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Greetings! Today is Sunday, September 12, 2021 The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

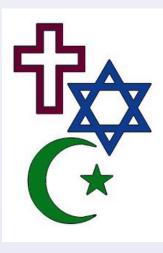
"Even the smallest act of service, the simplest act of kindness, is a way to honor those we lost, a way to reclaim that spirit of unity that followed 9/11." — Barack Obama.



<u>Peace Is Possible</u>

Helena Marie Carnes-Jeffries - Chicago, IL - September 9, 2011

On Tuesday, September 11, 2001, I turned on the television to check the weather. I had just woken up. On every station I saw smoke billowing up from the World Trade Center towers. I reached for the phone to call my mother but could not get through. So I sat and watched the horror unfold on my TV screen, like something out of a freakish nightmare.



A few days later, my brother invited me to a small peace vigil at a mosque on the northwest side of Chicago. Muslims were suffering a great deal of backlash after 9/11. There we were, standing outside the mosque, praying together. I whipped out my Bahai prayer book and was about to say a prayer for unity when the main speaker announced, "Here with us today we have Christians, Jews and Muslims."

A Muslim woman standing next to me noticed the Bahai Greatest Name on my prayer book and called out, "She's a Bahai! We have a Bahai here, too!" And so there we stood in unity, people from different major religions praying together.

I believe that peace is possible – between individuals as well as nations. Although the world seems like it's falling apart around us, my faith tells me that this is just the beginning, that the human race is in its adolescence and coming of age. It is up to the individual to start striving for a better world today. Now, ten years later, I am still mortified by what took place on September 11, 2001. Even today I can remember a newspaper photo of a little boy who was on one of the planes. He was returning from a class trip. I don't think he expected to die a painful, fiery death. Who does?

The 9/11 tragedy made me want to work even harder in my life to spread peace. To remember to tell the people I love, how I much I care for them – and to show it. To reach out to my fellow man, and know – truly know – that we are all equal in the sight of God. Fear and hatred of other races, cultures and faiths spawns a darkness so deep that it makes a person capable of terrible things, even taking the life of an innocent child. Oh, that hate could be so blind!

I've had a very turbulent past and I have every reason to be angry at everything around me. Yet everyday I renew my own commitment to peace – in my angry moments, in my sad, self-centered moments, even in the moments when I want to be left alone. It's keeping my mouth shut when I want to tell someone off. It's

reminding myself to be a better woman when someone insults or hurts me.

I am not saying that it's easy; it's a struggle for me everyday. It's hard to find the light of God in everyone I meet, but when I see the violence on the news I realize once again that hate begets hate. I want to be the cause of love today. I believe that peace is possible.





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Prayer Requests will be added each week by your requests, and will run for two weeks unless a request to continue is received.



God's healing presence:

For continued prayers for Wendy Kasper, Barney Barnes, & Eleanor Hathaway For Fritz Wainwright, Joseph Celkupa & Jean Miller For Marge's son Lee For Phil Leifels & Jack Harkins For Lillian continuing to cope with health issues For Stan recovering from an auto accident and a heart attack For Carol Shore's sister, Karen Eckert residing in a nursing home. She has an infection and is running a fever. God's comfort: For those who serve as caregivers For Polly's son-in-law, Donald, strength and comfort as he awaits surgery For Maritza Chambers brother, Angel coping with marital concerns For Audrey awaiting upcoming surgery.

For the Ecuss Family, whose farm was devastated by a tornado

For God's guidance & understanding:

For family members in need of God's presence and fellowship Reverend Kraft & Fran as they travel to Malta and Italy

In Thanks and Praise to God: For good shepherds in our pulpit

From Becky Jensen – For continued prayers for the PNC as they carry on their mission.







Newborns In Need

Beginning September 5th Carol Shore and Marie Celkupa will begin collecting sleepers through

the month of **October**. Sizes Newbor n to Six Months are needed. **Drop-offs can be** made every Sunday at the rear of the sanctuary.





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New Recipe of The Week

Beef Burgundy Over Noodles

2 teaspoons butter

- 1/2 pound beef top sirloin steak, cut into 1/4-inch-thick strips
- 2 tablespoons diced onion
- 1-1/2 cups quartered fresh mushrooms
- 3/4 cup Burgundy wine or beef broth
- 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons water, divided
- 3 tablespoons minced fresh parsley, divided

Call For New Recipes!

Our crack staff at Bustleton's Best is still looking for new recipes for our new cookbook. Proceeds from the sale of the book will be donated to the Food Pantry. Send one. Send ten. Send yours today c/o this Newsletter.

- 1 bay leaf
- 1 whole clove
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

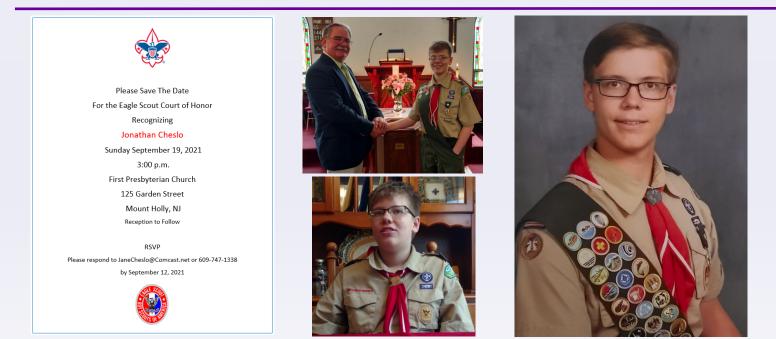


- 2 cups uncooked medium egg noodles (about 4 oz)
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon browning sauce, optional

In a Dutch oven or large nonstick skillet, heat butter over medium-high heat; sauté beef and onion just until beef is lightly browned, 1-2 minutes. Stir in mushrooms, wine, 1/4 cup water, 2 tablespoons parsley and seasonings; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, until beef is tender, about 1 hour.

Meanwhile, cook egg noodles according to package directions. Drain.

In a small bowl, mix flour and remaining water until smooth; stir into beef mixture. Bring to a boil; cook and stir until thickened, about 2 minutes. Discard bay leaf and clove. If desired, stir in browning sauce. Serve over noodles. Sprinkle with remaining parsley.





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October 16th 9 am – 2 pm. CRAFTY WOMEN will be holding their fall and Christmas craft fair. Lots of new items to help decorate your home for the holidays. MARK your calendar OCTOBER 16^{TH} . and stop by to see what we have.



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