TIME TO MOVE ON (PART 2)

As I mentioned last week, there have been some staff changes over the past couple months, which is normal when parishes join together and deal with the changing needs of the parishes and the employees.

Deacon Bill Palamara has resigned as Director of Communications for our grouping to begin a new job with Catholic Cemeteries Association. Deacon Bill has served St. Athanasius for a number of years, managing the staff and much of the volunteer activity. Although his employment here will end, he will remain with us in his deacon assignment.

The job of Director of Communications is an important one, especially during a merger, so the position will be posted for applications internally first and then externally.

Deacon Gary Comer has resigned as Director of Maintenance at St. Athanasius to begin retirement. Deacon Gary has been a constant presence on St. Athanasius campus for more than 20 years and, like Deacon Bill, has ministered as a deacon here for the past eight years. He too will continue to be with us in his deacon assignment.

Deacon Gary’s maintenance responsibilities will be examined along with the maintenance staffing at all four parishes to see what options we have going forward.

We are grateful to Deacon Bill and Deacon Gary for the years of faithful service they have given to the Church in general and St. Athanasius Parish and our Neighbors North Catholic Community in particular. We are happy they will continue to be with us and we offer them our prayers and very best wishes as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

We will keep you informed about ongoing staffing changes.

IN OTHER NEWS: Just a reminder that the priests of our grouping will be away early this week, participating in the triennial convocation of diocesan priests at Oglebay, Monday, September 30 through Thursday, October 3. This will be an important gathering, so please pray for us during these days. Note that the daily Mass schedules will be different on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday….stay tuned for more news….

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT: “If Columbus had an advisory committee he would probably still be at the dock.”
- Arthur J. Goldberg
Congratulations to Father John Rushofsky!

With gratitude to God for His abundant blessings on us, it is with great pleasure that the staff and parishioners of Neighbors North Catholic Community invite you to join us in celebrating with Father John Rushofsky on the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 29, 2019, at Saint Sebastian Church, 311 Siebert Road, Ross Township. All are invited to join us for Mass and the reception to follow on the Narthex. *

Father John has been a faithful shepherd after the heart of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, having served in many roles throughout the Diocese during his tenure. We pray the Lord will continue to bless him as he joyfully fulfills his vocation and current role as Administrator of the Neighbors North Catholic Community parishes of Saint Athanasius, Incarnation of The Lord, Saint Sebastian and Saint Teresa of Avila, as we fulfill our goals for On Mission for the Church Alive!

* Please: no gifts
**Answering the Call to Holiness**  
*Called to the Single Life*

All vocations have certain elements in common:
1. **All vocations are rooted in the universal call to holiness.**
2. **At its core, Christian vocation is not about personal achievement or self-fulfillment, but is a call from God to become a gift to others.**
3. **Accordingly, love is the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being (see CCC, #2392).**
4. **Responding to the gift and call to a particular state in life requires my free assent and assumes an enduring permanency in that state.**
5. **One’s vocation touches every aspect of one’s life.**

For some, the single life is seen merely as a transitional stage, lived perhaps reluctantly, before following a call to marriage or religious life. However, the call to the single state is more than “never having been married.” It is a chosen state, lived from and for Christ. Singles are not second-tier Christians. Their witness to a life of holiness and love is not inferior to that of other vocations, but enjoys its own distinct expressions of such a life.

**Prayer of a Single Person:** Eternal God, from my conception you have known and loved me. I ask for the wisdom to know your will for me and for the strength to say “yes.” Grant me the courage to live a holy life. May my life shine forth your goodness and love as did Jesus who himself embraced the single life. Amen.

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**We Celebrate God’s Concern for the Sick**

The Ladies of Charity will host a Mass for Anointing of the Sick on **Saturday, October 12 at 1:00** at St. Athanasius Church. Anyone wishing to receive this sacrament is welcome. Please R.S.V.P. by Monday, Oct 7 to Cindy Jackson at 412-318-4954.

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**Big Basket Raffle tickets now on sale!**

Stop by Schoppol Hall after all Masses this weekend to see our amazing baskets and take a chance! Tickets are only $5 for 9 or 19 for $10! Things you could win include gift cards, a wheelbarrow of cheer, a money tree, a bucket of lottery tickets and much more!

