

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF October 19 2025
Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Respect Life Month
World Mission Sunday

Please note that all daily masses will be held in the chapel unless otherwise noted. In the event of a funeral mass there will be no (8:30 AM) daily mass.

<u>Monday 8:30AM :</u>	NO MASS	
<u>Tuesday 8:30 AM:</u>	Paul Fochtman	<i>By: George & Sandy Fochtman</i>
<u>Wednesday 8:30 AM:</u>	Tommy Stiffler	<i>By: Jay & Larue Engleka</i>
<u>Thursday 8:30 AM:</u>	Leonard Naylor	<i>By: Wayne & Frances Tedley</i>
<u>Friday 8:30 AM:</u>	Euniece Hickey	<i>By: M/M Wayne Fochtman</i>
<u>Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time:</u>		
<u>Saturday 6:00 PM:</u>	Claudine Plush	<i>By: The Plush Family</i>
<u>Sunday 8:00 AM:</u>	Loretta Fochtman	<i>By: Glenn & Dianne Murphy</i>
<u>Sunday 10:30 AM:</u>	Zita Speicher	<i>By: Susan Doepel</i>
<u>Sanctuary Candle:</u>	Peace	
<u>St. Peregrine Candle:</u>	Breast Cancer Awareness Month	<i>By: Richard & Cheryle Engbert</i>

Mass Readings for the Week:

Monday:	Optional Memorial Of St. Paul Of The Cross Romans 4:20-25/PS Psalm Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 (R/.cf.68)/Luke 12:13-21 1 Corinthians 1:18-25/PS Psalm Mark 16:15/Matthew 16:24-27
Tuesday:	Saint Hilarion Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/PS Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Luke 12:35-38
Wednesday:	Optional Memorial Of St. Peter of Alcantara Franciscan Priest Optional Memorial Of St. John Paul II, Pope Romans 6:12-18/PS Psalm 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Luke 12:39-48 Isaiah 52:7-10/PS Psalm 96:3/John 21:15-17
Thursday:	Memorial Of St. John Capistrano, Franciscan Priest Romans 6:19-23/PS Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 (R/.40:5)/Luke 12:49-53 2 Corinthians 5:14-20/PS Psalm cf. Psalm 16:5a/Luke 9:57-62
Friday:	Optional Memorial Of St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop Romans 7:18-25a/PS Psalm 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Luke 12:54-59 Isaiah 52:7-10/PS Psalm 96:3/Mark 1:14-20
Saturday:	Optional Memorial of Bb. Maria Jesus Masia Ferragut and companions, Capuchin Poor Clares, virgin and martyrs Optional Memorial Of The Blessed Virgin Mary Romans 8:1-11/PS Psalm 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 (R/.cf.6)/Luke 13:1-9
Sunday:	Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18/PS Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (R/.7a)/ 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

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Fr. Mark Pattock, OFMcap Pastor **Sacramental Emergencies:** 724-272-5474
Mass Schedule:
Mon: No Mass **Tues:** 8:30 AM **Wed - Fri:** 8:30 AM **Sat:** 6:00 PM (Vigil) **Sun:** 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Secretary Office Hours:
Mon :8:00 AM-3:00PM **Wed :**8:00 AM-3:00PM **Thurs :**8:00 AM-3:00 PM **Fri :**8:00AM –3:00 PM

Baptism: Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

Confessions: Saturday 5:00 – 5:45 PM

Holy Communion:
Low Gluten hosts will be available for anyone with a low gluten tolerance. If you have a low gluten tolerance, please tell the priest before mass so a low gluten host can be placed in a pyx for you.

Matrimony: Arrange nine months in advance. Couples expected to participate in pre-marriage preparation program

Rosary: Saturday Evenings beginning at 5:25 PM

Christian Mothers: Meets the 3rd Saturday of each month from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the basement.

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.



St. John’s News & Upcoming Events:
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World Mission Sunday:
Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord’s mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope’s missions. Thank you for your generosity.

Spaghetti Dinner:
The Knights of Columbus of St. John's Parish in New Baltimore is sponsoring a DINE IN OR TAKE OUT Spaghetti Dinner today Sunday October 19th from 10:30AM to 1:00 PM. The dinner includes spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread and dessert. Adults (12 and over) \$10, Children (5 -11) \$5 Under 4: FREE. WALK-INS are also welcome! All proceeds are donated to local food banks and local charities!

K of C Upcoming Meeting:
The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be held Sunday October 19th in the hall following the spaghetti dinner.

