



September 7, 2014 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The model of fraternal correction described by Jesus and enacted in the early church is often paralleled today in the ways that family members and friends respond to loved ones who abuse drugs.

First, there is a private encounter in which a family member or friend implores the abuser to recognize the destructive behavior and take the first steps toward seeking a new way. Should this step fail, an "intervention" takes place. More friends and acquaintances intervene and compel the abuser to seek professional treatment. Unfortunately, this step, too, sometimes fails. It is only then, when "tough love" takes over, that the abuser is left to hit bottom, in the hope that he or she can begin the climb to recovery.

A COMMUNITY THAT CARES

Today's Gospel gives Jesus' directions for correcting a member of the community who has sinned. Its three-stage

process was likely practiced in the early church. The first step is private correction, to tell the person his or her fault so there is no chance for public humiliation. If this fails, the matter is to be brought before the assembled church. In the third step of this process, when the person does not listen to even the church acting in Jesus' name, then the sinner is to be dismissed from the community.

Even this dismissal is a qualified one. Jesus ministered to the most despised of society. And the church continues to offer pastoral care to all in need. More telling is Jesus' invitation to pray, that "if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:19). Through prayer, we can be assured that even those whom we expel in the name of "tough love" will be treated mercifully and compassionately by our loving God.

Today's Readings: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

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SATURDAY MASSES: 5:00 P.M. (English)

SUNDAY MASSES: 8:00 A.M. (English), 10:00 A.M. (English), 11:30 A.M. (Polish)

HOLY DAY MASSES: As Announced

DAILY MASSES: 8:00 A.M. Mon./Wed./Fri. (English) 8:00 A.M. Tues./Thur. & Sat (Polish)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4:15 P.M.

BLESSED TRINITY REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School: 215-338-9797 Principal: Ms. Linda Milewski



**SEPTEMBER 7, 2014
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY**

MONDAY – SEPT. 8th

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00(E) Thomas Franklin req. Dori & Jesse Michalak

TUESDAY – SEPT. 9th

ST. PETER CLAVER, PRIEST

8:00(P) Henry & Pearl Biedrzycki req. Children

WEDNESDAY – SEPT. 10th

8:00(E) George Schoell req. Eileen Schoell

THURSDAY – Sept 11th

8:00(P) Elizabeth Ozimkiewicz req. Laura & Daniel Hawthorne

FRIDAY—SEPT. 12th

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

8:00(E) Wallace Rzepczynski req. Patricia Nardi

SATURDAY – SEPT. 13th

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:00 (P) Ozdrowie i Laski dla Marii

5:00 (E) For the People of St. John Cantius Parish

SUNDAY – SEPT. 14th

8:00(E) Frank & Stella Sibila req. Florence & Family

10:00 (E) Charles Henderson req. Remillard Family

11:30(P) Ojczyzne req. SRP

LECTORS / LEKTORZY FOR SEPT 7

5PM Anthony Golembiewski

8AM Phyllis Rooney

10AM Barbara Plocharski

11:30AM Szkoła Jezyka Polskiego

Sept 14

5PM Paula & Jessica Grochowski

8AM Maria Sucharski

10AM Michael C. Finn

11:30AM SRP

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER FOR SEPT 7

5PM Dave Higman & Phyllis Rooney

10AM Joseph & Donna Slabinski

Sept 14

5PM Gloria & Casey Jankiewicz

10AM Kathy Lisiewski & Pat McDevitt



Please pray for our recently deceased:
Alfred Piotrowski. May God grant him
eternal peace in His Presence.



The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns this week in the chapel for Steffie H. Wesolowski from sister, Marie E. Rosinski & Godson Ron .

The **Second Sanctuary Lamp** burns in the chapel for Stefanie Skwirut (Happy Birthday in Heaven) from Skwirut Family & Grandchildren.

The Second Collection today will be for School Bldg Maintenance and next week's will be for Black & Indian Missions .



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— *Matthew 18:19*

SICK AND HOMEBOUND VISITS

If you know of a parishioner who is sick and/ or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory at 215-535-6667 and arrangements can be made for a Communion Minister to visit.

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Saint John Cantius Parish offers year round opportunities for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These opportunities are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Christian, would like to become Catholic, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic, would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. There are many people like yourself inquiring and we are ready to answer your questions. Please contact the rectory office for more information.

