

From Fr. Ralph

What is Ministry?

Ministry is made up of many things. Ministry can be as simple as performing a simple duty. We can be standing in the back of church saying "Hello" to someone who walks in for Mass. We can take ten minutes to read the first and second readings as well as a few petitions at Mass. We can take a minute or so once a month to write a simple note, and sending it to a "homebound" in the name of the parish, and making a difference in remembering of one of our no longer "active" parishioners. We can become a Eucharistic Minister and be a cheerful minister of the Body and Blood of Jesus. We can do the work of setting up decorations and taking them down in both of our churches. We can prayerfully consider becoming a part of the Parish Pastoral Council and take a more committed role in helping to lead our parish into the future. We can take the time to speak with people in need by joining the St. Vincent de Paul Society at the parish Chapter. We can volunteer to help set up and clean up after parish Pancake Breakfasts, social events, and our monthly Parish Dinners. We can step up and make the commitment to be a CCD teacher or teacher's aid in our Parish. We can also help to walk along with our RCIA candidates by sitting in on their classes and helping Pat with her duties as a teacher and mentor of new members of our faith community. We can be Ushers, Arimatheans. There are many more ministries in the parish, all very important to our faith community.

Ministry is both a duty and a gift to others. It can be a duty and at times seem like a job. When we commit to doing something it means we have to make a sacrifice on occasions in order to faithfully do our ministry. But more importantly doing a ministry for the parish is a gift you give to others. We often do not see it but Jesus works through our words and actions. We may feel that our life style is a little cramped by the commitments, but the person(s) we are ministering to may be seeing Jesus in our presence and actions. We will probably find that in our ministry work serving others and the parish Jesus is somehow more present to us. It is the miracle of ministry that in helping others Jesus also touches our hearts.

I encourage you this weekend to sign up for one or more of the Ministries in the parish. If your health or availability does not permit you to volunteer, I ask that you pray deeply for the volunteers and Ministries of our parish. Great and often hidden blessings come from our humble prayers. Please support your parish in any way that you can by sharing your time, talent, and/or treasure. All for the Glory of God.

Ministry Fair Today

How are you called to serve? Ministry Fair has all the answers. Only if you will share your gift will the parish grow stronger.

MASS INTENTIONS

**NOVEMBER 9 - NOVEMBER 15
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**

**MONDAY, 11/9 - DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN
BASILICA IN ROME**

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

12:05 Lawrence Moran (M. Taylor)

**TUESDAY, 11/10 - LEO THE GREAT, POPE &
DOCTOR**

Wis 2:23—3:9/Lk 17:7-10

12:05 All Souls

WEDNESDAY, 11/11 - MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP

Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19

12:05 Sr. Amelia & Fr. Raphael Schatzel, O.S.B.

THURSDAY, 11/12 - JOSAPHAT, BISHOP & MARTYR

Wis 7:22b—8:1/Lk 17:20-25

12:05 James R. Parks Sr. (C. Peters)

FRIDAY, 11/13 - FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, VIRGIN

Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37

12:05 All Souls

6:05 Benediction (O.L.Q.P. Church)

SATURDAY, 11/14 - WEEKDAY

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8

5:00 Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Schaub (Anniv.) (M/M A. Nee)

**SUNDAY, 11/15 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

8:30 Living & Deceased Members Christian Mothers Guild

10:30 Living and Deceased Parishioners

Sharing Our Blessings: November 1

Weekly Offering/offertory envelopes	\$6,132.00
Loose offering	\$658.00
Parish Share	\$1,038.00
2009 PARISH SHARE GOAL	\$71,706.00
Repair & Renovation Fund	\$258.00
All Saints	\$1,063.00

2009 Parish Share Program (PSP) Update

There is **\$3,522** in outstanding pledges, which we count on will be paid in due time. It is also the parish's opportunity to raise extra funds as any amount surpassing the goal could be available un-assessed for our parish needs. We are most grateful for your generosity in supporting PSP.

Christmas Flowers Donations: Mr. Mrs. C. Cirocco, Miss D. Scheirer. Thank you.

