

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. Dec. 2 - 4:00 PM - Alexandria & Alycia Auerbeck
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 8:00 AM - Sarah Geishauser, Nate Rudolph
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 11:00 AM - Caitlin & Tyler Conig
 Thurs. Dec. 7 - 6:30 PM - Claire Nackley, Keaton Swope
 Fri. Dec. 8 - 6:30 PM - Mai Linh Do, Nicholas Helsley

LECTORS:

Sat. Dec. 2 - 4:00 PM - Jack Donoughe, Heather Nackley
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 8:00 AM - Fran Semelsberger, Tim Rea
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 11:00 AM - Bill Foose, Norma Foose
 Thurs. Dec. 7 - 6:30 PM - Gary Johnson, Paul Dennis
 Fri. Dec. 8 - 6:30 PM - Francene Boland, Barbara Bundy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. Dec. 2 - 4:00 PM - Jenna Jenkins, NOT FILLED
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 8:00 AM - Francene Boland, Mary Truesdale
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan, Dolores Capriotti,
 Mary Dennis, Paul Dennis, Bob Olson, NOT FILLED
 Thurs. Dec. 7 - 6:30 PM - Bob Olson, Susanna Tomlinson
 Fri. Dec. 8 - 6:30 PM - Dolores Capriotti, Barb Aubrey

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. Dec. 2 - 4:00 PM - Coleen Langguth, David Langguth, Rose
 Wargo, Wally Wargo
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 8:00 AM - Jane Becker, John Becker, Helen Miller,
 Ed Stoltz
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 11:00 AM - Walter Bloom, Wendy Campbell,
 Anna Podoletz, Patrick Podoletz
 Thurs. Dec. 7 - 6:30 PM - Lori Ginter, Fran Semelsberger,
 Ginny Reeder, Hedy Zumsteg
 Fri. Dec. 8 - 6:30 PM - Dennis Moughemer, Karen Moughemer,
 Jane Becker, John Becker

SACRISTAN:

Sat. Dec. 2 - 4:00 PM - Mary & Ray King
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 11:00 AM - Barbara Bundy
 Thurs. Dec. 7 - 6:30 PM - Marilyn Bevan
 Fri. Dec. 8 - 6:30 PM - Barbara Bundy

SCRIP:

Sat. Dec. 2 - 4:00 PM - Joan Price, Nancy Weimer
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 8:00 AM - Amber & Heather Yasolsky
 Sun. Dec. 3 - 11:00 AM - Jane Byrne, Carolyn English

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

December 3: 9:15AM - Family Advent Gathering
 December 3: 4:00PM - Parish Penance Service
 December 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 December 10: 7:00PM - Advent of Christmas Concert
 December 10: Second Sunday Food Collection
 December 11: 6:30PM - Women's Discussion Group

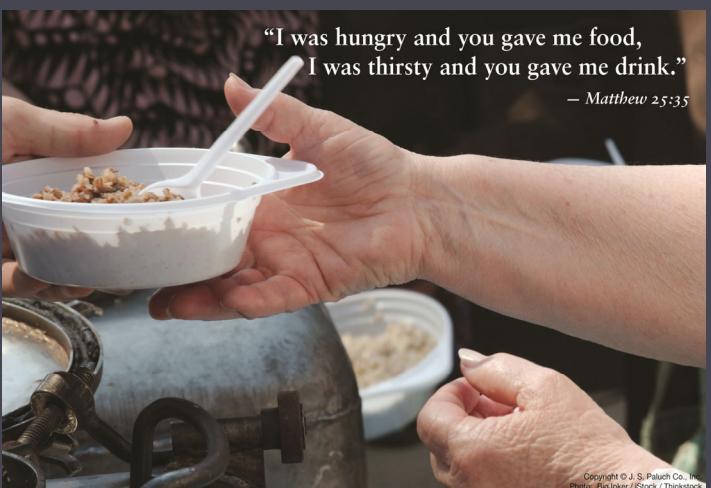
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- Mrs. Mary Haenig** Religious Education Director mshaenig@gmail.com
- Mr. Ken Dunmire** Maintenance

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY • TUESDAY • THURSDAY • FRIDAY - 8:30AM
 WEDNESDAY - 6:00 PM
 SATURDAY - 4:00PM • SUNDAY - 8:00AM & 11:00AM

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A Few Words from the Pastor:

The Feast of Christ the King – The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, commonly referred to as the **Feast of Christ the King**, is a relatively recent addition to the Western liturgical calendar, having been instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI for the Roman Catholic Church. In 1970 its Roman Catholic observance was moved to the final Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Anglican, Lutheran, and many other Protestant churches adopted it along with the Revised Common Lectionary, referring to it as Christ the King Sunday.

