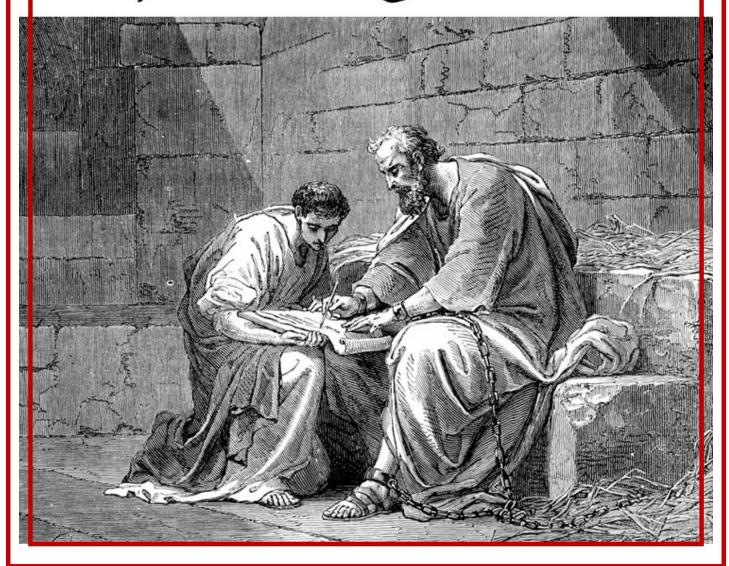
Paul & Onesimus



A Message from Fr. Matt ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

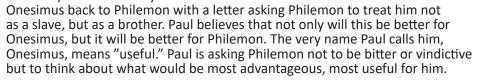
My sister Mary Grace is on a cleaning kick. When my parents moved out of their house many years ago, each kid got a big pile of stuff. My mom liked to save things and each of us got anything that my mom saved that pertained to us. The problem is that a lot of stuff pertained to none of us, or all of us, and all of that stuff stayed at Mary Grace's house. Well, not anymore! She has

cleaned out so much stuff! Every time I'm there, she tries to get me to take more stuff! This week she handed me this

clear plastic tote bag with a Steelers logo on it. It is a funny looking bag, mainly because the zipper on the top hangs about two inches past the body of the bag on either side.

I was looking at it and being critical of the design, when she showed me that if you open up the bag to its full capacity, those funny-looking-hanging-over zippers are actually the perfect size. I had to admit that the design was actually quite useful.

I thought of that bag when I looked at the Readings for this week. In the Second Reading, from one of the shortest of Paul's letters, we are introduced to a man named Onesimus. Onesimus was a slave belonging to Paul's friend Philemon, who had escaped from slavery. Paul sends



Useful. How often do you look at your actions or the words that you speak and ask if they are useful? I think it is a good thing to do. Examining this can also challenge you about your motives and help you to understand why you do what you do.

So often, the things that we are caught up on, the grudges we can't get past or the harsh words that we feel we just have to say, are rooted in our flesh, rather than in eternal things. "...the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns" we are told in the First Reading from the Book of Wisdom. But here is the question, how useful are these things, these grudges, these harsh words? That, then, points us to our motive. What are we trying to do? If we are trying to be miserable and make other people miserable just because they make us miserable, then these are very useful, very effective. However, if our motive, our goal, is to live a life of meaning now and eternally, these grudges, words and actions are just stupid. They are not useful nor effective.

In the Gospel today, Jesus urges us to be effective. Think about what your end goal is and don't waste time on things that don't lead to that goal. Be smart. Be effective. Do what is useful and let go of the distractions. You may be thinking now that the grudges or angers that you have are legitimate. That you have been wronged or that the people you mock or fight with deserve it. Ok. This isn't about figuring that out. God will take care of that. You remember your goal (I hope it is Heaven), and let go of what is not useful in getting there.

That Steelers tote bag looked ridiculous when I first saw it, but I came to see that the design is really useful. Take some time and examine yourself this week. Think about the things that trip you up or get you upset. Ask yourself what is your motive. Is your reaction useful or are you really just wasting your time?