**All proceeds benefit the Music Ministries, thank you for your support!**
WALK in the SPIRIT

Come to know more intimately the gifts you receive through the Holy Spirit and walk more deeply in union with Christ and the Father.

Worship, teaching, and discussion

St. Teresa of Avila Church
The 2nd and 4th Monday of every month:
October 14 and 28
November 11 and 25
December 9. Teresa of Avila Church
7 pm - 8:30 pm

WALK in the SPIRIT
Registration for
Small Group Discussions

Participant Name:_____________________
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*Please list any special requests:
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To register, (1) visit NeighborsNorth.org
and click on “WALK in the SPIRIT,” or (2)
complete this form and return it to the parish office of Incarnation, St. Athanasius, St. Sebastian, or St. Teresa.

Office for the Protection of Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults

On April 1 the Office for the Protection of Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults was established as noted in Bishop Zubik’s Pastoral Letter, The Church Healing. Several departments that were previously independent offices within the Diocese are now under this new secretariat. These offices include the Office of Victim Assistance and Office for Compliance. We recognize that every parish is currently publishing in their bulletins important numbers for Reporting Child Abuse. We are providing to you the recommended numbers that should be published. Please note the following:

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator
(412) 456-3093 (Office)
1-888-808-1235 (Hot Line)
PA Childline 1-800-932-0313
Call 911 immediately if a child is in immediate danger.
I’m going to go out of order with today’s scripture readings so please bear with me for a moment… “Woe to the complacent,” Amos preaches in the first reading. First of all, we have to understand that Amos wrote at a time of relative peace and prosperity but also of neglect of God’s laws. Amos often spoke out against an increased disparity between the very wealthy and the very poor. One of his major themes often centers around social justice. Personally, I’m a huge advocate for social justice issues so I always appreciate what Amos has to say on the subject. Now back to the scriptures…

“Woe to the complacent,” Amos says. He doesn’t mince words. Israel faces certain defeat, yet the idle rich continue to indulge their every desire—and they are the first to be sent into exile. In the Gospel, the rich man ignores poor Lazarus outside his door for which he ultimately suffers eternally in torment. Not a pretty picture. We also hear Paul call Timothy today to “pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.” Unlike the Gospel, this is a pretty picture. Paul’s words to Timothy are wise words for us as well, and quite frankly, paint a much better picture.

The next installment of our Caritas Concert Series will feature the renowned Heritage Gospel Chorale on Sunday, October 27, at 3:00 pm in St. Teresa of Avila Church. If you’ve never heard them in concert before, the Heritage Gospel Chorale is hands down one of the best gospel choirs in Pittsburgh. If you love our Gospel Masses, then you won’t want to miss this! All concerts are free-will offering and are under an hour long.

Tickets are on sale now for the CASH BASH on Saturday, October 19, from 6:00 PM—10:00 PM in Henninger Auditorium at the St. Teresa of Avila Campus. It’s the best bash in the Burgh! Raffle tickets are also available—Winner need not be present. Proceeds benefit all nine choirs and groups (300 members) of our Neighbors North Music Ministry. Thank you for your continued support!

For St. Teresa of Avila Church
In loving memory of Jean Bedel / Given by Denis Bedel (6 hymnals)
In loving memory of Gary R. Schmidt / Given by wife, Eileen
In celebration of St. John Henry Newman / Given by Rob & Pam Peles
In celebration of Blessed Fulton Sheen / Given by Rob & Pam Peles
In thanksgiving for the Neighbors North Catholic Community / Given by Rob & Pam Peles

*To be continued next week...
Parish Social Ministry

Relationships

Just as God exists in relationship—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—so we are called to life in relationship with others. We are created in His image, so that must mean that we are called to community life. Any community can be defined by its purpose. An athletic association is a community that works to promote a sport, encourage healthy competition and good sportsmanship. A municipality is a community working together to provide for the needs of its members concerning safety, education, housing and economic opportunities. What is the purpose of Neighbors North Catholic Community? There could be many answers. We celebrate the liturgy and sacraments together. We are to continually educate our children and each other as we grow in the faith. And there is social service outreach to help us to put our faith into action. Whether caring for the homebound, assisting the poor, or caring for the bereaved, we concretely demonstrate the love of God. As God exists as three persons, yet one God, we are many individuals who come together as one: one community of believers, one set of hands reaching out to our neighbors, one voice declaring that Jesus Christ is at the center of our Neighbors North Catholic Community life.

