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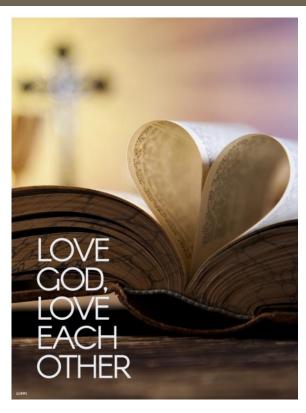
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We welcome all to join us for worship and invite you to become a part of our parish family. New members are asked to call the Parish Center to schedule an appointment for registration. Registration is required for admission to our programs of Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation for Baptism, First Eucharist, Reconciliation, Confirmation and Marriage. Eligibility certificates for Sponsorship for Baptism and Confirmation are issued to registered parishioners who are practicing Catholics. Couples planning to be married, or those desiring to schedule a Baptism are asked to call the Parish Center to schedule an appointment.

¡BIENVENIDOS! Ayúdenos a conocerlos y servirles mejor. Comuníquese con uno de los sacerdotes de la parroquia. Hágase miembro de las Parroquia de San Estanislao. Inscríbase en el centro parroquial.

#### PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9am to 9pm
Friday: 9am to 6pm
Saturday: 8:30am to Noon
Sunday: 8:30am to 1pm
Priests are available after office hours
for the pastoral care of the dying by calling
215,368,0220.



# November 4, 2018 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekend

Saturday Vigil 5:15pm

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am and 1pm in Spanish

#### Daily

Monday through Friday 6:30am & 8am Saturday 8am,

followed by Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers

#### Holy Days

Vigil: 7pm

Holy Day: 6:30am, 9am, 12:05pm, 7pm (Spanish)

#### Catholic Mass in Sign Language

4th Sunday of the month, Parish Center Chapel

Mass Interpreted in ASL

1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays, 9am Mass in the Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During 11am Mass, September through June

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 8:30am to 9am; 4pm to 4:45pm

#### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Katharine Drexel Chapel

#### THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends / Estimados amigos,

Not everyone would agree, but sometimes having rules is a *good* thing. Rules provide order, structure, and promote harmony at home, in school, and in the workplace. Imagine what playing MONOPOLY as a child would have been like without all those rules: when to pass go, how to buy those red properties by the jail or begin construction. How could a cake be baked or a dinner cooked without a recipe? What a fiasco a pickup game of basketball would be if it were not for the prohibitions against elbowing or a lack of dribbling. As we were growing up, we hated rules, and could not wait until the first time down the Jersey shore without parents, when we could make our own rules and not abide by the dictates of others. Perhaps some of us went overboard, when living by our own personal rules was to our detriment and might have even resulted in a police visit or an injury we regret. Life lessons were learned during those fun times. Now as adults we appreciate the way rules protect our sanity from serious peril with rambunctious youngsters. We have a "love-hate" relationship with rules of order, but in the end recognize that we need them in order to have peace in the home, in the community and in society in general.

Today in the Gospel we have the story of an unusual friendly encounter of Jesus with a scribe. The scribe is on a search for rules. Whether or not the man started out as a sincere questioner, he and Jesus seem to "hit it off" as they exchanged theological opinions. The man's question concerning the greatest commandment was one of the favorite debate topics of the day. After all, the rabbis could count 613 commandments (!) of the Torah. Of these, 248 were positive in form and 365 negative. The religious teachers argued over which were "heavy" commandments and which were "light." So, in religious circles a point of discussion would be: which of these commandments was "first," or most important. Hence the setting for the question the scribe asks Jesus. In his response, Jesus quotes two commands from the Hebrew Scriptures and, in doing that, suggests that no <u>one</u> commandment can adequately answer the scribe's question. By putting the two together Jesus also suggests that they constitute one great commandment. Jesus would not have been perceived by devout Jews as abrogating the rest of the Torah. What they would have heard was Jesus' way of simplifying the Law to help in its observance.

Related to, but deeper than last week's gospel question of the wealthy man about how to inherit eternal life, the scribe wanted a rule of thumb, a guiding principle that could be used to discern how to act according to God's will without recourse to the hundreds of regulations that had been attached to the commandments. One has to commend his yearning for streamlined simplicity.