Advent Penance Service – There is no better preparation for Christmas than the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance. **Our Advent Penance Service will be NEXT Sunday, December 3rd at 4:00 PM.** The daylight hour will be much more convenient for those who have difficulty getting out in the dark! Make good confession! What more beautiful way to begin the Advent season and prepare for the birth of the Savior.

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING...

Volunteers are needed to light candles on the Wreath at each mass in Advent. We are looking for two or more people or families interested in participating at the beginning of the Liturgy. The dates are Dec. 2/3, December 9/10, December 16/17, and December 23/24, 2017. Please sign up on the kiosk in the gathering space.



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The Feast of St. Andrew – November 30th we celebrate the feast of Andrew the Apostle, also known as Saint Andrew and called in the Orthodox tradition the “First-Called.” He was the brother of Saint Peter. Per Christian tradition, Andrew went on to preach the Good News around the shores of the Black Sea and throughout what is now Greece and Turkey. Andrew was martyred by crucifixion in Patras. He was bound, rather than nailed, to a cross, as is described in the Acts of Andrew.

Nocturnal Adoration - Adoration for the First Friday of the Month will be celebrated at Our Lady of Lourdes this Friday, December 1, from 8 PM until 11 PM. The hour for St. John's is from 9:00 until 10:00. Please join in this time of prayer.

Advent Calendars – Advent Calendars will be available in the Gathering Space for only \$5.00. A special envelope is provided and can be placed in the collection.

THE ADVENT OF CHRISTMAS CONCERT will be presented on Sunday, December 10 at 7:00. This year, the Adult, Handbell and Children's choirs have prepared a wonderful performance that includes some new music as well as some of the traditional songs and carols. There is no admission fee, but a suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$10 per family goes toward supporting our music ministry program. Take a break from your busy preparations for the holidays to attend this annual event. After the concert, refreshments will be served next door in Fr. Bailey Hall.

OUR PARISH FAMILY... Okay, we've all seen her stand up front and direct the choir, but did you know...

Gary and Deborah Johnson moved here from WV in 1993, when Debbie was hired as Director of Music for our parish. Debbie is originally from Beaverdale, and Gary is from not too far away in Irwin, and they wanted to move back to this part of PA. Our pastor at the time was Fr Paul Turnbull, a musician himself, and he was seeking a Director of Music in anticipation of the building of our new worship space and the growth of our parish. She also taught in the school until it closed, and has now taken on the added role and additional duties of Pastoral Associate for our parish. Gary has a



“day job” as the superintendent of Sylvan Hills Golf Club, but is also a musician. He is the percussionist for our choir and also adds his voice to the bass section. He has also acted with the Tyrone Community Players and played drums for several shows at Cresson Lake Playhouse, and both Gary and Debbie have been involved in Altoona Community Theatre productions. At St John's, Gary also serves as a lector and cantor. They have three adult children and five grandchildren – son Brad lives in Etna with his wife, son, and daughter; daughter Beth is in Jacksonville FL with her husband and two daughters; and daughter Katie lives nearby in Boalsburg with her husband and son. Debbie said they felt welcomed by our parish “from the very first week we got here”, and added that St John's is “so lucky” to have so many talented and willing parishioners.

The “Our Parish Family” feature is designed to help us learn more about our fellow parishioners. If you’re willing to be featured here, contact Cecelia Bloom at 695-2806 or ceceb13@verizon.net.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

November 26th ... NO CLASS Happy Thanksgiving!
December 3rd ... Advent Family Gathering 9:15 in gym
(student and parent)

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

December 16th 5-8 Confirmation service project/
Christmas party

FIRST RECONCILIATION INFORMATION

- Saturday December 9th - First Reconciliation retreat from 1:00-2:30 in gym. Student attends with parent.
- Saturday December 16th - Sacrament of First Reconciliation. 11:00AM in the Church.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING: The committee is planning 2 events for December. Watch for a sign-up sheet on the kiosk to select the item you'd like to make for the Advent of Christmas Concert Reception on December 10th. Also we are looking for someone to lead the Feast of St. John Potluck tentatively scheduled for December 27th after the 6pm Mass. Please share your ideas by coming to the meeting on Wednesday, December 6, after the 6:00 pm Mass in the cry room.

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP: Please join us for refreshments, fellowship, & lively discussion in the parish center on Monday, December 11, at 6:30 pm. We will focus on stress reduction via mindfulness-a great strategy both for personal well being and spiritual growth. We will leave relevant materials for your review on the kiosk in the gathering space.

