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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

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
so that we may know what is the hope
that belongs to our call.



Sunday, October 15, - Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 25:6-10 / Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 / Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

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

11:00 am: Helen I. Tessari (Friends)

5:00 pm: John "Butch" McInchok (Joanne & Andy Regam)

Monday, October 16, - Weekday, Saint Hedwig, Religious;

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Readings: Romans 1:1-7 / Luke 11:29-32

7:00 am: Nicholas Marovic (Mary Ellen Herdman)

12:05 pm: Linda Herdman, Anniversary 10/18 (Dolly Herdman)

Tuesday, October 17, - Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Readings: Romans 1:16-25 / Luke 11:37-41

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

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

Wednesday, October 18, - Saint Luke, Evangelist

Readings: 2 Timothy 4:10-17 / Luke 10:1-9

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

12:05 pm: Margaret Pavlick (Niece, Kelly Leech)

Thursday, October 19, - Saint John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests

Readings: Romans 3:21-30 / Luke 11:47-54

7:00 am: Leo W. Klug, Jr. (Mary A. Spenger)

12:05 pm: Chuck & Dorothy Ellis (David Ellis and Carol & Paul Harnish)

Friday, October 20, - Weekday, Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest

Readings: Romans 4:1-8 / Luke 12:1-7

7:00 am: Frank Trio (Mr. & Mrs. Ray Ritter)

12:05 pm: Roger Stoy (Michael & Mary King)

Saturday, October 21, - Weekday, BVM

Readings: Romans 4:13, 16-18 / Luke 12:8-12

8:00 am: Irene E. Plummer (Mary Kay Pcola)

5:00 pm: Charles Schuster, Sr., Birthday Remembrance
(Wife, Mary & Mark & Linda)

Sunday, October 22, - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 / 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 / Matthew 22:15-21

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

11:00 am: For the Intentions of the Television Ministry

5:00 pm: Eileen Wehner (Robert & Colleen Wehner)

From Father Crookston . . .

Confirmation Blessing Our ninth-grade candidates for confirmation, joined by their sponsors, families, and those gathered for next Sunday's 11:00 Mass, celebrated the Rite of Blessing. These young people seek to deepen their Christian commitment as they continue to respond the call of Christ first received at Baptism. The candidates are Kiera Brandon, Lorenzo Favor, Nathan Gates, Asher Giffin, Carlie Jezeskie, Jayden Leckey, Nolan Mock (tenth-grade candidate), Jordan Page, Lauren Sprincz, and Brent Zierer. Please continue to pray for these young people that they receive the Holy Spirit and more fully embrace discipleship with our Lord.

Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing No summary can substitute for thorough catechesis, but some general principles are clear. God entrusts us with the gift of life, and in response, we care for our lives and health in obedience and gratitude to our Creator. This obliges us to make use of appropriate, effective medical care. However, even effective treatments may at times impose such a great burden that we, in good conscience, may forgo or discontinue them. This applies even to life-sustaining treatments. Of course, nothing should be done or deliberately omitted to hasten death.

The Church affirms the inviolable dignity of every person, regardless of the duration or extent of the person's incapacity or dependency. Nothing diminishes the unchangeable dignity and sanctity of a person's life, or the obligation to protect and care for it. In principle, assisted feeding and hydration should be provided unless it cannot sustain life or is unduly burdensome to the patient, or if death is imminent whether it is provided or not. Moreover, no one should choose suicide, nor counsel or assist another to take his or her own life.

Judging the effect and burden of treatments can be difficult, especially as death draws near. To understand health facts and treatment options, we need professional medical advice. To understand Catholic moral teaching, we need to consult Church teaching and those who can faithfully explain it. After informing our consciences, we need to inform our families. If we are unable to make decisions, they most often have the legal authority to make surrogate decisions on our behalf. Or we may designate a health care agent by a durable power of attorney. Though it is often helpful to also have written, signed documentation, no living will "checkbox" can ever replace clear conversations about our faith-guided principles. The best option is to choose an agent who will make medical decisions on our behalf in accord with our Catholic faith and Church teaching. We should also inform family of our pastoral care preferences, and make clear that after death, we desire prayer, funeral rites, and Christian burial.

Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life. We need not fear. Christ is with us. (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

Tea Sets Donated or Loaned Our Cathedral Christian Life & Service Committee will host a High Tea on May 20, 2018, to benefit the Assumption Sisters of Nairobi that serve at our sister parish of Saint Croix. Three members of the Kenyan community of religious sisters have visited us: Sister Patricia Kinaro, Sister Agnes Mwongela, and Sister Hellen Kisolo. We invited your donation or loan of tea sets or individual items (pots, cups, saucers, sugars, and creamers) that we will have an elegant High Tea. Contact Pat Loughlin (255-8915) or drop your tea set items off at the rectory. You may help by purchasing teacups and saucers at the Richland Goodwill and donate them. We much appreciate all donations. Many Thanks!

FROM OUR PARISH

Roast Beef Dinner Raffle Ticket Winners:

1st Prize	Melvin Kemp, Jr	\$300.00
2nd Prize	Nancy Oleksa	\$200.00
3rd Prize	Keith Santee	\$100.00
4th Prize	Anthony Kamnikar	\$100.00

Thank you St. John Gualbert parish family for your generous financial and material **support of Birthright's pro life mission.** Together, we will continue to encourage pregnant women in need to choose life and avoid abortion. Your gifts of diapers, diaper cream, baby wash & wipes will be gratefully received by the many pregnant women and new moms who call Birthright for help in times of distress.

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

FROM OTHER PARISHES & THE COMMUNITY

In celebration of Polish Heritage Month, the **Polish Heritage Choir is sponsoring its annual Pulaski Day Mass** on Saturday, October 21, 2017, at 4:00 PM at St Francis of Assisi Church, Barron Avenue, Johnstown, PA. A Polish Mass and Hymns will be sung. Call 536-7209 for more information.

The **Church of the Transfiguration** will be having a **Spaghetti Drive-By Dinner** on Sunday, October 22, 2017 from 11:00AM to 1:30PM at the School Hall, 201 Third St. Conemaugh. The meal includes: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Tossed Salad, and Dinner Roll & Dessert

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.

There will be a **Healing Mass** on Monday, October 23, 2017, at 7 pm, at the **Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament.** Fr. Bill Kiel, from the Diocese of Greensburg, will be the main celebrant. All are welcome, especially those in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual healing, and those who support and care for them as well. Music for the Mass will be led by the Cathedral Charismatic Prayer Group Music Ministry. For more info, please call 814-941-3832.

Saint Francis University in Loretto, PA is hosting "Saints Tour 2017: Saints of Local Interest" on Oct. 27 and 28. Entertainment, education, local history, and a bit of Halloween spookiness – this event has it all! Tours will depart from the office of Campus Ministry every 20 minutes from 6 pm – 10pm and last approximately 1 hour. Please note that it is not handicap accessible. Cost is \$9 per adult and \$7 per student. Proceeds will be donated to the SFU Dorothy Day Outreach Center. Please dress for the weather, as tours continue rain or shine. Bring a nonperishable item in exchange for a free drink (coffee, hot chocolate, soda). Hot food is available for purchase. For more information please contact marielink@verizon.nt or call the SFU Dorothy Day Outreach Center at 814-472-3347.

The **West End Improvement Group** is hosting a **Basket Party** on October 29th at St Therese social hall, Decker Avenue. Doors open at 11:30. Basket drawing begins at 1:00. Tickets are \$8.00 which includes 25 basket tickets and lunch. Tickets can be purchased at the door.- call 322-5558 or 248-8989 for more information. We are also accepting basket donations or items/gift certificates that can be used in a basket. Proceeds benefit ongoing neighborhood surveillance cameras, community garden, flowers & events. Thank you.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Presents Black Tie Bingo, Thursday, November 9th, Ace's, 316 Chestnut Street, Johnstown, PA, 15906. All proceeds will support the Martha and Mary House Emergency Shelter Program, who have lifted more than 200 Cambria County residents out of homelessness, setting them on a path to steady employment, permanent housing and a brighter future. What to wear: We know it says Black tie, but this is a fun night to raise money for an incredible program and resource so let's loosen up and be creative. Wear black tie in any fashion you'd like. Traditional ties, black ribbon bracelets or hair ties, black bows on dresses and shirts. If it ties and it's black you're all set. Ticket pricing: \$30 for an individual; \$50 for a couple. Admission includes appetizers, soft drinks and one bingo card per person, per game in your party. Additional bingo cards for each game will be available for purchase at the event. Cash Bar. To RSVP, please contact by email jharshberger@dioceseai.org or call (814)944-9388.

