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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 FirstFriday

3:00 pm - Cathedral

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral Parish

You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church
and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.



Sunday, August 27, - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 22:19-23 / Romans 11:33-36 / Matthew 16:13-20

8:00 am: Mary Jeschonek, Birthday Remembrance (Diane & Mike Mitchell)

11:00 am: Mary Ann Prestipino (Larry & Nancy Hauger)

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

Monday, August 28, - Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8-10 / Matthew 23:13-22

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

12:05 pm: Jack Sherlock (David & Susan Spenik)

Tuesday, August 29, - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 / Mark 6:17-29

7:00 am: Robert Crookston (Rita Mayercsik)

12:05 pm: Helen I. Tessari (Friends)

Wednesday, August 30, - Weekday

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 / Matthew 23:27-32

7:00 am: Edward C. Rager, Anniversary (Wife, Dolores & Children)

12:05 pm: Catherine Frear, Birthday Remembrance (Children)

Thursday, August 31, - Weekday

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 / Matthew 24:42-51

7:00 am: Bridges & Kysel Families (Deborah Clark)

12:05 pm: Marie Werner (Laporta Family)

Friday, September 1, - Weekday

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 / Matthew 25:1-13

7:00 am: Stephen J. Molnar (Wife & Children)

12:05 pm: Roger Stoy (Joanne Stoy)

Saturday, September 2, - Weekday, BVM

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11 / Matthew 25:14-30

8:00 am: Rick Hanson (Maria Demarco & Agnes Eppolito)

5:00 pm: Joe Leis (Michael Pozniak)

Sunday, September 3, - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jeremiah 20:7-9 / Romans 12:1-2 / Matthew 16:21-27

8:00 am: John J. Burgo, Anniversary (Denny & Pat Heptner)

11:00 am: Fred Prieto (Murillo Family)

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

From Father Crookston . . .

Interested in Becoming Catholic? This Sunday morning (August 27) and again on Sunday, September 10, at 9:15 our parish's process of Christian Initiation will start for persons interested in becoming Catholic. Our inquiry team greets children and adults interested in our faith. Already five adults – two women and three men – have expressed keen interest in becoming Catholic. If you thought that you would join the Catholic Church when you had "company"; now is the time that the Holy Spirit has made available to you. All interested persons should come to the Saint John Activity Center, corner of Adams and Railroad Streets.

2017 Catholic Ministries Drive surges pass target. We are \$7,536 over our target! Thanks to the one hundred eighty-three parish households that have made financial gifts to support our Catholic Ministers with your prayers. Special blessings also to all who continue to include in your prayer the ministries that nurture, form, and care for our brothers and sisters.

The bonus for your generosity is that our over-the-goal gifts stay totally with the parish. One hundred percent of all future gifts given this year to the Catholic Ministries Drive will address the replacement of crumbling limestone on the front plaza of the Cathedral. We expect to learn the costs soon and plan to schedule the repair this autumn.

Flush Fund Continuing until the completion of the downtown sewer project, the undedicated weekend second collections will be for the Cathedral Flush Fund. Our Cathedral Finance Council has unanimously agreed to set aside all undedicated second collections for sewer-associated costs for the Activity Center, Rectory, and Cathedral. Many parishioners have set aside funds in their household budget for the sewer project; we also have created the Cathedral Flush Fund. We also welcome parishioners who are interested in making a significant donation to this fund to contact either Fr. Jim or Denny Heptner at the rectory (536-0117).

Parish Picnic Appreciation Sunny weather greeted delighted picnic goers who enjoyed a fun afternoon and wonderful, delicious summer meals this past Sunday afternoon. Bright, smiling appreciation to our Service Group coordinated by Janet Swanhart, members of the Christian Life and Service Committee and DJ Lou Aust for making our picnic a special treat for all.

INVITATION: Are you interested in the chance to share your faith with others in an informal small group setting? We invite you to join us for the upcoming adult enrichment series "Why Catholic" – our first set of faith sharing is titled *Christian Prayer*. In six autumn sessions, we will use Scripture and the Catholic Catechism as tools to learn more about what it means to be Catholic and the importance of prayer in the daily living of our faith. The introduction to the series will be **Tuesday, August 29** (Change of weekday to Tuesday evenings) at 6 PM at the St. John Activity Center. Costs for the participant book is \$20.

