

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



EASTON ROAD & FAIRHILL AVENUE ❖ GLENSIDE, PENNSYLVANIA

FEBRUARY 5, 2012

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish family of St. Luke the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church, respecting our tradition, affirming our strong family ties, and valuing our diverse community, are called by Baptism to commit ourselves to:

- *Give glory to God by liturgy which unites and strengthens the community of faith;*
- *Build a church community that welcomes all, encouraging each home to be a domestic church;*
- *Listen to the Gospel of Jesus, live it in our daily lives, and share it with one another; and*
- *Serve others as Jesus did, especially the poor and those in need.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM

Daily: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 6:30 AM

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:30 AM

Holy Day: varies; Holiday: varies

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 7:30 - 8:00 PM

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

He cured many who were sick with various diseases.

Mark 1:34

What in our community needs healing?

**How are we being called
to promote such healing?**

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

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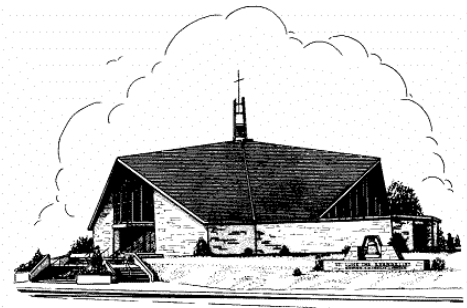
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ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH, GLENSIDE, PENNSYLVANIA

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 5, 2012

MASS INFORMATION FOR WEEK

Sunday, February 5 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Job 7:1-4,6-7; Psalm 147:1-6; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23;
Mark 1:29-39*

Monday, February 6 – Saint Paul Miki and companions, martyrs

1 Kings 8:1-7,9-13; Psalm 132:6-10; Mark 6:53-56
6:30 am Skip Meakim

Tuesday, February 7 – Weekday

1 Kings 8:22-23,27-30; Psalm 84:3-5,10-11; Mark 7:1-13
8:30 am John & Martin Sweeney

Wednesday, February 8 – Weekday / Saint Jerome Emiliani / Saint Josephine Bakhita, virgin

1 Kings 10:1-10; Psalm 37:5-6,30-31,39-40; Mark 7:14-23
6:30 am Charles Guthapfel

Thursday, February 9 – Weekday

1 Kings 11:4-13; Psalm 106:3-4,35-37,40; Mark 7:24-30
8:30 am Frank Lamina

Friday, February 10 – Saint Scholastica, virgin

1 Kings 11:29-32;12:19; Psalm 81:10-15; Mark 7:31-37
6:30 am Maria Sinisi

Saturday, February 11 – Weekday / Our Lady of Lourdes

*1 Kings 12:26-32;13:33-34; Psalm 106:6-7,19-22;
Mark 8:1-10*
8:30 am Morgan Donahue

Sunday, February 12 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46; Psalm 32:1-2,5,11;
1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45*

The Pro-Life Rose,
placed before the statue of Mary,
is in loving memory of
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gardner.

The St. Vincent de Paul Carnations,
placed before the statue of St. Joseph,
are in loving memory of
Catherine Fadden
donated by the Simonson Family.

CATECHIST & AIDES ARE NEEDED

We need a catechist for our PREP 5th grade. The class meets from 4:15 to 5:30 pm on Mondays. There is also a need for aides, primarily in the afternoon. For more information, please contact Deacon Tom Croke or Patty McFadden at prep@stlukerc.org or 215-884-2080.

THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE

Sunday, February 5 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Eucharistic Ministry at Abington Hospital
9:30 am Baptisms / CYO Mass

Monday, February 6

4:15 pm PREP
7:00 pm Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Rectory
7:15 pm PREP
7:30 pm RCIA, Rectory

Tuesday, February 7

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:30 am Over 50's Club, FFH
7:30 pm Boy Scouts, FFH

Wednesday, February 8

4:30 pm Tutoring, Lyons Den
6:45 pm Calix Holy Hour and Meeting, Chapel House
7:00 pm Music Ministry, MMR
7:00 pm Cub Scouts, FFH

Thursday, February 9

6:30 pm Camp Fire, FFH
7:30 pm Choir, MMR

Friday, February 10

10:00 am Hearts and Hands Quilters, FFH
7:00 pm Pinewood Derby Weigh-In, Gym
7:30 pm CYO dance, FFH

