

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES

Sat. Sept. 29 - 4:00 PM - Ryan & Jack Donoughe
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 8:00 AM - Emily & Ethan Miller
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Savannah & Makayla Langenbacher

LECTORS

Sat. Sept. 29 - 4:00 PM - Matt Michelone, Mark Sloan
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 8:00 AM - Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Russell O'Reilly, Patrick Schurr

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. Sept. 29 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, Dorothy Yingling
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 8:00 AM - Fran Semelsberger, Mary Truesdale
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan, Walter Bloom, Cecelia Bloom, Dolores Capriotti, Daniel Langenbacher, Susanna Tomlinson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. Sept. 29 - 4:00 PM - David Langguth, Coleen Langguth, Betsy Lloyd, Heather Nackley
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 8:00 AM - Ginny Reeder, Darlene Scarpaci, Larry VanSickel, Paula VanSickel
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Lou Ann Clark, Peg Madden, Patrick Podoletz, Wally Wargo

SACRISTAN

Sat. Sept. 29 - 4:00 PM - Ray & Mary King
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

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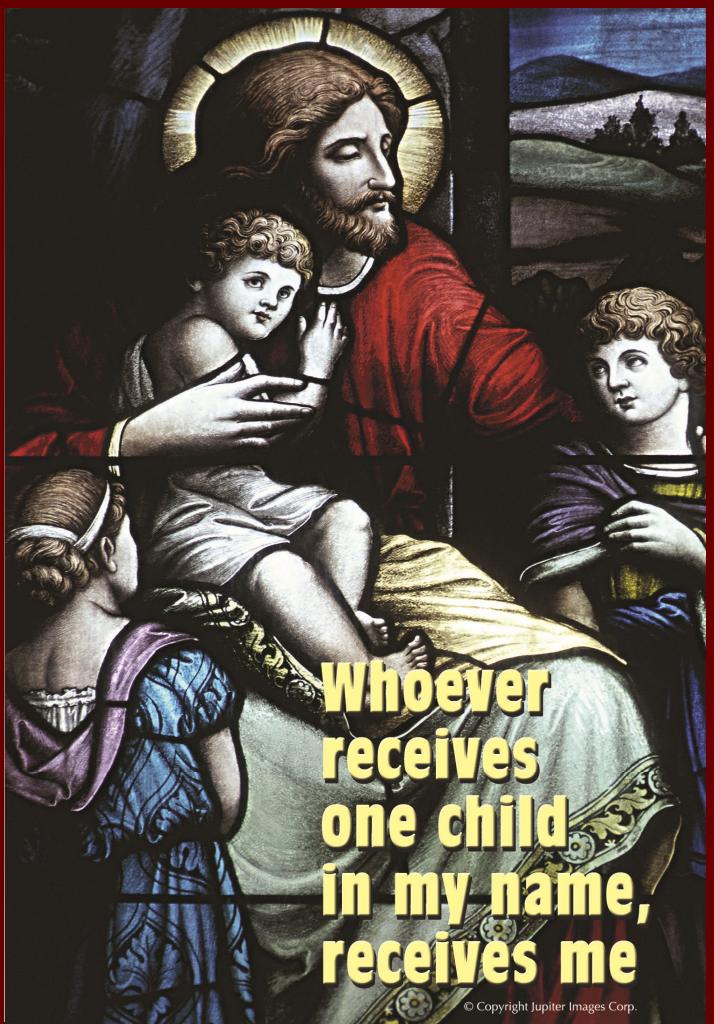
Sat. Sept. 29 - 4:00 PM - Anna Rasmussen, Judy Sneath
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 8:00 AM - Erika & Heather Yasolsky
 Sun. Sept. 30 - 11:00 AM - Jane Byrne, Carolyn English

MASS SCHEDULE

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

PASTORAL STAFF:

- Msgr. Michael Becker** *mbecker253@aol.com*
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- Mr. Patrick Podoletz** Parish Council President *ppodoletz@atlanticbb.net*
- Mrs. Mary Ann Mirobelli** Business Manager *stjohnchurch@atlanticbb.net*
- Mrs. Deborah Johnson** Director of Music/Pastoral Associate *dj219@msn.com*
- Mr. & Mrs. Bill & Norma Foose** Stephen Ministry *norma.foose@yahoo.com*
- Mrs. Mary Haenig** Religious Education Director *mshaenig@gmail.com*
- Mr. Mark Krepich** Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Director *mark.krepich@gmail.com*
- Mr. Ken Dunmire** Maintenance



SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

**25TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

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September Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Young People in Africa

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

October 7 - Arise small group meetings begin
 October 14 - Second Sunday Food Collection
 October 20 - Hollidaysburg Pumpkinfest Soup Sale
 October 27 - Love Feast

A Few Words from the Pastor:

Arise Together in Christ – Our small groups will begin meeting in just a few weeks. If you have not signed up, please consider doing so. We are most grateful to our parish committee which is promoting and organizing our participation, as well as to our group leaders who have been preparing for this exciting process. Again, we urge everyone to take this opportunity to deepen in their love for Christ by sharing their faith with others.