Peace and Love,

Fr. Matt

Faith Formation for Youth & Adults

K-5 & 6-8 CCD at SWP

Grades K-5 CCD at SWP begins **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **September 8**, <u>9:00-10:15am</u>. Grades 6-8 CCD for all three parishes also begins **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **September 8**, <u>6:30-8:00pm</u>. Drop off for all classes is at SW Church and pick up is at the School.

K-5 CCD at SJ & MD

Preschool through 5th grade CCD for SJP and MD will begin on **Sunday, September 15** at the SJ Rectory basement. This will be an open house to meet teachers and see the new location. Classes start at the conclusion of the 9:30am Mass (around 10:30am) and end at 11:45am.

RCIA Sessions

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin on **Thursday, September 19, at 7:00pm** at SWP. Sessions are for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic Faith. All who are not baptized, baptized into another faith denomination, or baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation are invited to attend. If you are interested or if you know someone who might be, invite them! To register, contact Cathy Rodgers at 724-388-5207 or cathyrodgers77@gmail.com. *Contact Cathy directly to register or with RCIA questions, rather than one of the Parish Offices.*

REGULAR MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

THIS SCHEDULE IS ALTERED FOR HOLY DAYS & SPECIAL MASSES ALWAYS CHECK THE WEEK AHEAD SECTION

SUNDAY MASSES

ST. WENDELIN - 7:00AM MATER DOLOROSA - 8:15AM ST. JOSEPH - 9:30AM ST. WENDELIN - 10:30AM

MONDAY

MATER DOLOROSA MASS - NOON

TUESDAY

St. Wendelin Mass - 7:30am

WEDNESDAY

ST. WENDELIN MASS - 10:15AM
MATER DOLOROSA CONFESSION - 6:15-6:45PM
MATER DOLOROSA MASS - 7:00PM

THURSDAY

St. Wendelin Mass - 7:30am Chicora Medical Center Mass - 10:00am

FRIDAY

St. Joseph Mass - Noon

SATURDAY

MATER DOLOROSA CONFESSION - 11:00-11:30AM ST. JOSEPH CONFESSION - 11:45AM-12:15PM ST. WENDELIN CONFESSION - 3:15-3:45PM ST. WENDELIN VIGIL MASS - 4:00PM MATER DOLOROSA VIGIL MASS - 5:30PM

The WEEK AHEAD at a glance

*SAINT JOSEPH Mater Dolorosa Saint Wendelin

Saturday, September 7 Baptism Class9:30am For ALL Parishioners Must be registered, In the Rectory Confessions...... 11:45am-12:15pm Sunday, September 8 Mass...... 9:30am Warrior Walk...... 2:00pm KCHS Track, Must be Registered 6-8 CCD......6:30-8:00pm Opening Day for ALL PARISHES 6-8 Students Commences in SWC; Dismissal from School/Hall Monday, September 9 "33 Days" Marian Retreat 6:30-8:00pm Must be registered, In the Rectory Thursday, September 12 Choir Practice 6:30pm For **ALL Parishioners**, At SWP Friday, September 13 Mass.....Noon JAM 6:00pm For **ALL Elementary Children**, In the Rectory Saturday, September 14 Bible Study 10:15-11:30am For **ALL Parishioners**, In the Rectory Previous attendance not required Confessions 11:45am-12:15pm Sunday, September 15 Mass.....9:30am SJ/MD K-5 CCD......10:30-11:45am Opening Day & Open House for SJ/MD K-5 Students Meets at SJ Rectory 6-8 CCD......6:30-8:00pm

