



## Community of Faith

October 25<sup>th</sup> – November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph

## + Liturgy & Worship +

### Tuesday, 10/26

Weekday

8:00am J † Bernadine Sposato r/o Bob & Jeanette Fellin

9:00am M † Priest Intention

### Wednesday, 10/27

Weekday

8:00am J **No Mass** -Holy Communion Service only

9:00am M **No Mass** -Holy Communion Service only

### Thursday, 10/28

Sts. Simon & Jude

8:00am J † Ronald Wufsus r/o Mike & Jane Reese

9:00am M † Priest Intention

### Friday, 10/29

Weekday

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

9:00am M † Priest Intention

### Saturday, 10/30

Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

### 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

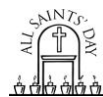
4:00pm J † Michael Gurka r/o Al, Joanne & family

5:30pm M † Wade Stauffer r/o Kathy Lorah

### Sunday, 10/31 31<sup>st</sup> S Ordinary Time • Year B

8:30am J † Sophie Nahas r/o Nahas family

10:00am M † Bill Lorah Sr. r/o wife, Pauline



### Monday, 11/1 All Saints Day – Holy Day

8:00am @ J † John (Sean) F. Daly r/o Margaret Daly

9:00am @ M † Priest Intention

### Tuesday, 11/2 All Souls Day

8:00am All Soul's

9:00am Intentions

**Graveside Blessings: 11:00 @ J • 12:30 @ M**

### Wednesday, 11/3 St. Martin de Porres

8:00am J † John Dewoski Jr. r/o Rosemarie & Bill Fellin

9:00am M † Priest Intention

### Thursday, 11/4 St. Charles Borromeo

8:00am J † Priest Intention

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

### Friday, 11/5 Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

9:00am M † Priest Intention

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

**\* Benediction at noon**

### Saturday, 11/6 Weekday

8:00am J † Priest Intention

### 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

4:00pm J † Paul Yost r/o Mike & Judy Dziak

5:30pm M † Frankie Puorro r/o Rose Gilliam

### Sunday, 11/7 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

8:30am J † Walter & Verna Kutney

r/o Bob & Jeanette Fellin

10:00am M † Glenn Matejick r/o wife, Valeria & family

### “Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me”

In today's Gospel (Mk10:46-52) Jesus hears the cry of a blind man and gives him back his sight. His meeting with Jesus gave Bartimaeus the gift of spiritual as well physical sight, and the former blind beggar became a disciple of Jesus.

Today we have invented all kinds of devices to improve our seeing. We have ordinary glasses, bifocals, magnifying glasses, telescopes, microscopes. We can see more and farther than ever before in our history. Indeed, the miracle Jesus performed for Bartimaeus happens regularly in our hospitals.

Bartimaeus was in darkness until he met Jesus. We are in darkness when we doubt, when we live in error and prejudice, when we choose evil. Anger, hatred, jealousy, evil habits, addiction etc. make us spiritually blind and they prevent us from seeing the goodness and presence of God in our family members and neighbors. Sometimes our fears and habitual sins prevent us from approaching God in prayer.

Bartimaeus who was physically blind had more faith in Jesus than many of his disciples who had perfect eyesight. Whereas he has no doubt, they are full of doubt and hesitation. We can see a man who amidst his own aches and pains, finds his true happiness thanks to Jesus Christ.

Here on earth, though we have a sense of God, we do not see God Himself. We have to be content to travel by the light of faith towards that land where we shall see as we are seen.

**“We can never have too much hope in God. He gives in the measure we ask” (Therese of Lisieux 1873-97)**



† **Mass Obligation:** The Bishops of Pennsylvania have 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: \$2723 J: \$2738**

**Upcoming Collections November: All Saints, All Soul's, Weekly, Dues, Bldg Fund, Energy, Christmas Flowers**



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

❖ **Confession:** Since the COVID restrictions have lifted, confessions will return to normal and be offered before Mass with Father Dominic, he will be happy to hear your confession.

† 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  
 ▶ Starting the weekend of Oct. 30th and 31st and continuing until sellout, our KofC Council will be selling quart containers of our frozen bleenie batter as part of this year's "Halloweenie Bleenie" Batter Fundraiser. Frozen quart containers are \$6.00 each. See Marie or Stan after mass to purchase.

**Just thaw to room temperature - fry - and ENJOY!!**

- ▶ 11/4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting in Mahanoy City @ 7pm.
- ▶ 11/7 @ **J** Rosary prior to Mass
- ▶ 11/21 @ **M** Rosary prior to Mass & meeting following Mass.

