

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF



ST. GREGORY
ZELIENOPLE, PA



ST. MATTHIAS
EVANS CITY, PA

Super Bingo

Sunday, September 11, in the Bergman Event Center

Doors open at 12:30 and games start at 2:00 p.m.

This month we have one magic number starting out at \$292. We also have our usual 50/50 raffle, lottery basket raffle, door prizes and our must-go \$1,000 jackpot.

Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door and are available at the St. Gregory parish office or Mathew Jewelers in Zelie or The Streets of Cranberry.

For more info please call Gert at 724-452-5798.



Wine Tasting

Saturday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bergman Event Center

The cost is \$15/person and includes wine tasting, food, and prizes.

You must be 21 years of age to attend.

Tickets will be on sale after all Masses and in the St. Gregory parish office.

CCD News

Classes at both parishes for **grades K thru 8** begin on Sunday, September 18.

High School CCD at St. Gregory will begin on Wednesday, October 5.

St. Matthias: Classes will be 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. in Ritzert Hall.

We need kindergarten and fourth grade teachers.

If you would like to teach, please call Maureen Kelly at 724-538-8151.

There will be a meeting for St. Matthias teachers on Wednesday, September 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the CCD Office in Ritzert Hall.

St. Gregory: Classes will be 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church and at the parish, school, and CCD offices - please return them by Sunday, September 11.



From the Pastor's Desk

By Father Bill

This weekend, we welcome to both St. Gregory and St. Matthias Parishes our Regional Vicar, Father Philip Farrell. Father Phil will be celebrating the 5:00PM Saturday evening Mass at St. Gregory and the 9:45AM Sunday Mass at St. Matthias. Fr. Phil is coming to both parishes to have an opportunity to get to know all of you, and for all of you to get to know him. As our Regional Vicar, Fr. Phil is our connection to Bishop Zubik and the Diocese of Pittsburgh, and by getting to know the parishioners in the parishes he oversees, he is then able to let the Bishop know our needs. I am sure that all of you will make Fr. Phil feel most welcome.

On Sunday, October 2, St. Matthias Parish will kick off a comprehensive Parish Census. The purpose of this census is to get an accurate and up-to-date count of all of our parishioners, so that we know exactly who it is we serve as a Parish. The last census at St. Matthias Parish was conducted in 1979, so it can be said that it has been quite a while! To put it in perspective, the last time that St. Matthias Parish had a census, the Pittsburgh Pirates won the World Series!

This census will be quite simple to complete. All that we are asking each St. Matthias family to do, is to fill out a one-sided sheet of paper listing your family information. This information will be kept confidential and placed into a secure database in our parish office, and will be used for Pastoral Planning purposes only. You need not worry that we will sell your information to telemarketers! In order to serve our parishioners most efficiently, we must know exactly who our parishioners are, and this census will give us that necessary information. In next week's column, I will tell you what specific questions we will be asking and why we are asking them.

As we are all aware, this weekend is Labor Day Weekend, the unofficial end of Summer. I would like to invite all of you to come to Mass on Labor Day, which will be at 8:00AM at St. Gregory Parish. As with any holiday, religious or civil, we should always give thanks to God. And there is no better way to give thanks to God than to celebrate the Mass. So let us begin our Labor Day with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, give thanks to God who gives us so many blessings in our lives, and enjoy a day off from work and a day with family and friends.

Food Cupboard (St M): Items needed for September are peanut butter and jellies.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group meets every Tuesday following the 7:00 p.m. Mass and the **Divine Mercy Prayer Group** meets every Monday at 3:00 p.m. Both groups meet in the church (St. G). New members are always welcome.

Asleep in Christ: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Carmen Rizzi**, daughter of Helen and Joe, and brother of Dominic, whose funeral was this past week. May she rest in peace.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith community. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or would like more information on the process, please contact Connie at the St. Gregory parish office.

Senior Luncheon will be on Wednesday, September 14, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the Blue Room at St. Gregory. Senior citizens of both parishes are welcome.

Anointing of the Sick Mass at St. Gregory on Saturday, September 17, at 2:00 p.m. with Father Bill as celebrant. Light refreshments will follow in the Blue Room.

St. Matthias Chicken BBQ will be on Sunday, September 25, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Eat-in and take-out will be available. For more details regarding dessert donations and volunteering, please contact Bill Schwaderer at 724-538-5576 or email at schwad@zoominternet.net.

Order of the Alhambra collected \$1,078 at the Masses on August 20-21. All monies collected will go to help developmentally disabled children. The Order thanks both parishes.

Evans City Oktoberfest will be September 16 - 18. St. Matthias will have a pierogie stand on Friday and Saturday. Everyone is invited to visit their stand and buy some of their delicious home-made pierogies.

Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

The key word in today's gospel is "listen". We cannot change another person; not alone, not with others and not with a whole Church. All we can do is state our position and if he listens to you then he/she can take the steps necessary to change themselves.

Change comes from within.

Second Collection this weekend is for the St. Gregory Debt Reduction and the St. Matthias Parish Share Plus. The second collection **next weekend** is for the Bishop's Education Fund. You have an envelope in your packet for this collection. Please be generous.

St. Gregory School 10-Carat Diamond Jubilee Tickets will be sold after Masses this weekend and in the school office during the week. Ticket cost is \$60 and only 300 are available. You may also purchase shuttle passes for \$10 (free if over 60 years old). Shuttles will leave the church parking lot for Butler Country Club after Mass and return to the church at staggered times throughout the evening. Any questions will be answered when purchasing your tickets.