SPEAKING OUT IN LOVE

In the final verses of today’s Gospel reading Jesus says that when two or three are gathered in his name, “there am I in the midst of them” (Matthew 18:20). So we understand that fraternal correction is always undertaken in the presence of Jesus Christ.

Likewise, encouraging the good in others is not only the right thing for us to do, it is a necessity. The LORD tells the prophet Ezekiel that if he does not speak out to dissuade a person from evil, then he too will be held responsible.

We live in a “do your own thing” age where moral objectivity is often ignored. Clearly when the message we share with others is rooted in love, our motives cannot ever be misinterpreted. As Saint Paul writes, “Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law” (Romans 13:10).

Mater Dolorosa Feast Day Celebration

September 13th 2014– 4PM/with Rev. John Large

Mater Dolorosa is not just our feast day. The Mater Dolorosa belongs to everyone who was affected by the closures. The Blessed Mother feels the sorrow of all people, not just the Mater Dolorosa parishioners. All parishes are invited because the Mater Dolorosa parishioners respect everyone’s need for healing. Food and fellowship to follow. RSVP IS REQUESTED BY 9/1/14. Call Joanne @ 215-743-2600 Or Rose Flemming @ 215-535-1510.

PREP Registration

Registration is currently being held for **PREP** which will begin on Thursday September 11th. PREP is a year long program which provides religious education to our parish children who attend non-Catholic schools. **Classes will be held on Thursdays from 6:00PM to 7:30PM in the school building. Registration forms are available at the rectory.** Registration fees are: \$70.00 for one (1) child; \$120.00 for two (2) children; and \$30.00 for each child after. **The fee must be paid at the time of registration.**

A copy of the baptismal certificate is required for first time registrants if the child was not baptized at St. John Cantius or All Saints Church. Please remember that before a child receives the sacraments (First Penance, First Communion or Confirmation) the child must receive two (2) years of religious instruction.

If there are any questions, please call, Mrs. Dombkoski, Parish Services Director at the rectory 215-535-6667.

MANDATORY PREP MEETING

Please note that on Thursday, September 11th at 6PM, there is a MANDATORY meeting for parents of PREP students to be held in the chapel. At least one parent must attend this meeting.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Warn the wicked and try to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).

Psalms — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).

Gospel — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).

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NEIGHBORLY LOVE

We can never love our neighbor too much.

—St. Francis de Sales

PRESENCE

Wherever you see another, there I am.

Rabbinical saying

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We know for certain that the sacrament of penance was a fairly rare event in the life of a Christian in the early centuries, but that everyone had a duty to admit their sins and ask forgiveness before giving thanks in the Sunday Eucharist and receiving Christ's Body and Blood at the table. Everyone today is familiar with this same ancient pattern. We also know about Lent and its journey of renewal, and even those who are returning from summer vacations may speak of a fresh perspective on life and a resolve to do better. Saint Augustine spoke of a third kind of penance, beyond the turning of the catechumens to a different life, beyond the normal everyday fresh starts, to a form that is severe and serious. Certain sins broke faith with the community: the sinners were obliged to give their names to the bishop and were barred from participation in the Eucharist. Augustine mentioned sacrilege, adultery, and murder as the culprits, great wounds for the perpetrator, wounds that were serious, deadly, mortal. Penance was such a frightening prospect that many people delayed their baptism for fear that they would sin, a practice with which Augustine was well acquainted. Pastoral need would eventually call the church to reconsider its practice.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
- Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
- Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
- Sunday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Collection Count for Aug. 31,2014

	Attn	Env	Cash	Checks	Total
5pm	125	87	\$749	\$709	\$1,458
8am	60	44	\$251	\$210	\$461
10am	153	86	\$727	\$827	\$1,554
11:30	108	55	\$570.90	\$155	\$ 725.90
Total	446	272	\$2,297.90	\$1,901	\$4,198.90
Children		2	\$2		\$2
Mailed In		10	\$21	\$320	\$341
Total	446	284	\$2320.90	\$2,221	\$4541.90
Religious Ed		203	\$895	\$306	\$1,201
Catholic Univ		12	\$43		\$43
Total		215	\$938	\$306	\$1,244
Grand Total		499	\$3,253	\$2,527	\$5,785.90
Total Deposit				\$5,785.90	
Unpaid bills to Archdiocese				\$1,678,124	
Previous Years				\$1,560,650	
2013-2014				\$117,474	
Total unpaid bills				\$1,678,124	

