

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

September 6, 2015

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time

Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	7:00 PM	NO MASS
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Maude Engbert (Anniv) – Richard & Cheryle Engbert
Thursday	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration
	7:00 PM	Thomas Stiffler – Beatrice E. Smith
Friday	8:00 AM	Joe Will – Richard & Rose Ann Webreck
Saturday	6:00 PM	Evelyn C. Hickey – Husband, George R. Hickey
Sunday	8:00 AM	Charles Hankinson -- Family
	10:30 AM	For the People

Sanctuary Candle – Irene McGreevey by Family

**PRAYER LIST:** Barbara Allison, Debbie Baker, Fred Bittner, Janey Black, Vicki Bowser, Ed Boyer, Tom Buratty, Jim Caro, Joe & Glenna Caro, Paul Caton, Laura Costello, Faith Custer, Brenda Davis, Judy Dronet, Beth Engle, Pat Ferko, Agnes Fleming, Susan Gault, Paisley Goetzl, Donald Grasser, Gerald Grasser, Sr., Kelly Hartbauer, Elizabeth, Ken & Kennaley Heider, Sandra Herzing, Mike Hess, Chet Hillegass, David Hinson, Laramme Ickes, Matthew Jenkins, Harry Jones, J.T. Kline, Todd Kline, Jeanne Marie Klisiewicz, Chris Knisely, Eileen Knott, Dana LeGros, Virginia Lambert, Roseann Leonardis, Connie Levar, Marie Lohr, Don Lynch, Martha Marker, George Maser, Sam McVicker, Tracey Mowry, Charlene Norris, Cathy & Laird Ober, Rick Otto, Jane Palik, Louise Pekala, Denver Reed, Jim Restly, Rose Restly, Sabina Restly, Shawn Restly, Greg Seeley, Clara Smith, Larry Smith, Tommy Stiffler, Pat Stoe, Dick Walter, Anna Lee & Kenny Wambaugh, Aaron Weiss, Rita Werner, Christina Whetstone, Charlotte Will, Jan & Larry Will, Paul Will, Tish Will, Parke Williams, Dominick Yachere, Nancy Zeth

Last week: Loose: \$542.54; Adults: \$2,417.00 Total: \$2,959.54

*ALTAR SCHEDULE - September 13<sup>th</sup>*

	<u>6 pm</u>	<u>8 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
<b>READER:</b>	Melinda Will	Barbara Kane	Anthony Zanoni
<b>MINISTER:</b>	Dayna Wambaugh	Joan McGreevey	Jennifer Nouse
	Don Hillegass	John Werner	Kathleen Davies
	Wayne Tedley	Rita Lewis	Robert Davies
<b>SERVERS:</b>	Kennaley Heider	Emily Brick	Joseph Zanoni
	Desirae Heider	Luke Brick	Isabella Zanoni

The ushers for the month of September are:

6 pm: Ed Will; Harry Fochtman; Richard Engbert; Mike Bondura

8 am: Linda Fochtman; Sam Fochtman; Henry Hillegass; Joe Hillegass  
 10:30 am Lynn Benning; Pat Hankinson; Hunter Stoe

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

Pastor:  
 (ricopadre@hotmail.com)

Fr. Richard Tomkosky

Hall Reservations: Melinda Will (733-0029)

Mass Schedule: Parish Website: [www.newbaltimorecatholic.com](http://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.

BINGO WORKERS – September 9<sup>th</sup>

Floor Workers

Ron Hankinson Greg Will  
Karen Will Mary Grace Imgrund

Kitchen Crew

Carol Will  
Melanie Hankinson

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 Council is sponsoring a **Spaghetti Dinner** on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 11 am – 1 pm. All you can eat includes spaghetti & meatballs, salad, dessert & beverage. Adults (Over 12) \$8; 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, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.



The St. John's Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who contributed to the recent collection for Mom's House "Back to School Campaign". The collection totaled \$600 to which a donation of \$200 from our Knights was added for a grand total of \$800.



