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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

In all circumstances, give thanks,
for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.



Sunday, October 13, - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 2 Kings 5:14-17 / 2 Timothy 2:8-13/ Luke 17:11-19

8:00 am: Kathy & Jim Bumbernick, Wedding Anniversary (Cha Cha & John Bair)

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

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

Monday, October 14, - Weekday, Saint Callitus I, Pope and Martyr

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

7:00 am: Betty Weaver (John & Cha Cha Bair)

12:05 pm: Jack Drummer (Bev Smanitto)

Tuesday, October 15, - Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

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

7:00 am: Alex Nagrant (Jim Nagrant)

12:05 pm: Sarah Bence, Birthday Celebration (John & Cha Cha Bair)

Wednesday, October 16, Weekday, Saint Hedwig, Religious;

Saint Margaret Alacoque, Virgin

Readings: Romans 2:1-11/ Luke 11:42-46

7:00 am: Saint Anne Society

12:05 pm: Valerie Watts (Family)

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

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

7:00 am: Joseph & Ronnie Kmetz (Kay Kmetz)

12:05 pm: Jack Higgins, Birthday Remembrance, Oct. 18th (Jeanne)

Friday, October 18, - Saint Luke, Evangelist

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

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

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

Saturday, October 19, Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues,

Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

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

8:00 am: Karen Lovrich (Husband, Daniel)

5:00 pm: Antoinette Foster (Jerry Stern)

Sunday, October 20, - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Exodus 17:8-13/ 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2/ Luke 18:1-8

8:00 am: Sophie Roman (Len & Jeanne Grecek)

11:00 am: John Kucenski (Denise & Rusty Goodman)

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

From Our Pastor...

An Adoption Love Story Having children and raising a family had always been our expectation. We soon learned, however, that our chances of becoming pregnant were small. It was not long before we started talking about the possibility of adoption. I wondered if my heart was big enough to love an adopted child as I would have loved a biological child. Nevertheless, with prayerful discernment, we decided to start the process. On Christmas Eve, Bill and I left the hospital with Andrew. It did not take long before there was no doubt in our minds that he was our son, the greatest gift from God! We cannot imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/adoption-love-story.

Pope Francis – Fire and Prudence To be faithful to our calling, our mission, St. Paul reminds us that our gift must be rekindled. The verb he uses in the original text is fascinating: *to rekindle*, which means stoking a fire (*anazopyrein*). The gift we have received is a fire, a burning love for God and our brothers and sisters. A fire does not burn by itself; it must be fed, or else it dies; it turns into ashes.

If everything continues as it was, if we spend our days content that "this is the way things have always been done," then the gift vanishes, smothered by the ashes of fear and concern for defending the status quo. However, "in no way can the church restrict her pastoral work to the 'ordinary maintenance' of those who already know the Gospel of Christ. Missionary outreach is a clear sign of the maturity of an ecclesial community" (Benedict XVI, *Verbum Domini*, 95). For the church is always on the move, always going out and never withdrawn into itself. Jesus did not come to bring a gentle evening breeze but to light a fire on the earth.

The fire that rekindles the gift is the Holy Spirit, the giver of gifts. So, St. Paul goes on to say, "Guard the truth that has been entrusted to you by the Holy Spirit" (2 Tm 1:14). And again, "God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and prudence" (v. 7). Not a spirit of timidity, but of *prudence*.

Someone may think that prudence is a virtue of the "customhouse" that checks everything to ensure that there is no mistake. No, prudence is a Christian virtue; it is a virtue of life and indeed the virtue of governance. God has given us this spirit of prudence.

Paul places prudence in opposition to timidity. What is this prudence of the Spirit? As the catechism teaches, prudence "is not to be confused with timidity or fear"; instead, it is "the virtue that disposes practical reason to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it" (No. 1806).

Prudence is not indecision; it is not a defensive attitude. It is the virtue of the pastor who, in order to serve with wisdom, can discern, to be receptive to the newness of the Spirit. Rekindling our gift in the fire of the Spirit is the opposite of letting things take their course without doing anything. Fidelity to the newness of the Spirit is a grace that we must ask for in prayer. May the Spirit, who makes all things new, give us his own daring prudence; may he inspire our synod (meeting) to renew the paths of the church in Amazonia so that the fire of mission will continue to burn. *Homily at Mass Opening Synod of Bishops for the Pan-Amazon Region (October 6, 2019)*

Catholic Ministries Drive 2019 – Ever So Close: We are at 99% of our target for the Catholic Ministries drive. With your help, we will exceed our target by All Saints Day. Then all gifts over our target will join the special matching-funds grant to realize more than \$10,000 for our parish. If you have yet to make your gift, please consider joining the many households of our Cathedral parish that are being Good Shepherds: *Caring for the Poor and Strengthening Families, Nurturing Our Youth, and Forming Clergy and Laity*.

Response envelopes are at the entranceways of the Cathedral. You also may use your own envelope, mark it Catholic Ministries Drive. Checks can be made payable to CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and response to what will be another success to support both diocesan Catholic Ministries and our Cathedral parish.

FROM OUR PARISH

Resurrection Religious Education News:

- 11th grade Confirmation students your first opportunity for Session 11A is on Saturday, October 19th – 10:00 am to noon at the St. John Paul II Building on the campus of St Benedict Parish. Parents are not required to attend.
- Sunday, October 20th ALL Religious Education classes (K-8) will meet in the Church 9:00 am to 10:15 am. Father George will be giving a presentation on the Sacraments. Everyone is welcome!!
- 10th grade Confirmation students your first opportunity for The Baptism Retreat is Saturday, October 26, 2019 - 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm at the St Benedict School gym. Parents ARE required to attend.

