

## Community of Faith

November 9<sup>th</sup> – November 22<sup>nd</sup>

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph

### Tuesday, 11/10

St. Leo the Great

9:00am M St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

8:00am J † Stephen Frisch

### Wednesday, 11/11

St. Martin of Tours

9:00am M † Raymond Nestor r/o wife, Victoria Nestor

8:00am J † Rudolf Soltis

### Thursday, 11/12

St. Josephat

9:00am M † Glenn Matejick r/o Stan & Marie Piaskowski

8:00am J † Mary Sugra

### Friday, 11/13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

9:00am M † John Karpovich r/o Stan & Marie Piaskowski

8:00am J † Michael & Anna Sain

### Saturday, 11/14

Weekday

9:00am M † Joseph Palkovits

8:00am J † Anna Ifkovits

### 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year A

3:00pm J † John Oscovitch r/o Andrew Mahasky Family

4:30pm M † Joseph Aponick r/o Tracey, Billy Jo & Joey

### Sunday, 11/15 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year A

8:30am J † Joseph Leonard r/o M/M Jerry Evangelista

10:00am M † Richard Elliott r/o Ray & Arlene Sachleben

### Tuesday, 11/17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

9:00am M † Stephen Frisch

8:00am J † Agnes Semler

### Wednesday, 11/18

Weekday

9:00am M † Lorraine Yapsuga

8:00am J † John Palkovits

### Thursday, 11/19

Weekday

9:00am M † Billy Lorah Jr. r/o mom, Pauline

8:00am J † Mary Sugra

### Friday, 11/20

Weekday

9:00am M † Helen Filipovits

8:00am J St. Mary & St. Joseph's Parishioners

### Saturday, 11/21

Weekday

9:00am M † Mary Schwartz

8:00am J † Hilda Dreisbach



### Christ the King • Year A

3:00pm J † Belfiore Family  
r/o Theresa Novak

4:30pm M † William Lorah Jr. r/o wife, Marjorie

### Sunday, 11/22 Christ the King • Year A

8:30am J † Evelyn Zerden r/o Leo Pollick

10:00am M † ILM Edward Kayes r/o daughter, Virginia

## + Liturgy & Worship

How many of us have ever asked God to help us love Him? To love God is a gift from God Himself. Above and beyond our efforts this gift will be ours when we beg it from our Heavenly Father he makes us grow in love. What do I mean when I say "love God"? Here is a working definition that has helped me. To love God means to desire to please God. We cannot "do good" to God, but we can desire to please God. One of the best ways to please God is to be good to our neighbor.

You come to Mass because God is pleased when you worship Him. You receive Holy Communion because God wants to be with you. You pray because God is pleased when you talk to Him. You respect His holy name because that pleases Him. You honor your father and mother because that pleases Him. You respect your health and life and the health and life of others because that pleases God. You respect the sacred power of sex because that pleases the God. You respect the right of your neighbor to his property, his good name, his wife because that pleases God. As Saint Theresa said "There is nothing small in the eye of God, do all that you do with love"!

❖ **LAST 2 SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: M: \$2,356 J: \$2,727**

#### Upcoming Collections:

November: All Saints, Weekly, Dues, Energy, Bldg Fund

❖ **Pray for:** Living: • Jaden Leiby • J.P. • J.A. • Fr. Jim Torpey

**A note from the office:** During this time that we are on the stay-at-home request, I will be working from home. I will periodically check the mail and phone calls. Please be aware that if I am returning your call my phone number may come up on your phone as an unknown caller. I will be happy to help you in any way I can during this time. Stay safe, stay healthy.

Lisa Balkiewicz/Secretary

► **Parish Office Drop-Off Box:** Box is located at the rear of the Parish Office. Use Box #1 for anything that needs to come to the office. (This is a locked box and will be opened by the office only)



❖ **K of C Happenings:** Council 16072

11/15 @M Rosary & Meeting

► **Thank you to everyone that supported our Halloweenie Bleenie Sale!**



**St. Mary's:** We are looking for a few parishioners to join our counting teams. We need someone who would be willing to devote approx. an hour every other week to this parish ministry, also a few to act as substitutes when someone is away. Our goal is to have 3/team. If interested please call the office leave your name and number and Lisa will contact you.

**Veterans Day:** "Freedom always comes at a high price. It requires a generous heart, ready for sacrifice. . . We cannot excuse ourselves from our own personal responsibility for freedom. There is no such thing as freedom without sacrifice." - Saint John Paul II

❖ **Flowers @ M: IMO:** living and deceased Veterans. Donated by: Ringtown American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

❖ **Thanksgiving Day Masses: November 26<sup>th</sup>**

@ M 10:00 am

@ J 8:30 am

\*\* Thanksgiving Ecumenical Community Service in Ringtown:  
Cancelled due to the pandemic \*\*

Winter Mass Schedule		
	St. Joseph's	St. Mary's
Daily	8:00am	9:00am
Saturday	3:00pm	4:30pm
Sunday	8:30am	10:00am

**\* Important notes:**

- You are not obligated to attend if you are not comfortable to do so.
- Please maintain 6' from your fellow parishioners.
- Masks should be worn even outdoors if not 6' away from others.
- \*\*\* The Church asks that you provide your own masks; however, we do have masks available but please be advised they are made in China. \*\*\***
- No gathering in the church after Masses.
- If you or any family member you are in close contact with are ill we ask that you refrain from Mass.

