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October 20, 2024 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING: My servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear (Isaiah 53:10-11).

PSALM: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

SECOND READING: Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help (Hebrews 4:14-16)

GOSPEL: Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all (Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: What does God want for us? Does God want us to work so hard that instead of our loved ones getting the best of us, they get what's left of us? Does God want us idolizing a system in which obsessions with power and fear, not mercy, reigns supreme? Is this the will of God? Ultimately, God made us for freedom. When we're enslaved by tiredness, we're not truly free. As we continue to work toward God's will in our lives, may we celebrate our liberation by contemplating our connection with God, even if just for a little bit each day, so that we experience grace, rejuvenation, and life as God wills it.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

5:30PM Saturday – Oct 26th
Lector Ed Olshefski

9:00AM Sunday – Oct 27th
Lector: Linda Lopez

Mass Intentions for the Week: (Oct 21st – Oct 27th)

MON 10/21 7:00AM. . . + (B) Anthony Beltz – (Wife, Eleanor & Family)
TUES 10/22 7:00AM. . . + For Deceased Members of the Family of Cirilla Graicar
WED 10/23 7:00AM. . . + Mike & Jean Smajda – (Theresa Daus-Weber)
THURS 10/24 7:00AM. . . + Sophie Mulvehill – (Brother, Joe & Joan Tracy)
FRI 10/25 7:00AM. . . + Frank & Sue Karmanocky. – (Family)
SAT 10/26 5:30PM. . . + (A) Mary Jane Ferg – (Daughter, Barbara Voci)
SUN 10/27 9:00AM. . . + (A) Ronald McGuire – (Daughter, Monica & Family)



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Stewardship Reflections: Our readings today convey how deeply God understands our weaknesses and sufferings, and how we are called to imitate Him through humility and service.

Our culture constantly encourages us to do what we can to get ahead in this world, to do what feels good, no matter the effects – as if that power, authority, and wealth should be goals in life.

Our faith offers us something different and fulfilling – a life of humility and service. As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in service of God and neighbor, just as Jesus did. Our life is not about us. It is about fulfilling God's glorious plan for each one of us.

Today, let us recall that we have a loving God who completely understands us and sympathizes with us. He is waiting for us to call on Him for mercy and strength. Yet, let us also recall that our God challenges us to be imitators of Him by becoming humble servants for God and neighbor.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS
Oct 12th & Oct 13th, 2024

Collection:

Weekly	\$ 1,447.00
Monthly	\$ 85.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
World Mission	\$ 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!

Catholic Ministries Drive
Encountering Christ.

Thank you to all the families who have pledged through **Sept 30** a total of **\$4,650** 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. Keep in mind, if we fall short of our goal, we will pay the balance out of our Parish Funds.**

Special Collection for Hurricane Disaster Relief

-- As a second severe storm approaches the southeast United States, we are aware of how seriously Hurricane Helene has impacted our brothers and sisters. Subsequent storms threaten further grave damage. For this reason, **Bishop Mark has asked us to take up a special collection again this weekend (Oct 19 & 20) & again next weekend (Oct 26 & 27)** to provide relief for victims of the recent hurricanes. All contributions to this special collection would be tax deductible. Parishes should forward the proceeds to the diocese, and I will see that those monies are forwarded to agencies such as Catholic Charities USA, which will ensure that the funds are used to help the recovery efforts. At this time, there is no need for items such as food, clothing, or toiletries to be sent to the southern states



World Mission Sunday, observed on Oct 20th this year, is not just another Sunday, it is a powerful reminder of our call to be missionaries. The collection taken up on that day is unique as it is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is essential for the survival and growth of the Church in mission territories.

These Funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the Church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education and training future priests, and religious. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference. As we reflect on the theme "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," let us remember that our participation and support help invite countless souls to the feast of God's love.



Our annual Free Spaghetti Dinner – will be held at **12:30PM, Sunday, Oct 27th** There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church beginning next week.

You must sign up to attend!!!
Deadline to sign up is
TODAY Oct 20th

attend.



Coffee & Cake...will be served in the Church Basement after both Masses **this weekend, Oct 19 & 20.** **Everyone is welcome to**

stop down for a delicious treat & to enjoy friendly conversation and warm fellowship.
Hope to see you there

Community News & Events

"A baby is God's opinion that the world should go on."
---Carl Sandburg---

All Saints Parish in Boswell will host a presentation on Polish Easter customs on Tuesday Oct 22nd at their parish hall (505 Center Street) at 6:30 PM. The customs, food, and devotions peculiar to the Polish expression of Easter are unique and developed over many centuries. The presenter will be Fr. Czeslaw Krysa, an author and noted authority and Polish folk culture.



ABORTION: In Washington, DC in 1994 Mother Teresa said that we fight abortion by teaching the mother what love really means: "to be willing to give until it hurts...So, the mother who is thinking of abortion, should be helped to love, that is, to give until it hurts her plans, or her free time, to respect the life of her child.". The woman tempted to have an abortion will transform her suffering into violence unless she allows love to transform her, and make her willing to give herself away. The Eucharist gives both the lesson and the power. Mom is to say "This is my body, my blood, my life, given up for you my child."



St Anthony of Windber is hosting a Stuffed Shells & Gnocchi Pasta Night
Saturday, October 26, 3:00-6:00pm, Sunday, October 27, 11:00am-2:00pm. Your choice of Pasta, meatballs, and salad \$12/meal Take-out Only.



BISHOP MCCORT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL WALK-THRU BASKET RAFFLE Sponsored by the - Bishop McCort Cheerleaders Sunday, November 3rd – 9AM-Noon Bach Center TICKETS: \$10 All are welcome!



A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar Mark 10:35-45)

"Advice" books abound on marriage and parenting. Jesus tells us in today's gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve others. It is not about "getting," it's about "giving" ourselves. If you feel like you are a servant to your children and spouse, then you are doing it right!

SAVE THE DATE!

Parish Mission Presents Fr. Greg Bramlage from Missionaries of the New Evangelization

St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown will be hosting Fr. Greg Bramlage for their Community-Wide Parish Mission, "Built Upon the Rock". This three-night event will be held at 7:00 pm on Oct 21, 22, 23. Each evening you will worship God in "Spirit and Truth" as you pray for God's healing in your lives. Please come with an open heart ready to be awed by the extravagant love of God. Open to adults and children in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese tickets are not required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or by email at michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.

The West End Improvement Group will the

Annual Basket Party. This year will be a 2-day event, with a Walk-Through on Saturday, **November 2, 2024, 1-4PM.** Tickets are \$5. Saturday will also include baked goods for sale, with gobs and pies to list a few. **Sunday, Nov 3,** doors will open at 11AM, drawing will begin at 1PM. Tickets are \$10.00 which includes lunch. This year will include qualifiers/pull-tabs, in addition to 50/50, Lottery Tree, etc and over 135 baskets. Proceeds benefit surveillance camera upgrades, flowers, garden, and community project. Any questions or to donate a basket, please call 814-248-8989 or 814-322-5558

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.