

JUNE 16, 2013

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME



### *A note from Fr. Joe*

There's an old story about a wealthy, vacationing businessman who comes upon a fisherman, lying on the beach in the middle of the afternoon. Nearby is a handmade net and a battered rowboat. "You know," offered the businessman, "where I come from, it's a bit early in the day to knock off work." "My net is torn," replied the fisherman. "I won't have the material to repair it until tomorrow." "They've got these new synthetic nets," continued the businessman undeterred. "You can catch twice as many fish and they never tear." "What would I do with twice as many fish?" asked the fisherman. "Why, you could buy a second net, maybe a new boat or even two. Then you would have people working for you. Soon you could spend the afternoon – lying on a beach..."

The point of the story isn't to negate our labors, but to highlight how many of us spend time searching for something we already have. This Sunday's Readings remind us that what we surely have is God's forgiveness. It's there for the asking, if only we recognize it. Though often difficult for us to believe, no sin, once admitted, is beyond the mercy of God. Don't we all long to hear those words of Jesus, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace?" As it turns out, acknowledging our sins is a very small thing compared to the overwhelming flood of mercy and love it unleashes. Just look at David in the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading or the sinful woman in the Gospel. Just ask anyone who has experienced the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As St. Paul declares in his Letter to the Galatians, "I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me."

This Sunday we also honor those men who give or have given of themselves in the vocation of fatherhood. Happy Father's Day to all our Dads and those who take the role of fathers in our lives! We remember too those fathers who have gone before us, including my own Dad.

Finally, summer officially begins this week on Friday at 1:04am (EDT.) As a result, starting this Friday, the 21<sup>st</sup>, the Parish Office will begin closing at 1:00pm on Fridays, through August 30<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget that the 7:00pm Mass will continue at the Villanova Church on Sunday evenings throughout the summer, even when classes aren't in session. Enjoy the time with family and friends and be safe in your travels! If you're looking for Mass times, while away from the parish, there's a website you can check for Catholic churches all over the United States. It is: [www.catholic-mass-times.com](http://www.catholic-mass-times.com). And, once again, don't forget that, even though we may be taking some well-deserved time off this summer, our stewardship never takes a vacation. That includes our envelopes;) – or perhaps it's an opportunity to consider beginning electronic giving.

God Bless!  
Fr. Joe

### *Stewardship Thought for the Week*

*"When I entered your house, you did not give me water for my feet....."* Luke 7:44

Today's Gospel calls us to consider how we serve God. Do we consume like the Pharisee who simply reclines at the table and expects to be served? Or do we contribute like the women who kneels before Jesus and washed His feet? Every day we must make a choice. Take or give? Consume or contribute? Recline or serve?

Thank you for your generosity for the weekend of June 8 and 9, 2013:

Number of Envelopes	297
Envelope Amount	\$13,714.00
Loose Cash	\$1,534.00
Electronic Offerings	\$3,457.88
Other	\$280.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,985.88</b>
10% Tithe	\$1,898.59 *
<b>Income for June 11, 2012</b>	<b>\$18,538.87</b>

\* The tithe amount this week will be sent to the Archdiocese for 2013 Disaster Relief Victims.

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



<b>Mon., June 17th</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
12:05PM-RMCH	Father's Day Tridium
<b>Tues., June 18th</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
12:05PM-RMCH	Father's Day Tridium
<b>Wed., June 19th</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
12:05PM-RMCH	Deceased Members & Benefactors of O.S.A.
<b>Thurs., June 20th</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
12:05PM-RMCH	Patrick Duffy - Family
<b>Fri., June 21st</b>	<b>Saint Aloysius</b>
12:05PM-RMCH	PFC Edward Gallagher - Anne & Jim Hennessy
<b>Sat., June 22nd</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
9:00AM-RMCH	Dan Schultz (1st Anniversary)
5:00PM-RMCH	Anne Heller - Family
<b>Sun., June 23rd</b>	<b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:30AM-VNCH	For the Parishioners of St. Thomas
9:00AM-RMCH	Alice McCullough - Anne Evangelisti
10:30AM-VNCH	Bill Andes (20th Anniversary) - Family

## "Masses in Interpreted American Sign Language"

We have an American Sign Language Interpreter at the 9:00am Mass in the Rosemont Chapel on the Second and Fourth Sunday of each month. The interpreter will be here on June 23, 2013.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday:	2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday:	2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15
Friday:	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 12:1-10; Mt 6:24-34,
Sunday:	Zec 12:10-11, 13:1; Gal 3:26-29; Lk 9:18-24



## ST. THOMAS PARISH CENTER SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

From June 21st through August 30th,  
the Parish Office will close on  
Fridays at 1:00PM.