Saturday, February 11

9:00 am Pinewood Derby, FFH
Camp Fire Over Night, FFH

Sunday, February 12 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word
1:00 pm Baptisms

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 22 Ash Wednesday
February 24 Penny Party
February 26 Scout Sunday
February 29 Dinner to Benefit Sister Parish in Haiti
March 3 – 25 Parish Visitation
March 4 Spaghetti Supper
March 18 Michael Kaminski Concert
March 24 & 25 MMOC Art Show and Sale
March 27 Bereavement Support Group for Family
& Friends begins
April 8 Easter
April 24 Confirmation at St. Luke
May 17 Ascension
October 6 & 7 David Appalachian Craft Sale

**MAN UP PHILLY
MEN'S SPIRITUALITY
CONFERENCE
Saturday, March 3**

The annual Men's Spirituality conference will be held at Archbishop Ryan High School, 11201 Academy Rd., Philadelphia 19154.

Keynote speakers for this year's conference include: Immaculee Ilibagiza, Survivor of the Rwandan Genocide and author of *Left to Tell*, Tim Staples, Convert and Catholic Apologist of Catholic Answers, Deacon Harold Burkesivers, Catholic Evangelist and Host of EWTN Series: *Behold the Man: Spirituality for Men*, and Rev. J Brian Bransfield, Associate General Secretary, Secretariat of Evangelization and Catechesis of the United State Conference of Catholic Bishops and author of *The Human Person According to John Paul II*.

Tickets are \$35 and lunch is included. Doors open at 7:45 am. Day concludes with Mass at 2:30 pm.

For registration information go to <http://manupphilly.com> or contact the Family Life Office at 215-587-5639

WEB SITE OF THE WEEK

Explore religious vocations at www.vocationnetwork.org & www.ForYourVocation.org

A VOCATION VIEW

If you live in me and my words stay part of you, you may ask what you will and it will be done for you. Pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life. (John 15:1-8)

February 5, 2012

Dear Parishioners,

In recent years the first Sunday of February has been designated as World Day for Consecrated Life. In light of the declining numbers of consecrated Religious in our country and in the world, this is an opportunity to focus on the gift of Consecrated Life to the individuals and to the Church and world. It is a time to pray for consecrated Religious and to pray for an increase in vocations to the Consecrated Life today. As an Archdiocese we have been very blessed with a variety of Religious communities of men and women who have built up the Church in the past and continue many ministries today. I would like to acknowledge many of them this weekend.

Let me begin with the monastic men and women who are a source of great prayer for all of us—the Pink Sister on Green Street, the Carmel on North Broad Street, the Visitation Monastery on City Line Ave. and the Poor Clares in Langhorne. We are also blessed with the Abbey of the Norbertine Fathers and Brothers in Paoli. Then there are the more popular and numerous communities of men and women who have built our educational, health care, and social ministries. The men's Orders include the Jesuits, the Augustinians, the Vincentians, the Redemptorists and the Christian Brothers. The women's Orders include our wonderful Sisters of St. Joseph, the Religious Sisters of Mercy, the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the Franciscans and the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Smaller communities of men include our Brothers of Charity of Triest Hall, the Piarist Fathers of Devon Prep, the Holy Ghost Fathers of Holy Ghost Prep, the Capuchin Franciscans, the Mercedarians, the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales. Smaller communities of women include the Handmaids of Sacred Heart of Jesus of Ancillae Academy, the Sisters of St. Basil of St. Basil's Academy and Manor College, the Little Sisters of the Poor, the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus, the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer, the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart, Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity and St Katharine Drexel's Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament.

I know I've overlooked other Religious communities that are a part of our lives, our Archdiocese and our worldwide Church. There are thousands of men and women who have given their lives in consecration to Jesus Christ and the building of the Kingdom of God. Pray for all these religious—those you know and those you don't. Pray for those who have touched your life—living or deceased. Be aware of those present in our parish—and let's not take them for granted. Pray that God grants young men and women the faith and courage to respond to a call to the Consecrated Life.

Be assured of my continued prayers for all of you. Continue to pray for our Archdiocese and our Parish as we continue to address the many issues and challenges we confront at this time.

St. Luke, pray for us.

