



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

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Because I am
Catholic 2012

St. Robert Bellarmine Church

February 12th, 2012

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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215.343.0315

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PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
Mrs. Donna Heeney, Director of Religious Education

Masses for the WEEK

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11 2012

5:00 P.M. - Eleanor R. Martino

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Anna Walker - 16th Anniversary

9:00 A.M. - Theodore Spinosa

11:00 A.M. - Frank Stemock

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Parishioners

9:00 A.M. - Charlotte Verani

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Loradona Tigano

9:00 A.M. - Vincenzo Paone

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Faustina Fernandez

9:00 A.M. - Susanne Barker

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Ursula Graglia

9:00 A.M. - Charlotte Verani

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Joseph Scarpello

9:00 A.M. - Bernice Loughery

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2012

9:00 A.M. - Falcon & Laura Giammarco

5:00 P.M. - David Fegley - 6th Anniversary

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2012

7:00 A.M. - Msgr. James Sheehan

9:00 A.M. - Jan & Maria Rodom

11:00 A.M. - Angelina Altomare

Please pray for our sick parishioners, relatives, and friends, especially:

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| Nicholas Chess | Gregory Chess | John Kirchner, Jr. |
| Taylor Love | Jerry Bilbee | Jeanette Lee |
| Jean Evans | Bill Wallace | Donna Berry |
| Kristen Gray | Ella Hoesch | Ed Hulmes Jr. |
| Chase Dubzak | Kathy Moore | Rita Stine |
| Hafin Painter | Jenifer Painter | Leona Finney |
| Joan Palmer | Joyce Doheny | Vicente Grana |
| Mildred Rusek | Kelly Hartranft | MaryTheresaTellmann |
| Veronica Imsick | Deena Price | George Casperson |
| Helen De Fazio | Jeff Bienamie | Janet Magnuson |
| Patricia Ganther | Jennifer Weir | Florence Ashenbrenner |
| Joann Bongart | Joseph Kane | James Crumlsh Sr. |
| Lorie Ford | John Reyda | Monica Cerebe |
| Pat Steffa | Joan McMahan | Regina Richardson |
| Mary Farano | Joyce Williams | Josephine Ardizzi |
| Hennie Spyker | Kay Batman | Joanna Elchert |
| Patricia Brown | James Kolody Jr. | Kevin Christopher Fox |
| Frank Elchert | Charles Johnston | David Hauschild |
| Frankie Ervin | Lucy Pirolli | Pasquale Speranza |
| Joe McDonald | Pat Wendte | Margaret Ciocca |
| Geraldine Vona | Mary Kerr | Nick Papullo |

UPCOMING EVENTS (at a glance)

Feb 13 ~ Why Catholic?

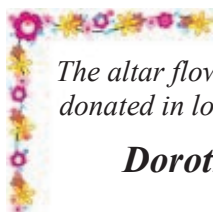
Feb 14 ~ EP's Meeting

Feb 15 ~ Altar Servers

Feb 22 ~ Ash Wednesday

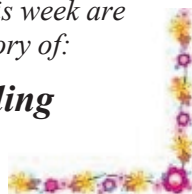


LAST YEAR'S PALMS - Please place in containers in the church vestibule no later than Thursday, February 16th.



The altar flowers for this week are donated in loving memory of:

Dorothy Vearling



OUR PARISH

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday (02/05/12)-\$17,460

Last Sunday (02/06/11)-\$15,869

Thank you for your continued support of St. Robert Bellarmine Parish.

Dear Friends,

On this Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear of the disease of leprosy in the first reading from Leviticus and in the Gospel of Mark. This disease, although rare in our day, was in the time of Jesus a more common disease which not only inflicted a bodily suffering but the person also suffered the psychological pain of separation from all that was familiar - their family, friends, home and possessions. It was Jesus who could restore the person not only to full health but also place that person once again in community. The healing touch of Jesus mended the body, mind and spirit. Do we believe that Jesus can heal us of our ills? Do we believe that Jesus can restore us to the fullness of life?

