# St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671

# Partner Parishes of the Diocese of Greensburg

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# St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

**April 23, 2023** 

Welcome to All

3rd Sunday of Easter

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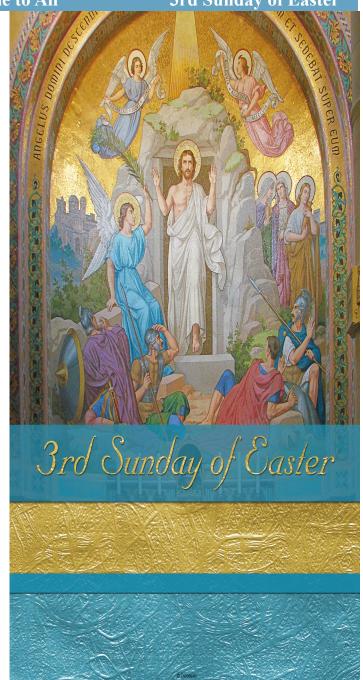
Rich Hamrock, Maintenance Supervisor

Ted Watkins, Custodian, St. Martin Becky Ellenberger, Custodian, St. Joseph

**Knights of Columbus #2648** 



St. Joseph and St. Martin Partner Parishes, Derry



# Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, April 22

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Shirley Laskie, birthday by husband, Dick

#### Sunday, April 23

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

10:30 AM, St. Joseph + Charlotte Keslar by Laughlin family

First Communion, St. Joseph

#### Monday, April 24

6:00 PM, St. Martin, + Stephen Ulishney by LaVonne Leason

#### Tuesday, April 25

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Roxanne Rellick by family

#### Thursday, April 27

8:00 AM, St. Joseph + Dr. Alan Christianson, Retirement by Tony & Evie Zappa

#### Friday, April 28

8:00 AM, St. Martin, + Sam & Olive Novello by family

#### Saturday, April 29

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Joe Beason by wife, Jean & family

#### Sunday, April 30

9:00 AM, St. Martin + Robert Eaglehouse 100th Birthday by wife, Doris

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

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday Third Sunday of Easter** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Monday Memorial of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20 **Wednesday** Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday Memorial of St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr & St. Louis Mary de Montfort, Priest Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117: 1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

## St. Martin Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from April 23 through April 29 in loving memory of Lucille Frayvolt Requested by Don & Dee

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from April 23 through April 29 in loving memory of **Joseph Wasnesky** 

Requested by his wife, Patricia

Ministry Schedule
April 29th & 30th

Saturday, April 29, St. Joseph 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Minister: Laura Hamrock

Lector: Tom Sylvester

Altar Servers: Patrick Laughlin, Drake Kmecak

Sunday, April 30, St. Martin 9:00 am

Eucharistic Minister: Ellen Keefe

Lector: Penny Westrick

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

Eucharistic Minister: Sheryl Stercho

Lector: Cindy Dalton

Altar Servers: Rachael Lloyd, Brailey Polo

The Lord, though he was God, became man (Incarnation). He suffered for the sake of those who suffer, he was bound for those in bonds, condemned for the guilty, buried for those who lie in the grave; but he rose from the dead, and cried aloud: Who will contend with me? Let him confront me. I have freed the condemned, brought the dead back to life, raised men from their graves. Who has anything to say against me? I, he said, am the Christ; I have destroyed death, triumphed over the enemy, trampled hell underfoot, bound the strong one, and taken men up to the heights of heaven: I am the Christ.

Come, then, all you nations of men, receive forgiveness for the sins that defile you. I am your forgiveness. I am the Passover that brings salvation. I am the lamb that was immolated for you. I am your ransom, your life, your resurrection, your light, I am your salvation and your king. I will bring you up to the heights of heaven. With my own right hand I will raise you up, and I will show you the eternal Father." – From an Easter homily of St. Melito of Sardis

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**Time for DLA Update!** Thanks for your continued generosity and support of our Diocesan Lenten Appeal. Kudos to St. Martin for successfully achieving their diocesan target goal of \$13,660 and has raised an additional \$10,526 above the diocesan target.

Congratulations to St. Joseph for successfully reaching and surpassing their diocesan target of \$22,834. As you know all monies above the respective diocesan targets. Thanks for supporting the Diocese and our parishes. Remember- it's never too late to offer a gift and no give is too small.

