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OCTOBER 10, 2021 | TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

POSSIBLE

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:27

Jesús, mirándolos fijamente, les dijo: "Es imposible para los hombres, mas no para Dios. Para Dios todo es posible". - Mc 10, 27

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MASS SCHEDULES

Saturday Anticipated Mass | 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass | 9:30 a.m. - Mass will be Live Streamed

Daily: Tuesday - Friday | 8:00 a.m. - Tuesday and Thursday Mass will be Live Streamed

SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Six month notification required

Baptism: By appointment

Penance: Available the Second & Fourth Weekends each month.

Saturday: After 4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday: After 9:30 a.m. Mass

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PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR MASS

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepter and throne,
and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her
(Wis 7:7-8)

PSALM:

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Ps 90)

SECOND READING:

No creature is concealed from him,
but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him
to whom we must render an account. (Heb 4:13)

GOSPEL:

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come,
follow me." (Mk 10:21)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 10, 2021

Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. John XXIII, Pope; Columbus Day
Thursday: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
Friday: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Hedwig, Religious;
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; BVM
Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

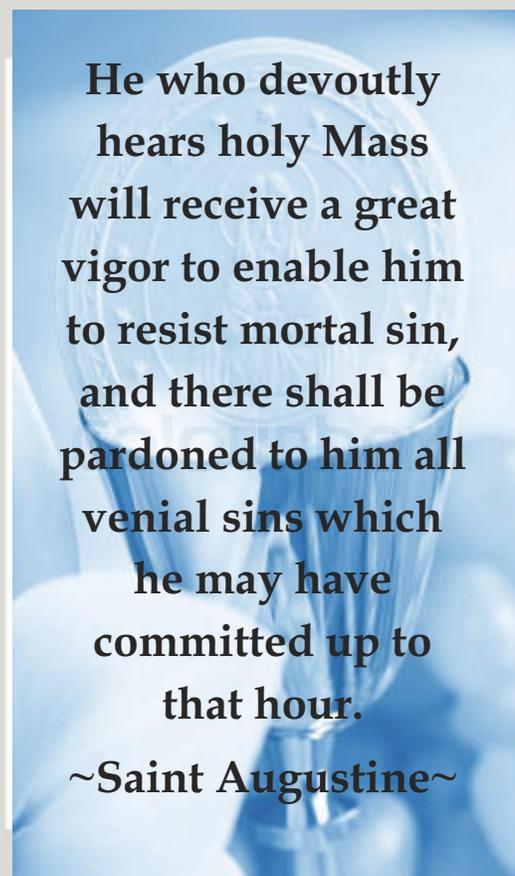
Prayer Before Mass

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness.

May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power.

King God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so received into His mystical body and numbered among His members.

Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You forever. Amen



He who devoutly
hears holy Mass
will receive a great
vigor to enable him
to resist mortal sin,
and there shall be
pardoned to him all
venial sins which
he may have
committed up to
that hour.

~Saint Augustine~

Saint of the Week

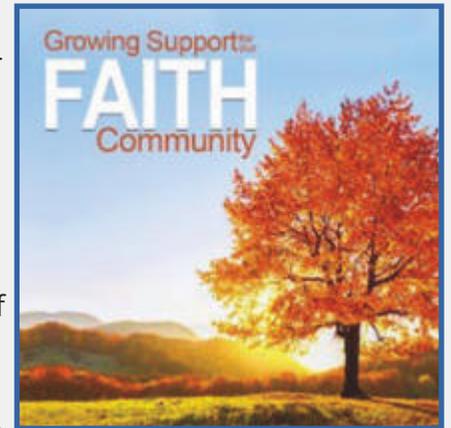
St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16th century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art. Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri.

Fostering a Culture of Giving at Saint James Parish

Saint James Parish has a reputation for being a generous community that I have experienced in many ways. The offering of oneself and treasures is seen through the warm welcome we extend to visitors who join us for worship and parish events. The generous response offered through our collection drives reflects the charity Christ calls us to when he said, *"whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."* We see our parishioners' love for our parish community firsthand when they sacrifice their own time successfully to accomplish another car show, breakfast, or soup sale. When someone finds themselves in need of prayer, the parish prayer chain quickly becomes an instrument of God's grace through the generous outpouring of prayers offered for those in need. And finally, the financial loyalty demonstrated by the faithful members of this community, both in small and large ways, never ceases to be offered to meet the needs of both the parish and the broader Church.



