



St. Florian Parish

The new St. Florian...

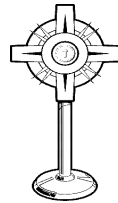
Good ideas going forward



A Parish of the
Diocese of Greensburg
A Pennsylvania
Charitable Trust

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2009



*Solemn Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament*

Sunday, November 22
The Feast of Christ the King

11:00 a.m. Mass

Procession with the
Blessed Sacrament

Noon

Exposition

1:30 p.m.

Benediction

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Weekdays: 8:00 AM

Holy Days: As Announced

Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4 - 4:40 PM

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(724)423-4438

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423-5087

Shepherd Care

(724)423-8275

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Activities Bldg. 423-4437

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8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

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Mary Jane Makar,

Asst. Choir Director

Steven Makar

Dr. Steve Whisdosh,

Choir Director

Preschool, Dir: Lottie Hirak

Preschool, Aide: Karen Dlugos

Parish Secretary: Pat Lucas

“Exposition of the Holy Eucharist...is intended to acknowledge Christ’s marvelous presence in the sacrament. Exposition invites us to the spiritual union with Him that culminates in sacramental communion. Thus it fosters very well the worship which is due to Christ in spirit and in truth.”
(Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass, #82)

MASS INTENTIONS (Form to schedule on back of bulletin)
Saturday, Nov. 14 5:00 PM +George Vahal by Dr. & Mrs. Richard Vahaly; +Ann Peshko by Ann Swiderski
Sunday, Nov. 15 9:00 AM +Agnes Pinskey by Al & Mary Trout; +Rose Marie Marinchak by John Marinchak
Sunday, Nov. 15 11:00 AM +Robert Magda, Birthday by Mother & Family; Living & Deceased Members by Altar Society
Mon., Nov. 16 8:00 AM +Lance Woodruff by Joe & Mona Mitchell
Tues., Nov. 17 8:00 AM +Agnes Palcic by Gerry Kovacina & Family
Wed., Nov. 18 - 8:00 AM +Marie Pravlik by Rita Megrey
Thurs., Nov. 19 8:00 AM People
Sunday, Nov. 20 11:00 AM +Paul J. Bitner by Mary Jo & Jim Malia
Saturday, Nov. 21 5:00 PM +William Bilik by Theresa Shepeck & Sons; Mother Emma Myers, Birthday by Helen M. Stemmler
Sunday, Nov. 22 9:00 AM +Frank Mizikar by Margaret Golkosky & Family; +Rick Marinchak by John Marinchak
Sunday, Nov. 22 11:00 AM +Jane Frye by Rich & Kim D'Angelo; +Nick Vidakovich by Pat & George Kelly

People of St. Florian - 100 Years

From the "Parish News" of St. Florian, Nov. 12, 1939:
 "...dancing to Johnnie Simms' orchestra in our school hall. Good many of our parishioners were awaiting this entertainment for a long time...All are welcomed to...enjoy themselves thoroughly, but we also expect, that every one will conduct himself in a proper manner. Any kind of disorder, rowdiness, ungentlemanliness will be dealt with in the proper manner, and besides, may spoil future entertainments for the innocent....The admission to the dance will be 35 cents. All who think this admission too high, may go somewhere else..." --Pastor Louis P. Hohos

Do you have any pictures/memorabilia from St. Florian/St. Stanislaus/Forty Martyrs that we could share in this weekly feature? If so, please get them to Pat.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Religious Formation	Monday, 6:30 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Tuesday, 1:00 PM
Altar Society Meeting	Tuesday, 7:00 PM
Ecumenical Fall Study	
@ St. Paul Lutheran	Tuesday, 7:00 PM
Matthew Kelly DVD Series	Wednesday, 7:00 PM
Baptism Prep	Thursday, 7:00 PM
Finance Council Meeting	Thursday, 7:00 PM
Line Dancing	Saturday, 11 AM - 1 PM
Youth Ministry Movie & Pizza	Saturday, 7 - 10 PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 14, 2009 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector M. Johnson
 Eucharistic Ministers..... K. Johnson, C. & J. Myers
 Altar Servers..... A. & T. Salopek, K. Porter

Sunday, November 15, 2009 ~ 9:00 AM

Lector J. Mizikar
 Eucharistic Ministers..... P. Fullman, D. Mizikar, W. Bossart
 Altar Servers..... A. & H. Macey, J. Prue

Sunday, November 15, 2009 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector B. Mizikar
 Eucharistic Ministers.... D. Dickinson, L. Yanek, D. Zelenak
 Altar Servers..... L. & Z. D'Amico, C. Reese

