

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF November 02 2025
 Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed
 (All Soul’s Day)
 National Vocations Awareness Week

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.

Monday 8:30AM :	NO MASS	
Tuesday 8:30 AM:	Cyril Hillegass	<i>By: Theresa (Tom) Fochtman Families</i>
Wednesday 8:30 AM:	Theresa Howery	<i>By: Susan Doepel</i>
Thursday 8:30 AM:	Robert Murphy	<i>By: Betty Ann & Gary Wutkosky</i>
Friday 8:30 AM:	Mike Hankinson	<i>By: Bill & Elaine Merriner</i>
<u>Feast Of The Dedication Of The Lateran Basilica:</u>		
<u>Saturday 6:00 PM:</u>	Rose Restly (Anniv)	<i>By: The Restly Family Reunion</i>
<u>Sunday 8:00 AM:</u>	Charles & JoAnn Hickey	<i>By: The Hickey Family Reunion</i>
<u>Sunday 10:30 AM:</u>	Philip Speicher	<i>By: Susan Doepel</i>

Sanctuary Candle: Peace
 St. Peregrine Candle:

Mass Readings for the Week:

Monday:	Optional Memorial Of St. Martin De Porres, Religious Romans 11:29-36/PS Psalm 69:30-31, 33-34, 36 (R/.14c)/Luke 14:12-14 Philippians 4:4-9/Matthew 22:34-40
Tuesday:	Memorial Of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop Romans 12:5-16b/PS Psalm 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Luke 14:15-24 Romans 12:3-13/PS Psalm cf. Psalm 89:2a/John 10:11-16
Wednesday:	Saint Peter Chrysologus Romans 13:8-10/PS Psalm 112:1b-2, 4, 4, 9/Luke 14:25-33
Thursday:	Bl. Andrew of Palazuelo and Companions, Capuchin Martyrs Bl. Frederick of Berga and Companions, Capuchin Martyrs Saint Nicholas Tavelic and Companions Romans 14:7-12/PS Psalm 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14/Luke 15:1-10
Friday:	Saint Didacus Romans 15:14-21/PS Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 (R/.cf.2b)
Saturday:	Optional Memorial Of The Blessed Virgin Mary Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/PS Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 (R/.1b)/Luke 16:9-15
Sunday:	Feast Of The Dedication Of The Lateran Basilica Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/PS Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/ 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17/John 2:13-22

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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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Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed

The Commemoration of All Faithful Departed falls on **November 2nd** each year. Say a prayer on this day for the dead in your family and community.

Prayer for the Dead:

In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. R/. Amen.

Book of Remembrance:

During the month of November, we are called to “remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest.” To help you to remember all who have died from our families and friends we will place a book in the back of the church in which, we the faithful, may write the name of our beloved dead who should be remembered in prayer. This book will be part of our Offertory procession and placed on the altar at all Sunday Masses during November along with our gifts of money, bread, and wine.

National Vocations Awareness Week, November 2-8, 2025:

Today begins Vocations Awareness Week. As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations – and teaching young people how to discern God’s call – is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life-children, grandchildren, students and friends – to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Prayer For Vocations (Before the Blessed Sacrament):

O Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, draw all people to yourself, especially those you are calling to the priesthood and consecrated life. Give your Church, we pray, fervent priests to serve at your altar, and holy men and women who will devote their lives to prayer and service as consecrated brothers and sisters. May the Heart of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection at every moment in all the tabernacles of the world, even until the end of time. Amen

Special Collection for the Military - Archdiocese for the Military Services:

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), **next weekend (November 8 and November 9th)**, a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish and diocese. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection

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 this Sunday November 02, 2025. Thank You!**

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, **Elaine Callahan**, 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, **Mary Grasser**, 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, 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: \$415.00 **Sunday Adults:** \$2105.00 **Total Sunday:** \$2520.00
Heating Oil Fund: \$80.00

We’re always collecting non- perishable food items for our local foodbanks. Items can be placed in the bins in the back of church.

Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed - A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:

Jesus is saying to you what he said to Zacchaeus, “I must stay at your house today.” It doesn’t matter if in the gospel Jesus “intended to pass through Jericho to another town.” In families we sometimes stop at the wrong places. It is wisdom to “pass through” annoying family situations so we can enjoy the goodness of each other. .

The Pope’s Prayer Intention For November:

For the prevention of suicide
Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts may find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.



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“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”

Diocesan News & Upcoming Events:

Healing Mass:

Holy Spirit Ministry will hold a special Healing Mass on **Tuesday November 4th at 7 pm**, at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg. This powerful night of hope and healing is for all who are suffering physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Fr. Jeremy Mohler will be the main celebrant. Praise and worship will precede the Mass at 6:30 pm and prayer ministry will follow the mass. If you are suffering physically, or from an addiction, or hurting or struggling in any way, come and experience the healing power of Jesus and be set free! All are welcome!



Diocese to Launch Vocations Initiative:

On the weekend of **November 8-9**, the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will sponsor the Called by Name campaign, inviting parishioners to submit the names and contact information of young men (ages 15-30) who exhibit the qualities of a potential priest so that the diocese can support them in their discernment journey. Cards will be available at all parishes on November 8-9 or submit names by visiting the Vocations section of the diocesan website www.diocesaj.org

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.**

Holiday Boutique:

Our Lady of Lourdes 2700 Broad Ave., Altoona Holiday Boutique **November 15th 8am - 3pm**
Pancake & Sausage Breakfast 8-10am along with Paul Binus homemade cinnamon rolls. Lunch 11am-2pm with soups, meatballs, haluski, all homemade. Photos with Santa with a beautiful new backdrop 11am-1pm Get your family Christmas card photo taken! Come & Enjoy Sr. Basil's lollipops, Crafts, Bake Shoppe, Jewelry, Kids Carnival Baskets Galore, Food for Thought, Sweet Find.

