

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. Oct. 21 - 4:00 PM - Alycia & David Auerbeck
Sun. Oct. 22 - 8:00 AM - Nicholas Helsley, Amber Yasolsky
Sun. Oct. 22 - 11:00 AM - Nate Rudolph, NOT FILLED

LECTORS:

Sat. Oct. 21 - 4:00 PM - Mark Sloan, David Langguth
Sun. Oct. 22 - 8:00 AM - David Andrews, Joyce Cunningham
Sun. Oct. 22 - 11:00 AM - Paul Dennis, Patrick Schurr

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. Oct. 21 - 4:00 PM - Barb Aubrey, Jenna Jenkins
Sun. Oct. 22 - 8:00 AM - Fran Semelsberger, Mary Truesdale
Sun. Oct. 22 - 11:00 AM - Debbie Dougherty, Joseph Klobuka,
Pam Klobuka, Susanna Tomlinson, Bill Foose, Norma Foose

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. Oct. 21 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, Dennis Moughemer,
Karen Moughemer, Bill Stokan
Sun. Oct. 22 - 8:00 AM - Ray Kennedy, Charlie Moore,
Darlene Scarpaci, Ed Stoltz
Sun. Oct. 22 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan, Walter Bloom,
Dolores Capriotti, Lou Ann Clark

SACRISTAN:

Sat. Oct. 21 - 4:00 PM - Mary & Ray King
Sun. Oct. 22 - 8:00 AM - Michele DeFrancisco
Sun. Oct. 22 - 11:00 AM - Dolores Capriotti

SCRIP:

Sat. Oct. 21 - 4:00 PM - Carolyn English, Charlene Lancy
Sun. Oct. 22 - 8:00 AM - Jim Campbell, Heather Yasolsky
Sun. Oct. 22 - 11:00 AM - Peg Madden, Marge Rudolph

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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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

November 1 - All Saints Day (Holy Day Of Obligation)
November 2 - Mass of Remembrance 7:00 PM
November 11/12 - Recognition of Veterans at all Masses

ON THIS MOUNTAIN THE LORD OF HOSTS
WILL PROVIDE FOR ALL PEOPLES
A FEAST OF RICH FOOD AND CHOICE WINES,
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- ISAIAH 25:16



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October Prayer Intention of Pope Francis **WORKERS AND THE UNEMPLOYED**

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

A Few Words from the Pastor:

Adult Ed - Untold Blessings! – Bishop Barron’s program on Three Paths of Holiness will resume next Sunday, October 22, when the topic will be *“It’s not all about you!”* **Join us after the 8:00 Mass in the Cafeteria!**

To Walk in Jesus’ Footsteps – Enclosed in this week’s bulletin is the itinerary and fact sheet for our trip to the Holy Land in May. Total cost for double occupancy is \$3,850. An informational meeting will take place on Monday, October 30th at 7:00PM in the cafeteria, when our tour director, Jim Roccio, will be here to answer any particular questions which you might have.

Annual Clergy Conference – Our annual clergy conference is being held this week from Monday noon until Wednesday noon. Because I will be unavailable for Mass on Tuesday, Deacon Gene will be conducting a Communion Service.

World Mission Sunday is next weekend. The theme this year is *“Mercy Changes the World.”* Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and be generous in next week’s collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

Witnesses to the Gospel – We celebrate three feasts this week which highlight the depth of faith shown by the martyrs and evangelists. Tuesday we honor Ignatius of Antioch, a bishop of the second century who wrote some beautiful letters to the church and who became food for the lions! St. Luke is honored on Wednesday. He is the Evangelist whose Gospel and Acts of the Apostles are a splendid witness to the life and ministry of Christ and his Church. Thursday we honor the North American Martyrs, European missionaries who came to our land in the 17th century and whose blood was shed for the faith. Most famous of these martyrs is St. Isaac Jogues, who was severely tortured, and whose fingers were cut off so that he would not be able to celebrate Mass.

