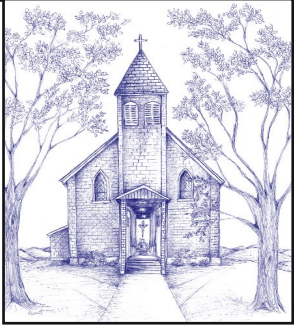


St. Martin



New Derry, Pa. 15671



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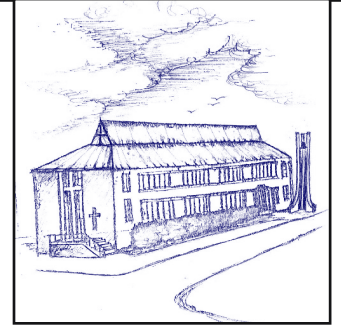
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Closed Wednesday & Friday

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St. Joseph



Derry, Pa. 15627

November 26, 2023

Welcome to All

Feast of Christ the King

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 **St. Joseph and St. Martin Partner Parishes, Derry**



Mass Intentions

Saturday, Nov. 25th - Feast of Christ the King

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Christina Burger
by Ann Derito

Sunday, Nov. 26th

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

10:30 AM, St. Joseph + Ann Derito by Patty Klein

Monday, Nov. 27th

6:00 PM, St. Martin + Don Stiffler, Anniversary
by wife, Dolly and family

Tuesday, Nov. 28th

8:00 AM, St. Joseph, + Steven Gaul
by Tony and Evie Zappa

Thursday, Nov. 30th

8:00 AM, St. Joseph + Bob Weppelman
by family

Friday, Dec. 1st

8:00 AM, St. Martin + Martha McGinnis
by Rosary Altar Society

Saturday, Dec. 2nd – 1st Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM, St. Joseph + Don Shaffer by Joan Ersick

Sunday, Dec. 3rd

9:00 AM, St. Martin + George & Elizabeth Halgash
By Robert & Joyce Polinsky

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

St. Martin Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ,
the Sanctuary Candle will burn from
Nov. 26 through Dec. 2 in memory of
Raymond Kraszewski
Requested by wife and children



St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ,
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Nov. 26 through Dec. 2 in memory of
Ann Derito
Requested by Patty Klein

Ministry Schedule

Dec. 2nd & Dec. 3rd

Saturday, Dec. 2, St. Joseph 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Minister: Suzanne Markiewicz
Lector: Ed Markiewicz
Altar Server: Camden Petrunak

Sunday, Dec. 3, St. Martin 9:00 am

Eucharistic Minister: Ellen Keefe
Lector: Marge Bolish

Sunday, Dec. 3, St. Joseph 10:30 am

Eucharistic Minister: Theresa Bundy
Lector: Joanne Previc
Altar Servers: Matt Dalton, Logan Sledge

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Monday Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

Friday Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87; Lk 21:34-36

Father Sam's Corner

Feast of Christ the King:

We rejoice today with the Church all over the world as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King! Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has taken His place in Heaven, in His Father's Kingdom, and has prepared a place for all of us who truly follow Him, to live with Him forever! As our liturgical year comes to a close, we remember where we are going and what we are supposed to be all about.

The very heart of any Christian community is its compassion and caring, especially for those in need. As in past years, St. Martin is sponsoring its annual Clothing and Food Drive for area residents in need. All items collected such as winter coats, hats, gloves, boots, etc. along with canned / boxed goods will then be donated and delivered to the Derry Area School district.

Etiquette at Holy Mass

The celebration of the Mass is central to the life of the people of God. It's a sacred time that requires all our devotion and our full participation. Because of its importance certain behavior is expected and necessary for the good of everyone present. Please keep the following tips in mind so that everyone who attends Mass may gain the greatest benefit from attendance.

PARTICIPATE AS FULLY AS POSSIBLE! By joining in the songs and prayers of the Mass you enhance the experience of Mass for yourself and for the rest of the parish community.

BE CONSIDERATE OF OTHERS! Talking with the people next to you will distract others from listening or praying; please avoid any, and all, unnecessary chatter while Mass is being celebrated. If it is necessary to step out (to go to the restroom, for example) please try to be discreet! Avoid all movement and talking during the Eucharistic Prayer, especially at the time of the consecration. People should not be greeting others while coming up for Holy Communion. This is a time to sing the hymn or to adore the Lord who has come to our hearts!

First, of all, no, there is no written rule against talking loud in the Church. But there are unwritten rules against unnecessary talk that surpasses a low whisper, such talks often consisting of socializing and, or gossip. By this, it is meant that:

A) The Church, the building of God, the House of God, the dwelling-lace of God among men, the Holy Temple, is a place of worship, "a place of prayer." [Mt. 21:13] (C.C.CC. # 756). It is unholy to turn the Holy House of God into a man-made place of socializing or gossiping. The House of God, where dwelling the Real Presence of God, must be treated with ongoing reverence.

B) Unnecessary talk in the Church is a total disrespect for one's brothers and sisters in Christ who are praying, against the faithful who seek to grow in their spiritual lives. Talking in the Church falls short of manifesting love, charity, kindness and self-control, these being fruits of the Holy Spirit. [Gal. 5:22]

DO NOT LEAVE EARLY! It is rude to leave Mass before it has ended. One should never walk out immediately after receiving Communion unless there's an urgent need, i.e., sick child or spouse, work commitments, personal emergency.

Glory and Praise to Jesus Christ. Amen

Fr. Sam

Pastor's Pun: When is a door not a door?
When it's ajar.

Offertory Collection for Nov. 12, 2023
No update due to bulletin being sent in early for Thanksgiving.

St. Joseph Offertory: In order to meet our budgetary needs, St. Joseph requires an average of \$3,700.00 per week in offertory collections.

