Welcome to St. John XXIII PARISH

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm—St. Francis
5:00 pm—St. Benedict

Sunday

8:00 am—St. Benedict
9:00 am—St. Francis
10:00 am—St. Benedict

Mass times are subject to change. For the latest mass and confession schedule, please see inside the bulletin. Both daily and weekend masses are livestreamed on our website.

St. Francis of Assisi Church
3609 Washington Avenue
Finleyville, PA 15332

St. Benedict the Abbot Church
120 Abington Drive
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Welcome

We are glad to have you join us. You are welcome to join our parish community. You can register by calling the Parish Office or filling out the registration form on our website. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, contact the Parish Office.

Communion to the Sick
If you are unable to attend Mass because of sickness or age, we are happy to bring the Eucharist to you. Contact the Parish Office to schedule a visit.

Anointing of the Sick
If you are seriously ill or having surgery, please contact a priest to be anointed and receive both the spiritual and physical gifts which this sacrament can give.

Baptism
Please call the Parish Office to enroll in the monthly preparation class of prayer, learning and discussion prior to having your child baptized.

Marriage
Please contact one of the priests at least six months prior to the requested date. Pre-marriage classes are required.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September

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2021

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions: Sept. 26—Oct. 3

Sunday, September 26—Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm St. Francis: Donald Lakatos (Sheila Oliverio)
5:00 pm St. Benedict: Deceased Members of the McMahon & Michaels Families (Dona & Jack McMahon)

Sunday

8:00 am St. Benedict: Jay M. Jackson (Rebecca Jackson)
9:00 am St. Francis: Diane Taylor (Mary Kriston)
10:00 am St. Benedict: For the People of the Parish

Monday, September 27—St. Vincent de Paul

8:30 am St. Benedict: David Franz (Maxine Borchick)
9:00 am St. Francis: George & Madeline Koenig (The Koenig Family)

Tuesday, September 28—Weekday

9:00 am St. Francis: James Joseph Xavier DeAngelo (Mariangela & Nathan Peters & Family)

Wednesday, September 29—Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

8:30 am St. Benedict: David Franz (St. John XXIII Christian Women)
9:00 am St. Francis: James DeAngelo (Hofbauer Family)

Thursday, September 30—St. Jerome

8:30 am St. Benedict: Hadley Ather Hossain (Pap & Badah)

Friday, October 1—St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

8:30 am St. Benedict: David Franz (Bruce & Raina Diges)
9:00 am St. Francis: Joan Sowers (Cheryl Sowers)

Saturday, October 2—Holy Guardian Angels

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm St. Francis: Tarker & Morrow Families (Mary Morrow & Family)
5:00 pm St. Benedict: William T. Kauffman (Kauffman Family)

Sunday, October 3—Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am St. Benedict: Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Mikos & Mr. & Mrs. Bayert Rodal (Rodal Family)
9:00 am St. Francis: For the People of the Parish
10:00 am St. Benedict: Brent Stiffler (Rachel Stiffler)

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me."

—Mk 9:38-39

Confessions

Saturday Confessions are held at St. Benedict at 11:00 am. We will be located under pop-up tents between the Church and O'Brien Hall. Please line up down the long sidewalk between the buildings being careful to observe 6-ft. social distancing.

Outdoor Communion

On Wednesday after the 8:30 am Mass at St. Benedict and 9:00 am Mass at St. Francis, we will continue to have Outdoor Communion for those who feel they cannot attend Mass. We will also continue to have Outdoor Communion after the 5:00 pm Mass at St. Benedict on Saturday.

The St. Benedict Sanctuary Candle burns this week
in Memory of George & Madeline Koenig
requested by The Koenig Family

The St. Francis Flowers are
in Memory of Susan Lipinski
requested by Steve & Mary Parish & Family
and
in Memory of Linda Beardmore
requested by Mom & Dad

The St. Benedict Flowers are
in Memory of Susan Whetzel
requested by Tom & Linda Burke

The St. Benedict Bread & Wine are
in Memory of Frank & Matilda Sarra
requested by Jane Sarra

Spirit of Things

Fr. Bob Miller

We Want To Hear From You

The past 18 months have brought unprecedented changes to the three former parishes of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Isaac Jogues and St. Benedict the Abbot. One change was that Bishop Zubik merged all of us into the one, new parish of St. John XXIII, on July 1, 2020. So, we are a completely new parish. The second change has been the Covid-19 pandemic, which forced us to close our doors for a time altogether between March 2020 and June 2020, and has affected every other aspect of parish operations from staffing to programs to how we are able to gather together. Even now, we are not able to operate normally with many people continuing to be apprehensive about attending church. We are also finding that as we begin to re-open, even the simplest things are proving to be challenges and that we are needing to rebuild from scratch almost every single aspect of our parish.

