Epiphany of Our Lord Church

All Saints' Day

November 1, 2015
The National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) celebrated the first National Parish Religious Education Week in November 2013 as a fruit of the international Year of Faith. The effort focuses on the value of parish-based efforts to form people of all ages in the Catholic faith and way of life, in echoing the Gospel and helping people grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. May all we do to advance the Church’s mission of evangelization and catechesis glorify God as we celebrate encountering Christ every day.

**Encountering Christ Every Day**

The guiding theme for this year’s celebration is “Encountering Christ Every Day.” Every day of the week some type of religious education activity is going on in a parish somewhere in the United States and its territories. Approximately 69 million people are officially connected to 17,900 Catholic parishes in the United States. As the hub of lifelong faith formation, the parish – both the people and the place – weaves together essential strands within the fabric of effective Catholic education. NCEA’s annual National Parish Religious Education Week celebration highlights the vital role of parish in fulfilling the Church’s mission of evangelization and catechesis. The theme echoes the call for Christian disciples to see and reflect Jesus Christ in daily living. It also reminds us that catechesis — everything the Church does to educate people in the Catholic faith — is a moment in the process of evangelization.

**General Directory for Catechesis**

“The parish is, without doubt, the most important locus in which the Christian community is formed and expressed. This is called to be a fraternal and welcoming family where Christians become aware of being the people of God. In the parish, all human differences melt away and are absorbed into the universality of the Church. The parish is also the usual place in which the faith is born and in which it grows. It constitutes, therefore, a very adequate community space for the realization of the ministry of the word at once as teaching, education and life experience” (No. 257).

**Declaration on Christian Education**

“To fulfill the mandate she has received from her divine founder of proclaiming the mystery of salvation to all men and of restoring all things in Christ, Holy Mother the Church must be concerned with the whole of man’s life, even the secular part of it insofar as it has a bearing on his heavenly calling. Therefore she has a role in the progress and development of education” (Introduction).
Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for November

Universal Intention: That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even those whose convictions differ from our own.

Intention for Evangelization: That pastors of the Church, with profound love for their flocks, may accompany them and enliven their hope.

Communion of Saints

“In the communion of saints, ‘a perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home (the Church Triumphant), those who are expiating their sins in purgatory (the Church Suffering), and those who are still pilgrims on earth (the Church Militant). Between them there is, too, an abundant exchange of all good things.’ In this wonderful exchange, the holiness of one profits others, well beyond the harm that the sin of one could cause others. Thus recourse to the communion of saints lets the contrite sinner be more promptly and efficaciously purified of the punishments for sin” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1475).

All Souls Mass of Remembrance

We will celebrate an All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

Our parishioners who have died during the past year will be remembered in a special way during this Mass. After Mass, light refreshments will be served in the Parish Center.

Faithful Citizenship

“In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation” (Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops).

Exercise your faithful citizenship and fulfill your moral obligation by casting your ballot on Election Day. Vote on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Guest Speaker

Encounter Christ at the Malvern Retreat House. Join us at the Malvern Retreat House, where the Divine Physician, who knows us better than we know ourselves, awaits to heal and lead us on the path of fullness and life. Malvern Retreat House volunteers will speak at all Masses next weekend, Nov. 7-8, to invite men, women and families to their venerable retreat house.

For more information call the Malvern Retreat House at (610) 644-0400 or visit www.malvernretreat.com. For traditional Weekend Retreat information, call Patrick Benner at (484) 321-2521.

Youth Ministry

Gail Toto, Youth Minister, ymmin@eol.comcastbiz.net

All Saints and Souls Party.

Join us for our annual JR High Youth Group (7th & 8th grade) Halloween party this Sunday, Nov. 1, from 6-8 p.m. We will have a fun night filled with games, candy, food and a costume contest. This year’s theme is Saints.

Annual Youth Ministry Thanksgiving Dinner.

Join us for our second annual Youth Ministry Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 15, from 6-8 p.m. Bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish or dessert. Please RSVP with the dish you decide to bring.

