

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY June 11, 2017

Saturday, June 10

4:30PM Martha & Richard Wolfrom on their 60th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, June 11

7:30AM Alice Tague

9:30AM Theresa McGrath

11:30AM Elizabeth L. Bowe

Monday, June 12

8:15AM Christopher Mastrocola (6th Anniversary)

Tuesday, June 13

8:15AM Dec'd Members of the Ferenz Family

Wednesday, June 14

8:15AM Phyllis & Gene Mastrangelo on their

56th Wedding Anniversary

Thursday, June 15

8:15AM J. Alan Moore (20th Anniversary)

Samantha McKenna

Friday, June 16

8:15AM John S. Kosek (17th Anniversary)

Saturday, June 17

4:30PM Eileen Dilworth

Elizabeth L. Bowe

Sunday, June 18

7:30AM Albert Chipollini

9:30AM John J. Williams Sr.

11:30AM Claudia Geppert



Tom Tone, David Talone, JoAnn LaSorsa, Marie Carney, Greg Atkinson, Sophie Grabowski, Msgr. Robert Grudowski, Anthony Bonanno, Joanne Toth, Theresa Lenczewski, Luke Birkhead, Erik Kozlowski, Marlene

Salkowski, Roselie Partenheimer, John Walski, Carl Reiff, Joseph Blaszczak, Patrick Kelly, Sean McGonagle, Mary Pierce, Brian Dunlevy, Sr. Jean Streibig, Stephanie Hathaway, Charles Streibig, Kylie Reiff, Nikki Dolan, Joseph Rozecki, Eduardo Gloria, Molly Glick, Deb Smith, Ann Campbell, Francina Capolingua, Cathy Pierlott, Lynn Bowman, James Gauger, Emilia Bello Jones, Rita VanBuskirk, Caroline Smerecki, Joan Pierce, Kevin Miller, Rylan Borys, Susan Minnick, Ann Greco, Jessica Jara, Joe Lotito, Kendall Soltys, Concezio Lelii, William McGrath, Carl Pierce, Ursula Kozlowski, Benedetto McDaniels, Kevin Kelly, Joanne Kalacinski, Mary DiMedio, Anna Marie Ferrier, Mary Stoffel, Jeri McClennen, John Boccella, Jim Bokoski, Hans Pawling, Margie Burghart, Kristen Lafferty, Debbie Miller Hannon, Robert Berk, Emma Forlini, Paul & Family, Derek Dean, Baby Noah Marchetti, James Simpson, Roseann Sirianni Lare, Theresa Steinhauser, John Palmer, Rachel Minnick, Mark Hogan, Gregory Mazzochetti, John Lewis, Teresa Sensinger, Theresa Rozecki.



Richard Wolfrom

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: Staff Sgt Daniel Furtak, Lt. Michelle R. McNally, SSKC Terence J. McNally Jr., Sgt.



Robert Bonneau, Andrew Midgett, Lt. Col Evah McGinley, The 108th Wing McGuire AFB, Petty Officer George Horning Jr., 1st Lt. Stanley J. Reimer III, *SR Brett Pellicciotti, Corporal Thomas* Mazzochetti, Robert Catapano U.S. Army 101st

Airborne, Michael Bondra, Senior Airman Jacob Shoemaker, Master Sgt. Curt W. Zeiders III, Edward Sobeck



Pre-Jordan Instructions: The Sacrament of Baptism is administered in church on the first three Sundays of each month following the 11:30 A.M. Mass. In preparation for having a child

Baptized, parents are required to attend "Pre-Jordan Instructions." Classes are the 1st Tuesday of each month (except for July because of the holiday). **The next class is July 11 at 7PM in Church**. You will be required to attend a class if this is the Baptism of your first child. To schedule your Baptism go to www.stmatthewparish.com

St. Joseph Villa: St. Joseph Villa is in need of substitutes while their regular volunteers are on vacation. Some needs include:

- Providing in-house transport to appointments (Hair Salon, Therapy, or Doctor's)
- Assisting Staff with Health & Wellness Activities and Socials
- Serving as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist
- Weekly visit to resident without family/friend connection (regular day and time preferred)
 For information, please contact Sister Frances Hart at 215-248-7844 or email hartf@stjosephvilla.org

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: We most 'warmly' invite you



to be a part of this Ministry by meeting with us in the St. Vincent DePaul room Wednesday, **June 14** at 7PM. If you know of someone who might like to receive a shawl, please let us know-or make one yourself for someone special to you. Contact Alice O'Connor

acaoc@verizon.net



FOOD BANK NEEDS: Our parish food bank is in need of: Applesauce. Donations can be placed in the vestibules of the church. Thanks!

Pastoral Council Meeting: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 7PM in the Parish Center.



PREP/CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018. Now is the time for parents to plan for next year. Please take a few minutes to register your

children online for religious education classes. **No payment until after July 1st.** Fees will remain the same.

One child \$110.00 Two children \$165.00 Three or more children \$195.00

Classes are offered Sunday Mornings between masses. Classes are held in the Parish Center 10:25 am - 11:25 am.

YOUTH GROUP: Please register online for Parish Youth Ministry. All 7th, 8th, 9th graders are welcome. Group will meet once a month in the evening. Day and Time TBA. No fee.

Announcing a wonderful opportunity to get involved...Enriching the lives of our young children.

TEACH, AIDE, VOLUNTEER FOR PREP/CCD St. Matthew Religious Education Program

We are in need of a few **male** role models as catechists and or aides in the classroom.

Please contact: Mary Kay McKenna at the Parish Office 610-828-0424 or email mckennamaryk@gmail.com.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN:



WILL "GO ON VACATION" FOR JULY AUGUST. It will return to the 9:30 Mass in September. Enjoy the leisure of summer.

Every Sunday at the

9:30AM Mass. All children (ages 3 – 9) are invited from the altar to the sacristy to share in a child-like presentation of the Readings of the Day. They return after the Prayer of the Faithful. Parents and older siblings are encouraged to accompany younger siblings. 10 year olds and up are encouraged to become altar servers.



ALTAR SERVERS: Are you 10 years old or older? Do you want to help in the parish? Join the St. Matthew's Altar Servers. Training will begin after 9:30 Mass on Sunday.

E-mail stmatthewrectory@verizon.net.



Each person must strive to participate fully at the Mass, making it a genuine act of worship of God. *Kindly turn off your cell phones* and avoid using them during Mass.

ST. MARY'S GOLDEN AGE CLUB: Meets every Thursday at St. Mary's Church Hall. Three-dollar fee. Play Cards 9:00 AM Snacks 10 AM Lunch 11 AM Play Bingo 12 – 2:30 PM **Casino Trips**: scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of each month: **June 13 & July 11**. Bus leaves 9:00 AM from 11th & Fayette, 9:15 AM from 3rd & Fayette, 9:30 AM from St. Mary's. Call Joe (610-825-4596).



St. Matthew's Conshohocken Young Adult group aims to provide fellowship through social, spiritual and service opportunities for those in their 20s and 30s and the young at heart.

To sign up for events and more please join the St Matthew Conshohocken Young Adult Facebook group. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Moral at tony.moral2@gmail.com or Erin Garrett at erin.garret@gmail.com.

Reboot Life! With Chris Stefanick – Save the Date!

Reboot Live! coming in the Fall of 2017! St. Philip Neri in Lafayette Hill, PA is pleased to announce that internationally-renowned Catholic family man, speaker and author, Chris Stefanick and his life-changing event, Reboot Live!, will be held this October 5th, 2017 from 7PM to 9:30 PM in the parish church located on 437 Ridge Pike in Lafayette Hill. Reboot Live! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience for all (ages 12 and up) of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life, from prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! Tickets are \$20. Event is expect to sell out register today www.reallifecatholic.com/reboot. (Look for October 5th and St. Philip Neri to purchase online.)