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 3,700.00
Actual Weekly Offering 11/12	4,525.00
Other Income	577.00
Difference this week	1,402.00
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	74,000.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	81,988.00
Year to date difference	7,988.00

St. Martin Offertory: In order to meet our budgetary needs, St. Martin requires an average of \$2,500.00 per week in offertory collections.

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 2,500.00
Actual Weekly Offering 11/12	2,247.00
Other Income	365.00
Difference this week	112.00
Fiscal Year to Date Budget Need	50,000.00
Fiscal Year to Date Actual	48,837.00
Year to Date Difference	(1,163.00)

We appreciate your continued support!

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



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We commend to your prayers *Mary Maffe, St. Joseph, Rose Barger, St. Joseph,* who died recently. May God welcome them into the joys of paradise and bring comfort and peace to their families.

Counters–Sunday Dec. 3, 2023

St. Joseph - Team 1

Louise Brindle
 Janine Elliott
 Steve Moss

St. Martin - Team 4

Sylvia Smith
 Chris Treece
 Mary Lou Shumaker



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

ST. MARTIN: Deborah Blotzer, Stella Free, Kennette Grohal, Frances Gruska, Joseph Hisinger, Dolores Hitchman, Michael Kelly

ST. JOSEPH: James McClarren, Kristie McNeal, Ronald Nicely, Lorraine Polinsky, Joann Previc, Michael Ridilla, Leah Thomas, Louis Bozelli, Danielle Dudley, Frannie Gray, Adam Lloyd, Ronald Nicely, Mary Rellick, Jason Tomalewski

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 McGear, Odin, Reagan & Lennon Mealy, Ron Menzie, Charlotte (Charlie) Nicol, Neila Overio, 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

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. MARTIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**Decorating St. Martin**

Volunteers needed to help decorate for Christmas. Anyone who has some creative ideas or can help with decorating please contact Suzanne Skacel at 724-244-0764.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS**Advent Day of Prayer**

Everyone is invited to our DCCW Advent day of prayer and reflection at St. Rose Parish in Latrobe. It will be held on **Saturday, December 2nd**. Registration will be at 8:30. At 9:00 we will pray the Rosary for Priests, 9:30 we will celebrate Mass with Fr. Eric Dinga, our spiritual adviser and he will also give reflection on Advent. We will enjoy a catered brunch together, share some upcoming events, have another reflection and pray the Stations of the Cross for Advent. The total cost is \$15 and the day should conclude by 1:00 pm.

Live Nativity & Lessons in Carols

Saint James Church, New Alexandria will celebrate an Anticipated Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on **Thursday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m. and Friday, December 8th at 4:00 p.m.** Immediately following Mass, we are having a **Living Nativity from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** on the church grounds. Everyone is invited to come and walk and experience the beauty and wonder of the scriptures coming to life with live animals, angels, shepherds, wise men, Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus. There will be activities all evening for the entire family! Lessons and Carols will be performed and refreshments will be served. The entire family is invited to come and experience the story of our Lord's birth in the manger. For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 724-668-2829.

St. Bartholomew's Christmas Pageant

We invite you to come and experience a night in Bethlehem, and the story of our Saviors birth put on by our young children. Join us for our Christmas Pageant, which will be on **Saturday, December 16th, at 6:30 PM in Marian Hall** (388 Cemetery Rd, Crabtree, PA 15624). For any questions, please call the Parish Rectory at 724-834-0709. Refreshments will be offered during the show and a dinner will follow. We Hope to see you there!

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 runsignup.com or call our parish office 724-834-0709 for a paper form. Sponsorship opportunities are also available! Please email Julie at julesann97@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you for your continued support and we can't wait to see you at this year's race!

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.

CUSTODIAN POSITION OPEN

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

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.

Lessons and Carols

Bishop Larry J. Kulick invites all to join him, along with musicians from the Diocese of Greensburg and Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, for the annual Diocesan celebration of Lessons and Carols Friday, **Dec. 1, at 7 p.m.** at the Cathedral in Greensburg. A reception will follow in the social hall. Admission is free.

Christmas Night Market and Mass

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 festive beer and wine tastings and family crafting sessions that connect to our faith. For information, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/christmas-night-market/.

Rosary recited Wednesdays in Latrobe

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

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

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 Communion, confirmations, weddings, ordinations and funerals. For information or to reserve a date and room, visit christourshepherdcenter.org or call 724-834-7350

Celebration of St. Nicholas Dec. 15-16

Two special events are planned Friday and Saturday, **Dec. 15 and 16**, at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. St. Nicholas the Gift Giver and the Gift of the Eucharist, a free immersive experience, is set for **10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Dec. 15**. The event will feature artist Pipka Ulvilden and her St. Nicholas-inspired collectibles, Christmas carols, cookies, vendors and St. Nick's workshop. Register at DioceseofGreensburg.org/EucharisticRevival. Breakfast with St. Nicholas, a faith-focused event for children and families, is set for **Dec. 16 at 9:30 a.m.** The morning will include a buffet, visits from several cultural versions of St. Nick and St. Nick's workshop; Bishop Larry J. Kulick will lead a prayer, and children will make a craft with Ulvilden. Register at DioceseofGreensburg.org/StNickBreakfast.

Holiday Bingo Dec. 3 at St. Bruno Parish

The Rosary Altar Society of St. Bruno Parish, South Greensburg, will hold a holiday bingo **Sunday, Dec. 3**, in the parish hall. Doors open at noon, and bingo starts at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and include bingo, lunch, desserts and beverages. A cash-only snack bar will be available, plus basket and 50/50 raffles, strip tickets and door prizes. For information, contact Michelle Zulisky at 724-836-0690 or mzulisky@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

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

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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.