In order to look at the path forward, I formed a new Pastoral Council last Fall made up of parishioners from each of the three former parishes. Over the past year, we have been meeting every two weeks reflecting on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats in the five areas of parish life: Worship, Evangelization, Discipleship, Fellowship and Ministry. We have been looking at the reasons why we actually exist and what our purpose and mission is going forward. Our discussions have been long and tedious but also very fruitful.

As we look at paths forward and what our mission is, we also want to make you part of our planning process. Over the past three months the Pastoral Council has been developing a short survey which will not take long to complete but will provide us with key data to help us with our planning process for the future. Beginning in two weeks on the weekend of October 9-10, and continuing through the weekend of October 30-31, we are asking parishioners to fill out the survey. It will be available in paper form at every weekend Mass as well as online at our website, john23.org. More details will follow over the next two weeks as to how to participate. We really want to hear from you. This is your chance to provide information that will be helpful toward determining the future direction of our new parish of St. John XXIII. I hope you will take the time to help us with your thoughtful insights.

Faith FORMATION

Middle School Faith Formation

Beginning October 3, the 8th grade in person Faith Formation classes will meet in O'Brien Hall from 8:30—9:50 am.

Beginning October 10, the 7th grade in person Faith Formation classes will meet in O'Brien Hall from 8:30—9:50 am.

Each grade will meet every other week.

Blessing of the Animals

There will be a Blessing of Animals next Sunday, October 3, at 1:00 pm in the field beside Finley Hall at St. Francis of Assisi. All are welcome to bring their pets and animals to this special blessing.

Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

Our RCIA sessions for this year will begin in September. These sessions are open to anyone who is not baptized, anyone who is baptized in another Christian denomination or any Catholic who has not received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation. Even if you are a Catholic and want to learn a little bit more about your faith you're welcome to attend. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and wish to attend our RCIA sessions, please contact Deacon Vic (vsatter1@comcast.net) or the St. John XXIII Parish Office.

Ushers Are Urgently Needed

We are looking for new ushers and want to invite parishioners to join the Usher Team here at our churches. We have openings at all Masses, especially the 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil.

It is a very spiritually fulfilling ministry that makes our parishioners feel welcome entering the church.

We welcome both women and men of all ages to join the Usher Ministry Team. Anyone interested can contact Andy Schmeltzer at 412-225-8025.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Columbus Day Sub Sale

Gourmet Subs	$ Price	X Qty	= Total
1. **24" Family Sub/Party Size** – Virginia Baked Ham, Capicola, Hard Salami, Smoked Turkey, Roast Beef, Provolone & American Cheeses, Italian Dressing, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, & Pickle Packs	$20.00		$
2. **12" Italian Sub** – Virginia Baked Ham, Capicola, Hard Salami, Provolone & Mozzarella Cheeses, Italian Dressing, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
3. **12" American Sub** – Bologna, Boiled Ham, Soft Salami, American & Provolone Cheeses, Italian Dressing, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
4. **12" Buffalo Chicken Sub** – Sliced Buffalo Chicken Lunchmeat, Provolone & American Cheeses, Ranch Dressing, Hot Sauce, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
5. **12" Bacon Club Sub** – Virginia Baked Ham, Smoked Turkey, Bacon, American & Mozzarella Cheeses, Mayonnaise, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
6. **12" Turkey Sub** – Smoked Turkey, American & Swiss Cheeses, Ranch Dressing, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
7. **12" Vegetarian Sub** – Hot Peppers, Green Peppers, Cucumber, Provolone & Colby Jack Cheeses, Ranch Dressing, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
8. **12" Pizza Sub** – Sandwich Pepperoni, Pizza Sauce, Shredded Mozzarella & Parmesan Cheeses	$10.00		$
9. **12" Reuben Sub** – Corned Beef, Rye & Swiss Cheese, Sauerkraut, Thousand Island Dressing, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
10. **12" Pastrami Sub** – Pastrami, Swiss & Rye Cheese, Thousand Island Dressing, Coleslaw, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
11. **12" Roast Beef Sub** – Roast Beef, Cheddar & Mozzarella Cheeses, Barbecue & Horseradish Sauce, Lettuce, Tomato, & Pickle Packs	$10.00		$
Note: All subs delivered cold, no special orders			
Grand Total =			$

