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September 1, 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING: Moses directs the people to observe the commandments of the Lord
(Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

PSALM: The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

SECOND READING: Welcome the word that you have received and become doers of the word,
not hearers only (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

GOSPEL: You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition
(Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: St. James invites us to *"humbly welcome the word"*. This *"word"*, of course, is Christ [see John 1:1]. The best start for humbly welcoming this word is silence. Yet the silence needed here is not just a lack of audible noise. Internal silence is needed. Some people can very easily pray for an hour surrounded by external silence, yet the whole time they're stuffing human words into their hearts, minds, and souls by reading or carrying on an internal monologue. These human words exclude the divine word. The divine *"word,"* who became flesh and dwelt among us [see John 1:14], is the measure—the standard—against which every person will be judged. The divine Word made Flesh judges each human person, not only scribes and Pharisees. In prayer we have to dispose ourselves by silence and patience to hearing this divine Word. We must not only allow Him to speak to us, but also to judge the works of our lips and hearts.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

5:30PM
Lector

Saturday – Sept 7th
Volunteer

9:00AM
Lector:

Sunday – Sept 8th
Kevin Houghton

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

(Sept 2nd – Sept 8th)

MON	09/02	7:00AM. . . + (B) Kenneth Ferg, Sr – (Daughter, Barbara Voci)
TUES	09/03	7:00AM. . . + (A) Thomas Frick – (Denny & Marilyn Alberter)
WED	09/04	7:00AM. . . + M/M John & Maria Hoa Pham – (M/M Thien Tran)
THURS	09/05	7:00AM. . . + For Deceased Members of the Family of Cirila Graicar
FRI	09/06	7:00AM. . . + Msgr Harold Biller – (M/M Thien Tran)
SAT	09/07	5:30PM. . . + Mary Jane & Kenneth Ferg Sr – (Daughter, Barbara Voci)
SUN	09/08	9:00AM. . . Christian Mothers



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Community News & Events

Stewardship Reflections: Our readings today call us to pause for a moment and consider how we respond to God’s love for us each day. It begins by rising each day with a prayer of thanksgiving, offering our daily tasks as a prayer to the Lord, seeking ways to share our gifts and talents with others, saying a prayer of thanksgiving before meals, sharing words of affirmation to a loved, or taking time to reflect on how much God loves us and how we can best love Him in return.

This is how we ought to live our lives as Christian stewards – by recognizing our lives as a gift and an opportunity to love God in response to how He has loved us.

So let us look inward at our hearts and ask ourselves why we live our faith the way we do. Let us strive to pray with meaning, attend Mass with attention, serve others out of love for God and recognize just how blessed we are. It is in these simple moments that we love extraordinarily and honor God wholeheartedly.

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS
August 24th & 25th, 2024

Collection:

Weekly \$ 1,244.00
Assumption \$ 20.00

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!

KOC Council 10409 is having CPR, AED and First Aid Training on Sept 21st from 9AM – Noon in the St Therese Church Hall. Training is open to anyone 12 years and older. Cost \$15/person. Contact Joe Hochstein at 814-536-0455 or Brian Mikolich at 814-418-4570 to register and pay fee.

KOC Council #10409 – This month’s meeting will be held Tuesday, September 3rd at 7PM in the St. Therese Church Hall

Christian Mothers Meeting – Next Sunday, Sept 8th after 9AM Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The office will be closed Monday, Sept 2nd to observe Labor Day.



Catholic Ministries Drive
Encountering Christ.

Thank you to all the families who have pledged through **July 31st** a total of **\$4,450** towards our target goal of **\$8,276**. 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. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge according to your means so we will be able to reach that target. **All funds over our target will be returned to St. Anne’s Parish.**

Divine Mercy Prayer Group cordially invites EVERYONE to our Anniversary Celebration

1 Hour

Adoration ***Benediction***Recitation of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Thursday Sept. 12th -- 3pm

St. Anne Church
533 Woodland Ave.
Johnstown 15902

Light Refreshments to follow in Church hall
Info: Cathy (814)288-1126 or Lolly (814)659-8717

40 Hours Devotion at Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish in Lilly (608 Main Street). All are invited to 40 Hours Devotion in Lilly on the following days: **Sunday, Sept 8th to Tuesday, Sept 10th** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament along with a Devotional Service each evening at 7PM. Fr. Timothy Harris, T.O.R. will be the guest Presider and Homilist each evening. Confessions will be offered at the end of each Devotional Service. All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE!-- A Women’s Day of Reflection

St. Benedict Parish, Johnstown will be hosting Award Winning Author and Speaker, Liz Kelly for A Women’s Day of Reflection, “Jesus Approaches: What Contemporary Women Can Learn about Healing, Freedom & Joy from the Women of the New Testament” This one-day event will be held from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM **Sept 28**. The day will start off with taking a fresh look at the encounters that women had with Jesus while you grow in confidence and skill praying with Scripture and making the Gospel your own. The day will include Mass, Adoration, opportunities for confession and fellowship and the opportunity to strengthen the tether between your heart and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

This event is Free and open to all, A Lunch and Refreshments will be served so an RSVP is required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact St. Benedict Rectory at (814) 266-9178 or Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or email at michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.

Families and the Gospel (Mk 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23)
In today’s gospel Jesus warns “what comes from within can defile” a person. Families need to worry about “outside influences” but also about “inside influences.” The values our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That’s the good news! That can also be the bad news!



ABORTION: If abortion isn’t murder, why is it a Double Homicide when a pregnant woman is killed?

“Babies are bits of stardust,
blown down from the hand of God”