



## Mass Intentions

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 20, 2015

**Saturday – Sept 19<sup>th</sup> – St Januarius**

4:00PM – John and Mary Kocis  
by Daughters

7:00PM – Richard J Longenhagen, Sr.  
by McCarty Family

**Sunday–Sept 20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday/Ordinary Time**

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

10:30AM – Helen T Sipics  
by Hutchins Family

**Monday–Sept 21<sup>st</sup> – St Matthew**

8:00AM – Health of Ed Ferenczak (L)  
by Wife

**Tuesday – Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> – St Thomas of Villanova**

8:00AM – Frank and Theresa Cihylik  
by Mike/Louise Seng and Frank/Julie Harhart

**Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass**

**Wednesday – Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> – St Pius of Pietrelcina**

6:00PM – Rev Robert C Quinn  
by Rev Eric J Gruber

**Thursday – Sept 24<sup>th</sup>–St Pacific of San Severino**

8:00AM – Joan Patterson  
by Bob Patterson

**Friday – Sept 25<sup>th</sup> – St Finbarr**

8:00AM – Delight M Casciano  
by Frank and Julie Harhart

**Saturday – Sept 26<sup>th</sup> – Ss Cosmas and Damian**

8:00AM – All St John Fisher Parishioners

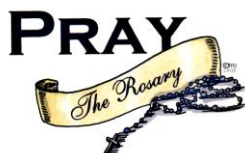
4:00PM – Mary and Steve Gerny  
by Terry and Joe Gerny

7:00PM – Stephen Steffie  
by Monica Hodges

**Sunday–Sept 27<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday/Ordinary Time**

8:30AM – Louis Maletta  
by Barry Bozzone

10:30AM – David J Cunningham  
by Bossons Family



**Sunday**  
8:15AM and 10:15AM

# PASTOR'S CORNER

## A Prayer for the Changing of Seasons

Lord, Maker of the stars, these clearer nights show forth your lights, may this coming Autumn allow us to enjoy the harvest of Summer's loves and labors.

Remind us in each fresh breeze and in every cool damp morning of the rooves and walls of our homes by which You keep us warm and safe – bless these houses anew with laughter, care and faith in You.

As the leaves begin to change and fall, may we remember You are the source of everything beautiful in us and in our world – bless us with the beauty of good choices, good habits and a good sense of humor especially when we find it hard to see beauty in things.

When the smoke from woodstoves rises from chimneys and is quickly pushed aside by a gust of chill, help us to be mindful of our need to work and play, to rest and pray, offering all to You – bless us with the grace to surrender all for your glory and our salvation, even when are efforts seem to amount to nothing.

Apples, pumpkins, cinnamon, Halloween candy and their abundance contrast with just-raked yards and battened-down storm windows; even so with You we are always richer than any others and most happy when life is simple – bless us with a knowledge of our own limits that we may say 'yes' or 'no' with firmness of purpose to every request we receive and so stay clear on our priorities.

As we travel this bridge between hot and cold, and the birds grow fewer and quieter, your Son is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, Who never leaves us – bless us with a deep desire to bask in your constant love for us, and to share that love every day. Amen.



### BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study begins **Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**, in the Parish Hall **beginning at 7:00pm and concluding at 8:30pm.** Please bring your own Bible. The lower entrance to the hall will be open for those who wish to only descend a short set of stairs. We hope to see you there.

# OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$ 3,425.00

The Second Collection **this** weekend will be the **Catasauqua Food Bank**.



## NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
<b>4:00PM</b>	D.Sullivan N.Ruda	B.Petro	Deacon Jack
<b>7:00PM</b>	J.Shaul G.Parise	J.Englert	Deacon Jack
<b>8:30AM</b>	S.Popovic D.Popovic	J.Strohl	M.Druckenmiller
<b>10:30AM</b>	C.Gair D.Gair	L.Bolmer	F.Hutterer



Flowers were placed on the altar last weekend in memory of **Charles H Albert** by his family.

# Thank You

We extend a thank you to one of our neighbors who donated the sum of **\$100.00**. We thank them for their generosity to our church!



The annual Blessing of Animals will be held **Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**, at **1:00pm** on the green between the Church and the rectory. All animals and even their owners are welcomed!

## HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS



If you have a loved one who is homebound or in a care facility and unable to attend Mass, please call the rectory at 610-264-1972 to schedule a pastoral visit for Communion and a blessing.

