

ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 9, 2022

FIRST READING: Naaman, cleansed from his leprosy, returns to Elisha and pledges his belief in and allegiance to the LORD (2 Kings 5:14-17).

PSALM: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

SECOND READING – Remember Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead. If we persevere, we shall reign with him (2 Timothy 2:8-13).

GOSPEL: After ten lepers are cleansed by Jesus, only one, a Samaritan, returns to give him thanks (Luke 17:11-19).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION- THE GIFT OF SALVATION

Naaman and the leper who returned to Jesus saw God's hand in their healing. Only through God's intervention could they have been cured. Through this recognition of God's presence and action in their lives, they grew in faith. For what are you grateful? Pause for a moment to reflect on all of the blessings in your life. God is the source of these many blessings—life, love, gifts, and so much more. Of all the gifts for which we must be grateful, none is as great, or as astounding, as the gift of salvation offered to us through Jesus Christ. Let this sink in, not only in your mind but in your heart. Like Naaman and the leper who returned, allow yourself to be touched by the immense love of God for you. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

MON	10/10	
TUES	10/11	8:00AM Peel Potatoes Piroghi Project
WED	10/12	
THURS	10/13	7:30AM Piroghi Project for Oktoberfest
FRI	10/14	
SAT	10/15	3:00PM Confession
SUN	10/16	

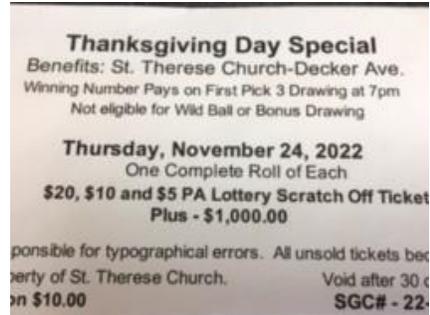
MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Oct 10th – Oct 15th)

MON	10/10. 7:50AM.	+ (A) Olga Labuda – (Daughter, Marie & Paul Nikonow)
TUES	10/11. 7:50AM.	+ (A) Edward Skufca – (Family)
WED	10/12. 7:50AM.	+ (B) Michael “Bob” Macy – (Wife & Family)
THUR	10/13. 7:50AM	+ (B) Jean Barbalish & (A) Stevie Barbalsih – (Yvonne)
FRI	10/14. 7:50AM	+ Kevin Gritzer – (Bob Hamryszakl)
SAT	10/15. 4:00PM	+ Debbie Trotz – (Carol Audi)
SUN	10/16. 7:30AM.	+ Thomas Friedman – (Patricia Marshall)
 10:30AM.	+ Susan Rickabaugh – (sister, Donna & Family)

Sunday Oct 9, 2022



We will be selling **Thanksgiving Day Special Tickets** for a chance to win a complete rolls of \$20, \$10 \$5 PA instant lottery tickets plus \$1,000.00. Ticket cost are \$10 for two numbers. Tickets will be sold before Mass. Please contact the rectory at 814-539-7633 Mon - Fri 9AM-2PM for more ticket information.



Stewardship Reflections. Today's readings demonstrate the power and vital importance of gratitude in the life of the Christian disciple, for gratitude leads us to worship God who offers us salvation. We see this in the response of the two lepers. The truth is that our very lives and every breath we take are His gift to us. But we can get so caught up in the stresses and distractions of daily life that we lose touch with this truth. Gratitude is the key to a stewardship way of life.

Gratitude begins within our minds and hearts when we take the time to recognize how blessed we truly are, and when we have the humility to recognize where these blessings come from — our merciful and loving God. Do you give thanks to our generous God for all the blessings you receive each and every day?(Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/7/05)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS
(Oct 1st & Oct 2nd 2022)

Weekly	\$	6,106.75
Fuel	\$	525.00
Building Fund	\$	1, 030.00

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

Basket Party /Penny Pie Social - sponsored by the **St. Anne's Christian Mothers** will be held on TODAY Sunday, **Oct 9th** starting at 12:00. in the Church Hall, 533 Woodland Ave. Food available for purchase. Come out and take some chances and help support our sister parish. All are welcome to join in the Fun!!



PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGES

Piroghi's, Pigs In Blanket & Apple Strudel Help Needed - If you are available on the days listed below your help is much needed.

- Tuesday, Oct 11th 8:00 Peel potato
- Thursday, Oct 13th 7:30AM Make Piroghi's
- Wednesday, Oct 19th -8:30AM - steam cabbage & chopping onions
- Thursday Oct 20th -8:30AM - make pigs
- Friday Oct 21st- 9AM making apple strudel
- TBA making apple dumplings



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 August 31st, we have collected **\$9,760.00** 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.

Families and the Gospel - (Luke 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."

There are many different jobs when making the piroghis. We start at 7AM making the potato & cheese balls, by 9AM they start making the dough. Many hands are needed to start pinching the piroghi together, then into the hot water they go to be cooked. After that comes the hard work, the Clean Up! If you have never volunteered at the piroghi project before, this is a good time to start. There are jobs that are on the move or you can sit and socialize with your "neighbor" and pinch together. So, if you have any spare time, no matter how long, please stop over and help out.

