

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

January 22, 2017

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Philip Speicher—Joann Darbyshire
Wednesday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Thursday	7:00 PM	NO MASS
Friday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Saturday	6:00 PM	Myra Albright – Leo & Linda Suhrie
Sunday	8:00 AM	Fred Will – Greg & Karen Will
	10:30 AM	Owen Caton – Anna Hankinson Family

Sanctuary Candle – For Peace

PRAYER LIST: Barbara Allison, Chester Berkey, Fred Bittner, Janey Black, Leo & Cora Bonus, Vicki Bowser, Ed Boyer, Macy Burke, Anna Burkett, Jonah Burkett, Kara Bussard, Laura Costello, Judy Dronet, Beau Dull, Joel Easter, Baby Ezekiel, Agnes Fleming, Tabitha Flick, Harry Fochtman, Debbie Foor, Paisley Goetzl, Donald Grasser, Kelly Hartbauer, Elizabeth, Ken & Kennaley Heider, Cathy Hernandez, Sandra Herzing, Mike Hess, Chet Hillegass, David Hinson, Connie Horne, Matthew Jenkins, Bob Kemerer, J.T. Kline, Todd Kline, Jeanne Marie Klisiewicz, Eileen Knott, Virginia Lambert, Tim Landis, David Leonard, Don Lynch, Martha Marker, George Maser, Dorothy Maurer, Joseph Meslovich, Sr., Gary Metivier, Mike Montreal, Tracey Mowry, Ashley Nail, Cathy & Laird Ober, Anthony Palik, Jane Palik, Louise Pekala, Caleb Plummer, Denver Reed, Carol Restly, Rose Restly, Sabina Restly, Shawn Restly, Paula Saunders, Michelle Schmitt, Tammy Schreiber, Greg Seeley, Sandra Shaffer, Cathy Smith, Clara Smith, Wendy Smith, Michael Stefanik, Tommy Stiffler, Pat Stoe, Judy Stufft, Mike Valentine, Anna Lee & Kenny Wambaugh, Thomas Wambaugh, Mereada Werner, Aaron Weiss, Christina Whetstone, Charlotte Will, Jan & Larry Will, Karen Will, Tish Will, Scott Wilkens

If you added a person's name to the prayer list and they have since recovered,

please call to remove their name from our prayer list

Last week: Loose: \$36.00; Adults: \$2,275.00; Total: \$2,311.00

Altar Schedule – January 29nd

	<u>6 pm</u>	<u>8 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
READER:	Kim Wambaugh	Carissa Restly	Anthony Zanoni
MINISTER:	Deacon Thom	Deacon Thom	Deacon Thom
SERVERS:	Nathan Leonard	Emily Brick	Maria Engleka
	Caleb Leonard	Luke Brick	Jacob Stewart

Offertory envelopes and 2017 church calendars are available on the table in the rear of the church.

**THE CHURCH OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Pastor: Fr. Richard Tomkosky
(ricopadre@hotmail.com)

Hall Reservations: Melinda Will (733-0029)

Mass Schedule:

Parish Website: www.newbaltimorecatholic.com

Tues.: 7:00 PM
Sunday: 6:00 PM (Vigil)
8:00 AM and 10:30 AM


Rectory:
Box 10
New Baltimore, PA 15553
Phone: 733-2210 Hall: 733-4113

Baptism:
Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

Confessions
Saturday 5:00 – 5:45 PM

Matrimony:
Arrange nine months in advance. Couples expected to participate in pre-marriage preparation program



 Parish Mission Statement St. John the Baptist Parish is a Catholic Christian Community centered in rural New Baltimore, Pennsylvania. As members of the Body of Christ, we seek to live as entrusted stewards using God's gifts responsibly, intelligently, prudently, and

gratefully to bring about His kingdom. As stewards of our time, talents, possessions, and faith, we are called to put our lives in proper focus and to live in accord with one another giving love and caring support; to accept Christ's challenge as related in the Gospels – to serve one another.



