St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671

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St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

November 5, 2023

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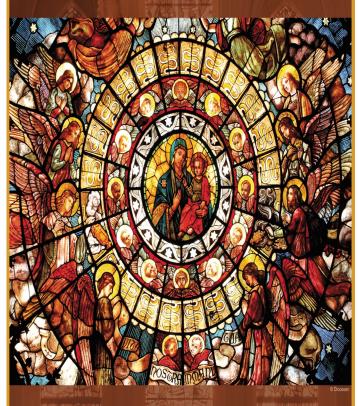
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St. Joseph and St. Martin Partner Parishes, Derry

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

NATIONAL VOCATIONS Awareness Week



I, then, a prisoner for the lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the gall you have received.

Ephesians 4:1



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Mass Matentions

<u>Saturday, Nov. 4th - 31st Sunday in Ordinary</u> Time

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Mary Ann Lester by Pat, Sue, Patrick & Emily

Sunday, Nov. 5th

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

10:30 AM, St. Joseph + Robert & Karen Klym by Mary Rellick

Monday, Nov. 6th

6:00 PM, St. Martin + Andrew Werner by Rose Henky

<u>Tuesday, Nov. 7th</u> 8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Richard Ashley by Pat Geary

Thursday, Nov. 9th

8:00 AM, St. Joseph + Melissa Edmonds by Joanne Gaul

<u>Friday, Nov. 10th</u> 8:00 AM, St. Martin + John Free by wife, Stella

Saturday, Nov. 11th - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary <u>Time</u> 5:00 PM, St. Joseph + John M. Stercho by wife,

Sheryl <u>Sunday, Nov. 12th</u> 9:00 AM, St. Martin + Teanie Novello by family

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

<u>St. Martin Sanctuary Candle</u> In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ, the Sanctuary Candle will burn from Nov. 5 through Nov. 11 in memory of **Anna Marie & Eugene Radacosky** Requested by daughter Joyce

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle

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Ministry Schedule Nov. 11th & Nov. 12th

Saturday, Nov. 11, St. Joseph 5:00 pm Eucharistic Minister: Tish Tomlinson Lector: Sharon Ritenour Altar Server: Camden Petrunak

Sunday, Nov. 12, St. Martin 9:00 am Eucharistic Minister: Marge Bolish Lector: Brian Schmucker

Sunday, Nov. 12, St. Joseph 10:30 am Eucharistic Minister: Tim Dalton Lector: Joanne Gaul Altar Servers: Matt Dalton, Logan Sledge

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1, 2, 3; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

Monday Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday Rom 12:5-16ab; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2,4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Friday Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15

Father Sam's Corner

Month of November:

It might be tempting to think that November has everything to do with pumpkin spice and getting ready for all-things Black Friday. But The Church has something more to impress upon our hearts – the importance of the end of the Church year. This is the month we remember

Jesus Christ's Second Coming and all those who have died. We even keep a special book in the main narthex called The Book of the Names of the Dead also referred to as the Book of Remembrance. This practice helps to offer us the opportunity for healing and consolation in the face of grief. It is left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls. Remembering those who have gone before us, "marked with the sign of faith," helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in the Christ our Risen Lord who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all.

This month is dedicated to keeping in prayer the beloved souls in purgatory. Out of love, remember to keep in prayer to our God who saves!

Increased Offertory Campaign:

All parishioners should have received in the mail a handy and colorful brochure which contains a snapshot of the Annual Report of the past three years, various parish ministries, events along with introductory letter. The brochure serves as a positive tool to help incentivize

parishioners to continue the practice of sacrificial giving particularly in the key areas of time, talent and treasure. That being said, I wish to draw your attention to the last two sentences of Paragraph 3 of the letter since a few important editorial corrections are in order for the last two sentences are inaccurate. This inaccuracy was mentioned in both brochures.

For example, St. Martin the paragraph should read as follows: Your donations helped us to completely replace the roof on the church social hall which sustained extensive wind damage over the summer. It is also important to note that the worn, dated carpeting in in both the first floor and basement of the rectory was removed and replaced with new vinyl flooring.