Saturday, November 21, 2009 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector L. Bogucki
 Eucharistic Ministers..... T. Jackson, H. Rylander, K. Kelly
 Altar Servers..... B. Fullman, R. Dickinson, J. Scekeres

Sunday, November 22, 2009 ~ 9:00 AM

Lector J. Lawrence
 Eucharistic Ministers... K. Johnson, D. Zelenak, M.A. Yuhas
 Altar Servers..... Chovanec Family

Sunday, November 22, 2009 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector S. Makar
 Eucharistic Ministers... M. Klimchock, L. Yanek, D. Shimko
 Altar Servers..... N. Hicks, G. & T. Stercho

READINGS FOR THE WEEK*

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14,18/Mk 13:24-32
 Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63/Lk 18:35-43
 Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10
 Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1,20-31/Lk 19:11-28
 Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44
 Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59/Lk 19:45-48
 Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40
 Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

*In addition to the above, you can find weekday Psalms in Gather at #1135 and for this Sunday, 1077.



Need a gift ?

Cookbooks are \$8 each
 Cookie sheets, which are double ply, heavy duty, 13" x 18", are \$8 each or 2 for \$15
 Call Mag, 724-423-4056

From Matthew Kelly:

"You can never get enough of what you don't really need."

VISION AND WORK

Vision without work is a dream;
 Work without vision is drudgery;
 Vision with work is a dawn—
 new hope and a new day.

—Anonymous



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Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.
— Mark 13:31



SEEKING SOLUTIONS TOGETHER

Jesus is asking everyone to volunteer five hours of their time each week to his bride the Church or to other volunteer organizations. Make a decision today and stick to it.

It is time to think about your talents. Can you teach? Can you cook? Can you decorate or clean? Can you wait tables? Can you serve at Mass? Can you sing? Can you gather money for the Lord?

This weekend I am giving out the Time & Talent forms. Take them home, one per person including children, and pray over them. Next weekend on the Feast of Christ the King we will gather them.

Remember that in January all of the old lists are deleted and we begin from the new list. This is because we need to prune the lists each year.

THE NEW ST FLORIAN MISSION STATEMENT*

Pope Leo XIII wrote Rerum Novarum, on the rights of workers, on 15 May 1891, in the midst of the Industrial Revolution. The ink was barely dry on this papal letter about the rights of workers when Catholics from Europe were coming to central Westmoreland County in Pennsylvania, finding jobs to support their families and continuing to practice their religious beliefs. From these roots the Catholic faith flourished for the past 100 years.

Today the new parish of St. Florian welcomes all Catholics to grow, develop, advance and build their faith in the new challenges of the 21st century.

In the coming hundred years, under the guidance of the Bishop of Greensburg, we will continue to: gather for the Sunday Eucharist and have Worship, hear the Word, build Community, perform Service, create Leadership and give our Stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure for the sake of the Kingdom of God and his Christ.

May the Holy Spirit fill us with good ideas and give us the courage to put those ideas into action now.

*Received by the Congregation at the Annual Assembly on Sunday, November 1.

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Christmas Wafers are available at the back of church
4 for \$1.00

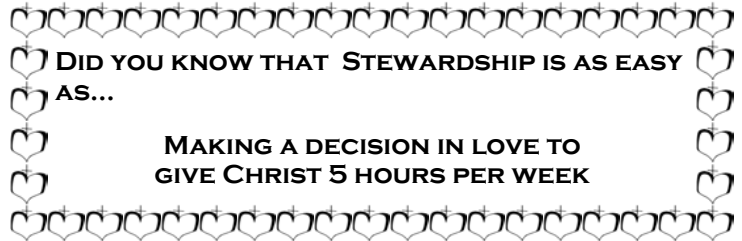
Sanctuary Light , Week of November 15, 2009
In Memory of
The Maurer Family
By
Dolores Maurer

Fill-The-Box Challenge Faith Formation students are reminded to bring their items in for our troops. If any parishioner would like to participate, the following items are being collected: packets of baby wipes, toothbrushes, toothpaste, disposable razors, eye drops, beef jerky, slim jims, sunflower seeds, and hard candy. *Place items in the box in the back of the church. Last day to turn in items is NOVEMBER 22nd.*

Matthew Kelly DVD Series – Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose continues Wednesday from 7:00 – 8:00 in the church. Sit and listen to Matthew and rediscover God’s dream for you – **to become the–best-version-of-yourself!** Even if you haven’t attended in the past, join us for a fulfilling evening.

