MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF 11/18 TO 11/25

Sunday: 12 noon ---------- + Michelle Lynne Morocko – Mom, dad, sister, & brothers
Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. ---------- Communion Service (Chapel)
Thursday: 8:30 a.m. ---------- Communion Service (**Church**)
Sunday: 12 noon ----------+Deceased members of the Class of 1976 – Cathy Himmel

COMMUNION SERVICES FOR THE WEEK:
Tuesday, November 20 – 8:30 AM: Terrie Kerstetter
*Thursday, November 22 – 8:30 AM: Dan Heiser

MINISTRIES SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 25, 2018				
Lector:	**Minister of the Eucharist:**	**Ministers of the Chalice:**	**Altar Server:**	**Greeters:**
C. Tarantella	M. Fedele	P. Coleman C. Himmel	D. Heiser	M. Rosamilia C. DeMarte M. Adams

SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR THE WEEK:

MONDAY 11/19	Office hours: 9:00am – 2:00pm		
TUESDAY 11/20	C.D. OF A. Meeting	6:30pm	Church Hall
WEDNESDAY 11/21	Lotto Drawing	9am	Administration Center
THURSDAY 11/22	Communion Service	8:30Am	Church
	Office is closed- Happy Thanksgiving		
FRIDAY 11/23	**Office is closed**		
SATURDAY 11/24	Office is closed		
SUNDAY 11/25	Mass	Noon	Church

CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 18, 2018

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday: 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.
Wednesday: 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. / Friday: 9:00a.m. to noon

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday	5:00 p.m. (SA)
Sunday	8:00 a.m. (IC)
Sunday	9:30 a.m. (SA)
Sunday	**12:00 noon (SJ)**

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:

Vigil – 6:30 p.m. (SJ)
Holy Day – 9:00 a.m. (IC)
Holy Day – 7:00 p.m. (SA)

COMMUNION SERVICES:

Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. (**SJ Chapel**)
Thursday at 6:30 p.m. **(SJ Chapel)**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Sunday at 11:30-11:45 a.m. (SJ)

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PENANCE SERVICE

The Advent Season is practically upon us. Advent is a Season of Preparation, Repentance, Penance, and Renewal. There is no better way to prepare for the birth of Christ than to attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Every Catholic is called to do so during the Advent Season. We try to make it as easy as possible by offering Penance Services throughout the Diocese. ***St. Joseph's Penance Service will be held on Wednesday, December 5th at 6:30PM***. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Below is the schedule for the Penance Services throughout the Diocese:

Dec. 2 Holy Spirit, Lock Haven @3:00pm
Dec. 3 PSU Campus @7:00 PM
Dec. 5 Saint Joseph, Renovo @ 6:30 PM
Dec. 10 Most Holy Trinity, Huntingdon @7:00 PM
Dec. 13 Queen of Archangels, Clarence @7:00 PM
Dec. 16 OLV, State College @2:00 PM
Dec. 18 Good Shepherd, State College @7:00 PM
Dec. 20 SS Peter & Paul, Phillipsburg @ 7:00PM
Dec. 20 St. Matthew, Tyrone @ 7:00PM

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This year the Immaculate Conception falls on Saturday, December 8th. Because it is our country's Patronal Feast, it is a Holy Day of obligation. However, due to logistics, there'll be only one Mass at 12 Noon, Saturday, Dec 8th, at Immaculate Conception in Lock Haven. Those who cannot get to Mass are excused from the obligation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

Students in Mrs. Lavelle's 2nd grade class will be having a First Reconciliation Retreat on Saturday, December 1 at 11am – 2pm. All students must attend, as well as, at least one parent or guardian. Lunch will be provided for all.

LIGHT THE ADVENT WREATH

The first Sunday of Advent is December 2nd. Sign up your family for lighting the Advent Wreath on one of the four Sundays of Advent. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

– From Father Orr and the staff at St. Joseph's.

Please note: The office will be closed Thursday, November 22nd and Friday, November 23rd. We will open again Monday, November 26.

THANKSGIVING DAY COMMUNION SERVICE

We will be offering a Communion Service on **Thanksgiving Day**, November 22nd **at 8:30am** in the **Church**, since we are not having a Thanksgiving Day Mass. Please try to come and give thanks to God for all He has given!

