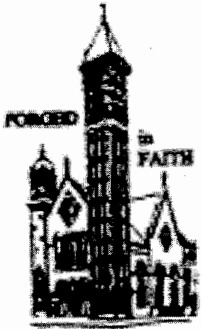


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SUNDAY LITURGY

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

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.



Sunday, March 11, - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Readings: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23/ Ephesians 2:4-10/ John 3:14-21

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

11:00 am: Bob King (Stoy Girls)

5:00 pm: Special Intention (Linda Delich)

Monday, March 12, - Lenten Weekday

Readings: Isaiah 65:17-21/ John 4:43-54

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

12:05 pm: Cindy Reed (Mother, Barbara M. Kalinyak)

Tuesday, March 13, - Lenten Weekday

Readings: Ezra 47:1-9, 12/ John 5:1-16

7:00 am: Deborah Diane Hammer (Jeff Hammer)

12:05 pm: Nina Splane (Daughter, Sally)

Wednesday, March 14, - Lenten Weekday

Readings: Isaiah 49:8-15/ John 5:17-30

7:00 am: Frank Trio (Eugene & Gina Kupchella)

12:05 pm: John & Ann Harris (Grandson, Michael)

Thursday, March 15, - Lenten Weekday

Readings: Exodus 32:7-14/ John 5:31-47

7:00 am: Anna Kegg (Diane Litzinger)

12:05 pm: Peter L. Greene, Anniversary (Denny & Pat Heptner)

Friday, March 16, - Lenten Weekday

Readings: Wisdom 2:1, 12-22/ John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

7:00 am: Kathleen Grady (Bob & Karen Fink)

12:05 pm: Loretta Klug (Robert & Donna Schiffhauer)

3:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 17, - Lenten Weekday, Saint Patrick, Bishop

Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20/ John 7:40-53

8:00 am: Joseph & Ronnie Kmetz (Kay Kmetz)

5:00 pm: Stella Mauthe (Nephew, Charles E. Huffman & Family)

Sunday, March 18, - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34/ Hebrews 5:7-9/ John 12:20-33

8:00 am: Frances Mikesic (Dick & Nancy Popchak)

11:00 am: Corita Huffman (Husband, Charles & Family)

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

From Father Crookston . . .

Lent: Our Penitential Season Our Diocesan Reconciliation Service is Thursday, March 22, 6:30 pm. Bishop Mark and many area priests will be here for the celebration of the Lord's merciful forgiveness.

Additional celebrations of the Sacrament of Reconciliation opportunities exist for your preparation for the Triduum of Our Lord. These are: Visitation, Eighth Ward, Tuesday, March 13, 5:30 pm; St Patrick, Moxham, Wednesday, March 14, 7:00 pm; St Clement, Upper Yoder, Thursday, March 15, 7:00 pm; St Anthony of Padua, Windber, Thursday, March 15, 6:00 pm; Our Mother of Sorrows, Westmont, Monday, March 19, 6:30 pm; Transfiguration, Conemaugh, Wednesday, March 21, 6:30 pm; St Benedict, Geistown, Monday, March 26, 5:00 pm.

Additional times for confessions follow the 7:00 pm evening Masses of the Infant of Prague Novena, St Andrew, Benscreek, today through Monday, March 12 and following of the 5:00 pm evening Masses of our Saint Joseph Triduum on Saturday & Sunday, March 17 & 18.

Catholic Ministries Drive Launches: Dear Father Crookston and Members of St John Gualbert Cathedral Parish, during the holy season of Lent, Jesus Christ our Savior reminds all of us of the need to turn our attention back to the Lord God. He reminds us that it is a good thing for us to have a single-hearted devotion to God, to put our complete trust in God. We do this during Lent through the traditional practices of prayer, penance, and almsgiving. As we begin the 2018 Catholic Ministries Drive, please pray that it will be a success in your Parish and throughout our Diocese.

The Catholic Ministries Drive provides 100% of the funding of our 14 ministries focused on *Caring for the Poor and Strengthening Families, Nurturing Our Youth, and Forming Clergy and Laity*. It is the sole supporter of pastoral, spiritual, educational and human service programs that benefit thousands of individuals throughout the eight counties we serve.

For 2018, the overall target is \$ 2,295,812. Your 2018 CMD Parish target is: \$34,783. As you may recall, beginning with last year's campaign each parish was asked to achieve a target amount and those that did so received all over-target receipts to use at their discretion. For 2018, this will remain the same.

This year, I ask that you trust in our beloved God to guide you to evangelize not only those who have given but those who have not. "Practicing charity is the best way to evangelize," as Pope Francis has said. As a disciple of the Lord Jesus, shout out the good news-speak from your heart about someone you know who has benefitted from these ministries.