❖ **2021 Mass Book: IS OPEN!**

\*Please take note to the winter mass schedule. Remember your loved ones who have passed away or those who are special to you with Masses for their birthdays, special occasions, etc. The Diocesan Mass Stipend is set at \$10. Your requested dates for the Masses will be recorded upon receiving the stipend.

**Any questions please contact the parish office.**

**\*\*\*Daily Masses are still available for 2020\*\*\***



**THANKSGIVING HOMEMADE APPLE PIES and HOMEMADE PIE CRUSTS!**

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**Pie CRUSTS can be picked up Sunday, November 15, from 2:00pm – 4:00pm**

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**APPLE PIES can be picked up November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at the church.**

❖ **Collection Envelopes 2021:** the new envelopes can be found on the tables in the church. If you do not see your envelopes on the table please call the office and we will make sure you get them.

**If you know of any fellow parishioners who are not able to attend mass due to COVID-19 pandemic please take their envelopes and deliver to them.**

**We would greatly appreciate it!**

❖ **Thank you** to the sponsors who donated for the new St. Joseph statue. We have reached our goal of \$2,500. Your generosity is truly amazing!

**Scam emails and texts:** There have been reports from some people in the Diocese about emails or text messages saying that their Pastor or priest is soliciting money or gift cards. **Please be aware that this is a scam.**

❖ **Thank you** to all the businesses who continue to support our bulletin. New ones have been added! Please support the businesses that have been so generous to our church. Space is still available, call the parish office if interested for more information.

**GIVING TREE**



The women of grace are appealing to your generous spirit to support the annual giving tree. We are once again sponsoring foster kids and mother's facing unplanned pregnancies. This year birthright suspended their giving tree project due to Covid, however they are accepting cash donations and gift cards. Therefore, we will collect gifts for the foster kids and gift cards/donations for birthright. Covid-19 concerns may limit your ability to come to church and pick a tag and/or get out shopping this year; but if you'd like to participate, the WOG will pick a tag and/or do the shopping for you. Just call or text Nancy @ 215-801-5797, or Arlene @ 570-590-5810 if you want to participate and need some help.

**Instructions for foster kid gifts:**

- 10/31 thru 11/8- select a tag(s) from the giving tree

- Purchase & wrap items listed on the tag

**Important:** please wrap the gift(s) & place a new gift tag on the wrapped gift(s) with the child's first name and last initial; leave the "from" field blank or write "Santa"

- Return gifts to church **no later than 11/15 !!!**

**Instructions for birthright- mom's & babies**

- 11/21 thru 12/13- select a tag(s) from giving tree

- Further details will be provided before 11/21

**Bless all you "Christmas Angels" for your loving support!**

❖ **Redner's Save-A-Tape:** Please keep saving your receipts, put them in Sunday Stewardship. (M) benefit 1%. **For your receipts to count toward the church you must sign up at Redners service desk!**

► The weekend of Nov. 28-29th our brothers and sisters representing the Land of Peace mission- a nonprofit organization will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion.

see Website: [www.landofpeace.org](http://www.landofpeace.org)

**Boy Scouts:** are sponsoring a "Decorate Your House" for the upcoming Olde Fashioned Christmas in Ringtown on December 19/20<sup>th</sup>. They would like to see as many houses on Main Street decorated as possible. If you have decorations in your attic or basement and are unable to decorate yourself, the Boy Scouts will come and decorate for you and take the decorations down after Christmas **free of charge!** Dates available 12/6, 12 & 13<sup>th</sup> from 12-4pm. If interested call Cheri @ 570-741-3035



**Community Events:** • **Shepton Oneida Fire Company:** Thanksgiving pumpkin pie and pumpkin roll sale. Donation: \$11 Call: (570)384-4746

• **St. Paul UCC:** Hand Bell & Choir Concert. 11/29 @ 7:30pm. 100 E. Main St., Ringtown. No refreshments Masks required. • **St. Joseph The Worker Parish:** Holiday Mass of Remembrance. Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm. 49 North Line St., Frackville. Due to Covid-19 there will be no handouts or photos displayed. Masks required and social distancing will apply. Rosary starts at 5:30-6pm. • **St. Michael's Church, Shenandoah:** Soup Sale: 11/8 12-2pm. Order now through 11/4. Call 570-467-3894.

Potato, Beef Veg, Ham & Bean & Chicken. \$6.50 each.