Food Pantry Needs: Juice, pineapple, peas, beets, pudding, jello, hamburger helper, spaghetti, canned pasta sauce, chef Boyardee, beef stew, canned chicken, chili, broth, macaroni and cheese, boxed and canned potatoes, jelly, cake and brownie mix, Knorr noodles, cereal, condiments, dishwashing soap and detergent. Please leave in the food collection bin in the back of St. Sebastian or St. Athanasius Church. Please check expiration dates on your donations…just as the grocery store does not have expired food on the shelves, we do not offer expired food to our clients. Thank you!

Save the Date: The Neighbors North Catholic Community will be hosting a blood drive on Saturday, November 9. Vitalant (formerly the Central Blood Bank), will be at St. Athanasius Church hall from 8:00am-1:00pm. Please watch the bulletin for further details on how to register.

Addiction Recovery Ministry: The second annual fundraiser for A..R.M. will be on October 5 at 6:00 in St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Oakland. “Come Together To Fight Addiction” featuring a Beatles Tribute band will benefit ARM and the Light of Life Mission. For more information, contact Addiction Recovery Ministry at 412-218-5410 or email rhaasarm@gmail.com.

Pathways Program: North Hills Community Outreach offers the Pathways Program to help individuals and families achieve self-reliance. They help you to create and achieve goals for financial independence, maintaining housing stability, finding a better job or continuing your education. For more information and program requirements, visit www.nhco.org
Faith Formation

The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Look at the Gospel today, a Lucan treasure, in which a rich man died. There had been a poor wretch lying at his door starving and he had ignored the man entirely. Yet now, the poor man was in heaven, cradled in the bosom of Abraham, while the rich man was agonizing in hell. Where were his fine food and fine clothes now?

This week we hear again this week from the Prophet Amos in his tirade against the Northern Kingdom of Israel during a very prosperous time. Amos preached, “the complacent people in Zion, lying on beds of ivory. … They eat lambs taken from the flock and calves from the stall! … They drink wine from precious bowls and anoint themselves with the best oils.” We do not believe that the prophets were fortune tellers, rather they were spokespersons for God. They saw the world and its people through God’s eyes and used God’s voice to deliver the message.

Here is a little background: You see, in the far northeast, Assyria was sharpening its swords for a full take-over of the Northern Kingdom of Israel in an occupation and conquest that would destroy the north. I am sure you have heard of the “lost tribes of Israel.” After Assyria’s conquest, that segment of the Jewish population was scattered, killed and intermarried so those 10 tribes were indeed lost.

So the message this week might be about complacency. I commit this sin. It is easier to see a need and then rely on other people to take care of it rather than rolling up my sleeves leaving my comfort zone and dealing with it myself. It’s nice in the comfort zone—relaxed, good food, and an opportunity to keep anointing myself with self-satisfaction while overlooking the needs of others. Jesus does not call us to complacency. There is no such thing as a complacent disciple.

What will it take for you and me to open our eyes to those who need us, who lack the love of God as channeled through us? Will we notice them if they are dressed well enough? Will we be persuaded if, as Abraham says in our Gospel, “someone should rise from the dead”? Or will we open up right now to the love God has for each of us and for our neighbors, all the ones for whom HE rose from the dead?

As family we can gather to pray for the most needy and in the course of a year, donate clothing and food to agencies that collect them for distribution to shelters and food banks. At dinner with the family discuss: “One way I believe we can fill in the distance between the world of “haves” and “have nots” is . .
LUKE: 16:19-31 Son, remember the good things you received in your lifetime and the bad things Lazarus received in his.