Today, on behalf of Bishop Mark, I am asking for your support. I know we have all been abundantly blessed by a most generous God and I am especially thankful for your support to bring life-giving and life-changing ministries to our faithful. Yours in Christ, (Very Rev.) Alan E. Thomas, V.G.

Our Cathedral project is simple: To reach and surpass our target. We will add all funds received over our target to the \$11,000 we retained from the 2017 Drive and apply this amount toward replacing the crumbling limestone pillars at the front entrance of the Cathedral with resilient bricks. In each of the last eight years, your generous sacrifices pushed us beyond our target. Should you choose to match or increase your gift over the amount contributed to previous Catholic Appeals, our parish family will be most grateful. We most assuredly welcome first-timers to the annual drive.

We have seen that a friendly reminder makes the difference. Over the next months, we will be doing some reminding using the bulletin, a home mailing, and a single friendly phone call. The captains will make their friendly phone reminders in later May and early June. They will contact those who have yet to give to this year's Catholic Ministries Drive, especially parishioners who have given in the past.

With everyone's help, we will exceed our diocesan target of \$34,783. Please consider a gift that reflects your gratitude for the many blessings that God has entrusted to you. If you cannot make a financial gift, please pray for the success of this year's Catholic Ministries Drive and return your pledge showing that you cannot give at this time; we will see that you do not receive a second request or one of our friendly phone reminders.

Saint Joseph Triduum This coming weekend, we celebrate the Saint Joseph Triduum, three days of prayer, public and private, to obtain special favors and graces through the intercession of Saint Joseph. Your dedicated participation in the Masses and the Triduum prayers will be a blessing for your Lenten journey.

FROM OUR PARISH

Our weekly Bulletins are available on the Home Page of our website at www.stjohnqualbert.org.

St Joseph Triduum - A triduum in honor of St Joseph will be held March 17-19 at St John Gualbert Cathedral, 117 Clinton Street, Johnstown. Mass and devotions will be held at 5pm Saturday, March 17 and 5pm, Sunday March 18 with confessions following mass. On Monday, March 19, Mass and devotions will begin at 7pm. Everyone is invited following the final liturgy to the St Joseph Table at the parish activity center.

FROM OTHER PARISHES & THE COMMUNITY

The Church of the Transfiguration will be having a **Fish Fry Dinner** on Friday, March 16th and Friday, March 23rd, 2018 from 3:30PM to 6:30PM at the Church Hall, 201 Third St. Conemaugh, PA. Come join us for a nice meal! Dinner is \$10.00, Fried or Baked Fish either with French Fries, Mac & Cheese or Haluski and apple sauce or cole slaw and desert. Take-Outs are available by calling the Church Hall at 535-2698.

Mom's House, Inc. of Johnstown Invites you to Trivia Night, Tuesday, March 27 @ the Blvd Grill. Doors open @ 5:30 - First question is @ 6:30. Admission includes food, drinks, & dessert. Teams of up to 8 people - \$20/person. Prizes for the top 3 teams. Call Allegra @ 535-4848 for team registration or information

Basket Party - Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court of Our Lady #647, Sunday April 8th at St. John Gualbert's Activity Bldg. Corner Railroad & Adams Streets. Get your tickets now, only 200 tickets will be sold. Admission is \$8.00 which includes 25 tickets, door prizes, and a light lunch. Additional Tickets \$5.00. Doors open 12:00 Noon, Drawing 2:00 pm. For tickets, call Barb @ 535-3297 or Diane at 539-1588 and leave message

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Meadows Gambling Trip, Monday April 16, 2018. Cost \$33.00, includes: \$20.00 Free Slot Play & \$5:00 for Food. Bus will depart from the **Church of the Transfiguration** School Parking Lot at 8:00AM. We will depart the Casino at 6:00PM. Payment is due upon registration. Call: Sharon Santichen at (814) 536-1732 or Andy Solomon (814) 322-3287. First Come First Serve.

HIGH SCHOOL juniors or seniors and their families are invited to a **Get Acquainted Day Open House at Saint Vincent College**, Latrobe, on Sunday, April 22. The event will begin with registration and brunch buffet from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Fred M. Rogers Center and will conclude at 3 p.m. The presentations will include an introduction to Saint Vincent College and a student panel. Find out more about this top-ranked Catholic, Benedictine, liberal arts college. Listen to financial aid and admission presentations, meet faculty, administrators and coaches and take a campus tour. For information or reservations, phone 1-800-782-5549, e-mail admission@stvincent.edu, or register online at www.stvincent.edu.

Additional Get Acquainted Day Open Houses will take place on Saturday, June 16; Saturday, July 21; and Saturday, Aug. 18. The events will begin with registration and breakfast buffet from 8:30 to 9 a.m. and will conclude at noon. Follow us on Twitter: @MySaintVincent
Like us on Facebook:
<http://www.facebook.com/saintvincentcollege>

ANGEL FUND 2018

Consider giving a gift now that will enrich the life of a young camper in the Summer of 2018!