Saturday, September 7
Confessions11:00-11:30am
Vigil Mass 5:30pm
Sunday, September 8
Final Day: MD Feast Day Registration
Mass8:15am
Warrior Walk 2:00pm
KCHS Track, Must be Registered
6-8 CCD6:30-8:00pm
Opening Day for <u>ALL PARISHES</u> 6-8 Students
Commences in SWC; Dismissal from School/Hall
Monday, September 9
MassNoon
Tuesday, September 10
AA Meeting 8:00pm
Wednesday, September 11
Confessions 6:15-6:45pm
Mass 7:00pm
Thursday, September 12
Choir Practice 6:30pm
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Commences in SWC; Dismissal from School/Hall

Saturday, September 7
Confessions 3:15-3:45pm
Vigil Mass 4:00pm
Sunday, September 8
Final Day: SWS Golf Outing Registration
Mass7:00am
K of C Pancake Breakfast 8:00am-Noon
K-5 CCD9:00-10:15am
Opening Day for SWP K-5 Students
Commences in Church; Dismissal from School
Mass10:30am
Warrior Walk 2:00pm
KCHS Track, Must be Registered
6-8 CCD 6:30-8:00pm
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Commences in Church; Dismissal from School/Hall
Monday, September 9
AA Meeting 8:00pm
Tuesday, September 10
Mass7:30am
Cub & Boy Scouts 6:00pm
Rosary & Faith Alive 6:30pm
Wednesday, September 11
Mass
Thursday, September 12
Mass7:30am
Senior Fellowship 1:00pm
PTG Meeting
Choir Practice
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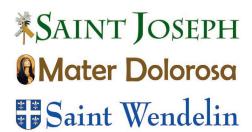
Choir Practice resumes this week Thursday, 6:30pm at SWP

ALL PARISHES 6-8 Students

Commences in SWC; Dismissal from School/Hall

ALL VOICES - ALL PARISHES P





Second Offertory TODAY

THIS WEEKEND, September 7 & 8, at all Parishes is a second offertory for the Bishop's Education Fund for tuition assistance at all Catholic Schools.

K of C Breakfast TODAY

They're back! After a summer break, the First Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast of the fall is TODAY, Sunday, September 8, 8:00am-Noon, SWP Hall.

Golf Outing Deadline TODAY

Registration deadline is TODAY, Sunday, September 8 for the 24th Annual Golf Outing, benefitting St. Wendelin School Tuition Assistance Fund. It is Sunday, September 15, 8:00am Shotgun Start, Four Person Scramble at Hiland Golf Course. Registration forms in the SWP Vestibule or online at https://www.stwendelinbutler. com Questions? Ryan McKivigan at 724-321-2669.

MD Feast Day Deadline TODAY

There will be a dinner to celebrate the Feast Day of Mater Dolorosa on Saturday, September 14 in Biller Hall, immediately following the 5:30pm Mass. This dinner is by registration only and will be free to all Parishioners. Please sign-up on the sheet in the MD vestibule. Registration deadline is Sunday, September 8. Come and share in the celebration.

Warrior Walk TODAY

The Warrior Walk for Hope 5K in Loving Memory of Tyler J. Barger is TODAY, Sunday, September 8, at the Karns City High School Track, with the opening ceremony at 2:00pm. All in the community are asked to come out to support the Irise Suicide Prevention Program, which is the recipient of the Walk's proceeds. Preregistration required. Our Parishes' Youth Group is walking.

Benefit Dinner TODAY

Chicora Independent Hose Company is hosting a benefit dinner, TODAY, Sunday, September 8, 11:00am-4:00pm at 202 West Slippery Rock St., Chicora, for member Kayla Craig. Funds raised will offset medical costs incurred by Kayla for treatment of a GIST tumor. There is also a bake sale, Chinese Auction, and 50/50.

Questions? Jim Yough at 724-525-5521.

Senior Fellowship

All senior citizens and friends are invited to Senior Fellowship on Thursday, September 12 at 1:00pm in the SWP Hall. Bring a potluck dish.

JAM is BACK!

Friday, September 13, 6:00pm, all elementary age children are invited to the SJ Rectory for JAM, Jesus & Me. Come see what Miss Bev has planned for the first fun session of the fall.

