

MASSES FOR THE WEEK March 15, 2020

Third Sunday Of Lent

Monday 8:00 AM

Olive Smith (Anniv)

By: Pauline Will

Tuesday 7:00 PM

David Leonard

By: Bruce & Linda Leonard

Wednesday 8:00 AM

Mary Grace Stiffler

By: Judy & David Diehl Family

Thursday 8:00 AM

Carol Restly

By: Schick & Shirley Restly

Friday 8:00 AM

Michael Murphy (Anniv)

By: Glenn & Dianne Murphy

Friday 7:00 PM

Stations of the Cross

Saturday 6:00 PM

David Suhrie (B'day)

By: Josephine Suhrie

Sunday 8:00 AM

Bernie & Shirl Hankinson

By: The Family

Sunday 10:30 AM

For The People

Sanctuary Candle: For Peace

**St. Peregrine Candle: For All Parishioners Who
Have Been Affected By Cancer**



PRAYER LIST

Barbara Allison, Cindy Bearer, Janey Black, Ed Boyer, John Brenner, Mark Bruck, Carol Burcaw Macy Burke, Jonah Burket, Doug Burkett, Kara Bussard, Michael Castillo, Mary Caton, Martha Cessna, Randy Clites, Janis Cooper, Dora Mae Cornell, Laura Costello, Andrew Davenport, Sara Davenport, Rosa Davis, Kathy Diamond, Gary Dietz, Joyce Dively, Jack Drenning, Judy Dronet, Virgie Dronet, Joel Easter, Lisa Easter, Gertie Fleming, Tabitha Flick, Harry Fochtman, Myrna Fries, Fran Galloway, Harry Gillum, Paisley Goetzl, Donald Grasser, Helen Greenway, Grayson Gumbert, Sam Hall, Mary Hankinson, Phyllis Harris, Elizabeth, Ken & Kennaley Heider, Bill Hengst, Sandra Herzing, George Hickey, Thelma Hillegass, David Hinson, Amy Jo Hoffman, Joyce Hollen, Phillip Hopkins, Susan Johnston, Fr. Robert Kaylor, Debra Keller, Todd Kline, Judy Krupper, Betty Lafferty, Teresa Lamens, Tim Landis, Kelly Legarski, Bruce Leonard, Gordon Leppert, Don Lynch, John Lynch, Debbie Mack, Martha Marker, Jenny and Zach Martin, George Maser, Beth Mayfield, Declan McCahan, Linda McCahan, Sam McVicker, Shirley McVicker, Virginia Meslovich, Terry Metevier, Mary Meyers, Erica Miller, Ray & June Miller, Cathy Mock, Mike Montreal, Reed Morgan, Tracey Mowry, Ashley Nail, Eugene Nickelow, Charlene Norris, Laird & Cathy Ober, Fr. Clyde Ozminkowski, Michael Price, Rose Restly, Sabina Restly, Cindy Robb, Ian Rosenbaum, Barb Sarver, Paula Saunders, Greg Seeley, Richard Seese, Jr., Jordon Seville, Jay Shaffer, Rodney Shaffer, Sandra Shaffer, Daniel Smith, Nickole Smith, Tommy Stiffler, Pat Stoe, Gail Wade, Anna Lee Wambaugh, Thomas Wambaugh, Sonya Webb, Aaron Weiss, Bonnie Welsh, Mereada Werner, Christina Whetstone, Charlotte Will, Jan & Larry Will, Karen Will, Tish Will, Scott Wilkens, Angie Wolfhope, Ron Wolfhope, Steve Wolfhope, Edward & Peggy Wolfhope

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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Mass Schedule:

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 8:00 AM

Tues: 7:00 PM

Sat: 6:00 PM (Vigil)

Sun: 8:00 AM

Sun: 10:30 AM

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

Sacramental Emergencies:

724-272-5474

Pastor

In residence

In residence-Pastor of Ss. Philip & James, Meyersdale & St. Gregory, MacDonaldton

In residence-Administrator of Immaculate Conception, Dudley

Secretary Office Hours

Mon, Wed, Fri 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Thurs 8:00 AM- 3:00 PM

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.