Friendly Reminder: Just a friendly reminder as we enter into the cooler months resulting in closed windows to please be considerate of those around you when wearing perfumes, colognes or other scented items. When too much perfume, cologne or scented items are used; this can result in an unpleasant experience for those around you. It can also trigger very serious health reactions for individuals with health related issues such as asthma, allergies, and migraines or other breathing problems, which we do not want to happen. We want everyone to stay healthy and safe. Thank you for your cooperation!

Per the Cemetery Guidelines-
All seasonal decorations are to be removed from the cemetery by October 20th. American and Military flags will remain on graves until after Veterans Day.



TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT:
New Baltimore Borough will be sponsoring Trick or Treat Night on Sunday, October 30th from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM. ** Leave Porch Light On If You Want To Participate**

Operation Christmas Child:
My name is Doris Werner. We will once again be collecting filled shoeboxes for Samaritan’s Purse Shoebox Ministry. These boxes will be sent to children in countries around the world. The main purpose is to introduce these children to Jesus Christ. Shoeboxes and information can be found on the table in the back of Church. We ask that you please include a \$10 donation to help pay for shipping. If you have any questions, you may contact me at (814)-733-4611 or 814-937-5122. All items are due at the latest by Sunday November 02, 2025. Thank You!

Medjugorje Retreat Opportunity:
A Medjugorje Retreat will be held from November 14 (Fri) to November 16 (Sun), 2025 at the St. John the Baptist Church Retreat Center in New Baltimore, PA, directed by Fr. Stephen Shin, OFM Cap. Those who wish to participate, please contact Joseph Lee at 703-350-9659. The retreat fee is \$200.



Thank You! to everyone who participated and attended the Rosary Rally last Sunday Oct 12th. It was a very prayerful afternoon and will see you again next year! Just wanted to extend a very special thank you to our young people who volunteered to lead a mystery and tell them how proud we are of them Our young people are the future of the Catholic Church which is very much alive.

PRAYER LIST

John Andzelik, Abby Barnes, Lori Barnes, Fr. William Barron, Debbie Brady, Cindy (Miller) Bearer, Jane Beyer, Theresa Beyer, Lisa Bischof, Tonya Brown, Mark Bruck, Macy Burke, Doug Burkett, Max Bulger, Tim Bruck, Larry Clarr, Randy Clites, Denis Crum, Lee Crum, Andrew Davenport, Sara Davenport, Michael Davis, Velma Davis, Larry DeArmitt, Alice Deitz, Donna Dennison, Peg Diehl, Tracy Dickey, Dorothy Dittmer, Joyce Dively, Tara Dively, Lisa Easter, Chris Edes, George Faidley III, Tabitha Flick, Bradley Fochtman, Harry Fochtman, Mike Fochtman, Mark Frankenfield, Myrna Fries, Becky Foor, Carol Ann Gallagher, Brian Gardill, Jarrett Gowatty, Paisley Goetzl, Helen Greenway, Kelsey Grove, Grayson Gumbert, Sam Hall, Ron Hagens, Nellie Hall, Eugene Hankinson, Phyllis Harris, Mary Jo Harrington, Aaron Hay, Paisley Hay, Bob Jenkins, Elizabeth, Ken & Kennaley Heider, Nickole Herdman, Sandra Herzing, Dale Hickey, Ida Mae Hillegass, Lisa Hillegass, Missy Hillegass, Tara Hillegass, Todd Hillegass, Amy Jo Hoffman, Phyllis Hoppert, Tina Hoover, Ernest Imgrund, Pete Innis, Mary Janachovski, Martha (Lewis) Kalbach, Matt Karns, Jason Kinzer, David Krieie, Fr. Robert Kaylor, Todd Kline, Eric Knott, Virginia Lambert, John Lancaster, Eli Lankey, Kelly Legarski, Bruce Leonard, Carol Leppert, Gordon Leppert, Brenda Leister, Kaitlyn Lewis, Barry Leydig, John Lynch, Norma Jean Lynch, Toots Maddy, Ron Makarun, Martha Marker, Susan Martin, Tim Martin, George Maser, Angie Matey, Joseph Matey, Brooks May, Janet Michael, Tony and Janet Miele, Linda McCahan, Shirley McVicker, Betty Meslovich, Terry Metevier, Erica Miller, Ray & June Miller, Tara Miller, Mike Montreal, Stan Mock, Reed Morgan, Tracey Mowry, Carol Murphy, Kai Musselman, John Myers, Ashley Nail, Dr. Cyril Nathaniel, Eugene Nickelow, Elissa Nunamaker, Donna Otto, Rick Otto, Michael Price, Sabina Restly, Tara Ritchey, Cindy Robb, Katherine Rosenbaum, Teri Schreiber, Nancy Schrock, Barb Sarver, Shirley Sechler, Greg Seeley, Richard Seese Jr. , Jordon Seville, Lorraine Shadduck, Sandra Shaffer, Terry Shaffer, Harold Shannon, Clyde Shippy, Tom Shippy, Daniel Smith, Eddie Smith, Edith Smith, Marie Smith, Shaun Smith, Bruce Snyder, Oscar Speicher, Linda Stiffler, Rosalie Swingle, Margee Taliaferro, Carol Taylor, Leroy Turner, Janet Valentine, Michael Valentine, Julianne Viselli, Gail Wade, Anna Lee Wambaugh, Tom Warren, Jr., Staci Weaver, Aaron Weiss, Bonnie Welsh, Dee Werline, John & Doris Werner, Christina Whetstone, Logan Weyand, Alyssa Will, Charlotte Will, Jan Will, Pat Will, Tracy Williams, Larry & Alice Winegardner, Lucy Wright, Angie Wolfhope, Dorothy Wolfhope, Ron Wolfhope, Steve Wolfhope, Shirley Varchetti, Roger Yarnell
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.

