



PASTOR'S CORNER

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Unalienable: that which a person cannot sell or absent from his or her self. A person's unalienable right is a right which cannot be sold, bartered or lost since it inheres in an individual person.

The First Amendment of the Constitution guarantees an individual's right to act or choose based on their own conscience/beliefs without interference from the government. Such a freedom is unalienable to the individual person.

Kim Davis did not violate this foundational principle and law. The Supreme Court, in June, did violate this fundamental law by wrongly arrogating to itself the determination as to whether same-sex marriage must be legal in all 50 states. Such decisions (no matter what position one takes on the issue) are to be left to individuals not the government, or worse, nine black-robed people who are too often presumed to be infallible and are used by morally weak persons as their conscience.

Kim Davis was jailed this week because she wished to exercise her freedom of conscience. She took the "punishment" (thus far) with calm and resolve in her Christian conscience. For the first time in our history a person has been jailed because of their Christian convictions.

Let that soak in, folks. Denial of such things now will prevent us from stopping what will undoubtedly be attempted against persons of the Christian faith in the future.

The other day a friend asked me "How are you doing, Father?" I said, "I could complain, but at least I'm not being decapitated for my belief in Jesus." Do I believe *that* kind of violence awaits us? – No. Not here in the U.S.A. But what I do believe is that it will not take long until our tax-exempt status is attacked because of our doctrinal adherence to Christ's teaching. "That won't happen!" you say. Let's pray that you are right. Meanwhile, prepare to defend your right to your conscience and your faith.

As we remember the attacks 14 years ago upon our way-of-life this September 11th, perhaps we should resolve not to surrender the good of America to *our own lawlessness*.

Fr. Eric.

Mass Intentions

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2015

Saturday – Sept 5th – St Berlin

4:00PM – Mary Cerulli
by Louise Oswald

7:00PM – John A Faryna
by Bill and Connie Molchany

Sunday–Sept 6th–23rd Sunday/Ordinary Time

8:30AM – Frank "Jive" Snyder
by Nin Snyder and Family

10:30AM – Angeline and Steven Burda
by Steve and Margie Burda

Monday – Sept 7th – St Anastasius the Fuller

8:00AM – Richard Pontician, Sr
by Frank and Kimberly Petrasovits

Tuesday – Sept 8th –

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00AM – Robert Spengler and Bernardine Wehr
by Ann and Dale

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – Sept 9th – St Peter Claver

6:00PM – Joseph J Holena
by Holy Name Society

Thursday – Sept 10th – St Nicholas of Tolentino

8:00AM – John "Jack" McCarty
by Newt Bugbee

Friday – Sept 11th – Ss Protus and Hyacinth

8:00AM – Ann and Glen Oswald
by Louise

Saturday – Sept 12th –Most Holy Name of Mary

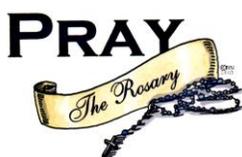
8:00AM – All St John Fisher Parishioners
4:00PM – 50th Wedding Anniversary
of Joe and Phyllis Keglovits

7:00PM – David J Cunningham
by Rosa Cunningham and Family

Sunday–Sept 13th–24th Sunday/Ordinary Time

8:30AM – Living and Deceased Members
Of Assembly 72 Slovak Catholic Sokol

10:30AM – Joanne Meyers
by Ron and Rosie Klipple



Sunday

8:15AM and 10:15AM

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection \$ 3,339.00

The Second Collection this weekend will be for **Mary's Shelter.**



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	A.Gorr D.Gorr	K.McCloskey	Deacon Jack
7:00PM	D.Sullivan L.Ruda	J.Yanek	Deacon Jack
8:30AM	M.Popovic S.Popovic	B.Molchany	C.Reily
10:30AM	C.Gair D.Gair	L.Bolmer	J.Heffner



Please remember in your prayers **Delight M Casciano** who passed away this past week. May her soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Flowers were placed on the altar last weekend in loving memory of **Petie Muschko.**

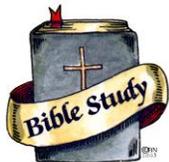


That those who support abortion, infanticide and euthanasia may open their eyes and ears to the beauty of each life, we pray to the Lord.

In his conclusion to an emotionally wrenching story in *American Thinker*, a father who sought to (and failed) to protect two of his triplets from "selective abortion," wrote, "For I have failed, intentionally and knowingly, in the first duty of a parent: protecting the lives of two of my children." *Story is from americanthinker.com, cited in LifeNews.com, 2/18/15.*

BIBLE STUDY

Bible study kicks off in October. We will be meeting on **Monday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.** All are welcome. More details to follow.



PAPAL MASS CELEBRATION AT STEELSTACKS



Are you unable to attend the Papal Mass on the Ben Franklin Parkway? Come join the Diocese of Allentown on **Sunday, September 27th**, as we celebrate Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia.