This weekend we begin the annual Catholic Charities Appeal. As you know, this was an appeal that was held in the months of May and June. However, it was decided to attach this collection with the more sacrificial days of Lent to challenge all of us to a greater sense of charity through the practice of almsgiving. This year's theme is "BECAUSE I AM CATHOLIC." Because I am Catholic, I am called to be the charitable steward of my resources to benefit the needs of the poor, lonely, outcast, homeless, dependent, suffering, aged, and addicted. This call is to charity for the sake of the Kingdom of God. This call reminds us of our good fortune and the need to reach out to those less fortunate. Next weekend, in Monsignor Marley Hall, we will be showing a brief video presentation from Archbishop Chaput on the works of this Appeal. Please stop in the hall after Mass to hear our archbishop.

As was mentioned last weekend, our parish goal this year is \$60,600.00 This is a daunting goal especially in the economic climate in which we all find ourselves. However, I am confident that we as a parish will do what we can to see that we give according to our means. And there are many ways of giving- by using the envelope that was mailed to you by the Catholic Charities Office, by using one of the envelopes in the pews in church, or by using the envelope that will be in your March mailing of parish envelopes. Any way you wish to make a contribution will be acceptable. You may mail your gift directly or you may place the envelope in the collection basket. Whatever is convenient to you is fine. This Appeal will be conducted for several months although we wish that you would submit your gift as soon as possible. The needs of the poor are always with us and our speedy response can ease their sufferings and pains more quickly. Many, many thanks for all that you can do for this work of charity!

On Tuesday of this week we celebrate Valentine's Day. Take the time that day to let those special people in your life know how much you love them and care for them.

May Saint Robert Bellarmine bless our spirit of generosity!

With prayers,

Monsignor Beisel

From the
Pastor 

SUMMER PREP CATECHISTS NEEDED - We are in need of catechists (teachers) for our Summer Program which runs from June 18th-29th from 9am-12:30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your faith with the young people of our parish. College students who are Education majors are welcome to apply. We are also in need of aides - any student from 7th grade through high school is welcome to volunteer. For more information, please contact Donna Heeny at 215.343.9433.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION:

Our school offers education from Pre-K through 8th grade. Registrations for half day or full day Pre-K and Kindergarten are currently being accepted for the 2012-2013 academic year. New family registration for 1st through 8th grade begins Monday, February 13th from 9:30-11:30 AM and 6-8 PM.

For more information, please call the school 215.343.5100 or visit the website www.stjstr.org.



CHRIST'S HOUSEKEEPERS NEED HELP



We need volunteers to substitute occasionally when our regulars are sick or on vacation. We clean on Monday morning 7:30 am until 8:15 am. Call Eleanor at 215.675.8955 or Adele at 215.674.4965 to sign up or ask any questions.

CLERGY/MUSIC SCHEDULE (2/18 & 2/19)

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| 5:00 PM | Fr. Tralies/Dcn. George | Adult Contemporary Ensemble |
| 7:00 AM | Fr. Tralies | |
| 9:00 AM | Fr. Tralies/Dcn. George | Cantor Epiphany |
| 11:00 AM | Fr. Cornely | Teen Ensemble |

FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

Please call the parish office (215/343-0315) with the name and branch for relatives who are on active duty.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.

AMEN

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

US Navy:

*Michael W. Zarkowski
Barbara Ann Mullen
Connor Fitzgerald
Brian Dessel*

*Edward W. Devinney II
William A. Fitzgerald
John Wurtenberg III*

US Coast Guard

Brendan Williams

US Army:

*Rev. Stephen Mc Dermott
Danny Pritchard
James Noga
Robert F. Leimer
Ryan J. Sempowski*

*John Healey
Gabriel J. Zinni
Sean Walsh
Michael Mc Bride
Michael Peterson*

USMC:

*Michael Bradley
Joseph Mc Menamin
Daniel Harvey
Clint Hajek
Matthew Ponente
Anthony Taylor*

*Christopher La Rue
James McMenamin
Elizabeth Harvey
Leo J. Keller Jr.
Vincent J. Flannery, Jr.
Kevin A. Daly*

US Air Force:

Karl Weinbrecht

Francis Lemma

“SPONSOR A STUDENT” - is a program that provides our parish community & friends with the opportunity to financially support, families at our school that need tuition assistance and desire a Catholic education for their child. “Sponsor a Student” brochures which further describe the program are available in the church vestibule. Your financial investment in Catholic education is 100% tax deductible and will directly benefit a student at St. Joseph/St. Robert School. Questions: call 215.343.5100.



