



APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. Oct. 31- 4:00PM– Piper Brunhuber, Nick Rasmussen
 Sun. Nov. 1- 8:00AM– Nate Rudolph, Amber Yasolsky
 Sun. Nov. 1- 11:00AM– Keaton Swope, Matthew Woolridge

LECTORS:

Sat. Oct. 31- 4:00PM– David Langguth, Mark Sloan
 Sun. Nov. 1- 8:00AM– Victor Rizzo, Tom Robison
 Sun. Nov. 1- 11:00AM– Bill Foose, Norma Foose

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. Oct. 31- 4:00PM– Connie Baker, Joyce Cunningham,
 Kathleen Heller, Jenna Jenkins, John Lloyd
 Sun. Nov. 1- 8:00AM– Francene Boland, Fran Semelsberger
 Sun. Nov. 1- 11:00AM– Barb Bundy, Mary Dennis, Paul Dennis,
 Jo-Ann Semko, Susanna Tomlinson, Steve Wilson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. Oct. 31- 4:00PM– Betsy Lloyd, Dennis Moughemer, Karen
 Moughemer, Bill Sweet
 Sun. Nov. 1- 8:00AM– John Becker, Jane Becker, Ginny Reeder,
 Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. Nov. 1- 11:00AM– Marilyn Bevan, Walter Bloom,
 Dee Capriotti, Lou Ann Clark

Sacristan:

Sat. Oct. 31- 4:00PM– Ron Cunningham, Joyce Cunningham
 Sun. Nov. 1- 8:00AM– Michele DeFrancisco
 Sun. Nov. 1- 11:00AM– Dee Capriotti

The 3rd/4th grade students got to enjoy Mr. John Despot in the annual pumpkin decorating day. Thank you Mr. Despot!

MASS SCHEDULE:

MON., TUES., THURS. FRIDAY: 8:30AM

WEDNESDAY: 6:00PM

SATURDAY: 4:00PM

SUNDAY: 8:00AM; 11:00AM

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**ST. JOHN THE
 EVANGELIST CHURCH**

309 LOTZ AVE

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**30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
 TIME**

OCTOBER 25, 2015

A Few Words from the Pastor:

Conference on the Environment - On Thursday, November 12 at 7:00PM, our parish will host a conference entitled "The Care of our Common Home." Responding to the recent encyclical on Pope Francis on the environment, Bishop Mark Bartchak will give the keynote address, summarizing the focus of the encyclical. Representatives of various faith traditions will then give their response based on their own faith traditions. All are encouraged to join us!

Magnificent Geraniums - All through the summer our altar was graced with beautiful geraniums. We are most grateful for the green thumbs of Dave Despot and Mary Coho, who tended these plants with such great care.

All Souls' Day, Nov. 2 - It is a beautiful tradition in the Catholic Church to pray for our beloved dead. Our Mass that Monday morning will be offered for all of the deceased of our parish and families. Please plan on joining us!

A Prayer for our Departed Priests - At 9:30AM on All Souls' Day, we will gather at the "Priests' Plot" at Calvary cemetery, praying for the peaceful repose of the priests who have gone before us and have shepherded God's people in our diocese.

God in America - Beginning next Sunday, our Adult Ed will turn its attention to how "religious liberty shaped America." How did Christianity come to our shores? Who were all these different denominations and why were they coming to America? Using as our resource a PBS Frontline documentary, we will be given an interesting and informative history of religion in America. As we draw near to Thanksgiving, this will be most fitting! Please join us!

A Pilgrimage to Loretto - I will be conducting a pilgrimage to the holy sites of Loretto this Wednesday, October 28th, accompanying the 5th through 8th graders both of St. John's and St. Pat's. We will be visiting the Carmelite Monastery, Immaculate Conception Chapel at St. Francis, the Basilica of St. Michael, and the tomb and Chapel House of Servant of God, Prince Demetrius Gallitzin. We ask your prayers for sunshine!

Thanks, Father Jack! - Our heartfelt thanks to Father Jack McDowell, president of Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School, who is presiding at the weekend Masses this weekend. We extend to him a warm St. John's welcome!

Saints of the Week - Saints Simon and Jude are the apostles we honor this week as we move toward the Feast of ALL Saints, celebrated this year on Sunday. Simon is not the one who was renamed Peter, but Simon the Zealot, one who was part of the revolt against the oppression of the Romans. Jude, also known as Thaddaeus, has the distinction of being known as the patron of "hopeless cases," or the patron of the impossible.

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October

Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

Human Trafficking

That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

Mission in Asia

That with a missionary spirit the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.

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GRANT WRITER: The Haiti Committee is looking for someone who can volunteer his or her time and talent for grant writing. Please contact Monsignor Becker or Mary Lee Madigan-Davis, mlmdcreek@aol.com, 931-2651.

Collecting Travel-size Hygiene

Items - Its that time of year again! If you have collected an over abundance of travel size personal hygiene items while vacationing this summer, please consider donating them our CCD program for special projects. Travel-size items of shampoo, hair conditioner, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, individually wrapped body soap (and container) and tissues. Quart and gallon sized zip lock bags would also be greatly appreciated. A marked box is located in the Gathering Space of the Church.

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 at 317-7531 or call the church at 942-5503 and leave their name and number. Susanna will call and talk to them. Deadline is Wednesday November 18, 2015. No names will be taken after November 18th. The Angel Tree will be ready November 21, 2015 for those who want to shop on Black Friday.