## PAPAL MASS CELEBRATION AT STEELSTACKS



Come join the Diocese of Allentown on **Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**, 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.

## CCD OPENING DAY

**Today is Catechetical Sunday.** The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday. Our Catechists and Assistants will be called to be commissioned into their ministry. They are: Lisa Casciotti, Andrew Verenna, Jennifer DeLong, Nicholas DeLong, Leigh Gorr, Austin Gorr, Regina Marhefka, Corinne Reily, Karen Marhefka, Shawn DeLong, Louise Oswald, Gavin Philips, Pamela Sullivan, Regina DeLong, and Tyler Fatzinger.



Classes are from 9:00am to 10:15am, followed by 10:30am Mass, which is part of our CCD Program and is mandatory. God Bless, Regina Marhefka D.R.E.

## OFFERTORY GIFTS

Our parishioner, Robyn Berner, has volunteered her time to coordinate people to present the offertory gifts at Sunday masses. If you do not wish to be contacted for masses you are offering, please inform the rectory, 610-264-1972.

## FAMILY NIGHT

Join your fellow parishioners on **Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, at **5:30pm** in the church basement for a fun filled Family Night. It begins with a delicious chicken dinner, followed at 6:30pm with Linda Holliday's "Magical Moment Show", featuring comedy magic, audience participation and ventriloquism. Come and meet her funny and amusing puppets. Cost for a family of 4 is \$20.00. Each additional adult is \$8.00 and each additional child is \$4.00. Children under the age of 5 are free. Any questions, call Mary Beth at 610-264-4494, or Peggy at 610-264-0307. Reservations and money, dropped in the collection basket, are due by **Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

# ADULTS: \_\_\_\_\_ # CHILDREN: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

# Young at Heart

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

The next Casino trip to Mount Airy will be on **Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**. The bus leaves the Church Parking Lot at 10:00AM. The price is \$22.00 per person.

## DIOCESAN CLASSES

**Institute for Catechesis and Formation Course Offering – ICF 105 – Christian Morality.** This course provides an introduction to the fundamental teachings of Catholic morality and its foundations in Sacred Scripture, Tradition and Natural Law. Participants will examine virtue, conscience formation and make application to contemporary moral issues in the areas of health care, sexuality and social justice. One great course; four weeks; with three local locations to choose! To register: [www.allentowndiocese.org/icf](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/icf). **ICF Courses are for any adult Catholic looking to grow deeper and learn more about the Faith. Prerequisites not required.**

**New Series!** Apologetics Forum: The Catholic Faith Explained – Marriage and the Family – Presented by Dr. Joshua Schulz of DeSales University, who will address the topics of same-sex marriage, cohabitation, and contraception. Bring your questions on **Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00pm** at St. Michael's Parish Center of Queenship of Mary Parish, 829 Main Street. Call 610-289-8900, or [adultformation@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:adultformation@allentowndiocese.org).

## *Join the Social Committee*

The St. John Fisher Social Committee will be meeting **today, Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm** in the Church Hall. Anyone wishing to join is invited to attend. We hope to see you there!



The Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Youth Group will be held on the **first Saturday of the month, beginning October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, from **10:00am to 11:00am**

**in the church basement.** All children in this age group, regardless of where they go to school, are invited. Life's values that will help your child in dealing with peers are taught through stories, crafts, games and songs. **To register your child, call Mary Beth McGinley at 610-264-4494.**

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The 40 Days for Life Campaign will start on **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> and will continue to Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, at the abortion facility at 31 South Commerce Way in Bethlehem. You can pray for one hour, **from 8:00am to 6:00pm Mondays through Saturdays.** When prayer volunteers are praying, the no show rate for abortions can jump as high as 75%! For information, or to be paired with a prayer partner, call Theresa, 610-704-6935, [theresa4597@hotmail.com](mailto:theresa4597@hotmail.com).

## *Men's Spirit Conference*

There will be a Spirit Conference at DeSales University on **Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00am to 5:00pm.** The focus will be on what the needs of men are today. Among the speakers will be Bishop Edward P. Cullen. The day will end with Saturday's Vigil Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop of Allentown. To register, visit <http://www.cmfda.org/spirit-conferences/>. This will be a great spiritual day. If you have any questions, please call Deacon Jack at 610-266-0689.

## FLEA MARKET

On **Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00am to 1:00pm** at Salem UCC Church, 615 Third Street in Catty. Bargains, with a bake sale, great food, basket raffle and Ruth's Red Beets!