"If God could get his voice through to us God probably would say: 'Grant me a minute, please!' Are you sure that you are fulfilling, reasonably well, your part in my plan?" Stewardship

November: National Black Catholic History Month; Black Catholics in the Diocese of Pittsburgh

Did You Know? The history of Black Catholics began in 1844 when the Chapel for the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin for Negroes was founded by Bishop O'Connor. A second church, St. Joseph, was erected in the Hill District in 1867, two years after the Civil War under the leadership of Bishop Domenec. The first national Black Catholic Lay Congress was held in 1889 in Baltimore. The St. Benedict the Moor church was established in 1889. Sisters of Mercy assisted the school and parish mission. Black Catholics have been present in the Diocese of Pittsburgh for over 160 years. Besides those with slave ancestry, Black Catholics are from numerous African nations and the Caribbean, and have first languages that include Yoruba, French, Spanish, Swahili and Arabic. In 1987, Pope John Paul II said in New Orleans, "The Church needs you and you need the Church."

Parish Events (Repeated Information):

Coffee & Donut

This Sunday, after 10:30 a.m. Mass in C.W.R.S. cafeteria. All invited.

Catholic Men's Group

Monday, November 9, 7 p.m. in O.L.Q.P. church meeting room. Questions? Please call Tom Fowler 412-367-8982.

Ladies' Dance Class

Wednesday evenings, 7-8 p.m. Join for fun, fitness, and friendship at O.L.Q.P. church social hall. Call Barbara 412-559-7746. See you there.

Bible Study Group

Tuesday, November 10, 7 p.m. in O.L.Q.P. social hall. All invited. "Adventures in the Gospel of Matthew" continue.

Parish Monthly Dinners

Friday, November 13, 4-7 p.m. Donation \$8.50 (adults) ; Take outs available. We need volunteers to help; Please call Helen 412-322-1309.

Benedictine Oblates

Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 p.m. O.L.Q.P. meeting room. Everyone invited.

Baptism Preparation Class

Monday, November 30, 7 p.m. in C.W.R.S. Pre-registration is required. Please call 412-321-3186.

Parish Fundraiser: Win A Pair of Tickets!

Steelers vs Ravens game, December 27, 1 p.m. in Heinz Field; \$5/ticket or \$10/3 tickets; Two sets of tickets for two will be raffled off November 29, after 10:30 Mass; Tickets at doors, rectory, or call Barbara 412-231-4262.

Please Pray For ... Our sick parish members and friends.

Born to Eternal Life ... In your charity please remember in your prayers Mary Bankhoff.

Anointing of the Sick Mass

This Sunday, November 8, 2 p.m. in St. Peter church. All in need of healing, either physical or spiritual, are invited.

Liturgical Assignments: November 14 & 15

Altar Servers:

5:00 p.m. J. Jankowski
8:30 a.m. R. Hawkins
10:30 a.m. J. Wittfeldt-S. Lang

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:00 p.m. T. Zwolak-F. Fichter-B. Parks-K. Tetzlaw
8:30 a.m. A. Fandozzi-J. Leonard-G. Finney-M. Finney
10:30 a.m. C. Adenour-D. Boscia-B. Daigneau-B. Born

Lectors:

5:00 p.m. P. Domachowski
8:30 a.m. D. Swartworth
10:30 a.m. A. Farrell

Cardinal Wright Regional School News:

School's Fundraising: "Save Around Greater Pittsburgh Coupon Book" will be sold at all Masses the weekend of November 14-15; Cost \$20/book. Please be supportive. This is one of school's fundraiser. For more information call 412-231-8248.

Christmas Sarah Candy Sale ... for order forms call School's office 412-231-8248.

Apple For The Students ... Register your Giant Eagle Advantage Card @wwwgianteagle.com or 1-800-474-4777; Enter our school's ID#1155. Each scan of your Card will provide free educational awards for our school.

Courtesy Announcements:

Flu Vaccination (\$20/vaccination) ... This Sunday in St. Boniface social hall (East St.), from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sponsored by CVS Pharmacy.

Jazz At Emmanuel (957 W. North Ave.) ... This Sunday, 5 p.m.; Theme "Naïve Grace"; All invited.

PolishFest ... This Sunday, 12-5 p.m. at the University of Pittsburgh. Celebration of Polish culture, food, demonstrations, holiday gift mart & more. Free to the public. Proceeds to benefit the university's Polish Room Scholarship Fund. Calls: 412-231-1493.

17th Annual Bal "Polonaise" ... Saturday, November 14, 5:30-10:30 p.m., Westin Hotel; For reservation call 412-486-1605 or 412-871-3347.

Employments Opportunities:

F/T Accountant; Submit r sum  to Manager Accounting; **P/T Receptionist,** Submit r sum  to Director of Administrative Services; All at 9000 Babcock Blvd., Allison Park, PA 15101 or divprovrs@gmail.com.

P/T Customer Service Coordinator ... at Calvary Catholic Cemetery; Submit r sum : jobs@ccapgh or fax 412-521-3469.

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

