ticket receives a coupon for \$10 off any single purchase and discounts on other items. Macy's gift cards can be bought through our Scrip Program for an added bonus. Call Maribeth Burnikel at (412) 486-8335 for more information.

SMAA GOLF OUTING - This annual event will be held Monday, September 11th, at Deer Run Golf Course. The outing is open to ALL parishioners, and the cost is \$95.00 per person. 12:00 PM is the Shotgun Start. Included in this outing is 18 holes of golf, dinner and prizes. If you would like to sponsor a hole, the cost is \$125.00. Please make checks payable to SMAA. All proceeds go to fund St. Mary's Athletic Teams. For more information, call Kelly at (412) 551-3150 or Geoff at (412) 551-0034. Again, thanks for your support!



GENERAL PARISH NEWS

MARKET DAY... Sample foods available **TODAY** at our Ministry Fair in Marian Hall. Order forms available there or on line at MARKETDAY.COM. Call Lee Holleran for details or to volunteer HELP, 724-443-1147. Profits from the sales will be used to purchase a new dishwasher in our Marian Hall kitchen. THANKS in advance for your support.

ADULTS, YOUTH, ENRICHMENT opportunities: 1. Sister Jacqueline Ketter, here Sat., Sept. 16 in Marian Hall. **Get on the Mark !!** with "Gospel Stories from Mark", 9:00 AM till Noon. 2. **The MASS IN SLOW MOTION** with Fr. Ed, five Tuesdays, 6:30- 9 PM begins Sept. 19 in St. Mary School Library. Call NOW to register for these **EXCITING FREE EVENTS** 412-486-5521.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

A **MUST** for anyone who volunteers with children in any church program **before beginning your service**. Two opportunities locally; call in advance to register: Sunday, Sept., 10, 7:00 PM, Saints John & Paul Church, Wexford- 724-935-2104, OR Wednesday, September 13, 7:00 PM at Holy Martyrs Church, Tarentum, 724-224-0770.

JOURNEY through Scripture: Scripture and the Mass, a 6 week program at St. Paul Seminary begins Sept. 12, 1:00-3:00 PM OR 7:00-9:00 PM. e-mail Name, address, phone, & parish to pmullen@diopitt.org if YOU wish to attend.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

MINISTRY: This unique parish ministry is for parents with children birth to age 5. Call Cindy Shadle (412) 487-5272 for more information.

PRAY AND PLAY DAY- all are invited to come to church Wednesday, Sept. 20th at 9:30am until 10:30am for a time of music, movement, story and fun designed specifically to introduce young children under five to Scripture and elements of our faith. No reservations necessary! To find out more call Jodee (412)267-3027.

Last call for parish actors interested in auditioning for "The **IMAGE** of our parish staff" segment. Call 412-486-4100, ext. 409. **Night of the Stars** will be one performance only on Saturday, November 4, 2006 at 8 PM.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The deaf man in today's gospel knew he was deaf and asked Jesus to help him. In a family children can be deaf ("Oh dad, not that again."), parents can be deaf (It's just a stage!) and spouses can be deaf ("Are you listening to me?"). Before Jesus can help you, you must first recognize your deafness and then ask for help.

CELEBRATE GRANDPARENT'S DAY! Visit, thank and pray for your grandparents! All grandparents are invited to stop by the Let the Little Children Come To Me ministry booth and receive a free gift.

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE NEW CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION, September 21st. Rosary and Mass at 7 p.m. in Church followed by our new restructured meeting in Marian Hall. Don't miss what we're all about! All women, new members welcome!

WOMEN'S AND MEN'S FALL RETREATS:

Please attend the Ministries Fair today after all Masses in Marian Hall and stop at the Retreat Table. Take a chance on a St. Paul's Retreat Center Gift Basket, which includes a certificate for a weekend retreat.

WOMEN'S DATES: Fri., Nov. 3 to Sun., Nov. 5

MEN'S DATES: Fri., Oct. 27 to Sun., Oct. 29

Questions or more information? Call for Women: Irene Linkowski (412) 487-1779

Men: Carl Lichvarcik (412) 903-7607

DESPERATE FOR THE WORD... Bible Study will resume Tuesday, Sept. 19th, 1-2:30 p.m. in the Religious Formation Office. This is a casual get together where we learn Bible based lessons to help us in our daily walk for His glory. For more information call Dori Monahan at (412) 492-9891.



PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

The “**Ministries Fair**” is a golden opportunity for every parishioner to be informed of all the dimensions of our active parish life that might be summarized in FIVE categories:

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES that would include the Altar Servers, the Art and Environment Committee, those responsible for the Liturgy of the Word with Children, the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, the Greeters, all those involved in the Music Ministry, Readers and the Ushers.

FAITH FORMATION that includes all those involved in Adult Enrichment, those who help with the Baptism Preparation, the various Bible Study Groups who meet regularly, the many parishioners who serve in the various facets of the CCD Program, those who take part in the Cluster Zone Groupings, the Sunday morning Family Program, the persons who help in the Let The Little Children Come To Me Ministry, the couples who lead our Marriage Preparation for Engaged Sessions, those who direct the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), those who head up the Retreats both for women and men, those who take part in the Summer Bible Week and all those who minister in the Catholic Youth Ministry.

THE PAROCHIAL SCHOOL with all its facets some of which include the Athletic Association, the Band, the Development Committee, the Drama Club for Children, the Food Service Directors with the cafeteria workers, and all those who serve in the Parent-Teacher Guild (PTG).

THE ORGANIZATIONS of our Parish Family that serve all of us are the Apostolic Visitation Ministry, the Ministry of Bereavement, the Capital Campaign Committee, the Confraternity of Christians Mothers and Women’s Guild, the Evangelization Teams of the Twelve Zones, the Fifty-Five Special Group, the Finance Council, the Hospitality Committee, Martha’s Hands and Caring Hearts, the St. Mary Pro-Life Committee, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Saturday Men’s Group, the Scouting Programs, the Temporalities Commission, the Vocation Council, the Widows Widowers Support Group and the Worship Commission.

EVENT COMMITTEES include the Blood Drive, the Festival, the Missionary Fund Raising Groups, the Parish Share, the Family Picnic, the Sharing Tree Committee and the Wedding Day Coordinators.

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