FROM OTHER PARISHES & THE COMMUNITY

News from DMCA

There's lots to check out in this month's DMCA Crusher News! Meet our new faculty and staff, and learn how the 5 Big Ideas of Reading are helping our students strengthen their reading and comprehension skills. Visit divinemeracy.academy for more.

We're also expanding our performing arts program. If you have an instrument that's gathering dust, consider donating it to DMCA for our growing instrument library. Flutes, clarinets, drums, saxophones - we welcome any instruments! They can be dropped off at our East or West campuses, or call 266-3837 or 539-5315 for more info. Many thanks for supporting Catholic education in our community.

St. Anne's Christian Mothers (533 Woodland Avenue, Johnstown) will be holding their annual **Penny Pie & Basket Social** on Sunday Oct 13th at 1:00 PM in the church basement. Everyone is welcome!! We hope to see you!

In recognition of the dedicated work of health care professionals, **St. Clement Church** will host its **4th Annual Mass for Healthcare Workers** on Saturday, October 19 at the 4:00 PM Mass. All healthcare workers in attendance will receive a special "Blessing of the Hands", and the St. Clement Choir will be present to lead the congregation in music chosen especially for this Liturgy. All are welcome! A second collection will be taken up for Highlands Health Free and Charitable Medical Clinic located in downtown Johnstown.

Queen of the Angels Parish in Central city will be hosting an All You Can Eat Breakfast on October 20th from 8:30 am to 11:00 am at their St. John Site (162 Wheeler Street). The breakfast includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, sausage gravy and biscuits, pancakes, French toast, donuts, toast, juice, and coffee. The price is \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children ages 8 to 4, children under 4 are free. All are welcome – bring your appetite. Proceeds benefit religious education activities.

Moxham Renaissance and Moxham Neighborhood Watch are hosting a **Meet the Candidates** event on Monday, October 21, from 6-8 pm at the Russell House, 538 Park Avenue, Johnstown. Candidates for Johnstown City, Greater Johnstown School Board, and Cambria County Offices have been invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Saint Jude Triduum, St. Clement Church, Goucher St. Monday, Oct. 28 - 7 PM, Tuesday, Oct. 29 - 7 PM and Wednesday, Oct. 30 - 7 PM. Anointing of the Sick – Monday, Oct 28. All Are Welcome

Resurrection Parish Ladies Auxiliary will be sponsoring a **Basket Party** on Sunday, November 10 at Christ the Savior Reception Hall, 307 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.

Trip to sight and Sound Theatre to see "The Miracle of Christmas" – Tuesday, November 19, 2019. Cost: \$127.00/person includes ticket to show, bus transportation and dinner. For more information or to make a reservation please call Fran King at 536-3667.

Sponsored by Saint Francis of Assisi Church

- Deepen your knowledge of Jesus which ends loneliness, overcomes sadness and uncertainty, gives real meaning to life, curbs passions, exalts ideals, expands energies in charity, brings light into decisive choices. Let Christ be for you the Way, the Truth, and the Life. – *Saint John Paul II*

COLLECTION: 10/06/2019		
Collection – cash		\$876.75
Collection – envelopes		\$3,808.50
Second Collection		\$331.10
Retired Priest’s Medical Envelopes		\$190.00
Maintenance		\$544.00
St. Croix		\$10.00
Rosary/Altar Society		\$129.00
World Mission Sunday		\$20.00
Food Collection		\$20.00
Total \$5,929.35		
Thank you for your Stewardship		

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, and Audio Operators, Oct. 19 – Oct. 20

Saturday, Oct. 19, 5:00 PM

Reader: Karen Pavlosky, Elizabeth Rhoades
Eucharistic Minister: Terry Rhoades, Pat Loughlin, Russ Gramlich, Elizabeth Gramlich, Elizabeth King
Server: Jason Harris, Keara Brandon
Audio Operator: Kevin Slonka

Sunday, Oct. 20, 8:00 AM

Reader: Fred Oliveros, Brigid Starchok
Eucharistic Minister: Susan Kamnikar, Anthony Kamnikar, Marcy Olek, Valerie Wilson, Peter T. Yanko
Server: Rich Ott,, Irene Ott
Audio Operator: Rose Eckenrod

Sunday, Oct. 20, 11:00 AM

Reader: Terry Johnson, Rachel Hall
Eucharistic Minister: Russ Smith, Jodie Hall, David Wilson, James Hollis, Justin Zierer
Server: Zachary King, Eli Updyke
Audio Operator: Ray Ritter

Sunday, Oct. 20, 5:00 PM

Reader: Charlotte Amenti, Dixie Lochrie
Eucharistic Minister: Pat Roth, Louise Aust, and three volunteers
Server: James Sandoval, Vi Najjar
Audio Operator: Ron Jezeskie

Families and the Gospel

Lk 17:11-19

Everyone needs “A Round Tuit.” The lepers in today’s gospel probably meant to thank Jesus. Excited about being cured they didn’t get ‘around-to-it.’ We get caught up in our own interests and fail to appreciate what we have or to say what is in our hearts. This week get yourself a “Round Tuit.”

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Be Thankful!

It is easy to be thankful for the good things.

A life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are also thankful for the setbacks.

Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive.

Find a way to be thankful for your troubles

and they can become your blessings

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