Offertory

Loose: \$325.00

Adults: \$2201.00

Total: \$2526.00

Local Needs: \$25.00

Black & Indian Mission: \$43.00



St. John's News & Upcoming Events:

Third Sunday of Lent:

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus approaches the woman at the well with no hesitation. Throughout their conversation, Jesus shows the women that he truly knows her, that she is not a stranger. How can you open yourself up to God this Lent so that you can know him, like he knows you?

Our Lenten Fish Fry's for 2020 have been canceled until further notice due to coronavirus precautions per the Altoona-Johnstown diocesan guidelines. We will keep you informed if we are able to reschedule them.

We served 422 Adults and 34 children at our second fish fry!

Our Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfasts that were to be held on March 15th March 22nd & March 29th have been canceled until further notice due to coronavirus precautions per the Altoona-Johnstown diocesan guidelines. We will keep you informed if we are able to reschedule them.

Bring the family to pray the **Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM** on Friday evenings and be strengthened during this time of lent in walking in the footprints of Jesus Christ

Our Lenten Penance Service will be on **Sunday March 22nd at 7:00 PM**. Please encourage your family to come for the healing Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Extended Confessions take place on Tuesday evenings from 6:15 PM to 6:45 PM (Retreat Center entrance near the chapel)

There are free Lenten reflection books on the table in the back of Church. Please take one!

It's that time of year again to start thinking of the Fourth of July Raffle. The Fourth of July will be here before we know it. I am welcoming the usual gift cards and cash donations, but also any prize items. Perhaps something you have made or something of interest that would make our raffle extra special. I know all of you might have something in mind or something new that hasn't been done before. Donations are not needed right away, but I would appreciate it if you would please call me with your donation, so I can start making the list for the raffle ticket. Please call Susan Fochtman at 814-733-4794 or 814-977-7884 with any donations or questions. If your call is not answered please let a message. Everyone involved with the raffle, including myself, are hopeful all of our parishioners will help make the Fourth of July Raffle a success.



Rose Mary Gardill, 93, of Owl Hollow Road, Ligonier, PA, formerly of West End, Buffalo Mills died Wednesday, March 4, 2020 in Westmoreland County. Mrs. Gardill was born in New Baltimore on April 1, 1926, daughter of the late George A. and Ella E. (Topper) Will. On May 29, 1947 Rose Mary married F. Phillip Gardill. He preceded her in death on May 23, 2003. She is survived by Daughter- Carol Jean Farbaugh, Ligonier, PA; Son- Phillip F. husband of Terry Gardill, Bedford; Son- Richard A. husband of Tracie (Fulton) Gardill, Indiana, PA; Daughter-in-law Linda (Baker) Gardill, Bedford. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, and 15 great grandchildren. Rose Mary was preceded in death by Son- Joseph David Gardill and four brothers- Harold, O'Connell, George and Philip Will. She was Co-owner of Gardill's Store at West End, Buffalo Mills along with her husband Phil. She was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church New Baltimore and Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Ligonier. Rose Mary was a member of the Memorial Choir at Holy Trinity and a member of the Hall Committee at St. John's. Friends will be received on Sunday, March 8, 2020 from 2-6PM at Mickle-Geisel Funeral Home. Where a Vigil for the deceased will be held. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, New Baltimore at 10:00AM on Monday, March 9, 2020 with Father Mark Pattock and Father Mark Begley. Concelebrants Interment at St. Johns Cemetery, New Baltimore, PA. Online condolences may be made at www.geiselfuneral.com Arrangements entrusted to Mickle-Geisel Funeral Home, Schellsburg.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Rose Mary Gardill at the death of Rose Mary. May her soul and all the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Next week, (March 21st and 22nd) our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Diocesan News & Upcoming Events:

Diocese Announces Additional Directives Amid Coronavirus Concerns:

In addition to the precautionary measures already in effect throughout the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Bishop Mark Bartchak has announced new directives in response to the concerns over the coronavirus.

