

# Sept 5/6; 12/13 & 19/20, 2015

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph Rc: rectory chapel

## Sept 12/13 • 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

- 4pm • J † Fr. Schware r/o Crawford Family  
5:45pm • M † Billy & Marie Houser r/o Husband & Children  
8:15am • J † Lewis & Gloria Horvath r/o Family  
10am • M † Irene Cicioni r/o Mary Dakosty

## Sept 19/20 • 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

- 4pm • J † John Y. Michalik r/o Al & Joanne  
5:45pm • M † Ferdinand Piccolo r/o Kathy Lorah  
8:15am • J † Baruka Family r/o Adam Baruka  
10am • M † Noel Brouse r/o Family



- Sept. 24 • 6pm • J † Joseph Tessitore  
Sept. 25 • 9am • J † Kathleen Queen

## Sept 26/27 • 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

- 4pm • J † Nancy Robel r/o Michelle Martz/Michael Novak/Family  
5:45pm • M † Edward Gilliam & Joseph Puorro  
r/o Gilliam Family  
8:15am • J † Bob Stancik r/o Wife, Carol  
10am • M † Fran Ambrose r/o M/M James Ambrose

*Baptism of Robert Roulin*



- ♦ **STEWARDSHIP: M:** [8/16: S: 1064; BF: 147; Campaign: 360] S: 752 • **J:** S: 1424; Campaign: 25  
• myEoffering: M: \$5 • J: \$30

Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!

- ♦ **Scripture:** Isa 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37  
• Next Week: 12/13: Isa 50:4-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35;  
19/20: Wis 2:12,17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37  
26/27: Num 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48



- ♦ Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need!  
.... • Roy Gius • Richard Buczkowski • Mary Balkiewicz • Bea Gius • John Washko • Dorothy Yanuskiewicz • Rose Ann & Tracey Aponick • Jean

& Alice Jarzinko • Joseph Washko • Ed & Sally McNamee • Jen Gilliam • Grace Snover • Betty Lou Torpey • Vickie Hartz • Ann Lewis • Bob Fellin • Gordy Weikel • Nancy Blackwell • Kathy Milefsky • Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Bill/Flo Steele • Theresa Szott

- ♦ **BirthDay Blessings:** belated Fr Jim: 9/4; Damian Joy, Carol Richards: 9/6; Mike Kosciuk, Rich Zions: 9/7; Bill Lorah, Tevin Murray: 9/8; Jessica Gulash: 9/10; Jacki Kane: 9/12; Joe Tomtishen Jr, Aaron Whitecavage, Bill Whitecavage, Diane Sartori: 9/14; Dorothy Anstock, Florence Frye, Leonard Labonski: 9/16; Sally McNamee: 9/18; John Kanute, Makenna Piaskowski: 9/19; Judy Dziak, Lori Horvath: 9/20; Mark O'Hearn, Alberta Pukavage: 9/21; Kyle Mummey: 9/23; Joe Devaney, Rhonda Kosciuk: 9/24.

♦ **A Parishioner is....** One who is registered, participates regularly in the liturgical life of the parish (e.g. Sunday Mass), demonstrates support by the gift of Time, Talent & Treasure!

♦ **Mission Appeal:** Fr. Douglas Mary, from the Maryknoll Missionaries joins us Sept. 5/6th for the Appeal. The envelope for the Appeal is in your box for Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, it will be taken then. Welcome Fr. as you do our guest priests.

♦ **St. Joseph's 50/50:** August winner: Pauline Kowalski \$85.50! Congrats! ....On to Sept!

♦ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Make an offering of a gift in thanks as we enter fall?! Can you believe it?

♦ **Year of St. Mark's Gospel** continues! Read it!

♦ **Knights of Columbus:** Mtg. Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendar for the Diocesan Men's Conference: Sat, Nov. 21, 9am-5pm. @ DeSales University: see [www.cmfd.org](http://www.cmfd.org). Early registration: \$25 @; High School/College: \$10.

♦ **Choir @ M:** There are some great voices, we can hear you, why not join us in giving praise and thanks to God!

♦ **Cards:** Birthday, Get well, Anniversary, etc are available for \$2 each. Place your offering in an envelope marked: Cards.

♦ **Amazon Purchases: Smile:** We're up: visit our webpage or Facebook: hit the smile, taking you to your amazon page, the parish receives 5% on your purchase! We're using St Mary's to filter all purchases, if you'd like credit to go to St Joseph's, let us know. No cost to you!

