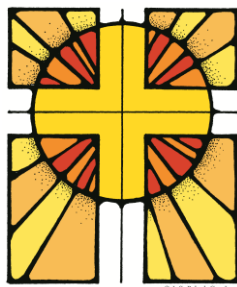


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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 28, 2022

FIRST READING: Conduct your affairs with humility and God will favor you
(Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

PSALM: God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).

SECOND READING: You have approached Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant
(Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

GOSPEL: When invited to dine, take the lowest place. Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION- HUMILITY

Today's readings praise the virtue of humility and offer concrete ways for us to become more humble. The Book of Sirach suggests a practical reason for acting with humility: humble people are more likeable than the arrogant. Even God "finds favor" with those who humble themselves. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus provides real-world suggestions for growing in humility and teaches us never to assume we are better than others. His words change our outward behavior and expand our hearts and minds to care about people we might have dismissed before. This practical, almost "folksy" wisdom about humility helps us behave better in daily life and makes our lofty goal of eternal life more accessible. Our reading from Hebrews affirms that heaven is indeed approachable. The personal love and sacrifice of Jesus have opened "the city of the living God" to us. Humility prepares us for paradise. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	8/28	
MON	8/29	
TUES	8/30	
WED	8/31	
THURS	9/01	11:20AM Christian Mothers Exposition , Rosary, Mass & Meeting
FRI	9/02	
SAT	9/03	3:00PM Confession
SUN	9/04	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Aug 29th – Sept 4th)

MON	8/29	7:50AM	+ (WA) William & Frances Mikesic – (Tim & Joni Lindrose)
TUES	8/30	7:50AM	+ Raymond Gambar – (John & Doris Gritzer)
WED	8/31	7:50AM	+ Joni Urban – (Sister, Kathy & Mike Antal)
THUR	9/01	7:50AM	+ (B) Agnes Labuda Mash – (Nephews; Paul, Brian & David)
		12:00PM	+ Christian Mothers
FRI	9/02	7:50AM	Prayers of Healing for Janice Kranak– (Family)
SAT	9/03	4:00PM	+ Michael "Bob" Macey – (James & Laverne Bobby)
SUN	9/04	7:30AM	40th Wedding Anniversary Mike & Kathy Antal
		10:30AM	+ Nicholas Subich – (Elsie Reighard)

Sunday August 28, 2022

Stewardship Reflections. The Christian steward lives with humility which is an awareness of these two realities: we are children of the Most High God who loved us into existence and is the Father who sent his son to die for our sins; and we are children who are completely dependent on God for our very existence and for every breath we take.

When we use our gifts to serve all God's children, then God will exalt us by filling us with His grace. Our attitude and the way in which we actively seek to serve people who are in poverty, have disabilities or infirmities of any kind, should be centered on the recognition that we are all invited by our Father to the heavenly banquet. (Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/7/05)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (Aug 20th & Aug 21st 2022)

Weekly	\$	4,571.50
Building Fund	\$	161.00
Fuel	\$	2.00

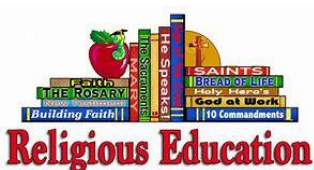
Thank you and May God Bless you for your continued support of St. Therese Church.



Sincere Condolences - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Mary Ramirez** who was called to her eternal reward this week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Mary** and peace and consolation to her family. Mary was the mother of Joe (Veronica) Ramirez.



Our Catholic Ministries Drive -Forward In Faith- Your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries! As of July 31st, we have collected **\$9,560.00** of our **\$20,392.00 Goal**. Please consider making a pledge to the Ministries Drive. You have until Dec 31st 2022 to pay your pledge in full.



TODAY Sunday, August 28th there will be a CCD Teachers meeting in the Church Hall at 6PM, for the up-and-coming school year for all grades. Please try and attend.

Christian Mothers will hold their monthly Meeting, this **Thursday, Sept 1st** starting at **11:20** with **Exposition of the Eucharist**, rosary, Mass & meeting.



Looking for help with college?

St. Therese's Knights of Columbus council #10409 are here to help by offering again this year a \$500 Fr Bernard Karmanocky Essay Scholarships to the members of St Therese and St. Anne's Parishes (only). The essay must consist of 500 words and the topic for this year's scholarship is:

"The Eucharist"

Summit and Center of Catholic Life

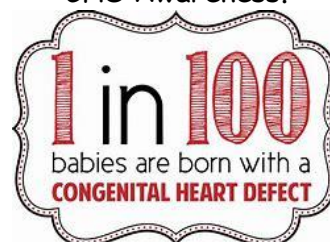
If you have any questions, please contact Dennis @535-6833. **All entries must be postmarked by Sept 15th**. Please submit your essay to:

Dennis Pingatore
115 Stans Lane
Johnstown, Pa 15909

Community News & Events

1st Inaugural Riley's Memorial Run Sunday, Sept 18, 2022

Registration: St Clair Tremont Club 10:30AM
Kick stands up at 12PM. \$15 run to benefit Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. The run includes cash prizes, food, and music mash up!
CHS Awareness.



Bishop Mark Bartchak cordially invites all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2022 (and their families) to attend **the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy**. Couples may attend Sunday, September 18 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or **Sunday, September 25 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral**. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 p.m. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Monday, August 29.

Families and the Gospel - (Luke 14:1, 7-14)

Family life well lived confirms the words of Jesus in today's gospel, "Those who humble themselves will be exalted." Commitment, intimacy, loyalty and love are the rewards of humble service and care for one another.