## Schedule of Events for the week of: June 16, 2013 Recitation of the Rosary after the daily Liturgy.



### Monday, June 17, 2013

GOOD STEWARDS CAMP - OMGC	
Golden Living Ministry	10:30AM
Art Class - PC1	11:00AM
Food Addicts in Recovery - Café	7:00PM
Stewardship Council - PC1	7:00PM

### Tuesday, June 18, 2013

GOOD STEWARDS CAMP - OMGC	
Blood Pressure Screening after 12:05 Mass	
Staff Meeting	1:00PM
Eldernet - Aud	1:00PM

### Wednesday, June 19, 2013

GOOD STEWARDS CAMP - OMGC	
Exercise Class - Aud	10:00AM
WWP Women's Bible Study - Aud	7:00PM

### Thursday, June 20, 2013

GOOD STEWARDS CAMP - OMGC	
Men's Gathering - RMCH	6:30AM
Rosemont Presbyterian Mass	9:00AM
Bereavement Evening - PC1	7:00PM

### Friday, June 21, 2013

GOOD STEWARDS CAMP - OMGC	
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### Saturday, June 22, 2013

### Sunday, June 23, 2013

Rosemont Presbyterian Prayer Service	10:30AM
Baptism-VNCH	12:00PM

## Calling All Men!

Guys – please plan on coming to our final Men's Gathering, before the summer, on **Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**.

We'll celebrate Mass in the Rosemont Chapel at **6:30am**, in memory of our brother Dan Schultz, whose first anniversary of passing is on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Then we'll head down to the Auditorium for some refreshments, fellowship, and an opportunity to reflect on the year.

Our gatherings will resume on the third Thursday of September, the 19<sup>th</sup>. As always, feel free to invite a friend from the parish – or otherwise.



**We extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish:**

Ryan & Terri Hicke & Family of Bryn Mawr  
Lee and Allison Satanoff & Family of Villanova

**Congratulations to the newly Baptized members of our parish:**

Hadley Anne, daughter of Jack & Katie Carickhoff  
Carter Louis, son of Brian & Laura Dingman  
Carla Lucia, daughter of Marc & Marcie DiPaulo  
Edward Oliver, son of Michael & Jill Ghobrial  
Nathalie Jane, daughter of Richard & Tracy Hildebrand  
John Antoine, son of Matt & Cameron Prevost

**Remember those in need of our prayers, especially:**

Julia Barlow, Thomas A. Boland, Rita Burns, Frances Carr,  
Catherine Casey, Peggy Caulfield, Mary Ann Dadourian,  
Frannie DeMarco, Bob Ellison, Jack Geraghty, Theresa  
Green, Brendan Glynn, Patricia Ann Harley, Bridget Kelly,  
Garrett P. McAleer (baby), Rita O'Connor, Eugene Prisco,  
Alice Rogers, and Michael Seeds

**Please pray for our soldiers assigned in  
Afghanistan and in other parts of the world,  
especially Major Shawn Williams, U.S.M.C., who is  
currently serving in Afghanistan.**



**ST. THOMAS MONASTERY NEWS**

St. Thomas Monastery, Long-Term Care Facility of the Augustinian Friars, is looking for a per diem Front Desk Receptionist. Primary responsibilities include greeting visitors, answering phones and assisting the Friars with simple requests. Hours available are Monday and Wednesday, 9:00am-3:00pm, Friday, 9:00am-12:00pm and every other Sunday. The Monastery is an organization separate from the University. Email Lynn Walsh, Office Manager at [lynn.walsh@villanova.edu](mailto:lynn.walsh@villanova.edu) or call 610-519-3019.

