# St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671

# Partner Parishes of the Diocese of Greensburg

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

# 125 SOUTH LIGONIER ST. DERRY PA 15627

Partner Parish Office 724-694-5359 St. Martin Rectory 724-739-0769 Fax: 724-694-6215

Partner Parish Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday: 9AM to 3PM
Closed Wednesday & Friday
WEBSITE: www.stmartinstjoseph.org

# St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

**August 27, 2023** 

Welcome to All

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### PARTNER PARISH STAFF

Rev. Salvatore Lamendola, Pastor slamendola@dioceseofgreensburg.org

**Deacon Drew DeCrease** ddecrease@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Sr. Charlene Ozanick, CSSF, Pastoral Associate cozanick@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Joanne Gaul, Secretary jgaul@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Karen Novello, Financial Secretary knovello@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Kristin Kozar, Director of Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation

kkozar@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Theresa Miedel, Partner Parish Web Coordinator: tmiedel@dioceseofgreensburg.org

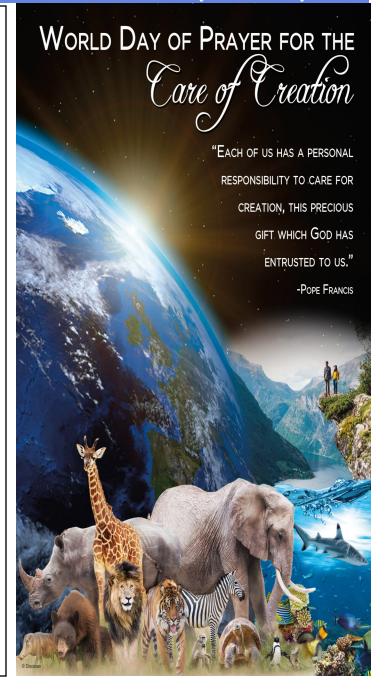
Dolly Stiffler, Music Director (St. Martin) Madlyn DeRito, Music Director & Financial Secretary (St. Joseph) mderito@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Tish Rossi, Sacristan, St. Joseph Suzanne Skacel, Sacristan, St. Martin

Rich Hamrock, Maintenance Supervisor

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





# Mass Intentions

<u>Saturday, Aug. 26, 21st Sunday in Ordinary time</u> 5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Helen Caviggia by Sheila Tedley

Sunday, Aug. 27

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

10:30 m, St. Joseph + Sheila Lester by Joe, Joey, Ashley & Kristy

Monday, Aug. 28

6:00 PM, St. Martin + Betty Myers by Mary Lou Shumaker

Tuesday, Aug. 29

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Martha McGinnis by Jim & Lisa McCallen

Thursday, Aug. 31

8:00 AM, St. Joseph + Paul & Betty Gray by Karen & family

Friday, Sept. 1

8:00 AM, St. Martin + Ann Pennesi by Linda & Joe Angus

# <u>Saturday, Sept. 2 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary</u> time

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Janet Eleswich by Susie Flickenger

Sunday, Sept. 3

9:00 AM, St. Martin + Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus & St. Martin Rosary Altar Society

10:30 m, St. Joseph - Mass for the Parishioners

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Monday Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist** 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17 -29

**Wednesday** 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday** 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 & 17; Mt 24:42-51

**Friday** 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 & 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday** 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

## St. Martin Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from Aug. 27 through Sept. 2 in honor of **Armand Razza** 

Requested by his wife, Mary

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle
In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ,
the Sanctuary Candle will burn from
Aug. 27 through Sept. 2 in honor of

Sheila Lester

Requested by Joe, Joey, Ashley & Kristie & family

## Ministry Schedule Sept. 2nd & 3rd

Saturday, Sept. 2nd, St. Joseph 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Minister: Tish Rossi

Lector: Ami Akins

Altar Server: Emily Laughlin

Sunday, Sept. 3rd, St. Martin 9:00 am

Eucharistic Minister: Knights of Columbus

Lector: Knights of Columbus

Sunday, Sept. 3rd, St. Joseph 10:30 am

Eucharistic Minister: Tish Rossi

Lector: Theresa Bundy

Altar Server: Ava Beeman, Nikala Levrio

### **IN SYMPATHY**



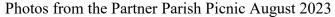
We commend to your prayers *Melissa Vitale Edmonds*, of St. Joseph, sister of Selma Patterson who died recently. May God welcome her to the joys of paradise and bring comfort and peace to her family.

