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October 1, 2023

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING: When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18: 25-28).

PSALM: Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

SECOND READING: Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2: 1-11 [1-5]).

GOSPEL: Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21: 28-32).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: FAMILIAR INSIGHTS

Spiritual teachers tend to repeat themselves, and to repeat other teachers. Maybe there really aren't that many different truths to tell. Just a lot of slow, sleepy human beings—like us—who need to hear the basics over and over. Consider today's readings. People complain God isn't "fair," and Ezekiel answers that God is more than fair. People choose their own fates, and people can change. Even evildoers can turn, do right, and live. "Actions speak louder than words." A fresh new insight? Hardly. Paul tells the Philippians that he would truly be encouraged if those who claimed to be believers would, in fact, look to others' interests and not their own. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating." A novel idea? I don't think so. In Jesus' story of the farmer and his sons, everyone knows that the one who said he wouldn't work—but did—is way ahead of the one who said he would work—but didn't. "Talk is cheap." Heard that before?

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:30PM	Saturday October 7 th	9:00AM	Sunday, October 8 th L
Lector	Ed Olshefski	Lector:	Denise Lakatos
Eucharistic Ministers	Ed Olshefski Volunteer	Eucharistic Ministers	Dave Bischof Damian Lakatos

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (October 2nd – October 8th)

MON	10/2	7:00AM. . . Sr. Marie Therese of the Infant Jesus
TUES	10/3	7:00AM. . . + (B) David Ferg, Jr. – (Aunt Barbara)
WED	10/4	7:00AM. . . + (B) Mary Jane Ferg – (Daughter, Barbara)
THURS	10/5	7:00AM. . . Intention Dantis
FRI	10/6	7:00AM. . . + Rich Poplinski – (Darlene Howrlyak)
SAT	10/7	5:30PM. . . + (B) Jerry Chverchko – (Rich & Mickey Clemento)
SUN	10/8	9:00AM. . . + (B) Mary Jane Zupan – (Son, Frank & Zupan Family)



October 1, 2023

Stewardship Reflections: Today's readings challenge the modern-day disciple to imitate more fully both the actions and attitudes of Christ. This is, after all, the point of our stewardship way of life.

St. Paul encapsulates the actions and attitudes we must strive for in the Second Reading, from the Letter to the Philippians. "Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others." In other words, Paul continues, "Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus." Whether we are at work or school or within our own homes, our actions should be focused on others first in imitation of Christ, Who is always perfectly focused on others.

We are called to a high and holy standard — living as Christ's disciples every day and with every person the Lord places in our path. But we can move towards this goal in "baby steps." We can even take a step backward from time to time because our Father is merciful and kind. What matters is that we keep baby-stepping along, assured of the grace we need to more closely imitate the actions and attitudes of Christ. This is the beauty of the stewardship way of life.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Sept 23rd & 24th, 2023

Collection:

Weekly	\$ 1,162.55
Monthly	\$ 5.00
Retired Priests Medical	\$ 65.00
Building Fund	\$ 5.00

Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish! Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!



The Knights of Columbus will hold their meeting this Tuesday, **Oct 3rd** at 7PM in the St Therese Church hall.

The Christian Mothers Meeting will be held **next Sunday, Oct 8th**.

Please mark your calendars.

Everyone is welcome to stop down and join in the meeting.

Friends Helping Friends – The Christian Mothers will be offering the 25% off Friends Helping Friends Boscov's coupon this week and next for \$5. Anyone interested can also call Janet Knapp at 814-241-6198.



Blessing of Animals...In keeping with the Franciscan tradition, the Blessing of Animals will take place on Saturday morning, **Oct 7th at 10:00AM** in front of the St

Therese Grotto.

All are welcome!!



Novena to Honor St. Therese of the Child Jesus

Ends today

Sunday, Oct 1st, the Feast of St. Therese.

Mass Schedule –

Sunday Masses at 7:30AM, 10:30AM, and 7:00PM will be the closing of the Novena.