NEWS FROM FAITH FORMATION

- Adult Bible Study has been postponed until later in the year.
- First Holy Eucharist “Church Adventures” in October, have been rescheduled for January, 2020. Specific dates to be announced in a few weeks.
- This year, Saint Sebastian Parish will not be hosting our Fall Marriage Preparation Session. The Diocese of Pittsburgh as well as other local parishes will continue to host sessions. Please check the Diocese website at diopitt.org for the current schedule.

FORMED: As hundreds of thousands of new users have joined FORMED in the past year, we’ve been hard at work creating a new home to support growth and the absolute best in quality. That means faster load times, better resolution videos, and an improved search feature, just to name a few. We believe in great content, and we’re proud to make FORMED even better to help you encounter your Catholic Faith! Have questions about logging in? Using the app?

We invite you to take some time this week to learn something new about your favorite saint or about your faith this week on FORMED! Learn more at formed.org.

Deacon Gary: Faithful Servant even as he retires from his paid position

To my sisters and brothers in Christ,

I wish to express my thanks for the gift of sharing your faith and friendship for the last twenty and a half years in my position as maintenance manager—cleaning, fixing, shoveling, fetching, decorating, renovating, and all things St. A’s, at St. Athanasius Parish.

When I started, I would say on occasion that I’ve gone back to school as I worked also at the former St. A’s Elementary School. To me, that meant I learned so much, was encouraged so much, was included and formed so much in this blessed community of believers in Christ. In the ups and downs of my journey, I was helped, cared for, and lifted up so often by so many of you and by all of you in so many ways. I could never be grateful enough to all of you and to the Lord.

This is all to say that my paid employment as maintenance manager at St. A’s will end as of September 30, 2019. However, my assignment as Deacon to our new parish community will continue. I would also like to thank you—our now “slightly larger” little flock of Neighbors North – Incarnation of the Lord, St. Sebastian, St Teresa – together with St. A’s, as ‘we walk each other home’ to the fullness of our Lord’s loving presence in our true and lasting home. By God’s grace, we discover that we are God’s gift to one another. May we sincerely love one another as He is loving each of us. God’s blessings to all of you.

Let us go then in peace to serve the Lord and one another as we strive to glorify Him by our lives.
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Youth Group News:

**Ignite Middle School Group:**
- **10/1:** 6:30 - 8:00
- In the SS Youth Room!

**Impact High School Group:**
- **10/2:** NO High School Group

Final Saint Sebastian CYO Bon Fire

On Saturday, September 7th, 86 of the CYO’s closest families and friends gathered for our final summer time bon fire! The special guest was Father John Rushofsky, who celebrated Mass for us in the Gross family back yard! What a cool experience.

Thank you to Father John for celebrating Mass with us!

Thank you the all the families and friends who attended - this summer would not have been the same without your support.

Thank you to the Gross family for a fantastic house for us to hang out at!

Thank you Saint Sebastian CYO for a great ride.

Now, onto Ignite and Impact - going bigger and better for our NNCC. Pray for us!

LIFE CHAIN  OCTOBER 6, 2019   RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY   2:00—3:00 pm

On Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 2:00—3:00 PM the combined Pro-Life Committees of Neighbors North will participate in this national event by meeting at the parking lot of the Great Hall, 1003 Perry Highway at 1:45 pm. The chain will line both sides of the highway and respond to passersby with silent prayer. Please join us as we plead for God’s intervention into the horrible slaughter of our youngest brothers and sisters.

**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

Signs will be available.

Questions: Call Helen at 412-367-0396

Prayer is our greatest weapon as we struggle to protect those who cannot protect themselves.
Trunk or Treat
Sunday, Oct 27!!!
We start at 2PM!

Trunk or Treat
St A's style ....
We turn trunks into tables. Bring some goodies and decorate a table in the Hall.

St A’s Day of Service
Saturday, November 2

Do you need help with some non-professional tasks around your house? We can help!

Call Deacon Bill at 412-596-3370
We’ll add you to our task list!

Attention Christian Mothers and Women of our Neighbors North Catholic Community!

