

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

April 13, 2014

Palm Sunday

Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Ethel Helgerman (Anniv) – Leopold & Beatrice Philippe
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Vigne Family – Suzi Vigne (Meadowview Nursing Home)
Thursday	7:00 PM	Brigg & Toni Hillegass – Gerald & Joanne Chamberlain
	8-10 PM	Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel
Friday	3:00 PM	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday	8:30 PM	For the People
Sunday	8:00 AM	George Hankinson (b'day) – Marie & Family
	10:30 AM	Robert P. Smith (b'day) – Mary Jane Smith

Sanctuary Candle – For Peace

St. Peregrine – For the Intentions of Our Parishioners

PRAYER LIST: Barbara Allison, Debbie Baker, Shirley Beard, Fred Bittner, Janey Black, Joe Bomblosky, Vicki Bowser, Susan & Veryl Callihan, Steve Calvert, Soren Cooper, Brenda Davis, Brad Diehl, Mildred Diehl, Dennis Dietz, James Dietz, Judy Dronet, Karen Duddy, Agnes Fleming, Ken Fochtman, Jackie Freoni, Susan Gault, Nancy Glotfelty, Paisley Goetzl, Donald Grasser, Paul Griffith, Eric Growden, Elizabeth & Ken Heider, Sandra Herzing, Mike Hess, Chet Hillegass, David Hinson, Jason Hyatt, Matthew Jenkins, Charlie Johnson, Wendy Kegg, Jeanne Marie Klisiewicz, Brad Koontz, Darren Leydig, Don Lynch, Janet Lynch, Alan MacDonald, George Maser, Lee McVicker, Sam McVicker, Mike Montreal, Charlene Norris, Cathy & Laird Ober, Rick Otto, Jane Palik, Alexis Reachard, Jim Restly, Sabina Restly, Shawn Restly, Lauretta Jones-Rieker, Sidney Savage, Greg Seeley, Jerry Smith, Larry Smith, Paul Smith, Donald Snyder, Tommy Stiffler, Pat Stoe, Ann L. Wambaugh, Aaron Weiss, Rita Werner, Christina Whetstone, Robert Whetstone, Charlotte Will, Jan & Larry Will, Joe Will, Paul Will, John Yotko, Clarence Zearfoss

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: \$403.30; Adults: \$2,821.00 Total \$3,224.30

April 20th – Altar Schedule

	<u>8:30 pm</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
READER:	Miranda May	Kyle Winegardner	Carissa Restly
MINISTERS:	Deacon Thom	Deacon Thom	Deacon Thom
	Wayne Tedley	Rita Lewis	Todd Hillegass
	Kim Wambaugh	Alzine Hoffman	Jennifer Nouse
SERVERS:	Gabby Hoover	Emily Brick	Noah Hillegass
	Graham Hoover	Luke Brick	Jonah Hillegass

Jacob Stewart

We served 488 adult meals and 12 children's meals at our 5th Fish Fry of 2014!

THE CHURCH OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Pastor:
(ricopadre@hotmail.com)

Fr. Richard Tomkosky

Parish Council President:
Hall Reservations:

Bob Arenth
Melinda Will (733-0029)

Mass Schedule:

Parish Website: www.newbaltimorecatholic.com

Wed., Fri.: 8:00 AM
Tues. & Thurs.: 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.

Every year, each parish in the United States takes up a collection on Good Friday, as designated by the Holy Father. This collection helps support the work of the Franciscans in the Holy Land. The money is used to care for the people and places of the Holy Land. This collection keeps Christianity alive in this area made holy by the life, suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

	<u>Holy Thursday – 7pm</u>	<u>Good Friday – 3 pm</u>
READER:	Joan McGreevey	Melinda Will
NARRATOR:		Deacon Thom
MINISTERS:	Deacon Thom	
	Mary Grace Imgrund	
	Dorothy Wolfope	
SERVERS:	Dedra Hillegass	McKayla Hankinson
	Jacob Stewart	Marissa Hankinson

Confirmation will be at 4 pm on Sunday, April 27th at St. Peter Church, Somerset. Please arrive by 3 pm. A mandatory practice will be held at 11 am on Saturday, April 26th. Please bring your sponsor.

 There is an envelope in your offertory envelopes to remember loved ones with a donation towards the Easter flowers. Please write the names clearly on the back of the envelope so that we can publish those names in the bulletin. **Please make your donation by April 13th.**

 Our Annual **Spring Dinner** will be on Sunday, April 27th from 11 am – 2 pm. There is an envelope in your offertory envelope box to help defray the costs and sign-up sheets in the back of the church for those willing to donate pies and cakes. **Workers are needed.**

Thank you to all who have participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal. Because of your generosity, we received \$5,470 toward our goal of \$16,022. Please join in supporting our Parish and our Diocesan ministries. If you do not have a pledge card, you may send your gift (made payable to the "Annual Catholic Appeal") directly to the parish office. Thank you for your generous response.

We are accepting donated prizes for this year's 4th of July Raffle ticket. We welcome the usual gift cards and cash donations. Generous parishioners have already come forward with some prize items for the ticket. You may take your donated prizes to the Rectory office or if you have questions call Terry Metevier at 733-4190 or Carolyn Leonard at 733-2287. Thank you.

We served 271 breakfasts at our final Pancake & Sausage Breakfast of 2014!

Just a reminder - All **Theme Baskets** need to be turned in by May 11th so that they can be put on display in the church basement.

Notes from Fr. Rich

- The schedule for Holy Week will be as follows: On **Monday** at 11 AM will be the Diocesan Chrism Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Altoona - all are invited to attend. On **Holy Thursday** the Mass of the Lord's Supper will be here at 7 pm, followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Retreat House Chapel until 10 pm. On **Good Friday** will be the Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3 pm - notice the time change from last year and also there will be no Stations of the Cross that evening; on **Holy Saturday** the blessing of the Easter baskets will be at 11 am and the Mass of the Easter Vigil will be at 8:30 pm; and finally on **Easter Sunday** Masses will be at 8:00 and 10:30 am.
- To answer a question many people ask: today is Palm Sunday, and we will be receiving new blessed palms - *so what are we to do with our old blessed palms?* We need to either to bury them or burn them - not throw them in the trash, since they are blessed. That also applies to anything that is blessed: rosaries, scapulars, broken crucifixes, religious statues, etc.
- There will be no Easter egg hunt this year for the younger children due to the fact that the grounds around the Church are all torn up right now because of the Turnpike bridge project and the need to landscape around the new septic system installation when the weather gets nicer.
- Thanks to all who helped with the Lenten fish fries - both the workers and the patrons. It is a lot of work, but also a big financial help to our parish.
- Thanks to all who helped with in any way for the 3 pancake and sausage dinners; it was a nice time of fellowship and also helped our parish financially.
- Please use your Holy Thursday envelope in your packet - the money you give will be donated to help the local food banks in Berlin and Bedford - half to each.
- Starting on Good Friday is the **annual Novena to our Lord's Divine Mercy**. It is a time of special graces. I will have pamphlets out on the bulletin table, so you can participate, which I hope you will. I will personally lead the special novena prayer and Divine Mercy chaplet after the 3 PM service of the Passion on Good Friday; after that, please pray the novena on your own for the rest of the 9 Days.
- Thoughts from the saints – on the meaning of the Hour of Great Mercy: every Friday at 3 PM: *“At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. I will allow you to enter into My mortal sorrow. In*

this hour, I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion”
(Jesus to St. Faustina- in her Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul, paragraph 1320). Have a
blessed week. 😊