



PASTOR'S CORNER

The Duty to Freedom

President Calvin Coolidge in 1926's Foundations of the Republic wrote:

I am well aware that it is impossible to maintain in time of peace the same exalted spirit of patriotism that exists in time of war, and yet, although it may be in a less degree, the country has need of devotion to the same ideals. In our land the people rule. The great truth cannot be too often repeated that this nation is exactly what the people make it. It is necessary to realize that our duties are personal. For each of us our country will be about what we make it. The obligation of citizenship is upon each one of us. We must discharge it in the actions of our daily life. If we are employed, we must be true to that employment. If we are in business, then we must be true to that business. What is always of the utmost importance, if we have the privilege to vote we must inform ourselves of the questions at issue and going to the ballot box on election day there vote, as we claim the sacred rights of Americans to live, according to the dictates of our own conscience. You who have offered your blood that these supreme rights and privileges must be maintained as a standard of human conduct on this earth must continue to be their chief exponents by what you say and what you do. The coming generations will reverence your example.

God, bless America! Deliver us now from the self-seeking extremes we descry on Wall Street and in the corporate crony capitalism which makes middle-class politicians into wealthy career politicians. Save us from prideful self-preservation that promotes compromise between good and evil, and give us the courage we need to make our country one our children and grandchildren can respect and fight for. Lord, help us to repent of the gluttony, the lust, the greed, the anger, the envy and the paralyzing sloth which have too often shaped our lives and our children's lives. Help us to remember that the real meaning of life is not in doing what we want, determining who we are with each new choice; rather, take us back to our heart of hearts which recognizes Truth, resonates with it, and gratefully

Mass Intentions

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 5, 2015

Saturday – July 4th – St Elizabeth of Portugal

4:00PM – Mary Cerulli
by Margaret and Joe Kish
7:00PM – Jeff Greb and Mark Moser
by Anonymous

Sunday – July 5th – 14th Sunday/Ordinary Time

8:30AM – Mary E Kalamar
by Assembly #72 Slovak Catholic Sokol
10:30AM – Walter Meyers
by Ron and Rosie Klipple

Monday – July 6th – St Maria Goretti

8:00AM – Kurt W Gerhard
by Darlene Gillespie

Tuesday – July 7th – St Ethelburga

8:00AM – John "Jack" McCarty
by Jane Hain

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – July 8th – St Raymond/Toulouse

6:00PM – Mary and Michael Gavura
by Carol and Jim Gavura

Thursday – July 9th – St Augustine Zhao Rong

8:00AM – Rev William J O'Donnell
by Rev Eric J Gruber

Friday – July 10th – Ss Rufina and Secunda

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

Saturday – July 11th – St Benedict

8:00AM – All St John Fisher Parishioners
4:00PM – Poor Souls in Purgatory
by Irene Vomero
7:00PM – Stephen Steffie
by Parents

Sunday – July 12th – 15th Sunday/Ordinary Time

8:30AM – William J Albert
by Nancy A Barnes
10:30AM – Dominic Infantino and Carlo Mione
by Wife and daughter



Sunday

8:15AM and 10:15AM

lives it each day. You are God, Lord, we are not. Bring healing to our limbs, our minds, our wills. May your will and law be once again as the very breath we breathe as a nation. Protect those who protect us and guard them from despair. May our celebrated freedom be at your service alone – at home and abroad. May the love we will to live and give everyday benefit our families, our neighbors, our communities, our states, our country and world. God, bless America!

Amen.
Fr. Eric.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection \$ 3,506.00

The Second Collection this weekend, **July 4th and 5th**, is the **Improvement and Repair Collection**.



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

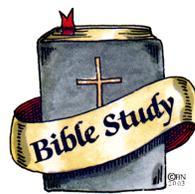
	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	A.Gorr D.Gorr	J.McAllister	Deacon Jack
7:00PM	A.Muschko S.DeLong	J.DeLong	Deacon Jack
8:30AM	M.Popovic S.Popovic	B.Molchany	C.Reily
10:30AM	C.Gair D.Gair	L.Bolmer	J.Heffner



MALVERN RETREAT

Our annual men's retreat at **Malvern Retreat House** will be held on **Friday, August 21st to Sunday, August 23rd**. All men of the parish are invited to come on this weekend to enrich their spiritual lives. This is a time to step back and reflect on our relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ through prayer and meditation and by the help of a retreat director. For questions or information on how to sign up for the weekend contact Paul Albert at 610-264-3473, Jack McAllister at 610-264-5834, Joe Yanek at 610-261-2656, or Deacon Jack at 610-266-0689.