OFFERTORY		
Sunday Loose: \$1004.00	Sunday Adults: \$2600.00	Total Sunday: \$3604.00
Local Needs: \$80.00	Heating Oil Fund: \$100.00	
We’re always collecting non- perishable food items for our local foodbanks. Items can be placed in the bins in the back of church.		

Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time - A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:
The widow in today’s gospel is praised for her PERSEVERANCE. In our homes perseverance is a critical ingredient to resolving differences and teaching lessons and skills to children. Perseverance is always an act of faith in the goodness of the other person

The Pope’s Prayer Intention For October:
For collaboration between different religious traditions
Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.



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Diocesan News & Upcoming Events:

THE ST. FRANCIS GABRIEL PROJECT is located in Johnstown, PA. It is a Pro-life ministry that currently serves more than 50 babies and their families. During the summer, donations often lag behind our needs. **Diapers of any size are always needed.** Bibs, socks size 0-3 months, and baby wipes are also in short supply. Any help would be greatly appreciated. For information please call Becky or Chris, our Volunteer Coordinator at (814) 418-1813.

Stewardship Reflection October 19th- The Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time
The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. They are intentionally presented in this order, with the idea that we cannot expect people to respond to calls to increase their prayer life, their formation, and their service within and outside the parish, if they do not first feel welcomed and valued through the warmth of hospitality. It just makes good sense. However, those who are already well-versed in the spirituality and practicalities of stewardship, know well that stewardship cannot succeed unless it is steeped in prayer. Today’s readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and in our parish community. Our job, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We should prioritize the Scriptures as a source of prayer, and we must lean on each other in our communities – family and parish – as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.

Fátima, Lourdes, & Shrines of Spain
Deacon Nelson Lowes from Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi parishes in Johnstown invites you to join him and his travel companions on an enriching journey to Lisbon, Fátima, Santiago de Compostela, Lourdes, Montserrat, and Barcelona. We will be traveling from **May 7 to May 19, 2026. For more details, please visit Epic Journeys Tours** (<https://www.epicjourneystours.com/tours/fatima-lourdes-shrines-of-spain/>). There are only a few spots left, so don't miss out on this opportunity to experience an unforgettable trip that is longer and more affordable than similar tours currently being offered. Deacon Nelson assures us, "It’s also going to be a lot more fun!"

Respect Life Novena:
Join thousands of Catholics praying a Respect Life Month novena **Wednesday, October 22 – Thursday, October 30.** Get daily prayers, reflections, and more. **Sign up at [respectlife.org/celebrate](https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate)**



Religious Education News:

Office Of Youth Protection- “Empowering God’s Children Lessons For Youth:
Youth protection Lessons for students in our Religious Education Programs will need to be completed and turned into the Office **NO LATER THAN December 31, 2025 (For All Grades)** which then will be recorded ONLINE!! Unless they are recorded online, they are considered incomplete. Year after year, many are not completing these until the last minute and we are chasing around students up to the end of their session. **Since both St. John The Baptist Catholic Church and the Diocese Of Altoona-Johnstown** gets either an in-person or paper audit **EVERY** year, this information is needed in order to get it prepared for the reports. The lessons will be emailed to the parents for each child (s) grade level in the upcoming weeks. The email address that is on file for religious education will be the email the lessons are sent to. If you don’t receive these lessons please call the office to ensure correct contact information is on file.