Partner Parish Picnic a Huge Success!

Almost one hundred and fifty parishioners, including a great work team, attended the successful Partner Parish Picnic on a gorgeous Sunday last weekend. We are grateful to all who attended. We are also grateful to the many who helped plan and prepare, executed the plan and cleaned-up from the picnic. Special thanks go to the Pastoral Council, the Knights of Columbus and the Rosarians for their work. We also thank the families who brought covered dishes and a great array of desserts and those who remained to support the clean-up work. We are grateful to Dino's Sports Lounge for their generous donation of dozens of famous and super tasty chicken wings and Cokeville Produce for the watermelon fruit tray along with the condiments such as onions, peppers and tomatoes for the grilled meats. It truly was a great day for our Partner Parishes. We will be planning for next year in September.

May Jesus Christ be praised and glorified. Amen Fr. Sam

Pastor's Pun: What did the zookeeper use to unlock the cage? A monkey wrench.











#### Offertory Collection for Aug. 20, 2023 NEW FISCAL YEAR

St. Joseph Offertory

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 3,700.00
Actual Weekly Offering 08/20	2,505.00
Other Income	89.00
Difference this week	(1,106.00)
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	29,600.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	31,159.00
Year to date difference	\$ 1,559.00

St. Martin Offertory

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 2,500.00
Actual Weekly Offering 08/20	2,208.00
Other Income	86.00
Difference this week	(206.00)
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	20,000.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	19,248.00
Year to Date Difference	\$ (752.00)

THANK YOU for your stewardship!

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

### **Back to School Prayer**

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the gift of my child/children You have entrusted to my care. Please watch over them as they begin a new school year. Bless their teachers, school administrators, bus drivers, school support staff, friends and classmates.

Keep them safe every day. I pray they may feel Your presence and know that You are always with them. Help them recall my loving words of support for them. Give them wisdom to make good choices, and an openness to learn new things. Fill them with knowledge and positive thinking. Help them overcome obstacles and shield them from negativity. Surround my child/children with good friends who also know and love You. Help them treat each other with kindness, fairness, and respect. May they treat each person they encounter as another child of God. Grant them the Grace to place their trust in You so they may know Your peace. Amen

# Counters-Sunday Sept. 3, 2023

St. Joseph - Team 3St. Martin - Team 3Debbie RickJoe SledgeLorraine OpatkaDeb BlotzerMarsha MaljanCary Blotzer



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

ST. MARTIN: Ray Byers, Ashley Curcio, Justin Ray and Mary Lou Shumaker

ST. JOSEPH: Sally Baran, John Gruska, Krissi Hoopes, Callista Kmecak, Corrine Koutsky, Michael Mastrorocco, Greg Moore, Margaret Schrum and Sheridan Sisitki

Please pray for the wholeness and healing of:

Jean Beason, Cathy Bridge, Dave Bridge, Frannie Campbell, Joe Caugherty, Mary Covin, Marnie Darazio, Alanna DeRito-Gaudiello, Chuck DeRito, Lisa Davis, Bronco Figuerora, Cindi Frank, Peggy Jasper, John Joyce, Larry Lowden, Deora Matvey, Odin, Reagan,& Lennon Mealy, Ron Menzie, 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





### PARTNER PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Altar Server Training Sessions**

Altar Server Training Serving at the altar of the Lord is a very privileged and important role within the Church. As an altar server, young people can participate in the Mass in a very special way while also learning the values of service and reverence. Any child who has received First Communion and will be entering the 4th grade or beyond, is eligible to become an altar server. Fr. Sam will be holding the first of several training sessions at on **Saturday**, September 9, 10-11 AM at St. Martin: Saturday, September 16th 10-11 am at St. Joseph and on Saturday, September 30th 10-11 am at St. Jo**seph.** New servers are required to attend three sessions. Current servers are required to attend one session. Please contact Sr. Charlene and provide your child's name, phone number, email, parent(s)/ guardian(s) names, and the session(s) which you plan to attend.

#### Money Counters Needed at St. Joseph

Two more counters needed for to help count the weekly collection. If you're interested please call the parish office 724-694-5359. Clearances needed.