Turkey Day Scratch for Cash

St Therese Holy Name will be selling chances on a roll of \$5.00 scratch off tickets and \$200.00

Only 250 will be sold. Tickets are \$5.00.

Winning number will be taken from the 7PM PA Pick 3 Lottery on Thursday, November 24, 2022

Community News & Events

Save your Soles for Other Souls-

St Francis of Assisi shoe drive officially starts September 6th. Please place your new, or gently worn shoes in the box located in the back of the church. Please, no moldy, ripped or worn-out shoes. There is also a drop off box located at the activities center of St. Francis on Barron Avenue. All types of shoes are needed. We are having a tremendous start and Thank You to those of you who have already contributed. Call Carol at 814-536-0152 if any questions.

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the **Fatima Devotions on Thursday, October 13th, 2022, at 6:30pm** at the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel. We are really looking forward to seeing you.

Basket party: A basket party to benefit **St. Patrick Church** will be held at **St. John Gualbert Activities Center -110 Adams St. on Sunday, Oct.16th from 1pm-4pm.** Doors will open at noon. Admission tickets are \$8.00, which includes lunch and 25 basket chances. Only 200 tickets will be sold, they will be available after all masses at St. Patrick Church, available during the week at St. John's rectory, and also available by calling Lolly Kennedy at (814)659- 8717.



Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser Basket Party

St Michael Sportsman Club 270 Main St.

November 6th, 2022

Doors open at 12:30Pm

Drawing at 3:30PM

Tickets are \$10 includes tickets and a meal. Basket party benefits Anthony "Cheed" Bonk, who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident. "Cheed" is a member of St Andrews Church and is also a Knight of Columbus member.

Anyone interested in making a donation or a basket, please leave a message for Kathy 814-242-6558 or Jenna 814-792-5925.

All proceeds will go toward his expenses.

ABORTION; The Pope Teaches...by Pope Francis

"Openness to life is at the center of true development," he said. "If personal & social sensitivity I welcoming a new life is lost, other forms of welcome useful to social life will dry up. Welcoming life tempers moral energies & makes people capable of helping each other.



"Sometimes the Smallest things take up the most room in your hearts"



If you would like to work in an environment that supports Catholic values and allows you to speak freely about and share your faith, please consider working for our diocese. There are many full and part time positions available in the maintenance, administrative assistant, and teaching fields along with openings at our homeless shelter and an Accountant position within Catholic Charities. For more information and to apply online, go to <https://www.dioceseaj.org/employment> or email lmcevoy@dioceseaj.org.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is going to be going on an upcoming Bus Trip to **American Music Theatre - Christmas Show on November 10th.** Please call Fran for more info at (814)536-3667.

Food Distribution

Food for Veterans Distribution

A Food distribution will be held in the Johnstown area for all Veterans and Military families in need at Hiram G Andrews. Dates are as follow: Oct 28th, Nov 28th, and Dec 29th from 1-3PM. For more information, please call 1-844-VLP VETS



Oktoberfest 2022

Our annual Oktoberfest has been set for **Saturday, Oct 22nd** and **Sunday, Oct 23rd** in the Social Hall.

We are asking for and would appreciate the following donations:

Theme Basket (at least \$25.00 in value) for the basket raffle. If Basket making isn't your specialty you can make a monetary donation, we will make it for you!

\$5, \$10, & \$25 gift cards for the Wheel raffle (Saturday Night)

Bakers of the Parish-we are asking once again for your delicious homemade pies.



ROSARY ST. CLEMENT CHURCH (inside)
Honoring Our Lady of Fatima Praying for Peace,
Life & Our Country
Thursday, October 13th 6:30 PM &
Saturday, October 15th Noon Central Park,
Downtown Johnstown



ST. JUDE TRIDUUM St. Clement Church
Wednesday, October 26th -6:30 PM
Thursday, October 27th -6:30 PM Friday,
October 28th -6:30 PM

All I really Need to Know About Life, I Learned from Noah's Ark

1. Don't miss the boat.
2. Don't forget we're all in the same boat.
3. Plan ahead—it wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
4. Stay fit—when you're 600 years old someone might ask you to do something really big.
5. Don't listen to critics, just get on with what has to be done.
6. For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
7. Two heads are better than one.
8. Build your future on high ground.
9. Speed isn't always an advantage, after all, the snails were on the same ark with the cheetahs.
10. When you are stressed, float a while.
11. Remember the ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic was built by professionals. Remember that the woodpeckers inside are a larger threat than the storm outside.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: Connect with your Creator, Redeemer, and Spiritual Guide in a stress-free environment at the Eucharistic Adoration every First Friday of the month from 9:30AM until 5:30PM at St. Francis of Assisi Church. It is important that each $\frac{1}{2}$ hour or hour have two adorers to adore and protect the Blessed Sacrament.