Saturday Bible Study Extended

Due to popular demand, Saturday Bible Study has added another day during this session. It will meet Saturdays from 10:15-11:45am on September 14 and 28 and October 5. It covers Lectio Peter from FORMED.org. All sessions are for anyone and everyone! All ages welcome. Light refreshments offered. Questions? Contact Sue Fraley at 724-504-3166 or evangyam@stwendelin.org or better yet, bnJUST SHOW UP at the SJ Rectory.

Student Athletes for Christ

A new ministry, Athletes for Christ, is being formed with a goal of motivating and inspiring Christian high school students to develop into the best version of themselves mind, body, and soul. Through motivational speakers, goal setting, and fellowship, athletes will learn how to live their faith both on and off the court or field, pool or pitch. Join us Sunday, September 15, 5:15-6:45pm at St. Paul Church's Glenn Hall, Butler, for an introduction to this new ministry that will meet every other month. Fr. Kevin Fazio of the Butler City Parishes and our Fr. Matt McClain will speak about living their faith as high school and collegiate athletes. Pizza and drinks provided. Everyone is welcome to attend the 7:00pm Mass at St. Paul with the group following the meeting. Questions? Kristen Singleton at 724-355-0357 or singletonkk@gmail.com.

SWP Altar Server Training

Altar Server Training at SWP will take place Sunday, September 22, after 10:30am Mass (about 11:30am). Children who are interested in being trained must have made their First Holy Communion. It is open to children from all three Parishes. Contact SWP office by Friday, September 20 to register your children.

Little Burgundy Books

The Grouping's Evangelization Team is offering the Little Burgundy Book on Stewardship Series. Each book includes reflections for four weeks, based on the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Little Burgundy Books are not dated and can be used at anytime during the year. The books are regularly \$12.00 per set, but we are bulk ordering and offering the set for just \$6.00. All orders must be received by Sunday, September 29 (extended deadline). Order forms are in all vestibules.

Communion Rite Change at MD

If receiving Communion at MD, please remember that as of September 1, the guidelines have changed:

- A. The priest will go first to non-ambulatory people in the pews.
- B. Then everybody in the Congregation will process to receive
 - i. in two lines down the center aisle and
 - ii. return via side aisles

SWP Lottery Calendars

SWP 2020 Lottery Calendars are for sale in the vestibule with a sign up sheet. Questions to Kit in the Parish Office.

Hand Up Collection

There are collection bins in the vestibule of each church for personal hygiene products for local veterans and community members as part of "A HAND UP...Not a Hand Out" event in November. We are collecting now so that the items can be processed. Here is what is needed:

- shampoo
- conditioner
- · body wash/soap
- toothbrush
- toothpaste
- comb/brush
- nail clippers
- mouthwash (not containing alcohol)
- tampons/pads
- gallon-sized plastic bags

Please no razors or products with alcohol.

Prayer List Updates & Info

SJP and MD

The Legion of Mary facilitates the Prayer Ministry as one of the works under the Blessed Mother. The Prayer List is available in the vestibule of each church. It is dated at the top and updated only when there are additions and deletions. To add or remove a name from the Prayer List, call Fran Parker - 724-445-7421; or Nancy Long - 814-935-5303.

SWP

The Prayer List is available in the vestibule with the date of printing on it. It is updated only if a name is added or deleted. The Prayer List is also on the website www. stwendelinbutler.com, and is updated the same way. To add or delete, call the office at 724-287-0820.



MassIntentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 7 - Vigil

4:00pm/SWP Louise Brauchle

(Donna Stephenson)

5:30pm/MD Tom Schneider

(Ken & Jane & Family)

Sunday, September 8 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am/SWP Chuck & Ruth Rodgers

(Family)

8:15am/MD For the Parishioners of St. Joseph,

Mater Dolorosa & St. Wendelin

9:30am/SJP **Rodney Kriess**

(Tim & Lori Welter)

10:30am/SWP **Gladys Steighner**

(Floyd & Delores Neigh)

Monday, September 9

Noon/MD Margretta Forster

(Shirley Lewis & Mary Ann Anderson)

Tuesday, September 10

EUCHARISTIC Linda Green

7:30am/SWP Living & Deceased of Serafine Family

(Victor & Beverly Serafine)

Wednesday, September 11

10:15am/SWP Paul Smith

(Bev Wesley)

7:00pm/MD Tyler Barger

(Anna Marie Knoll & Family)

Thursday, September 12

7:30am/SWP **Regis Neff**

(Carol & Buddy Hindman)

10:00am/CMC John McNallen

(Denny & Jean Fallecker)

Friday, September 13

Noon/SJP **Prayers Answered**

(Ron Ball)

Saturday, September 14 - Vigil

4:00pm/SWP Special Intentions of Evelyn Bergbigler

(Stella Smith)

Brian Trimbur 5:30pm/MD

(Bob & Hazel Rattigan)

Sunday, September 15 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rodney Hesidence 7:00am/SWP

(RC Men's Club)

Garry Mackrell 8:15am/MD

(Bingo & Rosie Benninger)

9:30am/SJP For the Parishioners of St. Joseph,

Mater Dolorosa & St. Wendelin

10:30am/SWP Bill Wesley

(Wife)



SEPTEMBER 9 - SEPTEMBER 15

MONDAY:

COL 1:24 -- 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; LK 6:6-11

TUESDAY:

COL 2:6-15;

Ps 145:1B-2, 8-11;

LK 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY:

COL 3:1-11; PS 145:2-3, 10-13AB;

LK 6:20-26

THURSDAY: COL 3:12-17;

Ps 150:1B-6; LK 6:27-38

FRIDAY:

1 TM 1:1-2, 12-14;

PS 16:1B-2A, 5, 7-8, 11;

LK 6:39-42

SATURDAY:

NM 21:4B-9;

Ps 78:1BC-2, 34-38;

PHIL 2:6-11; JN 3:13-17

SUNDAY:

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14;

Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19;

1 TM 1:12-17;

LK 15:1-32 [1-10]



September 14 & 15

Ministers - If you have questions about the new scheduling process, call Nicole at any Parish Office.

9:30am SJP

4:00pm SWP

Cathy Rodgers

5:30pm MD Abby Pakutz Fran Parker

Lindsay Fuhrer

Carolyn Rodgers

Joel Geibel

Ed Grenet

7:00am SWP

Bridget C. Wallace Mary Grenet

Lori Ritzert

8:15am MD

Chad Hershberger Joanne Brown

Dixie Lipnichan

Sally Kriess Nadine Neff Bev Kusner

Virginia Neff Sue Fraley

Patty Sanderson Nikki Coyle John Coók

ALTAR **SERVERS**

LECTOR

MINISTERS

Emma Hesidenz Shylee Karenbauer Mia Karenbauer

Donna Birckbichler

Ruth Ann Nebel

Julia Andreassi Noah Mourer

Mariah Geibel

Volunteer Needed

Ava Manculich Josh Ritzert

Alvssa Rodgers **Braeden Rodgers** Lily Neff

Toby Geibel Colton Rearick

Sarah Lucas

10:30am SWP

Parish Offertories August 31 & September 1

ST. JOSEPH PARISH Offertory at Mass\$515.00 Weekly Goal\$1,000.00 Fiscal Year Goal\$50,000.00 Total Toward Fiscal Year Goal......\$6,869.50 Parish Share: Monthly Envelope on Appeal \$27.00 2019 Parish Share Goal......\$6,775.00 Total Received\$11,408.00 **MATER DOLOROSA**

Offertory at Mass\$2,430.00 House.....\$100.00 2019 Parish Share Goal.....\$34,447.00 Total Received\$12,351.00

Thank you for your generosity to Parish Ministries!

