

October 4, 2009 *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*



Saturday, October 3

5 p.m. **Pauline Yonaitis**
r/o Husband Gus

Sunday, October 4

8:00 a.m. **Robert Burger**
r/o daughter Margaret Bitecola

10:30 a.m. **Ede & Hans Pfeil**
r/o Gerry Moss

Monday, October 5

8:45 a.m. **Eleanor Harte**
r/o Diane Thomas

Tuesday, October 6

8:45 a.m. **Souls in Purgatory**
r/o Don & Cathleen DeLorenzo

Wednesday, October 7

8:45 a.m. **Madonna of Health**
r/o Angela Gross

Thursday, October 8

8:45 a.m. **Francis X. Kane**
r/o Mary Farrell

First Friday October 9 No Mass

Saturday, October 10

5 p.m. **Josephine Martin**
r/o Howard and Ann Morpeth

Sunday, October 11

8:00 a.m. **Kait Buckley**
r/o Paula Marchese

10:30 a.m. **Donald Heaney**
r/o Rocco and Jane Labato

Dear Parishioner!

Brothers and sisters, you and I are here, worshipping at Mass, precisely because we believe in God, we acknowledge Christ as Lord, and we worship the Holy Spirit. God, from the beginning of Scripture to the end, is the God of life. He speaks of himself as the Living God. The Lord Jesus Christ said, "I am the Life." The Holy Spirit, as we say in the Creed every Sunday, is the Lord and Giver of Life. Therefore we, the people of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, are by that very fact the people of life.

To stand with Christ is to stand for life and to stand for life means that we stand *against* whatever destroys life. There is nothing in our society that

destroys more human life than abortion -- nothing at all, no crime, no disease, no natural disaster, no war. My dear friends, the irony of this is that some promote this activity under the slogan "freedom of choice". But the women getting abortions do not do so because of *freedom* of choice; they do so because they feel they have *no* freedom and *no* choice. They feel trapped, abandoned, desperate, afraid and sadly they feel that there is no one they can turn to except the abortionist.

I want to give you *good news* today. The Church and the pro-life movement want to give you good news and the good news is that there *are* other people ready to help, that there are better choices better than abortion. The women of our country deserve better choices than that and we are ready to provide them! Let no one ever feel that the only way to solve a problem is to have her child destroyed. We can do better than the destruction of 3300 children a day. There are better ways to solve the problems of an individual and of a nation.

My friends, there are some people that only you can reach, some abortions that only you can stop, and some lives that only you can save. Children are alive today because people like you in Churches like this all over the nation heard of someone who was pregnant and in need, they spoke up and said, "Don't have an abortion...There's better help available!" And so I entrust this tool to you today, to save lives.

And not only do we reach out to those tempted to have abortions -- we also reach out to those who *have had* abortions. To them we say, "The doors of the Church are open." We will not reject or condemn or cast you out. We want to welcome you back to the peace, the mercy, the forgiveness of Christ. When she turns away from her sins, she will be welcomed back and be given again the peace of Christ. So let no one despair. We're not against you; we're on your side.

My friends, you and I *have heard* those crying voices, and I am confident that we *will* respond. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Zenek, SDS

- There are openings for **2010** Mass Intentions to be said at **St. Theodore**. You may either stop at or call the Parish Office to reserve a date.
- There are a few openings for **2009** Mass Intentions to be said at **Warren Haven Nursing Home and Colonial Manor Assisted Living Home**: Warren Haven November 10 and December 12; Colonial Manor November 11 and December 9.
- If you wish to commemorate a special day in memory or thanksgiving of a love one, Sanctuary candles are available. The name of your love one and the intention will be published in that week's bulletin.

Tricky Tray Event



Our annual Tricky Tray event will be held on 12/4/09 in the Parish Center. We hope to receive from you theme baskets, new gifts, gift certificates to restaurants, concerts, theater, sporting events. We also need shrink wrap, empty baskets, basket bags, bows, ribbons,

tissue paper and packing materials, etc.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

The Diocesan Office of Respect for Life works to restore respect and legal protection of human life at every state in its existence from conception to natural death. Beyond matters relating to the unborn, persons with disabilities and the elderly, other topics being addressed include: reproduction technologies, cloning, stem cell research, chastity, the death penalty, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and end of life issues. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual appeal will help to sustain this important ministry.

