



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 16: *Clifford E. Thorson* by Sara Woomer & Family
Sunday, January 23: *Don & Gwen Pagnotto* by Mary & Dick Adams
Sunday, January 30: *Maggie Clemente* by Mom and Dad

MEMORIAL CANDLES: JANUARY 15-30

In Loving Memory of..

Sanctuary Candles
Church: *Mary Spangler* By Dad, George B. Blessed Mother: *James Gallagher* by Daugther, Vicky
Chapel: *Marilyn Crane* by Jo & Family Saint Joseph: *Mary Spangler* by Sister, Deb Pedokus

LECTOR SCHEDULE	
Sunday, Jan. 23	T. Kerstetter
Sunday, Jan 30	T. Tarantella

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Holy Father Francis, Benedict XVI, Pope-Emeritus, our Diocesan Bishop Mark L. Bartchak, Priests, Deacons, Religious and Vocations to the Priest-hood, Diaconate, and Religious Life, the Men and Women who are proudly serving in our Armed Forces.

May the Divine Physician send healing grace for those for whom we pray. Please remember in a special way the following who have requested your prayers:

Jennifer Sauter, Sandy Francis, John “Tink” Green, Juliann Thorson, Helen Daywalt, Ronnie Lullo, John Laubscher, Kay Hirlinger, Connie Shope, Deanna Dare, Donald Felty, Bill O’Neill, Karen Tomko Strobel, Susan Nelson, Thomas Packer, Bill Leary Jr., Melinda O’Neill-Lewis, Liz Testa, Bart Pickering, Katherine Huggler, Gayle Jenkins, Elaine Charcalla, John Kapp, Ron J. Long, Rose Turnowchyk, Ruth Donnell, Vera Hough, Jeane Bressler, Grace DeSanto, Angeline Adams, Grace “Susie” Kisko, Paul Maxwell, Joanie Francis, Liz Kalafut, Armie Burrows, Martha Crouse, Brenda DeJoice, Caleb Leone, Joey Herridge, Cathy Lovett, Kathy Jo Kalafut, Heath Luscombe, Drew Gentzyel, Adam Smith, Joyce Winkleman O’Brien, and Chad Willard.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE Money Counters: Mary, Louie, & Ann S.

MONDAY, 1/17	Office is Closed – MLK Day
TUESDAY, 1/18	Communion Service / 8:30am / Chapel
WEDNESDAY, 1/19	
THURSDAY, 1/20	
FRIDAY, 1/21	Communion Service / 6:00 pm / Chapel
SATURDAY, 1/22	
SUNDAY, 1/23	CCD Classes K-10 / 10:30 am

Patience is when you’re supposed to be mad but you choose to understand.

January 16, 2022
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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SICK CALL

Please notify the office when a member of the parish is in the hospital, or is unable to attend Church and wishes to receive Holy Communion at home.

MARRIAGES & BAPTISMS

Call the church office to schedule an appointment. Nine-month advance notice is required for marriage.

**MISSION STATEMENT OF THE
SAINT JOSEPH’S FAITH COMMUNITY**

We the family of God, work to spread the good news and reach out to the lapsed Catholics and bring them back into the fold. We focus on being good examples of the Catholic Faith to the youth of our Parish. We will use prayer, education, hospitality, outreach and stewardship to welcome all into our faith community.

MASS

Sunday: 12 noon

CONFESSIONS

Sunday at 11:40 a.m.
Wednesday by appt.

COMMUNION SERVICES

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. (Chapel)
Friday: 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed: Friday

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

If you would like to join the parish, please contact the parish office. Please remember to notify us if you move or will be moving out of the parish. Registration, the practice of stewardship and regular participation in the Sacraments indicate a person is an active member of the parish and is eligible to act as a godparent or sponsor. As a Church community seeking to be faith-filled disciples and good stewards, the sacrifice of our time, talent, and treasure is essential for the common good.

This piece was taken from the Jan. 9th bulletin of Saint Patrick Catholic Church of Philadelphia, PA. I thought it was well written and quite insightful. I hope you enjoy it as well.



Omicron, Dark, and Cold: Oh My!

