St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671

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St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

May 14, 2023

Welcome to All

6th Sunday of Easter

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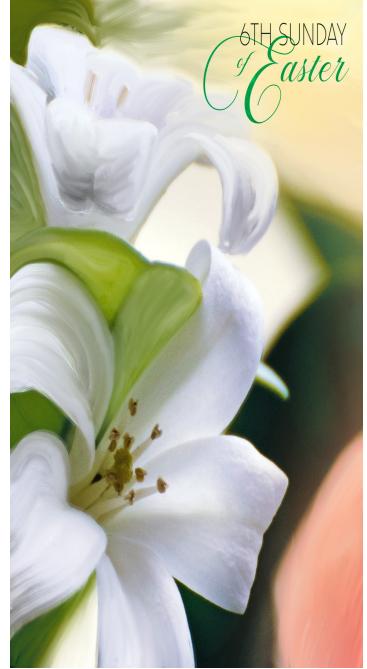
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Ted Watkins, Custodian, St. Martin Becky Ellenberger, Custodian, St. Joseph

Knights of Columbus #2648



St. Joseph and St. Martin Partner Parishes, Derry



Mass Matentions

<u>Saturday, May 13</u>

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Cel Repak by Denise & Jim Hoffman

Sunday, May 14

9:00 AM, St. Martin + Stanley & Joanne Gabrys by Family

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

Monday, May 15

6:00 PM, St. Martin, + Ann Pennesi by family

<u>Tuesday, May 16</u>

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Helen Minni by Amy & Rick Supko

Wednesday, May 17 - Ascension, Vigil Mass 6:00 PM, St. Joseph + Boyd A. Gaul, birthday by wife, Joanne & family

Thursday, May 18 - Ascension of the Lord

8:00 AM, St. Martin + Betty Myers by Doris Eagle house

<u>Friday, May 19</u> 8:00 AM, St. Martin, + Armand Razza by Larry & Linda Wilders

Saturday, May 20

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Helen Vitale, birthday by daughters

<u>Sunday, May 21</u> 9:00 AM, St. Martin - Mass for our Parishioners

10:30 AM, St. Joseph + Scott Hoffman by brothers & sisters

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Monday Memorial of St. Isidore the Farmer Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4

Tuesday Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7 c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday Saint John I, Pope and Martyr Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20 **Friday** Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest, Religious Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28

St. Martin Sanctuary Candle In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from May 14 through May 20 in loving memory of Mary Malarick Requested by Gerri

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle

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Ministry Schedule May 20th & 21st

Wednesday, May 17, St. Joseph 6:00 pm Ascension Vigil Mass Eucharistic Minister: Sheryl Stercho Lector: Theresa Bundy Altar Servers: Ava Beeman, Logan Sledge

Ascension Thursday, May 18, St. Martin 8:00 am

Eucharistic Minister: Ed Jones Lector: Celeste Stoltz-Jones

Saturday, May 20, St. Joseph 5:00 pm Eucharistic Minister: Cory Koutsky Lector: Ami Akins Altar Servers: Camden Petrunak, Nikala Levrio

Sunday, May 21, St. Martin 9:00 am Eucharistic Minister: Penny Westrick Lector: Celeste Stoltz-Jones

Sunday, May 21, St. Joseph 10:30 am Eucharistic Minister: Ron Hutchison Lector: Joanne Gaul Altar Servers: Brailey Polo, Logan Sledge



IN SYMPATHY

Sincere Sympathy is offered to the family of **Alfred Diana**, father of Paula McNerney of St. Joseph Parish who died recently. May the perpetual light shine upon his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed.

As we observe MOTHER'S DAY this weekend, I want to express my profound admiration for those who sacrifice so much for their children. We have a tendency to celebrate many people in life but no one has a more pivotal role than a mother. With grateful hearts, we gather around God's Altar to offer our Prayer of Thanksgiving for the great blessing that our mothers are to our lives, and we commend to His tender care those mothers who have died and gone before us on faith. We pray that God may grant them eternal rest in that Kingdom that they have helped us to glimpse through their sacrificial love on earth.

Thanks to the families who have brought framed pictures of their Mothers and Grandmothers, for display on the windowsills at St. Joseph during the month of May.

Mother's Day Prayer

Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

St. Martin Gets New Roof on Social Hall:

I want to share some good news of things happening at our church. A beautiful new roof was installed on the St. Martin Social Hall on the May 5 - 6, 2023. This was needed after the social hall roof was damaged during a severe windstorm that ripped through our region several weeks ago. The color of the new shingle is called "Colonial Slate" and looks great. Roof repairs were also completed on damages incurred to the Church fascia, rectory and back storage building.

The costs will be covered by insurance with a \$1000. 00 deductible. As previously mentioned, the rectory roof will need to be replaced sooner than later.

We congratulate Sr. Charlene Ozanick, CSSF (Congregation of the Sisters of St. Felix of Cantalice) on her dedication to the Lord as a Felician Franciscan Sister, for 60 years!! May the Lord continue to be your strength!

We began our festive day with Holy Mass at St. Anne Home on Sunday, May 7th. We are so grateful to the three priests who con-celebrated at Mass. After a beautiful and uplifting Eucharistic Feast we shared a meal together with all of the Sisters at Rizzo's Restaurant in Crabtree. Parishioners are welcome to share a congratulatory note to Sr. Charlene.

