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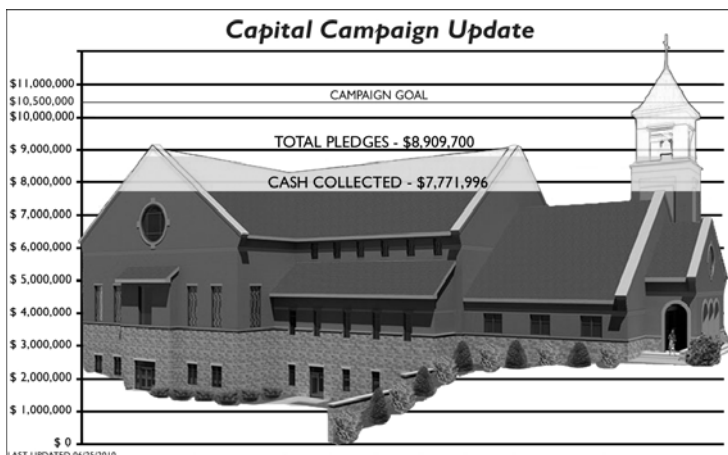
A very blessed and joyous Fourth of July weekend to all of you. As we celebrate our nation’s independence from foreign rule, may we pray and work for independence from all that is evil. May God’s protection and mercy be upon our service men and women and all in law enforcement. May we never forget the great price that has been paid by many for the freedom we enjoy. By the grace of God, may we live up to the sacrifices that others have made and use our freedom wisely for the sake of justice and peace.

“Welcome” to permanent **Deacon James DiFerdinand** of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Deacon James will be assisting at the **11:00 AM Mass** this weekend. He is a friend of mine and serves as the permanent deacon at St. Mary Magdalen Parish in Media, PA. **Deacon Raymond Wellbank**, a friend of Deacon James, will also be present. He is likewise from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and serves the parish of St. Stanislaus in Landsdale, PA. Please give them both a very warm Sts. John and Paul welcome.

“Welcome back” to our teens, **Matt Dixon, Kenny Kraynik, Julianna Sacco, Stephen Thayer, Brooke Turner, Justin Viola, Kevin Vogl, Megan Zuley**; and chaperones, **Hayley Deschamps, Justin Waltz, and Carolyn Berry**, who attended the Leadership Conference at Benedictine College in Atchison, KS this past week. May the skills and wisdom they acquired during this time of enrichment propel our youth program to even greater heights. We depend on the generosity of our teens to share their gifts and talents to lead, inspire, and challenge all of us to grow closer in the Lord. May the good work that God has begun in their young lives continue to make a difference in the lives of all of us!



This week kicks off two weeks of the “Summer Program” for **140 middle schoolers, 22 high school teen leaders, and 30 adults** who will be working together to mature in their faith and grow closer to Christ. The students will be putting their faith into action: they are selling hoagies to raise money for Father Scott’s hospital in Oaxaca, Mexico, making lunches for the homeless, which will be distributed through St. Mary’s Red Door ministry downtown, tie-dying pillowcases for patients at Children’s Hospital, writing cards for the Angel Tree Kids, and collecting canned goods for the North Hills Community Food Bank. Their theme this year is: *“Strive to be First....First to Smile, First to Forgive, First to Love.”* These are words that all of us at Sts. John and Paul work hard to live out each day. We are....Sts. John and Paul!



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God love you,

Fr. Mac

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sunday, June 27, 2010

Offertory.....	\$17,298.00
Parish Share.....	\$2,550.00
Peter’s Pence	\$4,116.00

Thank you for your generous support of SSJP Parish.

“The man named his wife Eve, because she was the mother of all living” (Genesis 3:20). The story of God’s love for us begins with the creation of life; but it seems easy to take our very existence for granted. Disciples revere life in its entirety because they recognize the gift that it is. It is the first gift we receive from God.