Masculine Genius Institute summit July 12-14 You are invited to join us at the 2nd annual Masculine Genius Institute summit in Villanova, PA July 12-14. Enjoy the many presentations and research as we unpack our theme: Boys to Men: Molding Manly Character. Great speakers and opportunity to discuss the journey that all men take from boyhood to manhood. This program is great for men of all ages, especially young fathers and men who are influencing the lives of boys in schools, athletics or extra curricular setting such as cub and boy scouts. Women are welcome to join us! For more information visit: www.masculinegeniusinstitute.com

Cardinal O'Hara Class of 1977 Reunion October 14, 2017 - 7pm - 11pm

The Lamb Tavern - Springfield, Pa 19064 All updated class information should be sent to Ohara77reunion@comcast.net

Second Annual Padre Pio Festival Three days of devotion to St. Padre Pio includes a Friday evening young adult gathering, Saturday Vigil with blessings and Holy Relic, Sunday Mass and street procession, Healing Mass with Holy Relic and Confessions, social activities and entertainment on the parish grounds. Live music, craft fair, food vendors. June 23 (6:30pm-10pm), June 24 (2pm-9pm), June 25, 2017 (11am-7pm); St. Bede the Venerable Church, Holland, PA (Bucks County), Visit the website: www.padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com

God's Plan for Giving

June 4, 2017

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR OFFERTORY GIFTS LAST WEEKEND:

\$13,562.00

Electronic giving \$1,470.00 + \$12,092.00 = \$13,562.00 2^{nd} Collection on June 24 & 25 is for Peter's Pence



ELECTRONIC GIVING: Parish Giving is convenient for you and there is <u>NO COST</u> for you to participate. Contact Deacon Mike

Kubiak at <u>deacon.mike.kubiak@comcast.net</u> to register <u>www.parishgiving.org</u> or <u>www.stmatthewparish.com</u>



SUMMER VACATIONS:

Please remember your parish church in the summer. You may be away for one week, one month, or have a vacation home which takes you away from the parish every weekend. We are asking that you remember your

contribution to the church during this time. Thank you for your generosity in the past. We have a very caring, generous parish and we ask that you do not forget about us in the coming months.

FULL TIME CHILDCARE ASSISTANT: Conshohocken



Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking full time caregivers for infants and toddlers in our newly formed Daycare center. Experience caring for infants and/or toddlers is required.

Previous daycare experience is preferred. Candidate must be loving, nurturing, and possess good leadership skills. For more information call Carol Kearney at 610-825-4823 or email ceeccdaycare@gmail.com

FULL TIME PRESCHOOL AIDE: Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking an energetic classroom aide for our PreK Program. Candidate must have previous experience working with young children. Associate Degree or Bachelor's Degree in Education is preferred. For more information call Michelle Borkowski at 610-828-0755.

WINE National Catholic Women's Conference Join women from the greater Philadelphia area and across the country for the first-ever National Catholic Women's Conference hosted by WINE: Women In the New Evangelization! Dynamic Catholic speakers Kelly Wahlquist, Teresa Tomeo, Kitty Cleveland and Sarah Christmyer will inspire you and musician Amanda Vernon will rejuvenate your spirit. The day will include time for Mass, Confession, prayer, rest, socializing, and shopping. Saturday, October 21, 2017, 8:30am-4pm, National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA. For more information & to register, visit wineconference.org

St. John's Annual Shore Reunion: Parishioners, Alumni, and friends are invited for this Annual Summer Reunion in Wildwood at Backfin Blues Bar & Grill, 517 Rio Grande Ave, Wildwood on **August 20** from 1-5PM Tickets are \$35 per person. Also available is bus transportation for \$35 additional per person departing from Mitchell & Pensdale Sts. Call Marie Kwartnik to purchase at 215-317-2775.

