

From Fr. Ralph

I wish to thank parishioners for your participation in the Ministry Fair that was held in the parish last weekend. **We had 51 people sign up for various ministries within the parish.** This continues to confirm for me that we have a generous group of people who want to make a difference by their service to others. I also want to thank those who did not sign up but who supported us by your prayers for our parish and its needs. I realize that many of you could not sign up for one reason or another. This does not mean that you are making less of a contribution especially if you are faithful to praying from your heart for the ministry and work that is done through and by our parish family. For those who did sign up for a ministry you will be contacted and given further instructions that you may need to know as you begin this new work for our community.

I also want to thank all of the volunteers who helped to organize the Ministry Fair, to set up the boards, to stay behind after each Mass to answer questions about the ministries, to clean up after the Masses and anyone who made any contribution to the event. Your efforts are deeply appreciated.

Lastly, my sister and I want to thank you for all of the prayers and concern that you have shown over our Dad's illness particularly during his time in the hospital. He is still too weak to come home and it looks like it will be a long road for his recovery. As you all know in some way when our loved ones suffer we are also deeply affected, but I have the deep sense that through the prayers of many divine providence is at work helping all involved in visible and invisible ways. Tina, Dad and I are thankful for your prayers.



MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 16 - NOVEMBER 22

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY, 11/16 - WEEKDAY

1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63/Lk 18:35-43

12:05 All Souls

TUESDAY, 11/17 - ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS

2 Mc 6:18-3/Lk 19:1-10

12:05 Special Intention of G. & K. Lutz

WEDNESDAY, 11/18 - WEEKDAY

2 Mc 7:1,20-31/Lk 19:11-28

12:05 All Souls

THURSDAY, 11/19 - WEEKDAY

1 Mc 2:15-2/Lk 19:41-44

12:05 William Ferris (St. Peter Parish Ushers)

FRIDAY, 11/20 - WEEKDAY

1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59/Lk 19:45-48

12:05 Harry T. Dolan (Anniv) (Family)
6:05 Benediction (O.L.Q.P. Church)

SATURDAY, 11/21 - PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40

5:00 Chester A. Duda, Sr. (M. Scharback)

SUNDAY, 11/22 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Dn 7:13-14; Rv1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

8:30 Hawkins & Yost Families (J. Lazewski)
10:30 Living and Deceased Parishioners

Sharing Our Blessings: November 8

Weekly Offering/offertory envelopes	\$6,282.00
Loose offering	\$458.00
Parish Share	\$1,089.00
2009 PARISH SHARE GOAL	\$71,706.00
Repair & Renovation Fund	\$48.00

2009 Parish Share Program (PSP) Update

There is **\$3,472** 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. Raymond Mravintz, Mrs. Patricia Sukits. Thank you.*

Declaring The Real Truth ... "Why do we all insist on saying that we are "Giving" to the church, when at best we are only sharing what God has already given us? Why do we say we are trying to give our "Pledge," when we should be giving "God's Portion" to the church? Why do we say, "My Family," or "My Possessions," when they are blessings God permits us to enjoy, but that we never really own? Why should we say, "Thank My Lucky Stars" when we should be saying: "Thank You God"? Stewardship

Retirement Fund for Religious - Second Collection Next Week

Your tax-deductible donation supports the care of elderly and frail religious and helps to provide such basic necessities as prescription drugs and medical services. Please give generously to next week's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Attention Pastoral Council Members

In lieu of scheduled Pastoral Council meeting on November 17, Fr. Ralph is suggesting and inviting all members (and parishioners as well) to attend a lecture presented by Dr. Susan Muto "**Practicing the Prayer of Presence**", which will be held Tuesday, November 17, 7:30 p.m. in St. Paul Seminary (Craffton). The next regular Pastoral Council meeting will be January 12, 7 p.m. in O.L.Q.P. church meeting room.

Parish Events (Repeated announcements):

Benedictine Oblates

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

Vespers and Benediction

Sunday, November 22, after 10:30 a.m. exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Vespers & Benediction at 3 p.m. in St. Peter church.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

Monday, November 23, 7:00 p.m. in Holy Emmanuel Slovak Lutheran church on James & Suismon Streets.

Thanksgiving Mass

Thursday, November 26, 10 a.m. in St. Peter church. Food/monetary donations will be received the offertory.

Friday, November 27

No Adoration & Benediction in Our Lady, Queen of Peace church.

Advent Vespers

Sunday, November 29, 4 p.m. in O.L.Q.P church.

Baptism Preparation Class

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

Food Drive

In our traditional spirit of sharing we are now collecting non-perishable and canned food, paper products, etc. Baskets are placed in front of the Blessed Mother side altars, in both our churches Presently food banks experience low inventory but needs have increased. Please be generous as there are many who need help. Donations will be distributed to two local food banks.

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

Parish Fundraisers:

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.

Celebrate A Victorian St. Nicholas Day

Friday, December 4, 6 p.m. at home of Linda & Joe Iannotta, 929 Beech Ave. Donation \$50 (checks payable to St. Peter Parish). All proceeds benefit St. Peter Parish. For more info/reservation call Linda 412-322-9454.

Liturgical Assignments: November 21 & 22

Altar Servers:

5:00 p.m. B. & T. Butler
8:30 a.m. R. Hawkins
10:30 a.m. E. & G. Whitmer

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:00 p.m. R. & T. Fowler-F. Fichter-T. Zwolak
8:30 a.m. G. Finney-M. Finney-E. Schneider-C. Weber
10:30 a.m. B. Daigneau,-C. Adenour-P. & M. Christenson

Lectors:

5:00 p.m. G. Rayman
8:30 a.m. J. Scorpion
10:30 a.m. P. McCarthy

Attention All Lectors:

Please pick up your "*Workbook for Lectors and Gospel Readers*" at the sacristy in St. Peter's church. It contains helpful readings tips on how to proclaim God's Word.

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.

Apple For The Students ... Register your Giant Eagle Advantage Card @www.gianteagle.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.

Diocesan Adult Faith Formation Series in 2009-2010:

Lectures are held 7:30 p.m. in St. Paul Seminary auditorium, and are free of charge. They are:

"Practicing the Prayer of Presence" ... presented by Dr. Susan Muto, Tuesday, November 17.

"St. Benedict and St. Therese: The Little Rule and the Little Way" ... presented by Rev. Dwight Longenecker, Tuesday, February 2, 2010.

Courtesy Announcements:

Celebrate the Canonization of Jeanne Jugan, foundress of the Little Sisters of the Poor, Sunday, November 22, 3 p.m. in St. Paul Cathedral with Bishop Zubik. A reception to follow.

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

