MISSION STATEMENT
We, the community of St. John the Baptist Parish, Monaca, are rich in ministry and rooted in mission. Through the living waters of Baptism, we are called to celebrate Christ’s presence in the Eucharist. Blessed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we seek to find the face of Jesus in every person and to reveal the joy of God’s kingdom through charity, faith, and service.

CLERGY STAFF
Administrator: Fr. Martin R. Bartel, O.S.B.
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Thomas More Sikora, O.S.B.
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Joachim Morgan, O.S.B.
Deacon: Joseph N. Basko
Deacon: Robert J. Bittner

OFFICE HOURS
Mondays thru Wednesdays: 9 AM to 3 PM
Thursdays: 9 AM to 2 PM
Fridays: 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

MASS SCHEDULE
Sundays 8 AM and 10:30 AM
Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays: 8:30 AM
Wednesdays: 6:30 PM
Holy Days: as announced

RECONCILIATION
Wednesdays: before/after evening Mass
Saturdays: 12:15 PM to 1 PM
Anytime by appointment.
Members of our grouping served burgers and dogs to 54 guests recently at the Manna Soup Kitchen, House of Prayer, 2100 Irwin St. Aliquippa. A free meal for the community is served there every Tuesday night from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. They seek to feed the hungry in body, mind, or spirit, and the lonely. No one is turned away. If you'd like to get involved, contact Peg at pbishop158@yahoo.com.

Boldly Catholic Speaker Series: Ss. John and Paul Church is hosting a series of renowned speakers to share the joy of Catholicism. All talks take place at Ss. John and Paul Church at 7:00 pm. Acclaimed scholar and bestselling author Paul Kengor will speak on August 20. Kengor wrote the book, A Pope and a President, which examines the relationship between Pope John Paul II and President Ronald Regan that drove the two men to confront Soviet communism.

Roy Schoeman was born to conservative Jewish parents who had fled Nazi Germany. Midway through a career of teaching and consulting, he experienced an unexpected and instantaneous conversion to Christianity which led to a dramatic refocus. Schoeman will share his incredible conversion story on September 11th. No cost to attend any of the talks. Courtesy registration at: https://stsjohnandpaul.org.

In her talk, “Relationships: It's Complicated,” on September 17th, national Catholic speaker & author Sarah Swafford targets the societal and emotional barriers to forming good, holy relationships. She sets forth a vision for virtuous relationships in the 21st century, one that focuses on beginning with the end in mind, building what will last, and staying off the “Emoticoaster.” No cost to attend any of the talks. Courtesy registration at: https://stsjohnandpaul.org.
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 18, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 17 Weekday
TS  8:30 am For Special Intention (by Anonymous)
    3:00 pm Wedding Tristan Winkle & Cheyenne Black

Sunday, August 18 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
JM/JB  8:00 am † Jungia Mary (by Kim Lubert)
MB/JB  10:30 am † Edward Jennings (by Martha)

Monday, August 19 Weekday
   NO MASS

Tuesday, August 20 St. Bernard, Abbott & Doctor of the Church
TS/dc 8:30 am † Deceased Members of Hodnick & Turkovich Families (by Barbara)

Wednesday, August 21 St. Pius X, Pope
RA  6:30 pm † John McCullough, Sr. (by Mary & Deb)

Thursday, August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
MB 8:30 am † Gino & Clara DePaolis (by Marisa)

Friday, August 23 Weekday
   NO MASS

Saturday, August 24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle
MB  8:30 am † Joseph Silvestri (by Darlene & Chuck DeChellis)

Sunday, August 25 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
TS  8:00 am † Renate Bove (by Jeri Selby)
JM  10:30 am † Robert Frank (by Wife & Family)

In Memoriam & Sanctuary Candles

BLESSSED SACRAMENT
SANCTUARY CANDLES
IN MEMORY OF
MARY LOU PHILLIPS
BY FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF
CHRIS LEDONNE
BY RICHARD & LINDA DEBACCO

