

# ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

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**September 8, 2024**

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

**FIRST READING:** Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

**PSALM:** Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

**SECOND READING:** Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

**GOSPEL:** Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

**LITURGICAL REFLECTION:** We may feel that our ears are blocked from hearing the Lord speak. Even though we may not lie, we may sometimes refrain from speaking the truth; which could amount to cowardice! But to receive the Lord's Word and Speak the Truth, we need to go with the Lord, "aside in private away from the crowd". We need to find it in us and in our day to step aside, and turn to the Lord; so that we too can hear him say: "Ephphatha!" Amen!

On this day of the Nativity of Our Blessed Mother Mary, we Thank her for her intercession for us. We ask her to continue to keep us under the mantle of her protection. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen!

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### Liturgical Ministry Schedule

**5:30PM** Saturday - Sept 14<sup>th</sup>  
Lector Ed Olshefski

**9:00AM** Sunday - Sept 15<sup>th</sup>  
Lector: Linda Lopez



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### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Sept 9<sup>th</sup> - Sept 15<sup>th</sup>)

**MON** 09/09 7:00AM. . . + For the Intention of Sr. Marie Catherine of the Sacred Heart O.C.D.  
**TUES** 09/10 7:00AM. . . + M/M John & Theresa Minh Nguyen - (M/M Thien Tran)  
**WED** 09/11 7:00AM. . . + Nancy Sunchick - (Mary Jo Gardill)  
**THURS** 09/12 7:00AM. . . + Fr. Joseph Strittmater - (M/M Thien Tran)  
**FRI** 09/13 7:00AM. . . + For Deceased Members of the Family of Cirila Graicar  
**SAT** 09/14 5:30PM. . . + For Living & Deceased Members of the Ferg/Swaney Family - (Barbara Voci)  
**SUN** 09/15 9:00AM. . . + Frank & Sue Karmanocky - (Family)

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**Stewardship Reflections:** “Thus says the Lord: say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!” Our readings today offer us a message of hope – God is with us and wants to heal us. May this message come ablaze in our hearts so that we might live with unwavering faith.

The prophecy in our first reading and the story in our Gospel overwhelm us with comfort and peace because we have a compassionate God who sees our physical needs. Yet if we reflect further on these readings, we see that God uses these moments of physical healing as opportunities to restore something much deeper – our souls.

This week let us seek God to heal our souls and transform our hearts. Let us pray that our eyes and our ears might “be open” to His workings, words, and promptings in our lives.

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS  
August 31<sup>st</sup> & Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**Collection:**

Weekly	\$	1,837.00
Monthly	\$	119.00
Building Fund	\$	80.00
Catholic University	\$	5.00
Retired Priests Medical	\$	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!*

**KOC Council 10409 is having CPR, AED and First Aid Training on Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

**Christian Mothers Meeting – This Sunday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>** after 9AM Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Congratulations to the winners of the St Anne’s Christian Mothers ticket!!**

- #983 Robert Christian (Winner)
- #982 Denise Lakatos (#below)
- # Benita Socha (#above)

Thank you to all who supported us by purchasing a ticket!



**Novena to Honor St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

Opens on **Monday, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>** and will end on **Tuesday, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Feast of St. Therese.

**Mass Schedule –**

- Weekday Masses at 7:50AM, 9AM and 7PM;
- Saturday Masses at 9AM, 4PM, and 7PM;
- Sunday Masses at 7:30AM, 10:30AM, and 7:00PM.

Sunday, Sept 29<sup>th</sup> at 2PM Anointing of the sick

**Catholic Ministries Drive  
Encountering Christ.**

Thank you to all the families who have pledged through **August 31<sup>st</sup>** a total of **\$4,550** 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.**

**Community News & Events**

**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. 12<sup>th</sup> -- 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

**PUBLIC ROSARY**

Praying for Our Country, Police, Fire Fighters, First Responders, Healthcare Workers **Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 PM**

**St. Clement Church**



**ST. FRANCIS FISH FRY –**

St. Francis of Assisi will have a Fish Fry on **Friday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup>**, at the Activity Center, corner of D Street and Barron Avenue. A LUNCH SPECIAL (Fried



Fish Sandwich and French Fries, NO SUBSTITUTIONS) will be offered from 11AM until 1:00 PM (TAKE OUT ONLY). The full menu will be served from 2:00PM – 6:00PM, eat-in or takeout.

Meals will be served while supplies last.

**\*\*DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS ARE ACCEPTED!!\*\***



**CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA:**

This weekend the diocese will take up the National Collection for The University of America. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith – rooted education. Please give generously.



**Fall Festival at St Patrick Sept 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> -**

Join us for our Fall Festival Sept 20-21 8AM-PM Gigantic Basement Sale, Bake Sale, Gobs, Pies! Hot food including: BBQ Pulled Pork, Haluski, Hot Sausage Sandwich, Burgers, and Hot Dogs!

Hope to see you there!



**Grandparents Day – Sept 8<sup>th</sup>** -- Whether they go by Grammy & Pappy, Grandma & Grandpa, Nana & Pop Pop, Meemaw & Peepaw- there is no question that Grandparents are the Greatest. Make sure you take a moment out of your day today to let them know how special they are.



**A Catechesis for Adults and Youth**  
Come and Listen!  
Beginning Sept 16<sup>th</sup> Mondays & Wednesdays  
@7PM  
St John Gualbert Cathedral Activity Center  
110 Adams St.  
Free parking and babysitting

**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 8<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:michael.russo@atlanticbb.net).

**DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES?  
Seeing is Believing**

Tim Francis, a national speaker out of Fort Worth, Texas, who gives parish missions on Eucharistic Miracles and how the science has led people to faith, will be speaking at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral on **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** following the 6 PM Mass from 7:30-10:00 PM and Sunday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>** following the 5 PM Mass from 6:30-9:00 PM. He will also be speaking on Monday, **September 16<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00-8:30 PM at Saint Francis University in the Immaculate Conception Chapel. Same presentation each night choose one.

[www.Sciencetestsfaith.com/pa](http://www.Sciencetestsfaith.com/pa)

**Families and the Gospel - (Mk 7: 31-37)**  
Because the deaf man in today's gospel recognized his disability, he could seek help from Jesus. Deafness abounds in families: in our children (Oh dad, not that again") in parents ("It is just a stage") and in spouses ("Are you listening?"). Before Jesus can enter your home and heal, you must first recognize your deafness.



**ABORTION: Did you Know**

- 18 Days a baby heart begins to beat
- 43 Days brain coordinates movement
- 7 Weeks a baby can hiccup
- 8 Weeks organs can function
- 10 Weeks can feel pain
- 12 Weeks a baby can smile, suck their thumb and make a fist

Over 2 million couples wait to adopt a child- including all races & those with special with special needs.

