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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday Evening
5:00 pm

Sundays
8:00 am
11:00 am
5:00 pm

OUTDOOR COMMUNION

Sundays
12:30-1:00 pm
St John Activities Center

DAILY MASS

Monday through Friday
7:00 am
12:05 pm

Saturday
8:00 am

CONFESSION

Thursday before 1st Friday 3:00 pm
Saturday 3:00 pm @ the Cathedral

Saint John Gualbert Cathedral Parish

ALL MASSES ARE NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
CALL THE RECTORY TO SECURE A WEEKEND SEATING LOCATION

You are Peter and upon
this rock I will build my Church
and the gates of the netherworld
shall not prevail against it.



- Sunday August 23 *Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time***
Readings: Isaiah 22:19-23 / Romans 11:33-36 / Matthew 16:13-20
8:00 am People of the Parish
11:00 am Our Lady of Knock (*Brothers of AOH Cambria County Div 1*)
5:00 pm Charles Molnar (*Patricia Black & Family*)
- Monday August 24 *St Bartholomew, Apostle***
Readings: Revelations 21:9b-14 / John 1:45-51
7:00 am St Anne Society
12:05 pm Charlene Tarnowsky (*Cha Cha & John Bair*)
- Tuesday August 25 *Weekday***
Readings: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 / Matthew 23:23-26
7:00 am Rose James (*The Irene Yanko Family*)
12:05 pm Deacon John Concannon (*Randolph & Christine Brothers*)
- Wednesday August 26 *Weekday***
Readings: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18 / Matthew 23:27-32
7:00 am Jim & Michele Serafin *25th Wedding Anniversary*
(*Bob & Stephanie Koshinskie*)
12:05 pm Frank Knapp (*Family*)
- Thursday August 27 *Memorial of St Monica***
Readings: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 / Matthew 24:42-51
7:00 am Helen Machowski (*Friends*)
12:05 pm Carrizales Family (*Juanita Burkhart*)
- Friday August 28 *St Augustine, Bishop***
Readings: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25 / Matthew 25:1-13
7:00 am Cindy R. Reed (*Mother-Barbara Kalinyak*)
12:05 pm Charles (Chuck) Wyatt (*Dee Dee Osborne*)
- Saturday August 29 *Memorial. Passion of St John the Baptist***
Readings: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 / Mark 6:17-29
8:00 am Drew Jeter (*Denny & Pat Heptner*)
5:00 pm Howard & Sophie Rutledge (*Family*)
- Sunday August 30 *Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time***
Readings: Jeremiah 20:7-9 / Romans 12:1-2 / Matthew 16:21-27
8:00 am Lonnie & Melanie Rietscha *20th Wedding Anniv.* (*Lonnie Rietscha*)
11:00 am Michael O'Shea *Anniversary* (*Gr. Granddaughter, Dianne O'Shea*)
5:00 pm People of the Parish

The Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time

"You are Peter, and upon this rock, I will build my church. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 16: 13-20

The power of keys



Pieces of metal jangling in our pockets that open doors . . . plastic cards on lanyards around our necks, embedded with codes that give us access to an infinity of data . . . "keyless" systems that enable us to start our car on a cold morning from inside our warm homes.

We all possess keys of every kind — but keys are about much more than their function.

Keys are authority. To be given access to such restricted places requires us to demonstrate our competence and responsibility to use that access to create and accomplish good for the benefit of all.

Keys are trust. To possess the key to a door or device is to be entrusted with that mechanism's responsible use and safekeeping.

And keys are wisdom. Specific "keys" explain and decode, opening us to new insights and understanding. The study of music, mathematics, genetics, and engineering leads us to advances in medicine, architecture, and art that are the keys to human progress.

Keys are more than what they open — they are signs of potential and promise.

The "keys of the kingdom of heaven" that Christ entrusts to us, his church today, are also signs of power, trust, and understanding: the "key" to proclaim, in both our parish ministries and our everyday generosity, the presence of God in our communities; the "key" to reconcile and heal the lost and broken; the "key" that opens up the mysteries of God's great love for all humanity as revealed to us in the Risen Christ. We often read today's Gospel as Jesus' first step in setting up an institution to carry on the work of his Gospel — even so, in baptism, Jesus entrusts to each one of us of the "keys" to realize the Father's kingdom of justice and compassion in our time and place. This bestowal of the keys

occurs in our anointing with the Chrism of salvation as priests, prophets, and kings, our wearing the white garment of our Christian dignity, and our keeping the light of Christ burning brightly, in walking as people of the Christ's light and our preserving the faith, and at last, running to meet the Lord when he comes with all the Saints in the heavenly court.



