MASSES FOR THE WEEK

January 19, 2014

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS	
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Manfred & Vera Glessner – Don & Carol Hillegass	
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Lawrence Speicher – Joann Darbyshire	
Thursday	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	
•	7:00 PM	Cyril Martin – Peg Felten	
Friday	8:00 AM	Philip Darbyshire – Joann Darbyshire	
Saturday	6:00 PM	Sue Fisher – Eugene Fisher	
Sunday	8:00 AM	Phil & Imogene Fochtman – Fochtman Family	
-	10:30 AM	For the People	

Sanctuary Candle - For Peace

PRAYER LIST: Barbara Allison, Larry Benning, Janey Black, Joe Bomblosky, Vicki Bowser, Susan & Veryl Callihan, Steve Calvert, Mary Beth Campitelli, Soren Cooper, Margie Coughenour, Brenda Davis, Brad Diehl, Judy Dronet, Tara Dively, Karen Duddy, Heather Eberhart, Joyce Felix, Agnes Fleming, Paul Fochtman, Susan Gault, Nancy Glotfelty, Paisley Goetzl, Donald Grasser, Lorraine Gregg, Elizabeth & Ken Heider, Sandra Herzing, Mike Hess, Chet Hillegass, David Hinson, Lance Hupkavich, Matthew Jenkins, Charlie Johnson, Jeanne Marie Klisiewicz, Brad Koontz, Darren Leydig, Don Lynch, Janet Lynch, Alan MacDonald, Jim Maddy, George Maser, Lee McVicker, Sam McVicker, Terry Metivier, Mike Montreal, Charlene Norris, Cathy & Laird Ober, Rick Otto, Jane Palik, Jim Restly, Sabina Restly, Lauretta Jones-Rieker, Deb Ritchey, Carl Robb, Jim and Diane Ryan, Sidney Savage, Greg Seeley, Jerry Smith, Larry Smith, Donald Snyder, Maureen Speicher, Tommy Stiffler, Pat Stoe, Ann L. Wambaugh, Michael W. Wambaugh, Polly Wambaugh, Aaron Weiss, Tom Werner, Christina Whetstone, Charlotte Will, Jan & Larry Will, Joe Will, Paul Will, 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

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Last Sunday: Loose: \$342.00; Adults: \$1,999.00 Total: \$2,341.00

January 26th - Altar Schedule

	6:00 pm	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
READER:	Miranda May	Kyle Winegardner	Phil Imgrund
MINISTERS:	Deacon Thom	Dorothy Wolfhope	Todd Hillegass
SERVERS:	Gabby Hoover	Emily Brick	Noah Hillegass
	Graham Hoover	Luke Brick	Jonah Hillegass
			Marissa Hankinson

During the winter cold and flu season we will not be giving out the Chalice at Mass.

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

6:00 PM (Vigil) Sunday:

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

New Baltimore, PA 15553

Phone: 733-2210 Hall: 733-4113

Baptism:

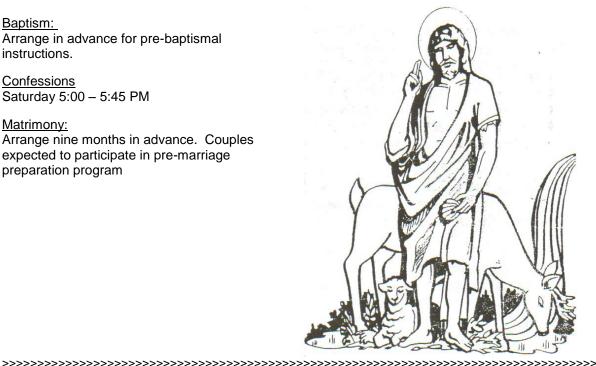
Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

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.



The Supreme Court decision (Roe versus Wade) condoning abortion was handed down on January 22, 1973. Every January since 1973 citizens supporting the sanctity of life have gathered to march in protest of the misguided decision. St. Peter's Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a bus to the Pro-Life March on Wed., Jan. 22. The trip is

open to all. Please arrive by 5:45AM. The bus leaves the hall parking lot at 6 AM. Cost is \$10. Call St. Peter's Rectory at 445-6574 as soon as possible to register so we can have a final count. Anyone under the age of 18 must bring a parental permission slip to the rectory before January 21. Bedford County Citizens Concerned for Human Life is also sponsoring a bus. It will leave from the Wal-Mart parking lot at 9 am. The cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for students. Call 624-0140 to reserve your seat. Join marchers from all over America in witnessing to the sacredness of human life.



February 3rd.

LIBRARY NOTES: A good new year's resolution - read more. Read about the saints (they had fascinating lives). Read about prayer (the whys and wherefores). Read about life issues (family, suffering, end of life). Read about beauty (in books of poetry). Read about

God's word to us (in bibles and commentaries). Read history, good fiction, and great authors. What a treasure trove you have in your parish library. Make 2014 the year of enrichment through books. Check it out in the church basement.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children – January 22, 2014 On this day of the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade (1973), all dioceses in the U.S. will observe a day of prayer.

God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone have the power to impart the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for every and ever. Amen.

Our annual Appreciation Dinner will be held on Friday, February 7th. The Hall will open at 5:45 pm and dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. The dinner is open to all volunteers 21 and older. We will again have the gift exchange (\$5-\$10). Everyone wishing to participate in this game must bring a gift. Please RSVP by Monday,

Name(s) ______

Notes from Fr. Rich

- Details on the annual March for Life on Wednesday January 22 is elsewhere in the bulletin.
 Remember to pray daily for the protection and greater respect for the gift of human life from the moment of conception to natural death.
- It is so important for us followers of Jesus to witness to the sanctity of human life in a culture that often sees human life as disposable, especially at the pre-born stage and at the end of life. It is by our prayers, sacrifices, witness to others in love and truth, and by financially supporting good pro-life groups, like CCHL, Human Life International, Project Gabriel, Mom's House, Priests for Life, Birthright, Good Counsel Homes, Feminists for Life, and Rita Marker's International Task force on Euthanasia. If you have the internet, please read up on each of these fine groups and help them if you can. I recommend them based on my own research over the years. By all this we show that we are doing our part to be a "people of life and love," as our recent Popes: Blessed Pope John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI and now Pope Francis urge us to be as a reflection of our loving God who gave us the gift of life and defeated death on the Cross.
- In the adult education class from 9:15- 10:15 am on Sundays in the retreat center dining room
 we are covering the Creed section in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. I invite all the
 adults of the parish to come to learn more about your Catholic faith. The classes are held in the
 retreat center dining hall.
- Thank you to everyone who gave to the 2013 Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal- we ended up about \$1,212 over our diocesan goal and so that money came back to our parish, which is always helpful especially with the ongoing cost of maintaining our beautiful but spacious parish/ retreat center/ hall complex.
- If any of you are planning on getting married at St. John's this year, please get in touch with
 me ASAP, so we can begin the marriage prep process. For future reference: remember if
 anyone wants to get married here you need to touch base with me as pastor at least 9 months
 prior to the proposed wedding and not schedule your reception at the Hall until you set the
 wedding date with me. This prevents any potential scheduling conflicts or other issues.
- Please browse through our nice Parish Lending Library in the Church basement for a good book to read or video to watch during the long days of winter. Check it out - there is a nice selection.
- Thoughts from the saints from the words of Jesus on the need to be merciful- "I am glad you behaved like My true daughter. Be always merciful, as I am merciful. Love everyone out of love

for Me, even your greatest enemies, so that My mercy may be fully reflected in your heart." (St. Faustina, paragraph 1695, from her Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul). Have a blessed week. ☺