AFGHAN GUILD - will meet in February:

Mon. evening, Feb 13th at 7:30 P.M.
1060 Oakwood Dr, Warminster

New Members will be warmly welcomed. Questions call Mary McDevitt 215.343.2938.



SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

Intend to volunteer or continue as a volunteer in programs that involve children? Visit the www.saintrobertwarrington.org website for specific directions on how to obtain clearances & register for the Protecting God’s Children classes for Adults. If you are already a volunteer, please make sure your clearances are up to date. Contact the parish office with questions.

THE 2012 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL



The theme for this year’s Catholic Charities Appeal is, **“BECAUSE I AM CATHOLIC”**. The funds raised by the Catholic Charities Appeal go to support: **Catholic Human Services**, *Because I Am Catholic* I am called to

feed the hungry and shelter the homeless; **Catholic Education**, *Because I am Catholic* I am called to educate those who have developmental, physical or emotional needs; **Skilled Care for the Elderly and Infirm Priests**, *Because I Am Catholic* I am called to show compassion for the sick and infirm; **Evangelization**, *Because I Am Catholic* I am called to profess my faith not only in what I do, but what I support; **Stewardship**, *Because I Am Catholic* I am called to help the Faithful grow in their love of the Lord. Please pray for the success of this year’s appeal and give as generously, as your means permit, to this very important campaign.

The Catholic Charities Appeal funds are deposited in a separate 501(c)(3) charitable organization account. By law, any donations made to the Catholic Charities Appeal cannot be used for anything other than the stated purpose. Should you have any questions please contact the Appeal office at 215.587.3651 or visit:

www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY *In the Gospel today Jesus moved with pity touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering. By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping.*

EP'S OF ST. ROBERT'S Our Feb, 14th meeting will feature Ben Franklin (live). We meet in Msgr. Marley Hall on 2nd and 4th Tues. of the month. Doors open at 10:30AM for fellowship, entertainment, coffee and donuts. Only requirement to join is that you be 50 yrs old.



**ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL NEWS
FROM THE DESK OF MRS. JASTER**



APPLE OF MY EYE:
Congratulations to our latest winners: Joseph Davis, Gregory Meditz, Julia Fellmeth, Dylan West and Mariana Rodrigues.



RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION: Registration continues for our families. New family registration for grades 1 – 8 will begin on Monday, February 13th.



CONFIRMATION RETREAT: Our sixth grade students from St. Robert's parish will be participating in a Confirmation retreat next Sunday beginning with the 9am Mass. After Mass, they will board buses to take them to the shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown. They will return to school at about 2pm following the retreat.



LUNCHTIME VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT: Over the past few weeks, our seventh and eighth graders have participated in an intramural volleyball tournament. The Championship game was played last Thursday between the Seventh Grade team – Pink Lightning:



Danielle Trodden, Chris McKevitt, Carley Cantwell, Jessica Getz, Matt Karle, Brett Yoos, and Sam Brady and their eighth grade opponents: "Hunger Games": Jenna Trodden, Brian Schoener, Joe Davis, Hannah Kolmetzky, and Matt Wanner. The Eighth Graders were victorious in a well-played set of games. Congratulations!

COKE REWARDS: Our Coke Reward "Dress Down" Day is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28th. Students who have collected 25 coke points are entitled to a dress down day. Please email Mrs. Sautner robcarol@verizon.net. if you have registered online with your points. There is a double point promotion going on with specially marked multi packs of diet coke.



SHOPRITE REGISTER TAPES: SJR is now collecting register tapes from ShopRite markets. If you shop there, would you please send in your receipt to our collection bin in the Office?

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

All 7th and 8th graders (school and PREP) are welcome to join us each week. We look forward to seeing you on Mon. evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 PM. For more info, please contact Donna Heeny at 215.343.9433 or strobertyoungroup@gmail.com.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

February:

M - 13th Mardi Gras and Game Night
Sun 19th Service St. Cyprian
Food Collection & Donuts after 9 & 11 Masses

M - 27th Who Wants to Be a Religionaire????