We will be starting our 2019-2020 year. Join us at our first meeting:

Tuesday, October 8th at 7PM in Athanasian Hall

Following the meeting, our guest speaker will be Fran Tarkett. Her subject is “Traveling the Bumpy Road of Life - How to Get Where We Want to Be.” Please RSVP to Jackie at 412-364-5927 or Dolly at 412-366-4371.

Prayer Line
We are here to support those in need of prayer. Call Patti 412-766-3723 or Nancy 412-931-0577.

Miraculous Medal Novena
Did you know that a group of parishioners gather to do the Novena on Tuesday mornings at 8AM in the church? Come join us!

Baptism Preparation Class
Our next regularly scheduled class for parents preparing for a baptism is Monday, October 14 at 7PM in the John 23 Room. Call the Parish Center at 412-931-4624 to reserve a space.

Bereavement Support
Grieving over the loss of a loved one? Sessions are held every other Thursday at 6:30PM in the John 23 Room. Contact Mary Jo for more info at 412-364-8999 ext 8637, mrobbins@saintsebastianparish.org
**Liturgy of the Word for Children:** is a NEW MINISTRY being explored for Incarnation of the Lord Parish. Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) would be celebrated on the first Sunday of the month starting in December on the first Sunday of Advent and would continue until the first Sunday in May 2020. In order to facilitate this ministry for our youngest members of our Neighbors North Catholic Community, the ministry needs interested adults or families who are willing to work with the children. Training would be provided and all needed materials would be provided.

How does CLOW unfold at Mass? After the Collect is prayed and right before the first reading starts, the children are called forward to gather in the center aisle. The priest or deacon gives them a blessing, and the children and adult ministers exit the main body of church to a pre-arranged gathering space. The adult ministers “break open” the Scriptures on a child’s level so they can understand the readings and relate them to the children’s everyday lives. After the creed, and prayers of the faithful, the children rejoin their families in the church proper.

If you are interested in launching this vital ministry for our children, please feel free to contact me, Deacon Bob Koslosky, 412.354.8999 or email rkoslosky@saintsebastianparish.org The children truly experience the love of God in their everyday lives. May the Holy Spirit open your hearts to this ministry! Thank you.

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**Weekly Adoration Sundays at Incarnation** from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary start at 3:00 PM.

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**SAVE THIS DATE:**

**OCTOBER 20 4:00-6:00**

**ATHANASIAN HALL**

**(CHURCH HALL)**

WHERE WE MEET AS ONE

Come, bring a dish to share with family and friends. Kids have a great place to play & run.

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**Free Medicare Counseling**

Neighbors North Community Center

Thurs., October 24 10:00 am to 4:00 pm **Medicare Workshop** to answer you question and provide objective, easily understood information about Medicare coverage. Sponsored by: PA Healthcare Benefit Support Program. To schedule an appointment call: 412-266-8322

**Regularly Scheduled Center Programs** are in full swing. Call 412-931-6633 or see our website. Lots of fun things to do!
Events and Scripture Readings of the Week:

Sunday, September 29, 2019
8:30AM: Religious Education
9:00AM: Flu Shot Clinic
11:00AM: 40th Anniversary Reception - Patio & Narthex

Monday, September 30, 2019
7:00PM: Endow

Tuesday, October 1, 2019
5:00PM: Religious Education
6:30PM: Middle School Youth Group
7:00PM: KoC Meeting

Wednesday, October 2, 2019
6:30PM: High School Youth Group
7:00PM: St. VdeP Meeting
9:00PM: Women’s Volleyball

Thursday, October 3, 2019
3:00PM: Divine Mercy
6:30PM: HCA PTG Meeting
7:00PM: Endow
7:30PM: Men’s Fellowship

Friday, October 4, 2019

Saturday, October 5, 2019
7:30AM: Men’s Fellowship

Sunday 9/29
Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Monday 9/30
Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday 10/1
Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday 10/2
Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday 10/3
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday 10/4
Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday 10/5
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday 10/6
Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

The Wedding Bells need help to keep them ringing!
The Neighbors North Catholic Community is seeking volunteers, couples or singles, to assist engaged couples with planning their wedding Mass/Rite.
The time commitment is minimal, responsibilities are clearly defined and shared within a Team of two or three volunteers. If you would like to shadow a Team, there are a number of weddings still remaining in 2019.
Please email Linda Scanlon at lscanlon518@comcast.net for more details.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Each year, the Diocese of Pittsburgh recognizes the crowning achievement of those couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a Mass presided by Bishop Zubik at St. Paul Cathedral followed by a light reception. The celebration will occur on November 17, 2019. Mass will begin at 2:30 pm. If you are interested, please contact

Julie Stiehler at jstiehler@saintsebastianparish.org.

