



Community of Faith
 September 27th – October 10th, 2021
M: St Mary • J: St Joseph

+ Liturgy & Worship +



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 9:38-43, 47-48 makes a number of important and very practical points.

Some people are threatened by the gifts or achievements of others. If only they had a more open attitude they would find themselves enriched rather than diminished by those gifts. God bestows His gifts freely. Our responsibility is to welcome those gifts wherever they appear.

The “cup of cold water” is a symbol of the small deed. The chance to give a cup of water can come our way several times in the course of a day. A small act of kindness can turn winter into summer at least briefly for another person.

When we think of the crimes committed against children today, whether through neglect or abuse, the words of Jesus are a warning we should take very seriously. Jesus urges us to make the costliest sacrifice in order to avoid sin, even to the extent of cutting off a hand or a foot, or plucking out an eye.

Jesus talked about hell and compared it to Gehenna where at one time infants were sacrificed to Moloch. Josiah put an end to its use for worship.

As always, the words of Jesus give us much food for thought. We would do well to heed them.

Tuesday, 9/28

St. Wenceslaus

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Wednesday, 9/29

Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

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

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Thursday, 9/30

St. Jerome

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Friday, 10/1

St. Therese

8:00am J † Judy O'Donnell r/o Bob & Jeanette Fellin

9:00am M † Priest Intention

* *First Friday Eucharistic Adoration following 8:00am Mass*

* *Benediction at noon*

Saturday, 10/2

The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00am J † Priest Intention

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

4:00pm J † Helen Gurka r/o Betsy Hecker

5:30pm M † Ed & Sally McNamee

r/o K of C Council 16072

Sunday, 10/3 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

8:30am J † Joe Schneider r/o Bob & Jeanette Fellin

10:00am M † Violet Baranowsky

r/o Rob & Barb Baranowsky

Tuesday, 10/5

Weekday

8:00am J † Daisy DePompo

r/o Grace DePompo & Fran Levy

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

Wednesday, 10/6

St. Bruno

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Thursday, 10/7

Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00am J † Judy O'Donnell r/o Donna Gulash

9:00am M † John R. Boniscavage r/o Nestor-Brown family

Friday, 10/8

Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

Saturday, 10/9

St. Denis

8:00am J † Priest Intention

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

4:00pm J † Bob Sacco r/o Mike & Judy Dziak

5:30pm M † Mary Ann Savitsky r/o Ray & Arlene Sachleben

Sunday, 10/11 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

8:30am J † Roy Gius r/o wife, Dolores

10:00am M † Theresa Ney r/o Possesky & Ney family

† **Mass Obligation:** The Bishops of Pennsylvania restored the obligation to attend Mass on weekends and holy days as of August 15, 2021.

*As always, Catholics are not obligated to attend Mass if they are ill, if they believe they have been exposed to a contagious illness, if they have serious underlying health conditions, or if they are confined to their home, to the hospital, or to a nursing facility.

► **Due to the new Delta variant of COVID in order to keep the parishioners safe and healthy Masses will be outdoors as weather permits. Please bring a chair or water if needed.**

❖ **LAST 2 SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: M: \$2187 J: \$2314**

Upcoming Collections October:

Weekly, Dues, Bldg Fund



Jaden Leiby • J.P. • J.A • Dorothy & Frank Hovanec
 Mark & Andrea & Baby Everett Miles • Ava Fritz

❖ **Confession:** Since the COVID restrictions have lifted, confessions will return to normal and be offered before Mass.

❖ **Ministry:** If you are interested in volunteering your time as a Lector, Server or EM please contact the parish office or Fr. Dominic.

† If you know someone that is ill or homebound and can't make it to church, and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick and/or Holy Communion. Please call the parish office, Nancy Krajnikovich (215)801-5797 or text/call Father Dominic with the name, phone # and address of the person(s) in need of this ministry. Please see the front of the bulletin for phone numbers.

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



- 10/3 @ J Rosary prior to Mass
- 10/7 4th Degree meeting in Tamaqua @ 7:00pm. Car pool leaves St. Mary's @ 6:10pm.
- 10/9 – Bleenie Sale at St. John's Fall Festival on St. John's Church grounds 11:00am until sell out
- 10/17 @ M Rosary prior to Mass - meeting following Mass

❖ **Confirmation Candidates:** Please pray for our Confirmation candidates as they prepare to receive the sacrament on October 21st @ St. Teresa of Calcutta, Mahanoy City.