Hopefully you all had a beautiful, enjoyable, and grace filled Christmas and New Years. Now the tough part begins (if it hasn’t been tough already). Since the omicron variant is very infectious, since people go indoors in colder weather, and since people get together with their loved ones during the holidays, it’s inevitable: Covid and other viruses will have a field day in the next couple months, for sure. Hopefully since omicron seems to be less deadly, we’ll have much fewer hospitalizations and deaths. Perhaps it might help us reach herd immunity more quickly . . . or at least make us more resistant to it. Who knows?!

Whatever will happen, we’re heading into days that are dark and cold. The next few months will be rough emotionally. But being prepared for it can help us not be taken by surprise and derailed so easily. As Christians, we’re called to adapt and to make the best out of every situation . . . and to go deeper. Even when the world affords us little optimism, God and His infinite love is always present. Jesus is united to our souls through grace. He loves us, and He leads us. He is ever-present to help and forgive us. So, let’s just accept the fact that the next few months will be tough. But let’s have a holy optimism, based on His presence and love. “All things work together for good for those who love God,” St. Paul tells us (Romans 8:28). That includes every type of trial.

Patience and endurance are required. Before long, the cold and dark will slowly begin to lift, and it will be warmer and lighter again. And diseases will begin to decrease again as well. Yes, a year from now, we’ll have to deal with something similar. But let’s not think about that too much. Let’s bank on God’s grace in the present moment. It’s OK to look forward to the earthly reliefs of sunlight, warmth, and the natural therapy that happens when we go outside too.

Use the next few months to grow in faith and virtue. Resolve to pray more. Try to read more, for inspiration and knowledge. Keep in touch with others, in a way that’s safe. While we should be more cautious when disease is on the increase, it’s important to keep in touch with each other. Virtual meetings and phone calls are not nearly as meaningful as in-person connections, certainly. Yet, they are a blessing when in-person gatherings are risky. Of course, some are at greater risk from disease, some much less so. We always need to use good judgment, neither being paranoid or cavalier. We can’t avoid all risk.

we shouldn’t be too risky either. We need good judgment and balance. And for each of us, that might look a little different. So, let’s be understanding of our different approaches.

Be healthy. That will make you more resilient. Eat lots of fruits and vegetables. This will help your mood and will make you more resistant to and resilient against disease. Find ways to exercise. Good diet. Good exercise. Good sleep. Good prayer. Good study. Good relationships. Dealing with stress well. These are all ingredients to health. They are the things that keep us from going crazy and burning out. These will be especially important to maintain and cultivate in the next few months. With all helps, spiritual and human, then, let’s keep our spirits up. We go into the New Year with Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and all the Saints. And, come, Holy Spirit. Enkindle in us the fire of Thy Love. Keep us warm, cheerful, and safe during these days of darkness, cold, and disease. Amen.
-Fr. Hyacinth

Don’t forget to light a votive candle before Mass. Those that wish to light the 5-day candles, either in the chapel or before the Blessed Mother statue in the foyer of the Rectory, are welcome to stop in anytime during office hours.

PRAYERS TO THE BLESSED MOTHER AND SAINT JOSEPH
You may now have a candle burning in front of the Blessed Mother Statue or the statue of Saint Joseph in honor or in memory of your loved ones. The cost is \$10 for two-weeks, call or stop in the parish office to reserve a date.

TAX STATEMENTS
Anyone that receives envelopes and would like a 2021 tax statement can request it by calling the parish office or making note of it on your offertory envelope. A word of profound prayerful gratitude for the outstanding generosity of the vast majority of parishioners of Saint Joseph.



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have given their time and talent in order to make our Christmas celebration so beautiful.

Our thanks to Terry O’Laughlin, our Music Liturgy Director, the Folk Choir -especially Ann Fedeles, Cathy Himmel, also Erica Dorman, Teresa Stone, and Louis Roteigliano who worked so hard to

enhance our liturgies and make our services truly celebrations of prayer and love of God. A special thanks to Barb Peterson for doing an amazing job playing the organ for our Christmas Eve Mass and for making a special trip to practice with the choir and the students.