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE**

**PRAYERLINE**

The parish prayerline is waiting for your prayer request. This week call Mary Ann Barrow at 610-525-4164 or email [mabstv@verizon.net](mailto:mabstv@verizon.net) to activate the parish prayerline. Two parish teams are available for your special intentions.

**PROJECT HOPE**

This is a transportation ministry for our Parish. If you need a ride to your medical appointments or to food shop this week, please call Anne Hennessy at 610-525-2112. Please give at least 3 days notice.

**DINNERS TO THE DOORSTEP**

This ministry is for parish families who are in crisis or for parish couples welcoming a new baby. Homemade dinners are delivered. Two parish coordinators keep a list of volunteers who are called as needed. If you are in need of this delicious community support, please call Maria Gunn at 610-291-3945.

**ST. FRANCIS INN**

We are forming a parish work group to serve the midday meal at the St. Francis Inn in Kensington on Sunday, July 21st. The Inn tries to meet the immediate daily needs of the poor and homeless people they serve with food, clothing and hospitality. This ministry is open to anyone 16 years or older. For more information and to sign up, contact our parish coordinators, Ruth and Joe Reeder at 610-662-2055 or [villanovaruth@aol.com](mailto:villanovaruth@aol.com).

**FEED THE HUNGRY MINISTRY**

Feed the Hungry Ministry will be serving dinner on Saturday night, July 6th, at the Life Center in Upper Darby. Your food donations are greatly appreciated. If you can prepare a meatloaf, potatoes, vegetable, salad, dessert and deliver it to the Steele's home in Villanova on July 6th, contact Dennis Steele at [steele-creativity@gmail.com](mailto:steele-creativity@gmail.com) or call Denise at 484-343-4473.

**Men's Gospel Reflection Group**

Join in fellowship with other men in our weekly Gospel Reflection Group held every Thursday morning in the Parish Center. Start time is 6:30am and ending by 7:30 AM. For additional information contact Kraig Null at (610) 733-3585 or [krnull62@gmail.com](mailto:krnull62@gmail.com).

# SPLASH PARTY



The Family Life Committee  
of  
St. Thomas of Villanova  
Parish Community  
invites you to  
**OUR ANNUAL SPLASH PARTY**

Monday, June 24, 2013—  
6:00PM-9:00PM  
at Conestoga Swim Club on  
Rt. 320 in Villanova

**ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:**  
Volleyball      Badminton  
Paddle Tennis      Huge Swimming Pool  
Baby Pool      Dinner included  
Family Games

Parishioners A to M—Bring a dessert to share!  
Parishioners N to Z—Bring a salad to share!  
Bring a blanket!

Rain date is Tuesday, June 25th. Check the parish website for any changes.

Any questions call  
the Nulls at 610-649-8364 or  
the Abele's at 610-995-9579.



**SPLASH PARTY RSVP** by calling 610-525-4801,  
fax this form to 610-525-6041 or email your  
reply to [office@stv.comcastbiz.net](mailto:office@stv.comcastbiz.net)

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_

## SPLASH PARTY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need teens to help with games: potato sack races, egg toss, parachute, etc.  
If you can come and help, please contact Carole Abele at [millbrook12@verizon.net](mailto:millbrook12@verizon.net) or  
610-995-9579.

**Wanted:** A few adults to volunteer in the ministry of Catechist: to teach religion to parish children:

Wednesdays 4:30 – 5:45 pm

**We need a teacher for grade 1**

Sundays 10:10 – 11:25 am **substitutes are needed** from September to April.

Training and materials are provided.

If interested, please contact Dr. Ernie Sherretta at 610 525 4801 ext. 204 for an interview.

The Archdiocese requires that each volunteer submit: **PA Criminal History Record, Child Abuse Clearance** and attend **Safe Environment Training**. The parish will pay for the cost of these requirements.

