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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

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;  
I know them, and they follow me.



### Sunday, October 1, - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Ezekiel 18:25-28 / Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 / Matthew 21:28-32

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

11:00 am: Roger Stoy (Joanne Stoy)

5:00 pm: Anna Keggs (William & Marye Timmons)

### Monday, October 2, - The Holy Guardian Angels

Readings: Zechariah 8:1-8 / Matthew 18:1-5, 10

7:00 am: Francis Slaventa (Ray & Cindy)

12:05 pm: Deceased Members of Conemaugh Polish Band

### Tuesday, October 3, - Weekday

Readings: Zechariah 8:20-23 / Luke 9:51-56

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

12:05 pm: Jack Sherlock (Dee Crownover)

### Wednesday, October 4, - Saint Francis of Assisi

Readings: Nehemiah 2:1-8 / Luke 9:57-62

7:00 am: Shirley Matten (Matten Family)

12:05 pm: Edward Moskal (Betty Sterle)

### Thursday, October 5, - Weekday, Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Readings: Nehemiah 8:1-12 / Luke 10:1-12

7:00 am: Leo W. Klug, Jr., Birthday Remembrance (Denny & Pat Heptner)

12:05 pm: Mary Spenger (Mary Spenger Estate)

### Friday, October 6, - Weekday, Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Readings: Baruch 1:15-22 / Luke 10:13-16

7:00 am: Rev. Kenneth & Irma Hersey (Steve Stanislawczyk)

12:05 pm: Cecilia Johns (Carmen Schellhammer)

### Saturday, October 7, - Our Lady of the Rosary

Readings: Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29 / Luke 10:17-24

8:00 am: Joseph A. Carona (Ron & Ginny Mizck)

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

### Sunday, October 8, - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 5:1-7 / Philippians 4:6-9 / Matthew 21:33-43

8:00 am: Peter Yanko (Dick & Janet Grady)

11:00 am: Bernadine Brady, 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Jack Brady & Family)

5:00 pm: George Najjar (Wife, Children & Grandchildren)

From Father Crookston . . .

**Puerto Rico & Earthquake Relief-Second Collection -- Memo from Bishop Mark:** "It was barely a month ago when I asked for assistance for the more than 12 million people who were impacted by Hurricane Harvey in the Gulf Coast region of our country, from Corpus Christi, Texas to New Orleans, Louisiana. The generous response from the people of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown exceeded expectations. Please tell the people in our parishes that I am most grateful for this important work of mercy.

"Today I saw on the morning news, a handmade S.O.S. sign in Puerto Rico which read: *Necesitamos agua y comida!* which means, "We need water and food! Those are necessities, and it is estimated that it will take months to restore essential services such as clean water, and electricity. Even telephones are not working.

"All of us have also heard of the devastating earthquake in Mexico where the painstaking search of collapsed buildings continues. In addition to the reported loss of human life, so many others are now homeless and in need.

"So once again, I am urging all the people our Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown to pray for those affected by these storms and earthquakes. Moreover, I am asking that everyone offer financial support. A SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR DISASTER RELIEF is to be taken up at every parish, church, and chapel in our diocese as soon as possible.

"Thank you for your response to this timely request, and know that you are in my prayers."

**Our second collection this weekend will go to Catholic Charities USA, which is already assisting in the affected areas.** Already parishioners and visitors to the Cathedral have given funds in keen anticipation of offering our much-needed help. If you want to make an offering through the week or next weekend, please place it in an envelope and mark it "Disaster Relief." Please pray for those who are suffering from these tragic circumstances.

**Respect Life Sunday:** When battered by life's storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances. With words that echo through thousands of years into the corners of our hearts, the Lord says to us, "Do not fear: I am with you" (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. Moreover, the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: God loves us.

Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new. He is always with us. Jesus promised this when he gave the disciples the same mission he gives to each of us: *Go. Go be my hands and feet to a world enslaved by fear. Go to the woman who is unexpectedly pregnant and fears the future. Go to your friend who fears reprisal at work because he takes a stand for the protection of human life. Go to your aging parent in failing health who fears to be a burden. And go to others, too, for their support.* We do not need to have everything figured out. We can simply follow the guidance of Our Blessed Mother, the first disciple: "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5). Walk with each other. Do not be afraid to embrace God's gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us. "*Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age*" (Matthew 28:20).