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, July 4th Happy Fourth of July	Thursday, July 8th 9:00 AM Summer Program 7:00 PM CVOL Parent Mtg.
Monday, July 5th 9:00 AM Summer Program	Friday, July 9th 9:00 AM Summer Program 6:30 PM HSYM Movie Marathon
Tuesday, July 6th 9:00 AM Summer Program 2:00 PM Eucharistic Holy Hour	Saturday, July 10th 7:00 AM CMF 8:45 AM Benediction
Wednesday, July 7th 9:00 AM Summer Program	

ROAD TO THE DIACONATE

What have you witnessed at Villa Saint Joseph this summer? Villa Saint Joseph is a nursing home that is entirely enveloped in the Catholic faith of the Sisters of Saint Joseph. The atmosphere is one of caring and kindness with every effort taken to care for their residents. I have met some wonderful people; and their stories have really touched my heart.

PACK 935 NEEDS YOU

Cub Scout Pack 935 of SSJP is accepting new members. All boys grades 1 - 5 are encouraged to join! Leaders of Pack 935 are looking for young men grades 6 - 12 to pioneer a new Boy Scout Troop! Please contact Bob or Kirstin Cenk at 412-741-1416 or rcenk@comcast.net for more details.



MASS CHANGE ON JULY 30TH

Our regular Friday morning mass at **9:00 AM on July 30th** has been **changed to 11:00 AM**, so that our youth from Vacation Bible School can participate too! Please make a note of it in your calendar.

MEN'S CLUB ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Please join us for some fun and lots of Bruster's ice cream at the Men's Ice Cream Social in the downstairs Hall on **July 11th from 12:00 - 1:00 PM** (after the 11:00 AM Mass). Come and meet some new faces!

WE WANT YOUR HOUSE

Well...not really, but the golf committee is hoping that some parishioners will consider donating either a weekend or a week's stay as an auction item this year. You can control dates and times. The golf outing is scheduled for



September 10th at Cranberry Highlands Golf Course. Golfers are urged to get their applications sent in as soon as possible. Payment is required for confirmation. Please consider being a family sponsor or donating tickets, gifts or gift cards. We package a variety of items for auction items. If you work for a company that would be willing to donate Steelers, Pirates or Pens tickets...that would be GREAT! Fr. Mac has reminded us that he still needs money for the building fund...so...HELP! If you have any questions, please contact Bill or Rosemary at rpg@consolidated.net or 724-933-0285.

PARISH COOKBOOK ORDER

Orders for the parish cookbook will be taken after all Masses **July 17th through August 8th**. The book features full-color photos of our new church, a history of the church and its artifacts, and over 1,000 recipes from parishioners. The discounted price during the pre-sale event is \$20. See next week's bulletin for more information.



OUTREACH

Senior Connection Workdays have opportunities for service, including the following dates: Saturday's, July 31st, September 11th, and October 23rd. Reserve your place by calling Sally Kraynik at 724-935-1991 or Lynn Cook at 724-935-7414.

Food Bank Workdays: Saturday's, August 14th, October 9th and December 11th. To become a Food Bank volunteer, please call Bill Cotter at 724-934-2284.

Food Bank "item of the month" for July is pasta and spaghetti sauce due at the end of the month.

- Blood Drive.....Peggy Slota-412-366-8398
- Community Food Bank..... Bill Cotter-724-934-2284
- Food Collection.....Sally Taccone-724-935-4456
- Jubilee Kitchen.....Jeannine Dean-724-933-7692
- Prison Ministry.....Owen Dwyer-724-935-6865
- Senior Connection.....Lynn Cook- 724-935-7414
Sally Kraynik-724-935-1991
- Sharing Tree.....Dara Schanker-412-741-4810
- Respect Life.....Joy Allen-(412) 741-1106
- Outreach Committee.....Owen Dwyer-(724) 935-6865

FAITH FORMATION

CATECHISTS & AIDES NEEDED

Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you as a Catechist/Co-Catechist:



<u>AGE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Weekly Catechists Needed:		
Kindergarten	Monday	4:30—6:00 PM
4th Grade	Monday	4:30—6:00 PM
5th Grade	Tuesday	6:30—8:00 PM
3rd Grade	Wednesday	4:30—6:00 PM
4th Grade	Wednesday	4:30—6:00 PM
5th grade	Wednesday	6:30—8:00 PM

Weekly Co-Catechist Needed:

5th Grade	Monday	4:30—6:00 PM
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Catechist Aides Needed:

Preschool	Sunday	9:00—10:00 AM
Kindergarten	Wednesday	4:30—6:00 PM

Call Kate ASAP at 724-935-2104, x-23, to volunteer.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY THEOLOGY ON TAP

Join us on **Tuesday, July 20th at 6:30 PM** at Vesuvio Pizzeria, 88 Wagner Road, Monaca, 15061 for Theology on Tap! Each month speakers discuss relevant issues. No reservations necessary. Feel free to bring a friend or two. Contact Ellen Cavanaugh at 724-775-6363 or theologyontapbc@gmail.com for more information. Check out this Theology on Tap group on Facebook (theology on Tap Beaver County).

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

Fr. Scott Seethaler will be the presenter for this year's Married Couple Retreat to be held on **August 13th - 15th, 6:00 PM Friday - 12:30 PM Sunday**. It will take place at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center (South Side Slopes). Fr. Scott has helped many people through his books, retreats, radio ministry and newsletter. He will touch on various aspects of married life. It promises to be an insightful and inspirational weekend for married couples. For more information or to register, contact John Colaizzi at 412-381-7676 or jcolaizzi@cpprov.org. Cost is \$50 deposit with registration; \$320 per couple.

MARANATHA—VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Seamstress needed to make "traveling bags" for our Spiritan class. Please contact Annie McKenna at 412-366-5342 or mckennas97@yahoo.com if you have some time to spare!



Kate — kbianco@stsjohnandpaul.org

Kathy — kmasters@stsjohnandpaul.org

CONFIRMATION 2010 STUDENTS

Please spend time over your summer break reading through your Catholic Youth Faith Handbook and your Confirmation Journal. It is very important to use these summer months to continue your preparation and to develop a deeper understanding of your faith. The Confirmation Information Form and the letter to Father Mac are due in the Faith Formation Office **NO LATER THAN August 30th**. Please contact Kathy at x-36 with any questions/concerns. We'll let you know as soon as we have been notified about the date for Confirmation this fall.



SUMMER PROGRAM BEGINS ON MONDAY!



Summer Program students should arrive **UPSTAIRS** in the Parish Hall (original building) at **8:45 AM on Monday morning** for check-in! The program will begin promptly at **9:00 AM**. Students who turn in 10 hoagie orders and the collected money will earn FIFTEEN raffle tickets for their efforts! All students who turn in hoagie orders will receive the raffle incentive (one ticket per hoagie sold). The TOP SELLER will receive a Target Gift Card! All proceeds go to Father Scott's hospital in Mexico. Parents: Raffle donations are greatly appreciated! We will be accepting items all week (gift cards from Bruster's, Starbucks, Pittsburgh sports team fan gear, etc.). Summer Program runs until **12:30**. Students will be dismissed from the Upper Hall.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FAITH BUILDERS

Attention Summer Program and Middle School Home Study Students! The new Faith Builder list is now available on the parish website and next to the bulletin board across from Room 8. Register TODAY for the Catholic Vision of Love Retreats. This curriculum is REQUIRED and is worth TWO credits. The CVOL Home Study model can be completed with a parent any time during the year and is worth one credit. Detailed instructions for accessing the home study material is available by request. Questions? Contact Kathy at x-36.

