

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES

Sat. Feb. 9 - 4:00 PM - Keaton Swope, Amber Yasolsky
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 8:00 AM - Ethan & Emily Miller
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 11:00 AM - Savannah & Makayla Langenbacher

LECTORS

Sat. Feb. 9 - 4:00 PM - Jack Donoughe, NOT FILLED
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 8:00 AM - Ronan Adams, Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 11:00 AM - James Krug, Richard Karcher

EUCARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. Feb. 9 - 4:00 PM - Pam Klobuka, Joseph Klobuka
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 8:00 AM - Fran Semelsberger, Mary Truesdale
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 11:00 AM - Lou Ann Clark, Donna Moyer,
 Walter Bloom, Cecelia Bloom, Dolores Capriotti, Bob Olson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. Feb. 9 - 4:00 PM - Barb Aubrey, Connie Baker, Heather Nackley, Dorothy Yingling
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 8:00 AM - Jane Becker, John Becker, Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan, Wendy Campbell, Mary Grace Horton, Peg Madden

SACRISTAN

Sat. Feb. 9 - 4:00 PM - Jane Byrne
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 8:00 AM - Joyce Cunningham
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 11:00 AM - Barbara Bundy

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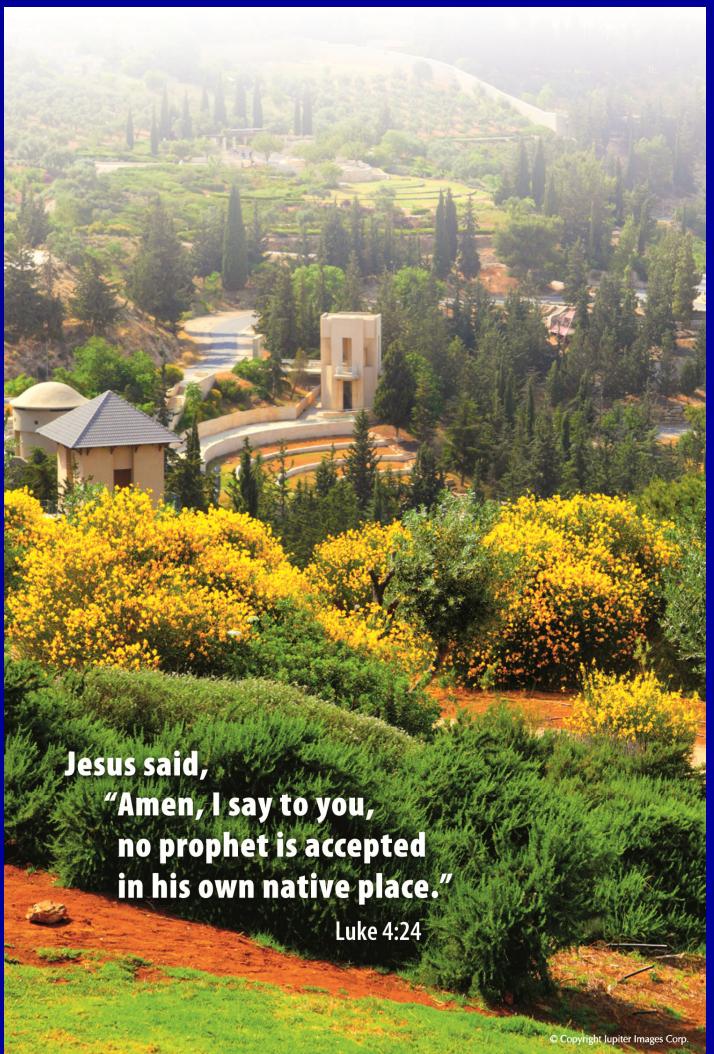
Sat. Feb. 9 - 4:00 PM - Becky Merilli, Julie Beiswenger
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 8:00 AM - Christopher Palazzi, Patty Teufel
 Sun. Feb. 10 - 11:00 AM - Jane Byrne, Carolyn English

MASS SCHEDULE

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



God Bless Gabriel Luther, baptized by Monsignor Becker at the 11:00 mass on Sunday, January 27.