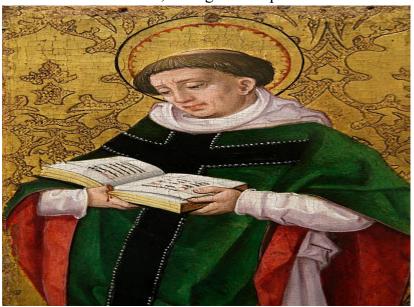
#### **Gratitude to our Knights of Columbus**

Both St. Martin and St. Joseph are truly grateful to our Knights of Columbus Council #2648 who recently donated \$2000.00 to each of our Partner Parishes. The Knights also made significant contributions of \$1000.00 each to the Rosary Altar Societies of St. Martin and St. Joseph. Thank you Knights for all you do and the gift of your Time, Talent and Treasure.

May the Risen Christ, bless you and your loved ones this Easter Season! Fr. Sam

Pastor's Pun: What fish are the most valuable? Goldfish

St. Mark, Evangelist - April 25



#### Offertory Collection for April 16, 2023

St. Joseph Offertory	
Weekly Budget Need	\$ 3,700.00
Actual Weekly Offering 04/16	3,237.00
Other Income	1,070.00
Easter	285.00
Difference this week	892.00
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	155,400.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	192,470.00
Year to date difference	\$ 37,070.00

#### St. Martin Offertory

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 2,500.00
Actual Weekly Offering 04/16	2,587.00
Other Income	65.00
Easter	405.00
Difference This Week	557.00
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	105,000.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	138,403.00
Year to Date Difference	\$ 33,403.00

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

THANK YOU for your stewardship!

# Counters-Sunday April 30, 2023

St. Joseph - Team 5	St. Martin - Team 3
Joanne Previc	Joe Sledge
Frannie Gray	Deb Blotzer
Jim McClarren	Cary Blotzer



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

ST. MARTIN: Vince Esposito, Robert Kahl, Sr., Charlotte Kepple, Richard Pennesi, Anna Marie Reed, James Salandro, Andrew Schrum and Cathy Shine

ST. JOSEPH: Sherry Basciano, Kathy Boring, George Bush, Karen Cmar, Camden Deannuntis, Frank Dudzinsky, Michael Jellison, Drake Kmecak, Richard Laskie, Jr., Laura Mastrorocco, Curtis Mears and Paula Merlin,

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, Bob Reeping, 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				
04/17/23				
Diocesan Goal	\$13,660.00			
<u>Pledges</u>	24,186.00			
Amount Paid	20,087.00			
Number of Households	187			
Number of Donors	88			
<b>Participation</b>	47.1%			

Diocesan Lenten Appeal 2023				
St. Joseph				
04/17/23				
Diocesan Goal	<b>\$22,834.00</b>			
Pledges	24,241.00			
Amount Paid	18,226.00			
Number of Households	282			
Number of Donors	<u> 109</u>			
Participation %	38.7%			

#### PARTNER PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **IN SYMPATHY**

Sincere Sympathy is offered to the families of Charles Edgar White, Jr., Dolores James, and Richard Razza. May perpetual light shine upon them and the souls of all the faithful departed.

#### **Congratulations First Communicants**

Congratulations to our second graders who have received their First Holy Communion: Abigail Kozar at St. Martin on Sunday, April 16 and Copper Sisitki and Sophia Sledge at St. Joseph on Sunday, April 23. Thank you to their Faith Formation teacher, Sheryl Stercho, for preparing them for the Sacrament, as well as their families, friends and godparents who have been encouraging them in their faith and helping them prepare for their First Communion.

#### ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS-CLEARANCES, WHO ME?

#### Three cheers for VOLUNTEERS!

All parish volunteers need clearances, in fulfillment of our commitment to providing a safe environment. Some folks WANT to do more for the parish but find the idea of getting clearances daunting. We might envision complicated forms, long waits in line, and such. Actually, obtaining clearances is OUICK and EASY.

All parishioners over the age of 18 who wish to help out at Parish functions, who have direct or any possible contact with children or the ability to do so, need to complete the following requirements: The following clearances are required by PA law include: signing an FBI fingerprinting waiver (if you have lived in PA for the past 10 years) or getting fingerprinted, PA Criminal History Check and PA Child Abuse Clearance. Diocesan requirements include: Mandatory Reporter Training, VIRTUS training and signing the Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct form.

