

# Oct 4, 2015

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

Oct 5 6pm Rc • Bl Frances Seelos † Frances Klinger

Oct 6 9am Rc • Bruno † Kay Davis

Oct 7 4:30pm Confirmation: Bl Teresa of Calcutta  
† Edward Crowley

Oct 9 6pm Rc • Denis & Companions † Stephen Snisky

## Oct 10/11 • 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

4pm • J † Josephine Libassi r/o Rose/Angie Rizzo

5:45pm • M † Violet Baranowsky r/o Children

8:15am • J † Joan Mellon r/o Donna/Jessica Gulash

10am • M † Theresa Ney r/o Family



❖ **STEWARDSHIP:** M: S: 1002; BF: 204; Campaign: 655;  
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•myEoffering: M: \$35 •J: \$30

*Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!*

❖ **Scripture:** Num 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48  
•Next Week: Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16;



❖ 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 •Msgr. Ed O'Connor •Emily Milewski •Helen Mehalick

❖ N.B: Adapting to changes, we've adjusted parish office hours from am to pm. **Monday & Wednesday, 4-7pm; Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday, 4-6pm.** We'll see how it goes & adjust as necessary.

❖ **Anniv Blessings:** Al & Joanne Michalik: 50<sup>th</sup>: 10/2; Bob & Jeanette Fellin: 40<sup>th</sup>: 10/4! ❖ **Birthday Blessings:** Kevin Joyce: 10/4; Dolores Gius, Eileen Bergman, Barb Osilka: 10/8; Josh Kuzmitsky, Ava Fritz: 10/9; Mary Ann Savitsky, Ginny Thomas: 10/10.

❖ **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!

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

❖ **St. Joseph's 50/50:** Sept winners: Richard/Joan Grabowski: \$83.50 Congrats! Thanks to Jim/Margaret Dixon who donated their July winnings to the parish.

❖ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Make an offering of a gift in thanks as we've entered the fall season! What a great summer it was or still is?

❖ **Amazon Purchases: Smile:** 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!

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

❖ **St Mary's: Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 PA 4, 7pm #, \$1,000!** Chances \$2@. These fundraisers increase the necessary revenue for our parish. Can you help? Sellers of packs of 25 needed.

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

❖ **Knights of Columbus:** Next Mtg. Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendar: Franciscan Friars Men's Day. Newark, NJ: Sat, Oct. 10. {Sorry, the friars gave us the wrong date!} Depart St Joseph's @ 6am. Carpool for our daylong event! Preregistration a must. Contact James Johnstone @ 570-889-5366 or Fr. Jim

Also: Diocesan Men's Conference: Sat, Nov. 21, 9am-5pm. @ DeSales University: see www.cmfd.org. Early registration: \$25 @; High School/College: \$10.

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

❖ **Adult Ed:** Mon, Oct. 6, after 6pm Mass: Topic: **"I always wanted to ask about...."** Bring your Questions, Catholic Bible, YouCat, Catechism...join us!

**Reflection: 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Marriage.....** ever since "no fault divorce" we live in a culture that says: I'll marry you until... One is left asking: why would anyone aspire to that? (Good luck same sex advocates!). The people insist that Jesus follow what Moses gave them. After all, it worked for so long. As usual, Jesus doubles down: it's the hardness of OUR hearts that demands "no fault" marriage, no fault divorce, no fault lives! Is it any wonder that we have no fault hearts!

Maybe St. Francis of Assisi, [feast: Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>] can teach us something about no fault hearts. He was 100% Catholic! We share him with all who love creation, when Jesus called him to "rebuild His church", it was a call to move from fixing up the parish church to working on the heart. Much more challenging to rebuild hearts and lives for Christ! Something the Lord seeks to do for every generation. How do we live? As disciples, or as no faulters?

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

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❖ **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.

❖ **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, \$10 Taco Bell on hand. Contact the office, we'll get them to you.



❖ **Flowers:** Last weekend @ St Mary's tabernacle: Honoring **Robert Isaac Roulin's** baptism! This weekend @ St. Joseph's Honoring **Bob & Jeanette Fellin (40<sup>th</sup>) & Al & Joanne Michalik's (50<sup>th</sup>) Wedding Anniv.** Celebrating? For the main altar/tabernacle: \$75+, side altars: \$25+. Contact us via the parish office.

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

❖ **Interested in our Catholic faith?** Ask, encourage, invite! Share the gift of faith! ❖ See us: stmarystjoseph.net

❖ facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc



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

❖ **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?



❖ **Religious Ed continues...** Classes for grades 1-8 are held Sunday mornings at St Joseph's: from 9:15-10:15. **Weekly Mass attendance is a must!** Contact: Sue Crawford @ 570-384-5732.

