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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

You have but one Father in heaven  
and one master, the Christ



## Sunday, November 5, - Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Malachi 1:14—2:2, 8:10 / 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13 / Matthew 23:1-12

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: Mary Murillo (John & Cha Cha Bair)

## Monday, November 6, - Weekday

Readings: Romans 11:29-36 / Luke 14:12-14

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

12:05 pm: Rick Hanson (Marian Shannon & Family)

## Tuesday, November 7, - Weekday

Readings: Romans 12:5-16 / Luke 14:15-24

7:00 am: Marie Werner, Anniversary (Family)

12:05 pm: Amelia L. Chic (Frank & Rose Rovida)

## Wednesday, November 8, - Weekday

Readings: Romans 13:8-10 / Luke 14:25-33

7:00 am: Jack Brady (John & Sally Hudak)

12:05 pm: George Najjar (Wife, Children, & Grandchildren)

## Thursday, November 9, - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Readings: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 / 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17 / John 2:13-22

7:00 am: Beth Facciani (The Osmar Family)

12:05 pm: Rosemary Marak (Carol)

## Friday, November 10, - Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Readings: Romans 15:14-21 / Luke 16:1-8

7:00 am: Lud Vautar (Sam Timura & Earl Sease)

12:05 pm: Victor C. Heptner (Jim Farley)

## Saturday, November 11, - Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Readings: Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27 / Luke 16:9-15

8:00 am: Gerald E. Mock (John & Rose Concannon, Monica, & Brigid)

5:00 pm: Joe Leis (Michael Pozniak)

## Sunday, November 12, - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Wisdom 6:12-16 / 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 / Matthew 25:1-13

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

11:00 am: Amelia Bartlebaugh (Judy Calaboyias)

5:00 pm: Anna Kegg (Jim & Kathy Bumbernick)

From Father Crookston . . .

**National Vocation Awareness Week** St. Juan Diego became a Catholic convert when the seeds of Christianity were being planted for the first time in Mexico. He saw the difference between a church people who really serve God and neighbor, and those who did not, and he also experienced those who were at times confused. It was a time when many people were hurting, and many people were hungry. They weren't sure where to turn, but God was aware of this, and God had a plan. God sent our Mother, Our Lady of Guadalupe, to Juan Diego and his people. She chose Juan, not because he was important, but because he was humble. He had a heart that was open to love and service. God had given Juan Diego these gifts in advance. He knew what Our Lady would one day ask of her little Juan, and so he prepared Juan in the best way possible to accept the mission that Mary wanted Juan Diego to fulfill.

Juan Diego was asked to be the messenger of Our Lady of Guadalupe. He had many reasons to not do it: he was a commoner even among the Indians, he was not believed, he was mocked, and he had a sick uncle who was dying. Yet, he decided to respond to the call and to trust. His heart that God had prepared would not be calm and fulfilled until he followed God's plan, which Mary perfectly offered to Juan Diego. It was difficult. He even tried to take a different route one day, so he would not see Mary on the way. But his heart could not escape its destiny. So, he humbly said "yes." Since he trusted during trials, it led to one of the greatest conversions of people in the history of Christianity. Juan Diego understood the meaning of the phrase "my heart is not proud" from today's psalm. He found great peace by placing his trust completely in God.

God chooses each of us to work with him in a unique way to share the Gospel and work for the coming of his kingdom. Sometimes we too are afraid to do what God is asking of us. But fear never comes from God. God always invites us with love. God's plan is attractive. God has created each of our hearts perfectly to follow the plan he has also laid out for our lives. Do not be afraid of your call. God can use it in incredible ways. And this is the truest way to find happiness and peace for our lives.

We think that serving God will mean giving up something of ourselves, losing something. But the opposite is true. It is when we serve the Church, the family of God, the way in which God is asking us to do so, that we find who we truly are, because then we have become the person God has created us to be. Live the greatest adventure of your life; say yes to God!