We need volunteers to clean the Hall kitchen on Monday, February 13th beginning at 8 am.



The Lenten Fish Fry meeting on Wednesday, January 11th was well attended by 17 parishioners and another 10 who verbally committed to work. The consensus was that we will have the usual six fish fry's, beginning on Friday, March 3rd. We will need much more help each week. More information will follow in the coming weeks. There will be a sign-up poster on a table in the back of the Church.



We are in need of a person or persons to take charge of the upcoming Pancake Breakfasts. After many years of running this important fundraiser the Wolfhope families have retired. We are also in need of a person or persons to chair the Beer Stand at our July 4th Picnic. After many years of service the "Beer Crew" has retired. We would like to thank all of these people for their many years of service to both these important fundraisers for our Church. Anyone interested in helping with either of these fundraisers please call the rectory and leave a message.

Wow - we have less than 6 months until our 4th of July Picnic.

It's not too early to be creating your Theme Basket!!! Baskets need to be a minimum of \$25.

44th Annual March for Life

Washington, DC – Friday, January 27th

We have been invited to join St. Peter's Church at the March for Life. St. Peter's has reserved a motor coach to transport us to the nation's capital where a throng of over 500,000 faith-filled Americans will seek the legal protection of pre-born human life. It will be a peaceful, prayerful, patriotic day. Please join in, especially if you have never witnessed a March for Life. It will be an experience of a lifetime. The day will be filled with sights and sounds of joy and purpose that you will never forget. Please call the St. Peter's rectory (443-6574) to register for the March. Please join us and be

exhilarated and inspired having been a part of the holy and just cause for life. The trip is open to all. Anyone under the age of 18, not accompanied by a parent, must complete a parental permission slip before January 26th. The cost is \$10.

Bishop Mark will preside at a prayer service on the eve of the March for Life. It will be held on January 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. The gathering will include Evening Prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, and a homily from the Bishop. Bishop Mark will also offer a special blessing to those who will go to Washington, D.C., the following day for the March for Life. All are invited to attend the prayer service to pray for the sanctity of human life.

Families and the Gospel.... When Jesus called his disciples, they came immediately. Parents wish their children would respond as quickly, but they don't. Children grow slowly into responsibility. It's a process like walking, not done immediately but in small steps. Parenting demands patient encouragement.

Notes from Fr. Rich

- **Pro-life Eucharistic Holy Hour:** If you are not able to attend the March for Life to D.C. this coming Friday, please try to come to a special Eucharistic Holy Hour I will have at St. Thomas in Bedford from 3 to 4 pm on Friday January 27. We will offer it in a special way in reparation for sins against human life and for the safe return of everyone from the March for Life that day. And **F.Y.I.:** I have a Divine Mercy Eucharistic Holy Hour every Friday at St. Thomas from 3 to 4 that you are always welcome to come to. It is a wonderful time of graces from God since that is the hour Jesus died on the Cross for our salvation.
- **Funerals and daily Mass:** Just a reminder for those of you who come to the daily Mass on Tuesday night to always check the Bedford paper for the funerals I have either at St. Thomas in Bedford or at St. John's in New Baltimore because if I have one on a Tuesday, daily Mass will be cancelled and the Mass intention re-scheduled as happened this past Tuesday. Melanie will also post a note on the retreat center chapel door letting people know that Mass is cancelled. Have a blessed week. 😊

In 2017 Catholics and Lutherans jointly observe the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. Catholics and Lutherans (as well as all Protestants) today enjoy a growth in mutual understanding, cooperation and respect. In response to the call for what Saint Pope John Paul II termed “Spiritual Ecumenism,” Christians of all denominations are urged to come together in prayer for Christian unity.

On **Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 3:00 PM** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona, Bishop Mark Bartchak will preside at a Lutheran-Catholic Common Commemoration of the Reformation. Presiding with our bishop will be Bishop Michael Rhyne, Lutheran bishop of the Allegheny Lutheran Synod, who will preach.

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