St. Faustina Parish

April 11, 2021

Divine Mercy Sunday

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Join us for Mass on Sundays at 7:00 pm at the Newman Center — open to parishioners!

Our Parish welcomes **Matthew Ellis Banker, Bridget Adelle DiBiase and Owen James Osborne** into our faith community through the Sacrament of Baptism.

May they continue to grow in God's love as they shares the gift of life God has given them with family and friends.

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March 21, 2021

Offertory……..$6,066.00
Parish Share…….$3,962.00
Sunshine……...$325.00
Facilities/Utilities……...$300.00

March 28, 2021

Offertory……..$4,746.00
Parish Share…….$5,042.00
Sunshine……...$125.00
Facilities/Utilities……...$15.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development …….$2,087.50

Thank you for your generosity and continued contributions!!

Please remember in your prayers **Charles Swank, Martha Tretinik, Don Kober, Barbara Jean Taylor, and Caroline Kale**, who have passed away.

May they enjoy the fullness of God's Kingdom and may God fill their family and friends with consolation.

Mass Intentions

	Time	Location	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, April 10 *Vigil Mass*	**4:00 PM**	**St. Peter**	Susan Smochek+	Family
	4:30 PM	**St. Christopher**	Charles Merlino	Ladies Guild
Sunday, April 11 *Divine Mercy Sunday*	**9:00 AM**	**St. Louis**	For the People	
	10:00 AM	**St. Anthony**	Damian/Mary Hambley *(Anniversary)*	Donna Chapman
	7:00 PM	**Newman Center**	Lawrence Baptiste+	Cindy Thompson
Monday, April 12	**9:00 AM**	**Newman Center**	Chuck Zuzak+	Dan/Kathy Vukich
Tuesday, April 6	**9:00 AM**	**St. Christopher**	Kelly McGowan	Ladies Guild
Wednesday, April 13	**9:00 AM**	**Newman Center**	Michael Duffy+	Ladies Guild
	7:00 PM	**Newman Center**	Elsie Scott+	Janie McFarland
Thursday, April 14	**9:00 AM**	**Newman Center**	Vera May Weakland Trabold+	Rock Catholic
Friday, April 15	**7:00 PM**	**St. Louis**	Lawrence Baptiste+	Cindy Thompson
Saturday, April 16 *Vigil Mass*	**4:00 PM**	**St. Peter**	For the People	
	4:30 PM	**St. Christopher**	Tom/Sandy Bradigan	Ray/Deb Questiaux
Sunday, April 17 *Divine Mercy Sunday*	**9:00 AM**	**St. Louis**	Mary Attenberger+	Fran Hensler
	10:00 AM	**St. Anthony**	Mike/Mary Miller *(Anniversary)*	Virginia/Janet Evanko
	7:00 PM	**Newman Center**	Vera Trabold+	Ron/Tami Ball

Thoughts from Fr. Adam

One of the most important tasks that had to be completed before the formal merger of our Parishes in January 2021 was the process of submitting Parish name suggestions to Bishop Zubik. This process was a lengthy one and was completed with the help of our Parish staff, the previous Parish Pastoral Council members, and all of you who are members of our new Parish. The formal deciding of the name of the Parishes of Northern Butler County went on for about two months this past Fall. If you recall there were Parish mailings, suggestions from our parishioners about what the name they would prefer, Parish Pastoral Council meetings, and other work that had to be completed by our Parish staff. In the end, Bishop Zubik decided from the names we had submitted to him, that our new Parish would be called St. Faustina Parish!

As I have said on different occasions, we are so blessed to have St. Faustina as our Parish Patron! St. Faustina trusted always in the Divine Mercy of God and the providence that all things work together for good to those who love Christ! In these uncertain times, I personally joined so many of you, in my excitement that Bishop Zubik eventually decided to name the Parishes of Northern Butler County after such a remarkable saint! St. Faustina labored all her life to communicate to the world through her life as a religious, through her service to her convent, and ultimately through her profoundly mystical writings, the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ! St. Faustina saw how profoundly one must trust in God and that the more we can learn to trust the more we can receive. (You will notice a variation of this quote from her Diary, 'Divine Mercy in my Soul,' highlighted on the front of this bulletin!)