(M) Conner Kanute, Chase Kaschak

(J) Madison Biros, Teaghan Biros, Addison Fritz, Ava Fritz, Hunter Sartori, Jason Rentchler

❖ **First Friday/Eucharistic Adoration:** Please prayerfully consider signing up to spend an hour with the Lord on Friday, October 1st following the 8am Mass @ St. Joseph; sign-up sheets are at the entrance to both churches.

❖ **Welcome new parishioners:** (J) Stephen & Janelle Chatcavage & sons, Lucas & Jameson; Joseph & Marylouise Yanushefsky; Joseph Yanushefsky

❖ **Thank you** to all the businesses who continue to support our bulletin. Please support the businesses that have been so generous to our church.

We highlight a new sponsor ad: K-9 Doggie DOJO

Redner's Save-A-Tape: Save your receipts, put them in Sunday Stewardship. (M) benefit 1%. **Please consider asking family & friends to save them as well.** For your receipts to count toward the church you must sign up at Redners service desk!

► **Pennsylvania March for Life:**

Monday, September 27, 2021

PA State Capitol, Harrisburg, PA

11:00am: Rally • 12 noon: March

For more details: PAMarchForLife.org



Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 2, 2021

10:00am @ J

11:00am @ M



❖ **St. Mary's Pie/Crust Pick-up:**
Tuesday, Sept. 28th from 10:00am to noon @ the Church Rectory - Ringtown.

❖ **Important messages from the Parish:**

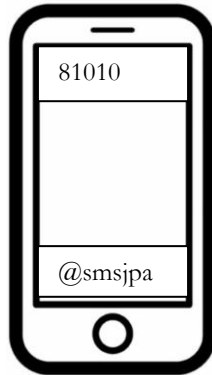
We are still utilizing the Remind text alert system to notify parishioners about anything important going on in the parish. Messages are from Fr. Dominic or the parish office.

If you haven't already and would like to sign up please follow the directions below in order to receive messages. **If you were already getting alerts in the past you do not need to sign up again.**

*See example picture.

Enter number 81010

Text this message: @smsjpa



Planning an In-Person FATHER WALTER CISZEK DAY-- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

The Father Walter Ciszek Prayer League cordially invites everyone to **"Father Walter Ciszek Day"** on Sunday, October 17.

It is a day to celebrate Father Ciszek's extraordinary faith in God and commitment to his priestly vows and vocation. The Father Walter Ciszek Prayer League Center, 218 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA will receive visitors on October 17 from 10:30 AM until 1:00 PM. (A video entitled, "Father Walter Ciszek" will be shown.) Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 PM at St. Casimir Church, 229 Jardin St., Shenandoah, PA. Reverend Thomas D. Stegman, SJ, The Dean of the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry will be the homilist. Immediately following Mass, refreshments will be served in St. Casimir Church Hall and Father Ciszek's books, brochures, prayer cards, and other items will be available for purchase. Please join us for the celebration of "Father Ciszek Day - 2021."



Let us pray for an end to the virus, for healing for those who are sick, and comfort for those who grieve.

May God bless us and protect us.

► **Land of Peace Mission: Weekend of October 2nd and 3rd,**

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



Community events: • **St. Paul's UCC Church:** Fall Dinner, Tuesday, Oct. 19th from 3-6pm at 100 East Main St., Ringtown. Roasted Chicken or Salisbury Steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable and cole slaw. Tickets are \$10. Take out only. For tickets contact: June Gowdy 889-5912, Janice Hoffman 889-3494 or Pr. Craig Zimmerman 889-3074. • **Friends of Ringtown Library Rolling Macaroni Quart Sale:** 10/20, 3-5:30pm. Pick-up @ St. John's Church Pavilion. Take out only! Heat & Eat. Mac & Cheese \$7, Mac & Cheese with sweetie tomatoes \$8, Chicken Pot pie \$9 & Ham pot pie \$9.

❖ **Landscaping & Maintenance** is needed for St. Mary's. Sponsors are being sought. The cost is approximately \$1,500.

It's not too late if you would still like to donate!

Thank you to all who have donated!

We are nearing our goal

IMO: Bill Lorah donated by Marjorie Lorah & family	\$200
Brooke Balkiewicz (college student)	\$7.50
Jake Balkiewicz	\$10
Vincent Pham	\$10
Rick Roulin	\$250
Frank & Rosemary Malocu	\$50
Louise Tomtishen	\$25
IMO: Mary Osilka donated by Bear Ridge Machine & Lubrication	\$60
IMO: Bernie & Mary Osilka Love from family	\$50
Linda Morgovnik	\$100
John Washko	\$100
IMO: Glenn Matejick by Joey Carter & Lauren Malick	\$50
Stan & Marie Piaskowski	\$100
Dave & Julia Kaschak & family	\$100
Total donated to date: \$1112.50	