Resurrection Parish Ladies Auxiliary will be sponsoring a **Basket Party** on Sunday, November 12, 2017. Location: Christ the Savior Reception Hall, 207 Garfield Street, Johnstown, PA 15906. Doors open at 12:30pm. Cost \$10 which includes lunch, 25 chances and eligibility for door prizes. For tickets call the Resurrection Parish Office at 539-5788, Ext. #3 and ask for Joann.

Stewardship is opening our hearts, hands, and schedule to others. Being available and willing to listen and give our time and love to others, also show our willingness to prepare other to join in the feast in God's Kingdom.

COLLECTION: October 8, 2017

Collection – cash	\$1,069.85
Collection – envelope	\$4,294.70
Disaster Relief	\$790.00
Flush Fund	\$945.89
Maintenance	\$270.00
Catholic Register	\$73.00
Assumption	\$26.00
Rosary/Altar	\$53.00
Retired Priest's Medical – envelopes	\$86.00
Mission Sunday	\$20.00
Holy Cross	\$70.00
All Saints	\$10.00
All Souls	\$40.00

Total \$7,748.44
Thank you for your Stewardship

Liturgical Reflection... At Mass celebrating Matrimony, the rite concludes with the solemn blessing provided in the ritual. There is no dismissal. Another local custom which is popular in the Diocese is to introduce the newly married couple to those gathered in church. The priest presents the new husband and new wife to the Christian assembly. Now married in Christ, this man and woman assume mutual fidelity, as Christ, the Bridegroom, is ever faithful to his bride, the Church. The Church celebrates and supports this couple as they begin their new life together.

Families and the Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

The king in today's gospel had a bottom line beyond which he would not negotiate. As parents we need to identify what is critical (non-negotiable) and what is open to discussion. Not all issues are equal.

Save the date: The Shroud of Turin Talk will be held once again at St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown, on Sunday, October 29th at 3:00pm.

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**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers,
CCA Gift Cards and Audio Operators, Oct 21-22**

Saturday, October 21, 5:00 PM

Reader: Christine Brothers, Dixie Lochrie
Eucharistic Minister: Elizabeth Gramlich, Russ Gramlich,
Elizabeth King, Betty King,
Christine Russell
Server: Rylee Russell, Randy Russell
Audio Operator: Kevin Slonka

Sunday, October 22, 8:00 AM

Reader: Heather Jezeskie, Irene Ott
Eucharistic Minister: Carmen Grasso, Sam Grasso,
Pam Sabol, Rose Ann Schellhammer,
Peter T. Yanko
Server: Ronnie Jezeskie, Rich Ott
Gift Card: Kara Homan-Gustkey
Audio Operator: Brigid Starchok

Sunday, October 22, 11:00 AM

Reader: Rachel Hall, Mary Jane Verbiar
Eucharistic Minister: Esperanza Bair, Jodie Hall,
Gene Podratsky, Russ Smith, David Wilson
Server: Levi Giffin, John Werzyn
Gift Card: Brian King
Audio Operator: Brian Vulechik

Sunday, October 22, 5:00 PM

Reader: Michael Stuck, need one volunteer
Eucharistic Minister: Charlotte Amenti, Louise Aust,
Patricia Loughlin, Vi Najjar, Pat Roth
Server: Brent Zierer, Andrew Zierer
Audio Operator: Monica Updyke

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