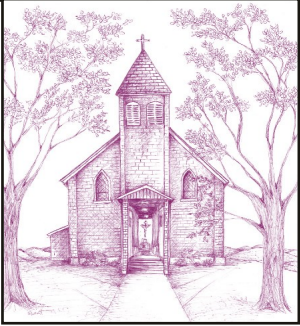


St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671



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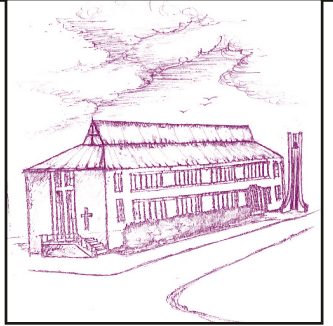
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St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

March 26, 2023

Welcome to All

5th Sunday of Lent

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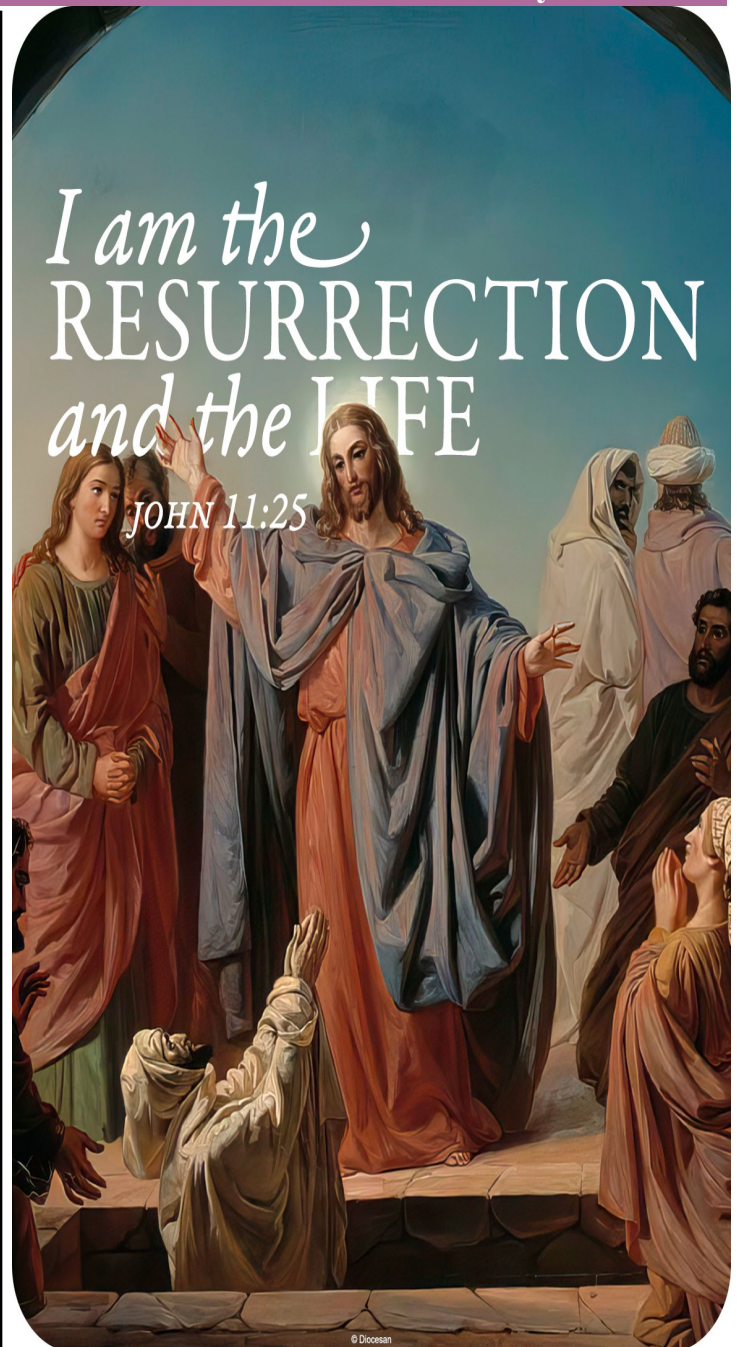
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 25 - 5th Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Rose DeCario by Mary Moore family

Sunday, March 26

9:00 AM, St. Martin - Mass for our Parishioners

10:30 AM, St. Joseph + Patrick Calabrese by brothers & sisters

Monday, March 27

6:00 PM, St. Martin, + Albert Bridge, birthday by Mary Ann & family

Tuesday, March 28

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Vaughn Piantine by children

Thursday, March 30

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + James Prohaska by Geri & James Yacobucci