♦ **Adult Ed:** Symbolon series concludes Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm Mass. Our topic: "**The Last Things: What happens after we die?**" Bring your Catholic Bible, YouCat, Catechism...join us! Sessions consist of a video on the topic, sharing, & social.

**Reflection: 23-24-25<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** As Fr. is away, our reflections will resume when he returns from vacation.

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

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p.s. I'm on vacation, priests are available for funerals, in emergencies ask for the chaplain on call at the hospitals. Welcome our guest priests, Fr. Mary, Zelonis & Reilly so generous in making themselves available.

p.s.s. Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, I marked the beginning of my 6<sup>th</sup> decade. I ask your prayers. If you're of a mind to offer a gift, please: make a donation to the King's Men Ministry in my name. Make a check out to the King's Men or visit them at:

[www.thekingsmen.org](http://www.thekingsmen.org)



♦ **Orange Ribbons:** Wear one as a sign of support that we wear the "color" that the "people of the Cross" wear when they're martyred.

♦ **N.B: Parish Office:** office hours are still on an as-needed basis as Mary returns! Best to call before stopping by! When you request items, we'll try to get them to you @ weekend mass. Best to use email if you can! Your understanding, prayer and support are still appreciated.

♦ **SCRIP:** We've \$25 Applebee's, \$25 Cabela's, \$25 Weis, \$10 Bed, Bath & Body, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$25 iTunes, \$25 Home Depot, \$25 Sheetz, \$25 Lowe's, \$10 Long John Silver's, \$25 PetSmart, \$25 Walmart, \$10 Pizza Hut, \$25 Regal Theatres, \$10 Taco Bell on hand. Contact the office, we'll get them to you.



❖ **Flowers:** Celebrating an anniversary or birthday? For the main altar/tabernacle: \$75, side altars: \$25+. Contact us via the parish office.

❖ **Finance Councils Reports:** Were announced at Mass the weekend of Aug 30th. Detailed financial report/budget & block party/picnic are available for review at the parish office.

❖ **Coat Drive:** Our own, Tevin Murray, is persuing his N. Schuylkill Senior Project via a coat drive. Boxes are at the entrance to Church encouraging us to donate toward the goal of 100 coats (outerware): hoodies, etc. to assist local families in need.

❖ **Ministry:** We're replenishing our teams: adults to learn to serve as we transit to adult ministry [keeping our young people!] Some disciples have responded as Lectors, Servers & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist! We're looking for more, especially Sunday AM Masses: how about you?

CH \_ CH: what's missing?

❖ **Registration for Religious Ed** continues...Forms are at the entrance to Church. Registration is \$35 for one child; \$65 for 2+. Classes for grades 1-8 are held Sunday morning at St Joseph's: from 9:15-10:15. Weekly Mass attendance is a must! New enrollees, contact: Sue Crawford @ 570-384-5732. Baptismal Info is required at the time of registration.



❖ **Integrity Restored.com** Children age 7 porn finds them! IR provides education, encouragement & resources to break free from porn, heal relationships, help parents prevent & respond to porn that devastates lives/families.

To fight: **covenanteyes.com**: enter the code *Patrick* for a 30 day trial. We should have this on our computers, laptops & mobile devices. The price? Saving our lives, family, marriages, faith: priceless!

❖ **Stained Glass Windows @ Rc** are in. They're from St. Joseph's Church, Pottsville: St. Peter & St Paul. The frames made from Oneida Chapel pews. See our pics. To memorialize them: \$2,000 each (pay over time or several sponsors together). Thanks to Beatrice/Helen for the material enhancing the windows. Truly beautiful!

❖ **Interested in our Catholic faith?** Ask, encourage, invite! Share the gift of faith! ❖ See us: [stmarystjoseph.net](http://stmarystjoseph.net)

❖ [facebook.com/stmarystjosephrc](https://www.facebook.com/stmarystjosephrc)

❖ **The Grotesque Persecution of Scott Lively by Austin Rose:** [cont'd] At center stage is a piece of legislation dubbed the Kill the Gays Bill by hard-left US pundit Rachel Maddow that in one form never enacted would have required the death penalty for deliberately infecting another person with the HIV virus. It should be noted that Lively opposed that version of the bill which was never enacted and further noted that the Ugandan laws on homosexuality changed not a bit from the time before Lively's first visit to Uganda down to the present day.