Persons who desire to become catechists should have:

**Strong awareness of the working of God's grace** in their lives and a growing faith-life in response to that grace.

**Personal commitment to Jesus Christ**, who is the center of the message.

**Respect, appreciation and love for the Church** evidenced by a personal commitment to:

Catechize within the Roman Catholic tradition, in light of Vatican II and post-conciliar documents and according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Participate actively and regularly in the Church's liturgical and sacramental life

**Ability** to appreciate different types and stages of individual growth and development

**Ability** to communicate effectively with the children to be catechized

**Sensitivity** to the various socio-cultural dimensions of the students

**Willingness** to continue in their own religious education and formation



**PARISH OUTREACH NIGHT AT  
CRADLES TO CRAYONS**

**30 Clipper Road,  
West Conshohocken, PA 19428**

**Tuesday, June 25, 2013 -  
6:00-8:00pm**

We will be working at the Giving Factory sorting children's clothing, packing gift bags, cleaning children's shoes to look like new. Middle schoolers and parents are welcome to come together. Parish adults are welcome. RSVP to Parish Coordinator, Cheryl Gibson at [cgibson@comcast.net](mailto:cgibson@comcast.net) or if you need a ride from the Parish Center, contact Anne Murphy at [service@stv.comcastbiz.net](mailto:service@stv.comcastbiz.net) or 610-525-4801. We plan to meet **AT** the Giving Factory.

*Those we have held  
in our arms  
for a little while,  
we hold in our hearts  
forever.*



Anyone who has lost a loved one, whether buried from St. Thomas of Villanova or not, is invited to join Fr. Joe for a

**Bereavement Evening of Prayer  
Thursday Evening, June 20th  
7:00pm in the  
Rosemont Parish Center**

Everyone is welcome.

Any questions, call Anne Murphy at 610-525-4801 or email [service@stv.comcastbiz.net](mailto:service@stv.comcastbiz.net)

*Thank you!*



*To the hundreds of parishioners who signed letters to our Senators in the Annual Bread for the World Campaign. Stats will be in the next bulletin.*

## YOU ARE INVITED TO A PARISH FORUM

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 17TH AT 12:45pm  
In the Rosemont Auditorium**



**Topic: President Lincoln's Funeral Train  
visits Philadelphia  
April 22nd through 24th, 1865**

**Presenter: Parishioner, Peter Romeika**

Peter began his studies of the Civil War in 1980. He is a graduate of Mt. St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD.

Peter is a member of the Compuserve Civil War Forum, Delaware Valley CWRT, Villanova Civil War Forum and many other Civil War organizations.



*Drinks & desserts  
provided.  
Please join us.*

### REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. It gives you the chance to rediscover yourself and your spouse. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it.

Retrouvaille is not just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to discover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage.

**The next program begins on the weekend of August 9-11 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register for our upcoming weekend, visit our website at: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 1-800-470-2230 or 1-215-766-3044. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



### PROJECT H.O.P.E. (HELPING OTHER PEOPLE EVERYDAY)

At the present time, we are looking for volunteers to help in our Project H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People Everyday) Ministry.

H.O.P.E. Volunteers drive parishioners each week for medical appointments and food marketing. The hours are flexible and volunteers assist once or twice a month.

If you are interested in helping us in this Ministry or have any questions, please contact Anne Murphy at [service@stv.comcastbiz.net](mailto:service@stv.comcastbiz.net) or 610-525-4801.

### *Congratulations to our Honor Students:*

#### ACADEMY OF NOTRE DAME DE NAMUR

##### Distinguished Honors:

Caroline Manion  
Isabelle Molinari  
Barbara Susanin  
Lucy Van Kula

##### Honors:

Corey Loftus  
Alexandra Mastrangelo  
Julia Scanlon  
Annabel Susanin  
Claire Sutherby

## WELCOME VISITORS

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are visiting our beautiful church or chapel, **please know you are most welcome!**

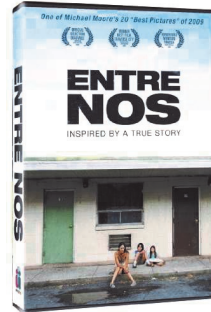
If you have questions or are interested in joining our parish community, please call the parish office at 610-525-4801.

The Peace and Justice Committee  
of St. Thomas of Villanova and  
Our Mother of Good Counsel Presents:

## SUMMER FILM SERIES

### JULY 1 - ENTRE NOS

A beautiful emotional journey of one women's fight for her family's survival in the face of our immigration hurdles.