The day will begin with an outdoor Mass at 12:00 Noon at the Levitt Pavilion at SteelStacks followed by an afternoon of games, activities, musical entertainment and plenty of food for purchase provided by our parishes and ArtsQuest. At 4:00pm, the live streaming of the Papal Mass will begin on three Jumbotron screens. Come join our Diocesan family for a fun-filled afternoon! In case of inclement weather, the entire event will be held indoors.

Thank You

Our deepest gratitude is extended to the estate of **Mr Vincent Rivetti** and their generous bequest of **\$20,000.00** to the former St Lawrence Church which will be used for the upkeep of the Church site. If it suits your plans, please consider your parish as a benefactor of your estate.

We also extend a thank you to one of our parishioners who donated the sum of **\$300.00.** We thank all our parishioners for any and all gifts!

COME SHARE OUR JOY!

Mr & Mrs Joseph Keglovits are celebrating their **50th Wedding Anniversary** this year. Their joy and gratitude to God is overflowing...literally. We, the parishioners of St. John Fisher are invited to join in some good food and refreshments after the 4:00pm Mass next **Saturday, September 12th** in the Church Hall. Come one and come all and celebrate the gift of Christian Marriage which is the foundation for our Christian Community!

INTERNATIONAL POT LUCK

Join us on **Sunday, September 13th, at 5:00pm** in the church basement for an International Buffet. Our parish family will provide the entire meal. You can make a food of your nationality or be creative and try a dish from another country such as France, Italy, China or Japan. You can make your own choice of an entrée, salad, vegetable, or dessert. If you have any questions, call Mary Beth McGinley, 610-264-4494 or Peggy McCarty, 610-264-0307. Please complete and place the reservation slip below in the collection basket by **September 6th.**

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADULTS: _____ # CHILDREN: _____

SPECIFIC FOOD ITEM YOU'RE BRINGING:

Young at Heart

The next meeting of St John Fisher's Young at Heart will be held on **Wednesday, September 23rd**, at **1:00PM** in the Parish Hall.

The next Casino trip to Mount Airy will be on **Friday, September 25th**. The bus leaves the Church Parking Lot at 10:00AM. The price is \$22.00 per person. For more information, call Bill Molchany, 610-264-0920.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass Celebration will be held on **Sunday, September 20th at 3:00pm, at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena**. See the A.D. Times for registration, or MFLF@allentowndiocese.org. **The deadline for registration is September 8, 2015.**

Good Shepherd Catholic School

Part Time Employment opportunity is available in our afternoon Extended Care program on Mondays through Fridays from 2:30pm to 5:30pm.

Volunteers are needed to sell Shepherd Gift cards in the school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. To apply, please call Principal Irene Quigley at 610.262.9171.

Look for our school students and their families under the GSCS canopy at the **Northampton Street Fair** on **Saturday, September 12th from 10:00am to 5:00pm**.

GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS

Please join **Very Reverend Bernard O'Connor** and the Helpers of God's Precious Infants at the Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn, and all those involved in abortion on **Saturday, September 12th**. The pilgrimage begins with Mass at 8:00AM at Notre Dame Church of Bethlehem, and continues with The Rosary at the abortion facility. Contact Info: 610-674-4624, or hogpi@hotmail.com.

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

St John Fisher's Young at Heart

The next bus trip is on **Wednesday, September 16th** to the Rainbow Dinner Theatre to see "**Over The River And Through The Woods**". The price is \$75.00 per person. For more information, call Bill Molchany, 610-264-0920.

St Elizabeth's Parish Hall

Karen Hoff is offering 8 weeks of aerobics on **Thursday nights, September 10th to October 29th, starting at 6:00pm**. The cost is only \$20.00. **Deadline is September 7th**. Contact Mary Spieker at 610-266-0695.

Assumption BVM Church in Northampton

Their "Annual Family Picnic" at the Egypt Memorial Park is being held on **Sunday, September 13th, with Mass at 11:00am** until 7:00pm. Bingo from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.

St John the Baptist in Stiles

Their annual picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 6th from 12:00noon to 9:00pm** on the Church grounds.

Queenship of Mary Girl Scout Troop

An All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner will be held at the Good Shepherd Gym on **Saturday September 19th, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm**. Tickets are available at the door.

St Paul Lutheran Church, Howertown Road

An **Applefest** will be held on **Saturday, September 12th from 10:00am to 2:00pm**.

A **Gift Card Bingo** will be held on **Friday, September 18th at 7:00pm**. Food is available starting at 6:00pm.

Holy Trinity Lutheran, 4th and Pine Streets

Murder by Shoo Fly Pie will be served on **Saturday, September 19th, at 5:30pm**. Call Nancy at 610-443-3036.

Salem UCC Church, 615 Third Street

Flea market being held on **Saturday September 26th, from 9:00am to 1:00pm**. Bargains, with a bake sale, great food, basket raffle and Ruth's Red Beets!