Backpacks for Mandeville School Children This Sunday we are drawing to a close our gather of backpacks (\$7-\$10 value) for the children attending the schools that the Diocese of Mandeville sponsor. To date, we have received nearly one hundred brightly colored backpacks. Thank you.

St John & St Joseph Cemeteries Our purpose is the devoted, reverent and compassionate service to the deceased and the bereaved. We uphold Catholic values and traditions offering hope and consolation in our shared belief in the Resurrection. We believe that even in death, the human body deserves to be treated with respect and dignity.

Christian burial in the hallowed ground of our Parish Cemeteries represents a blessed home of sacred respite commemorating life's journey. As dedicated and experienced servants to the Catholic Community, we are privileged to be of support during the difficult time of loss and mourning. Contact Denny Heptner (536-0117), our cemetery manager, to inquire about pre-need arrangements.

FROM OUR PARISH

RCIA Announcement - Our Parish is beginning a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. **This Sunday August 27th** we invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and to be introduced to some of our Parish members. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the church. These gatherings are for inquirers, there is no commitment associated with inquiring. Again, the first session is **this Sunday, August 27th** at 9:15am in the Activity Center.

Religious Education Classes for public school students will begin on Sunday, September 17th. Classes for Preschool through Grade 11 will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:45 to 10:45 in St. Clare of Assisi School at 110 Maple Ave. Schedules will be mailed out to all Families who had families attending last year. New students may register by calling Mrs. Joan Cammarata at 288-5807

FROM OTHER PARISHES & THE COMMUNITY

On September 4th, **St. Rochus CFU Lodge 5** will once again play host to the CFU Cultural Tour. We are extremely pleased this year to welcome the artistry, musicianship and vocals of **the Tamburitza Band, Sarmeri**, of Zagreb, Croatia along with vocalist Vlatka Kopic "Tena". The concert will start at 5 PM in the upstairs ballroom of the Croatian Hall, 610 Broad St., Cambria City. Admission is \$5. Everyone is welcome.

It's Fish Fry time! **St. Francis of Assisi** will sponsor a Fish Fry on Friday, September 8 from 11:00AM until 6:00PM at the Activity Center, corner of D Street and Barron Avenue. Take outs available by calling 539-3518. No phone orders will be taken after 5:00PM. There will also be a bake sale in conjunction with the Fish Fry.

The St. Vincent DePaul Society Family Kitchen will be holding a chicken BBQ and bake sale on Sunday, September 17, 2017 from 11am to 3pm at Bishop McCort High School, 25 Osborne Street, Johnstown, PA. Tickets are \$10 and include ½ bbq chicken, macaroni and cheese, vegetable, cole slaw, role/butter. Take outs available. For tickets please contact Greg at the Family Kitchen 539-7811 or Georgia at 242-2083. We are also looking for individuals who are willing to bake items for our bake sale. If anyone is interested in supporting the bake sale, please contact Greg or Georgia and let them know. If you would be interested in volunteering for this event or helping at the family kitchen again please contact Greg or Georgia. The Family Kitchen opened in 1994 and is open daily and services nearly 200 lunch meals year round. The proceeds from this fund raiser will help to meet the needs of those individuals we serve.

The Friar's Nook Gift Shop, St. Bernadine Monastery, 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg, 16648 is having a **Yard Sale** Saturday, September 16th from 10:00am – 4:00pm. Items include: Books, DVDs, CDs, Clothing, Teaching Materials, Church Supplies, Gifts and much more! Refreshments available for purchase. Rain or shine! Follow the signs at the intersection of Route 36 and Monastery Road. www.TheFranciscanFriars.org 814-695-3802

Cambria/Somerset Healing Prayer Services Sacred/Simple/Serene this fall on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 6:30pm beginning September 18th at the First Presbyterian Church, 1101 Somerset Avenue, Windber, Pa 15963. Come as you are. You may ask for prayers for yourself, others, a specific issue, an institution, or simply say, "The Lord knows what it is." If you have any questions please call 814-536-8141.

