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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday-4:00 PM
 Sunday-9:00 AM & 11:30 AM
The 9 AM Mass is streamed live at stjoepittsfield.com & on the Parish App
 Daily Mass-12:10 PM
 RCIA -Wed. 6:30 PM
 Holy Hour —Monday - Friday 11:00 AM
 Rosary —Monday - Friday 11:30 AM
 PRAYER LINE 413-443-1221



**THE SOLEMNITY
 OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” - Mt 28:19-20

May 30, 2021



Mass will be held Monday, May 31st at 11:00 AM in the cemetery. There is NO Mass in church.



DRIVE UP POLISH PICNIC

St Joseph's Church will be holding a drive by Polish picnic on Sunday July 18th from 3 to 6. Featured will be Polish plates \$15.00, frozen pierogi \$12.00 per dozen, quarts of kapusta \$6.00, and 1/2 dozen of golumpki \$16.00. Pre-orders only. To place your order please call the rectory @ 413-445-5789 by July 12th.

Starting this weekend, anyone who has been fully vaccinated will no longer be required to wear a mask during Mass.

Pregnancy Support Services of Berkshire County, Inc, is so grateful for recent donations. It is the generosity of parishioners in our Churches that helps so much in the mission of supporting women in their pregnancies and young parents with their young. Anyone interested in being involved is asked to call the office at 413-443-7351.

Come Home
to the Catholic Church



If you've been vaccinated against COVID, please consider coming back to the church. If the reason for your absence is because you've become accustomed to staying away, please pray and reconsider rejoining us if you feel safe to do so. God loves you, and we do too, and we sure do miss all of our family.



The devotional candles in the front of the church may be used again.



We are looking for **volunteers** to start making pierogi. The cooking days will be Jun 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and if needed July 9th in the church hall starting at 2:00. More to come on cooking days and times for the rest, golumpki and Kapusta.



Confirmation students please be sure to set up your interviews by June 1st by contacting the rectory at 445-5789. If you have any questions please contact John Arasimowicz at 413-822-1297. Confirmation will be celebrated Sunday, October 17th at 11:30 mass.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Preparing for the Holy Sacraments

If you have questions or if you would like to speak with someone about receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation please call our parish office at 413-445-5789.



Please consider signing up to give your donations to our parish online. It is very easy to do. You can donate either with a credit card or a check and choose how much you would like to give and how often: weekly, monthly, semi-monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. You can go directly to the website at <https://stjoepittsfield.weshareonline.org> to sign up. We thank you for your generosity during these difficult times.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to the 186 parishioners that have donated \$36,083 for our Parish!

Send in your one-time contribution, or make a pledge using the donation card you receive in the mail, or donate online through www.diospringfield.org/aca or by calling: 413-452-0670. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you.



20/20 WINNERS

Week 3
Zoey Zolaoz
Luanne Errichetto
Congratulations!



We are back to the normal ritual of the Mass and we will no longer sit throughout the entire Mass.

TRINITY SUNDAY



ST. ANTHONY DEVOTIONS

St. Anthony Devotions will take place this year at St. Joseph Parish in a different mode. On Friday, June 11, the usual service will be at 6 p.m. in the church. On Saturday, June 12th morning prayer service with benediction will be at 9 a.m. in the church. On Sunday, June 13th at 9 a.m. St. Anthony will be remembered at the 9 a.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend the special triduum of services to this beloved saint.



MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 30, 2021 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Let God be who God is. This is often one of the hardest things to do. Rather than allowing the mystery of being created in the image and likeness of God unfold and take root in our lives, we change the dynamic. We want to be the creators who want to make God into the image and likeness we need God to be. We have a hard-enough time letting the people in our lives be who they are. We struggle even more so with God. It is almost as if we want God to be our imaginary friend who is not only with us whenever we need but becomes the Being we need God to be. Who is it that we want God to be today? A protector, disciplinarian, champion for justice, healer, advocate for our cause, grantor of prayers, guardian of my life, or the avenger? Our prayers tell an interesting story. When you pray, what does God look like? Recently, a young woman who was feeling invisible, overlooked, ignored, and misunderstood by her husband struggled to make her feelings known and get his attention. Finally, she screamed, "Listen to me!" Thus, birth was given to a renewed and healthier relationship. We spend so much time storming heaven with our agenda and trying to make God into a "god" of our desires that we do not hear God saying, "Listen to me!" God is desperately trying to get our attention. God is saying, I am here among you as not one but three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many people seldom notice God's presence because they are so caught up with other spiritual cares and concerns. And, when the "god" they fashion and create doesn't produce as they desire, they shake the dust from their feet and move on. "I tried," they exclaim, "but God didn't listen." Healthy relationships aren't built on making someone be who we need them to be. Healthy relationships are built on encounters of persons and the development of an appreciation of someone solely for who they are. Deeper relationships can even be found with two people marveling at each other and almost experiencing a childlike joy and giddiness when they see the other coming. Do you ever have these feelings about God? Believe it or not, God does for you! There is a joyful laughter that gives rise to and connects all three members of the Holy Trinity. It is this laughter, flowing from the very depths of the Godhead that not only keeps the Trinity in joyful unity but spills over into the creation of all beings and things. It is an expression of Divine Delight! Have you ever taken time away from your agenda to experience the Divine Joyfulness of God? We can reach a connection of Presence wherein even the smallest of creatures suddenly radiate the fullness of God: the wonderful creation of their being, the innocence and playfulness of their movements, and the sustaining life breath that flows through their veins. The same God who created the heavens and the earth is the same God who wants you to call him 'Dad' and the same God who preserves your life and has all things in His care.

Saturday, May 29th Jennie Harte-31st Anniversary Requested by Family	4:00 PM
Sunday, May 30th Pat Trzcinka Requested by Elaine Wicker	9:00 AM
Blue Mass Knights of Columbus	11:30 AM
Monday, May 31st Edward Morgan Requested by Family	11:00 AM
Tuesday, June 1st Rose Hong Nguyen Requested by Van Bui	12:10 PM
Wednesday, June 2nd For the Parish	12:10 PM
Thursday, June 3rd Emil Geering Requested by Ann Cross	12:10 PM
Friday, June 4th Helen Johnson Requested by Carol Moloney	12:10 PM
Saturday, June 5th Pat & Carl Peaslee Requested by RoseAnne & Bill	4:00 PM

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 30, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
 Monday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56
 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34
 Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37
 Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/Mk 12:38-44



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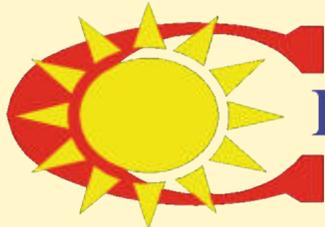
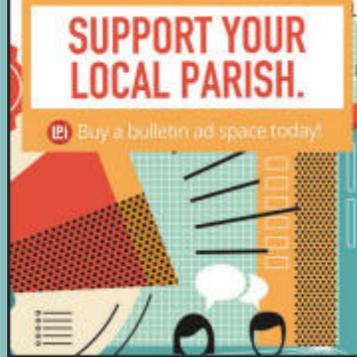




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