Cake and coffee will be served after all Masses



It has come to our attention that someone is texting and emailing some people from St Anne & St Therese and pretending to be Fr Bernard Karmanocky and then asking for help. If you respond then they proceed to ask for gift cards. **This is a SCAM.** Fr Bernie would never text or email you for anything of value. Please pass this information on to all your friends and family members.

ARE YOU LONELY?

**DO YOU KNOW THE MEANING OF YOUR LIFE?
DO YOU WANT TO HAVE A DEEPR**

RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST

COME AND LISTEN!

**CATHEHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH (12 AND UP)
FREE BABYSITTING PROVIDED**

**BEGINNING OCTOBER 3RD
SUNDAYS AND TUESDAYS
7:00PM
IN ST. ANNE'S CHURCH BASEMET**



Our annual Free Spaghetti Dinner – will be held at

12:30PM, Sunday, Oct 29th

There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the church beginning next week.

You must sign up to attend!!!

Deadline to sign up is Oct 22nd

Community News & Events

Franciscan Creation Festival – sponsored by the Friar’s Nook Gift Shop at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg will be held on Saturday, **October 7th** from 10AM-4PM. Come Enjoy craft vendors, food trucks, a petting zoo, kids activities, a garage sale and Gift Shop sale. Rosary will be said at 3PM and a pet blessing will be held at 3:30 and Catholic Mass at 4PM

Polish Christmas Customs – All Saints Parish in Boswell will host a presentation on Polish Christmas customs on Tuesday, **October 17th** at their Parish Hall (505 Center Street) at 6:30 PM. The customs, food, and decorations peculiar to the Polish expression of Christmas are unique and developed over many centuries. The presenter will be Fr. Czeslaw Krysa, an author and noted authority and Polish folk culture. The event will include refreshments, is free of charge, and open to all, however, participants are asked to register either by phoning the Parish Office at (814)-629-5551 or by emailing the Parish Secretary, Emily Marsh at emarsh@dioceseaj.org.

Mass for Widows and Widowers to be Televised Remember your loved ones on Sunday, October 29, 2023 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on Breezeline Channel 9. The Mass will also be able to view, at your convenience, online, at the Diocese Vimeo page at vimeo.com/user53173075. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office (814) 317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. The last day to register is Tuesday, October 24, 2023. The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the Catholic Ministries Drive.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group next get together will be **Wed. Oct. 11th 3pm and 6:30pm** (for those who work) at St. Andrew Church meeting room.

Best 1 Hour spent! Bring a friend.

Will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, discussing entries from the Diary of St. Faustina, Scripture, and Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Info call Cathy 814-288-1126 or Lolly 814-659-8717

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”



Families and the Gospel (MT 21: 28-32)

In today’s gospel Jesus asked, “What is your opinion?” Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact? An opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel comfortable doing something. Don’t argue over or become divided by “your opinion.”

Lord, make me a channel of your
peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow
love:
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy;
O divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek to
be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are
pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to
Eternal Life



Saint Francis Feast Day Oct 4th

St. Therese Church

Oktoberfest

Upper Decker Avenue

SATURDAY, OCT 7th
4:00PM – 8:00PM

SUNDAY, OCT 8th
11:00AM – 4:30PM

MENU

GERMAN POTATO SALAD HALUSKI
PIGS IN THE BLANKET PIROGHI
KOLBASSI/SAUERKRAUT
HOT DOGS/SAUERKRAUT

DELICIOUS HOME BAKED DESERTS

ASSORTED PIES GERMAN APPLE STRUDEL



BEER WINE COOLERS SODA WATER COFFEE

ENTERTAINMENT

THEME BASKETS

SATURDAY

5:30 – 7:30—Meat Raffle Wheel

SUNDAY

12:30-3:30PM - Dancing to the music of the Rhythm Masters

4:00PM - Theme Basket Raffle Drawing