#### **Lector Training for Current Lectors**

There will be a one hour training for current Lectors at St. Joseph on September 19 from 7 to 8 pm and on September 21st from 7 to 8 pm for St., Martin.

#### AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Divorce Support Group meeting St. Vincent** 

St. Vincent Basilica Parish, Latrobe, will hold a 13-session DivorceCare support group on Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. at St. Vincent Parish Grove beginning Sept. 13. Through the group discussions, members accompany one another while working through the grief, doubt, anger and stress of ending a marriage. Group size is limited to 10. To register, visit divorcecare.org/groups/170938/registrations/new. For more information, contact Teri Pomerleau at tpomerleau@DioceseofGreensburg.org or 724-539-8629, ext. 15.

#### **Bereavement Support Group**

Bereavement support group meets at Mother of Sorrows Parish, Murrysville Two bereavement support opportunities are planned at Mother of Sorrows Parish, Murrysville: **Tuesdays** beginning **Sept. 12 from 6:30-8 p.m.**, and **Wednesdays** beginning **Sept. 13 from 1-2:30 p.m.** The group will meet weekly through Oct. 24. For more information or to register, call 724-733-8870.

#### St. Monica's Tears Holy Hour

The Jeannette Catholic Community will host a St. Monica's Tears Holy Hour Thursday, Aug. 31, at 7 p.m. at Ascension Parish. Just as St. Monica prayed for the conversion of her son, Augustine, we will be praying for our loved ones who have left the church. The Holy Hour will consist of Eucharistic Adoration, praying of psalms, hymns and silent prayer. Light refreshments will follow. For more information, call 724-523-2560.

#### <u>Italian Day Food Sale St. Rita Parish,</u> <u>Connellsville</u>

The Christian Mothers of St. Rita Parish, Connells-ville, will host an Italian Day sale **Friday**, **Sept. 1**, **from 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m**. in the social hall. Three dinners will be available for dining in or takeout: spaghetti with two meatballs, manicotti with two meatballs, and eggplant parmesan with a side of spaghetti and one meatball. All dinners include salad, roll and cake. Pizza will also be available.

#### Bingo Sept. 10 at St. Cecilia Parish

St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, will hold its monthly bingo **Sunday**, **Sept. 10**, in the parish hall. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. and bingo begins at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be available. Upcoming dates are **Oct. 1**, **Nov. 5** and **Dec. 3**. For information, call 724-423-3777.

#### **Cancer Support Group Meetings**

Cancer support group meets monthly at St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City. The St. Peregrine cancer support group meets monthly (usually the third Wednesday at 7 p.m.) at St. Barbara Parish, Harrison City. All cancer survivors and caregivers are welcome. The next meetings are Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 20 and Jan. 17.

#### **Tickets for Catholic Charities' Dinner**

Join Catholic Charities and Bishop Larry J. Kulick for the third annual Farm to Table Dinner, a celebration of bounty and fellowship, **Wednesday**, **Oct. 4**, **from 6-9 p.m.** at Cavallo Fields, Pleasant Unity. Cost is \$125 per person. Seating is limited. Proceeds benefit Catholic Charities' services in the four counties of the Diocese. Menu and registration information can be found at ccharitiesgreensburg.org.

# The Eucharist



"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"... these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching?

# Discovering the Mass through the Bible.

Dr. Brant Pitre guides us through Scripture and the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching.

Join us for this 10-part Lectio Series on the Eucharist.

\*



Stunned Disciples: Their Perspective of Jesus' Death and Resurrection

Stunned Disciples, is Thursday, September 21, 2023 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Events are being held at 9:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

#### 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.

> **SPONSOR** MOORE & BECKER **GREENSBURG**

#### CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES LAW AS A REMINDER! PROTECTING GOD'S **CHILDREN!**

All those who volunteer in church ministry are required to obtain the Diocesan requirements for the PA Child Protection Services Law. The requirements and links can be found on the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org.

#### The 6 requirements are:

- 1) PA Criminal Record Check
- 2) Child Abuse History Clearance
- 3) Volunteer Fingerprint Affidavit
- 4) Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct
- 5) Mandated Reporter Training Online
- 6) Virtus/Protecting God's Children