Jesus added that second citation from Leviticus to explain how people could show their love of God. He explained that the second commandment fleshes out and completes the first: love your neighbor as yourself. Later on, Jesus would broaden the concept of neighbor to include everyone — not just the immigrants whom the law told Israelites to protect, but even their own personal enemies.

Finally, when the scribe approved of His answer, Jesus replied that he was "not far" from the Kingdom of God. All that remained (sounds easy, but it is harder than you think!) was for the scribe to put his ideas into practice. The first commandment teaches that it is not enough to know *about* God, as if philosophy and theology could substitute for a personal relationship with the God who loves us. The second commandment reminds us that love of God is not just a beautiful, mystical feeling. If it is true, it has consequences that make a real difference in the lives of others. If we really love God and pray, we will be lured into active, generous love for anyone who needs us.

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We submitted the results of the 2018 October Count his past week to the Archdiocesan Office of Planning. 5,507 individuals were counted at the Sunday Mass in October, 2018, with the weekend of October 20 – 21 (week 3) being the highest, and October 13 – 14 (week 2) the lowest. *Our average weekend attendance for the month was 1,377*. (Total *active* members per the Parish Software system at month-end was 6,246.) In October, 2017 average attendance for the month was 1,408 individuals; in 2015 it was an average of 1,578. There's much work to be done in terms of evangelizing our parish! That is why we have a dynamic Evangelization Team to come up with ideas of how to bring people back to Church and then implement them. In the current environment that is definitely not an easy task! If you would like to help with this team, please talk to one of the priests or deacons.

Tuesday is Election Day. Make time during the day to cast your vote for candidates you think will best serve us. People died to protect and preserve this precious right to vote. Please use it to make your wishes known. The Church teaches (cf. *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, No. 2240) that there are three primary responsibilities of all citizens: to pay taxes; defend their country, and; to vote. Each of these responsibilities asks us to put the good of society and our fellow citizens above our individual desires and needs. Thus, a primary question we must answer as Catholic voters is whether the needs of the weakest and most defenseless among us are being addressed. In the voting booth, we have a privileged opportunity to contribute to our nation and promote the common good by bringing the values and teachings of our faith to bear on the issues facing our society. In the Encyclical *Evangelii Gaudium*, #183, Pope Francis sums it up:

"An authentic faith ... always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it ... If indeed 'the just ordering of society and of the state is a central responsibility of politics,' the Church, 'cannot and must not remain on the sidelines in the fight for justice.""

HAVE A GOOD WEEK EVERYONE, AND REMEMBER TO VOTE!

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Today: Dt 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14 Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24 Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33 Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Ez 47:1-12; 1 Cor 3:9c-17; Jn 2:13-22

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: 1Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

the Chapel during this time.



40 Hours Devotion: November 11th to 13th. St. Stanislaus' annual 40 Hour Devotion to the Holy Eucharist will feature prayer on evenings one and two, and a concluding Mass on night three. During this time, the Adoration Chapel will be closed for cleaning. All adorers should come to the Church rather than

The Forty Hours Devotion is a special forty-hour period of continuous prayer made before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition. Of course, the focus of this devotion is on the Holy Eucharist. The Forty Hours Devotion can be seen almost like a parish miniretreat or mission. While the devotion nurtures the love of the faithful for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, three special dimensions have also surrounded this devotion: the protection from evil and temptation; reparation for our own sins and for the Poor Souls in Purgatory; and deliverance from political, material, or spiritual calamities. Here the faithful implore our Lord to pour forth His abundant graces not only for themselves, but their neighbors, not only for their own personal needs, but for those of the world. Make time to visit and revere the Blessed Sacrament next week.

**Did You Know?** This year's 40 Hours Devotion concludes on the feast day of our patron saint, St. Stanislaus! If you would like to learn more about the life of St. Stanislaus Kostka, check out the link *Who was St. Stanislaus Kostka* on www.ststanislaus.com. Just click on the *About the Parish* tab.