JOSEPH TREE

Matthew 25 Parish Outreach is organizing another opportunity to donate towards those in need in our community. We plan to help anyone in our area who may be in need of coats, gas, food, etc. Please help us identify those who may need help by calling the parish office or filling out a form and dropping it in the box in the back of the church. Please help us bring a smile on the faces of those in need this Christmas.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES

This special envelope directly aids the festive decorating of our churches to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Envelopes are available in your packets, vestibules of both churches, and at the doors of both churches. They will be displayed on the altar at the Christmas Masses. Please return by December 14th.

C. D. of A. NOVEMBER MEETING

The C. D. of A will hold their November meeting, Tuesday November 20th at 6:30pm in the Church Hall. Committee for the evening will be Dorothy Costulas and Sharon Krauss.

Bulletin Announcements may be sent to Alison at aheiser@dioceseaj.org
Please submit all requests by Tuesday for them to be published in Sunday's Bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Today's second reading reminds us that the sacrifice of Christ frees us from sin and makes us a royal nation of priests in the service of God. How am I using my gifts to serve God and others? Am I helping to make the true Kingdom of God visible by my actions?

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL Mk 13:24-32

Today's gospel teaches us UNCERTAINTY is normal. There are some things in life which "no one knows…only the Father." Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel, the people we love grow and change.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION

This Thursday, Nov. 22, is Thanksgiving Day and a special Day of Prayer in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. We pray in gratitude for the Harvest and Fruits of the Earth. As our country pauses and gives thanks to God, Catholics are encouraged to participate at Mass and give thanks for all we have received from God. Please join in praying the following:

God, you are generous in your love for us.
on Thanksgiving Day we come before you
with gratitude for your abundant gifts.
Open our hearts to the needs of our brothers and sisters,
so that we may share your gifts in loving service.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

THEME FOR CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY- November 25th, 2018

Jesus, King of heaven and earth, cares for all his people and calls us to love and serve him in return.

This final Sunday in Ordinary time is marked as the Feast of Christ the King. Jesus, our King, has all power in heaven and earth. The Church represents the kingdom on earth. We, as members of that kingdom, are expected to follow the example of Jesus. He rules with love, service, and compassion, and calls us to do the same.

READINGS FOR CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY– November 25, 2018			
First Reading	Response	Second Reading	Gospel
Dn 7:13-14	Ps 93	Rv 1:5-8	Jn 18:33b-37

"I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought;
and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder."
-G. K. Chesteron

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

November 11, 2018

Weekly projected expenses	$2,872.00
Week's regular collection	$1,337.00
Monthly	$415.00
Total:	**$1,752.00**

Catholic Charities	**$25.00**
All Souls:	**$10.00**
Catholic University	**$5.00**
World Mission	**$5.00**

ENVELOPES	**Adults**	**Children**
Used	67	5
Total distributed	216	33

Thank you for your generosity and support.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

The Lock Haven Knights of Columbus are inviting all kids and families from St. Joseph's to have breakfast with Santa on December 1st at 9am. Anyone interested should sign up by calling the Holy Spirit office at 570-748-4594.

LOTTO TICKETS

We still have St. Joseph's Lotto tickets available. If anyone is interested in purchasing a ticket, please contact the parish office. The next drawing will be Wednesday, November 21st at 9:00am in the Administration Building. Thank you for your participation!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS

George Fantaskey, Gootsie Severino, Steve Keiper, Jennifer Sauter, Sandy Francis, John "Tink" Green, Ann Overgord, Juliann Thorson, Helen Daywalt, Ronnie Lullo, Tom Daywalt, Theresa (Ted) Poleto, John Laubscher, Kay Hirlinger, Connie Shope, Deanna Dare, Donald Felty, Bill O'Neill, Karen Tomko Strobel, Susan Nelson, Catherine Monoski, Betsy Crouse, Colleen Grotzinger, Chris Rall, Martha Kapp, Thomas Packer, Sam DeSanto, Bill Leary Jr., Melinda O'Neill-Lewis, Connie Casper, Sara Dubinsky, Liz Testa, Bart Pickering, Katherine Huggler, Gayle Jenkens, Jimmy Coover, Warren Payne, Elaine Charcalla, John Kapp, Geraldine Kelley, Mary Louise Linberg, Deb Henry, Joey Herridge, and Pat Wilson.