For St. Joseph: Your donations helped us to make much-needed repairs to the Saint Joseph Parish Cemetery Chapel. Significant time, talent and treasure was expended in power-washing, repainting the entire St. Joseph Cemetery Chapel and surrounding grounds in proximity of the Chapel. Furthermore, the long awaited and anticipated Vertical messaging board is now prominently displayed in church entrance. Removing of years of accumulated dust and debris. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know!

As we invest our faith today in a hope for an even brighter future, we invite all parish families to consider coming on board boldly, participating fully, actively, and consciously as the mother Church teaches. Come as we journey together, to invest in our faith and invest in our future. Thank you very much for your Prayers, Commitment, Generosity and Willingness to journey together as the Partner Parishes of St. Martin and St. Joseph.

Glory and Praise to Jesus Christ. Amen Fr. Sam

Pastor's Pun: What did the farmer say after his tractor broke down? That's the last straw.

Offertory Collection for Oct. 29, 2023

St. Joseph Offertory

\$ 3,700.00
2,159.00
47.00
(1,494.00)
66,600.00
70,930.00
4,330.00
\$ 2,500.00
1,605.00
96.00
(799.00)
45,000.00
43,237.00
(1,763.00)
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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 Nov. 12, 2023

<u>St. Joseph - Team 3</u> Debbie Rick Marsha Maljan Loraine Opatka <u>St. Martin - Team 1</u> Judy Revitsky Linda Angus Mary Jane Voyten



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

ST. MARTIN: Linda Angus, Dino Decario, Kathy Lavsa, Joseph Sledge and Sylas Smoker

<u>ST. JOSEPH</u>: Mary Hall, Brett Klim, Kenneth Klim, Iyla Kozar, Natalie McClaren, Daniel Moffa, Tyler Sledge, Alexander Tomalewski and Arlene Wingard

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, Mary Lou Gunsallus, Peggy Jasper, John Joyce, Lala Leilani, 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

Knights of Columbus Winners

D.J. Hoopes and Carol Hill were the winners of the Knights of Columbus Sheetz gift cards. Thank you to all who continue to buy/sell the tickets. It is greatly appreciated.

ST. MARTIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Martin's Coat & Food Drive

St. Martin Rosary Altar Society will be conducting their annual coat drive in honor of St. Martin of Tours. They will also be conducting a food drive **Nov. 5 through the 26**. All items will be delivered to the Derry High School. <u>Please do not donate</u> <u>expired items as these cannot be used</u>. Please leave coats and food in the Social Hall before and after Mass on Sunday. he social hall will be open from 8 - 11 am for donations to be dropped off.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Support Ukrainian Refugee Fund

Support is needed for the Ukrainian Refugee Fund administered by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg, which provides assistance to individuals and families who have been forced to leave their homelands because of war. Visit ccharitiesgreensburg.org/donate/donate-now/ to donate. More than 100 families are on a waiting list to resettle in Western Pennsylvania.

CUSTODIAN POSITION OPEN

The Parish of SS. Simon & Jude, Blairsville, has an opening for a custodian. This position will be parttime, with **approximately 25 hours per week**. For more information or if interested in this position, please call the parish office at 724.459-7103.

Religious Education Classes Offered

St. James Parish, New Alexandria, is holding fall/ winter religious education classes Tuesday evenings for children in kindergarten through fifth grade (5:30 -7 p.m.) and sixth-eighth grade (7-8 p.m.). Cost is \$10 per child. To register, visit stjamesnewalexandria.org or call 724-668-2829

Family adoration night at St. James Parish

A family adoration night is planned **Friday**, **Nov. 10**, **at 6 p.m.** at St. James Parish, New Alexandria. The hour will feature praise and worship music, a Gospel reading, homily and time for silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. A reception will follow in the social hall.

St. Anne Home Selling Lottery Calendars

St. Anne Home, Greensburg, is selling lottery calendars for 2024, with chances to win all year. Cost is \$30. To purchase, call 724-837-6070.

"Come to the Feast"

"Come to the Feast," an intergenerational event, is planned **Sunday, Nov. 12, from 10:30 a.m.-noon** at St. James Parish, New Alexandria. Those attending can learn about the saints, view relics and discuss the resurrection of our Lord.