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 on December 11th. Thank you for being an angel.

Scrip Gift Card Program

Statement of Financial Position As of September 30, 2015

ASSETS:

Cash in Bank: \$256.65
Inventory: \$25,183.22
Total Assets: \$25,439.87

Liabilities & Net Assets:

Scrip Certificates Redeemable: \$1,755.00
Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$23,684.87
Total Liabilities & Net Assets: \$25,439.87

Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2015

Receipts:

Inventory Sales: \$134,881.20
Cost of Inventory Sold: (128,157.39)
Gross Profit: \$6,723.81

Other Income/Expenditures:

PrestoPay Profit: \$215.00
School Subsidy: (\$7,500.00)
Credit Card Fees: (\$307.46)
Other Misc Exp: (\$20.70)
Total Other Income/Expenditures: (7,613.16)

Net Surplus/(Deficit) \$(889.35)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:



PINE CONE COLLECTION: Religious Education is collecting pine cones for our Advent wreaths we will be making in December. If you have pinecones in your yard we would love to have them. There will be a collection box in the gathering space in the church.

CONFIRMATION:

DRIVERS NEEDED: We need volunteers to drive 11th graders to and/or from Frenchville, Pa (about an hour away) for their Confirmation Retreat. We need drivers on Saturday, Nov. 7th at 1:30 or on Sunday, Nov. 8th at 2:00.

Upcoming Events:

Sun., Oct. 25, 11:30 - 6:00 at St. Francis: SHYCON (Senior High Youth Conference)

Sun., Nov. 1, 10:45-2:15, Rite of Commitment at Mass and Confirmation Session for all 10th graders

Sun., Nov. 22, 10:45-2:15, Rite of Blessing at Mass and Confirmation Session for all 9th graders

Contact Mary Petrak, 201-2982 or 502-6076, mfpetrak@hotmail.com

Choir Fundraiser: The Adult Choir is selling RADA Cutlery as a fundraiser. Orders can be placed with a choir member or online. For online orders, the website is www.helpourfundraiser.com. The customer # is 503896. The password is choir (must be lower case letters). If you order from a choir member, shipping and handling is only \$.50 and items will be picked up at the church, but those ordering online will pay by credit card, have items shipped directly to them and pay regular shipping and handling costs. Catalogues and order forms are available on the kiosk in the gathering space. The deadline for ordering from a choir member for delivery before Christmas is November 19. Thanks for your support. Contact Debbie Johnson for more information: 814-931-2867 or dj219@msn.com.

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for October 18, 2015

Loose: \$795.00

Envelope: \$5,441.00

Children's: \$3.00

Parish Development: \$50.00

Retire Priest & Medical Collection: \$100.00

CNEWA: \$50.00

World Mission: \$663.00

Total: \$7,102.00

Online Giving: \$1,958.00

TOTAL: \$9,060.00

SCHOOL NEWS:

October 28th- 5TH-8TH-Loretto Holy

Places with Msgr Becker

(also with St. Pats)

October 31st- Halloween Party (6:30-8:30)

Monday Night Basketball! Beginning on Monday, October 19th, and continuing until spring, a group of men will play pick-up basketball in Father Bailey Hall (our gym) from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM. This is for men ages 18 and up, and the cost is just a few bucks a night. So, lace up those Chuck E. Taylors and come work on your 3-point shot!

OTHER NEWS:

- **Now Hiring Paid Volunteers!** Be a paid volunteer with the Senior Companion Program! Call Lindsey Wilson at Blair Senior Services at 946-1235 for more information.
- **Babysitter Needed:** Lauren & Scott Trimarco are in need of a babysitter please call them at 932-7345 or 934-3240 for more information.
- **Student Travel to Australia!** Do you know of a 6th - 12th grade student who would be a good candidate to travel and learn next summer? People to People International Student Travel is looking for good candidates to experience Australia for 20 days (grades 6 - 9) or Australia, Fiji, and New Zealand for 22 days (grades 9 - 12). Contact Steve Wilson at 944-8680.

Sunday, Oct. 25, 2015

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. Oct. 25th- 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM- Mass for *People of the Parish*

11:00AM-Mass for *Lena Coyle* requested by Steve Klobuka

6:30PM - Lectionary Based Faith Sharing

Mon. Oct. 26th- Weekday

8:30AM- Morning Prayer & Communion Service

Tues. Oct. 27th- Weekday

8:30AM- Morning Prayer & Communion Service

Wed. Oct. 28th- Saints Simon & Jude

6:00PM- Evening Prayer & Communion Service

Thurs. Oct. 29th- Weekday

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:30AM- Mass for *Connie Stoltz* requested by Family

Friday Oct. 30th- Weekday

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:30AM- Mass for *Bob Bundy* requested by Barb Bundy

Sat. Oct. 31st- Vigil for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00PM- Confessions

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

Sun. Nov. 1st- 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM- Mass for *John M. Stoltz* requested by UPMC Family

11:00AM-Mass for *Frank H. Auerbeck* requested by Bob & Ginny Reeder

6:30PM - Lectionary Based Faith Sharing

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Weekday Readings

Mon. Oct. 26- Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17

Tues. Oct. 27- Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

Wed. Oct. 28- Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

Thurs. Oct. 29- Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35

Fri. Oct. 30-Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6

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