Our Lady of Knock Apparition

The evening of Thursday, 21 August 1879, was a very wet night. At about 8 o'clock the rain beat down in driving sheets when Mary Byrne, a girl of the village, accompanying the priest's housekeeper, Mary McLoughlin, home, stopped suddenly as she came in sight of the gable of the little church. There she saw standing a little out from the gable, were three life-size figures. She ran home to tell her parents and soon others from the village had gathered. The witnesses stated they saw an apparition of Our Lady, Saint Joseph and Saint John the Evangelist at the south gable end of the local small parish church, the Church of Saint John the Baptist. Behind them and a little to the left of Saint John was a plain altar. On the altar was a cross and a lamb (a traditional image of Jesus), with adoring angels. A farmer, about half a mile away from the scene, later described what he saw as a large globe of golden light above and around, the gable, circular in appearance. For nearly two hours a group that fluctuated between two and perhaps as many as twenty-five stood or knelt gazing at the figures as rain lashed them in the gathering darkness.

COLLECTIONS: 8/16/2020

Cash	\$ 1,095.00
Envelopes	2,622.50
Maintenance	55.00
Assumption	411.00
Peter's Pence	10.00
Food Collection	20.00
Total	\$ 4,213.50

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Envelope offerings, Catholic Ministry Drive gifts, Mass stipends, you may mail these or place them in the rectory mail slot. You also may give online. Please go to Dioceseaj.org, click on the "Giving" icon, select the appropriate "Make a Donation" rectangle, then enter select a recurring or one-time gift before continuing to enter your gift information. Thank you for your generosity in these challenging times. Mass requests and stipends are by postal mail or rectory mail slot.

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, and Audio Operators August 29-30

Saturday August 29 5:00 pm

Readers: Christine Brothers
Dixie Lochrie
Eucharistic Minister: Elizabeth Rhoades
Server: Sub Requested
Audio Operator: Kevin Slonka

Sunday August 30 8:00 am

Readers: Dave Harteis
Fred Oliveros
Eucharistic Minister: Susan Kamnikar
Server: Nathan Gates
Audio Operator: Brigid Starchok

Sunday August 30 11:00 am

Readers: Heather Jezeskie
Sub Requested
Eucharistic Minister: Lonnie Rietscha
Server: Rachel Hall
Audio Operator: Jim Horner

Sunday August 30 5:00 pm

Readers: Charlotte Amenti
Pat Loughlin
Eucharistic Minister: Vi Najjar
Server: Eli Updyke
Audio Operator: Mattie Updyke

Pitt-Johnstown Mass

The Pitt-Johnstown Catholic Campus Ministry office regrettably announces that our Sunday evening Mass is currently closed to the local community due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Pitt-Johnstown administration is taking every precaution to keep our students and community safe and healthy. We are hopeful that you will continue to support us through your prayers and donations. For updated information, please go to our website at catholicupj.com. Hopefully we will see you soon.

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“It’s a Boy . . . It’s a Girl”

Please help support Birthright of Johnstown by participating in our annual “Baby Shower for Birthright” the weekend of September 19th and 20th.

This year there is a dire need for cash donations only. Checks are to be made out to Birthright. Birthright is completely dependent upon the donations of its supporters because it does not receive any government funds.

Their mission of love and compassion saves babies lives by offering their mothers guidance and support up to a year after the birth of their child to avoid abortion.

Because of the Covid-19 virus this year, donations may also be dropped off during the week at the rectory or mailed to...

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Our Christian Life & Service Committee “thanks you” for your generosity in supporting this effort.



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Fall Classes The Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry has announced the following classes for the 2020 Fall Schedule: **Heart of Faith, Old Testament, New Testament, Wisdom Literature and Psalms**. For a description of classes, locations, times, registration forms and to learn more about our programs visit www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry/ or contact Marybeth at (814) 361-2000. **All are welcome!**

Nominations for Pastoral Council We are looking for persons willing to have their names placed on August 30 in the selection pool for our parish pastoral council. We have council several seats open for selection. Current council members have started conversations that seek your engagement in parish servant-leadership. Your contact with Father Jim or any of the council members is helpful and welcome.

Current members are Charlotte Amenti, Dixie Lochrie, Pat Loughlin, Fred Oliveros, Geoffrey Stumpo, Russ Smith, Beth Stem, Mary Jane Verbiar, David Wilson, John Wise, and Father Jim Crookston. We especially thank Dixie and Mary Jane for their six years (two full terms) of service to our parish family.

A prayer for students & teachers

“Father please hear us when we tell You of our concerns of sending our children and educators back to school this fall. Know that we are striving to make all the right decisions and need Your love and power to help us overcome any difficulties. Please watch over everyone as times and routines are about to change once again. We know that we can do anything through You and You alone, so please help us ensure health and semi-normalcy in the coming months. We give our hearts to You, now and forever. Amen.”