BLESSSED MOTHER
SANCTUARY CANDLE
IN MEMORY OF
VIOLA, ORAZIO, PAULA, JASON & LISA PETRELLA
BY CAROL & HENRY ADAMEK

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This week, We thank
BICKERSTAFF LANDSCAPING & LAWN SERVICE, LLC

Space is available in our school building - We have some very nice rooms available in the school building to rent. It is the space formerly occupied by St. John the Baptist Preschool. Please pass the word along among relatives, friends, neighbors and co-workers who may be looking for office space. Interested parties are asked to please call the Parish Office at 724-775-3940 Ext. 3.

REST IN PEACE
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF
ANN CARDUCCI
JOHN JACKIEL
LEONARD MARZANO
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE
PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF THESE MEMBERS FROM OUR GROUPING

RA  Fr. Regis Alberth
MB  Fr. Martin Bartel, OSB
TS  Fr. Thomas More Sikora, OSB
JM  Fr. Joachim Morgan, OSB
JB  Dn. Joe Basko
BB  Dn. Bob Bittner
In today’s Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it be accomplished! Your gift to the Society to assist those suffering in poverty will help set the earth on fire with the favor of God’s love.

We will be meeting in September. Mark your calendars for September 4th. Come play cards, bingo and have some FUN! EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Please see below for the Registration information for upcoming Faith Formation classes. If you are already registered by having attended last year, no registration is required. However, we do ask that you call the Parish office so that we can add your child’s name to our roster.

Religious Education Classes for 2019-2020:

In connection with the On Mission realignment of parishes in our grouping, families may avail themselves of religious education classes at any of the Parishes in our grouping.

The times and contact numbers are provided below:

Our Lady of Fatima: Sundays: 9:30 – 10:45 am. (after 8:30 am. Mass); 724-378-8020
St. Frances Cabrini: Sundays: 10 – 11:15 am. (after 9 am. Mass); and Mondays: 6 – 7:15 pm.; 724-775-4888
St. John the Baptist: Sundays: 9 – 10:15 am. (after 8 am. Mass); 724-775-3940, ext. 4
St. Titus: Sundays: Grades K to 6, 8:45 - 9:45 am. (before the 10 am. Mass) with teachers providing Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) at Mass following class.
Sundays: Grades 7 - 8, 8:30 - 9:45 am. without CLW; 724-375-7940.

PLEASE NOTE: Once registration in any of the 4 parish programs is complete and classes begin, please attend in the religious education program only for the duration of the 2019-20 Sessions. Thank you.

Baptismal Preparation Class

Classes will be held at St. John the Baptist Parish on Monday, August 26th at 6:30 pm. in the Pastoral Center. This class is a one-time requirement for parents wishing to have their child baptized. Topics to be covered include the Sacrament of Baptism, the Rite of Baptism and the need for suitable godparents who regularly practice the faith to serve as worthy role models and mentors for the child in the ways of faith. To register, call the Parish Office at 724-775-3940. The next class will be held at Our Lady of Fatima in late September.

BIBLICAL QUOTE TO MEMORIZE: “Let love be your greatest aim.” - 1 Corinthians 14:1

Women of Faith

Are you a woman who desires to grow spiritually? Do you look for fellowship with other women? Women of Faith is a faith sharing group open to all women that focuses on prayer, study, and fellowship. We meet the first Thursday evening of the month at St. Frances Cabrini in room 108. This year we will study Bishop Robert Barron’s Untold Blessings: Three Paths to Holiness. Our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 5th at 7 pm. in Rm. 108. Please contact Joanne Basko, 724-728-4702 jobasko@comcast.net for more info. or to register. Cost of the materials is $18.
GIFT CARD SALES AT ST. JOHN'S:
A large variety of gift cards are now available! We have Eat N Park, Walmart, Giant Eagle, Target and many more. Please stop by our table right after either of the Sunday Masses (or the Parish Office during the week) for a complete list and to make your purchases. You may pay by cash or check (Payable to: OLOF). A portion of each purchase goes to benefit Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School, We are in need of volunteers to help sell these cards after Masses. Please stop by the table, call the parish office, or call/text Phyllis Heckman at 724-683-2424 to volunteer! We appreciate your help! Thank You!

