



Calling All Singers!
We need some extra voices in our choir for weekend Masses and especially for Christmas. We would like you to join us. You don't have to be able to read music or be a great singer to join the choir. If you can sing reasonably well and are willing to learn, you are welcome to join. We would love to have some young voices so if you are in grades 7th-12th come and raise your voice in praise. Practice is at 7 pm Wednesday evenings.



Liberty Hospice and Home Health are sponsoring a program for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one. The program is designed to be educational and will offer suggestions on ways to cope with grief during the Holiday Season. Program will be presented by:
Ruth Schnakenberg, MSW, LCSW
on Thursday Nov. 12th from 9:30 to 11:30 am
an evening session from 7 pm to 9 pm.
Call (816) 407-2200 to register.



Come, Journey With Me
November: Thanksgiving Day, harvest times, awareness of blessings, gratitude for gifts. It is significant and necessary for us to ponder deeply all that we have been given. If we reflect quietly and honestly, we can be almost overwhelmed by all that is ours. God has been very generous. God is lavish in love, generous in the outpouring of goodness. How generous have we been with others in our lives? Do we yearn to have the heart of our God, the one who lavishes love upon us freely? Do we cherish deeply all that we are and all that we have been given? Do we hold that love with open hands, allowing it to be readily available to others or do we clutch it to ourselves in fear that we might lose it? Life, Love and Time are three of our greatest gifts. The more time we spend on the material aspects of our lives the less life, love and time we will have to share with others. Then we begin to say: "Oh I am so busy I don't have any time to help you out." or, "Sorry I haven't seen you lately but my calendar is so full I don't even have time to call." We must always balance giving and receiving. Yet, if our schedules are too full and all decisions on what to do mainly center on ourselves and we rarely have time for others, perhaps we are hanging on too tightly to our own blessings. Maybe we have become scared that there won't be enough life, love and time left for us. This is also true of gifts of the heart. Some time ago I was so busy but somehow I fit in time to go to daily Mass. When I got back home there was message that a workshop that I wanted to attend was cancelled. Suddenly I was given a whole evening of time to spend with my family in return for my half an hour of time shared with the Lord. This happens over and over with friendships also. I give compassion and receive it in abundance when I most need it. Anne Frank wrote, "No one has ever become poor by giving." November is good time to remember, to thank our generous God and to reflect on our gifts and the call to share them with others gratefully. May your heart grow in wisdom that "no one ever becomes poor by giving" and thank you God for reaching into our lives with surprises of joy, growth and unearned love.



The Bishop Helmsing Institute invites all interested adults to our last Fall courses!!!
Essential Catholicism II (4wks) This course will continue to explore the fundamental doctrines of Christianity as professed in the Apostles' Creed. The Apostles' Creed originated as the baptismal profession of faith for catechumens in the early Church. Following Essential Catholicism I, this course will follow the division into twelve articles employed by the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Offered at 3 locations beginning Nov. 9, 10, & 12th.
Marriage & Family (4wks) This course introduces students to the Catholic understanding of marriage - the foundational human relationship. It explores the meaning of human sexuality, the origin of marriage "in the beginning," its essence as exclusive and indissoluble, and its elevation to a Sacrament of the New Covenant by Christ. We will look at the Church's teachings on marital sexuality and procreation, and will also look briefly at the serious attacks on marriage and true love in our culture today and how to combat them. Offered at 4 locations beginning Nov. 16, 17, 18, and 19th.
*Price is \$59 for each course. Applications for tuition grants are available. Students who encounter difficulty with the tuition rate may "pay what they can." To see a full schedule and locations, go to www.bishophelmsinginstitute.org or contact us at : staff@bishophelmsinginstitute.org or (816) 756-1850 x 250



ST. ANN'S CHURCH

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Mass Times: Thursday and Friday: 8am
Saturday: 5:30pm Sunday: 10am
Confessions: Saturday 5pm
Adoration: 1st Friday of the month: 8am-Noon



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32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