Father Joe Brandt



The Presentation at the Temple
WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED PERSONS

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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SCHEDULING BAPTISMS

Out of respect for the season, no baptisms (nor weddings) are held at St. Luke Church during Lent, which begins on **February 22**.

If you wish to schedule a baptism, please call the rectory during office hours. New parents must first attend a pre-baptism class held here once a month usually on the fourth Thursday of the month.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection **this weekend** for the **Care of the Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese**. Thank you for your anticipated generosity.

CARDINAL BEVILACQUA'S FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Following a private viewing at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Archbishop Charles Chaput will receive the body at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul on **Monday, Feb. 6** at approximately 5:30 pm. A public viewing will take place at the Cathedral Basilica from 5:30 pm until 9 pm. There will also be a public viewing on **Tuesday, Feb. 7** from 8 am to 1 pm.

The Solemn Funeral Mass for Cardinal Bevilacqua will begin at 2 pm followed by the Rite of Committal in the Cathedral Crypt (located below the main altar). The funeral Mass celebrant will be Archbishop Chaput and the homilist will be Msgr. Louis D'Addezio.

SODALITY AND MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA DEVOTIONS

Sodality Devotions are held on **Tuesdays**, after the 8:30 Mass each week. The Miraculous Medal Novena prayers and Our Lady of Good Remedy Novena prayers are recited. Please plan to stay after Mass and spend a few minutes honoring Our Blessed Mother.



A brief note from Fr. Guy, pastor of our sister parish in Haiti, (dated 1/29):

Since 6 days we are preparing our patronal feast with a novena. The feast will be on February 2. Everyday the Church is crowded, we pray for our benefactors in St Luke.

BRING YOUR OLD PALM

Baskets have been placed at the Church doors to bring your old palm to be burned for this year's ashes.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Hosted by Fr. V. Kocherry C.Ss.R., Asst. Pastor, St. Peter the Apostle Church & the National Shrine of St. John Neumann

10 Days: **October 8 - 17, 2012**

Walk where Jesus walked: Galilee, Nazareth, Mt. of Olives, Old City of Jerusalem, Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre - visit Bethlehem and more. Only \$2,699 per person including roundtrip air from Philadelphia, first class hotels, breakfast & dinner daily.

Call Fr. Kocherry: 215-627-3319 or vkocherry@hotmail.com or 1019 N 5th St., Philadelphia, PA, 19123.

NOVENA OF PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE FOR HEALING

Corpus Christi Parish in Lansdale will have its Annual Nine Week Novena of Prayer for Healing to St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients, **every Wednesday evening** in the chapel from **February 29 through April 25**. The Novena will immediately follow Benediction which will begin at 6:30 pm. There is also Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday, 8:30 am. to 6:30 pm. On Wednesday, April 25, the last night of the Novena, there will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick at 7:30 pm. in the Church. The Main Celebrant will be Father Pio Mandato. For more info call 215-855-1311.

The **Poor Boxes** have been removed but the need continues. Envelopes for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are located on the tables in church.

STUDENTS & DIGITAL SPEECH: *What You Don't Know Will Hurt You*

Students at Saint Luke School in grades three through eight attended a presentation on February 1 concerning "Students and Digital Speech." Presented by Deborah McCoy (Educational Development Services, LLC), the workshop served to



emphasize to our children (particularly older students) the importance of responsible use of digital resources and electronic speech in social networking.

For many young people, the Internet is a tool for social communication. However, kids and teens are increasingly using the Internet to deliver cruel and harmful messages and photographs, and cross the legal boundaries of speech. Ms. McCoy covered many topics, including how colleges, universities and employers are making decisions about students based on information found electronically, and schools' roles and responsibilities in the prevention and intervention for acts of cyberbullying both on and off-site.

CHANGE IN BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS

All employees and volunteers who have regular contact with children must submit the Arrest/Conviction Report and Certification Form which certifies whether or not they have ever been arrested for or convicted of any of the disqualifying offenses that are listed in the Public School Code as amended by the Omnibus School Code - Act 2011-24.

Some of these offenses are listed on the Arrest/Conviction Report and Certification Form and others are listed in The Controlled Substances, Drugs, Device, and Cosmetic Act.

All volunteers must complete this form and turn into the rectory by February 22, 2012 (Ash Wednesday).

