

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

April 20, 2014

Easter Sunday

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, Mass Details. Rows include Monday (8:00 AM NO MASS), Tuesday (7:00 PM NO MASS), Wednesday (8:00 AM NO MASS), Thursday (7:00 PM NO MASS), Friday (8:00 AM Therese Speicher Howery), Saturday (8:30 PM Paul Burkett), Sunday (8:00 AM Joshua Thorpe), Sunday (10:30 AM For the People).

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

Last week: Loose: \$490.07; Adults: \$2,442.00 Total \$2,932.07

April 27th – Altar Schedule

Table with 3 columns: Time, Reader, Ministers, Servers. Rows for 8:30 pm, 8:00 am, and 10:30 am.

We served 423 adult meals and 17 children's meals at our final Fish Fry of 2014!

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. Cost is Adults: \$9; Children 5-10: \$4.50; Under 5: Free.

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.

Notes from Fr. Rich

- I hope every person and family in our parish had a most blessed Holy Week and has a most joyous celebration of Jesus's Resurrection on this Easter day! I pray in a special way for those who may have been away from the Church, for whatever reason, that God will draw them back to the Parish family to worship and participate in the life of the Parish with us on a regular basis. The Catholic faith is the greatest spiritual anchor for the ups and downs of this life, and if lived well, by God's grace, will lead us to eternal joy beyond our imagining! If any of you need any help to get back to regular faith practice, i.e., to make a Confession after a long period away or to work on getting a marriage blessed by the Church, etc. please contact me after Easter; ricopadre@hotmail.com or 733-2210. As your pastor I'm here to help in any way possible.
- I want to thank, in the name of the parish, everyone who contributed to making the Holy Week Liturgical events and Easter Masses so beautiful: the musicians, the decorators, altar servers, lectors, extraordinary ministers of the Holy Eucharist, and ushers. Thank you to everyone involved for your willingness to enhance our worship experience by sharing your gifts. I'm sure Jesus was very pleased.
- Next Sunday at 4 pm at St. Peter's Church in Somerset, our 11th grade Confirmation class will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bp. Mark Bartchak. Please keep: *Ian Beavers, Jennifer Carthew, Taylor Easter, Bryce Fochtman, Luke Hobson, Nicholas Hyde, Kyle Leighty, and Matthew Lewis* in your special prayers that the reception of this Sacrament will enable them to live their Catholic faith ever more deeply as adult disciples and witnesses to Jesus.
- The Church has started on Good Friday the annual Novena to our Lord's Divine Mercy. It is a time of special graces. I have extra pamphlets out on the bulletin table, if you did not get one last week-end. Please pray the novena this week. You can also include your own special intentions.
- Thoughts from the saints – on the Novena to Divine Mercy: *"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw from there strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death"* (Jesus to St. Faustina- in her Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul, paragraph 1209).
- I will be leaving after the Easter Masses today to take a few days to visit with my mom, family, and friends in Johnstown. As a result, there will be no daily Masses this week, except for Friday morning. Have a blessed Easter week☺.

Send a "**Knee Mail**" (card) to your **Lenten Prayer Partner** revealing yourself. Place it on the table in the rear of the Church. Also, look to see if you have received any mail.

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.

Thank you to all who have participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal. Because of your generosity, we received \$6,060 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.

 The Annual Mother-Daughter Banquet will be held on Friday, May 9th at 6 pm in the Church hall. It is a covered dish dinner. The meat & drink will be provided. The cost is \$2 per person, children 5 & under are free. We ask you to bring a covered dish and everyone 16 & up to bring a \$5 exchange gift. To make reservations use the sign-up sheet in the back of the Church or call Theresa Fochtman at 733-4548.

A **Rabies Clinic** will be held at the New Baltimore Fire Hall on Monday, April 28th from 6-7 pm. The cost is \$10 per animal. All dogs must be on a leash. All cats must be in a carrier. The Law requires that all dogs and housecats over 3 months of age be vaccinated for rabies.

Our Knights of Columbus will be collecting for Mom's House of Johnstown after the Masses on April 26 & 27. Please note that any money donated will be **matched** equally by the Feinstein Foundation Challenge Grant. Mom's House offers single parents, facing an unplanned pregnancy a practical alternative to abortion and welfare. There pre-school children receive quality care and early education and single parents are plugged into supportive services that enable them to complete their education, find jobs and to get off welfare.

The following persons have donated Easter flowers

In Memory Of:

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| Arenth & Jensen Family Members | Bob & Monika Arenth |
| Deceased Will Family Members | |
| Deceased Benning Family Members | Larry & Audrey Benning |
| Lloyd Felten | Nancy Diehl |
| Our Parents | Richard & Cheryle Engbert |
| Robert F. Fochtman | Wife & Family |
| Connie Kay Fochtman | Mother & Family |
| Lawrence & Elizabeth Fochtman & Family | Paul Fochtman |
| Deceased Fochtman Family Members | |
| Deceased McKenzie Family Members | Sam & Linda Fochtman |
| Deceased Logro & Merwa Family Members | |
| Deceased Heider & Hahn Family Members | Ken Heider Family |
| John & Veronica Hickey Deceased Family Members | Jeff & Kay Hickey |
| Edward & Gladys Hankinson & Dec. Family Members | Chet & Ida Mae Hillegass |
| Deceased Family Members | Phil & Ann Huston |
| Jim Lauer | Eric, Mandy, Riley & Regan Lauer |
| Jimmy Lewis | Roger & Rita Lewis |