2025-2026 Confirmation Retreat Schedule for Grades 9 to 12:		
Praying With Scripture	3 Zoom Sessions	December 7th, 10th, and 14th
Praying With Scripture	3 Zoom Sessions	January 18th, 21st and 25th
Gifts And Fruits of the Holy Spirt	3 Zoom Sessions	November 2nd, 5th, and 9th
Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirt	3 Zoom Sessions	January 11th, 14th, and 18th
Living The Discipleship And Mission Of Jesus Christ	5 Zoom Sessions	February 1st, 4th, 8th 11th and 15th
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Students need to attend one zoom session for each retreat. Final registration needs to be sent from the parish office at least **2 weeks** before retreat begins to Sr. Suzanne Thiabult. There is no cost to the student as it will be covered by the parish. All retreats are conducted via Zoom by Sr. Suzanne Thibault of Bethany Youth Retreat Center. Sr. Suzanne Thibault has been presenting youth retreats since 1986. She is best known for the ability to engage students and adults on retreat. For more information call Sr. Suzanne at 814-263-4177 or by email BethanyYouthCenter@gmail.com

Women At The Well:
There is a Women At The Well group forming here at St. John’s. Come and learn how to pray Lectio Divina – praying with that Sunday’s Gospel. **We meet Monday morning at 9:00 AM in the Church Basement.** For more information please contact Lindsay Hankinson at (814) 233-8786. We would love to have you join us.

Volunteer to take up the Offertory At Mass: During Mass, there’s a little moment that often goes unnoticed. After the collection baskets are passed, there is a very meaningful part of the Mass: members of our parish carry the gifts of bread, wine and the offertory to the priest. **The entire congregation is represented by those who bear the gifts. Through this act, we return to God a small part of the many blessings that He has given to us. What a wonderful way to express thanks and joy to God by bearing these gifts! There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church for the month for families to sign up to carry the offertory gifts up at mass.**

Catholic Ministries Drive Update:
Thank you to all who have participated in our Catholic Ministries Drive. To date we have received **\$4575.00** towards our goal of **\$22,000.00.** It is not too late for those thinking about giving as you have until the end of December to do so. Thank you for your generosity

Respect Life Prayer:
Gentle St. Francis you were so devoted to the humanity of Christ. Your heart burst with appreciation toward God for taking on human life. You saw goodness in all living things- in birds that sing, the fish that fill our waters, and all that lives in nature. Help us to imitate your reverence for life wherever it may be. Especially, humble Francis of Assisi, help us to help others to see the worth of each living, unborn baby sheltered in its mother’s womb. May all mankind have the grace to understand that these tiny, budding lives have the right to live, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Amen.

The Rosary:

The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb. With the Rosary, the Christian people sit at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer. —From [On the Most Holy Rosary](#) (Rosarium Virginis Mariae)

How to Pray the Rosary:

The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the *Apostles' Creed*, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The Our Father, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the *Hail Mary* is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the *Hail Mary*. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and—added by Saint John Paul II in 2002—the Luminous. The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.



Origins of the Rosary:

The history of the Rosary mostly consists of legend and tradition. There is evidence that beads were used to count Our Fathers and Hail Mary’s in the Middle Ages. Fittingly, bead is derived from the Old English word for prayer. Between the twelfth and fifteenth centuries, the structure of the Rosary included praying fifty Hail Mary’s together with the Psalms. Our word Rosary derives its meaning from the word rosarium, or rose garden. Saint Louis de Montfort wrote in his book, *The Secret of the Rosary*, The word Rosary means “Crown of Roses,” that is to say that ever time people say the Rosary devoutly they place a crown of...roses upon the heads of Jesus and Mary. Being heavenly flowers these roses will never fade or lose their exquisite beauty.

“One day, through the Rosary...Our Lady will save the world.”

Saint Dominic’s words have proven themselves true countless times. The Rosary has been a sign of hope and a source of many graces. There is a tradition that in 1214, Our Lady appeared to Saint Dominic and gave him the Rosary as we know it today. She offered it as a way to convert hardened sinners.

Praying the Rosary:

Familiarize yourself and/or your group with the prayers of the rosary.

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
2. Holding the Crucifix, say the *Apostles' Creed*.
3. On the first bead, say an *Our Father*.
4. Say one *Hail Mary* on each of the next three beads.
5. Say the *Glory Be*
6. For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery (perhaps followed by a brief reading from Scripture) then say the *Our Father*.
7. While fingering each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten Hail Mary’s while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a *Glory Be*.
(After finishing each decade, some say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.*)
8. After saying the five decades, say the Hail, Holy Queen, followed by this dialogue and prayer:

- V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
- R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

(A [prayer to St. Joseph](#) may also follow.) Conclude the Rosary with the Sign of the Cross.