Tour to Poland and Prague! (Cost approximately \$2600) If you interested please call fr Zenek:

June 25(Fr) - July 4(Fr). 2010

1ST DAY, FRIDAY

USA - WARSAW [OVERNIGHT]

This is the day you've been waiting for, as you come aboard a swift, smooth, trans-Atlantic jet bound for Poland.

2ND DAY, SATURDAY

WARSAW [D]

On arrival, you are met and transferred to your hotel. The afternoon is free and then enjoy a welcome dinner with folklore entertainment at a local restaurant.

3RD DAY, SUNDAY

WARSAW [B,L]

This morning, we introduce you to the highlights of Warsaw.

4TH DAY, MONDAY

WARSAW - CZESTOCHOWA - AUSCHWITZ - ZAKOPANE [B,L]

After breakfast, we set out for Zakopane. On the way, we stop at Czestochowa to visit the shrine of the Black Madonna in Jasna Gora monastery. Before we reach Zakopane, we drive to Auschwitz, site of the infamous concentration camp, a name that has become synonymous with all the horrors of the infamous Holocaust. In the afternoon, we drive to Zakopane.

5TH DAY, TUESDAY

ZAKOPANE - KRAKOW [B,D]

In the morning, after a brief sightseeing tour of Zakopane, take a cable car to a nearby mountain-top for a thrilling panorama. Before driving to Krakow, we go rafting on the Dunajec River. Divine Mercy Shrine.

6TH DAY, WEDNESDAY

KRAKOW - WIELICZKA - KRAKOW [B,D]

Get acquainted today with this medieval jewel, as you explore Market Square, where you hear the silver trumpet of the bugler from St. Mary's church tower and go inside to admire the awesome Wit Stwosz altar. You also visit Wawel Hill and the Gothic Cathedral. In the afternoon, visit Wieliczka Salt Mine, a splendid 3-mile-long underground complex of chambers, chapels and statues sculpted from salt. In the evening, we have a dinner with a folklore entertainment at a local restaurant.

7TH DAY, THURSDAY

KRAKOW - PRAGUE [B,D]

This morning, we leave Krakow for the spectacular scenic drive to Prague. Overnight and dinner at your hotel in Prague.

8THND DAY, FRIDAY

PRAGUE [B,D]

To make the most of your trip, we have arranged an all-day tour of this enchanting city. Included in your sightseeing are visits to Prague Castle, the Powder Tower, Golden Street, Mala Strana, the Charles Bridge, and a one-hour boat cruise including coffee and cake. Tonight, we have a dinner at the hotel's restaurant.

9TH DAY, SATURDAY

After breakfast, you will be free to explore the city on your own. In the evening, we invite you to a farewell dinner with folklore entertainment.

10TH DAY, SUNDAY

PRAGUE - USA

After breakfast, you are transferred to the airport in Prague

Our Weekly Offering

Last Week	\$2,979.25	Last Year	\$3,182.33
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Please pray for: Margaret Glackin, Chris, Bree, Anna & John Saksa, Heather, Stephen, Ray & Alice O'Donnell, Vickie Li Puma, Theresa, Mary, Robert Gross, Lillian Shaffer, Bridget, Beatrice Gillis, The Hance Family, Erin Stanton, Theresa Kugelman, Katlyn Faulkner, Denise Piazza, Chris Gilheany, Steve, Dolores, Joshua Zins. To add Name: Call Parish Office 908-689-8318; email Rose Strohmaier at: strohmaierr@yahoo.com to add name to the Prayer Chain

Altar Servers

Oct 10: Luke & Grace Gleba, Nora Renn

Oct. 11: Robert & Juliette Capaldo-8; Philip Koskoff, Gianna Orrechio, Kaitlyn Gagliano-10:30

Oct 17: Evan and Ryan Moran

Oct. 18: Robert & Juliette Capaldo-8; Walter & William Gonsiewski, Melody Haag-10:30

Lectors

Oct 10: Jeanine Gleba

Oct. 11: Mary Rupell-8; Bob Gagliano-10:30

Oct 17: Nancy Guerriere

Oct. 18: Joan Capaldo-8; Mary Rupell-10:30

Eucharistic Ministers

Oct 10: Ray Vonderheide E, Jim & Eileen Mattison C

Oct. 11: Karl Strohmaier E, Rose
Strohmaier C, Joan Capaldo C -8; Jane
Labato E, Phil & Mary Koskoff C-10:30

Oct 17: Ginny & Tim Moran C, Charles
Shipley E

Oct. 18: Diane Keggan C, Bill Supple C,
Nadie Hill e-8; Joy Haag E, Tina Jackson &
Helene Picht C-10:30