St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671

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St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

November 12, 2023

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St. Joseph and St. Martin Partner Parishes, Derry

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Saturday, Nov. 11th - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary time - Feast of St. Martin of Tours

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + John M. Stercho by wife, Sheryl

Sunday, Nov. 12th 9:00 AM, St. Martin + Teanie Novello by family

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

Monday, Nov. 13th

6:00 PM, St. Martin + Stephen Ulishney by M/M Robert Lena

Tuesday, Nov. 14th 8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Amy Kuhns by husband, Rick

Thursday, Nov. 16th

8:00 AM, St. Joseph + James Prohaska by Suzanne & Ed Markiewicz

Friday, Nov. 17th 8:00 AM, St. Martin + Wayne Nolan by Ricky Vallana

Saturday, Nov. 18th - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary time 5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Joseph Tommasini, Anniversary by Lisa & Ray

Sunday, Nov. 19th 9:00 AM, St. Martin + Andrew Bolish by wife, Marge

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

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Ministry Schedule Nov. 18th & Nov. 19th

Saturday, Nov. 18, St. Joseph 5:00 pm Eucharistic Minister: Corey Koutsky Lector: Jim McClarren Altar Server: Rachel Lloyd

Sunday, Nov. 19, St. Martin 9:00 am Eucharistic Minister: Ken Myers Lector: Marie McCandless

Sunday, Nov. 19, St. Joseph 10:30 am Eucharistic Minister: Joe Giotto Lector: Joanne Previc Altar Servers: Ava Beeman & Drake Kmecak

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

Monday Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday Wis 2:23-3:39; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday Wis 7:22b-8:1: Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Lk 17:26-37 Saturday Dedication of the Churches of Peter and Paul; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

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Father Sam's Corner

St. Martin's Feast Day

St. Martin of Tours is our patron saint. Each year his feast is officially observed on November 11th. Find him in the beautiful painting on the ceiling of the church, and on the stained glass window in the Cry Room. Martin, born around 316 or 336 CE, was not raised as a Christian. He was a soldier like his father before him. He became a catechumen, studying to be a Christian, when he was still a teen. There is a celebrated story of this time in which he cut his cloak in half to provide warmth to a beggar whom he met one winter day. That night, he dreamed that Christ was wearing the half cloak. The vision prompted him to be baptized and pursue a life of devotion that included leaving the army, teaching against heresy, and becoming a monk and bishop.

By Roman tradition, a patron saint is someone who has been chosen as the special intercessor and advocate in heaven of a particular place, person, or organization. The custom of having patron saints for churches arose from the practice of building churches over the tombs of martyrs. Both Saint Martin and Saint Nicholas are remembered for their heroic charity, both became famed wonder-working bishops, and both saved sailors from shipwreck. As we celebrate the feast day of Martin, November 11, we focus here on this saint whose fabled life notably started with the pity he showed a poor beggar by cutting his cloak in two, making him in one stroke the patron of both soldiers and tailors!

I thank St. Martin parishioners for their continued temporal and spiritual support of the St. Martin faith community.

Pastoral Council Update:

I wanted to keep you up to date about the work of our Pastoral Council. This week Pastoral Council will be tasked with re-writing the mission statement for both Partner Parishes; hence a newly created combined Mission Statement. The effort will entail some research such as discovering what the Catechism says a parish's mission is, what other Church documents say, what we know from scripture, and what we know of ourselves as a community. Those purposes and values will be boiled down and refined into the mission statement we hope to create.

All Souls' Day (The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed), Thursday, November 2, 2023 :

Special thanks to all the families and individuals who joined us in quiet prayer as we remembered our faithful departed. In particular we recall those buried from St. Martin and St. Joseph in the past year. This was a beautiful Mass where we sang and give thanks as we remembered with love and gratitude those who have gone before us, knowing they remain a part of us as we remain part of them. We extend our gratitude to tour St. Vincent de Paul society and our Rosarians for all their wonderful support on this special evening. Remember: The Book of the Names of the Deceased will be placed in both parishes in November for you to write in the names of deceased family & friends that you would like the St. Martin and St. Joseph Community to pray for.

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

Pastor's Pun: What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoiled milk.





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Offertory Collection for Nov. 5, 2023	Counters–Sunday Nov. 19, 2023
St. Joseph OffertoryWeekly Budget Need\$ 3,700.00Actual Weekly Offering 11/054,161.00Other Income1,795.00Difference this week2,256.00	St. Joseph - Team 4St. Martin - Team 2Marie GiottoJean McDowellAnn KuzynskiDoris EaglehouseJoan ErsickStephanie Pearce
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Fiscal Year to Date Actual76,886.00Year to date difference6,586.00St. Martin Offertory6,586.00Weekly Budget Need\$ 2,500.00Actual Weekly Offering 11/052,921.00Other Income67.00Difference this week488.00Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need47,500.00Fiscal Year to Date Actual46,225.00Year to Date Difference(1,275.00)	Our Partner Parishes would like to wish a HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all who are celebrating birthdays this week:ST. MARTIN: Elizabeth Droske, Vince Esposito, Robert Meisinger, Wyatt Pribicko and Rhiannon RadacoskyST. JOSEPH: Cindy Deannuntis, Donte Fusco, Gabrielle Gruska, Wanita Johnston, Emma Klim, Roseanne Leary and Beth Lloyd
THANK YOU for your stewardship!	
OTHER INCOME for the Churches includes candles, flowers, DLA Refund, Rental, Tuition, Building Fund and Knights of Columbus Donations	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

Angel Tree

The Partner Parishes of St. Martin and St. Joseph will be bringing back the Angel Tree this year. Look for it to return in a couple weeks. More information will be available. Contact persons are Susie Byers (St. Martin) and Tish Rossi (St Joseph).

St. Vincent de Paul Donations

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

St. Martin \$266.00 and St. Joseph \$285.00 for a total of \$551.00. Thank you to all who continue to donate to this worthy cause.

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>. No shoes or slippers please. Please leave coats and food in the Social Hall before and after Mass on Sunday. The social hall will be open from 8 to 11 am to allow donations to be dropped off. Thank you for your support.

Rosary Altar Society

St. Martin's Rosary Altar Society's monthly meeting will be on **November 21st**. The dues for 2024 are now due and there will be <u>no meetings</u> in December or January.

ST. JOSEPH ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Joseph ARS Meals on Wheels

St. Joseph Altar Rosary Society provides the bagged lunch for Meals on Wheels twice a year, serving at most 48 local recipients for 5 days. If you would like to provide a monetary donation to help defray the costs, please place an envelope in the collection basket marked "Meals on Wheels". Our upcoming weeks ae **November 20, 2023 to December 8, 2023**. Thank you.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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.

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!

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

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.

<u>Solemn Vespers planned for fall at Blessed</u> <u>Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg</u>

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.

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



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.