BIBLE STUDY



If you would like to participate in an upcoming Bible Study given by Father Eric, there are sign-up sheets at both entrances to church. Please be sure to take a form and fill it out. You can return the form by way of next week's collection basket or by dropping it off at the rectory. Our rectory is located on Third Street, next to the church, with the entrance at the side of the building with the ramp. More details to follow.

Young at Heart

The next meeting of St John Fisher's Young at Heart will be held on **Wednesday, July 22nd**, at **1:00PM** in the Parish Hall. **A luncheon will be served.**

The next Casino trip to Mount Airy will be on **Friday, July 24th**. 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.

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

is currently enrolling new students for the 2015-2016 school year. We offer full day Kindergarten through Grade 8, as well as pre-school and Pre-K programs for 3 and 4 year old children. Extended care, and transfer grants are available. Call 610.262.9171 or email mrs poccia@ptd.net today to schedule your personalized school tour or shadow day.

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.

REDNER'S TAPES

We thank all our parishioners who faithfully do their food shopping at Redner's. By placing your tapes in the collection basket, we have received a check from Redner's in the amount of **\$160.76**. Thank you!

Flowers were placed on the altar this past week for the **deceased members of the Hayden Family** by **Jim and Mary Ellen Ottinger**.



IN THE WORDS OF...

"He loves, He hopes, He waits. Our Lord prefers to wait Himself for the sinner for years rather than keep us waiting an instant."
~St Maria Goretti

GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS



Please join **Father Anthony Nyari** and the Helpers of God's Precious Infants at the Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn, and all those involved in abortion on **Saturday, July 11th**. The pilgrimage begins with Mass at 8:00AM at Notre Dame Church of Bethlehem, and

continues with The Rosary at the abortion facility located at 31 South Commerce Way in the Bethlehem Industrial Park. Come and be part of the call to let your prayers and presence bring God's everlasting and unconditional love to all those involved in abortion. Contact: 610-674-4624 or hogpi@hotmail.com.

World Apostolate of Fatima Our Lady's Blue Army Shrine

674 Mountain View Road, Washington, NJ

All are invited on **Monday, July 13th**, at **1:00pm** in celebrating the 98th

Anniversary of Our Lady's First Apparition to the three shepherd children in 1917.

Experience the 150 acre scenic beauty and serenity of the outdoor shrine.

Confessions start at 10:30am, the outdoor

Rosary procession is at 12:00pm; Guest

Speaker **David Carollo** at 12:30pm and

Holy Mass is at 1:00pm with celebrant,

Rev James Miara, and at 3:00pm is the

Divine Mercy Chaplet. Visit the Holy House, USA

containing the largest piece of tree upon which Our Lady stood; the altar from Tuy; and the stone from Loreto.

You can also visit the Angel Tabernacle carved

according to the description of the Angel of Portugal by

the Fatima seers. For more information, call 908-689-

1700, or www.wafusa.org.



UPCOMING BUS TRIPS

St John Fisher's Young at Heart

The remaining two bus trips will be on **Wednesday, September 16th**, to the Rainbow Dinner Theatre to see "**Over The River And Through The Woods**". Four doting grandparents will try anything to keep their thirty-year old grandson from moving across the country. This is one visit to grandma's house you'll never forget! The price is \$75.00 per person.

And, on **Tuesday, December 8th**, to the Brownstone Ace in the Hole to see "**Bavarian Christmas**". A spectacular celebration of Bavarian Christmas customs and traditions! The fantastic Alex Meixner and his band of musicians put on an incomparable display of musical virtuosity. Combine this with a scrumptious German lunch menu and your stay will be Wunderbar! The price is \$80.00 per person.

A \$10.00 deposit is required on each trip. For more information on either trip, call Bill Molchany, 610-264-0920.

St Joseph Hall

The first bus trip from the former St Joseph Hall is a trip to **Platzl Brauhaus for Oktoberfest on Thursday, October 15th, at 8:00am**. There'll be live music and dancing throughout the whole day. Refreshments upon arrival, a full family style dinner and beer and soda from 12:00pm to 5:00pm. The \$92.00 per person trip also includes a sandwich before your departure and arrival back in Northampton at 8:00pm.

The second trip is to see the **Lights and Flowers on Tuesday, December 1st, at 9:00am**. You'll have a guided tour of the City of Philadelphia from 10:30am to 1:30pm, followed by the Longwood Gardens from 2:30pm to 7:00pm with the Christmas Lights. The package also includes a \$20 café voucher for dinner for just \$89.00 per person. Arrive back in Northampton at 9:00pm.

For information on either trip, call Marge, 610-262-3174, or Elsie, 610-349-6998.