<u>Urgent</u> Need for Substitute Adorers: During this 40 Hours Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, we encourage you to prayerfully consider serving as a substitute adorer for the Saint Katharine Drexel Adoration Chapel. The Chapel opened over 15 years ago at St Stanislaus Parish and has been a source of great blessings and gifts for many people. Contact Sue Gillen: 215.362.8643 or scgwindows@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for considering this important ministry!

#### SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 4 Knights of Columbus Coat Drive Begins! Info on pg. 6!

Monday, November 5

No Community Events Scheduled for the Parish Center

Tuesday, November 6

9:45am Playgroup @ Lobby Rm

7:00pm Hispanic Prayer Group @ Chapel 8:00pm Respect Life Group @ Murray Rm

Wednesday, November 7

2:00pm Charismatic Prayer Meeting @ Chapel

Thursday, November 8

1:30pm Legion of Mary @ Cahill Rm

6:30pm BINGO

7:00pm Bereavement @ Shade Rm

Friday, November 9

No Community Events in the Parish Center

Saturday, November 10: Turn clocks back tonight!

8:30am Confessions @ Church 4:00pm Confessions @ Church



If you would like to remember a loved one in a special way, consider placing flowers at the Blessed Mother or St. Joseph Altar. Call the Parish Center for

pricing and available dates.

#### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated Sundays after the 11am Mass. To ensure that parents and godparents understand the meaning of the sacrament of Baptism, what to expect on the day of Baptism and to reflect on the responsibilities that accompany their roles, we require that all new parents and godparents attend a Baptism preparation



session known as Pre-Jordan. For information about this program and more, please contact the Parish Office or visit our website, www.ststanislaus.com.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married should contact the Church at least 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. No other arrangements should be made until the couple meets with a parish priest and the date and time are reserved. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation program is required in accord with Archdiocesan policy. Further information will be provided at the time of the meeting with a priest.

Annulments: Contact the Parish Center to speak to a priest for more information on the annulment process. Directives of Pope Francis have eased the process of obtaining annulments.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Nov 4, 2018

7:00am Memorial Fund Mass 9:00am Eva and Frank Hrycenko

Requested by Irene and Steve Dobranski

Louis DiLello 11:00am

Requested by his wife, Marquerite

**Monday** 

6:30am Pietro Lopiccolo (1 year anniv)

Requested by Jerry Girard

8:00am Deceased members of the Andrew

Tompko Family

Requested by Walter and Ann Pietrzykoski

<u>Tuesday</u>

6:30am Ted Dennison, Sr.

Requested by Jack Kling

Paolo Accetta 8:00am

Requested by Tony and Raffaela Fusco and

Family

**Wednesday** 

6:30am Kathleen and Robert Kirby

Requested by Carl and Charles Weigle

8:00am Manuel Migliaccio

Requested by his wife, Dottie, and Family

**Thursday** 

6:30am Father's Day Remembrance

Joseph Fornari 8:00am

Requested by Maryanne Fornari Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

**Friday** 6:30am Marco Rossini

Requested by Jerry Girard

Steven Voelker (birthday remembrance) 8:00am

Requested by his mom and dad

St. Leo the Great <u>Saturday</u>

Nick Kost (birthday remembrance) 8:00am

Requested by his daughter and family

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Nov. 11, 2018

7:00am Catherine Tomczak

Requested by Donna and Rebecca Brandolph

9:00am Megan Shock Mitchell

Requested by the Marrone Family

Intentions of Matthew Hendricks 11:00am

Requested by Linda Hendricks



We Remember our Deceased: Our parish family expresses prayerful

condolences to the loved ones of:

Helen Bolacker, Rev. James Melle ("Mel"), and Regina Volpe.

Never forget an envelope again! ( Parish Giving



online to electronically submit parish donations! Go to our webpage, www.ststanislaus.com, and scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click on "Parish Giving."



