

## Year of Faith: Oct. 11, 2012-Nov. 24, 2013



**This Thursday, October 11, 2012** marks the beginning of the "Year of Faith" proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI one year ago. The date is significant since it commemorates the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, and the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The year will run through the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King, on November 24, 2013. One of the initiatives of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will be to provide weekly reflections on the Faith that are lectionary-based. Each of the reflections will review and be referenced to either the Documents of Vatican II, the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

The first two resources can be accessed at our parish website. Since the Year of Faith supports the faith of believers who, in their daily trials, never cease to entrust their lives to Jesus, with courage and conviction and is "a summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the one Savior of the world.", these reflections will provide a simple opportunity to respond to this call by beginning to enter more deeply into the truths of our faith during the course of this year through minutes of reflection per week that have the potential to renew us on our Christian pilgrimage through life.

### **How are Year of Faith and New Evangelization linked?**

The New Evangelization is a call to each Catholic to deepen his or her own faith, have confidence in the Gospel, and possess a willingness to share the Gospel. The New Evangelization is first and foremost a personal encounter with Jesus Christ; it is an invitation to deepen one's relationship with Christ. It is also a call to each person to share his or her faith with others. The Year of Faith, just like the New Evangelization, calls Catholics to conversion in order to deepen their relationship with Christ and to share it with others.

### **How does the Year of Faith affect the average Catholic?**

Every baptized Catholic is called through baptism to be a disciple of Christ and proclaim the Gospel. The Year of Faith is an opportunity for each and every Catholic to renew their baptismal call by living out the everyday moments of their lives with faith, hope and love. This everyday witness is necessary for proclaiming the Gospel to family, friends, neighbors and society. In order to witness to the Gospel, Catholics must be strengthened through celebrating weekly Sunday Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Mon. 10/08**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**  
*Feast*             Weekday  
8:00 AM Mass     Patricia (Behe) Zenyuh, *Barbara and Ken*

**Tues. 10/09**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**  
*Feast*             Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs  
8:00 AM Mass     Francis Jaronieski, *Cousins*

**Wed. 10/10**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**  
*Feast*             Weekday  
8:00 AM Mass     Intention of Fr. James Zatalava, *M/M Donald Bernard*

**Thur. 10/11**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**  
*Feast*             Weekday  
8:00 AM Mass     Hedwig R. Zaczek, Ann., *Children*

**Fri. 10/12**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**  
*Feast*             Weekday  
8:00 AM Mass     Janet Pufka, *Dr. Peter and Kate Starr*

**Sat. 10/13**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**  
*Feast*             Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:30 PM Mass     Anna Wineland, *M/M Glenn Storm*

**Sun. 10/14**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**  
*Feast*             Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9:00 AM Mass     Theresa M. McCall, B/day Ann., *Colleen Sheehan*  
11:00 AM Mass     Liv/Dec Members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

*Lord  
Jesus  
Christ  
Son  
Of  
God  
Have  
Mercy  
On  
Me  
A  
Sinner*

**Happy Birthday:**

10/08 Mildred Vaughn  
Paul T. Cassarly

10/10 Frances Good  
Kelly Keagy

10/11 Jack Douglass

10/12 Dickie Bradford  
Barbara Brannan  
Kate Burr

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

10/10 Greg and Barbara Brannan  
10/15 Adam and Kristina Duraso

**Remember:** Although our parking lots are private property both sides of the streets surrounding our church building are public lands. The law of the Jungle dictates, whoever gets there first gets to park his wagon there. Jesus told Peter "sometimes, even when you are right (in matters not essential to the Faith) give in." Let those empty public spaces, empty for the neighbors, about whom we complain when they take our private spaces. If the lots are both filled ... *it's every man for himself!*

