

Oct 25, 2015

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

Oct 26 • 8am Rc • † Mary Gius r/o M/M Roy Gius

Oct 31/Nov 1 • All Saints

4pm • J † Michael Gurka r/o Helen, Al, & Joanna

5:45pm • M † Bill Lorah Sr. (5th Anniv) r/o Wife, Pauline

8:15am • J † Albert & Marie Salvaterra r/o Mike & Judy

10am • M † Stan & Irene Piaskowski r/o Stan & Marie



♦ STEWARDSHIP: M: S: 1504; Campaign: 50 • J: S: 1616; Campaign: 690 • myEoffering: M: \$85 • J: \$100

Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!

♦ Scripture: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52;

• Next Week: Rev 7:2-4,9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a;



♦ Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need!

.... • Ruth Ann Brouse • Pauline Kovalcik • 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 • Vickie Hartz • Ann Lewis • Bob Fellin • Gordy Weikel • Nancy Blackwell • Kathy Milefsky • Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Bill/Flo Steele • Theresa Szott • Emily Milewski • Helen Mehalick • Margaret Krupilis

♦ 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.

♦ **Wedding Anniv:** *Correction:* last week we mistakenly listed Bob & Jeanette Fellin who had just celebrated their 40th as their 55th wedding anniv. It should have said: **Bill & Rosemarie Fellin!** Accept our apologies!

♦ **Birthday Blessings:** Frank Helverson: 10/25; Charlie Nahas: 10/26; Theresa Engle: 10/27; Gordy Weikel: 10/28; Dan Milefsky, Dolores Furedi: 10/29; Mary Ann Wezner: 10/31.

♦ **2016 Mass Book: We're at Mass THIS weekend to accept requests.** In order to accommodate requests for weekend Masses, you can reserve up to 3. We keep some available for those who join or any who die throughout the year, if Sunday intentions become available, you can request them as we go through the year. The offering is \$10 @.

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

♦ **St. Joseph's 50/50: Oct. drawing next weekend!**

♦ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Make an offering of a gift in thanks as we've entered into fall!

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

♦ facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc

♦ **Choir @ M:** There are some great voices, we can hear you, why not join us in giving praise and thanks to God! Practice resumes 10/28 @ 6:30pm.

♦ **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!

♦ **Knights of Columbus:** We're attending the Diocesan Men's Conference: Sat, Nov. 21, 9-5pm. @ DeSales University: see www.cmfd.org. Registration: \$35 @; High School/College: \$15. We're going as a group, make preparation for the day!

Reflection: 30th Sunday: Bartimaeus has faith! Faith that Jesus will hear him, not because he can't see him. Lots of people around Jesus can't "see" Him for who He is!

As He trusted that Jesus would heal him, Bartimaeus received much more! As in our considerations last week, Jesus asks: "what do you want me to do for you?"

Bartimaeus knows his place in the community around him: he's off to the side, begging... He knows his position toward Jesus, he's crying out, springing & begging.

The first comes from his need: the desire to belong. The second comes from his faith: the desire for healing.

When we approach the Lord, who more often than not, have a greater "blindness" than Bartimaeus, how do we approach Jesus?

No matter what place we come from, let us do so in humility, then when He asks: let us entrust ourselves to Jesus that He'll do more for us than we expect or need. He who knows us best!

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

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♦ **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:** Celebrating? For the main altar &/or tabernacle: \$75+, side altars: \$25+. Contact us via the parish office.

♦ **St Mary's: Next Sunday evening: NEXT Sunday PA evening 7pm #4 drawing: Nov. 1st: \$1,000!** Chances \$2@. These fundraisers increase the necessary revenue for our parish. Can you help? We have about 4 packets to be sold...that's \$100 profit!

♦ **Coat Drive:** Boxes @ Church to donate to the goal of 100 coats (outerware): hoodies, etc. to assist local families in need.

♦ **Thanksgiving Pie Sale:** Choir asks donation of flour & BUTTER, not sugar! Order forms for Pumpkin, Apple: Covered & Crumb @ Church, a choir member, parish office. They are \$8 @. Order by 11/20. Pickup @ Parish/Rectorry.



♦ **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.

♦ **Religious Ed continues...** Classes for grades 1-8 are held Sunday mornings at St Joseph's: from 9:15-10:15. 2 yr prep for Confirmation: see schedule. **Weekly Mass attendance is a must!** Contact: Sue Crawford @ 570-384-5732. ● Fr. Linkhorst will join us Sunday, 11/7, to hear confessions for our CCD students.

♦ **Adult Ed:** a break for this & next week as Fr. is on retreat & All Souls day is celebrated Nov. 2nd. We'll resume later.

❖ **Candles, Advent Calendars, Crosses:** To benefit St Mary's are for sale & are available after mass. We'll have a table full of items at the craft show next Sunday.

The Yankee candles are discounted, Calendar prices vary & Crosses are handmade & donated by John/Dolly Zakavage.