Please pray for the sick who carry the cross of illness especially: Laura Davis, James DePaul, Bobby DiNenna, Terri Gurecki, Thomas Kelly, Bernadette Kubei, Greg Lipschultz, Anne Loeffler, Pat Lynch, Helen & John McCullagh, Sheryl McGillicuddy, Meghan

Melcher, Stella Molettiere, Kristin O'Connor Zeigler, Jillian Preet, Donald Raymond, Lydia Rey, Antonio Romano, Donald J. Romano, Lawrence A. Romano, Lucille C. Romano, Mary Ann Rota Lewis, John R. Barbara Smiley, Marianne Stockert, Joyce Thomas, Mary Veneziale, and Marilyn Wagner. If you wish to place a family member or friend on the Bulletin list for three weeks, or to continue a name on the list, please call the Parish Center, ext. 107, the Communication Coordinator. If you wish to place a name on our Prayer Line, call the Parish Center or email your request to: sstan@comcast.net

\*\*Please note that the email for the prayer line has changed!



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns this week in memory of Celena Rodriguez Guarna at the request of her mother, Barbara Rodriguez.

The Sanctuary Candle in the Parish Center Chapel burns this week in memory of Ray Mease requested by the family.

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle burn in the Church or Chapel in 2019 in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please come to the Parish Center during operating hours to make arrangements. An offering of \$10 is requested.

#### Treasure Information: Oct 28, 2018

Contributed by 369 envelopes and 4 loose checks (non parishioner).

Weekly Parish Collections:

Oct. 28, 2018: \$12,229 Oct. 29, 2017: \$16,651

**Electronic and Other Contributions:** 

Oct. 28, 2018: \$7,590 Oct. 29, 2017: \$2,584

Parish Building Improvements:

Oct. 28, 2018: \$1,830 Oct. 29, 2017: \$1,861

Major Bills Paid Since October 28, 2018:

Utilities: \$5,328 Payroll and related: \$23,530

Financial Commitment to Mater Dei Catholic

**School** (YTD payments): \$55,000



The Bereavement Ministry of St. Stans and Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parishes: The Bereavement Ministry offers ways that you can deepen your relationship with Christ through serving others. A peer-to-peer ministry, we provide compassionate and caring companionship on the journey of grief. In addition to offering a monthly grief support group, we seek individuals: to pray for the dead and their loved ones as they walk their grief journey; to assist with Masses of Remembrance (greeting attendees, handing out programs); to lend a

compassionate ear to the bereaved (via telephone or in-

person); or assist with other special events. If you

would like to learn more about these opportunities, or

if you are seeking grief support, please contact Jennifer

Breen at 215.896.2720.

"You will not 'get over' the loss of a loved one; you will learn to live with it. You will heal and you will rebuild yourself around the loss you have suffered. You will be whole again but you will never be the same. Nor should you be the same, nor would you want to."

Come join us to talk about your experience of loss at the MMR/St. Stan's Bereavement Support Group **Thursday, November 8, 2018**. There will be a morning session at MMR from 10-11:30am in the Parish Conference room. There will be an evening session at St. Stanislaus from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Center. No registration is necessary, just come if you can. Any questions, call Mary at 215.646.4192.

Upcoming session — December 13: Coping with the Holidays when You Are Grieving

**Breakfast with Santa!** On Sunday, December 2, the Knights of Columbus, Pius IX Council will be holding BREAKFAST WITH SANTA — with seatings at 8:30am and 10:30am. It is an **all you can eat buffet** and includes a **picture with Santa**. Tickets are \$9 each,

and reservations are required by November 26. It will be held at Drexel Hall at St. Maria Goretti Church 1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield, PA 19940. The reserva-



tion form available under the Events section of www.koc4396.org. All Proceeds are used to provide winter coats for children and food baskets for families in the North Penn & Souderton area. Call Linda at 215.361.7650 or email LansdaleBWS@gmail.com if you have questions! We will see you there!



Have you or someone you know registered to become part of our wonderful parish since November last year? If so, we invite you to a **New Friends Brunch** to be held in your honor on Sunday, November 18th after the 9am Mass. Please come enjoy some good food and company. We are so happy you are part of our parish family. Please RSVP to Bonnie and John Henry at 267.449.1584 or email jbhenry16@gmail.com

To all our parish friends: In this month of giving thanks, consider helping our committee by donating your time and talent to this event as we welcome our newest parish family members. Please call Bonnie to volunteer 267.449.1584

—The Welcoming Committee of St. Stanislaus Parish

It's Coming! Wreath Sale! On November 24 and 25, Scout Troop 414 will hold their annual wreath sale! Save some space in your holiday decorating plans for our beautiful 25 inch wreath for \$25. Reservations may be



taken by Thea Davey at thea4177@hotmail.com or 267.222.0413.