As I mentioned, it was principally through her writings that St. Faustina formed a devotion to the Mercy of God. Through her labors of prayer, study, and writing St. Faustina was able to, in a remarkable way, convey what to many is the most challenging aspect of any spirituality, namely, trust! Of all the difficulties one may have in the spiritual journey, perhaps St. Faustina saw as the most difficult, the obstacle of trust. So much of our life can feel out of control. We sometimes are desperate even to have a sense that we can control something in our world and that somehow, we can manage our happiness through effort. The Diary of St. Faustina strives to try to overcome the real spiritual danger of self-reliance. St. Faustina was incredibly successful at being able to convince the faithful to trust more in God's providence in any situation.

Today the Roman Catholic Church commemorates ***Divine Mercy Sunday***. The establishment of this Solemnity (always held on the Sunday after Easter,) is amazing. Pope St. John Paul II, who himself was captivated by St. Faustina's spiritually moving writings, formally established that the Sunday after Easter Sunday should always be known as ***Divine Mercy Sunday***. This instruction to commemorate in a special ways God's merciful love on the Sunday after Easter is based on the words of our Lord Himself in a mystical way that was recorded by our very own Patron, St. Faustina! While St. Faustina herself is commemorated by a Memorial each year on October 5TH, there is no doubt that ***Divine Mercy Sunday***, which we celebrate today, holds a very special place for the Parish community in Northern Butler County!

God Bless You All!

Fr. Adam

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Please join us EVERY **Thursday at 8:40 am in the Newman Center Chapel** for the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Prayer time will conclude prior to the 9:00 am daily Mass.

There are Divine Mercy Prayer pamphlets available in the parish office and the churches. If you would prefer to pray from home, call the office, 724-794-2880, to have one mailed to you.

Parish News

Evan Andreyo
Melissa Cessar
Mark DeMatteis
Cathy Maser
Joseph Mayer
Lesley McGregor
Denise Phipps
Charles Plinta
William Spencer

Robert Clouse
George Pry
Marcus Schellinger
George Snyder
Ronald Wadowsky
John Whalen

Interested in joining an email prayer chain?

Receive weekly updates on prayers needed in our parish communities.

Open to ALL throughout our parish .

Contact MaryJo Chappel: mjc9321@zoominternet.net

There will be a finance council meeting on Tuesday, April 13 at 6:30 pm at the Newman Center.

We would like to welcome and congratulate our RCIA candidates, Christopher (Michael) Galbraith and Ryan (Barnabas) Dickey in our St. Faustina Parish family!

These gentleman completed their Rite of Initiation into the church at the Easter Vigil.

Welcome them and help them in their journey to strengthen their faith each day!

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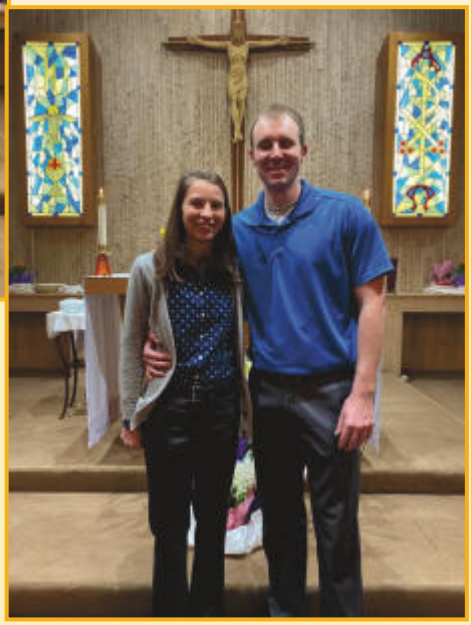
A Journey of Faith



Parish News

PEPPERONI ROLL FUNDRAISER

A group of our High School Students will be traveling to Nashville, Tennessee this summer for the "Catholic Heart Work Camp" service trip and retreat.

To help with the cost of the trip they are hosting a Peperoni Roll Fundraiser!

Cost is $12/ 6 pack of Pepperoni and Cheese, Pepperoni and spicey Jack cheese, or Garlic and Cheese.

