



MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday, May 7: †*John Mattioli* – Grace DeSanto
Sunday, May 14 : †*Mother’s Day Envelopes*
Wed. May 17: †*Mary Probst* - Family

LECTOR SCHEDULE			ALTAR SERVERS
Sunday, April 30	Noon	A. Ross	S. Heiser / J. Heiser
Sunday, May 7	Noon	A. Lavelle	R. Tarantella / T. Tarantella
Sunday, May 14	Noon	P. Kowalski	E. Kalafut / Q. Kalafut

MEMORIAL CANDLES		MAY 1 – 15, 2023	
Church Sanctuary	<i>Campana Family</i> by Fedeles		
Chapel Sanctuary	<i>Kurutz Family</i> by Fedeles		
Blessed Mother	<i>†Maggie Clemente</i> –Mom & Dad	<i>† Irma Clemente</i> – Patt & Marge	<i>Special Intention</i>
Saint Joseph	<i>†John Kurutz</i> – George & Sandy Machak	<i>†Timothy Kurutz</i> – anonymous	<i>Special Intention</i>

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jennifer Sauter, John “Tink” Green, Sandy Francis, 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, 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, Liz Kalafut, Arnie Burrows, Martha Crouse, Brenda DeJoice, Caleb Leone, Joey Herridge, Drew Gentzyel, Adam Smith, Joyce Winkleman O’Brien, Chad Willard, Connie O’Toole Conrad, Gino Serafini, Terry O’Laughlin, Kevin Dwyer, Denise Colvin, Frank Morton, Sue Sette, Mary Tripp, Estefan Nevarez, Joel Kohler, Ginny Serafini, Tom Daywalt, Merle Prebble, Larry Conly, Shawna Weaver, Eric Ditty(special intention), Kathy Jo Kalafut, Ben Moser, Emily Coad, Magali, and Deborah Hall.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Collection Counters: Carol & Chris			
MONDAY: 05/08			
TUESDAY: 05/09	Communion Service	8:30 AM	Chapel
	K of C Grass Cutting	6:00 PM	Hyner
WEDNESDAY: 05/10			
THURSDAY: 05/11			
FRIDAY: 05/12			
SATURDAY: 05/13			
SUNDAY: 05/14	Mass	12 noon	Church

“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.” – Matthew7:15

May 7, 2023

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MASS TIME

Sunday: 12 noon

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday by appt.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Joseph Orr.....*Pastor*
Rev. Daniel Heiser.....*Deacon*
Alison Heiser.....*Secretary/DRE*

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

Please contact the parish office if you want to join the parish. Please remember to notify us if you are moving out of the parish. Registration, the practice of stewardship, and regular participation in the Sacraments indicate that a person is an active parish member 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday - Friday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed Tuesday/Thursday

COMMUNION SERVICES

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

SICK CALL

Please notify the office when a parish member is in the hospital or cannot 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

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



Congratulations and blessings go out to the children who received Jesus in their First Communion last Sunday, April 30th:

Alessa Lee O'Donnell

Josie Marie Brooks

Sophia Elizabeth Heiser

Benson Jayce Stone

May you always know how much Jesus loves you, and may you often receive His precious gift. Sincere thanks to Mrs. Angela Lavelle, 2nd-grade catechist, for all she does to educate and prepare these precious students for their most important sacraments. Also, we would like to thank the parents, godparents, relatives, and friends who inspired and assisted our First Communicants as they prepared for this special day.

THANK YOU CATECHISTS

A profound thank you goes out to the catechists who generously gave of their time and talent to make Religious Education possible this year. Thank you to ***Erica Dorman, Angie Lavelle, Sarah Ross, Mary George Rhone, Vicky Penton, and Deacon Dan.*** Their commitment is extraordinary, preparing lessons and sharing the Faith with our children and youth. This ministry could not happen without them. THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

Attention High School Graduates!

The Mass honoring our 2023 high school graduates will be held on May 28th at noon. Congratulations to all of our graduates! May God bless you as you begin your new adventure.