**MONEY MATTERS**

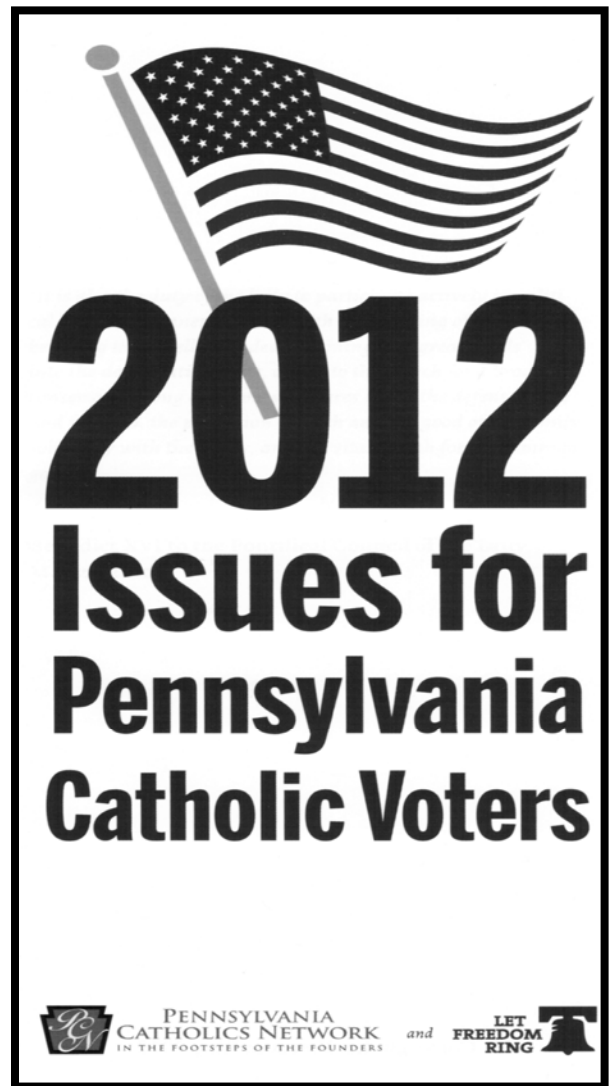
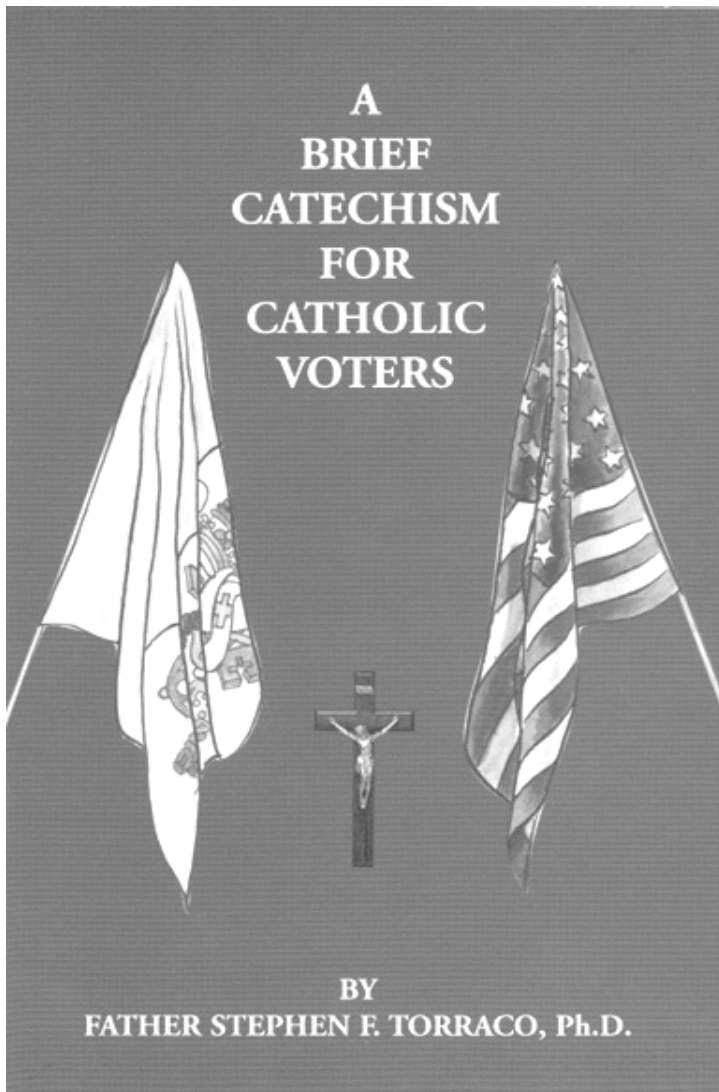
**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, (September 30, 2012)**

207 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ 2,235.67 of which \$ 91.22 accounted for non-env. contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation	201	# Used	93	# Unused	108
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***Retired Priest's Medical & Retirement Collection =\$200.00***

***(Last year Our Lady of Fatima collected and sent to the Diocese \$685.00)***



This pamphlet you received between Conventions

This pamphlet pick up in the vestibule

**AN ELECTION YEAR PRAYER  
FOR THE FAITHFUL WITNESS OF CATHOLICS  
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

*By His Eminence Cardinal Raymond Leo Burke, Prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura*

O Lord Jesus Christ, You alone are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. In Your Church You show us the Way, You teach us the Truth, and You give us Your Life.

Grant, we humbly beg You, that, always and in all things, we may be faithful to You in Your Holy Church, and to Your Vicar on Earth, the Supreme Pontiff, Pope Benedict XVI.