Second Collection for Disaster Relief - Our second collection this weekend, will go to assist residents of Puerto Rico dealing with the aftermath of Hurricanes Harvey and Maria and also to residents of Central Mexico as they recover from a devastating earthquake. These funds will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA as they respond to immediate humanitarian emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter and medical care as well as the long term needs to rebuild the communities.

OUR PARISH FAMILY ... Michael & Ashley Greslick were married here at St John’s on October 14, 2016, so are celebrating their first wedding anniversary this weekend. They currently live just a few blocks from St John’s with their dog, Lacey and cat, Luna. Mike is a Mechanical Engineer at McLanahan Corporation in Hollidaysburg, and Ashley is a Family Based Mental Health Therapist for Blair Family Solutions. Mike is originally from Houtzdale, and formerly attended Christ the King Church there. Ashley grew up in Williamsburg, PA. She is currently in the RCIA program, and hopes to become a practicing Catholic in the spring. Mike has just started a term on our Parish Council, and has agreed to be the Council secretary. They usually attend the 8:00 Mass, but they enjoy the choir so sometimes attend at 11:00. Mike said that the *“welcoming spirit”* of our parishioners and staff, and also the *“family and community liveliness”* are what keeps them coming back. *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.*



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8:30 P.M. PARTY at
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Go to www.stjohnsaltoona.org for the yearly calendar.
 Also, "like" *St. John the Evangelist Church on Facebook.*
 October 15th - NO CLASS
 October 22nd - Regular class from 9:15-10:45
 October 29th NO CLASS

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

Oct 22nd - 9th grade Confirmation Session 9:15-10:45 in the gym followed by *Rite of Blessing at 11:00AM Mass*
 Nov 5th -10th grade Confirmation session 9:15-10:45 in gym followed by *Rite of Commitment at 11:00AM Mass*



ST. JOHN FAMILY TREE: It's that time of year when the wind starts to blow in colder air. The leaves are changing and starting to fall. It reminds us that Thanksgiving is right around the

corner. Thanksgiving also makes us stop and think about ALL our many BLESSINGS, things to be thankful for. So for the next 4 weeks we will be changing out "St John Family Tree" and decorating it with leaves of Thanksgiving. As you either come to Mass or when you leave please stop by the tree and write one thing you are thankful for that day or week and then hang the leaf on the tree. We would like you to do this each time you come to Mass. God blesses us with so many Blessings and sometimes we just don't take the time realize just how Blessed we are.

LOVE FEAST: We continue to need servers for the October 28 Love Feast. Please return food items you have purchased to the gathering space by Monday, October 23.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Stewardship is opening our hearts, hands, and schedules to others. Being available and willing to listen and give our time and love to others, also shows our willingness to prepare others to join in the feast in God's Kingdom.

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for October 8, 2017

Envelopes	\$ 4,494.00
Loose	\$ 501.00
Children's	\$ 6.00
Parish Development	\$ 186.00
Catholic Education	\$ 10.00
Catholic Register	\$ 30.00
All Souls	\$ 25.00
SubTotal	\$ 5,252.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,598.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,850.00

Second Sunday Food Collection \$475.00

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 gabby.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
 Jen Buda • Vincent Cannizzaro • Robert Cole
 Millie Grace Capon • Mary Lee DeStefano
 Michael DeStefano • Michelle Fasline • Carol Field
 Rick Fownes • JoAnne Gerardine • Brian Kopp
 Bryson Miller • June Miller • Leona Paule • Ron Peschock
 Dave Petrak • Bob & Mary Rajnish • Olga Romerowicz
 Justine Wareham Smith • Patty Teufel • Lois Werfel
 Noah Wills • Our Lady Of Lourdes Parish
 Workers and the Unemployed**

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

**Robert Boslet, brother of Barb Neff &
 Theresa Johnsonbaugh**

ANGEL TREE: If you know of a family that may need help for Christmas, have them call **Catholic Charities** at **814-944-9388 by November 10th**. The family should tell Catholic Charities that St. John The Evangelist Parish referred them. They will need to go in and show ID and fill out a short form. We will then be sent a list of their needs for our tree.

WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING: St. John's Women's Group will meet on Tuesday, October 17 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss what we would like to do as a group this year. Appetizers and desserts will be served. All women of the parish are invited to join the group. If you have any questions please email Barb Bundy at bfbundy@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP: Our next meeting will be Monday, October 23, 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. Our theme will be strategies to integrate rejected/shadow aspects of ourselves as an essential aspect of our faith journey. Everyone's input is welcome; Mary Lee Davis will continue to share Jung's insights. Since the November and December fourth Mondays will fall at the end of a holiday weekend, the meeting for those 2 months will be Monday, December 11. Join us for fellowship, refreshments, and lively discussion.

**CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD
FALL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENRICHMENT:**

Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World – A Four Week Book Study. We live in a time of great turmoil. Anxiety over what is happening in our world, our country, our church, our homes and family can be overwhelming. Anxious For Nothing invites readers to delve into Philippians 4: 6-7. Join us for a prayerful consideration of this book by Max Lucado. Each session will include a DVD presentation and opportunity for reflection and conversation. Program will be held on *Mondays: Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017 from 9 – 11:30 a.m. or 6- 8:30 p.m.* Program will be offered in both time frames only if sufficient registrations are received. Pre-registration is required by Oct. 30, 2017. Cost of program: \$25; Study Guide: \$7.00; Optional Cost of Book: \$15.00.

Overnight Retreat – Living the Christmas Story, Then and Now – December 1-2, 2017; 7 p.m. Friday to 3 p.m. Saturday. Meet and engage in prayerful reflections with the people of the original advent. Discover these powerful figures as they respond to God's plan and allow oneself to recognize something of oneself in each character. Retreat includes presentations, time for reflection and prayer and conversation. Meals and housing included. Retreat fee: \$40 per person, \$55 for married couples. Pre-registration is required by Nov. 27 with a non-refundable deposit of \$15 per person. Reservations are limited to 10 participants with private rooms. Sessions and retreats will be held at Carmelite Community of the Word Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Rd., Gallitzin, PA. To register, get directions, or for more information, call 814-886-4098.

"NIGHT AT THE RACES" sponsored by St. Demetrius Church in Gallitzin will be held on October 21, 2017. Doors open at 5:00 pm and races will start at 6:00 pm. The event will be held at the church's Social Hall located at the rear of 616 Church St. in Gallitzin. \$25 donation will get you a horse (while they last) for one race and admission for you and a guest. \$15 will get you a horse plus admission for one person. \$10.00 will get a single admission only. Individual betting on races and various small games of chance will be available throughout the evening. In addition, eat-in meal and refreshments will be available to patrons. PA SGO # 17-20. To reserve your horse, please call Brenda Smithmyer at 207-5894.

PET SUPPLY COLLECTION: During the month of October, the Catholic Daughters of America Court #2625 will be collecting dog & cat food, treats, pet dishes, collars, leashes and sanitizers for the Central PA Humane Society. There is a box in the gathering space for these items which will be taken to the Humane Society at the end of October.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday October 15- 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*
11:00AM-Mass for *Barbara Byers* requested by Betty Dennis

Monday October 16 - Weekday

8:10AM-Rosary
8:30AM-Mass for *David Dardzinski*

Tuesday October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

8:10AM-Rosary
8:30AM-Morning Prayer and Communion Service

Wednesday October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions
6:00PM-Mass for *Alma Reismeier* requested by Shirley Fisher

Thursday October 19 - Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests

8:10AM-Rosary
8:30AM-Mass for *Bill Kopp, Mark Kopp and Connie Tipton* requested by Louise Kopp

Friday October 20 - Weekday

8:10AM-Rosary
8:30AM-Mass for *Donald Watkins*

Saturday October 21 - Vigil of the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00PM-Confessions
4:00PM- Mass for *Dustin Doyon* requested by The Mirobelli Family

Sunday October 22- 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *John Sahlaney* requested by Lance & Michele DeFrancisco
11:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25;; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7



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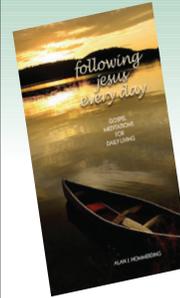
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