

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

NOVEMBER 4, 2007

MONDAY

7:00 AM William Benwell by George Sheenan

TUESDAY

7:00 AM John Maier by Joe & Marion England

WEDNESDAY

**7:00 AM Thomas Boyle by Jeanne & John
Fitzgerald**

THURSDAY

7:00 AM Dorothy Russo by Family

FRIDAY

7:00 AM Vernon Corby by Wife & Family

SATURDAY

**5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Keating &
(VIGIL) Karwoski Families by Gene & Rita
Keating**

SUNDAY

**8:30 AM Parishioners of St. John's & Frederick
John Elflein**

10:30 AM Leo & Dorothy Michael by Daughter

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS 2007

Collection, October 21, 2007 \$4,723.14

**Our Parish offered \$1,181.03 to the Propagation of
the Faith for the missionary work of the Church.
Thank you for your generosity on World Mission
Sunday. May God bless you for your generous
missionary spirit!**

**Average needed from Weekly Offerings
to cover expenses \$6,300.00
Collection, October 28, 2007 \$4,028.40**

UNDER \$2,271.60

The following are some expenses paid this past week:

Administrative Expenses	\$5,904.00
Diocesan Assessments	\$3,778.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$
201.00	
Utilities	\$ 384.00

**Last week's Children's Collection amounted to
\$124.04.**

ROSARY CORNER

**The Rosary is prayed every weekday following the 7 AM
Mass and Novena.**

**ALL ARE INVITED:
BLOCK ROSARY:**

**Monday, 7:00 PM at 515 Lincoln Avenue
Wednesday, 8:00 PM at 607 Third Street**

**WHAT IS A BLOCK ROSARY? Neighbors gathering in
each other's homes for a half-hour to pray the Rosary for
Peace in the World, for the Local Community and for each
other's intentions. Please consider having a Block Rosary
in your home. For more information, call Maureen Shea
at 968-0136.**

BLUE ARMY ROSARY CELL

**Where: 511 Lincoln Ave., Dunellen
When: Every Tuesday - 10:30 AM
All are welcome. Bring your children & grandchildren.
For more information, call Maureen Shea at 968-0136.**

FROM THE LYONS DEN

CENSUS FOR 1997 WAS 1032 PARISHIONERS

CENSUS FOR 2007 IS 588 PARISHIONERS

NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS THAT USE
ENVELOPES IS 212

PLEASE NOTE: Internal Revenue Service Rules
“...forbid tax deductions for charitable donations
unless through receipts or other official financial
records.”

With this in mind, we will only be able to give an
account of yearly donations to St. John the
Evangelist Church to those who use church
envelopes.

POOR BOX COLLECTION

Monies collected in the Poor Boxes located in the
Church Entry Way are used for the needy in our parish.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

GIFT BEARERS

Please contact one of the ushers as you enter the Church if
you would like to bring up the Offertory Gifts during a
particular Mass.

VISITING THE HOMEBOUND

When a family member is ill, homebound, or in the
hospital and would like a visit from our priest, please
notify the Pastoral Center to make the necessary
arrangements.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

“DO YOU KNOW” A needy Person or Family? Could
one of your neighbors benefit from assistance with food
and/or other essentials? Please call the Pastoral Center,
968-2621, in confidence, and we will do whatever we can to
help.

Please continue to bring men’s toiletries – tooth-
brushes, and large and medium thongs-slippers for the

Ozanam Men’s Shelter – Articles may be left in the
vestibule – Thanks for not forgetting the “guys”.

ST. JOHN FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry for those less fortunate is in need of the
following food products: Dry pasta, tomato sauce, canned
soups, canned meats, canned vegetables and canned fruit.
Thanks to all those who have been so generous in the past.

**SPREADING THE WORD – THIRTY-FIRST
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2007**

*We are called to be good stewards of our personal
vocations. St. Paul’s prayer for the Thessalonians is
therefore ours, too – “that our God may make us
worthy of his calling and powerfully bring to
fulfillment every good purpose and every effort of
faith.”*

See 2 Thessalonians 1:11

**ST. JOHN ALTAR ROSARY
PRAYER GROUP**

St. John Altar Rosary Prayer Group will meet on Monday,
November 5th at 7:00 PM in the Chapel. Rosary will be
recited and the meeting will follow. Plans for our
Christmas Party will be reviewed. Refreshments will be
served. Guests are most welcome to attend.

ST. JOHN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

St. John Activities Committee will be having a meeting on
Monday, November 12th at 7:00 PM in the Pastoral
Center. Anyone interested in helping with upcoming
events is welcome.

ST. JOHN CALENDAR RAFFLE

St. John Calendar Raffle Drawings will begin Monday,
November 5th. If you haven’t yet sent in your raffle sheets
please do so. You have to be in it, to win it!!! Extra
calendars may be obtained at the Parish Center or by
contacting Joanna Kelly at (732) 968-4324.

the Parish Center or call the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen 732-562-1990 ext. 1624.

DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

THEOLOGY ON TAP FOR 20'S & 30'S

The Diocese of Metuchen Office of Young Adult Ministry is sponsoring a fall series of Theology on Tap for 20's and 30's:

- Mondays, Nov. 5th, 12th and 19th from 7 PM-9 PM at Sayreville Bar & Restaurant, 7 Cecilia St., Sayreville;
- Tuesdays, Nov. 6th & 13th from 7 PM-9 PM at Stuff Yer Face Restaurant, 49 Easton Ave., New Brunswick.

Cost is \$15 which covers food, interesting speakers and topics. Cash bar. For more details about speakers and topics, please contact the Office of Youth Adult ministry at 732-562-1990 ext. 1635.

