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SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday Evening

5:00 pm

Sundays

8:00 am

11:00 am

5:00 pm



DAILY MASS

Monday through Friday

7:00 am

12:05 pm

Saturday

8:00 am

CONFESSION

Saturday

3:00 pm — Cathedral

Thursday before First Friday

3:00 pm — Cathedral

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral Parish

Stand erect and raise your heads
because your redemption is at hand.



Sunday, November 13, ~ The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Malachi 3:19-20 / 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 / Luke 21:5-19

8:00 am: For the Intentions of the People of the Parish

11:00 am: Betty Antesberger, Anniversary (Jim Mirable)

5:00 pm: Charles Dadey (Valley Pike Manor)

Monday, November 14, ~ Weekday

Readings: Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5 / Luke 18:35-43

7:00 am: Margaret Heinlein, Birthday Remembrance (Mary & Becky)

12:05 pm: June Walker (Ray & Karen Walker)

Tuesday, November 15, ~ Weekday, Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22 / Luke 19:1-10

7:00 am: Merle Hinson (Linda & Stan Debias)

12:05 pm: Anna Eicher (James Blair)

Wednesday, November 16, ~ Weekday, Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin

Readings: Revelation 4:1-11 / Luke 19:11-28

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

12:05 pm: Helen Freiwald (Pat Cuthbert)

Thursday, November 17, ~ Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Readings: Revelation 5:1-10 / Luke 19:41-44

7:00 am: Harry "Huntz" Ernst (Ron & Carole Vogel)

12:05 pm: Joseph & Ronnie Kmetz (Kay Kmetz)

Friday, November 18, ~ The Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Readings: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31 / Matthew 14:22-33

7:00 am: Corita Huffman (Husband, Charles & Family)

12:05 pm: Peter Yanko (Sister, Betty Fetcik)

Saturday, November 19, ~ Weekday; BVM

Readings: Revelation 11:4-12 / Luke 20:27-40

8:00 am: Helen R. Huffman (Son, Charles E. Huffman & Family)

5:00 pm: Joe Voltz (Dave Pentrack)

Sunday, November 20, ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 / Colossians 1:12-20 / Luke 23:35-43

8:00 am: Anna Ritter (Grandsons)

11:00 am: Rich Newill (Irene & Kris Krishnamoorthy)

5:00 pm: For the Intentions of the People of the Parish

From Father Crookston...

Excerpts from Instruction on Handling Ashes After Cremation Following the most ancient Christian tradition, the church insistently recommends that the bodies of the deceased be buried in cemeteries or other sacred places. . .

In circumstances when cremation is chosen because of sanitary, economic or social considerations, this choice must never violate the explicitly stated or the reasonably inferable wishes of the deceased faithful. The church raises no doctrinal objections to this practice, since cremation of the deceased's body does not affect his or her soul nor does it prevent God in his omnipotence from raising up the deceased body to new life. Thus cremation, in and of itself, objectively negates neither the Christian doctrine of the soul's immortality nor that of the resurrection of the body. . .

The church continues to prefer the practice of burying the bodies of the deceased, because this shows a greater esteem toward the deceased. Nevertheless, cremation is not prohibited, "unless it was chosen for reasons contrary to Christian doctrine." . .

When, for legitimate motives, cremation of the body has been chosen, the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery or, in certain cases, in a church or an area that has been set aside for this purpose and so dedicated by the competent ecclesial authority. . .

The reservation of the ashes of the departed in a sacred place ensures that they are not excluded from the prayers and remembrance of their family or the Christian community. It prevents the faithful departed from being forgotten or their remains from being shown a lack of respect, which eventuality is possible most especially once the immediately subsequent generation has passed away too. Also it prevents any unfitting or superstitious practices.

For the reasons given above, the conservation of the ashes of the departed in a domestic residence is not permitted. Only in grave and exceptional cases dependent on cultural conditions of a localized nature, may the ordinary, in agreement with the episcopal conference or the synod of bishops of the Eastern churches, concede permission for the conservation of the ashes of the departed in a domestic residence. Nonetheless, the ashes may not be divided among various family members, and due respect must be maintained regarding the circumstances of such a conservation.

In order that every appearance of pantheism, naturalism or nihilism be avoided, it is not permitted to scatter the ashes of the faithful departed in the air, on land, at sea or in some other way, nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewelry or other objects. Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith Rome, Aug. 15, 2016

Prayers of Remembrance During November our faith community remembers all your named deceased family and friends at each Mass. Please use your All Souls envelope to list your beloved ones now "resting in the Lord." For the entire month, we have their names present at the main altar of the Cathedral.

