

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. Nov. 19 - 4:00 PM - Alexandria Auerbeck, Alycia Auerbeck
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 8:00 AM - Sarah Geishauser, Nathan Ringkamp
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 11:00 AM - Nate Rudolph, Matthew Woolridge

LECTORS:

Sat. Nov. 19 - 4:00 PM - Jenna Jenkins, David Langguth
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 8:00 AM - Fran Semelsberger, David Andrews
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 11:00 AM - Richard Karcher, Bob Olson

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. Nov. 19 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, Bill Stokan
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci, Mary Truesdale
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 11:00 AM - Paul Dennis, Mary Dennis, Debbie Dougherty, David Petrak, Mary Petrak, Susanna Tomlinson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. Nov. 19 - 4:00 PM - Barb Aubrey, Heather Nackley, Mary Frances Stokan, Dorothy Yingling
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 8:00 AM - Jane Becker, John Becker, Mary Grace Horton, Helen Miller
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 11:00 AM - Walter Bloom, Dolores Capriotti, Lou Ann Clark, Wally Wargo

SACRISTAN:

Sat. Nov. 19 - 4:00 PM - Ron & Joyce Cunningham
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 8:00 AM - Michele DeFrancisco
 Sun. Nov. 20 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

Pope Francis on Mercy -- *The Church which "goes forth" is a community of missionary disciples who take the first step, who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice. An evangelizing community knows that the Lord has taken the initiative, that he has loved us first, and therefore we can move forward, boldly take the initiative, go out to others, seek those who have fallen away, stand at the crossroads and welcome the outcast.*



UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Nov. 19 - Wine & Cheese Social
 Nov. 20 - Commitment Sunday
 Dec. 4 - 4:00 Parish Penance Service
 Dec. 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Dec. 11 - 7:00 Advent of Christmas Concert

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IN ORDINARY TIME
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A Few Words from the Pastor:



Commitment Sunday: "Take a Step" – Next Sunday, November 20th, we will observe Commitment Sunday, when all are encouraged to “take a step” in responsible and generous stewardship. There are a number of ways that one can “Take a Step” – Those who use your offertory envelopes regularly are urged to consider “taking a step” in giving, using the guide provided, perhaps a 1% increase toward your goal to 5%. If you make contributions only occasionally, “take a step” in giving regularly, throughout the year, every week or every month. This helps our parish plan its budget more accurately. For those not using envelopes, we encourage you to “take a step” and begin using them! We want to move toward being a tithing parish, as we seek to make stewardship a way of life! Thanks in advance for your generous response.

Conference on the Family – Many thanks to all who took part in the Conference on the Family, and to all who were so gracious in providing the refreshments in Bailey Hall following the program. St. John’s has reason to be proud of its long tradition of hospitality.

Second Sunday Food Collection – Just a reminder that this Sunday we are called to be generous in our food and finance collection for the needs of the less fortunate. We can be proud of the fact that we are the only parish in the city which takes up this monthly collection. It is a tribute to our generosity as a parish family.

November Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

Countries Receiving Refugees

That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

Collaboration of Priests and Laity

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

CATH meeting this week! The annual meeting of the Catholic Association of Teachers of Homiletics is scheduled for this Thursday. I will thus be away from the parish from Wednesday morning until Friday evening. As always, I am most grateful to Deacon Gene for his diaconal ministry.

Wine and Cheese (and cider!) – On Saturday evening, November 19th, after the 4 PM Mass there will be a special gathering of the parish to celebrate the upcoming holiday season, with a special invitation to our new parishioners. It is a casual event, and all are encouraged to come!

Saint of the Week! Saint Elizabeth of Hungary was born in 1207 and died in 1231. She was princess of the Kingdom of Hungary and is a greatly venerated Catholic saint who was an early member of the Third Order of St. Francis, considered now its patroness. Elizabeth was married at the age of 14, and widowed at 20. After her husband's death she arranged for the care of her children, and regained her dowry, using the money to build a hospital where she herself served the sick. She became a symbol of Christian charity after her death at the age of 24 and was quickly canonized. We remember her life and ministry on Thursday, November 17th.



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EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please note that the deadline for the November 27 bulletin is at noon on Thursday, November 17 because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION

We are directed to think of the end of time, that day when God appears in power and majesty, completing the mission of Jesus Christ with justice and righteousness. How would you live today differently if you knew it was to be your last? This past Jubilee Year of Mercy invites all of us to state that mercy needs to be practiced in our lives. When Jesus comes again in all his glory, may we be mercifully judged as a people who shows great mercy to the sisters and brothers. Compassion, love, forgiveness, gentleness, and kindness mark the believer in the name of the Lord. Mercy shared is showing the face of God to another.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

November 13 Regular classes 9:15-10:45
 November 20th Regular classes 9:15-10:45 (no 2nd grade class)
 November 27th NO CLASS - Happy Thanksgiving



FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT

November 20th 1-2:30pm in Gym
 Students and parent are to attend.



10th GRADE CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Saturday Dec. 3rd at St Mary's Scout Camp
 From 11am ending with Mass at 4pm



FAMILY ADVENT GATHERING

Sunday December 4th at 9:15

All families are to attend. Attendance will be taken as this is part of religious education.
 Join us as we make live advent wreaths, talk a little about Advent and, of course, have some hot chocolate and cookies too!

St. John's Prayer List

It is a Spiritual work of Mercy to pray for the sick. If you know of someone in the parish who is ill or has passed away and in need of prayers, please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at ginny.reeder@gmail.com to add their name to the prayer list.

 PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING and their caregivers and give thanks for those who have recovered. *Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these and all people in need:*

Judy Baird • Millie Bilski • Carol Field
 JoAnne Gerardine • Judy Hurm • Brian Kopp
 Ron Peschock • Bob & Mary Rajnish
 Olga Romerowicz • Madison Shura
 Terri Schneider • Patty Teufel

For an end to violence and unrest in our country

HOME WITH THE LORD: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of:

Dave English (husband of Carolyn)
 Thomas Rentz (brother of Jerry)
 Patricia Schuster (mother of Gia Dixon)

May they rest in the peace and joy of the Lord.



Calling all angels at St. John's to be on the lookout for families that need help during the Christmas Season. If you know someone in our parish, your family or a neighbor who may need help, please call Susanna Tomlinson at 317-7531 or call the church at 942-5503 and leave their name and number for Susanna to call them. The deadline is November 26, 2016.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING: Canned goods and non-perishable food items will be collected at Wednesday evening Mass on November 23, and our 9:00am Thanksgiving mass on November 24. Families are asked to bring their offering to mass. All donations will be used for the Christmas families in our Angel Tree project.

TURKEYS NEEDED: Did you earn enough reward points for a free turkey at one of the local grocery stores? If you would like to donate your turkey to the Christmas food drive, please contact Susanna at 317-7531 to make arrangements for pick up. Thank you for being an angel.

SENIOR CITIZENS are invited to attend a Thanksgiving meal in their honor on Wednesday, November 23 from 10:30 – 1:00 pm in the Torvian Dining Hall at St. Francis University, 117 Evergreen Drive , Loretto, Pa. Please call the Dorothy Day Outreach Center before November 18 at 814-472-2877 to reserve your spot.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"Mature disciples make a conscious, firm decision, carried out in action to be followers of Jesus Christ no matter the cost to themselves." (*Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*, USCCB)

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for November 6, 2016

Envelopes:	\$ 6,413.00
Loose:	\$ 789.00
Children's:	\$ 5.00
Parish Development	\$ 102.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 135.00
World Mission	\$ 25.00
Catholic Education	\$ 76.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 135.00
India Mission	\$ 2,395.00
All Souls	\$ 363.00
All Saints	\$ 1,193.00
Total:	\$ 11,631.00
Online Giving:	\$ 3,565.00
TOTAL:	\$ 15,196.00

SUPER TICKET SWEEPSTAKES St. Clement Roman Catholic Church in Johnstown, PA is conducting its 5th Annual Super Ticket Sweepstakes with a Grand Prize of a **TRIP for 2 to SUPER BOWL 51 in Houston, TX – or--\$10,000 in CASH**. The PA Big-4 (1/1/17 @ 7 PM) Lottery based package includes 2 Super Bowl tickets, 3 nights @ Hyatt Place Houston Galleria, \$1,000 in transportation cash, admission to pre-game reception, Super Bowl memorabilia, and transport to/from stadium. Number above/below the winning ticket drawn on 1/1/17 pays \$1,000. Tickets are \$10. To purchase tickets, send check payable to: St. Clement Church (include name, telephone number, and email and home address, and stamped self-addressed envelope with your correspondence for ticket stub returns). If you have any questions, require additional information, or wish to purchase tickets, please contact Dave Pavlik, Ticket Chair, (814) 243-9446, sccfundrzer@atlanticbbn.net, or St. Clement Church, 114 Lindberg Avenue, Johnstown, PA 15905, (814) 255-4422. Pastor: William Rosenbaum, Parish Staff: Suzie Catanese or Nancy Stamplis

TOASTY TODDLER DONATIONS

The Women's Group of St. John's is taking up a collection of new hats, mittens or gloves and coats and snow-suits for boys and girls, sizes newborn to toddler Size 5T, and 4/5, 5/6, 7/8, or small. The Family Resource Center's first distribution began on November 10 and will continue until December 9. Please place your donation in the box in the gathering space before December 4. Thank you for your generosity.

FOOD COLLECTION The Hollidaysburg Ambucs will be collecting non-perishable food items during the Hollidaysburg Christmas parade on Sunday, November 20th at 2:00 pm. All food items will be donated to the American Rescue Mission for distribution to those who are in need. Please be generous, as the need is great.

PRO-LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS AVAILABLE! Citizens Concerned for Human Life, Blair County Chapter, is offering Christmas cards for sale this season. Two beautiful designs are available, one entitled "Madonna and Child," depicts Mary's love and tenderness as she beholds her Infant Son, Jesus; the second design, entitled "The Holy Family," portrays Mary and Joseph, lovingly gazing at the sleeping Baby Jesus. Both designs are available for \$7 per package of 11 cards. Your purchase helps support the pro-life work of CCHL in Blair County. To see photos of the cards and inside verses, go to www.BlairCountyProLife.com. To order, call Pat, 814-946-0681 or Dorothy, 814-505-2886.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday November 13th - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *Ida Prosperi* requested by John Prosperi
11:00AM-Mass for *Bob Bundy* requested by
Barb Bundy

Monday November 14th - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM- Mass for the Faithful

Tuesday November 15th - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for the Faithful

Wednesday November 16th - Weekday

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration
6:00PM-Evening Prayer and Communion Service

Thursday November 17th - St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration
8:30AM– Morning Prayer and Communion Service

Friday November 18th - Weekday

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration
8:30AM– Morning Prayer and Communion Service

Saturday November 19th – Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

3:00PM-Confessions
4:00PM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

Sunday November 20th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00AM-Mass for *Anna & Leonard Kent* requested by
Bob & Ginny Reeder
11:00AM-Mass for *John Despot* requested by
Pam Wales

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48



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