Happy Mother's Day! Fr. Sam



Offertory Collection for May 7, 2023

St. Joseph Offertory

\$ 3,700.00
3,990.00
566.00
856.00
166,500.00
205,433.00
\$ 38,933.00
\$ 2,500.00
2,840.00
1,355.00
4,754.00
6,449.00
112,500.00
151,153.00
\$ 38,653.00
\$ \$

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 May 21, 2023

<u>St. Joseph - Team 3</u> Lorraine Opatka Debbie Rick Marsha Maljan <u>St. Martin - Team 6</u> Joyce Spangler Penny Westrick Ron Westrick



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

ST. MARTIN: Angela Bailas, Pamela Esposito, Matthew Gruska and Dolly Stiffler

<u>ST. JOSEPH</u>: Joseph Angus, Mary Anna Bridge, Samuel Lavsa, Rosemary Yunetz and Abigail Kozar

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, Chuck DeRito, 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			
05/06/23			
Diocesan Goal	\$13,660.00		
Pledges	24,556.00		
Amount Paid	21,576.00		
Number of Households	187		
Number of Donors	93		
Participation	49.7%		

Diocesan Lenten Appea	1 2023
St. Joseph	
05/06/23	
Diocesan Goal	<u>\$22,834.00</u>
Pledges	26,616.00
Amount Paid	21,355.00
Number of Households	282
Number of Donors	117
Participation %	41.5%

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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 QUICK 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 Clearances must be submitted no later than May 19, 2023. Any questions, please call the office, 724-694-5359.

Bethlehem Christian Families Visiting Our Partner Parishes:

On May 27 and 28 following all masses, Roni Salsa, representing the Bethlehem Christian Families, a not -for-profit organization through Land of Peace, will be with us to speak about the Christina situation in the Holy Land. The goal of this mission is to help Christian families in the Holy Land and Churches in the Middle East who have been affected by the continuous violence and the depletion of tourist to the area. Crucifixes, rosaries, and religious articles, all made of Olive Wood, which is native to the Holy land and Bethlehem, are available to purchase. The sale of these goods will help them very much and will give you the opportunity to have something "authentic" from the Holy Land to help your personal devotion. For more information, please see www.bcfmission.com))

Donations made to St. Vincent de Paul Society for April were:

St. Joseph - \$387.00 and St. Martin - \$283.00 for a total of \$670.00. Thank you to all who contribute to this worth cause to help so many people.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23rd at St. Joseph, 6:30 pm

ST. JOSEPH ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Thank You!!</u>

The St. Joseph Altar Rosary Society would like to thank all that volunteered to help with the Spring Meals on Wheels. Also all who gave monetary donations. 220 bagged lunches were made for the Latrobe and Derry Meals on Wheels. God bless all.

ST. MARTIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Martin RAS Meeting

St. Martin Rosary Altar Society will hold their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, May 23 at 6:00 pm**. New members are always welcome to join. A reminder that there will be **no meetings** in June or July.

Bus trip to Sight and Sound Theatre's 'Moses'

St. Paul Parish, Greensburg, is planning a bus trip to the Sight and Sound Theater, Lancaster, to see "Moses" **Friday, June 23**. Cost is \$178. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. The trip will include an Amish-style dinner at Plain & Fancy. Participants can register, pay the deposit and sign waivers at https:// scholasticatravel.groupcollect.com/go/15477a. For information, call 724-989-6034.

Holy Family 19th Annual Bike Blessing

This year marks our 19th year of blessing the bikes and their riders and families. This will take place on **Sunday, May 21, 11:45 am** in the parking lot of Christ the Divine Teacher School at Holy Family Church. Please contact Chuck DeRito for information 724-694-5666 or 724-454-5768. You may contact him also at Cderito@aol.com.

Parish Renewal Event

Priests, deacons invited to Unlocked parish renewal event. Bishop Mark L. Bartchak of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese invites priests and deacons from the Diocese of Greensburg to attend a special oneday parish renewal event called Unlocked Tuesday, **June 20, at Our Mother of Sorrows Parish**, Johnstown. For details and to register, visit divinerenovation.org/events.

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.⁺

<u>Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct</u> <u>PA Mandated Reporter Training</u> * <u>VIRTUS Training</u> <u>PA Criminal History Check Form</u> - Every Five Years <u>PA Child Abuse Form</u> - Every Five Years

<u>New volunteers could use the affidavit so long as they have had a continual connection with the parish and have maintained a residence in PA for 10 years. Thus a move out of the parish or the State for over one year would require a new FBI Clearance to be obtained.</u>

<u>FBI Fingerprint Check</u> - 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.

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

Rummage Sale

Derry Presbyterian Church 108 Presby Way, Derry, Pa. Rummage Sale Saturday, **June 3, 2023 8:00 A.M.** – 4:00 P.M. rain or shine! \$2.00 Hot Dogs/sauerkraut 50¢ bottled water.

St. Bart's \$6,500 Ticket

St. Bartholomew's in Crabtree, PA will be selling a \$6,500 Cash Give-A-Way Ticket to help support Our Lady Of Mount Carmel 2023 Festival. Tickets are **\$10 each**. The winning number will be taken from the 7:00 PM Pick 3 PA daily Evening Lottery Number on **Saturday**, **July 29th** of 2023. If you're interested in purchasing or selling these tickets. Please contact Philomena Self at the Parish Office at 724-834-0709.



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@dioceseofgreensbu rg.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.