Camp Zacchaeus Grades 4-9 and Camp Timothy Grades 10-12 (and newly graduated seniors 2018)

We are looking for people, groups, parishes or organizations to sponsor a child to attend **Camp Zacchaeus 2018 or Camp Timothy 2018** through the **Angel Fund**.

We will accept full or partial sponsorships of any amount to help cover the cost of camp - (100 PERCENT of the funds collected through Angel Fund donations are dispersed to needy campers)! If you are interested in sponsoring a child, or for more information, please contact Francine Swope at the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office (814)317-2646,

or mail your contribution directly to:
Camp Zacchaeus or Camp Timothy Angel Fund, 933 S. Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648.

Become an Angel

Fund, sponsor, and help send a needy child to camp, to experience a wonderful faith-filled week in the great outdoors!

Spiritual Resolutions

We work on our physical fitness but what about our spiritual fitness?

March: Balance love of others and love of self.

"I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there might be a fair balance." 2Cor 8:13-14

Keeping balanced is important in physical exercise. A little too far to one side and a crew loses ground or a runner loses speed. Strike a balance. If you are caring for others and not for yourself, pull back and care for yourself, too. If you are paying excessive attention to your schedule and your needs and not thinking about what others might need, ask them how you might help them.

COLLECTION: 03/04/2018

Collection – cash	\$1,008.59
Collection – envelopes	\$5,033.50
Saint Croix – second collection	\$313.38
Saint Croix - envelopes	\$2.00
Maintenance	\$494.00
Candlemas	\$10.00
Ash Wednesday	\$35.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$77.00
Easter	\$25.00
Easter Flowers	\$40.00
Holy Thursday	\$35.00
Good Friday	\$35.00
Rice Bowl	\$50.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$14.00
New Year's	\$15.00

Total \$7,187.47

Thank you for your Stewardship

Families and the Gospel: John 3:14-21

Today's gospel speaks of light and darkness. Often a parent is deliberately "left in the dark." Darkness can be comforting for it makes no demands on us. Light can be disturbing for it forces us to take action. Parents walk a delicate balance of when to "sit in the dark" and when to "turn on the lights."

Liturgical Reflection... Our sins go before us always. We must seek forgiveness that comes from God alone. Lent is our annual retreat to seek the strength to turn away from sin and live in the grace of God's love. It is part of Catholic life to pray for our dead. God is the one to judge us. We seek the Lord to be merciful and loving in judgement of our deceased. At the Funeral Mass we pray, "O God, whose nature is always to forgive and to show mercy, we humbly implore you for your servant (who has died)..." Jesus Christ died on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins. We seek that forgiveness for our faithful departed.

Roman Missal, Masses for the Dead, I. For the Funeral, A, Outside Easter Time.

Stewardship Reflection: Darkness or light — Jesus tells us that if we live our lives as faithful stewards our deeds will shine out and be clearly seen as we reflect God's dream. How much light do your deeds give off?

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers,
CCA Gift Cards and Audio Operators, March 16-18**

Friday, March 16, 3:00PM Stations of the Cross
Need Volunteers for Servers and Audio

Saturday, March 17, 5:00 PM

Reader: Patricia Loughlin, Larry Olek
Eucharistic Minister: Marcy Olek, Elizabeth Rhoades,
Terry Rhoades
Server: Keara Brandon, Jason Harris
Audio Operator: Kevin Slonka

Sunday, March 18, 8:00 AM

Reader: Carrie Weaver, David Weaver
Eucharistic Minister: Carmen Grasso, Gene Podratsky,
Pam Sabol
Server: Sam Grasso, Irene Ott
Gift Card: Kara Homan-Gustkey
Audio Operator: Rose Eckenrod

Sunday, March 18, 11:00 AM

Reader: Rachel Hall, Mary Jane Verbiar
Eucharistic Minister: Jodie Hall, Lonnie Rietscha,
Russ Smith
Server: Eli Updyke, Mattie Updyke
Gift Card: Ron Michlena
Audio Operator: Tracy Smith

Sunday, March 18, 5:00 PM

Reader: Dixie Lochrie, Lonnie Rietscha
Eucharistic Minister: Esperanza Bair, Patricia Loughlin,
Elizabeth Rhoades
Server: need two volunteers
Audio Operator: need a volunteer

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**Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday, February 1, 2018**

I. Opening Prayer – Pat Laughlin proclaimed the Gospel: Mark 1:29-39 (Cure of Simon's Mother-in-Law)
Council members participated in a *Group Faith Sharing Reflection on the Gospel*.