FESTIVAL RAFFLE TICKETS

We would like to thank our parishioners and friends for the overwhelming response to our festival raffle tickets and car raffle. We know we have been asking a lot with the Capital Campaign for our ceiling fund to purchasing/selling raffle tickets. Our aim is to ensure that our parish has the funds to keep us going for years to come. We are offering substantial prizes this year for our festival raffle, almost double what we've done in the past, in hopes of selling a lot of tickets this year. If you would like additional books, please call the parish office. Please note that the car raffle is coming up very quickly. The winners will be picked on June 10th, so all tickets must be in by June 4th. Thank you again!



FATHER – SON BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will host their annual Father-Son Breakfast for all 2023 senior boys and their fathers (or male representative) on Sunday, May 28th at 10:00 AM in the Church Hall. Any Knight that is available to help should contact Deacon Dan.



ST. JOSEPH'S 125TH CELEBRATION

By now, you should have received a letter inviting you to the celebration of the 125th Anniversary of our church building. If you have not yet received a letter or know somebody who would like one, please call the parish office. Please make plans to attend the luncheon on July 9th. It is a way to thank all of our wonderful parishioners and friends for all you do for our parish. Save the dates:

Annual Parish Festival	July 6 th , 7 th , and 8 th	5:30 – 9:30 PM
Church Tour	July 8 th	3:00 PM
125 th Anniversary Mass	July 9 th	12 noon
125 th Anniversary Luncheon	July 9 th	Immediately following Mass

MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

Mother's Day envelopes are in the back of the parish office for your Mother's Day remembrances. Place them in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office to be placed on the altar for Mother's Day.

CEMETERY REGULATIONS- Part 6 (Final)

To avoid misunderstandings, it has been suggested that we publish the regulations governing our cemeteries. This is the final part.

DECORATIONS

1. Only pots up to 10” diameter are permitted on a grave site.
2. All flowers placed in pots in front of a gravestone will be removed two [2] times per year [once in the fall and once in the spring] along with any items such as figurines, lights, fences, decorations, etc. that are not specifically permitted in the Cemetery Regulations.
3. Spray saddles for silk flowers only are permitted for the top of a headstone.
4. To avoid creating obstacles to the routine care and maintenance of the cemetery, plot holders may not plant and prune flowers, shrubs, or trees, nor may they erect fences, border arrangements, furniture, or any decorations.

For copies of the complete regulations, please contact the parish office.

CATHOLIC BURIALS: Burial of the dead is one of the corporal works of mercy of the Catholic Church. A catholic practicing one's faith and in good standing can never be denied a Christian burial. This is not a diocesan or parish policy but comes directly from the Church's Canon Law.

ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

It is that time of the year again to start cutting grass at the Hyner Cemetery. We will meet this Tuesday at 6:00 PM. Please try to join us if you are available. Thank you.

WELCOME
Welcome to all, especially visitors and guests, who have come to worship in our Church today!
No matter how long you plan 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

Sunday / Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12
Monday / Easter Weekday Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday / Easter Weekday Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday / Saint John of Avila and St Damien of Molokai Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday / Easter Weekday Acts 15:7-21; PS 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday / Saints Nereus and Achilleus and Saint Pancras Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 & 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday / Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21 Sunday / Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21



MAY 7th : FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life Jesus proclaims: I am the Way (John 14:6). He alone knows the way to the Father because he has been with the Father from the beginning before time and creation ever existed. The Lord Jesus gives us more than a road map and guide book. He personally is the way to the Father's kingdom, and we cannot miss it if we follow him. He accompanies us on our daily journey and watches over us as the good shepherd who leads and sustains us each and every step of the way. Are you in step with the Lord and do you trust in his guiding hand for your life?

Jesus proclaims that he is the Truth (John 14:6). Many can say, "I have taught you the truth." Only Jesus can say, I am the Truth. He possesses in himself the fullness of truth. Jesus claims to be one with the Father and to speak the truth which proceeds from the Father. Jesus promised his disciples that if they continued in his word, they would learn the truth and the truth would set them free" (John 8:31). The truth which Jesus proclaims has power to set us free from ignorance, deception and sin. The words which Jesus speaks are true because there is no lie or falsehood in him. Moral truth requires more than mere words or ideas because the person who speaks them must be true true in thought, word, and deed. Jesus embodies the truth in his person.