Convocation
10-01-19 to 10-03-19

Mass Coverage During Convocation

Tuesday 10-01-19
8:00 AM All Saints, Etna
8:00 AM St. Ursula, Allison Park
9:00 AM St. John Neuman, Franklin Park
12:00 Noon St. Sebastian, Ross

Wednesday 10-02-19
8:00 AM All Saints, Etna
8:00 AM St. Bonaventure, Glenshaw
8:00 AM St. Ursula, Allison Park
9:00 AM St. John Neuman, Franklin Park
12:00 Noon St. Sebastian, Ross
7:00 PM All Saints, Etna

Thursday 10-03-19
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Saint Teresa of Avila

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 29, 2019

Keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.
— 1 Timothy 6:14

Sacrament of Baptism:
Expectant parents must register in advance for the baptismal preparation class. Please call 412-367-9001 Ext. 500 for more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Couples must meet with Fr. Mike Zavage prior to setting a wedding date. A six-month preparation period and pre-marriage course is required.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Every Saturday at 11 AM.

Eucharistic Adoration:
First Friday of the month. Exposition after 7 AM Mass. Benediction at 7 PM.

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:
Persons interested in becoming a Roman Catholic Christian should contact the RCIA Coordinator at 412-931-4624.

Altar Server Schedule

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 5
4:00 pm—J. Rademacher, G. Mizuk, C. Walker

Sunday, October 6
8:00 am—E. Rossi, D. Muha, M. Frank
11:00 am—S. Gill, M. Gill, E. Gill

Militia of the Immaculata Village Meeting
St. Teresa of Avila's next Militia of the Immaculata Village meeting will be on Monday, October 7, 2019 @ 7pm in the Daily Mass Chapel. New members are always welcome. Our aim is to lead souls to Jesus through Mary. For more information see the website at https://sites.google.com/view/kolbe/home
If interested, please contact Rich and Virginia O'Donnell at pittsburgh.kolbe.fan@gmail.com

Nuptials
Christopher Pearlberg & Mary Claire Nemeth

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Neighbors North Respect Life Committee
Monday, October 7, 2019 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign that draws attention to the evil of abortion.

The most visible component of 40 Days for Life is a constant prayer vigil outside a place where children are aborted. It is a prayerful witness to the clinic's patients and employees, and to the entire community, that evil is in our midst and that with God's help, it will be defeated. It is the hope that the vigil can be maintained 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The St. Teresa Pro-Life Committee, part of the newly combined Neighbors North Respect Life Committee, has committed to pray outside the Liberty Avenue Planned Parenthood on October 7 from 1:00 – 2:30 PM. Won't you join us? We will go to noon Mass at St. Sebastian’s and carpool from there. Or you can meet us in town. Please call Dianne at 412-366-7869 so we know to look for you.

If you are unable to go with us that day, you can stop at Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Avenue any time between 7am and 7pm, between September 25 and November 3. Someone from 40 Days for Life will be there to greet you and tell you what to do.

PRAYING TO THE ANGELS

We pray to the angels, for they are given to us as guardians. —St. Ambrose
Holy Cross Academy

**Autumn Fest**
Craft & Vendor Fair
Saturday, October 19th, 2019
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Free Admission!
Food Trucks!
Bake Sale!
50/50 Raffle!
Kids’ Area!
Vendor Raffle!

Blessing of the Pets
Saturday, October 5, 2019
1:00 PM
Where: Handicap parking lot at St. Teresa Parish
Join Deacon Rick in the blessing of your pets