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, Barcelona

Join Father Dave Peles and Deacon Michael Russo on a spiritual journey to two of the most important Marian shrines in Catholicism from April 13-22, 2026. The pilgrimage will focus on the apparitions of our Blessed Mother at each location. For more information, contact Deacon Michael (denmlr@icloud.com or (814) 288-3036) to reserve your space. Space will be limited

Stewardship Reflection November 2nd- Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)

On this sacred day, the Church invites us to remember and pray for all the faithful departed – those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. It is a day of profound connection, when the veil between heaven and earth feels especially thin. Stewardship is rooted in gratitude, and today we give thanks for the lives of those who shaped our faith, nurtured our families, and built our communities. Their legacy is a gift we have received, and we are called to be faithful stewards of that gift by living lives of holiness, generosity and love. As we celebrate this day, we are reminded that stewardship is not only about what we do with our time, talent and treasure – it is about how we care for the memory and spiritual well-being of others. Our prayers for the dead are acts of mercy, expressions of hope, and signs of our belief in the communion of saints. Let us honor the faithful departed by continuing their good works, supporting our parish communities, and living as witnesses to the Resurrection.

Liturgy and Life (November 2nd All Souls' Day)

Yesterday we celebrated God's own ingathering: the saints. Today we remember the faithful departed. Having in common the tender care of God, together we all form one magnificent community, the communion of saints. Mexican families celebrate this communion with zest, picnicking in cemeteries during *Dias de los Muertos*, the Days of the Dead. In your home, you could display photos of your family's beloved dead this November. Near the photos, place a white candle on a white cloth, recalling Easter Resurrection. Burn your Easter candle while telling favorite stories about each remembered loved one.

Bishop Bartchak's Letter To The Faithful:



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November 2, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

As your bishop, one of my greatest responsibilities is to ensure that the faithful of our diocese will always have good and holy priests to shepherd them. And yet, priestly vocations are never the work of one person alone. They arise when the whole Church prays for, encourages, and calls forth those men whom God has chosen.

For this reason, our diocese is launching a special **Called by Name campaign on November 8-9**, during which I ask that you help me identify young men who demonstrate faith, generosity, and leadership.

The young men you nominate do not need to have already expressed a desire for the priesthood. Rather, we seek to honor and encourage those who live their faith with integrity, serve generously, and show potential for Christian leadership. Your nomination may be the spark that helps a young man open his heart more fully to God's call.

I ask each of you to prayerfully submit the name of at least one (or several) such young men. You may use the cards provided at Mass or submit names online at ajvocations.org. For those under 18, please include their parents' names as well.

This effort is dear to my heart. With your thoughtful participation, I am confident the Lord will raise up many new shepherds for his people. May this campaign bear lasting fruit for our diocese and for the salvation of souls.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev. Mark L. Bartchak
Bishop of Altoona-Johnstown

Religious Education News:

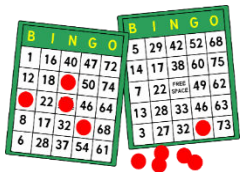
Office Of Youth Protection- “Empowering God’s Children Lessons For Youth:

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 Spirit	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
Living The Discipleship And Mission Of Jesus Christ	5 Zoom Sessions	March 8th, 11th, 15th, 18th and 22nd

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



BIG 50 BINGO!

Will be played in the parish hall here in New Baltimore on **Sunday November 16th beginning at 1pm** (Doors open at 11:30 AM Admission is **\$30**. Refreshments available!



The Confraternity of Christian Mothers Of St. John The Baptist is holding a Bake Sale the weekend of **November 22nd and November 23rd** following all the masses in the church basement. Come purchase some delicious homemade baked goods filled with love to share with your family during the holiday season. **Also donations of baked good is greatly appreciated. Baked goods can be dropped off in the basement when you come to mass or at the office during the week leading up to the bake sale.**

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.

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.

Empty Egg Cartons Needed:

Harry Fochtman and his wife Wilma are looking for empty egg carton containers and is asking the parish for our help. If anyone has any empty egg cartons they wish to give please place them in the back of the Church in the Food Pantry Bins or in the plastic bags provided. Thank You for your generosity!

URGENT PLEA! Help Support Our Local Food Banks:

Due to the federal government shutdown and halting of the SNAP benefits to approximately 11,071 people in Somerset County and 6,626 in Bedford County let us rise to the command to **"feed the hungry"** and **"give drink to the thirsty"** by enhancing our food pantry collections. Place donations in the totes at the back of the church. Thank you for your care and compassion. God Bless. In addition to your regular giving of non-perishable food items listed below is the most requested food item for the week.

Suggested Donation Item For Week 1 (Nov 1st to 7th): Shelf stable milk or dried milk.

The Word Among Us:

Be sure to get your **FREE** copy of **The Word Among Us** for the month of November on the table in the back of Church. The **Word Among Us** magazine offers daily meditations based on the Mass readings of the Catholic Church, inspirational essays, stories of the saints and more

Votive Candles:

Please do not remove or take home with you any of the votive candles in front of the St. Joseph Altar or Mary’s Altar. These votive candles represent the silent prayers and intentions of those who have lit them. Taking a candle disrespects the prayers of others. These votive candles are property of the church and are not for personal use. Please do not remove them. If you would like a candle for personal use please come to the office to purchase one. The empty votives are returned for credit towards the cost of replacing candles.