Restore and Repair: As we approach the hundredth anniversary of the parish in 2021, both our parish and finance councils have given the thumbs-up on a special appeal to meet the many maintenance issues that we face. Of immediate concern is the replacement of the existing carpet in the church. We thank you for your patience as the work progresses. That we might be financially prepared to meet this and other capital expenditures, we are preparing for a "Restore and Repair" campaign. Addressing these issues will allow us to carry out our evangelizing mission for years to come. More information will be forthcoming in the weeks ahead.

Catholic Ministries Drive – We are within \$800 of our goal for the Catholic Ministries Drive for 2018. If you have not yet contributed, you are encouraged to do so. This drive assists the various ministries of the diocese, and is especially appreciated by Catholic Charities. Thanks to all who have already given to this important campaign. Remember that any contributions above and beyond the goal are returned to the parish for our own use.

The Month of the Holy Rosary: Relying on the intercession of Mary in our decision to "Arise Together in Christ," during the month of October we will pray the Rosary in Church beginning 20 minutes before the beginning of Mass. We will need volunteers to lead the Rosary. There is a sign-up sheet on the kiosk. We will provide rosaries for those who forget theirs, as well as a guide for each of the mysteries.

HAITI NEWS: Those wishing to sponsor a student will find the envelopes to the right of the exit doors in the Gathering Space. Please note that there are separate envelopes for those renewing a sponsorship and first time sponsors. The envelopes can be dropped in the collection basket or returned to the office.

The next trip to Haiti will be October 31 to November 2. Contact Mary Lee Davis for more information at 931-2651 or mlmdcreek@aol.com,



St. Vincent - Most Catholics are familiar with the charitable works carried out by the St. Vincent De Paul Society. It is helpful to know that Saint Vincent de Paul was a French Roman Catholic priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. He was renowned for his compassion, humility and generosity. He is the founder of the Daughters of Charity. He was also zealous in conducting retreats for clergy at a time when there was great laxity, abuse, and ignorance among them. He was a pioneer in clerical training and was instrumental in establishing seminaries. A large statue of St. Vincent stands outside the basilica and seminary in Latrobe. He is venerated as a saint in the Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion. He was canonized in 1737. We celebrate his feast this Thursday.

Give Us This Day – It is time to subscribe or renew a subscription to this monthly missal. You are to place your payment of \$20 in the envelope provided in the Gathering Space and drop it in the collection. **Give Us This Day** is a wonderful resource for personal prayer, as well as for your preparation for daily or Sunday Mass.

Blessing of Pets: All are familiar with the affection which St. Francis of Assisi had for animals. In anticipation of his Feast on Thursday, October 4th, we will continue our annual tradition of having our blessing of pets on Sunday, October 7th, at 1 PM in the front circle of the church!

Scholarship Available! The John and Helen Despot Scholarship Fund is making available two \$400 Scholarship for children of St. John's who are attending a Catholic school K–8. Applications are available in the Gathering Space or can be obtained from the parish office. The deadline for application is September 30, and the scholarship will be awarded in early October. We are grateful for generosity of the Despot family, who have so generously established this fund in memory of their parents John and Helen.



THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY group meets every Tuesday at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. New members are welcome to join us. Each week, we gather to pray, knit or crochet, and socialize while making prayer shawls. There is always someone in need of prayers and shawls. **If you know of anyone in need of a prayer shawl, please contact Barb Neff at 946-4203. We have several that have been completed and blessed.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

September 30th class 9:15-10:45

October 14th class 9:15-10:45

Children's Liturgy of Word will be held each week at the 11:00AM Mass.



Looking for a 7/8th Grade Co-Teacher or Sub!!

We're still Looking for a 7/8th grade catechist. This is a small class of 8 students. We have all the tools you need to teach. Please consider volunteering. Contact Mary Haenig 814-317-5578 or mshaenig@gmail.com.

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH is the theme for this year's Family Marian Celebration (Mass & Rosary) to be held at St. Benedict's Church, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown, on Sunday, September 30 at 3:00 PM. Bishop Mark will be the principal celebrant and will give the homily. This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

DINNER & MINI-BAZAAR: St. Demetrios Parish in Gallitzin will hold its annual Chicken BBQ Dinner and Mini-Bazaar Sunday September 30th, in the parish Activity Center (rear 616 Church St.) in Gallitzin. Dinners for Adults: \$10.00; Children 6-12: \$6.00; Children aged 5 and under: free. Takeouts: \$10.00. A flea market will also be featured, as well as baked goods, games, and baskets. Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. until - ?