**Our Delicious Roast Beef Dinner** is Sunday, October 8, at the Activity Center at the corner of Adams and Railroad Streets. Serving of our Roast Beef Dinner with Salad Bar starts at 11 AM and continues until 2 PM. Adults: \$10.50; Children (5-10): \$6.00; Children (under 5): free. We mailed tickets for our annual cash giveaway this past week along with a reminder of the dinner. If you did not receive cash giveaway tickets, you might either stop by the rectory or purchase chances at the Roast Beef Dinner. Thank you in advance for your patronage.

**Great Sweets Requested:** Calling all you good bakers, we welcome your cakes for the Roast Beef Dinner. Please bring your sweet treats to the Activity Center on October 8.

**Birth Right Basket Party:** We invite you to Ace's on Chestnut Street, Cambria City, on Sunday, October 15, at 11:00 with the drawing at 1:00 PM. For your \$10 donation, you will receive twenty-five basket chances and a spaghetti dinner. Proceeds benefit Birthright's pro-life work. Please contact Mary Kay @ 535-8231 for tickets.

## FROM OUR PARISH

**Religious Education Rosary:** The faculty and students of our Religious Education Program will pray an outdoor rosary on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> in the parking lot of St. Clare of Assisi Church. Faculty and students will form the rosary along with any parishioners from both St. Clare and St. John Gualbert parishes. This is a wonderful way to honor our Blessed Mother during the month of October. Please come and join this special praying of the rosary.

**Notice from the Cemetery Office:** Owners of plots in either the St. Joseph or St. John Gualbert Cathedral Cemeteries are asked to remove any and all decorations and floral arrangements by Sunday, October 15, 2017. This will aid the cemetery caretaker in preparing the cemeteries for the winter season. Thank you for your cooperation

**Save the Date:** October 8<sup>th</sup> is the Parish Roast Beef Dinner! From 11am to 2pm.

## FROM OTHER PARISHES & THE COMMUNITY

**Choir Event** – Franciscan University of Steubenville's college choir, *The Schola Cantorum Franciscana*, will be visiting our area the weekend of October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. The *Schola* will be singing for the 6:00pm Mass on Saturday Oct. 7 at St. John the Baptist Church in New Baltimore and the 10:30am Mass at Queen of the Angels Parish in Central City (St. John site). All are welcome to attend.

**St. Francis of Assisi will sponsor a Fish Fry on Friday,** October 13 from 11:00AM until 6:00PM at the Activity Center, corner of D Street and Barron Avenue. Take outs are available by calling 539-3518. No phone orders will be taken after 5:00PM. There will also be a Gob and Bake Sale at the Fish Fry.

**CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION FISH FRY DINNER - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2017,** The Church of the Transfiguration will be having a Fish Fry Dinner on Friday, October 13, 2017 from 3:30PM to 6:30PM at the Church Hall, 201 Third St. Conemaugh, PA. Come join us for a nice meal. Take-outs are available by calling the Church Hall at 535-2698.

**Our Lady of Fatima Public Outdoor Rosary for Peace & Preparation** - America Needs Fatima Rosary for Peace 100th Year Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Saturday, October 14th – Noon, St. Clement Church Parking Lot Goucher Street, Upper Yoder Bring a friend and a chair, Brief program. Rain or shine. We ask Our Blessed Mother to intercede for us as we pray for peace in our families, country and world.

**OKTOBERFEST** – St. Therese Church, 536 Decker Avenue will host its Annual Oktoberfest on Saturday, Oct 14th from 4:00 – 8:30PM and Sunday, Oct 15th from 11:00AM – 4:30PM. Join us for delicious Ethnic food including KOLBASSI, HALUSKI, GERMAN POTATO SALAD, PIGS, PIROGHI, LAMB, APPLE STRUDEL, APPLE DUMPLINGS, HOME MADE PIES, BEVERAGES and MUCH MORE! Saturday there will be a Large Wheel Raffle (5:30-8PM), instant bingo, 50/50, theme basket raffle. Music by the Rhythm Masters on Sunday from 1-4, and from 2-2:30PM a performance by Jacqueline's Dance Studio. Drawing for the Basket raffle will be at 4PM Sunday. Everyone is welcome!! Hope to see you there!!!