2007 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL – "DISCIPLES OF CHRIST....STEWARDS OF HIS GIFTS"

Have you made your gift or pledge? The Appeal goal this year is \$6.3 million. To meet this goal we are asking every able family to participate. You may make a one-time gift or spread your gift over a four-month period. Thank you for whatever you can do to support the 2007 Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Please remember St. John Parish needs to achieve 85% of our goal which amounts to \$27,285.00 in order not to take money from our savings to complete our parish's responsibility to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

*"Each year you shall tithe all that is grown in the fields you have sown so that the Lord, your God, may bless you in all that you undertake."
Deuteronomy 14:22,29*

<u>GOAL</u>	<u>TOTAL PLEDGED</u>	<u>TOTAL PAID</u>
32,100.00	17,065.00	14,040.00
<u>SHORT OF GOAL</u>	<u>TOTAL DONORS</u>	<u>%PLEDGE TO GOAL</u>
18,060.00	114	53.16

Thank you!

BEREAVEMENT FACILITATOR TRAINING

On Saturday, November 10th, a Bereavement Facilitator Training Program will take place at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway. It will be held from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Lunch is included. For additional information about the training session, contact

"SHARING THE LIGHT OF FAITH"

The Diocese of Metuchen Twenty-Fifth Annual Catholic Girl Scout Gathering Theme: Sharing the Light of Faith" will be held on Saturday, November 10th at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway from 9 AM to 2:30 PM. Registration begins at 8:30 AM. The cost is \$12 which includes program, patch and lunch. Workbooks may be purchased for \$6. Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors will receive instructions on how to complete workbooks to earn Catholic medals. For information on registration call 732 –562-1990 ext. 1630 or 908-874-8714. Medals are awarded at the Cathedral in the spring.

The following people are presently serving the United States Military: Private Jackelyn McCann, Lieutenant Elizabeth Kuhl, Private First Class Dennis Bibby and Lieutenant Gregory Luttmann in the United States Army; Airman Sean Bibby in the United States Navy...Please keep them in your prayers as well as all men and women who are serving our country...

If you know of a parishioner or family member of a parishioner who is currently serving in our Armed Forces please contact the Parish Center....

MOUNT ST. MARY

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer, Watchung, will offer the following programs. To register, call 908-753-2091 or e-mail: msmhope@att.net

ELISHA AND THE WIDOW

A story of hope/abundance in a time of darkness/scarcity. Reflect on a Biblical story that has a powerful message for us today. Friday, Nov. 9th, 9:30 AM-11:30 AM (\$15), Mary Jo Kearns, RSM

PRAYING THE COLORS OF YOUR LIFE

Enjoy a creative, reflective evening using water colors. Materials provided. No experience necessary. Wednesday, Nov. 14th, 7:30-9:30 PM (\$25). Tina Geiger, RSM

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is looking for vehicles for its Vehicle Donation Program. Donate a running or non-running vehicle to help the less fortunate. Donations

are tax deductible. Call the NEW toll-free number 866-440-8538.

THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS WEEKEND NOVEMBER 3/4 WILL BE FOR UTILITIES.... THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT WEEKEND NOVEMBER 10/11 WILL BE FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE TO HELP US MEET OUR OBLIGATION TO THOSE FAMILIES WHO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO CATHOLIC SCHOOL. THE DIOCESE ASSESSES EACH PARISH THAT DOES NOT HAVE A SCHOOL TO AID THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO OPT TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO CATHOLIC SCHOOL WITHIN THE DIOCESE.... THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY....

CHARISMATIC MASS
ST. FRANCIS CATHEDRAL

You are invited to a Charismatic Mass followed by Prayers for Healing at St. Francis Cathedral, Main St., Metuchen. The Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, November 15th at 7:30 PM by Rev. Bill Halbing. Members of the Body of Christ Prayer Community will pray for individual needs.

ST. MARY'S BYZANTINE
CATHOLIC CHURCH PENNY SALE

St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church is sponsoring a Penny Sale on Monday, November 12th at the Parish Center, 1900 Brooks Blvd., Hillsborough. Doors open at 5:45 PM. The Penny Sale begins at 7:00 PM. Bring your friends and join the fun! Admission tickets are \$2 and are available at the door. We have great prizes to be raffled off. Refreshments and cake will be served. For more information please call at 908-874-6036.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

Immaculate Conception School in Somerville will observe the 50th Anniversary of its opening with a celebratory NOON Mass and reception on Sunday, December 9th. This celebration is open to all ICS graduates and their families. Anyone interested in attending is asked to RSVP to the Anniversary Committee at ics50thanniversary@yahoo.com by November 15th. For more information about our 50th Anniversary events, please visit the school's website: www.icsschool.org or e-mail the Anniversary Committee.

ST. JOHN CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

NEW AMOUNTS FOR THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN AS OF 10/17/2007:

AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$301,405.00
PLEDGE PAYMENTS:	\$196,342.54
BALANCE:	\$105,062.46
DONATIONS/FUNDRAISING	\$ 15,140.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

KONINONIA ACADEMY
FALL FUNDRAISER

The Koninonia Academy, 1040 Plainfield Ave., Plainfield will be holding a Fall Fundraiser on Friday, November 9th from 7-10 PM. Basket Raffle – Silent Auction, 50/50, light & lively entertainment will be provided. Coffee, tea, homemade desserts all evening. Admission Fee is \$10. Please come out and support our school!!!

LIFENET

LIFENET will be holding an adult training seminar for youth leaders, teachers, parents and people with a heart for youth called "True Love Waits 1" which is a program to empower young people to save sex for marriage. Come and be trained to present this 5-session program to your youth group or high school/junior high age students, and see resources to help you communicate the message of sexual purity in an interesting and positive way. The date is November 10th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at St. Mary's Church in Denville. Sponsored by LIFENET. For more information, please call 732-264-1865 or visit www.lifenetnj.org