Youth Ministry Movie Night will be on Saturday, November 21st from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. All youth in grades 5 – 8 are invited. Pizza and pop will be provided

Baptism Preparation session will be held on Thursday, November 19 at 7:00 in the Formation Building. Any pregnant/new parents wishing to have a baby baptized prior to Lent of 2010 must attend. Contact the Faith Formation office at 724-423-5087 if you have any questions.



Pray for.. For those in the hospital including Elizabeth Tirdil, George Sprock, Clarence Pfeifer

SUNDAY, NOV. 22nd IS
THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass. We will close with Benediction and
Divine Praises at 1:30 PM.

Thank you!

Many thanks to the dedicated ladies of the Bakers Dozen Hospitality Group for hosting recent affairs at our church.

We also extend our appreciation to the folks who organize our Big Ticket Raffle twice each year as well as the festival tickets. These are important fund raisers for St. Florian and we thank the committee, the sellers and the purchasers.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO THIS FALL THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE FOREVER?

What is Catholicism? What does it mean to be Catholic? Is Catholicism relevant today in our modern world? The essence of Catholicism is transformation – a dynamic way of life that encourages and empowers each individual to become the-best-version-of-themselves. To be Catholic means to be striving to live the Gospel, to be striving to become more like Jesus Christ. It is this dynamic approach to transformation that animates the human person – physically, emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually – and allows us to experience life to the fullest.

Matthew Kelly was born in Sydney, Australia. Over the past ten years more than two million people in fifty countries have attended his talks, seminars, and retreats. Matthew possesses a rare gift to convey life-changing insights in a powerful and inspiring way. Matthew Kelly's Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose is a series of six DVD presentations that perfectly identify our common search and struggle for happiness and is filled with powerful stories and practical examples that redefine the way we think about ourselves, our Catholic faith, and the way we live our lives. We all need to step back from time to time to get another look at who we are and where we are going. Come and join us for this DVD series and rediscover God's dream for you – to become the-best-version-of-yourself!

When: Every Wednesday for 6 weeks
Time: 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Dates: October 28th – December 2nd
Where: St. Florian Church

GETTING THROUGH THE TOUGH TIMES

"It's going to get worse before it gets better" is a phrase that prepares us to buckle up for a rough ride. We know that enduring a difficult time will require some strenuous physical or emotional energy on our part before we experience the calm of normality. Our past experience tells us that we can endure the difficult pressure better when we know how long it will last and if we know that something better awaits us. Getting through the tough times while holding to the promise that awaits us is the message of this weekend's readings. They point toward the promises of God's kingdom that will come after the maelstroms and chaos of this world.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

First Reconciliation	Saturday, December 5, 1:00 PM
Youth Ministry Cookie Mix Sale	Sat., Dec. 5 & Sun., Dec. 6 following Masses
Immaculate Conception Masses	Mon., Dec. 7, 6:45 PM Tue., Dec. 8, 8:00 AM
Bell Ringing @ Open Pantry	Sat., Dec. 12, 9 AM -5 PM
Sr. Citizen Christmas Mass & Lunch	Mon., Dec. 14, 11 AM
Preschool Christmas Program	Fri., Dec. 18, 7 PM
Faith Formation Christmas Program	Mon., Dec. 21, 6:30 PM

? Guess What ?

We continue with awareness of diabetes this month of November.

Diabetes is a disease for which there is a protection plan. By keeping your weight in check, being physically active, and eating a healthy diet, you can lower your risk of diabetes by at least 90%. This is true even if there is a family history of the disease.

Diabetics can lead long lives with early detection, proper treatment and a good understanding of the disease. Be alert to the symptoms of diabetes: frequent urination, increased thirst, weight loss, visual disturbances and slow wound healing.

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Shepherd Care Ministry

JEDNOTA NEWS

The George Onda District of the First Catholic Slovak Union invites you to attend its annual "Stedry Vecer" on Sunday, Dec. 6 at the Bishop Connare Center, Greensburg. The evening will begin with Mass at 4 PM in the Chapel followed by our traditional Slovak Christmas Eve dinner. Door prizes will be awarded and the Pittsburgh Slovaks will perform. Tickets: \$16 adults/\$11 children, 16 & under. Reserve your tickets early (they are limited) by calling Florence Sprock @ 724-423-4199 or Barbara Mizikar @ 724-423-2616 before Nov. 30.

LIHEAP now taking applications!

(LIHEAP = Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)

It is Pennsylvania's program to help low-income families pay their heating costs during the winter through energy assistance grants. No liens are placed against the person's property when they apply for LIHEAP.

Payments are sent directly to the fuel vendor, who will credit the payment to your heating bill.