Adult Bible Study - The Bible and The Mass. Six classes beginning Wednesday, September 23, 2015 through October 28, 2015 at 7 p.m. in Heyden Hall below the Rectory of St Thomas the Apostle Church in Bedford. Cost of the workbook is \$12.00. Please call Jeff Wright at 623-2824 or email [jrw15522@gmail.com](mailto:jrw15522@gmail.com) to register. Come join us!



Kim and Dayna Wambaugh are requesting your help in collecting items for Moms House. These young ladies are doing this as a Service Project for their Connections I: Self and Community class through Mount Aloysius College. Lists and Collection Bins are in the back of the church. Please bring gifts by October 3. Any questions, please contact Kim or Dayna at 733-4609. Any help would greatly be appreciated. Thank You!



St. Gregory's Annual Festival – MacDonalnton, PA – Sunday, September 6, 2015 – Family-style ham and turkey dinners with homemade noodles and stuffing – served 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – adults \$10.00 – children under 12, \$5.00 – games, bake sale, themed baskets, refreshments – fun for all ages – come and enjoy reminiscing with family and friends in our air-conditioned hall

The Franciscan Friars, TOR, from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the gardens at Mount Assisi. (In case of inclement weather they will be at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.) The singing will be led by the Prince

of Peace Choir from Northern Cambria and the sermon will be delivered by Fr. Benedict Jurchak, TOR. We would like to extend a special welcome to any young people in High School or College to join us since the theme will be focused on vocations. Refreshments will follow.

**Notes from Fr. Rich**

- **Labor Day:** In the name of the parish I want to welcome anyone who is visiting us for the close of the summer season on this Labor Day week-end. I hope everyone has a nice holiday and a good upcoming fall season.
- **CCD** will begin on Sunday, September 20 - from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. for grades K-11. The children will receive a schedule of the classes for the year on the first day of classes.
- **Adult Education:** I will also once again be teaching an **adult education class** in the retreat house dining room at the same time. It will not be every week, but most weeks. The weeks I am not teaching adult education I will be visiting the CCD classrooms and also offering the children the opportunity to go to Confession from time to time. I will put the adult education schedule from week to week in my column here. All adults of the parish are welcome to attend. We will continue going through the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. This year we will be going through Part Two on the seven Sacraments of the Church. It is a great opportunity to grow in the knowledge of the Catholic faith. Please try to attend as often as possible.
- **RCIA:** If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please get in touch with me this month, so I can begin to plan out things if I need to offer some classes leading up to Easter 2015.
- **Fatima Shrine update:** The statues are now finished. Thanks to my friends Bob and Carol Harclerode of Everett for doing this repair and restoration job. Please check them out. Dick Hoffman will do the next phase of the job which is to repair the field stone base of the shrine which is in bad shape after over 60 years of being in the New Baltimore weather – it was dedicated in 1953. He will be working on this in the fall. After that we will get some new stone fill for around the statues and then it should all look very nice.
- **Pope's monthly intentions:** For the month of September: the Holy Father's intentions are: **Universal:** *That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.* **Evangelization:** *That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.* Please remember to pray for the Pope's intentions on a daily basis. Also remember to pray for the Pope on his upcoming trip to the United States from Tuesday, September 22 thru Sunday, September 27. It will be a great blessing for our nation.
- **Lending Library:** Check out a good book or video in the Church basement to help you grow in your Catholic faith. There is also a nice selection of faith resources for the children to help them grow in their faith as well. .
- **Thoughts from the Saints** – On the best spiritual way to deal with suffering: *"Only one thing is necessary in your anguish: bear everything with resignation to the Divine Will: for this will help you attain your eternal salvation. Hope with a lively faith and you will receive everything from Almighty God"* (St. Gerard Majella). Have a blessed week.☺

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*Families and the Gospel...* Because the deaf man in today's gospel recognized his disability, he could seek help from Jesus. Deafness abounds in families: in our children ("Oh dad, not that again") in parents ("It's just a stage") and in spouses ("Are you listening?"). Before Jesus can enter your home and heal, you must first recognize your deafness.