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November 8, 2009



Ministry Schedule

<p>Saturday, Nov 7: 5:30pm</p> <p>Ushers: John & Michael Schultz Lectors: Harold & Kathleen Stander EMHC: Host: Clare Pelzel Wine: Judy McKowen & Francis J. Pinalto</p> <p>Sunday, Nov 8: 10am</p> <p>Ushers: Chad O'Connor & J.C. Roberts Lectors: Ann Wade & Sabrina Banks EMHC: Host: Joan Seiler Wine: Vince Seiler & Mary Ann Garton MONEY COUNTERS Chris Koch & Karen Trotter</p>	<p>Saturday, Nov 14: 5:30pm</p> <p>Ushers: Mary Parker & Natalie Warner Lectors: Jay & Nicole Christensen EMHC: Host: Beverly Rizzo Wine: Charles Harper & Della Mallen</p> <p>Sunday, Nov 15: 10am</p> <p>Ushers: Terry & Rita Nelson Lectors: Paul Broderick & Wayne Seiler EMHC: Host: Teresa Koch Wine: Mary Ann Himmelberg & Richard VanDyke MONEY COUNTERS Ed & Glenda Taft</p>
<p><i>Mass Intentions</i></p> <p>Saturday, Nov 7: + Richard Mallen By: Della Mallen Sunday, Nov 8: + Bill Talley By: Francis Hales</p> <p>There will be no mass on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Thursday, Nov 12: + Harold Hales By: Gerry Hales Friday, Nov 13: + Bill Talley By: Mary Ellen Mallen</p> <p>Saturday, Nov 14: + Open By: Sunday, Nov 15: + Carey Blick By: Vince & Joan Seiler and Family</p>	<p>Bishop's Annual Appeal</p> <p>During the past couple of weeks, you have been invited to prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal and many of you have pledged your support. Thank you for that! If you have not made a gift or a pledge, please make a difference today by getting a pledge card and mailing it to the Office of Stewardship and Development or placing it in the collection basket. Pledge cards are available in the back of church or in the Parish Office. Every gift makes a difference and we are aiming for 50% participation. The 2009/2010 goal for St. Ann is \$14,400</p> <p>Parish Council: Dec. 1st 6 pm Parish Hall Altar Society & Adoration: 1st Friday of Month Nov 6th Donut Sunday: 2nd Sunday of the Month Dec 6th Knights of Columbus: 3rd Tuesday of the month Nov 17th</p>

Weekend Collection

Nov. 1, 2009

Envelopes: \$2400 Plate: \$179 Candles: \$17
Mass Stipends: \$30 Church Rental \$150
Total Parish: \$2776
Next 2nd: Nov. 21 & 22 - Campaign for Human Development
Capital Campaign Donations: \$57,059
Designated Bequests: \$26,000
Total for renovation: \$83,059



Fr. Jeff's Fall Schedule

Nov 14-15: Family Wedding in Tulsa

PSR
Parish School of Religion

PSR classes are every Wednesday night from 7-8 pm for pre-Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Please remind your child to bring their book to class.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes are held each month on the third and fourth Sunday. Next confirmation class is scheduled for Sunday, November 15th from 6 – 8 pm. Come early as dinner is provided.

Fall Arts and Craft Sale

Saturday Nov. 14th 9 am to 4 pm
Annunciation Community Center
705 N. Jefferson St., Kearny
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus #8915 Ladies Auxiliary

Mark your calendars for shopping and also enter for a chance to win a crafters item. Up to 36 booths of Arts and Crafts inside the Annunciation Community Center. For information, please contact Renee at (816) 804-8382

Prayer Corner

"To everything there is a season and time... for every purpose under Heaven." Ecc. 3-11

"...a time to heal..."

Roseanne Courtney, Allyson Vonderschmidt, Helen Taft, Linda Marie Schmidt, Frank Hosticka, Dorothy Hampton, Holly MacAuley, Shauna Martinez, Mary Henry, Eleanore Stone, Jo Dorsey, Mike Morton, Bob Ely, Daniel Snook Jr, Doris Keefer, Carol Hash, Dustin Beall, Raymond & Dolly Spear, Lee Schwery, Claire Weipert, Esther Talley, Nicole Collins, Lauren Devereaux, Nathan Weber, Gary McCarthy, and priests of our dioceses: Fr. Michael Gillingannon, Msgr. Joseph Mancuso, Msgr. Henry Bauer, Fr. Chuck Jones, Fr. Frank Kriski-CSsR, Fr. Don Cleary

"...a time to die..."

Raymond Spear

"...a time of war and a time of peace..."

We pray for the safety of all our service men and women who serve our country, especially: Col. Whitney Wolf, Samantha Carpenter, Teresa McCarthy

Altar Society Meeting and Quilting

The Altar Society met on Friday and after lunch and the meeting they started with many hands cutting, ironing, and sewing their quilt. We have had such a great response from your donations that a larger quilt will be made. We need as many hands as possible to complete our quilt. Come to our next meeting and join in the chatter and fun as we continue to put together our St. Ann's Altar Society quilt! Father even came back and took pictures but he didn't volunteer to sew or iron.

F.Y.I. At the meeting Father mentioned that the Ministerial Alliance will be having a **Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 22nd, at 2pm.** It is St. Ann's turn to have the service and the Altar Society volunteered to host a reception of cookies and...after in the hall for those attending. So ladies we need you to bake a dozen cookies and bring to the hall on Saturday or Sunday after Mass. Thank you!