St. Vincent DePaul (St G) will meet on Wednesday, September 7, at 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study resumes at St. Gregory on Thursday, September 8, and will continue every other Thursday. There are two sessions to choose from - one at 10:00 a.m. in the Blue Room and one at 7:30 p.m. in the school library. Call 724-452-7999 to register and for study guides. Members of both parishes are welcome.

Baptism Class on Sunday, September 11, at 1:00 p.m. in the St. Gregory School library. This class is for parishioners from St. Gregory and St. Matthias who are planning to have a baby baptized in the near future and who have not already attended the class. Parents, grandparents and/or godparents may attend this class. Please call St. Gregory parish office to register.

Appalachia Group Hoagie Sale next weekend after all Masses. Only \$5 for a 12" hoagie! We use only the best buns from Breadworks in Pittsburgh and our meats and cheeses come from the Strip District. So please bring a little extra cash to show your support for our efforts to help the people in the Appalachia Mountains in West Virginia. Thank you!

Altar Servers Needed at St. Matthias. Anyone who has completed second grade or higher, and has received their First Communion is welcome. Please contact Gail Cranmer at 724-538-3922 if you are interested. Father Bill will have a training meeting for all St. Matthias servers, both new and old, on Saturday, September 17, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Matthias Church. All servers must attend. Schedules will be distributed at this time.

Meals-on-Wheels Program: This is the last week that St. Matthias is responsible for desserts. Please bring your desserts to Ritzert Hall by 2:00 p.m. today, September 4, or on Tuesday, September 6, by 8:30 a.m. We need desserts for 30 regular and 15 diabetic meals. No desserts will be collected on Labor Day, September 5. **Parishioners of both parishes, please note: Meals on Wheels is in urgent need of desserts the week of September 19. Please see the bulletin insert.**

Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 5.

Rosary Group (St M) meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in St. Matthias Church. Due to the Labor Day holiday, please contact Mary Ann LaLonde at 724-538-8567 for info regarding the September meeting. Everyone is welcome.

Market Day Forms are available in the vestibule of the church. Internet orders are due tomorrow, Monday, September 5. Pick-up date is Saturday, September 10, 10-11:00 a.m. in the cafeteria.

St. Anne Guild will meet on Tuesday, September 6, in the Blue Room at St. Gregory following 7:00 p.m. Mass. They will be going to Villa Maria near New Castle on Tuesday, September 13, for a morning retreat and to visit the Sisters of the Humility of Mary. There will be a program and a light lunch. Watch the bulletin for further info. Drivers will be needed.

First Full Day of School at St. Gregory is on Wednesday, September 7. Welcome back!

Choir Rehearsals (St G) will begin on Wednesday, September 7, at 10:15 a.m. (Ladies) and 7:30 p.m. (Mixed Voices).

Collections

August 27-28

St. Gregory

Regular Collection: 293	\$7,958.00
Catholic University:	469.00
Catholic Institute Loan:	344,859.10
Paid on Loan in July:	7,171.00
New debt balance:	337,688.10

St. Matthias

Regular Collection: 56	\$1,078.00
Parish Share: 17	359.00
Parish Share Plus: 1	20.00
Catholic University:	170.50

St. Gregory & St. Matthias Weekly Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, September 4

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p.m. (St G) Clement Gaydos - *Betty Korczynski*

Sunday Morning

8:00 a.m. (St G) Parishioners of St. Gregory & St. Matthias

9:45 a.m. (St M) Father Christopher Rengers OFM Cap -

Mildred & James Pavlick

11:30 a.m. (St G) Dorothy Hreha - *Mildred Trotz*

Monday, September 5 *Weekday; Labor Day*

8:00 a.m. (St G) Charles Hines - *Kathy & Paul Havey*

Tuesday, September 6 *Weekday*

7:00 p.m. (St G) Ethel Marie Bowman - *Mary Ann & Ray*

Wednesday, September 7 *Weekday*

8:00 a.m. (St M) Frank C. Lipp - *Lou & Dee*

Thursday, September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. (St G) Thomas Burney - *wife, Jean*

Friday, September 9 *Saint Peter Claver, priest*

9:00 a.m. (St G) Rose Webster - *sons, Danny & Dwayne*

Saturday, September 10 *Weekday*

11:00 a.m. Confessions at St. Matthias

12:00 p.m. Confessions at St. Gregory

5:00 p.m. (St G) Francis Koller - *wife*

Sunday, September 11

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. (St G) Robert Funk - *Ruth & family*

9:45 a.m. (St M) Linda Brittner - *Ed Smith family*

11:30 a.m. (St G) Parishioners of St. Gregory & St. Matthias



GOD ANSWERS OUR PRAYERS

Directory of Information

Pastor Rev. William E. Dorner
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Maureen Kelly - St. Matthias

Weekend Masses
Saturday 5:00 p.m. (St. G) Sunday 8:00 a.m. (St. G)
9:45 a.m. (St. M)
11:30 a.m. (St. G)

Holy Day Masses
Anticipated 7:00 p.m. (St. G) Day of 12:05 p.m. (St. G)
7:00 p.m. (St. M)

Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - St. Matthias
12:00 Noon - St. Gregory

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at St. Gregory after the 11:30 a.m. Mass and
Saturdays at St. Matthias at 10:00 a.m. Baptisms will be
scheduled after parents have completed the baptism class.

Sacrament of Matrimony

You must contact and meet with Fr. Bill at least six
months prior to the proposed wedding date.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Please call Fr. Bill at the St. Gregory office if you or a
loved one is in need of this Sacrament.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you feel that God may be calling you to the Priesthood
or to the Permanent Diaconate, please contact and meet
with Fr. Bill.

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