COLLECTION COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY

- Sept. 7** Joseph Foster & Barbara Plocharski
- Sept. 14** Lucile Mocarski and Terry Casey
- Sept. 21** Lee Carr and Denise Matthews
- Sept. 28** Maryann Marszalek



The Tiger Sharks Swim Team needs you! If you love to swim, are between the ages of 5-15 and are a member of St. Timothy's , St. Leo's, St. Bartholomew's, and St. John Cantius parish OR attend Blessed Trinity Regional School or CCD, you are encouraged to join our team. No competitive swimming experience necessary! We especially need boys and girls in grades 5-8! Registration is being held throughout October. For information, registration forms and more, visit our website at <http://www.eteamz.com/sttimstigersharks/>, or contact SwimCoachKristie@gmail.com.



We received notice that Bishop Robert Maginnis will be here in April, to give the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. If you have not received this sacrament and would like to do so, you must attend instructions. Please call Terry Dombkoski at the Rectory during office hours to make arrangements.

Next Sunday we will celebrate **Catechetical Sunday** at the 10:00 Mass. **We are asking for all the children – along with their parents – to attend this Mass.** This invitation is to all the children who attend our PREP Program and those who attend Blessed Trinity. The children will receive a special blessing as well as a gift as they begin their new school year.

Our **Carnival** will begin on Thursday, September 25th, and continue to Sunday afternoon, September 28th. All proceeds will be for the parish. This is a great event not only for the parish but for the entire Bridesburg community.

On **Sunday, October 5th, at the 10:00 Mass**, we will bless all the babies and those children who are between the ages of 1 to 5 to celebrate their lives as we begin **Respect Life Month**. We invite all parents to bring their children to this Mass and make a “joyful noise” to the Lord. The children will be presented with a small gift and memento of the occasion.

I remind you that we are selling **Lottery Tickets** in the back of Chapel after every Mass on Sundays to help raise funds for the parish. This \$5.00 ticket is good for an entire month and your support helps us to maintain the parish.

I hope you all have a good week!

Biskup Robert Maginnis przybędzie do naszej parafii w Kwietniu, aby udzielić **Sakramentu Bierzmowania**. Zapraszamy wszystkich parafian, którzy jeszcze nie otrzymali tego sakramentu a chcieliby przystąpić do niego. Przed Bierzmowaniem, będą zajęcia religijne dla dzieci, młodych i dorosłych. Proszę zadzwonić do Terry Dombkoski na plebanii w godzinach pracy, w celu zapisania się na tę okoliczność.

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W najbliższą niedzielę będziemy obchodzić **Niedziele Katechetyczną** na Mszy o 10:00. **Zapraszamy wszystkie dzieci - wraz z rodzicami - do uczestniczenia w tej Mszy Świętej.** Szczególnie zapraszamy wszystkie dzieci, które biorą udział w naszym Programie PREP i te, które chodzą do szkoły regionalnej Najświętszej Trójcy. Dzieci otrzymają specjalne błogosławieństwo, oraz pamiątkę, z okazji Rozpoczęcia Nowego Roku Szkolnego.

Nasz **Karnawał** rozpocznie się w czwartek, 25 września i będzie trwał do niedzielnego popołudnie 28 września. Wszystkie wpływy będą dla parafii. Jest to wielkie wydarzenie nie tylko dla parafii, ale dla całej społeczności Bridesburga.

W **niedzielę, 5 października, podczas Mszy 10:00**, będziemy błogosławić wszystkie niemowlęta i dzieci, w wieku od 1 do 5 lat, aby świętować ich życie, gdy rozpoczniemy **miesiąc „Szauuj Życie”**. Zapraszamy wszystkich rodziców, żeby przyprowadzili swoje dzieci nie te Msze i zrobili "szum" radosny dla Pana. Dzieci zostaną obdarowane małym prezentem i pamiątką z tej okazji.

Przypominam, że sprzedajemy **Bilety Loterii** z tyłu kaplicy po każdej Mszy w niedziele, aby pomóc zebrać fundusze dla parafii. Bilety są sprzedawane w cenie \$5 na cały miesiąc, a wygrane pomagają nam utrzymać parafię.