Thanksgiving Offering Throughout November, we invite your offerings of nonperishable food and monetary gifts for local needy families. Continuing this weekend, we are distributing grocery bags with attached 'Needs List' that gives you specific ideas about needed items. You may return your grocery offerings to our "entranceway" needy bins on any November weekend. During the Thanksgiving Day Mass offertory, we ask that you to bring forward your Thanksgiving gift for the needy for placement before the altar. For a cash gift or check, please place either in your own envelop, mark it "Thanksgiving Day", and put it into the offering basket.

Our Cathedral parish gifts keep the downtown Johnstown food bank selves full throughout the month of December. Thank you for your generous out reach to our neighbors in need.

Advent Wreath Helpers Advent approaches us in three weekends. We invite volunteers to light the Advent wreath candles starting the last weekend of November. We welcome at least two Advent wreath helpers and especially enjoy seeing entire families bringing the light of Advent forward. One person carries a small candle to the Advent Wreath and another uses a taper to light the Advent wreath candles from the carried light. Other family members may accompany the candle and taper bearers. A sign up paper for each week is at both the Clinton Street and St. Anne Shrine entrance ways. You may also volunteer by contacting Fr. Jim at the rectory (536-0117). The procession to the wreath is a wonderful preparation for Christmas. Please volunteer now.

FROM OUR PARISH

Take an Angel Home with You - Angel Tree Ornaments will be available at all Masses Nov. 26/27 and Dec. 3/4. The tag that you take with you contains needed items and optional further suggestions for a child's gift and instructions for using the tag. The needed item(s) are required. You may add the suggested items. Please purchase and wrap gift. Be sure to attach the Tag to your gift bundle. The tag is the way we will match your gift bundle with intended child recipient. Return your gifts at any Mass the weekend of December 10/11.

Our Christian Life and service Committee sponsors this event and invites your participation. Please take time to make this Christmas special for a deserving child. The committee volunteers thank you in advance for your generous support. Look for them "hanging out with the angels" at the entrances to our cathedral.

The next meeting of the **St. Gualbert Book Club** will be Monday, November 21, 2016 at the Activity Center at 6:00 pm. Our selection is How Good Do We Have to Be? by Harold Kushner. It is a book that reveals how acceptance and forgiveness can change our relationships with the most important people in our lives, and help us to meet the bold and rewarding challenge of being human. The author shows we need not fear the loss of God's love when we are less than perfect as He knows we are human- He made us! This book is available at the local library and at any book store or online. It's a quick read so pick up a copy and join our discussion group. Everyone is invited.

Looking for more Audio Ministers. Particularly for Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass. If interested please drop a note in the collection basket with your name and a number where you can be reached or call the rectory.

Best Advent Ever A special Advent program is available on your computer. And it's free. Simply type in: dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever/ Each day of Advent will bring you something inspirational including: short videos, practical tips for Advent, and free Christmas music. This is for your own and your family's faith enrichment.

FROM OTHER PARISHES & COMMUNITY

The **Venue of Merging Arts (VOMA)** at 305 Chestnut St. is having a **homemade Soup and Pagach sale** on Saturday November 19th from 4pm - 7pm. Available for take-out will be Ham Pot Pie, Tomato Rice (Pizza Soup), Cheesy Corn and Ham & Bean soup ; \$3/bowl or \$6/quart. A generous slice of Pagach is \$3 and a variety of homemade baked goods will also be available. Proceeds benefit VOMA's Roof Fund.

"The **All Saints Parish Christmas Bazaar** is on Sat., Dec. 3, 9am-3pm, at **All Saints Parish Hall** on Center Street in Boswell, PA.---Crafts, Vendors, Raffles, Bake Sale--- Lunch served all day."