Grant also, we beg You, that, in these times of decision, all who profess to be Catholic and who are entrusted with the sacred duty to participate in public life, may, by the strength of Your grace, unwaveringly follow Your Way and faithfully adhere to Your Truth, living in You with all their mind and heart, for Your greater glory, the salvation of souls, and the good of our nation. Amen.

# UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012  
DOORS OPEN AT 9AM

## 25% OFF\* SHOPPING PASS

Buy one of these entry passes from one of our sellers for \$5.00, all of which stays in the parish, and go to Bosco's on Wednesday the 16th and do your late "School Shopping" or your early Christmas Shopping and get a walloping 25% off most purchases. You can also get free food and win big prizes with this one ticket.

## Hoagie Sale With A Twist

For seven years now Father J.D. has been asking the staff to develop what he calls a *healthier* alternative Hoagie. We think we have it! On a trial basis we'll give you a choice between the standard great tasting Famous OLF Hoagie and the brand new Father J.D. Special lower cal, lower carb, lower fat, lower salt, lower sugar, wheat roll, turkey meat, American Cheese sandwich. A number of us have taste tested it. It's not a trick, it's a treat! Try it. Order now for:

**Wednesday, October 31, 2012**

### Our Lady of Fatima BLACK FRIDAY BONANZA

- #1 Prize: = a \$500.00 Check
- #2 Prize: = a \$300.00 Check
- #3 Prize: = a \$200.00 Check

No: 001      \$5.00 per chance  
(Only 400 tickets printed)

Drawing: Tuesday, November 20, 2012  
6:00 PM OLF Rectory Front Porch  
(Winners notified by phone)

No: 001      Please Print Clearly

## Win BIG BUCKS for Christmas



*Just in time for Thanksgiving*  
**Turn \$5.00 into \$500.00  
or \$300 or \$200**

**Drawing on Nov. 20, 2012**

Of the several issues this weekend's readings reference, the most relevant, according to this pastor, is the matter of MARRIAGE about which the **Catechism of the Catholic Church** has this to say in part:

### **Marriage under the pedagogy of the Law**

**1609** In his mercy God has not forsaken sinful man. The punishments consequent upon sin, "pain in childbearing" and toil "in the sweat of your brow," also embody remedies that limit the damaging effects of sin. After the fall, marriage helps to overcome self-absorption, egoism, pursuit of one's own pleasure, and to open oneself to the other, to mutual aid and to self-giving.

**1610** Moral conscience concerning the unity and indissolubility of marriage developed under the pedagogy of the old law. In the Old Testament the polygamy of patriarchs and kings is not yet explicitly rejected. Nevertheless, the law given to Moses aims at protecting the wife from arbitrary domination by the husband, even though according to the Lord's words it still carries traces of man's "hardness of heart" which was the reason Moses permitted men to divorce their wives.

**1611** Seeing God's covenant with Israel in the image of exclusive and faithful married love, the prophets prepared the Chosen People's conscience for a deepened understanding of the unity and indissolubility of marriage. The books of *Ruth* and *Tobit* bear moving witness to an elevated sense of marriage and to the fidelity and tenderness of spouses. Tradition has always seen in the *Song of Solomon* a unique expression of human love, insofar as it is a reflection of God's love - a love "strong as death" that "many waters cannot quench."

### **Marriage in the Lord**

**1612** The nuptial covenant between God and his people Israel had prepared the way for the new and everlasting covenant in which the Son of God, by becoming incarnate and giving his life, has united to himself in a certain way all mankind saved by him, thus preparing for "the wedding-feast of the Lamb.

**1613** On the threshold of his public life Jesus performs his first sign - at his mother's request - during a wedding feast. The Church attaches great importance to Jesus' presence at the wedding at Cana. She sees in it the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence.

**1614** In his preaching Jesus unequivocally taught the original meaning of the union of man and woman as the Creator willed it from the beginning: permission given by Moses to divorce one's wife was a concession to the hardness of hearts. The matrimonial union of man and woman is indissoluble: God himself has determined it "what therefore God has joined together, let no man put asunder.

**1615** This unequivocal insistence on the indissolubility of the marriage bond may have left some perplexed and could seem to be a demand impossible to realize. However, Jesus has not placed on spouses a burden impossible to bear, or too heavy - heavier than the Law of Moses. By coming to restore the original order of creation disturbed by sin, he himself gives the strength and grace to live marriage in the new dimension of the Reign of God. It is by following Christ, renouncing themselves, and taking up their crosses that spouses will be able to "receive" the original meaning of marriage and live it with the help of Christ. This grace of Christian marriage is a fruit of Christ's cross, the source of all Christian life.

**1616** This is what the Apostle Paul makes clear when he says: "Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her," adding at once: "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one. This is a great mystery, and I mean in reference to Christ and the Church."