Art exhibit opens Nov. 18 at Saint Vincent

"One Man's Interpretation of Christian Expression," an exhibit of the work of New Alexandria artist and art conservator Jeffrey P. Rouse, will open **Saturday**, **Nov. 18, at the Saint Vincent Gristmill**, Latrobe. Hours for the opening are 7-10 p.m. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 23 during regular Gristmill hours, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Christ Our Shepherd Center Available

Hold your post-sacramental gathering at the beautifully renovated Christ Our Shepherd Center, conveniently located on Route 30, east of Greensburg. You can select a caterer and specific menu for events, including receptions or meals after baptisms, first Communions, confirmations, weddings, ordinations and funerals. For information or to reserve a date and room, visit christourshepherdcenter.org or call 724-834-7350

Life-Way Family Center

Life-Way Pregnancy & Family Center located at 1516 Ligonier St., Latrobe are open to assist all people with the following counseling & educational services: Pregnancy & Birth Lessons, Birthing Classes, Parenting through the Milestones, Life Skills Group Classes, Fatherhood lessons and Co-parenting Lessons. Go to Lifewayfamilies.org.

Ugly Christmas Sweater Race

St. Bartholomew Church in Crabtree will be holding their 5th annual Ugly Christmas Sweater 5K Run & 2 Mile Walk on **Saturday, Dec. 2nd!** Race day registration and packet pick up begins at 9am and the race begins at 11am. Registration is open on <u>runsignup.com</u> or call our parish office 724-834-0709 for a paper form. Sponsorship opportunities are also available! Please email Julie at julesann97@gmail with any questions. Thank you for your continued support and we can't wait to see you at this year's race!

Catholic Trivia Night

St. Bartholomew in Crabtree PA (2538 State Route 119, Crabtree PA, 15624) will be hosting Stinger Trivia on **Friday November 17th at 7:00 PM** in Marian Hall. Please come out for a night of fun and prizes. Trivia night is free for all to attend. You are welcome to bring your own food and/ or snacks. There will also be limited items to purchase, 50/50 and more. All proceeds will benefit our Christmas pageant. Any questions or for more information please contact Rose Holtzer at 724-217-2224 or rmh3@ymail.com or the Parish Office at 724-834-0709.

Solemn Vespers planned for fall at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg

Faithful from the Diocese of Greensburg are invited to participate in Solemn Vespers at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg, on **Sunday, Nov. 12, at 6 p.m.** The evening prayer will include adoration and benediction.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed: Catholic Charities and pregnancy centers are in need of volunteers. Contact local centers or call Catholic Charities at 724-552-2619 for information.

Rosary recited Wednesdays in Latrobe

The Holy Family Parish, Latrobe, Rosary Society recites the rosary, with Eucharistic adoration, **Wednesdays from 2-3 p.m**. in the Adoration

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 <u>www.dioceseofgreensburg.org</u>.

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

Christmas Night Market and Mass with Bishop The Diocese of Greensburg Christmas Night Market is set for Saturday, Dec. 16, from 3-8 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg, complete with dozens of food, craft and gift vendors. Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick starts at 4 p.m., followed by a talk with St. Nicholas-inspired artist Pipka Ulvilden in the chapel. Tickets are now on sale for a series of festive beer, wine and family crafting sessions that connect to our faith throughout the afternoon and evening.

Oblates of Saint Benedict

A series of monthly presentations on Benedictine spirituality will continue on **Sunday**, **November 19th from 3:00 P.M. to 4:15 P.M.** in Brownfield Room 202. Attendees may also attend Vespers at 5:00 P.M. in the nave of the Archabbey Basilica. Furthermore, supper at 5:45 P.M. in the guest dining room and an evening session are available. If you plan to attend supper, phone Fr. Donald, at least 2 days in advance at 724-805-2291.



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.

Schedule for Cemetery Decoration Removal

 Spring/Summer Flowers - Remove by October 31
Christmas - November 15 thru February 15, remove after February 15.
Easter - Palm Sunday thru May 1. Remove after May 1.
Flags on graves - May 1 thru Veterans Day. Remove after Veterans Day
Thank you for your cooperation and assistance
Please save this schedule for future reference.