Fr. Tom Heron's Weekly Reflection

The Blessed Trinity is the mystery of mysteries before which even the seraphim veil their faces, singing with astonished wonder **Holy**, **Holy**, **Holy**. The universal Church celebrates one of her central feasts today, the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. In honor of the Trinity, I begin in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Trinity Sunday
Lord, who hast form'd me out of mud,
And hast redeem'd me through thy blood,
And sanctifi'd me to do good;

Purge all my sins done heretofore; For I confess my heavy score, And I will strive to sin no more.

Enrich my heart, mouth, hands in me, With faith, with hope, with charity; That I may run, rise, rest with thee. George Herbert

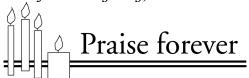
What really matters is not how good are our explanations, but how deep our faith is. The Blessed Trinity is a mystery, three persons, yet one God. No pope, no saint, no doctor of the Church can understand this mystery.

There is a story about Saint Augustine walking along the shore in North Africa pondering how God could be one yet three. He comes upon a boy carrying a bucket of water to a small hole he had dug in the sand. "What are you doing?" asked Augustine. "I am trying to pour the ocean into this hole," replied the boy. "That's impossible! Augustine laughed. "No more impossible than for you to put Almighty God into your small mind."

We are all mysteries to one another. The Blessed Trinity is the mystery of mysteries. Couples married 50 years are still learning about each other. At funerals you often hear, "I never knew that about him/her."

God created us to know, love and serve Father, Son and Holy Spirit. C.S. Lewis once said that the most frequently spoken word in heaven will be "Oh!" as in "Oh, now I understand" – oh, now I understand what God's plan was, oh, now I see the reason for the trial I went through.

Let us pray that the Trinity will stir us to bow in reverence before all mystery, human and divine.



REFLECTIONS FROM MY ROCKING CHAIR

Dear friends,

In the year-long liturgical calendar there are great "seasons". Advent is four weeks, Christmas is two weeks. Then we have the six weeks of Lent, six weeks of the Easter season, three days with the Ascension and finally, Pentecost. Important, yet, it doesn't seem to have a "season" of its own. St. Paul tells us that it is the Spirit that enables us to know that God is Father, Abba. All the rest of the Sundays and Weekdays in the liturgical calendar – outside the great seasons of Advent, etc. –comprise the season of Pentecost. It is the Spirit that animates our relationship with Jesus. As you know, since you go to Mass (My assumption is based on your having this column in hand), the Spirit is a welcome guest. The sequence below is an expression of all that God wants to do for us. Take some time for meditation on this graceful verse:

Come, Holy Spirit come! And from your celestial home Shed a ray of light divine!

Come, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store! Come within our bosoms shine.

You, O comforter the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest; Sweet refreshment here below;

In our labor, rest most sweet; Grateful coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessed light divine, Shine within these hearts of yours, And our inmost being fill!

Blessings in abundance, Msgr. Tom Owens.

Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought, Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew; Wash the stains of guilt away.

Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore And confess you, ever more In your sevenfold gift descend;

Give them virtues sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord; Give them joys that never end.



RELEGATION OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH

On February 21, 2017 the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils voted unanimously to renew our request for the relegation of St. Mary's church. Both councils emphasized the need of having all parishioners worship at St. Matthew's to enhance unity and help parishioners focus on the future of the parish community. The relegation will provide more effectively for the pastoral needs of the faithful, assure the vitality of parish life, provide for a better stewardship of resources and optimum use of clergy, and lay personnel.

Fr. Heron, the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils welcome your input and comments. Members of the Pastoral Council: Joe Carr, Pat Getzfread, Ed Garbacz, Debbie Golas, Michelle Borkowski, Mary Kay McKenna, Mary Ann Cook, Mary Ann Pruskowski, Joe Boccella, Paul McConnell.

Members of the Finance Committee: Leah Hepler, Ed Pluciennik, Chris Pecoraio, Ellen Mansfield, Matt McKendry, Kevin McMonagle.