## Charismatic Prayer Meetings Resume!

St. Stanislaus Charismatic Prayer Meetings resume on November 7, Wednesday, at 2pm in the Parish Center Chapel. The frequency of the meetings will be determined then. "You, Charismatic Renewal, have received a great gift from

Charismatic Renewal, have received a great gift from the Lord. You were born of the will of the Spirit as a current of grace in the church and for the Church."

— Pope Francis

Saint Katharine Drexel Special Mass on November 18: All are invited to Mass on Sunday, November 18 at 11am at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul to celebrate the installment of the tomb with the sacred remains of St. Katharine Drexel.



Archbishop Chaput will be the principal celebrant. No tickets are needed for this event. Limited parking is available in the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center Parking Lot on a first come, first served basis.



MDCS: 215.368.0995

Email info@materdeicatholic.com Website: www.materdeicatholic.com. Child Care Center: 215.799.2211

Email info: childcare@materdeicatholic.com

Thank you for helping us to spread the word about your parish's Catholic school! Please continue to share with your fellow parishioners, family, friends, and neighbors!

Mater Dei Christmas
Extravaganza, Sunday, Nov.
11, 8:30am until 2pm — St.
Rose of Lima Cafeteria! Mater
Dei's Christmas Extravaganza
holiday craft show & family fun
event is set! With over 50 vendors
selling gifts, crafts, jewelry, & décor, you'll be sure to find some-



thing for everyone on your Christmas list! Concierge Jewelers are purchasing unwanted gems, gold, jewelry, & serving pieces. Even the kids can shop for family and friends in our very own Secret Santa Shoppe. Stop by the Christmas Cafe for home-made breakfast and lunch food items.



Attention all Veterans! Save the Date for the MDCS Veteran's Day Celebration on Friday, November 9, 2018. Parents of current students, please look for a flyer that will be coming home. If you have a picture of a friend or family who is a veteran

for the Wall of Fame, please send it to Mrs. Kehan, 6B. Please do not write on the pictures. Pictures will not be returned.

The Mater Dei Childcare Center, located at St. Maria



Goretti Parish in Hatfield, has immediate part time openings for infants and full time openings for children ranging in age from 1 to 2 years old. Your child is welcome to participate in an amazing program where he or she will learn and develop socially, emotionally, academically, and spiritually in a nurturing environment. Mater Dei Child Care Center is open Monday through Friday from 6:30am to 6pm to accommodate the working parent. If you would like information or would like schedule a visit, please contact us childcare@materdeicatholic.com or 215.799.2211. Space is limited!

Celebration of Thanksgiving: Mater Dei, our parish's regional school, has been named a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. The Blue Ribbon award is the most prestigious national honor available to public and private K-12 schools across the country for their commitment to excellence in education. Mater Dei invites you to celebrate this accomplishment with all of their school families at a: Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday, November 17th at the 5:15

PM Mass at St. Stanislaus Church. All are welcome!

Schedule a Tour at Mater Dei School! All families with preschool to Grade 8 children are welcome to visit Mater Dei. Tours are available and the Advancement Office



can accommodate your schedule. Learn more about giving your child the gift of an exceptional Catholic education from a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School. Contact us today at 215-368-9787 to set up a tour!

Calling all Alum of St. Maria Goretti, St. Rose, and St. Stans: Save the Date for your ALUM BREAKFAST! Join us for break-



fast on Saturday, November 10, at 9am in the Mater Dei Catholic School Gym. Reconnect with classmates and catch up with each other! All are welcome! Reservations of a none of the management of

Mater Dei BINGO: Need a few hours to un-

wind and socialize with



adults? Come play Mater Dei Bingo! Gym doors open at 5pm; games begin at 6:45pm every Thursday. 25 games of Bingo plus specials are offered all night! Admission prices start at \$8 and all proceeds support Mater Dei Catholic School.



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: St. Katharine Drexel Adoration Chapel

"So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

-1 Corinthians 13:13

Immediate Urgent Needs: Sunday 4am, Friday 2am, Saturday 3am

Prayerfully consider signing up to be a substitute adorer - a much needed support of the success of our chapel! Refer a friend or sign up yourself!