According to a document presented to the court by Lively's attorneys "...[plaintiff's] theory of liability against Lively for the eight unconnected acts of persecution boils down to a claim that Lively's public speeches opposing the promotion of sexual behaviors, and his unsuccessful advocacy for the enactment of laws that restrict homosexual rights, created a hateful environment in which people that Lively has never met perpetrated crimes of 'persecution,' for which they have been duly punished in Ugandan courts...."

Lively's persecutors are claiming that his speeches and writings constituted "crimes against humanity," legal categories first enumerated and punished during the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal against those who carried out the Holocaust.

Crimes against humanity are defined as "certain acts that are committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against any civilian population." They can be perpetrated during war or peace but must be carried out by government officials or those in de facto authority. According to the Rome Statutes of the International Criminal Court such actions include "murder, extermination, enslavement, deportation, imprisonment, torture, rape" and many other "odious offenses."

The Rome Statutes also cite "persecution against any identifiable group or collectivity on political, racial, national, ethnic, cultural, religious, gender...or other grounds that are universally recognized as impermissible under international law." Plaintiffs claim that as gays they are an "identifiable group" and persecution against them as gays is universally recognized as impermissible under international law.

Any judge but a pure hard left ideologue would have laughed the plaintiffs out of court and kicked them in the keister as they retreated. Sadly, the judge is a gay-friendly lefty named Michael Ponsor who in his rulings ignores established international law and recent Supreme Court decisions. [tbccont'd]

[www.crisismagazine.com/2015/the-grotesque-persecution-of-scott-lively](http://www.crisismagazine.com/2015/the-grotesque-persecution-of-scott-lively)

❖ **Immaculate Waters: Hand/Body Lotion:** Lavender, Rose, Unscented. Favors, graces continue to be reported. Have a favor granted? Let us know... Our Lady of Lourdes intercession reveals Christ's healing. The offering is \$10@.

❖ **Taste of Italy: Sun, Oct. 25th.** Oneida Community Center: Noon, 2:15 & 4pm seatings. \$12 per adult; children 6-12 \$4, children under 6 Free!

❖ **Blessing of Animals:** Sun, Oct. 4th: 11:30 @ St Mary's; 12:30 @ St. Joseph's

❖ **Pro-Life Witness:** Sun, Oct 11th: Exposition: Noon-2pm: RC. Witness on the Road: 12:30-1:30pm. Signs: Life, Respect Life, Love Life: Announcing the Goodness of Life.

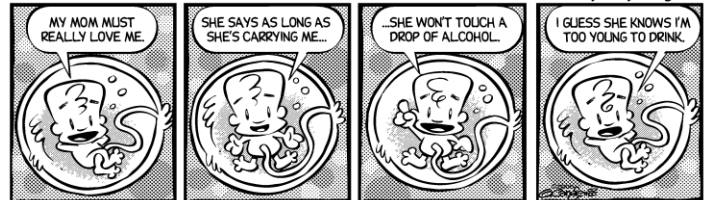
❖ **Confirmation:** 10/7: 4pm: Bl. Teresa of Calcutta, Mah. City.

❖ **FWChrist Grant:** We applied for & received a grant for a new 75" HDTV. It arrived and is at the rectory for religious education, confirmation, adult ed & social events.

❖ **Ringtown Community Day:** Sat, Oct. 11th We're selling Advent Calendars and Yankee Candles!

**Umbert the Unborn**

by Gary Cangemi



❖ **Outside Events:** ☉ **Healing Mass:** w Padre Pio's relic, 9/18, 7pm, @ Divine Mercy, Shenandoah. Fr. Kozak, presiding. Confessions: 6:15-6:45pm. ☉ **Holy Cross Kitchen,** 99 Lombard Street, New Philadelphia, 640-8750: Noon-5:00 pm. To order Kugelic, call Thurs. @ 8:00 am. Specials & regular menu items. ☉ **End of Summer Picnic:** St Patrick, Pottsville: 9/6: Noon-10pm, S Cass Fire Co, Primrose, Pa. ☉ **Watch Pope Francis' Mass @ Steel Stacks:** Bethlehem: 9/27: noon-8pm. Mass, Music, food, fun: 4pm live streaming on gigantic screen for the Pope's Mass. **Keep this bulletin for the next few weeks!**