Youth Ministry Volunteer Opportunity.

We are looking for any youth interested in volunteering before and after all Masses the weekend of Nov. 21-22 to help the SON Committee with their annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. If you are able to help, contact our parish Youth Minister.

Dr. Rodgers Turkey Drive

SON will be distributing flyers for the annual turkey dinner drive after Masses this weekend. You can buy the turkey from WEIS (Germantown Pike store only) or Giant (Township Line store only) at the customer service desk. The stores will hold the turkeys for us. You purchase the rest of the items listed on the flyer and pay for them at check-out. Drop off the turkey receipt at the Parish Office ASAP. And, drop off the rest of the food goods at the Parish Center before or after any of the Masses on the weekend before Thanksgiving (Nov. 21-22).

If you wish to donate a turkey purchased at another store, please call me to arrange where and when to drop it off since we have limited freezer space.

Call Bud Yanak at (215) 628-0839 if you have questions. If you leave a message, include your name and phone number and the number of turkeys you are buying. Thank you for your generosity.

First Fridays

At Church on the Mall

Join them on the first Friday of the month, beginning in November from 6-8 p.m. for a free, healthy, delicious, buffet-style meal in their sanctuary.

They welcome all people to come and be fed.

Church on the Mall is located in the Plymouth Meeting Mall (500 W. Germantown Pike). They are across from the AMC Theater, behind Whole Foods. Enter by way of the #3 Mall entrance.

For more information, contact pastor Rev. Sarah Colwill at pastor@churchonthemall.com or at (610) 825-3388.
Knights of Columbus Vacation Raffle

Epiphany Knights of Columbus Council 10605 will be holding a raffle to give away a time share vacation for 4 days and 3 nights in Myrtle Beach, Poconos, Williamsburg or Atlantic City. Your choice.

Tickets are only $10 or 3 for $25. The K of C will be selling the chances outside of Church during the latter half of November. To secure your tickets early, Contact:

Ed O’Hanlon (610) 613-3364
Frank McCreeeh (610) 322-7119

Please support this event so the Knights can continue their generous donations to our local charities.

Christmas Craft Fairs

St. Francis Church
Friday, Nov. 6, from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the School Gym. Homemade Crafts by the Ladies of St. Francis, Tombola, Religious Booth, Linen Booth, Children’s Games, Bake Goods, Chance Baskets, and Raffle Tickets of cash prizes and a Liquor Wheel. Food Court with homemade Italian Wedding Soup, Ham, Bean Soup, Galumkies (Pigs in a Blanket), Hot Dogs, French Fries, Soft Pretzels, Tomato Pie, Pulled Pork Sandwiches, and Ice Cream Sundaes. For more information, call St. Francis Rectory at (610) 272-0402.

Archbishop Wood H.S.
Friday, Nov. 13, from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the corner York Rd. & Street Rd. Sponsored by the Music & Performing Arts Dept. 200 tables of unique, handmade items crafted by local artisans. $2.00 admission /12 & under free.

Any questions, contact Jean Wisniewski at jeaniewisniewski@gmail.com.

St. Patrick Church
Festival of Lights, Friday, Nov 13, from 5-8:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Entertainment on Friday at 6:30 and Saturday at 1 p.m. Lunch with Santa will be held on Saturday from 12-1 p.m. Come out and join in the fun with raffle baskets, money chances, silent auction and much more.

St Teresa of Avila

St. Joseph’s Church
Saturday, Nov. 14, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Variety of vendors, delicious food, bake sale, raffle prizes. Secret Santa Shop for kids to shop. A visitor from the North Pole! Ample free parking in SEPTA lot across the street. Enter through S. Main St. (across from Ambler SEPTA Station) or S. Spring Garden St. between Butler Avenue and Poplar St. in Ambler. Questions? Call (610) 960-7338 or ChristmastideFair@verizon.net.