The Arrest/Conviction Form is available on www.stlukerc.org/safe_environment.htm and at the rectory. You can read the 32 page "The Controlled Substances, Drugs, Device, and Cosmetic Act" on our website or in the Pennsylvania state website.

HAITI BENEFIT DINNER

Wednesday, February 29

The teacher and students at the Eastern Center for Arts and Technology are again joining in our effort to raise money for our sister parish in Haiti. The young people in the culinary arts program will prepare a meal for this Benefit Dinner.

The Buffet Dinner will start at 6 pm at the Center Dining Room at 3075 Terwood Rd., Willow Grove) on **Wednesday, February 29**. The price is \$15. Reserve your place and pay at the rectory.

Seating is limited to 70 people. Get your tickets soon! We hope to raise \$700 for our sister parish!

SHOP WITH SCRIP

Order forms and vendor lists are on tables in Church. Anyone may sign up online at shopwithscrip.com.

**Use Enrollment Code:
2CCL38B83434.**

You can now purchase Food certificates (scrip) for grocery stores after Masses, in the rectory, and online at shopwithscrip.com

OVER 50'S CLUB

The Over 50's Club's next meeting will be on Tuesday, **February 7**, at 11:30 am. The meeting is held in Father Fitzpatrick Hall and we will have our usual luncheon. We invite newcomers to join our group.

RCIA:

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This is a process by which adults prepare for and are initiated into the Catholic Church.

As part of the process there are meetings with those on the spiritual journey to **become Catholics** and those who journey with them as sponsors and RCIA team members. We also prepare adults to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Contact Jeanne Kyle, stlukerc@aol.com or 215-572-0128, for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need some assistance with our upcoming Parish Visitation project. Call Jeanne Kyle at the rectory, 215-572-0128, for details.

THANKS TO YOU

St. Joseph Villa, Flourtown, welcomed nine new volunteers during December, and three more in the first half of January.

Currently we are looking for retired nurses/aides whose skills could assist and enrich our Sisters' and residents' dining experience. Volunteers may choose any of the following times:

8 am - 10 am

11:30 am - 2 pm

4:45 pm - 5:45 pm

If interested, please contact Sister Frances Hart at 215-248-7844 or franceshartssj@yahoo.com.

St. Luke School's Technology Program is continuing to collect **used cell phones and spent ink cartridges** for recycling. Collection boxes are located on the side tables in the rear of the church.

PACK-A-THON

Arcadia University Community Service would like to invite the community in fundraising for our Pack-A-Thon on **Sunday, February 12**. As a fundraiser we ask that you raise a minimum of \$25 and then join us at our Pack-A-Thon, located in our dome, to pack the meals you have raised money for. The packing process is an assembly combining nutritious foods and vitamins into small meal packets. The Pack-A-Thon is run through Stop Hunger Now, www.stophungernow.org. Each meal cost 25 cents and all the food goes to crisis situations and nutrition programs for schools and orphanages in developing countries around the world. If you are interested in the event or have any questions please visit www.arcadia.edu/communityservice or contact us at communityservice@arcadia.edu or 215-572-4000. Arcadia University, 450 S Easton Road, Glenside, PA 19038

ST. LUKE'S SCHOOL ANNUAL PENNY PARTY



Friday, February 24, 2012

Snow date Saturday, February 25, 2012

Father Fitzpatrick Hall

Easton Road and Fairhill Avenue

Doors open at 6:30 pm; play begins at 7:30 pm

Players must be 18 years of age or older

\$3,000 GRAND PRIZE

Ticket Price

\$10.00

\$15.00 at the door

Proceeds benefit Saint Luke School Music Program

For Tickets Contact: Judi McMichael

At 215-884-8323 or jerck320@comcast.net

To make a tax-deductible donation send to:

St. Luke School 2336 Fairhill Ave. Glenside, PA 19038

c/o St. Luke Home and School

ANNUAL MASS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Saturday, March 10, 2012

The Annual Archdiocesan Celebration Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is scheduled for Saturday, March 10, 2012 at 11:00 am at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., will be the principal celebrant and homilist.

There will be a light reception immediately following. All are Welcome. We greatly encourage parish participation: from parish groups and individuals, to volunteer in assisting with all aspects of the Mass and reception.