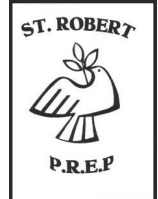
March:

M - 5th Jesus and Me
M - 12th Jesus and Accepting Myself
M - 19th Jesus and Forgiveness
M - 26th Jesus and Serving Others



**ST. ROBERT PREP PROGRAM
PREP CALENDAR:**

February:
M/T-9/10 Class
M/T-13/14 Class
M/T-20/21 No Class



Service is an integral part of preparing for Confirmation. Each week, we will share some of our candidate's reflections on their service experiences.

This is a quote that one of our student's shared which she likes and sums up the idea of service:
*If you want to be happy for an hour, go and watch TV.
If you want to be happy for a day, go to
an amusement park.
If you want to be happy for life...go out and help.*
Jenna C.

All of these acts of service have impacted my life by making me realize that to be truly happy, it is about serving God and others.

Brendan D.

Through all the religious acts of service, I was brought together with other people my age that weren't afraid to be proud of their faith and I made new friends. So in the end I gained more than just service hours. I gained friendship, satisfaction and more by following the path of Jesus.

Loretta F.

I think what I learned most from performing works of service is that even though I was serving others, it made me feel good. It felt great to help at all the projects and I hope to keep serving my community in many ways moving forward in my life.

Andrew F.

Parish Youth Ministry

TEAM MEMBERS

Fr. Matthew Tralies (Moderator - Frtralies@verizon.net) • Mrs. Kathleen Burke (Treasurer treasurer@strobpym.org)
Mrs. Bernadette Marron (Sec. - secretary@strobpym.org) • Mrs. Barbara Palo
(Director of HS Ministry - teencyo@strobpym.org) • Mrs. Lisa Corr (Director of Jr High Ministry -
juniorcyo@strobpym.org) • Mr. James Alexander (SJR Hawks Representative - sjrhawks@strobpym.org)
www.strobpym.org

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

VALENTINE'S DANCE FEB 12TH FROM 2 - 5pm: This dance is held yearly for our 'special friends' from Central Bucks. The day includes lunch, DJ, dancing, and a craft. Your help is needed in planning, decorating, serving and socializing, making this day special in every way. Join us in putting on the most looked forward to event of the year. Set up will be at 12:30 and clean up is usually done by 5:30. Many hands are necessary to make this event a success so please consider being a part of the day. The rewards are tremendous!



TEEN MASS FEB 19TH AT 11AM followed by refreshments and ideas for making this upcoming Lenten season a meaningful and grace-filled experience. All teens welcome to join us in the teen room for 1 hour following Mass.



THE TEEN MINISTRY WILL PARTICIPATE IN ST. ROBERT'S WHY CATHOLIC? PROGRAM by hosting small group sessions on Sunday's during lent beginning Feb 26th following the 11am Mass till 1pm. It will be a time to reflect on the Sunday scriptures, to share our faith, pray and think about how God has touched our lives and how we give thanks and witness to the Gospel message through our daily living. Please consider joining us and bring a friend.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING UPDATE: last weeks collection totaled \$902, AWESOME!!!! Thank you for your generous support of this national campaign. This money will be donated to the Warminster Food Bank, St Cyprian's and the Sisters of Charity soup kitchen in Norristown. We will be performing a service project along with the donation by visiting the Sister's on Feb 20th to help in the kitchen and also with cleaning in their shelter. We know that all of these benefactors will be most grateful for your support in helping them in their efforts. May God bless you always!

STEUBENVILLE 2012 July 20-22: Registration opens for the Rhode Island conference on Feb 1st. this conference is open to anyone leaving 8th grade thru 12 grade. Consider joining us for this awesome weekend. If you think you would like to attend or need more info please contact mompalo@aol.com. It is important that we get an idea of how many people might be going for planning purposes ASAP. Looking forward to spending this exciting and special time with you.



Mark your calendars for the next Teen Ministry breakfast
Sunday March 11 after all Masses

FOCUS ON FAITH

SIXTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45



In today's Gospel we see that rather than shunning one who is sick, Jesus touches a leper in order to heal him. He instructs the leper to offer proof to the Levites of his cure. Instead, the healed man himself becomes proof of Jesus' healing power.