Saint Paul’s Church
Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20 & 21. They can use your help. If you have any gifts or NEW items in their original boxes, such as jewelry, house-wares, appliances, knick-knacks, picture frames, please leave in the vestibule for pick-up. Also, any religious articles you’d like to donate such as, old statues, crosses, rosaries, framed pictures as long as their in good shape and not broken would be greatly appreciated. NO BOOKS.
American Red Cross Blood Drive

Our next parish Blood Drive will be held **Monday, Nov. 2, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Grady Hall.** All who are able (at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds or more, and are healthy) are encouraged to donate blood frequently (56 days minimum between donations). If you have specific questions about your eligibility, you may call the Red Cross toll free at 1-800-GIVE LIFE. If you have been told that you are anemic (low iron) you can increase your red cell count by eating more high-iron foods such as red meat, fish, poultry, liver, iron-fortified cereals, beans, raisins, and prunes.

The Red Cross will be accepting DOUBLE RED BLOOD CELL donations at this Blood Drive. This process takes about 20 minutes longer. Blood types needed are O and B. Donors must meet certain weight, height, and iron level requirements. Males min. 130 lbs., 5'1" tall. Females: min. 155 lbs., 5'5" tall. Iron level: 40% or higher hemotocrit. Donation interval 16 weeks.

For more information, call Bernie Toth at (610) 279-2788.

Catholic Social Services
Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Montgomery County Service Center
353 E. Johnson Highway,
Norristown, PA 19401
(610) 279-7372

September 28, 2015

Rev. Joseph Quindlen
Epiphany of Our Lord Church
3050 Walton Rd.
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Dear Fr. Quindlen,

On behalf of the staff here at Catholic Social Services, thank you so much for your donation of 88 bags of groceries to our food pantry. They went a long way in feeding many of the people we serve here. As you may know, our food cupboard, Martha’s Choice, now serves an average of 900 families per month.

The generosity and faithfulness of you and the good people of your parish are so very appreciated. Please let them know that they are really helping us fulfill Christ’s mandate to feed the hungry. May God richly bless you!

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Peteraf, M.A, Administrator

Office for Divine Worship
Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

**THURSDAY EVENINGS**
from
7 – 9 p.m.
in the PARISH Center
unless otherwise noted.

All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are required to participate in an archdiocesan formation session or a parish formation session and have, as well, the mandate from the Archbishop to carry out this ministry.

Register at: www.odwphiladelphia.org, or call the Office for Divine Worship at 215-587-3537 or email: worship@archphila.org

Please register at least one week in advance of the session.

November 19
Saint Katherine of Siena Church, Wayne

December 3
Saint Michael the Archangel Church, Levittown

December 10
Saint Stanislaus (Parish Center Chapel), Lansdale

January 28
Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Strafford

February 25
Visitation, B.V.M. Church, Trooper

March 3
Saint Francis of Assisi Church, Norristown

March 10
Saint Anne Church, Phoenixville
500 S. Main St., corner of 3rdand Main

May 26
Cathedral Chapel, Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
Philadelphia
### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, Nov. 2**
8:30 a.m. – Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

**Tuesday, Nov. 3**
8:30 a.m. – Vincent Rum

**Wednesday, Nov. 4**
8:30 a.m. – Samuel Paolella

**Thursday, Nov. 5**
8:30 a.m. – Betty Jane Tomashunas

**Friday, Nov. 6**
8:30 a.m. – Beatrice Pantano

**Saturday, Nov. 7**
8:30 a.m. – Eleanor Klun

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### The Respect Life Rose

*Is in Loving Memory of*

- Ricardo Landero,
- Baby Bowman
- Teresa Villavicencio
- Mario & Celia V. Landero
- Josefa C. Landero

In remembrance from family members

The rose will remain on the Altar in front of The Blessed Mother

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### The Adoration Chapel Votive Candles are in Loving Memory of

- Michael Melanson
- Jane News

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### The Cleansing Prayer

“Cleanse us, O Lord, from all our sin, wash us, and we shall become *whiter* than snow.”

Recite this prayer every single time that you use or sprinkle Holy Water as it chases away everything that is not from God Himself.