FEBRUARY 3, 2019 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

February 10 - Second Sunday Food Collection
 February 9/10 - Arise Sign-up Weekend
 February 18 - Parish Office closed
 March 2 - Parish Mardi Gras after 4:00 Mass
 March 3-9 - Season 2 Arise Group Meetings begin
 March 6 - Ash Wednesday Mass & Lenten Soup Supper

A Few Words from the Pastor:

Restore! Repair! Rejoice! – On the weekend of February 16-17, there will be presentation after Mass on our 100th Anniversary capital campaign. Brochures will be distributed, and all will be encouraged to participate in this important initiative. Please take a moment to view the pictures posted in the Gathering Space which show the physical needs of our parish. We are grateful to those who have already made a pledge, as we have reached a total of \$48,730 to date!

Remembering a Loved One this Easter: Though the Easter season is many weeks away, we would like to express our gratitude to Ray and Mary King for their gift of the Paschal Candle for this year. The Paschal Candle will burn in memory of their brother-in-law Keith DeMasters.

Ice Dangers! You may have noticed that the parking area behind the church has been roped off. We are sorry if this inconveniences anyone, but the ice there is inches thick, and we have done so for your safety. We do the best to keep our parking lot and sidewalks clear of snow and ice. However, caution is always advised!

Candlemas Day (February 2) - Candlemas commemorates the ritual purification of Mary, 40 days after the birth of her son Jesus. This day also marks the ritual presentation of the baby Jesus to God in the Temple at Jerusalem. The Gospel of Luke says that Jesus was met by Anna and Simeon. Simeon held the baby Jesus and called him a Light to the World. The festival is called Candlemas because this was the day that all the Church's candles for the year were blessed.

St. Blaise (February 3) - Little is known about Saint Blaise prior to his mention in an ancient physician's medical journal. It spoke of Saint Blaise's aid in treating objects caught in the throat. Elsewhere, he was also mentioned that he was aided by animals and treated people and beasts alike. Saint Blaise is believed to begin as a healer then, eventually, became a "physician of souls." He then retired to a cave, where he remained in prayer. People often turned to Saint Blaise for healing miracles. *This Sunday he will be remembered here at St. John's with the blessing of throats after each of the weekend Masses.*

Someone in the Hospital? – Because parishes are not notified by the hospital when a parishioner has been admitted, it is important that family members contact the parish office with that information. This will give us an opportunity for a pastoral visit, as well as inclusion in our prayers!

Welcome! Holy Trinity Students! – Basketball teams (K – 2) from Holy Trinity Catholic School will begin having basketball practice in our gym on Wednesday and Thursday in the late afternoon. We are glad that we can accommodate, and we give them a warm St. John's welcome!

A Reminder! Our Second Sunday Food Collection is next Sunday!

PASTORAL STAFF:

• Msgr. Michael Becker	<i>mbecker253@aol.com</i>
• Deacon Gene Neral	<i>gene@lifeinfocus.net</i>
• Mr. Patrick Podoletz	Parish Council President <i>ppodoletz@atlanticbb.net</i>
• Mrs. Mary Ann Mirobelli	Business Manager <i>stjohnchurch@atlanticbb.net</i>
• Mrs. Deborah Johnson	Director of Music/Pastoral Associate <i>dj219@msn.com</i>
• Mr. & Mrs. Bill & Norma Foose	Stephen Ministry <i>norma.foose@yahoo.com</i>
• Mrs. Megan Swope	Religious Education Director <i>mswope726@gmail.com</i>
• Mr. Mark Krepich	Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults <i>mark.krepich@gmail.com</i>
• Mr. Ken Dunmire	Maintenance

3 Key Reasons to Sign Up for ARISE:

- **To know God better** We learn more about God, talk more freely about our faith, and hear how God has impacted other peoples' lives.
- **To grow spiritually** We see more clearly how the Holy Spirit has touched our lives and we become more willing to ask for the Spirit's guidance.
- **To meet new people** Praying and reading the Bible with others brings people closer. New relationships are formed and deepened.

