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October 8, 2023

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING: The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel (Isaiah 5: 1-7).

PSALM: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel (Psalm 80).

SECOND READING: God's peace will guard your hearts and minds (Philippians 4: 6-9).

GOSPEL: The kingdom of God will be given to those who will produce its fruit (Matthew 21: 33-43).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: THE GIFT OF THE REIGN OF GOD

Matthew's Gospel today expands on Isaiah's ballad considerably. A comparison with the same story in Mark's Gospel clearly shows us that here the author is busy teaching this community of Jewish Christians: "This is a story about Israel a long time ago; this is also a story about Jesus and the skeptical leaders." Jesus as much as told these Jewish leaders, that they were the tenants who first stoned their own prophets. And he told the leaders they were the tenants who would soon even dispose of him—Jesus—and, in doing so, would forfeit their privileged place of presenting to the world the promised Messiah. "And this," says Matthew's Gospel, "is a story about you, the inheritors of what was first offered to Israel." The reign of God was first opened to Israel and is now given to the whole world, but it must be received as a gift. The first Christians are the new tenants in the vineyard. The deeper reality of the reign or kingdom of God is that it is available to everyone on the face of the earth—Israel included.

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:30PM	<u>Saturday October 14th</u>	9:00AM	<u>Sunday, October 15th</u>
Lector	Volunteer	Lector:	Linda Lopez
Eucharistic Ministers	Volunteer	Eucharistic Ministers	Deborah Flynn Ken Dorian

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (October 9th– October 15th)

MON	10/09 7:00AM. . . + Frank Karmanocky – (Neo Catechumenal Way Community)
TUES	10/10 7:00AM. . . Intention Dantis
WED	10/11 7:00AM. . . + For Living & Deceased Members of the Kamnikar/Gardill Family – (Family)
THURS	10/12 7:00AM. . . + Rich Poplinski – (Faye Jock)
FRI	10/13 7:00AM. . . + Kathleen Charney – (Elaine Charney)
SAT	10/14 5:30PM. . . + For Living & Deceased Members of the Ferg/Swaney Family – (Barbara Voci)
SUN	10/15 9:00AM. . . + Holy Soul's of Purgatory – (Bob Kuhns)

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Stewardship Reflections: We have been given so many gifts and blessings by our Heavenly Father. Yet, in our fallen state, it is all too easy to take them for granted. Our readings today teach us that we must live with an intentional awareness of our many blessings and use them gratefully to glorify God.

By Baptism, we have received the gift of salvation and membership in the Kingdom of God – we are not ‘tenants’ called to work in the ‘vineyard’ and produce fruit for it’s owner, our Heavenly Father. This calling is a gift from God to be treasured above all other gifts. Jesus makes it clear that if we squander the gift of salvation, we will lost it. It is a sobering truth.

So let us live each day with a profound awareness of all that we have been given by God. Let us use our intellect to think on these gifts throughout the day and resolve to use all our gifts for God’s glory. We will find peace, joy and purpose as we do.

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS
Sept 30th & Oct 1st, 2023**

Collection:

Weekly	\$ 1,349.10
Monthly	\$ 112.00
Retired Priests Medical	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 65.00
Ascension	\$ 5.00
Assumption	\$ 5.00
All Saints	\$ 15.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 3.00

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



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 deeper
relationship with Christ**

Come and Listen!

**Cathechesis for Adults
And Youth (12 and up)
Free Babysitting provided**

**Beginning October 3rd
Sundays and Tuesdays
7:00PM
In St. Anne’s Church Basement**



**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**

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

Families and the Gospel (MT 21: 33-43)
Every family is visited by difficult times which can unite
or divide. These hardships, which we would quickly
reject, hold the potential to be the unifying
“cornerstone” where we drop our pettiness and
defenses and pull together, linked by a common bond
and love for one another.