Make Checks Payable to: Knights of Columbus Council # 13832

Required:

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

All orders must be picked up at St. Francis Finley Hall on Saturday, October 9, 2021 between hours of 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM

Your Order Recap:

Qty.	Sub Type	Amount

NOTE: All subs delivered cold, no special orders

Columbus Day Sub Sale

The Knights of Columbus are once again having our annual Columbus Day Sub Sale! Back by popular demand we are offering a variety of gourmet hoagies that many enjoyed from our Super Bowl Sub Sale. Hoagie orders placed now will be ready for pickup on Saturday, October 9 at Finley Hall between 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. You will find order forms within this week's bulletin. Orders will be taken in the back of the church after each Mass. For questions, please call Chris Cipollone at 724-705-3765.

Free Flu Shots

SouthEast Regional EMS and Rite Aid Pharmacy will provide free flu shots on October 14, 11:00 am—1:00 pm and 6:00 pm—8:00 pm in Finley Hall at St. Francis of Assisi.

You must be 12 and older to receive the flu shot. There is no cost with or without insurance. No sign up required.

Attention Women of St John XXIII Parish:

Are you looking for fellowship with other women and a chance to deepen your faith? The Women's Emmaus Retreat, led by women from local parishes, is a great way to ignite your faith. The Emmaus Retreat is designed to be laid back, yet interactive. You will listen to other women talk about their faith journey and experience quiet, reflective time.

It is not required for you to be Catholic, Christian, or even a member of any Parish. All women over 18 are welcome. You will have your own room at St. Paul's of the Cross Retreat Center—the food is excellent, the retreat center and grounds are calm and peaceful, and it will be a weekend that you will never forget.

The cost of the weekend is $160, and the retreat is October 8-10. Please include a $50 deposit with your application so a spot can be reserved for you, as space is limited. Applications can be found on the Resurrection Parish website:
https://stmpgh.org/emmaus-women
or by using this link: https://tinyurl.com/37j6y7du.

If you have any questions, or need an application, please contact: Leslie Dambrogio at 412-780-2872 or ldambrogio@icloud.com or Theresa Zingrone at 412-287-5295.

Fall Project for Senior Outreach

Volunteers are needed to make a craft for older parishioners on Wednesday, September 29 at 9:30 am in Room 204. We will wear masks and social distance.

Volunteers must be compliant with Safe Environment/Protection God's Children.

All are welcome to help!

Please remember in your prayers

- **Martha Kucharczak**, mother of Tina Sherred
- **Patricia Ann McCaffrey**
- **Diane Young**, daughter of Alice Hakos

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members:

- **Jack and Carolyn Craig**

We welcome all new parishioners to St. John XXIII Parish!

Prayer Chain Group

If you would like someone on the prayer chain, please let Kathy Schirra know. She needs the name of any person that needs prayer/the intention/how long to pray for them.

If you would like to be on the prayer chain, let her know and you will be notified on Tuesdays. Kathy's phone is 724-941-0347 or you can email her at Kmschirra6726@gmail.com

Be a part of something bigger than yourself

St. Francis of Assisi Blood Drive

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- If you cannot schedule online, please call 412.209.7000 or contact Frank Kovscek at kovscek.167@comcast.net or 724.348.6537

APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED

For more information or to schedule a donation, call **412.209.7000** or visit us at **vitalant.org**
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The Finleyville Food Pantry is currently servicing 380+ families in our area. They accept all canned/boxed foods, paper/cleaning supplies and monetary donations. With the holidays approaching, they are accepting the following to ensure all families are able to celebrate both Thanksgiving and Christmas:

- Canned meats (Tuna, chicken, spam, corned beef, Vienna sausages)
- Turkey gravy, instant mashed potato, boxed stuffing mix, canned green beans, canned cranberry sauce
- Monetary donation to purchase turkey and ham at wholesale/discounted prices

Donations are accepted every Wednesday between 9:00 am-3:00 pm at 3595 Washington Avenue, Finleyville, PA or checks can be made payable to the Finleyville Food Pantry and mailed to 415 Main St, New Eagle, PA 15067.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The reading of St. James continues today with advice for all of us. "Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries.....You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure." Mark 9;41: follows this with "Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." The Lord loves a generous giver. We have many opportunities to help the less fortunate.