ST. ROCHUS SOCIETY - CROATION HALL

LODGE #5 will offer Traditional Kolo Dance Lessons. Kolo Dance is traditional Croatian & Serbian Folk dance. Classes will be offered at the Croatian Hall in the 3rd floor (air conditioned) Dates include August 30 & Sept 1, 6, 8. Time: 7:00-8:30 Price: Classes will be offered at **no charge**. All are welcome. Classes will be offered in anticipation of Slavic Fest which will be taking place September 16-17 at the Heritage Discovery Center. This will be a great opportunity to learn some of the dances so you can participate and enjoy the festival even more. Please contact Jim Shustrick at 814-421-4958 for information or to register for class.

Celebrate Recovery

A Christ - centered 12 step recovery programs where God heals those with Hurts, habits, and Hang-ups. CR can help with any life issues, not just drugs or alcohol.

Morrellville Church of the Brethren
408 Chandler Ave
Friday nights

Free meals @ 5:30PM, Large groups @ 6:30PM
and Open share support groups @7:15PM.

Fellowship And refreshments after groups.

Family and friends welcome to learn about CR.
Any questions please call Brian @ 814-279-7868

Divine Mercy Prayer Group: 5 year Anniversary
Celebration Holy Hour Eucharistic Adoration with
Benediction

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA: The Three Windber Catholic Parishes invites you to venerate a First Class Relic of Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church on Thursday, Sept. 15th 9:00am - 7:00pm. Noon Mass and 6:00pm Mass. Anointing of Sick after Masses. The church will be open the entire day for veneration. Confessions: 9:00am - 11:30am and 1:00pm - 5:30pm. Quoting St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, "Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do...but much love we put in that action."

Eucharistic Revival - "My Flesh for the life of the world." John 6:51 Our Diocese launched a Eucharistic Revival along with Dioceses throughout the United States on the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 19, 2022. Together we embarked on a three-year National Eucharistic Revival. The Theme is "My flesh for the life of the World." Our Mission is to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord in the Eucharist. The revival is a personal call, a parish call, and a diocesan call. The Vision is for Catholics across the United States to become unified by an encounter with Jesus in and through the Eucharist where we are invited to experience his true presence. In this first year 2022-23, we plan to have a Diocesan Day, September 17, with Priests from our diocese highlighting the Eucharist and inviting us to acknowledge that now is the time to **RECOGNIZE JESUS AGAIN** in the breaking of the Bread and receiving his presence.

St. Matthew's Anglican Church will hold its annual Spaghetti Dinner/Basket Party Sept. 23 and 24 at St Therese's church hall.

On Friday, guests are invited to walk through from 4-7 p.m. There is no admittance fee and basket tickets will be available for purchase. On Saturday, doors open at 12:30 p.m. A spaghetti dinner will be served beginning at 1p.m. The dinner, prepared by Chef Mike Labarko, includes salad, bread, beverages and delicious desserts. Saturday's tickets are \$10 and include the dinner and a sheet of tickets. More than 120 baskets and prizes will be awarded. You need not be present to win. For additional information or to purchase a ticket, call (814) 244-3863.



Birthright Basket Party

Support pro-life in our Diocese by attending Birthright of Johnstown's basket Party fundraiser. Join us Sunday, Oct 9th at Richland Firehall beginning at 11AM. Winners will be drawn starting @1PM. Tickets are \$10 and include a lite lunch and 25 chances. Please call Mary Kay @ 814-535-8231 for tickets.



Save your Soles for Other Souls

Shoe Drive Campaign

Please Donate New, Used or Gently worn Shoes (clean and free from holes, rips and worn-out soles. Shoe can be of any style or variety Men's, women's children's sneakers, boots Flip Flops even heels. There will be a box in the vestibule from now until November 6th

CHRIST THE SAVIOR CATHEDRAL will hold a Basket Party on Sunday, September 25 at their Educational Center, 307 Garfield Street, Johnstown. Doors open at 11:00 AM. Drawing begins at 1:00 PM.. Admission tickets are \$12.00 each and include one sheet of regular basket chances, lunch, drink and a dessert. Extra basket chances will be sold in addition to larger ticket items, a 50/50 and more! Please call 717-925-9041 for tickets. If you would like to donate a basket please drop off donation at the Educational Center on Friday or Saturday, September 16 and 17 from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Tickets may be purchased on the drop off days as well.



Heavenly Father, We pray for all the students returning to school, send your Holy Spirit as their guide and protector. Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm. Let them learn and grow strong. May the presence of your Spirit fill their hearts. Help them be a light to others, and help them show love, care, and respect to their peers and teachers. Please protect them from bullies, but if they face one, give them courage to stand up for themselves and for others. Bless and guide the teachers, staff and parents during this new school year. Give them leadership, guidance, patience and strength as they help the students achieve their goals. We pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

ABORTION; "Intercessions for Life:"

For those longing for children of their own; that through the intercession of Abraham and Sarah, God might hear their cry:
"We Pray To The Lord"



**A person's a person,
No matter how small.**
-Dr. Seuss



Sunday, August 28 th	CCD Faculty Meeting in the Church Hall 6PM
Saturday, Sept 10 th (No tickets sold at the Door)	Cash Bash Social Hall
Thursday Sept 22 nd (tentative)	Piroghi Project
Sept 23 rd - Oct 1 st -	St Therese Novena
Sept 25 th	First Day of CCD Classes 9AM
Sunday, Oct 9 th -	Penny Pie Social St Anne's Church Hall
Sunday, Oct 16 th -	Knights of Columbus Gun Bash - St Andrews Church Hall
Sat & Sun Oct 22 nd & Oct 23 rd	St Therese Oktoberfest - Social Hall