To RSVP (by Friday, **February 24**, 2012) and for more information contact the Department for Pastoral Care for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Apostolate at 215-587-3530 (voice), 267-507-1215 (VP), email: jlavende@adphila.org or www.archphila.org

*Keep our sister parish,
Notre Dame de la Presentation in Los-palis, Haiti,
in your prayers.*

SUMMER STOCK NEWS

Re-registration for the 2012 Summer Stock production will begin **February 12 through February 27 for the main show.**

Junior and new member registration information will follow.

We are looking for new board members! If you're interested in becoming a board member or you have any questions, please contact Marcie Fiorella at slsummerstock@verizon.net. All members of Summer Stock must be registered members of the parish.

YOUTH GROUP EVENT

Sunday, February 19, 5:00 pm
Father Fitzpatrick Hall

Come out for some fun. Participate in Scooter Basketball, pizza, games and a prayer service.

All Youth Group events are open to high school and college age students of the parish and their friends.

Come ready to compete and eat! Bring a friend.

BOOK RECOMMENDATION

The Peace and Justice Committee recommends the book: *Create Dangerously: The Immigrant Artist at Work* by Edwidge Danticat. This is a collection of essays by the Haitian-American writer and MacArthur Genius Grant winner that reflects on art and exile, exploring what it means to be an immigrant artist from a country in crisis - Haiti. Dave Eggers wrote that this book was "the most powerful book I've read in years...A call to arms for all immigrants, all artists, all those who choose to bear witness, and all those who choose to listen." We will have book discussion sessions the last week of March. This book is also the *One Book, One Philadelphia* selection for 2012. Visit <http://libwww.freelibrary.org/onebook/obop12> for related events and resources.

ST. LUKE'S 73RD ANNUAL SPAGHETTI SUPPER

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

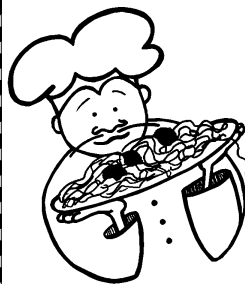
3:00 to 7:00pm

FR. FITZPATRICK HALL

(Take out limited from 2:00 to 4:30pm)

All the spaghetti, salad and Italian bread you can eat, plus two meatballs, a soft drink, and homemade dessert. Our cash bar will offer wine and beer.

In addition to the very talented Joe McHugh on keyboard, some of his most excellent students will entertain us.



Cost is: \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for kids 12 and under, and toddlers under 3 are free. Tickets will be on sale in the back of Church after Mass or at the Rectory during the week, with a limited amount available at the door.

Volunteers are needed to help with setup, decorations, waitressing, bussing tables, and food preparation. There will be sign-up sheets in the back of Church for anyone who would like to help.

Donations for the dessert table can be dropped off in the Hall on March 4 at any time. If you plan to bake for the Supper, please sign up on the sheets in the back of Church, so we know whether we have to buy desserts.

Donations for the Basket of Cheer can be dropped off (before March 1, please) at the Rectory during office hours (9am - 3pm, Monday and Friday; 9am - 8pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday).

For more information, please contact Jim Vasta, 267-241-6050, Clara Duffy, 215-885,1681, or the Rectory, 215-572-0128.

WALK FOR WATER—WALK FOR LIFE

The International observance of World Water Day is an initiative that grew out of the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. It is a targeted date to heighten awareness of water issues around the globe.

The 2012 WWD theme is Water and Food Security. Its aim is to create awareness of the amount of water needed to produce food. The UN and its member nations devote this day to implement UN recommendations and prompt concrete activities regarding the world's water resources.

The local walk is the 5K Walk/Run-a-Thon sponsored by Keiyo Soy Ministries on Saturday, March 24. Registration at 7:30-8:45 am, Walk/Run begins at 9 am. Starts near the Philadelphia Museum of Art and continues on Martin Luther King Drive. www.ksministries.com

The Pontifical Council for Healthcare Workers presents: **A Conference for Healthcare Workers and Medical Professionals Saturday, February 11**, World Day for the Sick, to be held at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, 100 East Wynnewood Road Wynnewood, PA 19096. Admittance to the Conference is free of charge. Lunch may be purchased at the Seminary cafeteria the day of the Conference for \$5.00. To register, please call Ms. Connie Scharff at 215-587-0504 or email cscharff@adphila.org.