What’s more important than our children's souls?
In the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd children as young as three to six form deep lifelong relationships with Christ.
http://www.olof.us
Contact Nicole Albanese at 724-375-7626 or at colenmh@gmail.com or olofcgs@outlook.com for more information and a tour of the atrium (classroom).
Please do check the website for session times
Sessions begin on Sunday, September 22nd.
**Weekly Financial Report**

August 11, 2019

- 223 donors; 707 envelopes mailed (32%)

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**COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS**

**Movie in the Park:** Everyone is invited to enjoy Incredibles 2 shown on the big screen at John A. Antoline Memorial Park, Marshall Rd., on Friday August 30th (Rain Date is August 31st), at dusk. Please bring your own chair. Refreshments will be provided free of charge beginning at 8 pm. This event is sponsored by the Monaca Recreation Bd., Monaca Boro & Monaca Council.

**Weekly Offertory:** $4,434.00

**Bldg Upkeep:** $80.00

**First Fridays in Monaca:** A free concert by Sgt. Bob will be held at the George Washington Plaza (Fountain Area) on Pennsylvania Ave. on Friday September 6th from 6 pm to 9 pm. Bring your own chair. This event is sponsored by: Flesh Mechanics, Pin Point Customs, Express Employment Professionals, Monaca Draft House, Harper's Barber Shop, Tabula Rosa & the Monaca Recreation Bd.

**GRIEF SHARE GROUP** - Struggling with the loss of a loved one? We will walk beside you through this grief journey. Where: Monacrest Free Methodist Church 995 Elmira St. Monaca, PA 15061. Date: August 21st, & every Wednesday thru Sept. 18, 2019 7 pm.-8:30 pm. To register or for more info. call Janet Primo grief facilitator at 724-775-6553 or 724-462-7460 (cell). Sponsored by: Simpson Funeral Home.

**Pro-Life Kickoff Event:** 40 Days for Life starts Sept. 25th & runs through November 3rd. The campaign kicks off on Tuesday, September 10th at St. Bernard's Clairvaux Hall in Mt. Lebanon. The event features speaker Melissa Coles, the birth mother from the 30-minute documentary "I Lived on Parker Avenue." There will be a pro-life resource fair at 6:30 pm. and a showing of the film at 7:30 pm. followed by Melissa's testimony.

**MERCHANDISE BINGO SPONSORED BY THE CHRISTIAN MOTHERS OF ST. FRANCES CABRINI CHURCH IN CENTER TWP. MONDAY, AUG. 19 AT 7 PM. SILENT AUCTION,DOOR PRIZES AND LUNCH ARE PART OF AN EVENING OF FUN.**

**TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST at QUIGLEY CATHOLIC H. S.**

All 7th & 8th graders are welcome to attend TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST YOUTH CONFERENCE held at Quigley Catholic on Saturday, Sept. 28th 9 am. - 10 pm. Guest speakers include Fr. Mike Ackerman, Sr. Mary Gianna, Genevieve Jackson, & many more! Eucharistic Adoration, Music, Mass, & Confession. $35 for admission ($20 half-day)/Sibling discount: $25 ($12 half-day). Meals and t-shirt included. (Register by September 9th to be guaranteed a shirt). Register online at QCHS.ORG. "Financial assistance is available to cover the cost of the Conference. Please call the Parish Office at 724-775-3940."

Quigley Catholic H. S. is currently enrolling students for grade 9 & also accepting transfer students for grades 10 & 11. Contact Admissions for info. or a tour at admissions@qchs.org or 724-869-2188.