

Apr 30/May 1, 2016

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



May 2 6pm • Rc † Leo Stankavage

May 3 9am • Rc † Alphonse Balulis r/o M/M Metro Cremo

ASCENSION Thursday • May 5

5:00pm J † Albert Gius
r/o Dolores Makara

6:45pm M † Joseph Scodari
r/o Dan & Kathy Milefsky



May 6 9am • Rc † Leonard Wolk r/o Bob & Sons

First Friday

Adoration/Divine Mercy/Benediction

Noon @ Ashland

May 7/8 7th Sun of Easter C • Mother's Day

3:30pm • J Mothers

5:15pm • M Day

8:15am • J Intentions

10:15am • M [for all enrolled, Living & Deceased]



❖ **STEWARDSHIP: Ap 17:M:** S: 1785; Campaign: 381

•J:S:1229; BF: 324; Campaign: 424.

Ap 24: M: S: 909; Campaign: 48; Mother's Day: 441

•J:S:1225; Mother's Day: 602; Campaign: 98

Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!

❖ **Scripture:** Acts 13:14,43-52; Rv 7:9,14b-17; Jn 10:27-30 •

Next week: Acts 14:21-27, Rv 21:1-5a, Jn 13:31-33a,34-35(54)

Pray
for

❖ Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need!... •John & Ann Biros •Richard Buczkowski •John Washko •Dorothy

Yanusiewicz •Rose Ann Aponick •Jean Jarzinko •Joseph Washko •Grace Snover •Vickie Hartz •Ann Lewis •Bob Fellin •Gordy Weikel •Kathy Milefsky •Phil & Shirley Kennedy •Bill/Flo Steele •Theresa Szott •Helen Mehalick •Margaret Krupilis •Barbara Green •Brian Irslinger •Al Mehalick •Helen Gurka •Irene Feeko •Jennifer/Rose Gilliam •Loretta Zienkiewicz •LouAnn Rader •Jim/Virginia Spudis •Pauline Lorah •Fr. Raymond Slezak

❖ **NEW MAILING ADDRESS: [No PO Box!]**

82 N Center St., Ringtown, Pa. 17967

Parish Office hours: **NB: the office is closed until a new secretary is secured.**

❖ **Birthdays Blessings:** Kathy Lorah, Tom Irwin, Aaron Piaskowski: 5/5; Cecilia Funanage: 5/8; Megan Messina, Joanne Zogby: 5/9.

❖ **Year of St. Luke's Gospel:** Pray your Bible!

❖ **St. Joe's 50/50:** April drawn this week! May tkts out!

❖ **facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc**

❖ Visit us on the web: **stmarystjoseph.net**

❖ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Offer a gift in gratitude for God's blessings!

❖ **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.



❖ **Knights: Prayer for Persecuted Christians:**

Join in prayer for our brothers & sisters who share in Christ's suffering, so as to share in His Resurrection!

❖ **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 use St Mary's to filter purchases, if you'd like credit to go to St Joseph's, let us know. No cost to you!

Reflection: 6th S Easter C: Can't believe that we're on the doorstep to Mother's Day & May?!

At this point we are also at the 40 day mark of Easter, celebrating the Lord's Ascension into Heaven. From this Thurs through the following Sunday, we prepare for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit marking the birthday of the Church: Pentecost!

Enjoy the beauty of the season, the gifts that we've been gifted with by God to prepare for the fire of the Spirit setting us aflame with the love of God!

Perhaps, again, this year at Mass, we can celebrate with some cake/cupcakes on Pentecost, this year: May 15th. If you'll help, let us know! Don't forget to mark the calendar to wear Red

Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

Fr. Jim 🐾 & Peaches frjim.stmj@gmail.com

St Mary's: \$1,000 Pa Daily 4 Evening #

Mother's Day Drawing: May 8th!

Ticket sellers needed! The box is @ Church.

❖ **Christ is Risen: Truly He is Risen! Our theme and joyful proclamation as we begin Holy Mass & our Gospel Reflections: 3x's each with great gusto!**

❖ **St Joseph's:** We're preparing the sketches for you to consider/vote on for our future meeting space, hall/church. We'll be asking you to prayerfully consider supporting our proposals.

❖ **Choir practice @ M** after Mass: give 30 mins of your time to keep our music ministry as beautiful as it is! New members always welcome!

❖ **Interested in our Catholic faith?** Ask, encourage, invite! Share the gift of faith!

❖ **Church Cleaning @ M:** We seek disciples to cover church cleaning for a month at a time. We have several disciples with have embraced the challenge: need a few more! Contact us!

We're in need of a few disciples to clean the linens for the cup/altar. It requires one/two additional steps to purify, but can be done 1x a month. They need to be washed & ironed.