### AUGUST 1 - DEAR RITA

The story of how one child inspires her community to explore the issue of gun violence in America.

### AUGUST 27 - A PLACE AT THE TABLE

50 million people in the U.S. - one in four children - don't know where their next meal is coming from.



*Films start at 7:00pm in the STV Rosemont Auditorium. Each film runs 75 minutes.*

*Pizza and drinks provided at 6:30pm.  
Please join us!!*

**ST. PIUS X — Summer Programs for Children  
Age 2 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Summer is underway! And we have a great solution for working parents, bored children and rainy days! St. Pius Summer Enrichment begins June 17 and runs through July. We offer weekly and daily morning and afternoon sessions with opportunities for early drop off and extended days to accommodate your schedule! St. Pius offers air conditioned facilities with the latest technology and cutting-edge programming to entertain and educate your children. Our camps range from academic enrichment and athletics programs to crafts, arts, technology and specialty camps, like Cooking Capers, Super Hero Boot Camp, Disney Days, Princess Power, Digging Dinosaurs, Ahoy, Matey!, and more!

Check out the full listing by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/spxsummer2013>. Email us at [summer@spxbroomall.org](mailto:summer@spxbroomall.org) to discuss how we can tailor a program to meet your family's needs! The programs are open to the entire community and there is a discount for families who register for three or more programs.

**Cardinal Dougherty HS Class of 63' 50th Reunion**  
Oct. 26th @ Embassy Suites, Wayne, PA. For information please email [cdclassof63@verizon.net](mailto:cdclassof63@verizon.net) or call 215-837-7677.

**ELECTRONIC STEWARDSHIP**

**Why give electronically?**

The people who give find this a consistent and convenient method of donating to the church.

**Is there a minimum amount that I have to give?**

No, there is no minimum amount.

**Are electronic contributions risky?**

No. It is safer than writing a check. All electronic transactions are governed by strict rules. No one can deduct money from your account automatically unless you specifically authorize it.

**What do I do with my weekly envelopes?**

Continue using, just check the box in the middle of the envelope that says "I have given electronically/ monthly/etc."

**Who do I contact if I have additional questions or I need to update my information?**

Please contact Karen Farley at 610-525-4801, ext. 202, or email [bizmgr@stv.comcastbiz.net](mailto:bizmgr@stv.comcastbiz.net).

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**POSITIONS AVAILABLE  
MERION MERCY ACADEMY**

Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High school sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has openings for the following coaching positions for the 2013-2014 school year: Head Varsity Tennis Coach, Junior Varsity, Volleyball Coach and Freshmen Field Hockey Coach. Contact athletic director, Barbara Clarke at [bclarke@merion-mercy.com](mailto:bclarke@merion-mercy.com).

Merion Mercy Academy has an opening for a full time teaching position in the math department for the 2013-2014 school year. The teaching responsibility will include AP Statistics. Degree, certification and experience required. Qualified applicants are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Monday, June 24th to Mary Ann Danovich, Vice Principal, at Merion Mercy Academy, 511 Montgomery Avenue, Merion Station, PA 19066 or email [madanovich@merion-mercy.com](mailto:madanovich@merion-mercy.com)

**IMMACULATA UNIVERSITY HOSTS  
GRADUATE OPEN HOUSE JULY 17**

Immaculata University's College of Graduate Studies will host an open house on Wednesday, July 17 in the Great Hall on the University's campus. A buffet dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m., and an information session will begin at 6 p.m. The open house will provide attendees with the opportunity to meet faculty, staff, and students, and to learn about Immaculata's graduate programs. For further information, or to make reservations, please call the College of Graduate Studies at 610-647-4400, ext. 3223.

**Are you having difficulty controlling  
the way you eat?**

**Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA)**

..... Offers a solution for all forms of food addiction. Many people are finding recovery in FA from obesity, undereating, bulimia, and obsession with food.

The program is based on the twelve steps of Alcoholics Anonymous.

FA is FREE and open to all women, men, and teens that want to stop eating addictively.

**Please join us on Monday nights at 7:00pm  
in the St. Thomas of Villanova cafeteria located in  
the Parish Center, Rosemont, PA.  
Questions? Please contact Liz M. at 610-715-3995.**