Effective immediately, the Bishop has directed the following:

- In union with all bishops of Pennsylvania, Bishop Bartchak has dispensed all Catholics in the diocese from the obligation of participating at Sunday or Holy Day Masses. Those who do not attend Mass are strongly encouraged to pray with the Church by watching the televised Mass from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown every Sunday live at 11:00 a.m. on WATM ABC 23 or the rebroadcast every Sunday at 9:00 P.M. on Atlantic Broadband channel 9. The Sunday Liturgy will also be posted on the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Facebook page.
- Until further notice, reception of Holy Communion on the tongue is strongly discouraged, keeping in mind the health and safety of all who participate in the liturgy.
- All clergy and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must cleanse their hands before and after the distribution of Holy Communion with hot water and soap, hand sanitizer, and disposable paper towels.
- Holy water fonts in churches will be emptied immediately and will not be refilled until further notice.

The above directives are in addition to the flu season directives that have been in place in the diocese for the past several weeks, which include not offering the Precious Blood and not shaking hands during the Sign of Peace.

At this time, all Parish Mass schedules will continue as usual. Other non-essential liturgical and social activities should be cancelled until further notice.

Out of an abundance of caution, the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown is canceling the annual Junior High Youth Day, which was scheduled for March 15. The event would have included about 250 junior high students from around the diocese.

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will follow the directives of their local school district. Following the lead of State College Area School District, Our Lady of Victory Catholic School in State College and Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy will be closed next week. Both schools are on Spring Break this week. At all Catholic Schools in Altoona-Johnstown, the Diocesan Education Office is mandating a 14 day quarantine for any student, educator, or staff member that has just flown or may pose a health risk.

Religious Education classes at parishes throughout the diocese will also follow the directives of their local school district. During this time, Bishop Bartchak is also directing all parishes and schools to increase their efforts to clean and sanitize restrooms, classrooms, social halls, worship spaces, and any common areas.

The diocese will communicate specific instructions to pastors and parishes with regard to carrying out the above directives. We are encouraging all parishes to communicate the changes with their faithful at Masses this weekend.

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown continues to be in contact with public health officials, and will announce any further directives as developments warrant. We urge parishes, clergy, educators and the faithful to exercise precaution and common sense during this time.

The 10th Grade Holy Spirit/Parables Retreat scheduled for Saturday March 21st at St. Peter's Hall has been **CANCELED**. No future dates have been scheduled at this time.

	Altar Schedule March 22nd		
	6:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
READER:	Melinda Will	Paul Balint	Kris Engleka
SERVICES:		Kennaley Heider	Desirae Heider

	Mass Readings for the Week
Monday:	Optional Memorial of St. Frances of Rome, Religious 2 Kings 5:1-15ab/PS 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 (R/.cf.42:3)/ Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Optional Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop Daniel 3:25, 34-43/PS 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/ Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Optional Memorial of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9/PS 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/ Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday:	Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 and Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22/ PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 (R/.37)/Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a
Friday:	Hosea 14:2-10/PS 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 (R/.cf.11 and 9a)/Mark 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hosea 6:1-6/PS 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab (R/.cf.Hosea 6:6/ Luke 18:9-14
Sunday:	1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/PS 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Ephesians 5:8-14/John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

"The Rosary is THE weapon for these times" -St. Padre Pio

A Family Perspective

Our children are like the Samaritan woman in today's gospel. They need more than material things. They need the "living water" only the adults can give. It will teach them how to make decisions, take responsibility, respect themselves and others and live in their commitments. With this "living water" they will "never thirst".

Stewardship Reflection

Jacob's well is a very important part of the Old Testament and New Testament belief in God's providence. It has provided water for people of the Holy Land since the time of Abraham. The conversion of the Samaritan woman after her personal encounter with Jesus Christ is an example of God's unifying love.

More than 844 million people do not have access to safe water even in the year 2020. This continues to cause dehydration, disease from lack of sanitation, and political turmoil. As good stewards and caretaker of the earth you and your entire family can take time to become more aware of the amount of water that you use daily and take action to eliminate wasteful habits. Every small act can contribute to big steps of change.