If you have need of our confidential assistance or would like to participate in this ministry, you may call our helpline number 724-941-9406, ext 142 and a member will be back to you within 24 hours. Gift of Love donation with Instructions are available in the Narflex of St. Benedict (at St. Vincent de Paul poor box), the narthex at St. Francis, as well as the church office

Young Adult Book Study

We invite you to join young adults in their twenties and thirties for faith, fellowship, and fun on Tuesday, September 28 at Eat n Park, McMurray, at 6:30 pm for a kickoff meeting to discuss "Rome Sweet Home" by Scott and Kimberly Hahn. We expect to then meet every other Tuesday. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Galanko at bgalanko@gmail.com or 412-770-8900.

Mass on Peters Township Cable TV

The video of our livestreamed Sunday Mass can be seen Sunday evenings on the Peters Township Cable TV at 9:30 pm on Comcast Channel 7 and on Verizon Fios Channel 38.

Keep Up with Our Parish Online

Our current online communication hubs for our parish are:

Our website: john23.org

Our Facebook page: St. John XXIII Parish

Flocknote for messages via text message and e-mail.

The latest Parish News Updates, livestreamed Masses, Mass Sign Ups, Faith Formation and other content will be posted on these sites.

Flocknote

To keep abreast of the latest parish news, sign up for Flocknote. This enables the parish administration to contact the entire parish in an instant via text message and e-mail.

There are three ways to sign up:

1. You can join at any time by texting: **join219** to **84576**.
2. If you would like to sign up using an email follow this link: https://stbenedicttheabbot2.flocknote.com
3. Go to our web page and fill in the form: https://john23.org/flocknote

St. John's XXIII Men's Club (Ben's Men) will be having an **Oktoberfest event** on **Monday, October 11th** for current club members & prospective new members. Please plan to join us for a night of fellowship and a gourmet Octoberfest meal at Atria's of McMurray! This will be in their banquet room in the back.

Since this is a local event, no outside transportation is necessary, drive yourself or carpool with others. The event is **from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.**

It's a great value for $38 per person! **Dinner includes refillable soft drinks, tea or coffee, a Salad as the appetizer/first course, a buffet selection, and dessert (taxes & gratuities already included for all).**

Dinner Buffet Includes

Rheinischer Sauerbraten Tender Braised Beef, Raisins, Sweet & Sour Gravy, Mashed Potatoes

Assorted Sausages
Bockwurst, Knockwurst

Spinat Salat Mit w Speck Dressing) (First course) Baby Spinach, Mixed Greens, Hot Bacon Dressing, Diced Tomatoes, Hard Boiled Eggs, Onion, Chopped Bacon, Cheddar Jack Cheese, Croutons

Jägerschnitzel
Hand-Breaded, Pan-Fried Pork Cutlets, with Mushroom Gravy

Sides
Gebuttert Spaetzle (Dumpling Noodle)
Red Cabbage
Saurkraut

Pricing (All Taxes & Gratuities included for food portion of event)
$38.00 per person for dinner (no cost or dues to become a member of the club)

You can reserve your Oktoberfest dinner by mailing your check payable to: **St. John's Men's Club** or **Ben's Men** to Jim Hillen, 217 Red Oak Drive, McMurray, PA 15317 or you can drop your check off at the St. John XXIII, St. Benedict parish office. When turning it in or mailing, write on a post it note or paper.....your name, phone, email, and please indicate if it is your first event with us.

Our final head count is due to Atria's by September 29, 2021. Since headcount determines the meal preparation and quantity, no refunds will be given after September 29, 2021.

Since we only have 40 seats in the dining area, please make your reservation and payment ASAP. Dinner reservation seats will be reserved when payment is received. See you there!!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

We are planning for the restart of Eucharistic Adoration for St. John XXIII Parish!

At St. Francis of Assisi Church, we will have Eucharistic Adoration the first Friday of the month from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm (beginning on October 1, 2021 and continuing monthly).

At St. Benedict the Abbot Church, we will have Eucharistic Adoration the third Thursday of the month from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm (and continuing monthly). We will be utilizing the Church and not the Chapel to allow for physical distancing during adoration and encourage all to respect each other's space.

We are asking if you can commit to one hour of Adoration each month with the intention of getting at least 4 committed adorers per hour to insure coverage. Committing to both Adorations per month is allowed.

What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Catholics believe that the bread and wine that is consecrated by the priest at Mass truly becomes the Body, Blood, Soul & Divinity of Christ.