Życzę miłego tygodnia!

Słowo od Polskiej Szkoły:

W tym roku otwieramy oddział przedszkolny, więc zapraszamy dzieci wieku 3-4 lata.

Aby uzyskać więcej informacji można pisać na adres: SZKOLAPOLSKA@ONET.PL SZKOŁA JĘZYKA POLSKIEGO IM. SW JANA KANTEGO

zaprasza na ZAPISY i ZAJĘCIA

w każdy piątek o godz. 17:00

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY

F O R S T U D E N T S :

The „Szkoła Języka Polskiego im. Sw. Jana Kantego” (Polish Language School at St. John Cantius) admits qualified students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

BLESSED TRINITY REGIONAL SCHOOL Schedule for the First Week of School

Students should wear their summer uniform or their regular school uniform. Students wearing the summer uniform are expected to wear white sneakers/white socks or black sneakers/black socks. NO high tops sneakers. No other color sneakers may be worn. Boys wearing the regular uniform are expected to wear black tied shoes. NO sneakers. Girls wearing the regular uniform are expected to wear navy blue knee socks and navy saddle shoes.

Wednesday, September 3rd

Grades 1-8 7:40 AM—11:50 AM
All students will meet in the school yard on Hawthorne Street.

Thursday, September 4th

Grades 1-8 7:40 AM—11:50 AM
Kindergarten (BOYS ONLY) 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Friday, September 5th

Grades 1-8 7:40 AM—11:50 AM
Kindergarten (GIRLS ONLY) 9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Monday, September 8th

Grades 1-8 7:40 AM-2:50 PM
Kindergarten 7:40 AM-2:35 PM
Pre-K 3 and Pre- K 4 7:40 AM-11:30 PM

Tuesday, September 9th

Grades 1-8 7:40 AM—2:50 PM
Kindergarten 7:40 AM— 2:35 PM
Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 8:30 AM—11:30 AM

Wednesday, September 10th

Grades 1-8 7:40 AM-2:50 PM
Kindergarten 7:40 AM-2:35 PM
Pre-K 3 and Pre-K- 4 7:40 AM-2:30 PM

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend will help you experience the mercy and compassion of God: grieve your loss; and forgive yourself and others Retreat Date: March 7, 8, & 9th 2014 at the Spirituality Center in Frazer, PA Call 215-906-6337 or 610-399-0890. All contacts are confidential. National website: www.rachelsvineyard.org

On Saturday, Sept 13, we will offer for sale items from the former All Saints rectory. Items such as furniture, dishes, crystal and kitchenware etc. will be available.

Place : St. John Cantius Auditorium

When: Saturday Sept. 13

Time 9 AM to 2 PM



If you know of a *shut-in* in need and is interested in the Aid for Friends meals program, please contact the Rectory at 215-535-6667 (and they will direct your call) or Dori Michalak 215-533-4787. An arrangement will be made for someone to visit the prospective client *one time only* to take down necessary information and to see if the person qualifies for the program. The program consists of one home-cooked meal a day, 7 days/wk and (when available one or two breakfasts a week).

Once again, thank you to all those generous people who make meals for us here at St. John's and also those charitable persons who give of themselves weekly or bi-weekly to deliver the meals. God Bless you all!

LOTTERY TICKETS



Lottery will be sold in the front entrance of the chapel by Thompson St.

Calendars are now available for distribution for October. The cost is \$5.00 each for the month, based on the evening of the Pennsylvania Lottery drawing. Daily prizes of \$50.00 a day and Sundays are \$100.00. Plus each month a bonus day!

Sellers are needed. Tickets will be sold before and after each Mass. This will be an on going fundraiser. We ask for you help and support to make this an ongoing success. Thank you for your support of our Parish.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>PRIZE</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>SELLER</u>
AUG 27	662	\$50.	ED PULCHALSKI	R KASPRZAK
AUG 28	826	\$50.	TESSIE GORSKI	GUY
AUG 29	175	\$50.	UNSOLD	
AUG 30	036	\$50.	UNSOLD	
AUG 31	183	\$100.	UNSOLD	
SEPT 1	115	\$100	UNSOLD	