AS OUR ANGEL TREE PROJECT BEGINS TAKE A GIFT TAG

- SPEND ONLY \$25.00 PER GIFT
- CLOTHING GIFT RECEIPTS MAY BE ATTACHED
- WRAP GIFT AND ADD THE SPECIAL TAG TO IDENTIFY CHILD
- BRING WRAPPED GIFTS TO GATHERING SPACE BY DECEMBER 13
- PLACE SCRIP GIFT CARDS IN SPECIAL BOX BY TREE

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES:

For 77 years, Catholic Charities has helped our neighbors throughout Central Pennsylvania regardless of faith or background. 100% of contributions received through next weekend's second collection will directly help your neighbors in need. Please return your Catholic Charities envelope or make your gift online at www.catholiccharitiesaj.org. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities of Altoona-Johnstown reduce poverty in communities throughout our diocese.

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:*

Baby Adam • Bernie Beiswenger • Millie Bilski

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

Shirley Millin

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

LOVE FEAST: The name of a hard-working volunteer at our recent Love Feast--John Hurm--was inadvertently left out. John and his late wife Judy were 2 of our original volunteers when we started to participate in these meals 9 years ago. Also, we have the dates for our **2018 Love Feasts: March 10, June 9 and October 27.**

FAMILY ADVENT GATHERING

All are welcome

Sunday December 3rd

9:15 in school gym



Come learn all about CHRISMONS as we drink hot chocolate, eat yummy cookies and then help decorate the St John's Family Tree!!



Statement of Financial Position

July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Total Parish Income	569,568
Expenses	
Parish	265,872
Holy Trinity Assessment	209,154
Diocesan Assessments	17,281
Buildings & Maintenance	48,960
Religious Education	21,849
Sanctuary & Sacristy	18,248
Other Expenditures	<u>7,816</u>
Total Expenses	589,180
Net Loss	19,612

Accumulated Debt to Diocese-6/30/17 132,695

School Rental St. John's has leased the former school, cafeteria, and gymnasium since August of 2016 to NHS Pennsylvania (NHS). The organization is a leading provider of education and human services. The St. John's location provides educational services to elementary age children with special needs for a number of local school districts.

During the initial three year lease NHS pays the sum of \$6,000 per month. Basic maintenance is provided by St. John's. Utilities are included in the rental payment. NHS has exclusive possession of the buildings Monday through Friday from 6:00am to 6:00pm. St. John's has full use of the facilities beyond these hours and continues to host a variety of activities.

A summary of the 2016/2017 rental income and expenses are summarized below. The rental income includes fees charged for activities beyond the NHS lease payments listed as School Facilities Rental Income.

Rental Income

NHS Lease Income	66,000
Facilities Rental Income	<u>2,282</u>
Total Rental Income	68,282

Rental Expense

Utilities	23,172
Maintenance and Repairs	16,815
Insurance	16,403
Supplies	<u>1,090</u>
Total Rental Expense	57,480

Net Rental Income **10,802****SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK****Sunday November 26 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

8:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*
 11:00AM- Mass for *Barbara Byers* requested by
 Mike & Beverly Thur

Monday November 27 - Weekday

8:10AM-Morning Prayer
 8:30AM-Mass for *Rose Marie Moczydlowski* requested by
 Barbara Bundy

Tuesday November 28 - Weekday

8:10AM-Morning Prayer
 8:30AM-Mass for *Margaret Gerhard* requested by
 Dee & Bill Schmerbeck

Wednesday November 29 - Weekday

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions
 6:00PM-Mass for *Joseph Robeson*

Thursday November 30 - St. Andrew, Apostle

8:10AM-Morning Prayer
 8:30AM-Mass for *Sidney & Roberta Garrett* requested by
 Rich & Joyce Lowe

Friday December 1 - Weekday

8:10AM-Morning Prayer
 8:30AM-Mass for *Jeanne McDowell* requested by
 Tom & Nancy Weimer

Saturday December 2 - Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Advent

3:00PM-Confessions
 4:00PM- Mass for *Bill Shultz* requested by Betsy Slat

Sunday December 3 - 1st Sunday of Advent

8:00AM-Mass for *Carolyn Ward* requested by
 Bernadine Farrell & Family
 11:00AM - Mass for *People of the Parish*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28;
 Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33



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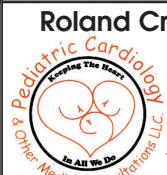
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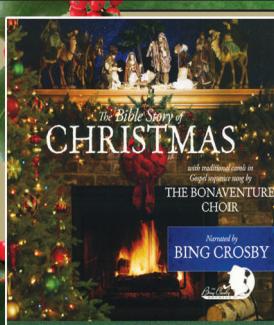
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