Church Teaching: Anointing of the Sick — *A Healing Ministry*

Jesus showed compassion for those who were sick and called them to believe in the goodness and healing power of God, the Most High. While Jesus did not heal everyone throughout Galilee and Judea, his miracles signified the fullness of the Kingdom to come, that is when all of creation will be made well and whole.

Jesus' healing miracles announced a much more radical mending, for it is in Christ that the Most High God reaches out to a broken humanity wounded through sin. Jesus Christ achieves God's victory over sin and death in the Paschal mystery. And the Church continues the healing mission of the Risen Lord by taking care of those who are ill, praying for them, and by celebrating the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Compassionate God, your Son is the divine healer. He took upon himself our debt of sin and suffered pain and torment, and indeed, death itself, so that we might be raised to newness of life. Anoint us with his healing love



Last Saturday 12 small group leaders and an additional 4 members of the WHY CATHOLIC Team attended a training session to prepare them to lead our groups here at St. Robert's. The presentation, given by Sr. Honora, OP, inspired each of us to reflect on the possibilities of adults coming together to be renewed in their faith and to share their experiences and insights with others and the blessings that flow out into the entire parish community. This week the small group sessions will begin with the topic *What is Prayer?*

Here are some of the questions for your reflection that we will be discussing:

*How do you approach God in prayer?
What place does prayer occupy among the priorities of your daily life?
When do you feel closest to God?*

Old Fashion Lent Family Fish Fry

Friday, March 9, 2012

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Monsignor Marley Hall

Menu: *A simple Lenten meal*

**Fried Haddock/ Roasted Potatoes/ Cole Slaw
and Pizza for those who don't like fish!**



ALL ARE INVITED FOR FOOD, PRAYER AND A STORYTELLER

Tickets will be on sale until starting February 18/19 after Mass.

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

March 3, 2012, Reduced Registration Fee until Feb, 8th!



On Sat, March 3 at Archbishop Ryan High School the men of our parish are invited to join Catholic men from throughout the Archdiocese for the annual Men's Spirituality conference - Strengthen One Another. Speakers include Rwandan Genocide survivor **Immaculée Ilibagiza**, Musician **Tony Melendez**, Evangelist **Deacon Harold Burkes**, Catholic Answers Apologist **Tom Staples** and author and priest **Rev. J. Brian Bransfield**. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered, and the Conference will conclude with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Chaput. For more information and to register visit:

www.manupphilly.com

RESPECT LIFE - *Many people who say they are pro*



-life are sitting in their houses instead of getting up and joining us on the field of battle. Go to an abortion killing center and pray. Your witness can save lives.

UPCOMING EVENT: Our Vigil Day at Louis Drive Planned Parenthood Feb. 16 from 9am to 3pm

Want to participate?? Call Jan 215/343-4572

TAKE ACTION NOW!!!

The Friday before the March for Life the Obama Administration announced that it would not honor the request of millions of Americans by allowing for a conscience exemption in its requirement that all employers pay for "health care" that includes sterilization, contraception and abortion causing drugs. This signals a lack of respect for life and for the rights of those who uphold the dignity of all people.

This ruling will force Catholics to decide between violating their consciences and providing the basic right of health care. At issue is the constitutionally protected freedom that ensures respect for the conscience of Catholics and all other Americans. In this ruling, we were told that we can call ourselves Catholic, we just can't act like we are.

Please let your voice be heard! Ask your legislators to support the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act(HR1170/S1467). Click the link below to log in and send your message:

<http://www.voterveice.net/link/target/pacc/BMrg7yWW.aspx>



The SJR CYO would like to thank all of those who attended and generously donated to the Super Bowl Dance. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you next year. We also want to extend our sincerest appreciation to all of those who worked tirelessly to make this event so successful, especially our resident chefs, Vince Lanza and Jim Roynan. The SJR CYO is a success because of the SJR Family and we thank you.

MARRIAGE HELP Retrouvaille is a Catholic based program to help marriages that are stressed or in trouble. Retrouvaille has helped countless married couples in all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. Retrouvaille can help your marriage too. The next program will be held at St. Joseph in the Hills Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern, PA on Feb. 10-12 All calls are confidential. For more information call 800-470-2230 or

215/766/3944 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com



OUR PARISH BULLETIN NEEDS YOUR HELP.

It is provided free of charge to our Parish and provides important revenues! Please consider having your business, service or professional practice recommended to all our Parish families.