"WHY I STAY" will be presented by Mary Lee Madigan-Davis in the Day Chapel of the church on Tuesday, October 2 at 6:30PM. Her reflections on choosing to remain Catholic during this time of tremendous scandal and spiritual upheaval may offer you some guidance.

LOVE FEAST: October 27 is our next Love Feast. Our religious ed. students will again be decorating treat bags for our guests, and slips to buy non-perishable items are on the kiosk, as are sign-up sheets to bake cupcakes, cook, serve. Please plan to volunteer!

In the event that you didn't see an article in the Altoona Mirror relevant to our Love Feast and Second Sunday activities, you may find the article--Food Insecure Families Face Tough Choices--on the kiosk.

HUMANE SOCIETY DONATIONS: Catholic Daughters of the Americas Prince Gallitzin #2625, Altoona Court are in need of your help in securing items of dog food, cat food, etc. to be donated to our local Humane Society. Your donated items can be placed in the furnished box located in the Gathering Space from September 29 through October 28. We thank you for your generosity.

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 ginnen.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	June Miller
Baby Aiden	Barbara Moore
Cari Ann	Mike Moran
Judy Baird	Mary Oricko
Jen Buda	Ron Peschock
Robert Cole	Dave Petrak
Millie Grace Capon	Bob & Mary Rajnish
Mary Lee DeStefano	Allison Recker
Michael DeStefano	Olga Romerowicz
Keith DeMastens	Mike Rudolph
Jim Duffy	Sylvia Santoni
Helen Fornwalt	Anne Showalter
Leann Frazier	Dianne Stultz
Dianna Green	Tim & Dina Temofonte
Brian Kopp	Patty Teufel
Sherri Maffettone	Lois Werfel
Bryson Miller	Noah Wills

HOME WITH THE LORD

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of:

Millie Bilski
Frances Brown
May they rest in the peace and joy of the Lord.

OPEN DISCUSSION GROUP: Thanks to everyone who contributed to this endeavor. Since we have ample opportunity for faith-centered discussions in the fall and winter months, we will not convene again until next May.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

Stewardship at St. John's ***OFFERTORY for September 16, 2018***

Envelopes	\$ 3,196.00
Loose	\$ 638.00
Children's Offerings	\$ 3.00
Parish Development	\$ 71.00
Retired Priests	\$ 25.00
<i>SubTotal</i>	\$ 3,933.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,603.00
Total Offertory	\$ 5,536.00

Catholic Ministries Drive - \$43,284 Goal - \$44,438

Statement of Financial Position

July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Total Parish Income	562,405
Expenses	
Parish	220,494
Holy Trinity Assessment	187,333
Diocesan Assessments	48,282
Buildings & Maintenance	63,859
Religious Education	17,472
Sanctuary & Sacristy	17,759
Other Expenditures	<u>13,957</u>
Total Expenses	569,156
Net Gain (Loss)	-6,751

Accumulated Debt to Diocese 06/30/2018 - 158,254

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, the lease has been extended to 2024 with annual increases. 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 2017/2018 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	72,000
Facilities Rental Income	<u>3,317</u>
Total Rental Income	75,317

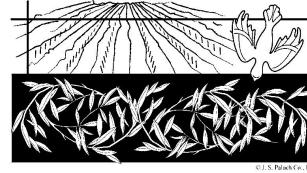
Rental Expense

Utilities	25,385
Maintenance and Repairs	12,153
Insurance	<u>4,214</u>
Total Rental Expense	41,752
Net Rental Income	33,565



THE ADULT CHOIR IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN

to join the bass or tenor sections. The choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 and sings at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday mornings. With the loss of several of our male singers in the last few months, we could really use the help! Contact Debbie Johnson at 931-2867 or email dj219@msn.com.



Twenty-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 23, 2018

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace
for those who cultivate peace.

— James 3:18

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday September 23 - 25th Sunday In Ordinary Time

- 8:00AM- Mass for *Angeline Capriotti* requested by
Joe & Eileen Koeck
11:00AM-Mass for *Jean Ann Franco* requested by
Patrick & Andrea Schurr & Family

Monday September 24 - Weekday

- 7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Ellen M. Ottaway*

Tuesday September 25 - Weekday

- 7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Marjorie Jackson & Richard*
requested by Tom & Patricia Foor

Wednesday September 26 - Weekday

- 5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/ Confessions
6:00PM-Mass for *John Lloyd* requested by
Charlie & Dottie Lafferty
6:45PM - Rosary

Thursday September 27 - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

- 7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Special Intention* requested by
Betsy Slat

Friday September 28 - Weekday

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

Saturday September 29 - Vigil of the 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time

- 3:00PM-Confessions
4:00PM-Mass for *Lillian Cichetto* requested by
Lance & Michele DeFrancisco

Sunday September 30 - 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time

- 8:00AM- Mass for *People of the Parish*
11:00AM-Mass for *Grady Weyandt* requested by
his mother

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

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