**Thanksgiving Offering Continues This Weekend** Throughout November, we will invite your offerings of nonperishable food and monetary gifts for local needy families. To give you specific ideas about needed items and a satchel for your gifts, this weekend we are distributing grocery bags and an attached 'Needs List.' You may return the filled grocery bags to our "entranceway" needy bins on any November weekend. At our Thanksgiving Day Mass, you may choose during the offertory 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 envelope, mark it Thanksgiving Day, and put it into the offering basket.

Our Cathedral parish gifts keep the food bank shelves full for December. Thank you for your generous outreach to our neighbors in need.

**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.

**Background on Mass Intentions** The graces of the Mass are infinite. We spiritually place our many prayer intentions upon the altar. In and through the Eucharist, we pray for the deceased, the ill, and the various needs of others. We also offer our thanksgiving for God's grace that helps us through a particularly challenging time of life. Our parish bulletin announces your requested Mass intentions. The priest receives a stipend for each printed intention. He and the faithful also bring their intentions to the Mass. Should you want to arrange for a Mass offered for a specific intention, please contact Denny Heptner at the rectory (536-0117). The customary offering is ten dollars.

## FROM OUR PARISH

My how time flies! The next gathering of the **SJG Book Club** will be Monday, November 20, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Activity Center. In anticipation of the holiday season, we will be reading and discussing The Christmas Tree a short book by Julie Salamon that is a heartwarming story of love and friendship. The Rockefeller Center's gardener is searching for this year's tree to decorate the annual display and finds the perfect specimen. However, its owner is reluctant to see her oldest and dearest "friend" whisked away. You will enjoy this story of the appreciation for the beauty and wonder of nature. This book is available at the local library. Join us – we'd love to have you!

## FROM OTHER PARISHES & THE COMMUNITY

**St. Francis of Assisi will sponsor a Fish Fry** on Friday, November 10 from 11:00AM until 6:00PM in the Activity Center, corner of D Street and Barron Ave. Take outs available by calling 539-3518. No phone orders after 5:00PM. Gobs and a bake sale will also be available.

**Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Presents Black Tie Bingo**, Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 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@dioceseaij.org](mailto:jharshberger@dioceseaij.org) or call (814) 944-9388.

**St. Clement Church**, corner of Goucher Street & Lindberg Avenue, will be having a **Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale** on Saturday, November 11th from 7:00 AM-12:00 Noon. Cost is \$6.00 for Adults and \$3.50 for Children 12 & under. All you can eat pancakes! All are welcome, especially veterans! Hope to see you there!

**Day of Reflection For Women**, Saturday, November 11th, 2017, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, Theme: Rooted in Gratitude. Holy Mass will be held at 8am, Registration at 8:30 am. The day includes Conferences on "*Gratitude: What is it and in what is it grounded?*" and "*Living with the Attitude of Gratitude*", lunch consisting of soup and sandwich, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Quiet Reflection.

Location: Sacred Heart Sisters, St. Joseph Convent, 1872 Munster road, Portage, PA 15946. Suggested donation is \$15. Contact Sr. Jacinta Miryam at (814) 886-4459 or [sisterjacinta@gmail.com](mailto:sisterjacinta@gmail.com). RSVP: please register by Wednesday November 8<sup>th</sup>. **Hosted by: Sister Servants of the Most sacred Heart of Jesus.**

**The Carmelite Community of the Word Sisters are offering a "Women's Day of Prayer"** Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the CCW Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin, PA. The Carmelite Community of the Word is an Institute of Diocesan Rite, primarily women of prayer, rooted in the tradition of Carmelite Spirituality, who actively engage in ministerial labors in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. We extend the invitation to women of all ages to join us for a sacred time with each other and with our God, praying for the intentions of our world, our church, and personal needs and discernment. Please register to attend by November 6. For more information or to register for this event, please contact: Sr. Margie McGuire – 814-472-8315, Email:[margiemc12@gmail.com](mailto:margiemc12@gmail.com), Visit our website at [www.ccwsisters.org](http://www.ccwsisters.org) or visit us on Facebook

**Mom's House is holding a Purse BINGO Party** (featuring Vera Bradley purses and accessories) on SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 @ 1:00 – doors open at 12:00 – at Bishop McCort High School Cafeteria. \$25 admission includes lunch, 20 bingo games, specials, Starbuck's coffee and dessert. For advance ticket information, please call Allegra @ 535-4848. NO tickets will be sold at the door. All proceeds benefit the Mom's House Scholarship Program.