II. Roll Call – *In attendance*: Heather Jezeskie, Dixie Lochrie, Mary Jane Verbiar, Pat Cuthbert,
Pat Loughlin, Beth Stem, Fred Oliveros, Kevin Slonka, Rachel Hall and Russ Smith.
Ex Officio in attendance: Fr. Crookston and Senior Deacon John Concannon.
Guest in attendance: Lonnie Rietscha

III. Vision and Mission Statement – recited by Council Members.

IV. Review of the Minutes – The minutes of December 7, 2017 were reviewed and approved.

V. Committee Reports

- ❖ **Liturgy** – Senior Deacon John Concannon reported on upcoming Masses, Rites, Confirmations and Holy Days of obligation through mid-May of this year. Throats will be blessed after all Masses on the weekend of February 3rd and 4th. Bishop Mark will be the principal celebrant at our annual Mass for Consecrated Life that will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday, February 4th at 11:00 AM. Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday, February 14th. Bishop Mark will preside at The Rite of Election at 2:00 PM on Sunday, February 18th. Our annual Saint Joseph Triduum will be held on March 17, 18 and 19. The traditional Saint Joseph Table will be shared with all following the closing Mass of the Triduum on Monday, March 19th at the Activity Center. Bishop Mark will be the Principal Celebrant at our Palm (Passion) Sunday Liturgy on Sunday, March 25 at 11:00 AM. The Diocesan Chrism Mass will be held on Monday, March 26th at The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Thursday, March 29th at 6:00 PM with Bishop Mark as the Principle Celebrant. Friday, March 30th is Good Friday and the Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at noon and 6:00 PM. Tenebrae: A Service of Shadows will be held following the evening Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 7:30 PM on Friday, March 30th. The Easter Vigil will begin at 8:30 PM on the front porch of the Cathedral. Bishop Mark will be the Principle Celebrant on Easter Sunday at our 11:00 AM Mass celebrating The Resurrection of the Lord. Bishop Mark will preside at three Confirmation masses that will be held at our Cathedral this year. The dates of the Confirmation Masses are April 5th, April 19th and April 24th all beginning at 7:00 PM. Thursday, May 10th is The Ascension of The Lord and is a Holy Day of Obligation. The next Liturgy Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Education** – Heather Jezeskie reported that there is only three months remaining in this years CCD classes. The last day for CCD is Sunday, April 29th. There will be a First Communion Parent Meeting on Sunday, March 4th and a Spring Session Retreat for all Confirmation candidate. Fr. Crookston reported that ARISE meetings have already taken place and our parish's ARISE Team will share what ARISE is with parishioners this fall and the program will be rolled out in the parish in the Spring of 2019. The next Education Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 12th at 4:00 PM.

**Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
Pastoral Council Meeting
Thursday, February 1, 2018**

- ❖ **Christian Life and Service** – Dixie Lochrie reported that the Yellow Ribbon Campaign that benefits those traveling to the March for Life in Washington, DC was very successful this year. Rice Bowls will be handed out to parishioners the weekend of February 17/18. Our annual Wine Tasting Event will be held on Saturday, April 21 and a High Tea will be held on Sunday, May 20. Both events will be held in the Activity Center and support our Mission Travelers to our sister parish. Fr. Crookston reported that this year there will be four Mission Travelers visiting our sister parish from April 9th through April 16th. The next Christian Life and Service Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Maintenance** – Fred Oliveros reported that an alternative material is under consideration for the repair of the front porch of the Cathedral. The next Maintenance Committee Meeting date and time will be announced in the near future.
- ❖ **Cemetery** - Russ Smith reported that a perpetual care plan is a work in progress for both the Saint Joseph and Saint John Gualbert Cemeteries. Saint Joseph Cemetery and Mausoleum graves/burials and owners as well as marker photos have all been entered on CIMS Cloud. The current contact information is needed from those whose loved ones are interred in either Saint Joseph Cemetery or the Mausoleum. A Lawn Care and Maintenance Contract is currently being devised for the 2018/2019 year for both Cemeteries and the Mausoleum. The next Cemetery Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 15th at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Finance** – No report
- ❖ **Youth** – Rachel Hall reported that Catholic School Junior High Youth Day will be held at Bishop Carroll High School on Sunday, March 18th.
- ❖ **Proclaim! TV** – No Report

VI. Old Business – Past involvement in community events consisted of the Central Park Prayer Rally and the Martin Luther King Jr. Remembrance. A Future event to consider is United by Love, A Celebration of Black History Month that consists of numerous events to be held between February 9th through February 23rd at the Bottle Works in Cambria City.

VII. New Business – The decision was made to relocate our annual Parish Picnic from Windber Recreation Park to the Parish Activity Center.

VIII. Next Meetings – *Mar. 8, Apr. 2, May 3 and Jun. 7

*Fred Oliveros is scheduled to be the Opening Prayer / Gospel leader.

IX. Closing Prayer – A Group Prayer was said by Council Members.

X. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Smith

Russ Smith – Pastoral Council Secretary