It leaves the person or thing pure, holy, spotless and in the presence of our dear Lord and Savior dwelling within us.

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### Please Pray For The Sick

- Miriam Beaumont*
- Bartholomew Cahan
- Maureen Cahan
- Stacy Callahan, 8yrs old
- Barbara Diehl
- Aubrey Fells
- Dolores R. Gallagher*
- Esperanza Galshack*
- Christopher Greuters, 7yrs old

- Steven Hedricks
- Kathy Kane*
- John P. Kelly*
- Helen Miller*
- Mary Mirabile*
- Mike McCullough
- Sybil Nahrgang*
- Janet O’Connor*
- Mary Pizzico,*

- Jill Ramos
- Margaret Reinhr
- Gloria Scandale*
- Katty Tucker
- Daniel White

*Parishioner

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### Stewardship is a way of life.

**Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving.**

- Our Sunday Offering $12,623
- Our Sunday Offering (Last Year) $12,136
- Children’s Sunday Offering $ 5

*Thank you for your continued support!*

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### From the Pastor:

During the month of November, we are called in a special way to remember “our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection” (Eucharistic Prayer II). November, especially All Souls’ Day, is a traditional time for visiting graves of loved ones, as is the anniversary of death.

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### From the Children:

I volunteered at library sale at WVPL. Helped clean. Said thank you for my gifts. Helped at Fall Fest. Played volleyball.
Parish Office Requests

To register in the parish, arrange for a baptism, or request a Certificate of Eligibility for sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation, contact the rectory Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (email is preferable).

Also, please advise our office staff of any change of address, telephone number or family status.

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday of the month during 8:30 a.m. Mass or by special request.

Please notify the rectory as soon as possible when any parishioner becomes seriously ill or is admitted to the hospital.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated after the 11:30 a.m. Mass every Sunday, with the option of Baptism during the 11:30 a.m. Mass on the fifth Sunday of the month. Both first-time parents must attend a Pre-Jordan class, which is held the first Wednesday of every month.

Pre-Registration for the class is required by contacting the rectory. Sponsors not from Epiphany are required to submit a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish two weeks prior to the Baptism.

Marriage

Notify the priest of your intention to marry at least six months before the date of the wedding to assure sufficient preparation and to arrange for Pre-Cana sessions.

Miraculous Medal—Perpetual Novena

After 8:30 a.m. Mass every Saturday.

Healing Mass

1st Saturday of the month at 8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion for the Sick and Homebound

If you or a member of your family is ill and unable to attend Sunday Mass, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion to the sick and homebound. Call the Parish Office at (610) 824-8634 and provide the office staff with the name, address and phone number of the sick or homebound parishioner.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

In order to keep our Perpetual Adoration Chapel open 24/7, we need your help. Please ask a family member or friend to consider spending time with our Eucharistic Lord Jesus. You can come to HIM, to praise and adore HIM or to pour out one’s heart to HIM, to ask for inspiration, to be consoled and comforted, to ask for favors and guidance, and to give thanks. Please call Elaine Thorpe at (610) 828-6925. If you can commit to any of the following Open Hours:

SUNDAY: 5-6AM, 12-1 PM, 1-2PM, 3-4PM, 8-9PM
MONDAY: 5-6AM, 11AM-12PM, 4-5PM
TUESDAY: 5-6 AM, 11AM-12PM 2-3PM, 4-5PM, 9-10PM
WEDNESDAY: 4-5PM, 5-6 PM
THURSDAY: 6-7PM, 7-8PM, 10-11PM
FRIDAY: 5-6 PM, 3-4PM, 6-7PM, 7-8PM, 9-10PM, 10-11PM
SATURDAY: 11AM-12PM, 12-1PM, 1-2PM, 3-4PM, 7-8PM, 9-10PM

NOTE: We are asking the men of the parish to cover the early morning times. Please do not leave any religious articles in the chapel, ie, books, magazines, metals, prayer cards, rosaries, etc.