ALL SOUL'S DAY ❖ **Nov. 2 All Souls Candles:** Envelopes are at Church, allowing you to memorialize the candles we use. One name or family name @ intention. They'll be placed on the candle holder & lit at Mass the weekend of All Saints/Souls. In order to have names inscribed, please have your intention provided by this Fri. Oct. 30th. We ask \$10 @ • Pictures: Place yours at the altar of St. Joseph or the Blessed Virgin Mary. Make sure you indicate your name and theirs on the back of the picture. They remain through the month as well.



❖ **Taste of Italy: THIS Sun, Oct. 25th.** Oneida Community Center: 12:15, 2:15 & 4pm seatings. \$12 @ adult; children 6-12 \$4, children 6+ under Free! • Family: Mother & Father: children: \$25. Tickets & takeout are available for 12:15 & 2:15!

❖ **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?

❖ **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!

Memorials: @ M: Irene Cicioni: (cont'd) Betty Dower, Ann Romano, George Barlow, Lois Reichwein, Marge & Tom Krupilis, Irene Avenoso, Mary Davidson, Theresa Macker, Madeline & Jack Buchinsky, Bachike & Sass Families, Ronald Smith, Peg & John McGuire, Bob & Eileen Bergman, Ann & Mary Flannery, Jason & Amanda Muraczewski, Bill & Janet Maczees, Dolores Micko, Shenandoah Senior Citizens, Bob Matta Family, Michael Heiler, Ed & Cindy Shafransky, Ellen M. Garrity, Rosemary Veglia, John, Pam, & Jacqueline Bubnis, Vince & Ruth Bindie, Sophie Kalinowsky, M/M Don Segal, Marcia Kurlowicz, Ed Kleha, Kathleen & Dan Milefsky, Olga Mensinger, M/M Jacavage, Judy & Bob Llewellyn, Ron & Ann Brown, Lois Faust & Bonnie Myers, Marco & Phyllis Ortiz, Richard & Beth Roulin, Bernice Francaviglia, Louise Palubinsky, Kevin & Amanda Pascavage, Clare Zimmerman, Joan Dalton, Mary Jo Talerico, Robert & Heather Pitsko, Betsy Ann Careyva, Joe & Louise Tomtishen, Ruth Ann Brouse, Mary Ann & Scott Wilhelm, Leonard & Kozlosky, Jr. : \$1520 total.

@ J: **John Soda:** Helen Mehalick, Donna Gulash, Dziak & Sledjeski Families: \$100.

❖ **Immaculate Waters: Hand/Body Lotion:** New order to arrive soon: Rose, Lavender, Unscented. Our Lady of Lourdes intercession reveals Christ's healing. The offering is \$10 @.

❖ **Legal Scholars Rise Up vs the Supreme Court** To repeat: This is big, and it gives further legal, moral, and Constitutional teeth to the first and fourth principles laid out in *Outlasting the Gay Revolution: Never Compromise Your Convictions and Refuse to Redefine Marriage*.

These scholars have also issued a fourfold call to all presidential candidates, urging them to: treat Obergefell, not as "the law of the land," but rather (to once again quote Justice Alito) as "an abuse of judicial power" refuse to recognize Obergefell as creating a binding rule controlling other cases or their own conduct as President appoint judges and justices who respect the constitutional limits of their power, and support the First Amendment Defense Act to protect the conscience and free speech rights of those who hold fast to the conjugal understanding of marriage as the union of husband and wife.

To help send this critically important message to all the presidential candidates, join me in signing this statement and let's pray for a continued spirit of revival in the Church and awakening in the society.

Preserving the meaning of marriage and restoring the sacredness of marriage must be among our top priorities if we want to see America become healthy, and as disciples of Jesus, we can do nothing less.

This landmark action by these scholars could be another spark that will help fan the flames of a gospel-based moral and cultural revolution. On with it!

To sign, go to:

www.campaignforamericanprinciples.com/scholars-statement [www.stream.org/legal-scholars-rise-up-against-the-supreme-courts-judicial-despotism]



❖ **Craft Show @ M: NEXT Sun: 11/1;** 9am-3pm: Ringtown Fire Hall: Donations of food & baked goods needed. Call Kathy Lorah @ 889-3503. Buy your gifts for the holidays!

Umbert the Unborn



❖ **Outside Events:** ☉ **Holy Cross Kitchen**, 99 Lombard Street, New Philadelphia, 640-8750: Noon-5:00. To order Kugelie, call Thurs. @ 8:00 am. Specials & regular menu items. ☉ **White Cane Sunday @ J:** this weekend: 10/25, @ Masses: benefit the blind by Lions.

☉ **Theology on Tap:** November 9, 2015; Young adults (21-35) gather Mon., Nov. 9th, 6:30-8:30pm @ Roma's Pizza, Pottsville (116 W Market St.). Fr. Bob Finlan speaks on "Thou Shalt Not: The Seven Deadly Sins". For info: Sue Matour, Young Adult Ministry: www.allentowndiocese.org/TOT.



Nov. 1st: (In addition: we're preparing for a possible change in Mass times coming late Nov/Dec.)