ST. WENDELIN PARISH

Offertory at Mass\$4,150.18 Offertory Online\$445.00 Total Offertory\$4,595.18 Total Toward Fiscal Year Goal \$37,579.72 Adopt A Child\$358.00 Parish Share\$207.00 Parish Share Online\$00.00 Total Parish Share.....\$207.00 2019 Parish Share Goal.....\$39,088.00

In the coming months, as we move toward uniting the Parishes, each ministry that currently has multiple leaders will be merged. A new position will be created in which current employees are encouraged to apply.



JOB OPENING: MUSIC DIRECTOR

The parishes of Mater Dolorosa, St. Joseph, and St. Wendelin are seeking an experienced full-time Music Director. The individual will adhere to the Liturgical Guidelines of the Diocese of Pittsburgh and of the Parishes to provide musical accompaniment

for all liturgies, including, but not limited to parish weekend liturgies, school Masses, weddings, funerals, penance services, holy days, Confirmation, First Communion, and to cooperate in providing occasional and reasonable liturgical music at other times. Other responsibilities include recruit, direct, and practice adult choirs and children choirs during the choir season and recruit and develop the cantor program at all parishes. If interested, please submit an updated resume to Barb Boltz at St. Joseph Parish, PO Box 243, Chicora, PA 16025. Current employees are encouraged to apply.



Sympathy is extended to the families of

Paul E. Miller

who was laid to rest on August 31, 2019 from St. Wendelin Parish F ternal rest grant unto him, O | ord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

Gertrude B. Berteotti

who was laid to rest on September 2, 2019 from Mater Dolorosa Parish Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.



REJOICE IN HOPE, ENDURE IN AFFLICTION, PERSEVERE IN PRAYER." ROMANS 12:12







PRAYER. DINNER. DYNAMIC TALKS. PRAISE & WORSHIP. GAMES & PRIZES. DANCE PARTY.

FEATURING: FR. MIKE ACKERMAN SR. MIRIAM O'CALLAGHAN, TOR NOAH PEPMEYER



A fun-filled, faith-filled cruise for High Schoolers

on the Gateway Clipper Empress Sunday, October 13, 3:00-6:00pm

Must register by Tuesday, October 1 Call, text, email Sue Fraley at 724-504-3166 or evangyam@stwendelinbutler.com or check Snaps

Bus leaves SWP at 1:30pm - Cost is \$10

SOME FROM OUR GROUPING AT LAST YEAR'S *FAITH AFLOAT!*



School & Religious Education

This week's St. Wendelin School Student of the Week is:

MILA RIMER

Mila is a second grade student at St. Wendelin School. She has one sister who also attends St. Wendelin in the Kindergarten Class. Mila's favorite subject is Art. She is a member of the chorus, Outdoor Club, and Drama Club at St. Wendelin School. Outside of School. Mila participates in dance. She also enjoys playing soccer and basketball. Mila is an excellent student who is very kind and considerate to her classmates and enjoys helping others. Congratulations to this week's St. Wendelin School Student of the Week,

Catholic Identity Program

This program highlights a variety of virtues and values through short lessons, prayers, Scripture references, and more.

This week's Virtue is:

UNDERSTANDING

Understanding is
a Gift of the Holy Spirit
that opens our hearts
so we can be
compassionate and loving
toward others.



REFERENCE - PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9

- 4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!
- 5 Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near.
- 6 Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.
- 7 Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

St. Wendelin School PTG Fundraisers

9 Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me.
Then the God of peace will be with you.

<u>September</u>

MILA RIMERI

All month: Con Yeager Spices Pepperoni Rolls

Friday, Sept. 13, 7:00pm, in the Hall Family FUN BINGO

<u>Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 21 & 22</u> After Masses - Hoagies sales

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 7:00pm, in the Hall 50/50 Raffle

October

All month: Daffin's Candy Bars

Friday, Oct. 11, 7:00pm, in the Hall Family FUN BINGO

Wednesday, Oct. 23, 7:00pm, in the Hall 50/50 Raffle



November

Sunday, Nov. 10 Turkey Dinner & Country Store

<u>Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 16 & 17</u> After Masses - Hoagies sales

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 7:00pm, in the Hall 50/50 Raffle

