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“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad.” - Lk 16:25

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PARISH ACTION APPEAL



Today After Mass

Requiescat in Pace Please pray for Pat Poppy, whose funeral was this past week, and for all of her friends and family who mourn her passing. May she rest in peace.

Look Up As you may know, an oil lamp or wax candle, known as a Sanctuary Lamp, is continuously aglow above or near the tabernacle in every Catholic church as a symbol that Christ is present there. Recently, Father Robertson acquired a hanging Sanctuary Lamp and had it painted black to match the altar and other appointments in the sanctuary. It is hanging in the center of the sanctuary above the altar.

TMIY *That Man is You* will meet on Tuesday, September 27, at 6:00 a.m. in Dillenburg Hall. Join us for breakfast, a great presentation, and some discussion.

Gate of Heaven Cemetery Fall Clean-Up All grave decorations must be removed by Saturday, October 1. Any items left after that date will be removed by staff. Since it is the family's responsibility to maintain headstones, family members must contact a monument service if they need assistance in repairs of maintenance. Now is also a good time to choose spaces before winter; call the Sexton at 715-486-2098 for more information.

Second Saturday Suppers On Saturday, October 8, after the 4:00 p.m. we will have our first *Second Saturday Supper*, a potluck dinner for anyone who wishes to participate. Then, on the second Saturday of each month after the 4:00 p.m. we will have a potluck for anyone who wants to join in. If you would like to participate in our the *Second Saturday Supper*, please go to the parish website and click on the link to let us know what you are bringing.

Come Adore Jesus Holy Hours at Pope John Paul II Adoration Chapel are available on Sunday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. or Monday from 8:00-9:00 a.m. Please call Jean at 715-387-0571 or Deacon Ray 715-207-6085.



Columbus Corner Homecoming: We will celebrate homecoming the week of September 25, with the football game on Friday, September 30 and the dance on Saturday, October 1. **Alpine Holiday:** Mark your calendars for Alpine Holiday, November 11 and 12. We are currently

booking vendors for the Alpine Holiday Craft Boutique. Contact Krisann Mauritz at 715-387-2444 for details. **Employment Opportunities:** Opportunities for the 2022-23 school year including an evening janitor position at the High School and Middle School and substitute teachers. For more information please go to columbuscatholicschools.org or call 715-387-2444.



Saint of the Week

You may know St. Wenceslaus better than you think, he is in fact, the "Good King Wenceslas" from the Christmas carol penned in the 19th century. He was born in 907 near Prague, the son of the Duke of Bohemia, raised and educated as a Christian by his paternal grandmother, Ludmila, who herself became a saint. The land of Bohemia at this time was a place in turmoil. Christianity had not yet taken hold and there were power struggles even within the noble family. When Saint Wenceslaus' father died, his Christian grandmother became regent. However, his mother who may have been a pagan or at least held anti-Christian sentiments, upset at being overlooked, had Ludmilla killed. Wenceslaus, though young, eventually prevailed. He ruled from 921-929, working at unification, he supported the Church building many churches, including the rotunda of Saint Vitus at Prague Castle. And like in the carol, he cared for sick, poor, widowed, and orphaned in his kingdom. To make peace with Germany, Wenceslaus recognized King Henry the Fowler as the successor of Charlemagne, which put Bohemia under King Henry. The peace was not a popular move with the non-Christian sects and nobles who wanted to remain outside of German rule. Legend holds that his brother, Boleslaus the Cruel, led some anti-Christian movements. Whether Boleslaus plotted to murder Saint Wenceslaus, or they just had a disagreement that ended in his death, it is generally accepted that the saint was killed by Boleslaus or his men. His last words were to forgive his brother. Saint Wenceslaus was immediately recognized as a martyr for the faith and sainted. The Holy Roman Emperor Otto, I posthumously gave him the title "king." He is the first Czech saint and the patron saint of the Czech state.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

“If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.” Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become “all about me,” preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are “useful” to us and profitable.

Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as “the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges.” In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel “entitled” to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish. All we care



about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children?

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life’s challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers

of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. “The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas).” Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday September 27th	8:00 AM	† Robert Zarada by the Zarada Family
Wednesday September 28th	8:00 AM	† Alvin & Ruby Heckel by Gordon Sternweis & Dennis Heckel
Thursday September 29th	8:00 AM	† Ivan Fuerlinger by Tom & Annette Bohman
Friday September 30th	8:00 AM	† Ron Richards by Nancy Young
Saturday October 1st	4:00 PM	† Robert Shea by Shea Family
Sunday October 2nd	8:00 AM	Our Lady of Peace Parish
	10:00 AM	† Butch and Jackie Werner by Dave and Dorothy Leonard



Campaign Goal		\$1,155,000.00
Pledged	77%	\$884,072.28
Under/Over Goal	-23%	-\$270,927.72
Average Pledge		\$4,270.88
Number of Pledges		207

COMPETING LIKE A STEWARD

Picture it: family game night. What are you playing? Monopoly? Clue? Chess? Poker?

Whatever your game of choice, I'll bet the night is a lot more fun when everyone tries their best to win. Sure, no one likes an obnoxiously competitive opponent — but if we're being honest with ourselves, it's actually more annoying to face off with someone who just doesn't care. A little competition gives the activity a pulse. It keeps everyone interested. It speaks to the worthiness of the endeavor.

We are told to “compete well for the faith.” These are confusing words, perhaps, since cutthroat competition doesn't jive with the spiritual ideals of submission and humility. So why is God asking this of us? He isn't

setting up some kind of cosmic contest to reward the smartest, strongest, and fastest among us with His mercy and grace.

Competition doesn't have to mean aggressive self-interest. It doesn't have to mean ferocity and lack of principle. Competition can — and should — mean witness. Think of the Olympics. There's a competition that isn't a conquest or a performance but rather a testimony — a feat of strength! A celebration of ability, hard work, and effort. Does anything glorify God more than that?

Let's strive to be competitive, but with the competitive nature of an everyday steward: that which seeks the good of all running the race.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?

St. Jerome (345–420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was, as well as the time in which he lived. Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus' (366–384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in quality.

Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a

Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times. Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We can be blindly arrogant and selfish. For some, the lens through which we view life is the lens of self-benefit. Having this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no genuine concern. Being self-sufficient and resilient, we can wonder if all of this "God-talk" is for real. If we believe we are solely responsible for our destiny and well-being, what place is there for God? Tangible faith requires an actual change of heart, a conversion. It involves walking a courageous journey of transformation that consists of a shift in priorities and focus. Humility becomes the order of the day. An authentic loving relationship with God blossoms within a person's soul. God becomes an ever-faithful companion. Whether this faith is stumbled upon because of messages heard from prophets in our midst or from someone coming back from the dead, the journey is the same. Faith has to be owned and become something permanent. If we are unwilling to lose the arrogance, any truth-filled message will fall on deaf ears.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

Sunday:	Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7-10/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31
Monday:	Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10-15/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Dan 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 138:1-5/Jn 1:47-51
Friday:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-14/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/ Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday:	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/ Lk 17:5-10

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