During the consecration of the Eucharist at Mass, the priest speaks these words during the Eucharistic prayer: "While they were at supper, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take this, all of you & eat of it, for this is my body which will be given up for you." Holding this moment of the Mass in time, we have, over the centuries, come to see that it presents a great opportunity for spiritual intimacy with the Lord. Our adoration of the sacrament we call the Eucharist, or the Blessed Sacrament, calls us to spend time in the presence of the Lord as we watch & wait, allowing the power of Christ to transform us.

What do you do during Adoration?

Those who present themselves for a period of adoration spend their time in spiritual reading, private prayer, or reflection of some virtue or quality in which they would like to grow. Some might read a Gospel passage and listen as Christ speaks to them through the sacred text. Others meditate on the mystery of the life of Christ through praying the rosary. Still others simply sit quietly, drawn to the love of Christ that is expressed for us in his sacrifice on the cross, demonstrated through his self-giving in the Eucharist.

Adoration is for everyone-all ages! God loves every soul that He created, and delights in you! In the silence of adoration, our hearts speak to the One Who created us, Who loves us beyond measure, and Who died and rose for us so that we could be with Him forever.

To sign up for a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration, please email
Angelo Pampena at apampenjr@gmail.com or call/text 412-670-0669.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John XXIII Parish Staff & Offices

Parish Office Hours

Mon, Wed, Thurs—8:30 am—4:30 pm-**St. Benedict**
Tues, Fri—9:00 am—12:00 pm-**St. Francis**

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Collections

Week of September 18/19

Offertory	$	19,830
Capital Improvements	$	180
Parish Share	$	4,722

Online Giving

Our Online Giving platform has been recently upgraded and renamed OSV. While the new system looks different, all of your information has remained the same. Please log in to familiarize yourself with the new platform as well as verify your information is correct. Your username is now your email address, and your password remains the same.

If you are new to using online giving (OSV), you can choose to use one of the options to give such as Faith Formation or Sunday Collection. You can either give as a "guest" or create an account with OSV.

https://osvhub.com/john23/funds

Attention Ministry Leaders

As we reopen, our ministries are becoming more active. We are in the process of updating our list of ministries and leaders of the ministries. If you are the leader of a ministry, we would appreciate it if you would email Shari Hill at sharih@john23.org with the ministry name, your name and contact phone number so we can update our records.

Hotlines for Victims of Sexual Abuse

PA Childline—1-800-932-0313

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator
1-888-808-1235 (Hot Line)
412-456-3093 (Office)

Call 911 immediately
if a child is in immediate danger

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Sept 26, 2021

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THÉRÈSE

A pampered child from a middle-class 19th century French family, Therese Martin journeys to Rome to beg Pope Leo XIII for permission to enter the Carmelite monastery at the unheard-of age of 15. Once admitted she experiences the joys and rigors of monastic life, and makes the surprising yet simple discovery that holiness can be achieved by small acts of love and compassion – a spiritual path she calls her "Little Way."

LEARN

ANGELS: BISHOP FULTON SHEEN

In this compilation of three episodes from his classic television program, "Life is Worth Living," Bishop Fulton Sheen delivers his thoughts on various elements of the Catholic Faith with his ever-present humor, animated presentation, and captivating mode of speaking. In the first segment, "Angels," Bishop Sheen explicates the nature of angels and the meaningful role they play in our world.

LISTEN

THE CASE FOR JESUS BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Dr. Brant Pitre, Scripture scholar and bestselling author, uses biblical and historical evidence to bolster the "case for Jesus" by exposing the problems with the many false theories that have been introduced over the past hundred years, resulting in widespread skepticism about the reliability of Christian Faith. He tackles head-on questions like: Were the four Gospels written anonymously? Did Jesus claim to be God? Did Jesus fulfill the Jewish prophecies of the Messiah? and many more.

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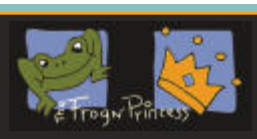

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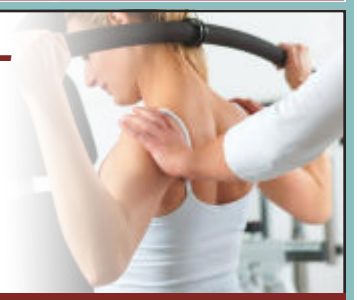

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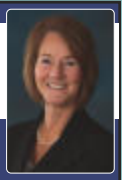

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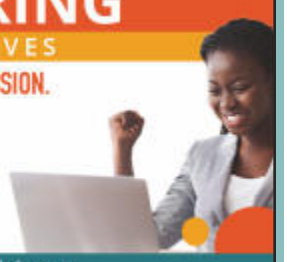

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