Friday, March 31

8:00 AM, St. Martin, + Armand Razza by Diane Kostelnick

Saturday, April 1 - Palm Sunday

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Jo Ritenour by daughter, Sharon

Sunday, April 2

9:00 AM, St. Martin + Living & Deceased members of St. Martin Rosary Altar Society

10:30 AM, St. Joseph - Mass for our Parishioners



St. Martin Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from Mar. 26 through April 1 in loving memory of **Albert Bridge**

Requested by wife, Mary Ann & family

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle

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Jo Ritenour, birthday

Requested by family

Ministry Schedule

April 1st & 2nd

Saturday, April 1, St. Joseph 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Ritenour

Lector: Tom Sylvester

Altar Servers: Rachael Lloyd, Logan Sledge

Sunday, April 2, St. Martin 9:00 am

Eucharistic Minister: Suzanne Skacel

Lector: Celeste Stoltz-Jones

Sunday, April 2, St. Joseph 10:30 am

Eucharistic Minister: Knights of Columbus

Lector: Knights of Columbus

Altar Servers: Patrick Laughlin, Brailey Polo

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

Monday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18. 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10; 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

IN SYMPATHY



We commend to your prayers, **John Stahovec, Jr.** of St. Martin Parish, who died recently. May God welcome him to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to his family.

The Fifth Week of Lent: This week is filled with drama. We continue to prepare ourselves to be open to God's graces. We continue to try to choose Lent, to act Lent, in very concrete ways. We are examining our patterns and realigning our priorities. Our hearts are being renewed, as we experience God's reconciling love and beg for the gift of healing.

Like parishes across the Diocese of Greensburg, we are attempting to meet our **Diocesan DLA goals**. Here are the latest DLA results for our Partner Parishes: St. Martin has a total of \$13,586 from 52 gifts and pledges and at 99.5% of their goal of \$13,600. St. Joseph has a total \$14,376 from 61 gifts and pledges and at 63 % of their goal of \$22,834. Please note that anything over and beyond the diocesan goal returns back to our parishes and will be appropriated to the respective Case Statement of each parish. Many thanks to all who have willingly offered to participate in the campaign so far. The participation of each household is critical to the success of the DLA. We really do need everyone's support.

PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER! We do not make the journey of faith alone; we rely on each other for spiritual support. The Book of Intentions located in the entrance areas of all three Partner Parishes is one way to show such support. Write down your chosen petitions and lift someone up in prayer.

New Pastoral Council Update

The first initial organizational meeting for the establishment of a New Pastoral Council was held on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 and attended by approximately 12 parishioners from both Partner Parishes. The Pastoral Council serves as an advisory group to the pastor and as representatives for the parish community. The formation of a new Pastoral Council will be a work in progress. It is our hope that Pastoral Council will serve and represent you well and, together, build a more prayerful and engaged church. Please keep them in your prayers.

Fish Fry - The fish fry continue to be an outstanding success, thanks to your patronage and the hard work of our amazing volunteers. Please continue to support this important parish fundraiser.

Holy Scripture teaches us that those who die in the faith are saved through the blood of Christ.

In this time of sacrifice – during Lent—remember Christ's suffering and death on the cross.

It is through Christ's cross and the love that comes to us through the cross that we are given the promise of eternal life.

May God bless you and keep you in His grace this week now and forever. You are in my prayers. Please keep me in yours.

Fr. Sam

Offertory Collection for March 19, 2023

St. Joseph Offertory

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 3,700.00
Actual Weekly Offering 03/19	2,926.00
Other Income	1,232.00
Difference this week	458.00
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	140,600.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	169,869.00
Year to date difference	\$ 29,269.00

St. Martin Offertory

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 2,500.00
Actual Weekly Offering 03/19	1,479.00
Other Income	166.00
Difference This Week	(855.00)
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	95,000.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	119,328.00
Year to Date Difference	\$ 24,328.00

Thank you for your stewardship!

OTHER INCOME for the Churches includes candles, flowers, DLA Refund, Rental, Tuition, Building Fund and Knights of Columbus Donations

Counters–Sunday April 2 , 2023

<u>St. Joseph - Team 1</u>	<u>St. Martin - Team 5</u>
Louise Brindle	Stella Free
Janine Elliott	Linda Newell
Steve Maus	Darci Kelly



Our Partner Parishes would like to wish a HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all who are celebrating birthdays this week:

ST. MARTIN: Mark Eaglehouse, Pauline Fannie, Blaise Kepple, April Phillippi and Deb Sessi

ST. JOSEPH: Robert Bates, Samantha Foulk, Laura Hamrock

Please pray for the wholeness and healing of:

Jean Beason, Cathy Bridge, Dave Bridge, Vince Calabrese, Frannie Campbell, Joe Caugherty, Mary Covin, Marnie Darazio, Melissa Edmonds, Alanna DeRito-Gaudiello, Lisa Davis, Bronco Figuerora, Cindi Frank, Steve Gaul, Peggy Jasper, John Joyce, Larry Lowden, Deora Matvey, Odin, Reagan,& Lennon Mealy, Charlotte (Charlie) Nicol, Selma Patterson, Thomas Ridenour, Robin Roberts, Greg Sanchez, Joan Van Dyke, Michael Voyten, Vernon Wechtenhiser, Lindsey Williams, Dan Zappa

We pray for all our homebound and hospitalized parishioners and all who need physical, spiritual and mental healing



Diocesan Lenten Appeal 20223

**St. Martin
03/19/23**

Diocesan Goal	\$13,660.00
Pledges	13,586.00
Amount Paid	11,531.00
Number of Households	187
Number of Donors	52
Participation %	27.8%

Diocesan Lenten Appeal 2023

**St. Joseph
03/19/23**

Diocesan Goal	\$22,834.00
Pledges	14,376.00
Amount Paid	9,623.00
Number of Households	282
Number of Donors	61
Participation %	21.6%

PARTNER PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

James, New Alexandria, **Thursday, March 30th at 7:00 PM**

Holy Family, Latrobe, **Saturday, April 1st at 11:00 AM**

St. Rose, Latrobe, **Monday, April 3rd at 7:00 PM**



STATIONS of the CROSS

Friday, March 31 - St. Joseph Church - 6:15 pm



Lenten Fish Fry

Lenten Fish Fry sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will be every Friday during Lent, **11:30 am-6 pm** in St. Joseph Social Hall. **TAKE OUT ONLY.** Dinners or Ala-carte. Call **724-694-6194** to order.

Fish Fry Bake Sale



The St. Martin Rosary Altar Society and the St. Joseph Altar Rosary Society will be sponsoring the Fish Fry Bake Sale to benefit the Knights of Columbus. Please bring baked goods on Fridays after 11 am.

St. Vincent de Paul

Easter is coming and that means Easter Baskets and Easter Dinners! If anyone needs food assistance for the Holidays please contact the Parish Office, St. Vincent de Paul can help.

ST. JOSEPH ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Joseph ARS Clothing Drive

The St. Joseph Altar Rosary Altar Society will be sponsoring The Lenten Clothing Drive for Torrance State Hospital. They are requesting sweatpants (elastic waist only), sweatshirts, tee shirts, socks and tennis shoes for men and women (large sizes only). Clothing is to be dropped off in the stairwell below the parking lot entrance. Any questions call Tish Rossi at 724-694-8309 or 724-953-4905. Thank you

Lenten Scripture Study Scheduled

Lenten Scripture Study for adults is held Monday during Lent at **7 PM, Room 8, Parish Faith Formation Center.** Questions: call Betty at 724-989-5725.

ST. MARTIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Egg Hunt

St. Martin Rosary Altar Society will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, April 1, 2023, 10 am** on St. Martin grounds. All children and grandchildren of partner parishes, infants to 10 years of age are invited. Sign-up sheets are available at both churches. Deadline to register is March 26.

St. Martin RAS Meeting

St. Martin's monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28 beginning at 6 pm. New members are welcome.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Mercy Sunday liturgy at St. Mary, Mother of God Parish, Freeport

St. Mary, Mother of God Parish, Freeport, will hold a Divine Mercy Sunday liturgy **April 16**, including Eucharistic Adoration from noon-3 p.m., the sacrament of Reconciliation from 1-1:50 p.m. and Divine Mercy devotion from 2-3 p.m.

Day of Recollection April 1 at St. Emma Retreat House, Greensburg

St. Emma Retreat House, Greensburg, will host a Day of Recollection to prepare for Holy Week Saturday, **April 1, from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.** The day will include coffee/rolls, conferences, confessions, Mass and a meal. Cost is \$40 at the door. For reservations (required), email retreats@stemma.org or call 724-824-3060.

The Oblates of St. Benedict

The Oblates of St. Benedict, Latrobe Deanery, will meet Sunday, April 16, from 3-4:15 p.m. in Brownfield 202 at Saint Vincent Seminary. Attendees may also attend vespers at 5 p.m. and supper at 5:35 p.m.; an additional session is available at 6:45 p.m. (discussion based on the "Study Guide for the Rule of St. Benedict"). Call Father Donald a few days in advance to register for supper and evening events.