Mercy Hospital Reunion - Friday, September 22, 2017, 6:00pm at the Holiday Inn, Downtown Johnstown. The cost is \$26. Please RSVP to C. Vogel (814) 255-4641 by August 30 (no regrets). Mail to: C. Vogel, 100 Gurth Lane, Johnstown, PA 15905.

Resurrection Roman Catholic Church in conjunction with Chan Soon-Shiong Medical Center at Windber is holding a Community Lab Blood Screening, Saturday, September 23, 7-9 am – Resurrection Catholic Church Hall, 324 Chestnut Street. Please call 814-467-3961 to schedule an appointment. Cost \$30. A 12-to-14 hour fast is recommended. You do not need to be a patient of a Windber Physician to participate; patients of any physician are welcome. No Physician order needed! Walk-ins Welcome

Penny Pie Social at St. Anne's Church Hall, Woodland Ave., Moxham, Sunday, October 8th from 1pm to 4pm. Admission \$1.25.

Families and the Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20 – Jesus put Peter in charge of the Church and expected him to be a leader even though he was imperfect. Every parent is imperfect but Jesus expects us to lead our family despite our personal faults. Imperfection is not an excuse to neglect our role. It is our challenge.

Liturgical Reflection... Following the blessing and giving of the rings, a hymn or canticle of praise may be sung by the whole community. The Celebration of Matrimony concludes with the Universal Prayer. The ritual offers two options. In the absence of the deacon, the couple may choose someone to pray these intercessions. Also, the couple may create their own intercessions along with the suggested petitions in the rite. Perhaps there are family members or friends who are sick or in the military, or any need that invites prayer could be added to the Universal Prayer. The priest gives the invitation to prayer and prayers the closing to the General Intercessions. Order of Celebrating Matrimony, Numbers 69, 103A, 135, and 216-217.

COLLECTION: August 20, 2017

Collection – cash	\$993.66
Collection – envelope	\$3,118.50
Flush Fund	\$384.11
Maintenance	\$14.00
Assumption	\$131.00

Total \$4,641.27

Thank you for your Stewardship

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers,
CCA Gift Cards and Audio Operators, September 2-4**

Saturday, September 2, 5:00 PM

Reader: Heather Jezeskie, Dixie Lochrie
Eucharistic Minister: Russ Gramlich, Elizabeth Gramlich,
 Amy Oliveros, Elizabeth King, Betty King
Server: Ron Jezeskie, Thomas Meagher
Audio Operator: Ronnie Jezeskie

Sunday, September 3, 8:00 AM

Reader: Gloria Stephens, Fred Oliveros
Eucharistic Minister: Irene Ott, Rich Ott,
 Gene Podratsky, Valerie Wilson, Carmen Grasso
Server: Sam Grasso, Keara Brandon
Gift Card: Todd Freidhoff
Audio Operator: Patrick McClain

Sunday, September 3, 11:00 AM

Reader: Mary Jane Verbiar, Rachel Hall
Eucharistic Minister: Russ Smith, Jodie Hall,
 Esperanza Bair, James Hollis, need one volunteer
Server: Zachary King, Levi Giffin
Gift Card: Brian King
Audio Operator: Tracy Smith

Sunday, September 3, 5:00 PM

Reader: Christine Brothers, Michael Stuck
Eucharistic Minister: Patricia Loughlin, Justin Zierer,
 Pat Roth, Louise Aust, Charlotte Amenti
Server: Vi Najjar, Andrew Zierer
Audio Operator: Monica Updyke

Monday, September 4, 9:00 AM

Reader: David Wilson, Mary Jane Verbiar
Eucharistic Minister: Carmen Grasso, Sam Grasso
Server: John Werzyn, Vi Najjar
Audio Operator: Need one volunteer

A Blue Mass: honoring first responders for their service at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 at St John Gualbert Cathedral, Johnstown. This event is open to all police, law enforcement, public safety, firefighters, and EMTs and their families.

The Blue Mass celebration will be open to the general public and honors those who serve our community in a most outstanding way as first responders.

Anyone wishing to attend, plus those seeking further information, can contact (814) 659-6240 or evvanz@hotmail.com



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*As each one has received a gift,
 use it to serve one another as good stewards
 of God's varied grace.
 1 Peter 4:10*

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