Jesus proclaims that he is the Life (John 14:6). He not only shows us the path of life (Psalm 16:11); he gives the kind of life which only God can give abundant life that lasts forever. Is there any trouble, fear, or distraction that keeps you from the perfect peace and joy of a life surrendered to Jesus Christ?

† Our Gifts to God †
Sunday Offering: April 30, 2023

Regular Collection:	\$1,632.00
Monthly:	825.00
Children:	<u>5.00</u>
	\$2,462.00

Catholic Missions: \$26

Votive: \$13

Easter: \$25

ENVELOPES	Adults
Used:	72
Families:	208

Thank you for being good stewards.

THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING THE CALL

We want to thank all parishioners and friends for the overwhelming response to our Capital Campaign Fund. We are almost there!! We are grateful to you for answering the call and making self-sacrificial commitments to the campaign.
James & Anna Knauff, Dennis & Mary Anderson, Lydia Heiser, Knights of Columbus, Barbara Mills, Charles Lackey, Angela Lavelle, Mrs. W. K Penton, Catherine Himmel, William & Marcia Mainguth, Barbara Mastriania, Pat & Marcia Clemente, James Patrick Kelley, Paul & Grace Maxwell, Patrick Smith, Maurice Kelley, Tom & Terrie Kerstetter, Ron & Cathy Dremel, Keith & Patricia Wilson, Jeanette Morton, Ruby Prebble, Angeline Fedele, Ann Fedele, Margaret Sutliff, Teresa Fedele, Sue Allen, Marjorie & Vincent Massaro, Susan Smith, Terrie Buranosky, Carol Coover, Pam & Carl Gentzyl, George B. Simon, Dennis & Mary Anderson, Kenneth & Carol Reber, Robert & Patricia Jones, John & Susan Sette, Shirley Kisko, Sharon Krauss, Bob & Chris Huff, Ann Greene, Dcn Chip & Connie Young, David Drabic, Theresa O'Donnell, Judy Kurutz, Chuck & Nancy Swanson, Jeanette Summerson, Mike Tomko, Deborah Pedokus, Janet Stone, Sarah Graw, George & Sandy Machak, Helen Green, John & Mary Ann Tarantella, Jen Pick, Mary, Steve, & Teresa Stone, Tarantella’s Sudsy Pup, Hanobic Family, Lisa & Jack Houser, Mary Ann Kennis, Peter & Claire Wickershaw, Jim Miller, Heiser Family, Mary & Steve Rathmell, Paul & Joan Filbin, April & Mike Smith and family, Barbara Newlen, Jim & Sue Morgan and family, Tom & Ann Tarantella, George “Mike” & Michele Simon, Gloria Renehan, Barb & Mike Fedele, Pattie Rauch, Mary & Dick Adams, and Bob & Lisa Houser, Kevin, Rosie, and Brian Dwyer, Valerie Kahley, Dolores Gregory, Ronald & Susan Ransdorf, Jim & Patty Cozzi, Margaret McCool, Stephen Adams, Ardell Gross, Nea & Jenna Brown, Dennis Manno, Russell Johnson, and Vince & Deb Tarantella, Susan & Michael Klimkos Dave Drabic, ,Christine Mulfinger, Andy & Sarah Ross, Claire Kerstetter, Jay & Vickie Morocko, Theresa O'Donnell, Livia Price, Altar Rosary Society, James, Krupa, John Beckes, Thomas & Mary Jane Labant, Ron & Peggy Manila and George & Carol Beckes, Carrie & Frank DeMarte, Mr. & Mrs. William O'Neill, Tom Sox, George & Martha Crouse + 5 anonymous donors

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

Saint Joseph received the following donations:

\$300 towards our Capital Campaign from Karen Lowery

In Loving Memory of **John Kurutz** by Bob & Trudy, Brian, Kevin, Troy, Kristy, Devin & Josie (\$50 Basement Fund)

In Loving Memory of **William “Butch” Rooney** by Terri Buranosky (\$25 Ceiling Fund)