

# Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2006



## Announced Masses

Sat	10/07	4:00 pm	Marge Chiumento (2nd Anniv.)/ Doris Ann Tannier Jennie Harris/Jeannie Makowski Catherine Stoffels/Jean Fronolich Lillian Santiago/Fairview Weed & Seed
Sun	10/08	10:30 am	Bill Convery (3rd Anniv.)/Wife, Olga & Children
		12:00 pm	Open
Mon	10/09	8:00 am	Prayer Service
Tue	10/10	8:00 am	Prayer Service
Wed	10/11	8:00 am	Prayer Service
Thu	10/12	8:00 am	Olga Nikituk & Mary Martha Morrell/ Joe Nikituk
Fri	10/13	8:00 am	Agnes Landis/Joe Nikituk
Sat	10/14	4:00 pm	Sara Carroll (Birthday)/Carroll Family
Sun	10/15	10:30 am	Robert G. Steele, Sr./Denise Bramble & Family
		12:00 pm	Open

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**The People's Tithe**  
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$00**  
**2nd Collection: Pro Life: \$00**  
*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

## Sick List

Please pray for those who are ill and those who care for them:

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## What's Happening Around SJOA

### Sunday, 10/08/06:

RCIA	9:15 am	School
Religious Ed.—Eng.	9:15 am	School
Religious Ed. Spanish	10:45 am	School

### Thursday, 10/12/06:

Project One Mtg.	7:00 pm	Rectory
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## Project One: Volunteer Opportunities for the Gulf Region

The Gulf Region is still in desperate need of volunteers to help gut homes devastated by the hurricanes last year. Catholic Charities will be organizing parish-based teams to assist with the recovery efforts. Air travel and lodging and most food costs will be covered by Catholic Charities of Camden and Catholic Charities of New Orleans. What a great way to put Catholic Social Teaching into action. To learn more, please visit our website at [catholiccharitiescamden.org](http://catholiccharitiescamden.org), call Jennifer Dyer at (856) 342-4107, **or attend the informational session that will take place at the rectory on Thursday, October 12, 2006 at 7:00 pm.**

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## Stewardship Reflection

### *Give Without Payment*

*“Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.” Matthew 10:8*

Every one of us is talented in some way. Stewardship encourages us to use any talent we have to benefit another individual, the Church, or the community.



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## From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who participated in the listening sessions for the Planning Process. More than 40 people came to give their opinions about the six priorities for the future of the church. The sessions were lively and the people offered many helpful suggestions.

For those who were not able to come, I ask your prayers for the success of the overall process.

Please pray for the Amish community of Pennsylvania and the nation. These simple, gentle and hard working people were visited by a terrible tragedy this week when a mentally unbalanced man shot ten of the young girls of the community in Lancaster County. Five of the girls have died, five are hospitalized.

The Amish people have shown the depth of their faith, not only by consoling the families of the girls, but especially by speaking a consistent message of forgiveness. To me, it is very encouraging to hear of a community of people who take the teaching of Jesus seriously and who live those teachings in their lives.

I am humbled by the Christian witness of the Amish. Our whole nation could learn a lesson from them.

This week, I read of the death of Father Arthur I. Taraborelli, the pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas Church in South Philadelphia. Fr. Taraborelli grew up in the parish when it was predominantly Italian, but when he became pastor in 1988, he found a large number of Asian families.

He invited these Asian Catholics to celebrate their faith with their own cultural expressions of art, food and feast days. Masses each weekend were prayed in English, Vietnamese, Spanish and Indonesian. Father "Tab", as he was called, also welcomed the Laotians, Filipinos, Cambodians, Chinese and African Americans who moved into the parish.

I was very encouraged to read in the obituary of the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, that Father Taborelli "had found a letter written in the late 1920s by the Irish pastor urging his parishioners to be tolerant of the newly arrived Italians." This letter confirmed the Italian priest's conviction that the parish must welcome each new wave of immigrants with a Christian hospitality that nurtures their faith.

I am grateful to everyone in our own parish who cultivates that same welcoming and hospitable attitude that Fr. Taraborelli exhibited. It is one of the graces of the Catholic Church in America.

Peace,  
Fr. Hallahan

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## Mass in Honor of St. Gerard

A special Mass will be said in honor of St. Gerard, the patron of mothers and children as well as intercessor to those who wish to become parents on Monday, October 16, 2006 at 7:00 pm at St. Bridget Parish in Glassboro. Those attending will be able to venerate a relic of St. Gerard and receive a medal touched to the relic. For more information and/or directions, call Mary Ann in the Office of Family Life at (856) 583-6117.

## The Cathedral Forum Presents Improving Healthcare Access in the City of Camden

Thursday, October 19, 2006—12:00 pm  
Cathedral Community Hall, Broadway & Federal Sts.

Donation: \$25.00—lunch included

For more information, call (856) 964-1580

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**Women's Weekend Retreat**  
October 20-22, 2006, Elkins Park, PA  
Theme: "Courage It Is I"  
For more information, call (856) 468-1354

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## Bishop Eustace Open House

Bishop Eustace will hold an Open House on Sunday, October 22, 2006 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Visit and meet the administration, faculty, staff, students and parents. For more information, call (856) 662-2160, ext. 252.

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## "Rosa Parks: One Amazing Moment"

St. Pius X Spiritual Life Center will present an Evening of Reflection on Rosa Parks on Tuesday, October 24, 2006 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Donation: \$25.00 (includes dinner). For more information, call (856) 227-1436, fax (856) 227-2907, or e-mail StPiusXRH@camdendiocese.org.

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## Lector Workshop for Youth

There will be a Lector Workshop for Youth on Saturday, November 18, 2006 from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Parish, 591 New Jersey Avenue, Absecon. Fee: 25.00 (includes lunch and workshop materials).

For more information, please call the rectory at (856) 962-8642. Deadline for registration is November 4, 2006.

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## Hospitalized Veterans Need Cards & Letters

Some of our service members who are hospitalized at Walter Reed and Bethesda are not receiving visitors or mail. If you would like to send them cards and/or letters, please send them to the addresses listed below:

To Any Soldier or Airman Ward 57  
Walter Reed Army Medical Center  
6900 Georgia Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20307-5001

To Any Sailor, Marine, or Airman Ward 5E  
National Naval Medical Center  
8901 Wisconsin Avenue  
Bethesda, MD 20889

**Cards and letters only. No gifts, flowers or balloons please.**