ANCHOR LIBRARY

The library is now open for borrowing. If you attend meetings in the Lyons Den you can borrow and return books there. But since the Lyons Den is locked most of the time, you can request a book (books) by calling Ginny Christiansen at 215-233-4929. Books can be picked up at the rectory office and returned there. You can also return books to the box marked for ANCHOR books in our Spiritual Library located off the Easton Road vestibule in church. New borrowers should fill in a Registration Card—found in the library or through Ginny.

All who have borrowed ANCHOR books from the Cecilian Center or St. Luke's and did not return them while the library was "closed" please return them as soon as possible so the inventory can be updated.

Look for the catalogue of books soon on our website.

The Parish Photo Directory can be picked up at the rectory during regular office hours. All who had their photograph taken for the directory are entitled to a copy.

Use the bins in our parking lot for paper recycling. No cardboard, please

Jesus Heals from Generation to Generation, Presentation by Sr. Judith Piszyk, OSBM. Saturday, **February 18**, 2012, 2 pm - 5 pm. "Ancestral Healing," "Healing the Family Tree," "Intergenerational Healing." These are all a part of the total healing that Jesus desires for each of us. This is only one step on the spiritual journey. Experience with others spiritual growth and healing. This comes with other essentials: ongoing conversion, repentance, prayer life, forgiveness, community, discerning, obeying God's will and more. Please **register by February 10**. Donation: \$25 per person. Send to: Sr. Marina, OSBM. Basilian Spirituality Center. 710 Fox Chase Road Fox Chase Manor, PA 19046, 215-780-1227.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE

St. John's feeds a large number of homeless people each day. They are extremely thankful for the generous support that they receive from St. Luke's each month. Easy casserole recipes are located at the rear of the church and on our web-site (<http://www.stlukerc.org/casseroles.htm>). Pans are located in church.

Please bring frozen casseroles to 213 Cliveden Ave. prior to 9 am on our Donation Days, the third Monday of each month. For more information call Mary Fran McNamara, 215-886-9649.

The next Donation Day is Monday, February 20.

HOSPITALITY

Your organization can host hospitality after Masses. It is a great way to build the parish community and to introduce parishioners to your organization.

Call Jeanne or Tina at the rectory, 215-572-0128, to reserve your time(s) and for further information.

OVER 50'S CLUB TRIP

There will be a bus trip to the Rainbow Dinner Theater, Lancaster, PA, with the Over 50's Club on Thursday, **February 16**. Contact Don Lott, 215-886-4122 for more information.

LEARN ITALIAN

AT ROMAN CATHOLIC HS

RCCHS will host a 10 week course called "Come and Speak Italian With Us" from 7 pm to 8:30 pm on **Tuesday nights from March 6 through May 8**. The course will feature lessons on the Italian language and culture. The cost is \$125. Class is forming now. The registration form is available in the main office of the school at 301 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, or online at www.RomanCatholicHS.com. For more information, contact Joe Farinella at 215-627-1270 ext. 287 or jfarinella@RomanCatholicHS.com.

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS:

Join hundreds of other teens from across the Archdiocese for Teen Convocation 2012: "Source and Summit." This event will be held on **Sunday, March 11, 2012** at Archbishop Carroll High School from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm. Keynote Presenter Father Augustino Torres, CFR will speak on the powerful presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Music will be provided by Mark Griswold and Mass will be celebrated by Bishop John J. McIntyre.

The cost for the day is \$20 per person. Registration materials are available at www.archphila.org/catechetical or call 215-587-3760.

2012 CHURCH CALENDARS

Church calendars, courtesy of William R. May Funeral Home, are available in the back of Church. Pick one up for a handy reference for fasts and feasts, parish phone numbers, and Mass times.

Come & See Retreat - will be held on **February 10-12**. It is for men ages 16-40 at Saint Charles Seminary. The free retreat is a great chance for men discerning a call to priesthood who would like to learn more about seminary life. Begins at 4 pm, Friday, and concludes at noon on Sunday. Contact the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778. ■

For Pete's Sake Cancer Respite Foundation's 12th Annual Beach Ball Gala & Heroes Reception. **Saturday, February 11**, from 6:30 pm – 12:30 am at the Crystal Tea Room, Downtown Philadelphia. Tickets start at \$125. Help adult cancer patients and their loved ones take a much needed break from cancer to refresh, relax and rejuvenate! For more info contact 267-708-0510.

www.takeabreakfromcancer.org. ■

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive. Donations of usable men's, women's, and children's clothing, small household goods, books and shoes will be accepted at **St. Hilary of Poitiers**, 820 Susquehanna Rd., Rydal, on **Sat., Feb. 18**. Both from 9 am to 2 pm. ■

Something important is coming to Nativity of Our Lord Parish, Warminster, PA; something you may very well find quite rich and rewarding like so many others. It is good news for a change. Generally it is true that "no news is good news." We are accustomed to that. The more disastrous, the more sensational, the better it sells.