All hours of need are available at www.ststanislaus.com under the *Perpetual Adoration* tab. Sign up today!

We are always in need of committed adorers and substitutes. For more information contact Sue Gillen: 215.362.8643 or scgwindows@gmail.com

Attention Seniors! The next Senior Club meeting is Tuesday, November 13 at 1pm in the Parish Center Lobby Room. Enjoy a "Thanksgiving Roasted Turkey Hoagie" with all the fixins. Remember to bring your yellow ticket



with you. Also, please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

**Reminders:** The Senior Club Christmas luncheon is Tuesday, December 4 at 1pm at the William Penn Inn. Bring your menu selection and full payment to the November 13 meeting or drop it off in the Parish Center Senior Club mail slot no later than November 13. Also, November 13 is the last time to pay dues; membership closes after this meeting.

Updates to Senior Club Events: Wait-list only: Sight & Sound, production of *Jesus* & lunch at Fulton's Inn, Lancaster — Wednesday, November 28th, 8:45am departure. Questions about trips? Contact Rosemary Pickersgill at 215.380.5382.

#### Divine Mercy "Minute" — Diary 392

Love does not consist in words or feelings, but in deeds. It is an act of the will; it is a gift; that is to say, a giving. The reason, the will, the heart - these three faculties must be exercised during prayer. — Words of St. Faustina



# Parish Religious Education Program

Coordinator of Religious Education (PREP): Mrs. Leona Russell Office Phone Number: 215.855.9893; Email: ststansprep@yahoo.com

Our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is in process! The students from Mater Dei and St. Stanislaus PREP are sponsoring the food drive, which runs until November 11. Students in Grades Pre-K through 5 are asked to bring



particular food items per the list that was sent home. Grades 6 and above are asked for a monetary contribution toward the purchase of the turkeys and other perishable food items. Gift cards to local grocery stores are also welcome...you can buy them through SCRIP. Students should bring the donations into the school and put them into the collection boxes. Thank you in advance to all who are able to participate in sharing your blessings with others who are in need in our local community.

# Reconsecration to Jesus through

**Mary:** On December 1st we will be having a reunion for all those who participated in 33 Days to Morning Glory.... Marian Consecration. We will meet in the Lobby Meeting



Room in the Parish Center after the 8am mass. Please join us for a short video, fellowship and light refreshments. We will recite the Consecration prayer at the end of the meeting. Please RSVP to Eileen at emckeron@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus Coat Drive! If you have gently used or new children's coats, please consid-



er donating them to the Knights of Columbus Coat Drive! This annual drive collects coats for the children of the Philadelphia area. A bin will be located in the rear of Church (Main Street Entrance) from November 4 until November 11th. Please consider adding a coat for needy children to your Christmas list this year and help the Knights serve the less fortunate in our area.

The Polish American Cultural Center Museum in Historic Philadelphia welcomes everyone on Sunday, November 11 at 12:30pm,



to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania as we celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Poland's regained independence. At this event they will also celebrate Veterans Day and honor all who fought for freedom, peace, and justice around the world. Immediately following the 12:30pm Mass there will be a Tribute to Poland and Polonia in America. For more information call the Polish American Cultural Center Museum, Monday through Friday between 10am and 4pm at 215.922.1700, or email:

Michael@PolishAmericanCenter.com.

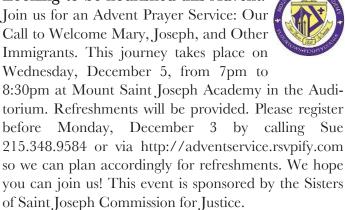
First Thursday Breakfast Club: The Breakfast Club is held on designated first Thursdays of the year at Saint Maria Goretti Parish and provides a way for



people to gather together in friendship following their time spent together in worship and prayer. Coffee, tea, juice, and nutritious breakfast refreshments are served along with lots of laughter and conversation. There is no cost to participate and no registration is required. Non-parishioners are always welcome. Find us in the Saint Maria Goretti Church Narthex, following the 8:30am Mass. *The Club is automatically cancelled when a funeral is scheduled for the same morning. Questions? Call* 215.721.0199 (ext. 202).