Friday, Nov. 22, 7:00pm, in the Hall Family FUN BINGO

THE ST. MICHAEL ROSARY MAKERS have been making rosaries for 12 years and have sent more than 100,000 rosaries all over the world. If you would like to join this fun, worthwhile organization, consider coming to the next meeting on **Tuesday, September 10, 6:30pm,** in the St. Michael the Archangel Parish Hall, 432 Center Ave., Butler. Rosaries are easy and fun to make. All materials are supplied by the Rosary Makers. Questions? Contact Barb at 724-287-2805 or Rosemary at 724-282-8834.

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE: High school seniors and their families are invited to the Fall Open House at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, on **Sunday, September 15**, with check in and breakfast beginning at 8:15am. It is an opportunity for prospective students from all faith denominations to speak with representatives from admissions, financial aid, academic departments and administration. During the day, there are many opportunities to learn about admissions procedures, classes, majors and career possibilities. Register at www.duq.edu/fallopenhouse.

Can we really hear God? How can we hear what God wants from us? How do we contribute to the world? These questions challenge young adults amid constant secular noise. Sift through that noise at **HEARING GOD'S VOICE IN THE CHAOS**, an evening of discernment for young adults at the Passionist Retreat Center, 148 Monastery Ave, Pittsburgh, on **Thursday, September 19 at 7:00pm**. The event includes: Eucharistic Adoration; beautiful

music; opportunity for Confession; group discussion; and a talk by Joe Farris and Gary Roney, diocesan director of Youth and Young Adult Engagement. To register, email Joe Farris: joe@joefarris.org.

COME BACK TO THE OLD COUNTRY is the theme of Festa Italia, on Saturday, September 28, 4:30-9:00pm, and Sunday, September 29, noon-6:00pm at St. Michael the Archangel Hall, Butler. Enjoy an Italian Ristorante that will feature Italian entrees, soups, salads and Italian Love Cake on Saturday. A spaghetti dinner follows on Sunday. The festival also includes an Ice Cream Parlor, Bake Shop, Theme Baskets, Rosary Makers gifts, youth activities, monetary raffles and live Italian music by Mirella the Musician, accordionist Joe Savannah, and vocalist Dennis Geibel.

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES LAW

Mandated reporters, having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to child abuse, or acts of child abuse, shall report immediately to the following agencies:

- IF YOU SUSPECT A CHILD IS IN IMMINENT DANGER, CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY
- CYS: Butler County 724-284-5156
- CYS: Allegheny County 412-473-2000
- Abuse Hotline 1-800-932-0313
- Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline 1-888-808-1235

Anyone making a false report is immune from civil or criminal liability provided a report is made in good faith.



VICARIATE FOUR - GROUPING 438 - North Oakland, Chicora, Carbon Center

St. Joseph Parish, North Oakland

Located at 864 Chicora Road, Chicora, PA 16025 724-445-3713 Fax: 724-607-1183

Office Hours: Monday - 1:30-4:30pm; Tuesday & Thursday - 9:30am-4:30pm

Mater Dolorosa Parish

Located at 409 North Main Street, Chicora, PA 16025 724-445-2275

Office Hours: Monday - 9:30am-12:30pm

Website for both SJP and MD is https://materdolorosa-stjoe.webs.com/

St. Wendelin Parish & School

Located at 210/211 St. Wendelin Road, Butler, PA 16002

Parish - 724-287-0820 School - 724-285-4986

www.stwendelinbutler.com www.stwendelinschool.com

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 9:00am-noon

All Grouping staff members can receive voice mail at any of the parish phone numbers. You don't have to figure out who is where; call any of the three parish offices. In emergencies, a voice mail left for one of the priests will cause a file of your voice message to be emailed to that priest.

Cemetery Inquiries for all Parishes

Contact North Regional Office, 2636 Ellwood Road, New Castle, PA 16101, 724-323-0033, cpca@cpca-pgh.org.

Bulletin Information for all Parishes

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