

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Holy Spirit Community:

People are returning from summer get-a-ways. It's good to see friends and neighbors gathering around the altar again to celebrate Word and Sacrament after a summer filled with vacationing and visiting family and friends.

Let me update you on some changes at Holy Spirit. In July, I appointed **Anne Cowling** as our principal at Holy Spirit School. Anne, who has 13 years of experience as a Catholic School principal in the Scranton and Syracuse Dioceses, succeeds Roger Rooney who retired. I thank Roger for his service to our school and welcome Anne to Holy Spirit. She has spent the summer months getting acclimated to our school and is all ready to begin the new year.

**Kathy Rosenbaum**, who has served as Coordinator-Young Adult and Young Family Ministry, will now serve Holy Spirit as an Associate. Kathy, who completed her MA in Pastoral Studies at St. Bernard's, will minister in support of parish life and relationships between our parish and school communities.

**Cylon George**, our Parish Musician, has accepted additional responsibilities in Sacramental Preparation, continuing his service to our community in Faith Formation. Cylon is scheduled to complete his MA in Pastoral Studies at St. Bernard's in Spring 2011.

Peace be with you. Fr Joe

<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b> for the week of September 12, 2010:			
Saturday	4:00pm	Gerardo, Vincenzo, Vincent & Gatano Panetta by the Panetta family	John Germann by James & Dolores Miller
Sunday	9:30am	Phyllis Cairns by David Cairns & family	Deceased members of the Angelo family by Joseph Angelo
	7:00pm	Cosimo Audino by Teresa Audino the People of our Local Catholic Communities	
Monday:	9:00am	Frances Piela by Les Lak	
Wednesday	7:00am	Mass Intention Available	
Friday	9:00am	Mass Intention Available	
Saturday	4:00pm	Edward & Eva Pflueger by Ed & Eddie	Frank Colgan by his family
		Marilyn Hester by Ed Hester	
Sunday	9:30am	Russell Belschwinder by his wife & family	Frances Sophie Rivers by Anne Cronin
		Joseph Aliberti by the Brocks family	
	7:00pm	the People of our Local Catholic Communities	



**Focus on Our Gospel**

Jesus uses three situations (a lost sheep, a lost coin and a lost son) to illustrate that whenever we stray from God's steadfast compassion and love (and become lost), God always seeks to find us and show us mercy. For our part, we must

realize that we are lost, recognize our need for God, and begin the journey home to be embraced by divine mercy. When God's offer is met by our repentance, all in heaven rejoice.



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL:**

Marion Adair, Bernice Andrews, Irene Brady, Ann Campbell, Anthony DiCaprio, Ryan Goodwell, Franklin Grant, Joseph Hall, Dwayne Hopkins, Jane Kirsch, Fr. Thomas Krupa, Bill Masters, Robert Maxwell, Tony Padula, Marge Peck, Kim McDonough, Evelina Michaels, Margaret Ochs, Kelsey Ray, Jennifer Signer, Patrick Tranford & Carmella Wynn.

**These names will be included in the bulletin for one month. Please call the Parish Office to have names added to or deleted from the prayer list.**

**BLESSINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS**

-To Austin Thomas Kozlowski and Cianna Mae Partak who were baptized recently at Holy Spirit. Blessings and congratulations to their families who will raise him in the ways of our faith. Know that you enjoy our prayers and support.

**The Autumn Diocesan Gathering** (formerly called the Parish Convening) is an opportunity to gather with the wider diocesan community for a day of prayer, learning and sharing in a variety of ministry related workshops. **The 2010 Gathering will be held on Saturday, October 23rd at Christian Brothers Academy, Albany.** Registration begins at 8:15am - gathering at 9:15am. For additional information, call the Office of Ministry Formation at 453-6670.

**Readings for the Week of September 12, 2010**

Sunday Exodus 32: 7-14, Psalm 51, 1 Timothy 1: 12-17, Luke 15: 1-32  
 Monday 1 Corinthians 11: 17-33, Psalm 40, Luke 7: 1-10,  
 Tuesday Numbers 21: 4-9, Psalm 78, Philippians 2: 6-11, John 3: 13-17  
 Wednesday 1 Corinthians 12: 31-13: 13, Psalm 33, John 19: 25-27  
 Thursday 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11, Psalm 118, Luke 7: 36-50  
 Friday 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20, Psalm 17, Luke 8:1-3  
 Saturday 1 Corinthians 15: 35-49, Psalm 56, Luke 8: 4-15  
 Sunday Amos 8: 4-7, Psalm 113, 1 timothy 2: 1-8, Luke 16: 1-13

**Reflection questions for next week's readings:**

If Jesus were to ask you to prepare an account of your stewardship, what would your response be?

**STEWARDSHIP**

*Offertory:* 9/05/10 - \$ 5865.93 9/06/09 - \$ 6253.51

As many return from summer time away, thank you for remembering your summer envelopes. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are helpful...our bills don't take a vacation.

This weekend, **Fr. John Phelps** will visit Holy Spirit representing Cross International. He will speak on behalf of service to the poor around the world. There will be no second collection but he will seek your support.

**New Altar Servers: Are you interested in assisting at the altar?** Are you in at least the 3rd grade and have received First Eucharist? A training session for new altar servers will be held on **Friday, September 17th at 7pm in the church.** Contact Deacon Bill Dringus (deacon1275@aol.com) with questions.

**Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Did you miss receiving either First Eucharist and Confirmation?** The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults may be for you. Please call Deacon Bill Dringus at 477-4803 or email him at deacon1275@aol.com to discuss your spiritual journey. **Are you an adult who never received Confirmation?** Please call the parish office at 477-7925... you can be confirmed.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE** And pray for our parishioners serving in Afghanistan & Iraq: Laura and Charles Garretto, Tim Gladwin, Ian Kelly, Erin LaBate, Jason Lill, Greg Lischak, Kyle Morse, Bill Putnam, Anthony Toleman & Eric Vandenburg.

**THE CHALLENGE OF PEACE: Lord, let it begin with me. How will I live in peace and harmony with others?**

**Today's Readings: # 1051**

**Today's Psalm Response: # 1051**

***"I will rise and go to my father."***

*This Week in our Parish*

Monday: PSA 6:45pm in the School Library  
 Tuesday: Social Action Committee 6:45pm in the Parish House  
 School Board Meeting 6:45pm in the School Library  
 Wednesday: Bible Study 6:45pm in the Parish House  
 Parish Pastoral Council 6:45pm in the Parish House



**Young Adult & Young Family Evangelization Ministry**  
 Kathy Rosenbaum, Coordinator, 479-4017 or  
 holyspiritfriends@hotmail.com

**SAVE THE DATE...FALL HIKE WILL BE ON OCTOBER 17TH.  
 DETAILS DURING THE COMING WEEKS!**



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**Attention Confirmation Candidates:**

- **Celebration of Confirmation:** Tuesday, October 5th at 6:30pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
- **Ritual of Light and Water:** Monday, September 13th at 7pm at the Church of the Holy Spirit
- **Ritual of Oil and the Laying on of Hands-** Monday, September 27th at 7pm at St. Mary's, Clinton Heights
- **Reconciliation Services (Choose One) Wednesday, September 22 at 7pm at Church of the Holy Spirit OR Thursday, September 30th at 7pm at St. Mary's.**

**REMINDER FOR CATECHISTS AND HELPERS:  
 There will be an informational meeting on Sunday,  
 September 12th at 6:00pm in the School Library.**



**RENAISSANCE MINISTRY 477-8108**

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*"No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting."  
 Today's Gospel: Come Home. God's forgiveness is always there. God forgives before we even ask forgiveness. When you wander away from being true to your faith, how do you know God will take you back? What signs do you see? Here is something I would like you to do today: Live in joy - just for a moment, live in joy. Forget about what should or should not be, and just let yourself be as you are. Let go of the need to need. Feel the reality that you already are enough, and that it is truly magnificent. Do not worry about what will be or what won't be. See and feel the limitless beauty of what is. Live fully the boundless miracles of existence. What you authentically feel now, you feel always. This moment is the most valuable opportunity you've ever know. So, live in joy now and carry it forward as each moment passes. "If you have loved and been loved in return, you have some idea of what the promise of eternal life is." (Ralph Marston)  
 Live well, laugh often, love and shine with God's joy always.  
 The Peace of Christ be with you. Rosemary*

**HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL**

Anne Cowling (477-5739) or albhss@rcdaschools.org

Tuesday: Pre-K Open House AM 9:00 PM 1:00  
 PSA Meeting 6:45pm in the school library  
 Tuesday: Nursery Open House AM 9:00 PM 1:00  
 Thursday: Grades K-8 Open House 6:30 pm

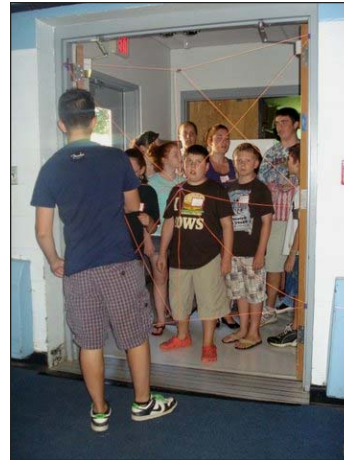


Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30 am-3:30 pm

Please submit information for the bulletin by Monday at 10am.

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**Youth Ministry Members Participate in a Training Session to Learn Leadership Skills that Will Enable Them to Share their Faith with Others in a Retreat Setting**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING**

The **Diocesan Consultation Center** will offer a series of programs on Tuesdays in September. The first one: **"Dreams as God's Forgotten Language"** led by Fr. John Malecki will be held on **Tuesday September 14** from 6:30-8:00pm at the Consultation Center. The fee is \$20; to register call 489-4431.

The **Annual Padre Pio Celebration** will be held on **Sunday, September 26th at the Parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph in Rensselaer.** Eucharist begins at 11am and concludes with the veneration of Padre Pio's relics. A homemade Italian buffet follows in McManus Center. For reservations/ buffet tickets call 465-0482 X21 by September 21st. Cost \$12 adults/\$5 children.

The **38th Annual Marriage Jubilee Celebration** will be held on **Saturday, October 16th at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 2pm.** Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Hubbard will celebrate the Liturgy at 2:00pm and a reception will follow. To register, contact Rosemary Horan in our Parish Office at 477-8108. Registrations must be returned by **October 8th.**

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE**

The **CoNSERNS-U** pantry is currently in need of canned meat, pasta, and soups. Diapers, soap and toothpaste are also needed. Please bring these items to Church on the weekend.

**Circles of Mercy** accepts clothing. Children's programs and job seeking skills programs available. Please call 462-0899.

Last call to bring your **Alight Baby Bottle** back! Thank you for filling your bottles with change to support Alight's work.