Visitation B. V. M's Annual Christmas Bazaar: Please visit Visitation B.V.M School 190 N. Trooper Road in Norristown for our Annual Christmas Bazaar. Friday, November 16 from 6:30pm to 10pm and Saturday, November 17 form 9am - 5pm. Over 25 Vendors and crafters will be there, FREE Cash Raffle, Festival of Trees, Basket Raffle, Food, Bake Sale, Santa Photos and games for all ages. Like us at:www.facebook.com/visibazaar

Looking to be nourished this Advent?



Dare to Prepare Advent Retreat for **Teen Girls:** St. Agnes Church in 🕊 Sellersville is hosting a "Dare to Prepare" Advent Retreat for Teen Girls ages 12+ on Saturday, December 15, from 9am to 4pm in the Church hall. Sponsored by Young Women of Grace, this day-long event features Mass, social time, games, and special Christmas craft, presentations by author Susan Brinkmann, OCDS, and more! This day includes a light breakfast, pizza for lunch, and lots of homemade Christmas cookies & treats! Cost is just \$30 girl. Visit t h e Events at www.womenograce.com for more information.

Memorial Mass for Parents of Deceased Children: In recognition of November being the Month of the Holy Souls and in anticipation of the holiday season, St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Schwenksville, will host a special



Mass in memory of deceased children, pre-born to adult. This liturgy will take place on Wednesday, November 14 at 7pm. All loved ones who have lost a child are invited to be part of this Memorial Mass. Anyone who plans to attend is asked to respond to Shawn Marie Brown, Director of Parish Services by Monday, Nov. 12 at dps@steresacalcutta.com or call 610.287.2525 ext. 100 with the name of the deceased child (if named) and the number of family members attending. A light reception will follow the Mass, RSVP required.

## Brothers of Charity: Seeking Help

The Brothers of Charity are seeking a part-time assistant to work in their home for adults with intellectual disabilities. If you are interested, please contact Brother John at 215.887.6361.

"Christmas Show" at the American Music Theatre: Thursday, November 15. Includes lunch at the Shady Maple Restaurant. The cost is \$98 and is being managed by St. Rose of Lima Parish. Please call Helen DieBold with questions or to make reservations at 215.699.9478.

Philadelphia Catholic Mamas Group - open to all mothers in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia of all backgrounds and ages who seek fellowship and community with one another through weekly prayer meetups, monthly city-based activities, pro-life ministry, and retreats. For more information about upcoming events check out or e-mail Gosia Sanchez at philadelphiacatholicmamas@gmail.com

#### THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### MINISTERIO HISPANO El vigésimo primer domingo en tiempo ordinario: 4 de noviembre de 2018

Continuamos con la homilía del Arzobispo Gómez desde la conclusión del V Encuentro.

"Es interesante, ¿no creen? Jesús les está enseñando, pero los apóstoles todavía no "captan" lo que él les dice. Empiezan, en cambio, a discutir sobre sus propios privilegios, peleando por ver quién de ellos era el más grande. Esa escena del Evangelio de hoy puede ser el primer comienzo del clericalismo en la Iglesia. Sabemos que eso no es lo que Jesús quiere. En la segunda lectura, Santiago dice que no hay espacio en la Iglesia —ni en el corazón de ningún cristiano— para los "celos y la ambición egoísta".

Hermanos y hermanas, ustedes están siendo llamados a llevar la delantera, pero no para satisfacer un deseo de poder. Ustedes están llamados a ser líderes por su santidad. La verdadera unidad en la Iglesia sólo se producirá si cada uno de nosotros, clérigos y laicos, nos esforzamos por ser santos, como Dios es santo. La santidad implica abnegación y sacrificio por Jesús y por el Evangelio. La santidad consiste renunciar a nuestros propios deseos para seguir a Jesús y para hacer la voluntad de Dios. La santidad es un amor que viene a servir, como Jesús vino a servir.

Nuestro Señor nos dice hoy: "Si alguno quiere ser el primero, que sea el último de todos y el servidor de todos".