**The Joy of the Gospel** is the theme of a special celebration to be hosted by Bishop Mark Bartchak and the vocations Endowment Committee. The affair will be held at St. Michael the Archangel Basilica in Loretto, PA on October 8<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with Columbus Day. Bishop Bartchak will celebrate the Mass. Immediately following Mass, a dinner will be served in the Community Hall. Knights, along with their family members and all parishioners are invited to this social celebration. The cost of the diner is \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for children 12 years old and younger. Reservations must be made in advance! No money transactions will be made at the door the evening of the banquet. Those wishing to attend should submit their names along with a check to: William Stasko, CPA, 8 Entrance Drive, Johnstown, PA 15905.

**Basket Party, St. Patrick's Church,** 625 Park Ave., Johnstown to be held Sunday, Oct. 22, from 1 – 4 pm. Doors open at noon. Themed Baskets, vendor sales, lottery tickets, 50/50, door prizes and our delicious luncheon. Tickets: \$8 – includes 25 chances. For more information call (814)539-2186.

**Liturgical Reflection...** The sign of peace follows the Nuptial Blessing. This sign expresses peace and charity; the exchange should be confined as it is not the reception line. The Church encourages the reception of Holy Communion under both kinds at Mass celebrating Matrimony. Both the consecrated Bread and Wine can be offered to the bride and bridegroom, their parents, witnesses, relatives and friends who have gathered at this Mass. Formally commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can help with the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ in the absence of priests and deacons, perhaps family members who assist with the distribution of Holy Communion at their parish.

*Order of Celebrating Matrimony, Numbers 75 and 76*

### **Families and the Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32**

In today's gospel Jesus asked, "What is your opinion?" Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact? An opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel comfortable doing something. Don't argue over or become divided by "your opinion."

**COLLECTION: September 24, 2017**

Collection – cash	\$911.26
Collection – envelope	\$3,534.43
Hurricane Harvey Relief	\$130.00
Assumption	\$10.00
Maintenance	\$15.00
Catholic Register	\$91.00
Holy Cross	\$117.00
Retired Priest's Medical - cash	\$320.05
Retired Priest's Medical - envelopes	\$816.25

Total \$5,944.99

Thank you for your Stewardship

**Family Marian Celebration - Mass and Rosary...will be held this Sunday, October 1st at 3:00pm, at St. Benedict's Church, 2310 Bedford St., Johnstown, PA.**

The theme for this year's celebration is "Observation of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima, Portugal". This year, 2017, marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to three shepherd children in Fatima from May to October 1917. The message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance of sin, prayer (especially the rosary) and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Bishop Mark Bartchak will be the principal celebrant and will give the homily.

Please join Bishop Mark, along with the clergy, children, and religious organizations in honoring our Blessed Mother.

This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, CCA Gift Cards and Audio Operators, Oct 7-8**

**Saturday, October 7, 5:00 PM**

**Reader:** Karen Pavlosky, Rose Batzel  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Patricia Loughlin, Betty King, Elizabeth King, Terry Rhoades, Elizabeth Rhoades

**Server:** Jason Harris, Keara Brandon

**Audio Operator:** Michael Stoskey

**Sunday, October 8, 8:00 AM**

**Reader:** Carolyn Concannon, Heather Jezeskie  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Valerie Wilson, Carmen Grasso, Sam Grasso, Peter T. Yanko, Rose Ann Schellhammer

**Server:** Carlie Jezeskie, Ronnie Jezeskie

**Gift Card:** Neil Leckey

**Audio Operator:** Ron Jezeskie

**Sunday, October 8, 11:00 AM**

**Reader:** Terry Johnson, Beth Stern  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Esperanza Bair, James Hollis, Gene Podratsky, Jodie Hall, need a volunteer

**Server:** Zachary King, Addison King

**Gift Card:** Brian King

**Audio Operator:** Need a volunteer

**Sunday, October 8, 5:00 PM**

**Reader:** Vi Najjar, Michael Stuck  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Justin Zierer, Pat Roth, Charlotte Amenti, Louise Aust, need a volunteer

**Server:** Brent Zierer, Andrew Zierer

**Audio Operator:** Monica Updyke

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