❖ **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 installed: Ss Peter & Paul. Frames: Oneida Chapel pews. See our pics. To memorialize them: \$2,000 each (over time or sponsors together).



❖ **Pro-Life Witness: NEXT** Sun, Oct 11<sup>th</sup>: Exposition: Noon-2pm: RC. Witness on the Road: 12:30-1:30pm. Signs: Life, Respect Life, Love Life!

❖ **10 Encouraging Things to Remember About the Pope** 9/25/15 by Fr. Dwight Longenecker • Somebody has said there are an equal number of people who are delighted by what the pope has said and an equal number who are distressed by what he didn't say. Here are ten things to remember about a papal visit which should help put things in perspective: **1. In Congress, at the White House and at the UN the Pope is speaking as a Head of State** - Remember that the Pope is not only the pastor and papa to all Catholics. He is also a head of state. Therefore when he visited the White House, addressed the US Congress and spoke to the United Nations he is doing so as head of state. His talks are therefore diplomatic speeches. They are designed to meet his audience where they are, find connecting points, build bridges and speak to matters of shared concern in the realm of politics, economics and culture.

**2. The Pope is a World Religious Leader** - He not only has the hearts and minds of the world's Catholics—he also has the attention of the whole world as the single global religious leader. Consequently he has an obligation to connect with people of all religions as much as possible. This means it is appropriate for him to participate in inter faith gatherings. He's the Catholic pope—but Catholics affirm the beauty truth and goodness that can be found in all religions, while also seeking to correct what is in error and draw devotees of those religions further into an encounter with Christ the Lord.

**3. The Pope Speaks in Generalities for a Reason** - It might be that you wanted the Holy Father to speak in more specifics about your particular pet peeve or project. The problem with this is the same problem anybody making a speech has when he starts to thank people. You invariably offend someone by leaving this person or that person out of your list. You forget something

specific or you get things in the wrong order or what someone else perceives as the wrong priority. Dealing in generalities the pope can connect with more people and avoid the problems associated with being specific.

**4. The Right Words for the Right Audience** - Notice that the pope's speeches were tailored for his different audiences. He spoke to priests and religious about their shared joys and sorrows, duties and responsibilities. He spoke to the bishops about their role as shepherds of the people. He spoke at the White House, Congress and the UN about the responsibilities of lawmakers and politicians. The question of capital punishment, for example, was an appropriate topic for lawmakers and judges. No doubt when he gets to Philadelphia he will speak more to the issues of abortion and marriage because he is speaking at the World Meeting of Families.

**5. The Pope Speaks Through Symbolic Gesture** Pope Francis balances the papacy of Benedict XVI beautifully. Pope Benedict was a man of ideas, words and clear teaching through the written and spoken word. Francis' forte is the significant gesture and action. We should therefore pay close attention to his actions and choices—from the little car he has chosen, to his spontaneous visits with the poor, with Catholic sisters, with children and with families. He wants to show us the gospel as well as preach the gospel. If St Francis did say, "Preach the gospel always—use words if necessary" the Pope Francis lives that out.

**6. The Pope is an Evangelist** - Pope Francis, like Benedict and John Paul before him, is not only the leader of the world's Catholics—he is the successor of the Apostles Peter and Paul and they were traveling evangelists. St Paul went to Athens and adapted the gospel message to his philosophical hearers. Likewise, with his emphasis on climate change Pope Francis is making a connection with secular people. He gets them to agree with him on climate change and then goes on to talk about the dignity of the human person, our obligation to the Creator and the need to have an encounter with Christ. This is a good, tried and true evangelistic method. [tbccont'd]

❖ **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@.

❖ **Confirmation: This** Wed: 10/7: 4pm: Bl. Teresa of Calcutta, Mah. City. Prayer partners keep your promise for our candidates: Makenna Irene Piaskowski & Jennifer Therese Gilliam, from St. Mary's.

❖ **Ringtown Community Day:** Sat, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> We're selling Advent Calendars & Yankee Candles! K of C: selling Bleenies!

**Umbert the Unborn**



❖ **Outside Events:** ☉ **Holy Cross Kitchen**, 99 Lombard St., New Philadelphia, 640-8750: Noon-5:00. To order Kugelie, call Thurs. @ 8:00 am. Specials & regular menu items.

☉ **Seafood Dinner:** 10/16 @ Ringtown Fire Hall; Deadline 10/8, call 889-5503; Benefits Ringtown Library ☉ Shepton Fire Co Bingo: 10/11. Yrly Campaign Underway!

