MASSES FOR THE WEEK

May 4, 2014 3rd Sunday of Easter

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Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Alex Maddy (Anniv) – Wife, Toots
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Wayne Hankinson – Marg Lynch
Thursday	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration
	7:00 PM	Maureen Speicher – M//M Robert Grasser
Friday	8:00 AM	Tom Werner – Leo & Linda Suhrie
Saturday	6:00 PM	Dorothy Ann Yankanich – Andrew & Family
Sunday	8:00 AM	Donald L. Speicher (Anniv) – Speicher Brothers
	10:30 AM	For the People
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Sanctuary Candle - For Peace

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, Matt Karns, Wendy Kegg, Todd Kline, 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, Clara Smith, 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: \$464.00: Adults: \$2.004.00 Total \$2.468.00 Holy Thursday (Food Bank): \$773.00; Good Friday (Holy Land): \$533.00

	<u>6:00 pm</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
READER:	Kim Wambaugh	Katelyn Lewis	John Yotko
MINISTERS:	Wayne Tedley	Barbara Kane	Deacon Thom
	Don Hillegass	Mary Grace Imgrund	Margee Taliaferro
	Linda Suhrie	Dorothy Wolfhope	Todd Hillegass
SERVERS:	Gabby Hoover	Jennifer Carthew	Jacob Stewart
	Graham Hoover	Kennaley Heider	Brady Miller

All **Theme Baskets** need to be turned in by May 11th so that they can be displayed in the basement.

May 11th – Altar Schedule

Parish Council Meeting Tuesday, May 13th at 8 pm in the Retreat Center dining room. Finance Council Meeting Thursday, May 15th at 8 pm in the Retreat Center dining room.

THE CHURCH OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN

ST. JOHNTHE BAPTIST

Pastor: Fr. Richard Tomkosky

(ricopadre@hotmail.com)

Parish Council President: Bob Arenth

Hall Reservations: 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)

Rectory: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Box 10

New Baltimore, PA 15553

Phone: 733-2210 Hall: 733-4113

Baptism:

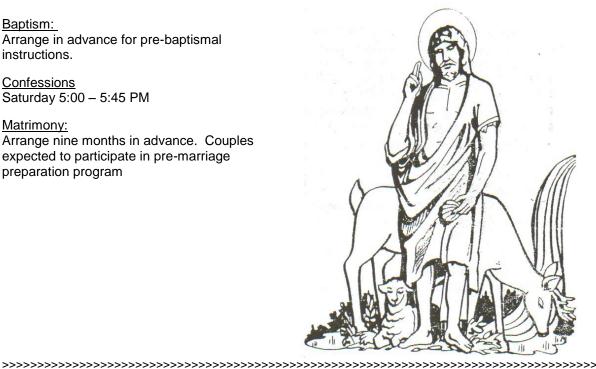
Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

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.

Thank you to all who have participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal. Because of your generosity, we received \$9,335 in pledges 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.

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. You may take your donated prizes to the Rectory office or if you have guestions call Terry Metevier at 733-4190 or Carolyn Leonard at 733-2287. We do not need these prizes yet, just a commitment.

BINGO WORKERS - MAY 7TH

Ron Hankinson Mary Grace Imgrund Jeff Hillegass Brenda Hillegass

Kitchen Crew Monika Arenth Carol Hillegass Alzine Hoffman

Bingo starts at 6:30 pm. We play regular games, specials, quickies, bonus number, jackpot & bonanza. The kitchen also has delicious refreshments available.

Our K of C would like to thank all those who donated to Mom's House last weekend. They collected \$574 !! These funds will be matched by the Feinstein Foundation Challenge Grant.



>>>>>>>> We have 2 - 15 lb. blocks of unbreaded cod @ \$72/block; 2 - 10 lb. cases of breaded scrod @ \$54.37/ case; and 9 – 3.18 lb. cans of chopped clams @ \$9.67/can. Contact the rectory if you are interested in purchasing any of these items.

St. Benedict's in Geistown has a religious gift shop! It is across the road from St. Benedict Church at 2227 Bedford Street. Hours are Wed., Thurs., and Fri. 10 am – 4 pm and Sat. 10 am – 6 pm. Phone: 262-7907. Gifts and greeting cards for all occasions!



Our K of C Council is sponsoring a **Spaghetti Dinner** on Sunday, May 18th from 11 am – 1 pm. All you can eat includes spaghetti & meatballs, salad, dessert & beverage. Adults (over 12) \$7; Children (age 3-12) \$3; Under 3 are Free. MEN are invited to participate in

serving this meal. This includes old men, young men and everyone in between. If you are interested come to the Hall on Sunday, May 18th at 10 am.

Notes from Fr. Rich

- Thanks to all those who helped out with the annual Spring dinner, both the patrons and the workers. It was a very nice dinner and a help to our parish financially.
- If any student going into the 4th grade 11th grade this coming Fall is interested in becoming an altar server please contact me either by phone or e-mail. We can always use new servers and it is a special gift to serve at God's holy altar. Please let me know during the month of May as I will have training for the new servers in June.
- When I came here as Pastor last July it was recommended by both Fr. George and the parish council members that I needed to rotate some people off and get some new parishioners on the council to replace the outgoing members who were over their term limit. I wanted to wait until I got to know the parishioners better before proceeding, so I am looking at doing that this year. The old council will meet one last time in May, on the 13th, and then the new council will be in place for the next meeting in September. I am very grateful for the service of the 5 outgoing most senior members: Joanne Seese, David Leonard, Alzine Hoffman, Kay Hickey and Todd Hillegas have given on our parish council for many years. The three newest members on the council: Bob Arenth. Bernie Hankinson and Don Hillegass will remain on the council for one more year and then rotate off as well in accord with the Diocesan regulations which says you can only be on it for 6 years consecutive. Hence I am asking for at least 3 volunteers to come forward for the parish council this Easter season in order to have 6 official members on the council in addition to me as the Pastor - if we get more than 3 names I will draw the names at Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 8. And if we only get 2 names, we will go with that since Diocesan regulations state that each council only has to have 5 members on it.
- What are the qualifications to be a parish council member? 1. You are truly interested in helping to advise me as the Pastor for the good of our parish family on various matters. 2. One needs to be a fully initiated Catholic - meaning one has received the Sacrament of Confirmation. 3. Also one needs to be an active practicing Catholic which means that one attends Mass every Sunday and Holy Day and is living a moral life not at odds with the teaching of the Church. 4. Also if married, the marriage needs to be a marriage that is recognized by the Catholic Church. 5. Finally according to Diocesan policy it is my duty as pastor to discern whether a nominee is qualified to serve on the Parish council.
- What is the role of the Parish Council? The parish council is an advisory board to the pastor to assist me in caring out my role of shepherd of this Faith community. In the end I still have to make the final decisions, but it helps to have some thoughtful people of the parish make some suggestions and give some new ideas on how we can grow as a parish faith community. The focus of the Parish Council will first be on the spiritual and secondarily on the social aspect of the parish. The business aspect is primarily dealt with in Finance Council which is a separate council. We meet on average 4 times a year, usually in February, May, September and November; and in case you are wondering my meetings last one hour or less ©. Also since we are re-organizing things in relation to term limits, the 3 new members will be on a three year term. The max someone can serve on the council is 2 terms which is 6 years. If you are interested in submitting your name to serve on the Parish Council, please either drop a note in the collection basket, or e-mail or call me. I will be taking nominations until the end of May. Have a blessed week.©