**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.

**Holy Trinity Byzantine Catholic Church** 217 4th Street, Conemaugh PA will hold a **Swiss Steak Dinner** on Sunday, November 12 2017 from 11:00 a.m.. to 2:00 p.m. Dinner is Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, vegetable, salad, roll/butter, dessert. Tickets are \$10 and takeouts are available. For more information contact Georgia at 242-2083

**St. Therese Piroghi Sale** – Hand-made/Home-made potato and cheese piroghi. Call in orders Monday November 13th from 9AM to 11AM at 539-7633. Cost is \$6.50 dozen (with or without onions). Pick up your order on Friday, November 17th from 9AM -2PM at our Social Hall, Upper Decker Avenue. Don't miss out on the best Piroghi in town!!!

**COLLECTION: October 29, 2017**

Collection – cash	\$1,045.28
Collection – envelope	\$3,007.71
Mission Sunday – envelopes	\$40.00
Flush Fund	\$271.60
Catholic Charities	\$5.00
Maintenance	\$40.00
Rosary/Altar	\$10.00
All Saints	\$41.00
All Souls	\$450.00

Total \$4,910.59

Thank you for your Stewardship

**Liturgical Reflection...** In the 2016 ritual *Order of Celebrating Matrimony*, the Church offers the Order of Blessing an Engaged Couple. The honorable betrothal of Christians is a special occasion for two families to observe with some ceremony and with common prayer the joyful beginning of the couples' engagement. A selection of scripture readings are provided along with appropriate prayers. A priest or deacon would preside when possible. Otherwise, one of the parents may appropriately preside at the blessing. A betrothal or special blessing of an engaged couple is never to be combined with the celebration of the Mass.

*Order of Celebrating Matrimony*, Numbers 218, 219, and 221

**Families and the Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12**

In today's gospel Jesus describes the vocation of parents: "The greatest among you must be your servant." Children take our blood, genes, strength, name, patience and resources. A parent's servitude begins at the moment of conception. The Lord is present in each of our acts of selfless service.

**Prayer for Peace**

Mary, Queen of Peace, save us all, who have so much trust in you, from wars, hatred, and oppression. Make us all learn to live in peace, and educate ourselves for peace, do what is demanded by justice and respect the rights of every person, so that peace may be firmly established. Amen.

Pope John Paul II (1920-2005)

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers,  
CCA Gift Cards and Audio Operators, Nov 11-12****Saturday, November 11, 5:00 PM**

Reader: Rose Batzel, Dixie Lochrie

**Eucharistic Minister:** Elizabeth Gramlich, Russ Gramlich,  
Patricia Loughlin, Elizabeth Rhoades,  
Terry Rhoades

Server: Keara Brandon, Jason Harris

Audio Operator: Michael Stoskey

**Sunday, November 12, 8:00 AM**

Reader: Carrie Weaver, David Weaver

**Eucharistic Minister:** Irene Ott, Rich Ott, Gene Podratsky,  
Pam Sabol, Valerie Wilson

Server: Sam Grasso, Ron Jezeskie

Gift Card: James Gustkey

Audio Operator: Patrick McClain

**Sunday, November 12, 11:00 AM**

Reader: Christine Brothers, Rachel Hall

**Eucharistic Minister:** Esperanza Bair, Jodie Hall,  
James Hollis, Russ Smith, David Wilson

Server: Damien Byer, John Werzyn

Gift Card: Brian King

Audio Operator: Brian Vuletich

**Sunday, November 12, 5:00 PM**

Reader: Michael Stuck, need a volunteer

**Eucharistic Minister:** Charlotte Amenti, Louise Aust,  
Vi Najjar, Pat Roth, Justin Zierer

Server: Eli Updyke, Mattie Updyke

Audio Operator: Monica Updyke

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