Thanks to all those who made donations to our flower memorials which helped fund our beautiful decorations. Thank you to all those in Matthew 25 that helped with the Angel tree and thank you for all those that participated in our Angel Tree and returned gift cards. We received over \$1,500 in gift cards and helped over 50 families. Thank you to Paul Rizzo for providing all our magnificent poinsettias and greenery that enhanced the beauty of our Church. Thank you all who gave their time and effort in helping to decorate the Church; Terry O’Laughlin, Mike Fedeles, Dan Heiser, Sarah Jane Rathmell, Angie Lavelle, Michael Heiser, Stephen Heiser and finally, Louis Roteigliano who put in many extra hours designing the décor, restoring our nativity statues, and making sure all was perfect. Thank you to Sue Morgan, who made sure the Church was clean and there was no sign of hay on the carpet, which was no easy task.

Thank you to all the students for being such good sports about singing for our Christmas Eve Mass, with only one practice and not many complaints, they did a great job and looked great up at the front of the church. We received countless remarks on the joy it brings to have the students participate in the Mass. Thank you to all of the parents for their support. Thank you to Terry O’Laughlin and Dan Heiser who made sure everything was in place before Mass. And a special thanks to Father Orr for all of his hard work and for providing Clinton County with 9 Masses to choose from during Christmas Eve-Christmas Day.

We want to thank each and every person who helped in any way! May the newborn King shower you all with His blessings throughout the New Year! God Bless our parish family!

P.S. Thank you Louis Roteigliano and Carl Gentzyel for doing ALL the Undecorating for us last Sunday. Due to the ice storm, nobody could get to the Church to help. They spent hours making sure it was all finished, so we did not have to worry about it during the week.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Finance Council - Jan. 26 at 6:00 pm
- Knights of Columbus – Feb. 1 at 7:00pm
- Parish Council – Feb. 2 at 6:00 pm



EXCITING NEWS!! Father Orr reserved St. Joseph and Holy Spirit their very own bus for this year’s March for Life this Friday, Jan. 21, 2022! Therefore, we do not have to drive to State College to get on their buses and there will be plenty of room! All are welcome to go, and it is free. **BRING A FRIEND! Father Mike Schmitz is one of the speakers this year; you won’t want to miss it.** The bus to Washington will arrive at St Joseph in Renovo at 5AM and pick up passengers at St Agnes in Lock Haven at 6AM. There is plenty of room on the

bus. Those wishing to go are asked to notify the parish office so that we don’t leave without them, and we can give you the details. **Anyone wishing to help with the cost for the bus may drop an envelope marked “March for Life” in the collection basket.

Year Luke

We’re back in Ordinary Time. But Ordinary Time has a 3-year cycle for Sundays, named years A, B, and C. A is dedicated to the Gospel of Matthew, B to Mark, and C to Luke. We are in Year C and so will be going through the Gospel of Luke this year. Why isn’t there a Year D dedicated to John? It’s because the Gospel of John is read at special times within years A, B, and C.

Here are a few interesting things to note about the Gospel of Luke:

•The Author: All early manuscripts of this Gospel attribute the writing to “Luke”. Luke was an early disciple mentioned 3 times in the New Testament (Col 4:14; 2 Tim 4:11; Philemon 1:24). Paul mentions that Luke is a “beloved physician” (Col 4:14). Luke is often assumed to be nonJewish. If this is true, he would be the only non-Jewish author of a Gospel. His Gospel is also the longest of all the Gospels. Although Matthew’s Gospel is divided into 28 chapters and Luke only 24, Luke’s Gospel has over 1,000 words more.

•2-Parts: The Gospel of Luke is part 1 of a 2-part series written to a “Theophilus” (Luke 1:3; Acts 1:1). The Acts of the Apostles is part 2. Luke is about the life of Jesus. The Acts of the Apostles is about the early Church from the Ascension of Christ to the arrival of St. Paul in Rome. Luke seems to have been an eyewitness to certain events recounted in the Acts of the Apostles when he uses the first person plural (Acts 16:10-17; 20:5-15:19; 21:1-18; 27:1-28:16). Luke mentions that his Gospel is based on various eyewitness accounts and other credible sources (Luke 1:1-3). The Gospel of Mark seems to be one of Luke’s sources. The Gospel arguably was written sometime after the arrival in Paul and before his martyrdom, thus in the 60’s A.D., although it could have been written later.