Annual Salt and Light Awards Dinner set April 20

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg will host its largest annual fundraiser, the Communities of Salt and Light Awards dinner, Thursday, April 20, at 6 p.m. at Stratigos Banquet Centre, North Huntingdon. All proceeds are redistributed to the most vulnerable and at-risk residents of the Diocese. This year’s awardees are Gerald Wilcox, Humanitarian; Kindness Closet, St. Edward Parish, Organization; and Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle, Lifetime Achievement. Tickets are \$130 per person. Advertising and sponsorship opportunities are also available. For information, visit ccharitiesgreensburg.org or call Heather Rady at 724-837-1840.

Grief support group meeting at St. Mary, Mother of God Parish, Freeport

GriefShare, a weekly seminar and support group, meets **Sundays from 6-7:30 p.m.** at St. Mary, Mother of God Parish, Freeport. To register, call 724-295-2281.

Magnificat Breakfast April 29 in Greensburg

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat – A Ministry to Catholic Women will hold a breakfast **Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m.-noon** at Rizzo's Banquet Hall, Crabtree. Guest speaker Father John-Mary Tompkins will talk about his faith journey. Cost is \$25 (students \$20). To register, call 724-836-2094 by April 24 or visit www.magnificatgreensburg.com to download a registration form (no online registration).

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Hosts Monthly Meetings

An increasing number of grandparents are unexpectedly thrust into the role of being the primary caregiver for children in need of family members (other than their parents) to provide a home due to opioid abuse, alcoholism, incarceration, divorce, child abuse or other reasons. One in 10 grandparents (often on fixed incomes) have been the primary support of a grandchild at some time in their lives. Pennsylvania ranks seventh among the 50 states in terms of number of children, age newborn to adolescent, living in grandparent-headed households. Our churches are concerned and are putting our faith into action through Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, an ecumenical social outreach mission of St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, Sacred Heart Parish, Youngstown, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Latrobe. Monthly meetings offer grandparents useful information and time to interact with one another, which can serve as a form of venting or therapy. A hot dinner and child care are provided. For information, call 724-423-3777 or 724-537-735

Summer retreats planned at Saint Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe

The Saint Vincent Archabbey Summer Retreat Program will host three retreats in July. Benedictine Father Nathanael Polinski will conduct a men’s retreat July 14-16 on the topic “Put Out Into the Deep (Luke 5:4).” Benedictine Father Donald Raila will lead the Benedictine Spirituality Retreat **July 21-23** with the theme “Avoiding the ‘Evil of Grumbling’: Living in Praise and Thanksgiving.” Benedictine Father Alfred Patterson will speak on “More Saints Alive!,” a continuation of a similar topic last year, during a retreat for women and men July 28-30. For information or to register, visit www.saintvincentretreats.org



MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. MARTIN CHURCH

We, the parish of St. Martin in New Derry, Pennsylvania are a historic, rural community of hardworking descendants of miners, steel and factory workers and farmers. Various ethnic orientations, proud traditions and a strong sense of family unity enrich our parish life. We are a Catholic community committed to keeping our faith alive and growing. We nurture our faith by celebrating the Eucharist, living the Scriptures, being true to church teachings and receiving the sacraments. We hope to reflect the life, love and message of Jesus Christ by strengthening the faith of our families and by reaching out to our neighbors to build up the Kingdom of God.

MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

We the people of St. Joseph's, Derry, became strong with the advent of the railroad. While small we are kept on track by being able to pull together our diversity and work toward the common purpose of following Jesus Christ. In utilizing the gifts and talents of our parishioners, we will strive to meet the needs of St. Joseph Parish. As a Catholic community of faith united together to spread the Gospel message of peace and love, we respond to the needs of all, as in traditions of our ancestors. We pledge to become more alive as a parish, to be a guide and an example to our youth and our community by following the same message Christ handed down to be empowered by the grace of the sacraments in order to love one another, and pray together as Christians.

CONFESSIONS

At St. Martin the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated Monday, 5:30 pm, New Derry. At St. Joseph the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday, 4:15 pm, Derry or by calling the Parish office to make an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Please contact us to plan your wedding as soon as you become engaged by contacting Sr. Charlene Ozanick at mozanick@dioceseofgreensburg.org or call 724-694-5359 Ext. 5704. Parish needs to be notified 6 months in advance.

BAPTISM

Baptisms will be celebrated on Saturday morning, 11 am at St. Martin and following the 10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph. Please call Sr. Charlene Ozanick at 724-694-5359, ext.5104 to plan your celebration of Baptism.

PRIVATE PRAYER

St. Martin Church is open from 9 am to 7 pm on Monday and Wednesday for private prayer. St. Joseph is open on Tuesday's and Thursday's from 8 am to 3 pm for private prayer.