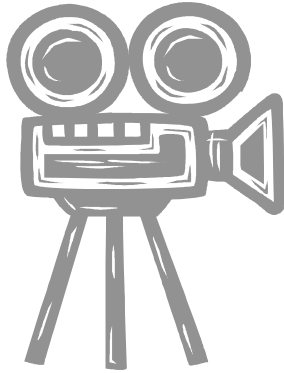
CATHOLIC VISION OF LOVE PARENT MEETING

Join us on **Thursday, July 8th at 7:00 PM** in Room 9 for an overview of the Catholic Vision of Love curriculum for grades 5 through 8. We are currently accepting registrations for the all of the CVOL retreats. For dates and times, please check the parish website. Questions, contact Kathy, x-36.



H . S . Y o u t h M i n i s t r y

Visit us at stsjohnandpaul.org. Go to Faith Formation, then click on "High School." Contact Hayley at 724-935-2104, x-28, hdeschamps@stsjohnandpaul.org.



MOVIE MARATHON
 July 9th, 6:30—11:00 PM
 Upper Parish Hall
FEATURING...
 "I ROBOT"
 and
 "TRUMAN SHOW"

*Bring a comfy chair, pillow
 and/or blanket!*

A LOOK AHEAD AT THE REST OF THE SUMMER

Cedar Point—**DATE CHANGE:** July 31st - August 1st
Friday Mass & Bonfire—August 6th, 8:00 PM Mass and bonfire to follow



Breakfast Club—Missing your friends this summer? Come to Kings Restaurant near T-Bones, July 10th, 17th, 24th, and August 7th.

Theology of the Body—August 8th, 12:30 PM

COURTESY NOTES

SAINT ALEXIS GIANT FLEA MARKET will be in full swing on **Saturday, July 17th** from **8:00 AM—2:00 PM**. The cafeteria and school classrooms will be filled with bargains. A Bag Sale will take place from **1:00 - 2:00 PM** when EVERYTHING must go!

ONE DAY ONLY RUMMAGE SALE! St. Aloysius Church, 3616 Mt. Troy Road, Reserve Twp. is having a rummage sale on **July 24th** from **8:00 AM—1:00 PM**. Most items are 25 cents. We have restocked all shelves and clothing racks with newly arrived merchandise. For information, call 412-821-3610.

SISTERS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE present *Murder...Las Vegas Style!* It will be dinner theater style featuring the Assumption Theatre Guild on **Saturday, July 17th** at **6:00 PM** and **Sunday, July 18th** at **2:00 PM**. It will take place at Providence Heights Auditorium. For reservations go to www.divineprovidencweb.org or call 412-635-5408.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Connection — Saturday's July 31st, September 11th, and October 23rd

Food Bank, Produce to People — ****New Dates: Saturday, July 24th****

Also, August 14th, October 9th, and December 11th.

Spring/Summer Faith Formation Volunteer Opportunities:

- **Vacation Bible School Volunteer**
 - "Maranatha," July 26th-30th

If you are interested in volunteering for one or more of these programs, please complete the online application found on the High School page of the parish website.

DEADLINES!!!



Catholic Heart Workcamp, July 18th-24th;
 FINAL PAYMENT: \$125.00, July 1st!

RECYCLING

Recycling Rewards—We are always accepting empty ink/laser cartridges and old cell phones for recycling!



NORTH HILLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH is collecting new backpacks and school supplies for distribution to low-income children in grades K-12 until **July 31st**. Items needed include backpacks, pencils, rulers, scissors, crayons, markers, notebooks and folders. For more information, contact Jennifer Lynn at 412-487-6316, option 1.

THE FIRST "RACE FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION" is on **Saturday, July 17th** at **8:00 AM** at Youthtowne Fields. Register today on www.active.com/page/event or visit www-holy-trinity-school.org. Two Steeler Tickets will be given away the day of the race.

A CLASS REUNION for ALL GRADUATES of St. William's Grade School located in East Pittsburgh (from 1920s through early 1980s when the school closed) will be held on **Friday, August 6th** at the East Pittsburgh VFW. Tickets \$20/person; \$35/couple. If interested send your check to Julianne Marchitello, P.O. Box 150, Irwin, PA 15642.