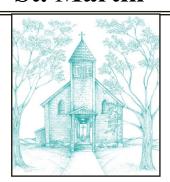
St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671

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St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

September 17, 2023

Welcome to All

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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lass Untentions

Saturday, Sept. 16 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary time

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Steve Gaul by Gloria Weppelman

Sunday, Sept. 17

9:00 AM, St. Martin + John Stahovec by nephew, Sean Bolish & family

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

Monday, Sept. 18

6:00 PM, St. Martin + Dorothy Demary by DeMary Family

Tuesday, Sept. 19

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Scott Maljan by father Rick Malian

Thursday, Sept. 21

8:00 AM, St. Joseph + William N. Moore by Mary & Family

Friday, Sept. 22

8:00 AM, St. Martin+ Catherine Pritts by Doris Eaglehouse

Saturday, Sept. 23 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Helen Minni by Amy & Rich Supko

Sunday, Sept. 24

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

10:30 AM, St. Joseph + Melissa Endmonds by Theresa Bundy

St. Martin Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ. the Sanctuary Candle will burn from Sept. 17 through Sept. 23 in memory of

John Stahovec

Requested by Gene & Liz Fannie

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from Sept. 17 through Sept. 23 in memory of

Rvan Ersick

Requested by his grandma, Jo

Ministry Schedule Sept. 23rd & 24th

Saturday, Sept. 23rd, St. Joseph 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Minister: Bill Robertson

Lector: Tom Sylvester Altar Server: Rachel Lloyd

Sunday, Sept. 24th, St. Martin 9:00 am

Eucharistic Minister: Suzanne Skacel

Lector: Celeste Stoltz-Jones

Sunday, Sept. 24th, St. Joseph 10:30 am

Eucharistic Minister: Sheryl Stercho

Lector: Betty Wechtenhiser Altar Server: Logan Sledge

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Monday 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, Companions, Mar-

Thursday Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13 Friday 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 8:4-15

This is Catechetical Sunday and I would like to address my comments this weekend concerning our Religious Education Programs, which will begin on Wednesday, October 4th, 2003. Our Religious Education program is available for all parishioners who attend public schools.

You cannot be strong in your faith if you do not know your faith. Here we are committed to teach that faith. Religious Education classes are designed to help all parents raise their children in the Catholic faith.

Once again, Mrs. Kristin Kozar, Director of Faith Formation Catechetical will manage our faith formation program for the students of St. Martin and St. Joseph.

We are all growing in our faith and learning how to express our faith in our lives. When young children are baptized, their parents are blessed as the first teachers of faith to their children. Children bring insights into our faith that can teach those of us who are older. Catechists help us to learn what the Church teaches about our faith. Lay men and women give witness to their faith and help to inspire in us vital expression of faith, that we may draw others to Christ. Thank you to all who will participate in our faith formation opportunities during 2023-2024.

Let us not forget that when parents make a decision to have their children baptized in the Catholic Church, there is a part in the ceremony that is quite clear. The priest or deacon says, "you are accepting the responsibility of training them in the practice of the faith." That responsibility includes regular attendance at Mass and enrolling them in the CCD programs or perhaps in Catholic School. It is also where First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation instruction takes place.

To be eligible to receive any of these sacraments, regular attendance at CCD is an expectation. The diocesan policy is clear in that in order to receive the Sacraments of Initiation; those of First Holy Communion and Confirmation, students are to have a year of prior faith-formation prior to receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.

Glory be to Jesus Christ. Amen

Pastor's Pun: What's the only bone that can play music?

A trombone.

Offertory Collection for Sept. 10, 2023

St.	Joseph	Offertory

Weekly Budget Need			\$ 3,700.00
Actual Weekly Offering 09/10			2,713.00
	Other Income	09/10	495.00
	DLA Refund	09/10	5,901.00
	Difference this week	09/10	5,409.00
	Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need		40,700.00
	Fiscal Year to Date Actual		46,914.00
	Year to date difference		\$ 6,214.00

St. Martin Offertory

Weekly Budget Need			2,500.00
Actual Weekly Offering	09/10		2,292.00
Other Income	09/10		565.00
Difference this week			357.00
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need			27,500.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual			27,679.00
Year to Date Difference			179.00

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 Sept. 24, 2023

St. Martin - Team 6
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: Darryl Chemski, Shirley Dietrick, Kathy Eaglehouse, Suzanne Skacel

ST. JOSEPH: David Brindle, Patricia Geary, Charlene George, Steven Klim, Xavier Merlin, Derrick Mullen, Nancy O'Hara

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, Cathy McGeary, 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

Evening of Recollection

St. Martin Rosary Altar Society will have their annual Evening of Recollection on Monday Oct. 2, 2023. The guest speaker is Msgr. James Gaston, a retired priest of the Diocese of Greensburg who will be joined by our Pastor, Fr. Sam. The Evening of Recollection will begin at 4:30 with the recitation of the Rosary along with the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Holy Mass begins at 5:00 pm followed by a festive dinner in the church social hall. Cost is \$21. Any questions please contact Mary Jane Voyten (724-694-8532) or Suzanne Skacel(724-244-0764).

St. Martin Rosary Altar Society Meeting

There will be a change of date for the St. Martin Rosary Altar Society meeting for September. The date this month will be on **Tuesday**, **September 19th at 6:00 pm**.

Lector Training for Current Lectors

There will be a mandatory "Refresher Session" for all current lectors, led by Sister Charlene. For lectors of St. Joseph Parish, the session will be in the church Tuesday, on September 19th at 7:00 p.m. Lectors from St. Martin Parish, will meet in church on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Annual Blue Mass

An annual Blue Mass will be held at St. Joseph Church, 125 S. Ligonier St, Derry, Pa on **Tuesday**, **Sept. 26**, **at 6 pm.** The Blue Mass honors all Police Officers, Firefighters and Public Safety Professionals. All are welcome to attend. For more information please call the parish office.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Salt and Light Award Nominations

Do you know an individual or organization worthy of recognition for their time, treasure and talent? If so, we want to hear from you! Catholic Charities is seeking nominees in the categories of Humanitarianism, Philanthropy and Outstanding Human Service Organization. Nominations are being accepted through Oct. 31 for the 24th annual Communities of Salt & Light Awards Dinner. The dinner is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2024, at Stratigos Banquet Centre, North Huntingdon. Nomination forms and criteria can be found at ccharitiesgreensburg.org under "Fundraisers.

The Last Supper and the Gift of the Eucharist

Join us for a one-of-a-kind experience about the Last Supper mural painted by Leonardo Da Vinci! Vatican art Historian Dr. Elizabeth Lev recorded a captivating talk for you about the scriptural nuance of this historic piece of art. This is a wonderful opportunity to immerse yourself in the Eucharist! We will have this event here at St. Bartholomew's in Crabtree PA (2538 State Route 119, Crabtree, PA 15624) on Saturday September 23rd at 6:30 PM and on Sunday, September 24th at Noon in Marian Hall. Feel free to bring a covered dish to our Saturday evening event. We will have a covered dish dinner at 6:00 PM. We hope to see you there!

Christ the Divine Teacher School Craft Show

Christ the Divine Teacher School will be having a Craft/Vendor show in their school parking lot on **October 7, 2023 from 10:00AM to 3:00PM**. All are welcome to attend. If interested in being a vendor, please contact Mylene Nguyen at (724) 219-8097 or email her at Lostinthought619@gmail.com Please come out and support our school!

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.

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@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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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