Please call Jim Finnen this week:

Cell: 610.653.2145 or **Home:** 610.838.2238

This is one of the few inexpensive, local advertising opportunities left in our area and our Parish thanks you!



ST. CYPRIAN FOOD DRIVE We will be collecting non-perishable food items for St. Cyprian Parish's food pantry the weekend of Feb. 18th & 19th. Please place your bagged food items in the narthex after all Masses that weekend. Suggested food items are: complete meals in a box, canned meats (ham, chicken), canned tuna, canned soups/stews/potatoes/fruits/vegetables/milk, 'complete-just add water' pancake mix, pancake syrup, coffee, powdered coffee creamer, dry milk, Gatorade, juice (other than apple, which is donated from another source), peanut butter, jelly, iced tea mix, pasta sauce (only need sauce-pasta is donated from another source), boxed potatoes (au gratin/scalloped/mashed), crackers, cereal, pop tarts, animal crackers, pretzels, cookies, lunch box size puddings, juice boxes and snacks. Pop-up cans and items that can be micro waved are helpful. If you have any questions, please call Sallie Theis 215.696.1477 or Lynn Utermark 215.343.9528.



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**IMPORTANT: KINDLY READ AT ALL MASSES
THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 4-5 AND POST PUBLICLY FOR PARISHIONERS**

February 1, 2012

Dear friends in Christ,

The United States Department of Health and Human Services announced on January 20 that almost all employers, including Catholic employers, will be forced to offer their employees health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be forced to include those "services" in the health policies they write. And almost all individuals will be forced to buy that coverage as a part of their policies.

In so ruling, the current Administration has undermined both the principle of religious conscience and the First Amendment to the Constitution in an unprecedented way. Unless the ruling is overturned, faithful Catholics will be forced either to violate our consciences, or to drop health coverage for our employees and suffer the penalties for doing so. The Administration's only concession was to give our institutions a one-year delay to comply. This is not merely inadequate. It is dangerous. And it betrays the good faith of many Catholics who -- until now -- have supported the current Administration with an honest will.

Bishops and lay Catholic leaders across the United States have made it clear that we cannot comply with this unjust law without compromising our convictions and undermining the Catholic identity of many of our service ministries. This is not just another important issue among the many we need to be concerned about. This ruling is different. This ruling interferes with the basic right of Catholic citizens to organize and work for the common good *as Catholics* in the public square.

Today, I ask of you two things. First, we need to pray for our country, for our Church, and for our own right to work freely as a believing community through our ministries in the public square. Second, we need to act. Please visit the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference website at www.pacatholic.org to learn how to contact your federal Representative and Senators. Write them, call them, visit them -- and help them understand the deep resistance of Pennsylvania Catholics to this dangerous ruling. Please also visit www.usccb.org/conscience, to learn more about this attack on religious conscience, and how to work to reverse the Administration's decision.

Your action on this issue *matters* -- not just today but for many years to come; and in ways that will shape the ability of the Church to witness the Gospel publicly through her ministries well into the future. Please know that you have my gratitude and daily prayers. And please remember me in your prayers as well.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Take time out of your busy lives . Make a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Grow more deeply in love with your spouse! The next experience will be Mar 16-19. For more information call 1/800-456-8330.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2011

Those parishioners who wish to receive a copy of their Church contributions for 2010 are asked to call the Rectory weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All requests will be mailed by February 29.

IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

| WEEKEND MASSES | WEEKDAY MASSES | HOLY DAYS | CONFESSIONS |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Saturday: Vigil 5:00 p.m. | 7:00 & 9:00 am - Monday/Friday | 7:00 am | Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm |
| Sunday: 7:00 am | 9:00 am - Saturday | 9:00 am | |
| 9:00 am | Summer: | 12:00 noon | |
| 11:00 am | Weekday - 8:00 am | 7:00 pm | |
| | Saturday - 9:00 am | | |

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First & third Sundays of the month at 12:15 pm. Baptism Classes for parents and godparents are held on an announced day in January, March, May, July, September and November at 7 pm in the Church. Call the Parish Office to pre-register.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

You must be a registered member of the Parish and must notify the priest **at least six months** prior to your marriage date. **Pre-Cana classes (last Sat. in Oct./2nd Sat. in Nov. & last Sat. in Feb./2nd Sat. in March) are required.** Contact Parish Office for registration forms.