Crisis grants are also available to people in emergency situations, which include: broken heating equipment or leaking fuel lines, lack of fuel or imminent danger of running out of fuel, and/or termination of utility service or imminent danger of termination.

Call your local County Assistance Office at 724-832-5200 or the toll-free LIHEAP Hotline at 1-866-857-7095. You may also call Shepherd Care Ministry at 724-423-8275 to have Jan Hlavsa return your call to explain LIHEAP and its limitations to you. Leave your name and number on the answering machine. Stay warm!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Afternoon Bingo ~ Adelphoi USA ~ Tuesday, Nov. 17th ~ Bingo begins at 3 PM, doors open @ 2:30 PM ~ 1133 Village Way, Latrobe ~ free dessert & coffee
Christians Uniting Meeting ~ Thursday, November 19, 7:00 PM @ Norvelt Union Church
Crafters/vendors needed ~ for show on Sat., Dec. 5, 10 AM - 4 PM @ Christ the Divine Teacher School ~ sponsored by the PTG ~ Cost for table: \$25 or 2 for \$40 ~ Call Kathy Noel, 724-537-9498 or email her klausnoel3@hotmail.com or Bridget Jones @ 724-532-4230 ~ registrations due by Nov. 20
Holiday Craft Show ~ Our Lady of Grace Parish ~ Friday, Nov. 20, 5 - 8 PM; Sat., Nov. 21, 9 AM - 2 PM & 5 - 6 pm ~ Admission: \$2 for adults, youth are free ~ Over 50 crafters & vendors from Gbg./Pgh. Area ~ Bake sale, basket raffle and Santa will be on hand
Homemade Cavatelli/Spaghetti Dinner ~ Sat., Nov. 21, 4 - 8:00 PM ~ at Visitation Community Center, Mt. Pleasant ~ Adults: \$8.50, Children: \$4.00, 3 & under: Free ~ Menu includes Cavatelli/spaghetti, meatballs, salad, garlic bread, dessert & beverage ~ Take out available ~ Tickets at door
Community Thanksgiving Day Meal ~ Thurs., Nov. 26, 1 PM to 3 PM ~ Free to everyone ~ Sponsored by Mt. Pleasant businesses, churches & organizations ~ Dine-in Only ~ hosted by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 822 W. Main St., Mt. Pleasant ~ Call 724-547-5941 (leave message)

600 RECIPES COOKBOOK PRINTED

The Church of the Seven Dolores in Yukon has prepared a special cookbook as part of their 100th anniversary activities. The cookbook is available at this time. \$13.00 each (plus \$3.00 S/H)/2 for \$25.00 (plus \$4.50 S/H). Six or more to the same address are \$75.00 plus FREE S/H. Call 724-722-3141 or email padre16201@yahoo.com. Write: Seven Dolores Church, P. O. Box 308, Yukon, PA 15698.

ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, November 29 at Bishop Connare Center with dinner served at 1:00 PM. All active and associate members are invited. For more information call Pat Bitner, 724-423-4206, or Marge Appleby, 724-423-7264.

SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

The following are the Sundays available for flower dedications: November 22

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Shepherd Care Ministry has medical equipment available to those who cannot access these or are in need. They range from canes to shower seats to walkers to wheelchairs, and more. Items were donated for this purpose. Anyone who needs them, please call 724-423-8275. At this time we are not accepting donations until we know there is a need in our parish. Thanks to all who graciously donated these items. God bless you.



THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The local churches will join for an ecumenical service on Tuesday, November 24th at 7:00 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church.



WATCH FOR DETAILS on Senior Citizen Christmas Mass and Luncheon which will be held on Monday, December 14!

Come join the fun - COUNTRY LINE DANCING - Saturday, November 21, 2009 from 11 AM to 1 PM.

Call Shepherd Care Ministry Office at 724-423-8275, and leave your name and phone number on the machine if you want to Boot Scootin' Boogie your way to better health!

ADVENT COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICES

The following Reconciliation Services have been scheduled in Region 9 and you are invited to attend one at your convenience:

- Wednesday, Dec. 9, 7:00 PM St. Florian
Saturday, Dec. 12, 1:00 PM Visitation, Mt. Pleasant
Monday, Dec. 14, 7:00 PM St. Aloysius, Dunbar
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 7:00 PM St. Joseph, Everson
Thursday, Dec. 17, 7:00 PM St. Raymond, Donegal
Saturday, Dec. 19, 1:00 PM St John the Baptist, Scottsdale
Monday, Dec. 21, 7:00 PM Immaculate Conception, Connellsville

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Offered by: _____ Phone: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Requested date for flowers: _____ Donation \$25.00/vase (Please include payment with your request.)