**ALL SOUL'S DAY**



**Nov. 2 All Souls Candles:** Envelopes are at Church. **One person/family name @ intention.** To have names inscribed, your intention is needed by: Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. We ask \$10  
 \*Bring a picture of your loved one to place before St. Joseph/Blessed Virgin Mary altar.

❖ **Congratulations to our 2021 Confirmation Students**

- (M)** Conner Kanute, Chase Kaschak
- (J)** Madison Biros, Teaghan Biros, Addison Fritz, Ava Fritz, Hunter Sartori, Jason Rentschler

❖ **2022 Mass Book: Is OPEN!** In order to accommodate the many requests for weekend Masses, you can reserve up to 3, others will be scheduled for weekday Masses. ▶ There are several ways to schedule your intention. **A.** Forms in last week's bulletin can be filled out or use your own paper. **B.** By calling the parish office (leave a message and I will return your call. **C.** Forms will be on the table when Mass is indoors. The forms must be fully completed with payment enclosed and either **A.** put in the collection basket **B.** mailed to the parish office: 84 N Center St., Ringtown, PA 17967. **C.** dropped off in the Parish Mail Box in the rear of the Church Mailbox #1. One intention per form. The office will try to accommodate your first choices. If there is an issue the office will be in contact with you.

**\*\* Payment must be made at time of request.**

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

**\*\*\* Daily/weekend Masses are still available:  
 @ M; weekdays only @ J for 2021 \*\*\***

❖ **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!**  
**We are almost there! Thank you to all who donated.**

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 Paskowski	\$100
Dave & Julia Kaschak & family	\$100
Rose Angelotti	\$10
<b>Total donated to date: \$1122.50</b>	

**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!

❖ **First Friday/Eucharistic Adoration:** Please prayerfully consider signing up to spend an hour with the Lord on Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> following the 8am Mass @ St. Joseph; sign-up sheets are at the entrance to both churches.

❖ **St. Mary's News:**

- ▶ We are in need of a few volunteers for counting our collection after Mass on a Sunday. We need someone who can count every other Sunday and a few people who would be interested in substituting when someone can't make it for their week. For more info please call Ann at 570-498-1668 or Marie at 570-889-3825.
- ▶ The choir has begun setting up their fundraising table in the back of our church. Our table is filled with the traditional Advent Calendars for your family to use for counting down the days until Christmas. This is a fun thing for you and your children to do as we prepare for the birth of Christ. Make it an annual tradition.
- ▶ This year we are adding to our Christmas ideas, votive candle holders, which we've found as we were cleaning the sacristies. Since these holders are no longer being used we are offering them to our parishioners and guests of our SM parish. The money collected from these items will be used toward our St. Mary Parish's 100th birthday celebration in 2023.

❖ **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 sponsor ad: Stauffer/Breznik Funeral Home**



**GIVING TREE**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FOSTER KID GIFTS:**

- ▶ 10/16 thru 11/7- Select a tag(s) from the giving tree
- ▶ Purchase & wrap items listed on tag

**IMPORTANT:** Please place a new gift tag on the wrapped gift(s) with the child's first name and last

initial only - leave the "from" blank or write "Santa"

- ▶ Return gifts to church no later than 11/14!!!
- ▶ Call or text **Nancy @ 215-801-5797,**  
**or Arlene @ 570-590-5810** with questions

**Thank You & God Bless You, "Christmas Angels",  
 For Your Loving Support!**

**Community events:** • **St. Paul's UCC Free Thanksgiving Dinner:** 11/25 from 1-4:30pm (16 individuals per setting RSVP: 570-205-5736 or leave message 570-889-5039. Deadline 11/15) • **St. Joseph the Worker,** Nine S. Broad Mountain Ave, Frackville: 11/6 Basket Auction, Fall Food Sale and Lottery Calendar Sale. Shop & Drop 11/5 from 6-8pm. • **Rummage Sale sponsored by St. Patrick Parish** - Saturday, October 30. Doors open at 7 am at Mary, Queen of Peace Hall (728 N. Center St., Pottsville). Lots of Treasures including collectibles, antiques, cookware, furniture, dishes, china, and lots more. Cash only! No reasonable offer refused. Please call 570-622-5566 with any questions. • **Twin County Lions Club Fund Drive:** 10/31 will be collecting donations at St. Mary's & St. Joseph's for "White Cane Sunday". Sight is something most of us take for granted. But for those of us who do not have this wonderful blessing, we must be willing to help in any way we can.

**Don't forget to change your clocks.  
 Daylight saving time ends 2:00am on  
 November 7<sup>th</sup>.**