We value all our volunteers and are committed to providing support to ensure that we meet this requirement and ensure a safe environment for our children. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. If you do not have proper clearances according to the Diocese of Greensburg, you will not be permitted to volunteer. Any questions, please call Karen Novello at the Parish Officer, 724-694-5359 or email knovello@dioceseofgreensburg.org

#### ST. JOSEPH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Honoring Mary!**

May is the month to honor Mary, the Blessed Mother and all Mothers. The St. Joseph Altar Rosary Society is planning to honor all past and present Mothers. There are also ladies in our lives: Grandmothers, Mother in Law, Godmothers Aunts and Guardians who are special "Mothers." Anyone wanting to honor these special ladies may bring their framed pictures in **beginning May 1** to St. Joseph Church where they will be displayed during the entire month of May. Please label the picture with their name, the parishioners name and relationship.

#### **Outdoor Rosary**

In honor of May being the month of Mary, the Blessed Mother, the St. Joseph Altar Rosary Society is inviting parishioners from the Partner Parishes of St. Martin & St. Joseph to an outdoor Rosary recitation (weather permitting). We will gather on Thursday, May 11, 2023, 6:00 PM in front of the Blessed Mother Grotto in the back parking lot. Please try to attend and bring a chair.

#### **May Crowning**

On Sunday, May 7, 2023, after the 10:30 Mass at St. Joseph Church, there will be a May Crowning of the Blessed Mother. The recent First Communicants will be participating in the May crowning.

## AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 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 info or to register, visit www.saintvincentretreats.org

#### 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.

### **CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The Diocese of Greensburg requires all volunteers to have all of the following clearances and trainings prior to work or ministry in the diocese. †

Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct PA Mandated Reporter Training \* **VIRTUS Training** PA Criminal History Check Form - Every Five Years

PA Child Abuse Form - Every Five Years

Fingerprint Affidavit for volunteers only. Initial submission must be done through screening agency.

FBI Fingerprint Check - Every Five Years. Initial submission must be done through screening agency.

Then every five years screening agency submission **OR** an Affidavit for volunteers only ‡.

All clearances listed above, as required by the state of Pennsylvania, are valid for a period of five years, and must be renewed prior to the five-year expiration date in order to be able to continue employment, or to volunteer.

Clearance renewal forms for volunteers are available in the office or may be obtained online. (See Attached Forms)

Virtus Training is required to anyone who has not done this training previously. It is offered online through the Diocese website. There is also a recommended refresher course available online.

Thank you for your help complying with the Diocese and State requirements. If you have any questions, please contact Karen at 724-694-5359. Press 2, Press 3.

Saint James Church, New Alexandria, will host a Spring Breakfast & Bake Sale on Sunday, April **30th, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m**. Menu includes: Ham, Sausage, Pancakes, Eggs, Potatoes, Juice, Coffee and Tea. Price is \$10.00 Adults/\$5.00 Child (Ages 6 to 12)/Children (Under 6 -Free). There will also be a basket raffle. Breakfast sponsored by Saint James Holy Name and Rosary Altar Societies. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 724-668-2829.

#### **All-day Eucharistic Adoration**

St. James Parish, New Alexandria, will host an allday Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday, April 25, for the Feast of St. Mark. Mass will be at 8 a.m. and Adoration will begin immediately afterward. Benediction will be held at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend anytime throughout the day. For information, call 724-668-2829.

**Annual Diocesan Scout Convocation Mass May 7** 

The Diocese of Greensburg's Catholic Committee on Scouting invites all members of the scouting family to attend the Diocesan Scout Convocation Mass Sunday, May 7, at 3 p.m. at St. Regis Church, Trafford. Bishop Larry J. Kulick will be the main celebrant for this annual celebration of Catholic Scouting in the Diocese. Catholic Scouts who have completed work on their religious emblems in the past year will be recognized. Units are encouraged to attend as a group and display their unit flags. A light reception will follow. Information on the religious emblems program and on the Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting will be available. The Mass fulfills the Sunday obligation. No registration is necessary; however, units planning to attend are asked to contact Diocesan Scout Chaplain Father George E. Saletrik at 412-372-4577, ext. 205, or gsaletrik@dioceseofgreensburg.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.

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