•Themes: Major themes in the Gospel of Luke include Jesus as the fulfillment of the Jews and Gentiles, the Holy Spirit, angels, the Church, Mary and the role of women in the Church, fellowship and community, the dignity of the poor and disabled, the power of forgiveness, prayer, humility, the Scriptures, the Eucharist, and evangelization. Luke’s Gospel is also the source for the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38), the Visitation (Lk 1:39-56), the Nativity of Jesus (Lk 2:1-20), the Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple (Lk 2:22-38), and Finding in the Temple (Lk 2:41- 52), the Story of the Good Samaritan (Lk 10:25-37), the Parable of the Prodigal Son (Lk 15:11-32), the Walk to Emmaus (Lk 24). There are many other unique details and aspects to the Gospel.

Welcome

Welcome to all, especially visitors and guests, who have come to worship in our Church today. No matter how long you’re planning to be in the neighborhood, please consider St. Joseph’s your parish home. Call the parish office, 570-923-0172, to schedule an appointment with Father Orr to register.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21





JOHN 2:10 “You have kept
the good wine
until now.”

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The Corinthians seem to have been Paul’s problem children. His two letters to them are much longer than any of his other letters—two, three, or four times as long as some. It seems that if the early Christians at Corinth could misunderstand or do something wrong, they would. Fortunately for us, the two letters to the Corinthians, though they contain much didactic or instructional material, also provide some of Paul’s most well-crafted and grace-filled writing. This is certainly true today, with Paul’s litany of gifts that the Spirit bestows on the faithful, even to this day. Paul seeks to calm the squabbling that seems to have been going on, as the Corinthians tried to claim one gift or another as more important. All gifts come from the same Spirit, Paul reminds them; and the various gifts are given for the benefit of the community. When jealousy arises in our midst today, we can still turn to Paul’s insights so we might stop being prideful, problem children.

WONDROUS CHILD

In the Gospel scene at Cana, we see Mary turning to her own child, Jesus. Perhaps she recalled the power of the Spirit that had flowed in her womb at his Incarnation, leading her to discern that surely he must have Spirit-given gifts that could help with the impending crisis at the wedding. As at her Annunciation, she may not have been completely certain, at first, exactly how this would come about, but in faith at Cana she turned to Jesus. In faith, her words, “do whatever he tells you,” echoed her reply to Gabriel: “Let it be done to me as you say.” In faith, she knows whatever words the Word will speak are bound to bring another inbreaking of the Spirit, another manifestation of God’s reign. And she is right. Her wondrous child, John the Evangelist tells us, performed his first wonder there, and signaled the presence of the divine in the everyday.

Today’s Readings: Is 62:1–5; Ps 96:1–2, 2–3, 7–8, 9–10;
1 Cor 12:4–11; Jn 2:1–11

† Our Gifts to God †
Sunday Offering: January 2, 2022

Regular Collection	\$1,413.00	ENVELOPES	Adults	Children
Monthly	<u>1,055.00</u>	Used	96	4
	\$2,468.00	Distributed	204	33

Votives: \$36
Christmas: \$120
New Year: \$70
Immaculate Conception: \$20
All Souls: \$20

Diocesan Collection
Retirement Fund: \$20
Catholic Charities: \$20

Thank you for being good stewards.

2022 Wall Calendars

Our calendars are in! Don’t forget to grab one on your way out of church or at the parish office. One per family please. Please thank all those at Maxwell Funeral Home for providing us, yet again, with our lovely wall calendars.

CLEANING THE CHURCH

It is that time of year again when we need to start scheduling volunteers to clean the church. We have been so blessed to have parishioners that are willing to help us with this daunting task. Again, there will be sign-up sheets at the back of the church. If you can help us, we would appreciate it so very much. Thank you to all the volunteers that did such a great job keeping our church cleaned last year. God bless you.

Memorials and Donations

- Saint Joseph received a \$200 donation from Pat and Gloria Renahan of Montoursville, PA and a \$210 donation from David Drabic of Newtown, PA.
- Saint Joseph’s Matthew 25 received a \$4,000 donation from the Sons of Italy.

The following memorial donations in Loving Memory of ...

Jakob Haines

By Grandparents Carl & Merry Ann Olshefskie (\$20 Window Restoration)



The Ziegler Family, The Olshefski Family, and Jacob Haines

By Carl & Merry Ann (\$25 Window Restoration)

James and Veronica Franklin, Mary Lou (Franklin) Jenkins, Joanne (Franklin)

Schiff

By Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Morgan (\$100 Window Restoration)