Como sabemos, dentro de unas pocas semanas vamos a tener un nuevo santo del continente americano, ¡un nuevo santo latino! El Papa Francisco canonizará al Beato Óscar Romero, el santo obispo de San Salvador. No mucho antes de su martirio, Monseñor Romero dijo en una sus homilías: "Hermanas y hermanos, pregúntense a sí mismos: ¿Dónde está la plena realización de mi vida? ¿Dónde me quiere el Señor? Todos tenemos una vocación. Todos tenemos un lugar en la historia. Busquemos nuestra felicidad buscando siempre lo que Dios desea de nosotros."

Pax et Bonum+Paz y Todo lo Bueno, Padre Carlos



Adoremos al Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento! Capilla de Santa Catarina Drexel Abierta 24 horas por Día

Sanación posterior al aborto: Si usted o alguien que usted conoce está sufriendo después de un aborto, ayuda que no juzga confidencial está disponible: Tema Serie del Proyecto Raquel nacional gratuito artículo: 888.456.HOPE (4673) o visite HopeAfterAbortion.org. Los hispanohablantes pueden visitar www.esperanzaposaborto.org

¡Únete a nosotros! ¡El grupo de oración hispana se reúne los martes a las 7 pm!



# Oración de San Miguel

San Miguel Arcángel, defiéndenos en la batalla.

Sé nuestro amparo

contra las perversidad y asechanzas del demonio.

Reprímale Dios, pedimos suplicantes,

y tu príncipe de la milicia celestial

arroja al infierno con el divino poder

a Satanás y a los otros espíritus malignos

que andan dispersos por el mundo

para la perdición de las almas.

Amén.

#### **LOS SACRAMENTOS**

<u>Bautismos</u> – Se celebran los bautismos durante la misa del segundo y cuarto Domingo del mes. Clases bautismales serán el primer Domingo de cada mes después de la misa. <u>La próxima clase bautismal será el 1 de julio después de la misa</u>. Contactos Diácono Juan, 727.247.7391 o juan\_valentin2@aol.com.

El Sacramento de Reconciliación - se ofrece los sábados a las 8am y 4pm y los domingos, 12:30 - 12:50pm

<u>El Matrimonio</u> – Hable con Padre Charles más que 6 meses antes de la fecha anticipada. Un clase de preparación - "Pre -Cana" es un requisito antes de casarse. El Instituto Católico Móvil ofrece el taller "Pre-Cana" 3 veces durante el año en la Parroquia de San Martin de Tours, Roosevelt Blvd. & Cheltenham Ave., Filadelfia. Para inscribirse o informarse 215. 667.2820/2824 o bherrera@archphila.org o hispcath@archphila.org.

<u>Clases en preparación para los sacramentos</u> – Las personas que necesitan preparación para recibir cualquier sacramento y que tienen dificultad con el idioma inglés, pueden recibir su preparación para los sacramentos en español. Tienen que comunicarse con el Diacono Juan Valentín, para empezar en Septiembre, 2018 (adultos y jóvenes). Solicite su planilla de registro por Diácono Juan, 727. 247.7391 o juan\_valentin2@aol.com

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#### ACTIVIDADES Y FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

<u>Catecismo para Niños</u> Todos los niños que son estudiantes en la escuela pública y no han recibido el sacramento de Confirmación necesitan registrarse en el programa de educación religiosa para continuar su formación en la fe católica. Cada parroquia ofrece un programa de educación religiosa continua desde el primer nivel hasta el octavo. Cada año, cada estudiante necesita registrarse otra vez para la próxima clase. Para más información o ayuda con el registro, favor contactar a la directora de educación religiosa de San Estanislao, Sra. Leona Russell, a 215.855.9893 o ststansprep@yahoo.com. *Registren ahora para prepararse por las clases que empezarán en Septiembre.* 

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# ¿Cómo le devolveré al Señor todo el bien que me ha hecho? (Sal. 116:2)

Las cifras no estaban disponibles en el momento de la publicación. La información para el 28 de octubre se publicará en el Boletín del 11 de noviembre.

Contactos Padre Carlos 215.855.3133 ext. 111 al Centro Parroquial de San Estanislao. Contactos Diácono Juan, 727.247.7391 o juan\_valentin2@aol.com.