But this is different! It is all good news because it is from God. It emanates from our origins and terminates in our destiny. In other words it is from your Creator, your Redeemer and your Sanctifier, the Holy Trinity itself, your origin and your destiny - the very reason why you exist. There are some surprising things to learn about the three persons in the Trinity, and among present day spiritual teachers and writers, they are coming to us in a new light and with fresh inspiration. We were taught in the past that this was a mystery and therefore could not be understood, so don't try! But it can be understood and in ways that may be surprisingly relevant to our lives. Come and listen and see if you agree. Come to the **Lenten Parish Mission Nativity of Our Lord - Street & York Road, Warminster. March 11, 12 and 13 at 7 pm**. Any questions, call 215-675-1925. ■

Free obsolete **electronic collection event** to be hosted at the Abington Public Works on **February 25**, from 9 am to 1 pm at the Abington Public Works Facility located at 2201 Florey Lane in Abington. "Anything with a plug" will be accepted and responsibly recycled including vacuum cleaners, small appliances, computers and printers. For Abington residents. ■

Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Married couples need to be more together today than ever before. Ready for a weekend experience with each other? The next Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **March 16-18, 2012**. For information or to apply call 1-800-456-8330. ♦

MOM - Heart of the Home, 18th Annual **Spring Day of Renewal**, **March 17**, 9 am - 3:30 pm, at Bishop Shanahan HS.

Morning Speaker - Michelle Franci-Donnay. Afternoon speaker - Carolyn Roland.

For more information, visit www.mom-heartofthehome.org/events.html or call Mary Cooper at 610-524-1108. ■

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend will help you experience the mercy and compassion of God; grieve your loss; and forgive yourself and others. **Retreat date: March 23, 24, & 25** at the Spirituality Center in Frazer, PA. Call 215-906-6337 or 610-399-0890. All contacts are confidential. National website: www.rachelsvineyard.org. ■

Mount Saint Joseph Academy, 120 West Wissahickon Ave., Flourtown, PA, is offering a practice entrance examination to seventh-grade girls on **Saturday, March 31**, 8 to 11:30 am. The Pre-HSPT (high school placement test) is a seventh grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants. It is scored with seventh grade norms. The purpose of the test is for students to become acquainted with the test format and to gain insight into strengths and weaknesses. Fee: \$45 non-refundable test registration fee payable online. Register: Online only at www.msjacad.org. Registration ends on March 26. You will receive registration and payment confirmation via email. More information is available online. ■

The **Knights of Columbus** are offering a **Disney World** package, on select dates, in **March & April**, 2012. Cost from \$720 per person, plus tax, for a family of 4, with kids under 17 in one room. Packages are 4 days/3 nights or 5 days/4 nights. Includes round trip non-stop air between Philadelphia and Orlando, Disney Magical Express, Disney Resort Hotel and Disney Park Hopper Pass. For a personal Disney package quote call 610-566-1080. Space is limited. Open to the public. ■



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RESPECT LIFE PRAYER:

For nurses and caregivers to family members: that the Lord will increase their patience, gentleness, and strength to continue witnessing to the dignity of each person in their care.

RESPECT LIFE THOUGHT:

No society, however developed it may be, can do without fraternal service inspired by love. “Whoever wants to eliminate love is preparing to eliminate man as such. There will always be suffering which cries out for consolation and help. There will always be loneliness. There will always be situations of material need where help in the form of concrete love of neighbor is



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Bold indicates a recent addition.

indispensable” (*Deus Caritas Est*, 28). It is love which soothes hearts that are hurt, forlorn or abandoned. It is love which brings or restores peace to human hearts and establishes it in our midst.

~ Pope Benedict XVI, Apostolic Exhortation *Africae Munus* (29), November 19, 2011