❖ **SCRIP:** We've \$25 Amazon, \$25 Applebee's, \$25 Cabela's, \$10 Bath & Body Works, \$25 & \$100 Weis, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$10 Pizza Hut, \$10 & \$25 Dunkin' Donuts, \$25 Home Depot, \$15 iTunes, \$25 Boscov's, \$25 Old Navy, \$25 Sheetz, \$25 Lowe's, \$25 Giant, \$10 Long John Silver's, \$25 PetSmart, \$25 Olive Garden, \$25 Kmart, \$25 Dunham's Sports, \$25 Red Robin, \$50 Sunoco, \$50 Ruth's Chris, \$10 & \$25 Regal Cinema, \$25 Kohl's, \$10 Taco Bell, \$25 Staples, \$25 Bed Bath & Beyond, \$10 Wendy's on hand. Contact the office, we'll get them to you.

❖ **Pentecost Novena:** Join us from this Thursday, Ascension Holyday til Sun, May 15, Pentecost, for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit by uniting in prayer for the outpouring of the Spirit!

❖ **Red @ Mass:** Mark your calendar for Holy Mass **Pentecost Weekend: May 14/15.**

That weekend, May 14th, Fr. celebrates his 33rd anniversary of ordination to the priesthood of Jesus Christ.

❖ **Integrity Restored.com** Break free from porn, heal relationships, help prevent & respond as it devastates lives/families. Visit: enter the code Patrick for a 30 day trial @ covenanteyes.com. Put it on computers, laptops & mobile devices. Cost? Saving our lives, family, marriages, faith!



❖ **Yankee Candles, Crosses:** Prices vary! Crosses are handmade & donated by † John Zakavage (M) & Bob Bruno & Randy Brown (J).

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

Mercy

❖ **Year of Mercy: Easter** in the Year of Mercy a great time to enter into the Lord's

Resurrection. ...**the 7 Secrets of Divine Mercy**... an easy read by [Vinny Flynn](#) open the door to Divine Mercy as we celebrated the Feast last Sun! These, our gifts, as members of the parish for what you do to make St Mary & St Joseph a warm home of great grace! Extra copies are available offered: 1st come/1st served.

❖ **St M Block Party:** Seek: brand named soda (& diet), water, ketchup/mustard; start collecting items or sponsor a basket for our **raffle**.

❖ **Grand Raffle @ J:** We're at 45 sponsors for our gift cards that we'd like to put as gifts for our ticket that we're putting out soon. See the board at the entrance to Church. Sign up to sponsor one/several gift cards. We'll order the cards, you'll get the credit, the parish gets the % of the purchase & the winner gets a great gift card!

❖ **50 Cans/50 Days for Life!...** @802 items, weighing 580lbs delivered to the Ringtown Food Pantry; @ J: 912 items, weighing 667lbs delivered to the Catholic Social Agency, Hazelton! Thank you for your generosity & to the Knights for delivery.

May Celebration: We honor the Virgin Mother at weekend Mass, Sun, May 15th. We're asking our first communicants to present flowers to honor Mother Mary.

❖ **Adult Education: Thanks to our attendees & to Mike Reese (from St. Joseph's) for facilitating our series on: *The Mystery of Faith: an Introduction to Catholicism.***

HOLYDAY: ASCENSION THURSDAY:

5pm @ J & 6:45pm @ M Lectors, servers & extra-ordinary ministers needed. Check with Fr. before Holy Mass.

Umbert the Unborn



We've had some inquiries as to our secretary job. The job entails up to 19 hours per week, flexible hours, basic knowledge of computers, printers, record keeping & the like.

Contact fr @ the parish office. Understand that there is no one to retrieve messages. If you have an emergency, contact a local parish. Until the position is filled, the office remains closed.

We thank **Mary Milosh** for her dedicated work for the parishes. Her love of the job, attentiveness & care was so helpful to so many. We will miss her. She, of necessity, could not turn down the offer of a full time job in order to provide for her family. We thank her & wish her well.

❖ **Baby Bottles for Life:** fill with your loose change through this month. It supports local pro-life agencies.

❖ **Parish Cemeteries:** Your care for your loved ones grave is inspiring! Please, as we move into a new season, remove old decor, otherwise, they'll be disposed of as we prepare for Memorial Day.

❖ **Outside Events:** Sheppton Fire Co: Bingo 5/15 1pm • Lions sponsor "hometown heroes" banners @ Sheppton: for info see a member. • Trinity Academy May Procession: Wed. May 11 @ 6:30pm (gather 6:15) @ Bl. Teresa of Calcutta Church, Mahanoy City. •

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