Resurrection Roman Catholic Church in conjunction with Chan Soon-Shiong Medical Center at Windber is holding a Community Blood Screening for \$30. The blood screening will be held on Saturday, December 10th, from 7-9 am at Resurrection Catholic Church Hall, 324 Chestnut Street, Johnstown. Please call 814-467-3961 to schedule an appointment. A 12-14-hour fast is recommended. Testing to be performed: CBC (Hematocrit, Hemoglobin, MCV, MPV, Platelets, RBC, WBC, Differential) Albumin, Alk. Phosphatase, Bilirubin, Direct & Total, BUN, Calcium, Chloride, Cholesterol, CO2, Creatinine, Free T4, GFR, GGT, Glucose, HDL, Iron, LDH, LDL, Phosphorus, Potassium, ALT, AST, Sodium, Total Protein, Triglyceride, TSH, Uric Acid. You do not need to be a patient of a Windber Physician to participate; patients of any physician are welcome. No physician order is needed! Walkins welcome. Additional Tests Offered: PSA - \$20, Hemoglobin A1C - \$20, and Vitamin D level - \$35

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food for Families is seeking donations of turkeys to be distributed to food pantries throughout Cambria County for Thanksgiving. Turkey and or cash donations can be dropped off at our FFF Warehouse at 945 Franklin Street, Johnstown, Monday through Friday from 8:30am -2:30pm.

Luke 21:5-19

So many conflicting voices and influences make parenting difficult. In today's gospel Jesus encourages parents to bravely "give testimony" and trust He will give us the "wisdom" to be good parents. You are not alone in parenting; a loving Father is standing with you.

We Need to be Thankful People

"We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven. We have been preserved, for many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.

Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to God that made us! It behooved us, then to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness."

April 30, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln's Proclamation for a National Day of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer.
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Liturgical Reflection... We are directed to think of the end of time, that day when God appears in power and majesty, completing the mission of Jesus Christ with justice and righteousness. How would you live today differently if you knew it was to be your last? This past Jubilee Year of Mercy invites all of us to state that mercy needs to be practiced in our lives. When Jesus comes again in all his glory, may we be mercifully judged as people who showed great mercy to the sisters and brothers. Compassion, love, forgiveness, gentleness, and kindness mark the believer in the name of the Lord. Mercy shared is showing the face of God to another.

**Significant Moments For Our Family
"A Prayer for our Ancestors"**

It is difficult to imagine, O God, the many persons who journeyed before us and now are with us in our minds and hearts. Their lives prepared the way for us. They endowed us with the gifts of personality, culture and religious belief. Their lives continue to shape our lives and the lives of those who will follow us. Enable each of us to relish and savor the precious gifts handed down to us through the generations. May our history remind us of your unending and unchangeable love for each of us. Amen.



Revisiting the family tree brings memories to mind!

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COLLECTION: November 6, 2016

Collection - cash	\$900.30
Collection - envelopes	\$5,022.30
Second collection	\$258.00
Mission Sunday	\$20.00
Maintenance	\$849.00
Thanksgiving Day - cash	\$31.00
Thanksgiving Day - envelopes	\$45.00
Rosary/Altar Society	\$6.00
Catholic Charities	\$46.00
All Souls	\$127.00
All Saints	\$104.00
Archdiocese Military Services	\$10.00

Total \$7,418.30

Thank you for your Stewardship!

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, CCA Gift Cards and Audio Operators November 19-20

Saturday, November 19, 5:00 PM

Reader: Heather Jezeskie, Karen Pavlosky
 Eucharistic Minister: Elizabeth Gramlich, Russ Gramlich, Betty King, Patricia Loughlin, Terry Rhoades
 Server: Keara Brandon, Thomas Meagher
 Audio Operator: Ronnie Jezeskie

Sunday, November 20, 8:00 AM

Reader: Carolyn Concannon, Rachael Hall
 Eucharistic Minister: Jodie Hall, Anthony Kamnikar, Susan Kamnikar, Irene Ott, Rich Ott
 Server: Jakob Scaletta, Madalyn Scaletta
 CCA Gift Card: Carri Hearn, Nicole Scaletta
 Audio Operator: Need a volunteer

Sunday, November 20, 11:00 AM

Reader: Dave Harteis, Beth Stem
 Eucharistic Minister: Esperanza Bair, James Hollis, Dolores Podratsky, Gene Podratsky, Maryann Yanko
 Server: Levi Giffin, Zachary King
 CCA Gift Card: Brian King, Nichol Popovich
 Audio Operator: Ray Ritter

Sunday, November 20, 5:00 PM

Reader: Charlotte Amenti, Michael Stuck
 Eucharistic Minister: Louise Aust, Vi Najjar, Pat Roth, James Sandoval, Justin Zierer
 Server: Namita Gallo, Eli Updyke
 CCA Gift Card: Nikkita Babyak, need one volunteer
 Audio Operator: Mattie Updyke

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"Mature disciples make a conscious, firm decision, carried out in action, to be followers of Jesus Christ no matter the cost to themselves." (Stewardship: A Disciple's Response, USCCB)

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