February Prayer Intention of Pope Francis *Human Trafficking*

For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education Schedule

February 3 - Class in session

February 10 - Class in session

February 17 - NO CLASS

Any questions regarding Religious Education classes or schedule, please contact Megan Swope at mswope726@gmail.com or (814)631-8273

ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER MEETING: Planning is underway for our Ash Wednesday Soup Supper. Delicious soup and bread will be served in the cafeteria following 6:00 Mass. Donations will be accepted for our parish in Haiti. Our parish has enjoyed this annual event for many years and we are open to new ideas or suggestions. You can call Mary Petrak at 502-6076 or come to a brief planning meeting on Tuesday, February 12th at 6:30 in the Parish Center.



FAITH, HOPE, LOVE REMAIN, THESE THREE;
BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE

is love.

I CORINTHIANS 13:13



Season II of ARISE Together in Christ will take place this Lent. There will be six faith sharing sessions that invite us to "Change Our Hearts". The first session reflects on the central call of Ash Wednesday to conversion, both as turning away from and as turning toward. Over the next 5 weeks we will explore the meaning of lifelong conversion via the great symbolic themes of the Lenten liturgy: being transfigured; our thirst for God; living as children of the light; changing out hearts of stone to hearts of flesh. Our concluding session leads us into Holy Week.

ST. LEONARD'S HOME: Worried about a loved one? St. Leonard's Personal Care Home in Hollidaysburg provides medication management, personal hygiene assistance, socialization, meals, housekeeping and a 24 hour staff in a home-like environment. We serve men and women 62+ for whom it is no longer safe to live alone. To tour our beautiful Victorian mansion, or for more information, call Sr. Cynthia Meyer at 814-695-9581 during weekday business hours. We are a Catholic facility but accept all eligible applicants, and will assist with financial aid applications where applicable.

HOLY TRINITY: Check us out on "Central PA Live" on Monday, February 4th as we roll out our new Holy Trinity Commercial for open enrollment.

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.

Baby Adam	Bryson Miller
Baby Aiden	June Miller
Cari Ann	Barbara Moore
Judy Baird	Mary Oricko
Jen Buda	Ron Peschock
Robert Cole	Bob & Mary Rajnish
Millie Grace Capon	Allison Recker
Mary Lee DeStefano	Olga Romerowicz
Michael DeStefano	Mike Rudolph
Jim Duffy	Anne Showalter
Helen Fornwalt	Dianne Stultz
Leann Frazier	Tim & Dina Temofonte
Dianna Green	Patty Teufel
Ken Hartman	Lois Werfel
Boni Javier	Noah Wills
Brian Kopp	Amber Yasolsky
Sara Litzinger	Milan & Family
Sherri Maffettone	

*Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these
and all people in need:*

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

Dan C. Riley - Brother of Kay Laratonda

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



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STEWARDSHIP CORNER: *God has taught us that you cannot love without giving. God's most precious gift to us was his son, Jesus. What gifts can YOU share that will show the measure of your love to God?*

Stewardship at St. John's

Offertory for January 27

Envelopes	\$ 4,628.00
Loose	\$ 497.00
Children	\$ 4.00
Parish Development	\$ 100.00
<i>SubTotal</i>	\$ 5,229.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,469.00
<i>Total Offertory</i>	\$ 6,698.00

2018 giving statements are available by calling the Parish Office at 814-942-5503. You can also download your statement by logging in to My Own Church.