COMMUNION CALLS

Monthly to shut-ins by the priests. Weekly - Extraordinary Ministers if requested. In an Emergency a Priest Should Be Called Immediately.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please ask one of the priests after a weekend Mass to register your family. Please notify the parish office if you are moving from the parish or if you have changed your address.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration - **Each Monday (except Summer & National Holidays)** after the 9 am Mass, with simple Reposition (No Benediction) at 4 pm. **At 3 pm the Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited.**

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

All parish staff and volunteers who have **regular contact with young people** must attend a Protecting God's Children Awareness Session. In addition background checks **must be updated every 5 years.** **Links to background check forms can be found on the Archdiocesan web site, www.archdiocese-phl.org. Click on child and Youth Protection, and then Safe Environment Program.)** **NO EXCEPTIONS! If you have not completed your background checks and the class YOU MAY NOT VOLUNTEER.**

OFFICE HOURS - Mon - Fri from 9 am to 4:30 pm

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday 11am - Turn in material typed, with your name and phone number at the parish office or email to mbl0405@verizon.net

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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| Tom Utermark | 215/343-9528 |
| Bob Abecasis | 215/343-8113 |
| Sheila Kelly | 215/343-5142 |
| Stephen Bolger | 215/343-2578 |
| Carol Bauman | 215/343-3306 |
| Dottie Prior | 215/328-9406 |
| Amy Moffett | 215/343-5436 |
| David Kolmetzky | 267/280-6762 |
| Sallie Theis | 215/343-4067 |
| Jonathan DeMent | 215/343-5152 |

Issue to be discussed contact one of the above.

PARISH RESOURCES

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| Adult Bible Study | Joan Fitzpatrick | 343-0315 |
| Afghan Guild | Mary Mc Devitt | 343-2938 |
| Al-Anon Contact | Irene L. | 674-0325 |
| Altar Servers | Deacon George Morris | 343-0315 |
| Bereavement Committee | Mary Williams | 343-7159 |
| Bloodmobile | Carolyn/John Heary | 675-8156 |
| Charismatic Prayer Group | Dolores Seif | 343/8775 |
| Christ's Housekeepers | Eleanor Crowley | 675-8955 |
| E.P.'s (Seniors) | Neil Mc Devitt | 343-2520 |
| Evangelization Coordinator | Tom Castaldi | 343-1524 |
| Extraordinary Ministers | Deacon George Morris | 343-0315 |
| Family Fellowship | Loretta Del Vecchio | 491-9302 |
| Knights of Columbus | Rob Hessler | 491-0648 |
| Minister of Hospitality | Peter Vreeland | 343-2091 |
| Ministers of the Word | Deacon George Morris | 343-0315 |
| Mothers of Young Children | Christa Speranza | 956-9769 |
| Music Ministry | Kevin Lutz Kevinlutz920@yahoo.com | |
| Nurse Ministry | Mary Marquis | 343-8635 |
| Parish Office - 215/343-0315 | | |
| Pastoral Council | Tom Utermark | 343-9528 |
| Prayer Line | Doris Peacock | 672-6321 |
| Pre-Cana | Ellen/Don Cericola | 343-3275 |
| Pre-Jordan/RCIA | Joan Fitzpatrick | 343-0315 |
| Respect Life | Len Cline | 343-4572 |
| Sodality of BVM | Helen Dagney | 491-8611 |
| St. Cyprian | Sallie Theis | (cell)696-1477 |
| St. Johns Hospice | Msgr. James Beisel | 343-0315 |
| St. Francis Inn | Mike Mullen | 343-7587 |
| St. Vincent De Paul Society | (Answering machine) | 267.644.8189 |
| Parish Youth Ministry | Fr. Matthew Tralies | 343-0315 |
| Vacation Bible School | Daiana Fuller | 491-3492 |

Our Parish website:
www.saintrobertwarrington.org

Parish Fax #: 215/343-8592
School Website & Phone Number:
www.stjstr.org 215/343-5100

Prep Phone Number: 215/343-9433
Mass times and locations for Traveling Catholics:
www.Masstimes.org or phone 410-676-6000