After each of the Masses this weekend, there will be a student outside, taking orders for the Pepperoni Rolls. (Payment is due at the time of order.)

If interested in ordering, please contact George Pry at, 724-355-3737 or email: georgepry@zoominternet.net or .Katie Boosel at education@rockcatholic.org

Pick-up will be arranged on April 24th at St. Louis, St. Peter and St. Christopher Church parking lots.

FIRST FRIDAY FISH DINNERS ARE BACK AGAIN!!

Please join us from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm in the St. Louis Church Hall. Adults $11 and children $5.

The dinner includes a choice of baked or fried fish, fries, mac-n-cheese, scallop potatoes, green beans, drink and dessert.

Parish volunteers are needed to help prepare, serve and clean up. You may phone Donna Bryan at 724-637-2859 or Judy Gaiser at 724-637-2998 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Lent, please pray for our 2nd and 8th grade students as they are in their immediate preparation to receive their Sacraments over the next few months:

1st Communions – Saturday, April 24th at St. Louis and St. Anthony Churches
Confirmation – Saturday, May 15th at St. Peter Church

CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE

EVERY Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the Newman Center Chapel

EVERY Saturday AFTER the 4:30 pm Mass at St. Christopher

EVERY Friday at 6:00 pm at St. Louis

Youth Ministry

Monday, April 12th, Youth Ministry will be meeting over zoom from 7:00 -9:00 pm to discuss Miracles.

You can find the zoom link on the Parish website. We hope to see you there!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fr. Sean is offering Eucharistic Adoration EVERY Wednesday from 10:00 am - noon in the Newman Center Chapel. Please join Fr. Sean in some private prayer with the Lord.

Check out our website for all NEWS in our parish!!!

Please Pray For...

Sacraments

Confession Schedule
EVERY Wednesday at 5:30 at the Newman Center.

EVERY Friday at 6:00 at St. Louis.

EVERY Saturday after Mass at St. Christopher.

Baptism
ONLY one baby will be baptized at a time. All state restrictions and sanitizing guidelines will be followed. Please call the parish office to schedule.

Marriage
Limited weddings continue, with all state restrictions and sanitizing guidelines followed.

Funeral
Limited funerals continue, with all state restrictions and sanitizing guidelines followed.

- **Call the Parish Office at 724-794-2880, to add/remove an intention.**
- **State who is requesting the prayers and a phone number at which you can be reached.**
- **Prayer Requests will only stay on the prayer list for 3 months; if you would like your intention to stay on longer, please call the Parish Office and ask to extend the prayer request.**

Please remember in your prayers the sick, suffering, and homebound of our parish community.

Rich Baldo
Jan Beck
Alyssa Belle
Debbie Bolibruck
Kayla Brooks
Leighann Brucker
Desiree Burtner
Deanna Calderone
Richard Calderone
MaryJo Chappel
Cheryl Clifford
Rick Coast
Anthony Conti
Marty Davidson
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Tina DeMatteis
Hans Fellner
Judy Fellner
Jennifer Geibel
Marvin Grossman
Joan Hart
Virginia Hockenberry
Lillian Jeffrey
Caroline Kale
Jocelyn Kondos
Barb Kristufek
David Lambert
Jim Leone
MaryLou Leigh
Iola Lewandowski
Mark Massella
Martha McAdams
Drew McCoy
Ed Osburn
John Piasecki
Grace Sawczysyn
Jim Scott
Trevor Shaffer
Theo Stewart
Peg Stockham
Darla Stoughton
Ron Thompson
Katherine Tiche
Madeline Tripodi
Bob Updegraph
Norman Young
Betty Watson
Jen Wright

Please remember, intentions stay on the prayer list for 3 months. If you would like to have the intention continue, please call the office.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

campusministry@rockcatholic.org
Facebook: Rock Catholic SRU
Instagram @rockcatholicsru

Join Rock Catholic this WEDNESDAY at 8:00 pm via zoom for a panel discussion with alums about post-college mission opportunities such as FOCUS, Franciscan Mission Services, Mustard Seed communities, and more! Check CORE for the zoom link.

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