WINE TASTING FUNDRAISER: Please join Catholic Charities this Wednesday, February 6th at the Blairmont Club in Hollidaysburg for their Wines of Italy sampling event - an extraordinary evening of wine, food and fun, all while supporting families in your community. A sommelier will share six specially selected and spectacular Italian wines, carefully paired with delicious appetizers. The event will feature three red wines and three white wines, so there will be something for everyone to enjoy. Tickets are \$50 per person, and all proceeds will go towards funding services for those in need in your community. Space is limited for this unique event. Tickets are available by calling (814) 944-9388 or can be purchased online at: <https://www.catholiccharitiesaj.org/>.

If you miss this special evening, Catholic Charities' next wine tasting event will be on March 14th at Amici's in Ebensburg, featuring Wines of Spain. Additional events are being planned for Johnstown and Centre County featuring wines from different parts of the world including France, Argentina, Portugal and Australia.

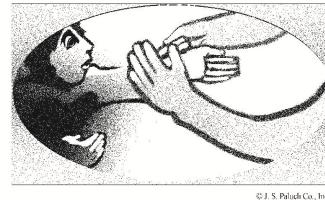
SCRIP TIP: Do you enjoy eating out? You could be earning the church between 4% and 15% of your dining out bill by using scrip. We have Applebee's, Arby's, Burger King, Chili's, Chipotle, Cracker Barrel, Danny's, The Dream, Dunkin Donuts, Eat N' Park, Hoss's/Marzoni's, Jethro's, Olive Garden/Longhorn, Outback, Panera Bread, Papa John's, Pizza Hut, Subway, Texas Roadhouse, Wendy's and Zach's in stock. Stop by the scrip table in the gathering space and pick up an order form.

MOUNT CARMEL FISH DINNER: Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner on March 6, 2019 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 PM. Serving at School Cafeteria on 8th Avenue. \$9.00 - BAKED OR FRIED FISH. Tickets sold in advance at the Parish Office, 806 11th Street. Take outs available.

Liturgical Reflection...

The primary and original reason for reservation of the Eucharist outside Mass is the administration of viaticum. The secondary ends are the giving of communion to the sick and the adoration of our Lord Jesus Christ present in the Sacrament. The reservation of the Sacrament for the sick lead to the praiseworthy practice of adoring the heavenly Food that is reserved in churches. This cult of adoration has a sound and firm foundation, especially since faith in the real presence of the Lord has as its natural consequence the outward, public manifestation of belief in the real presence of the Lord found in the consecrated elements. Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass, 1975, Number 5.

2019, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 South Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648



Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
February 3, 2019

Faith, hope, and love remain, these three;
but the greatest of these is love.

— *1 Corinthians 13:13*

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday February 3 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*
11:00AM-Mass for *Frances Brown* requested by
Kathleen Winter

Monday February 4 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Mrs. Helen Cordek* requested by
The Vizza Family

Tuesday February 5 - St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Carrie Lou Detwiler* requested by
Bill & Norma Foose

Wednesday February 6 - St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions
8:30AM-Mass for *Sylvia Santoni* requested by
Stanley J. Krish Funeral Home
6:45PM-Rosary

Thursday February 7 - Weekday

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

Friday February 8 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Joe Robeson*

Saturday February 9 - Vigil of Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00 PM - Confessions
4:00PM-Mass for *Margaret Dzimiera* requested by
Dr. & Mrs. Budd

Sunday February 10 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*
11:00AM-Mass for *Joan Brua* requested by
The Brua Children

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29





Don't give something up this Lent!

Do something!

*Become a part of an ARISE
small Christian community*

- small Christian Communities are 8—12 people
- who meet weekly for 90 minutes
- each person has a book grounded in Scripture and based on the spirituality of Lent/conversion

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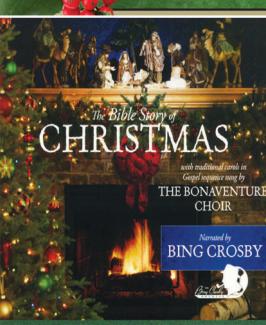
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