A generous heart makes for a cheerful giver. The virtue of charity is one of the theological virtues we receive at baptism. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines *"charity"* as ***"the theological virtue by which we love God above all things for His own sake, and our neighbor as ourselves for the love of God."*** What does it mean to love God above all things? What does that look like?

We receive a glimpse of this in the generosity expressed in the ministry of the Church. We experience this in love poured forth in the sacrificial living of those in the Sacrament of Marriage. The priest imitates this by laying down his life for service to God's people. When we live the life of charity, we imitate God, who emptied himself totally on the cross through His son for each of us. Jesus is the source of joy. Did you sometimes wonder why those who have very little are the happiest? I think about this often.

In the weeks ahead, I invite us to ponder God's call to give of ourselves back to Him. This is an invitation given to each one of us. It is the work of every member of this parish that helps create and foster a culture of giving. I am asking each one of us to prayerfully consider their participation of stewardship.

Next week, you will be receiving a postcard in the mail about how much your contributions of time, talent, and treasure mean to our parish. And a few weeks later, you will be receiving our annual report, which explains how our parish cares for the spiritual and material needs of our faith community. So please keep your eyes open for this to arrive in the mail. This is an important document that highlights the various ministries of parish life, along with ways monies have been spent over the past year, and it highlights the vision for the future.

As we emerge from a period of inactivity and difficulty caused by Covid, I ask you to join me in this time of reclaiming once again the vitality, charity, and mission of our Church.

Thank you for prayerfully considering ways that you can help us grow the seeds of faith as we continue to foster the culture of giving at Saint James Parish.

PET BLESSING

Thank you to all those that brought their beloved animals to the pet blessing on Sunday.



LITURGICAL SERVICES OF THE WEEK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2021 | ANTICIPATED MASS-TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 p.m. † In Celebration of 45th Wedding Anniversary - Bernard & Ruth Ann Morelli

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021 | TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:30 a.m. † For the People

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2021 | SAINT JOHN XXIII, POPE
NO MORNING MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021 | WEEKDAY
8:00 a.m. † Father Geno G. Rivi (Betty Nemchik & Family)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021 | WEEKDAY
8:00 a.m. † Dottie Bacher (Beloved Friend)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021 | SAINT CALLISTUS, I POPE & MARTYR
8:00 a.m. † Mass of Renewed Health for Kathy McNaughton (Dave & Georgette McNaughton)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2021 | SAINT TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
8:00 a.m. † Anthony & Mary Sacriponte (Dominick & Mary Tagliati)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021 ANTICIPATED MASS - TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 p.m. † For the People

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021 | TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:30 a.m. † Joseph & JoAnn Ragan (Munzek, Sharp & Chedrick Families)

MOVIE NIGHTS - "THE CHOSEN"

The last formation follow-up gathering will be held this *Tuesday, October 12th, 2021* at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.



NOVEMBER EVENTS Eucharistic Day



Our next all day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction with evening prayer will be held on **November 1st** - All Saints. Adoration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with Benediction at 6:00 p.m. and Mass at 6:30 p.m. There will no morning Mass. We will once again have a sign-up sheet placed on our website and in the back of the church for the time you can be available to spend time with the blessed sacrament.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The Remembrance Book listing names of our faithful departed is now available at the Church entrance near our Book of Prayer Intentions for you to inscribe the names of your family or friends who have died.

This Book will be placed in the Sanctuary on All Souls Day, **Tuesday, November 2, 2021** and will remain there during the month of November as a reminder of our prayers for all the faithful departed.

FALL BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021
8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Ham, Sausage, Pancakes, Eggs, Potatoes,
Juice, Coffee, Tea

Prices: \$8.00 Adults
\$4.00 Child (Ages 6 to 12 years)
Children (Under 6 - Free)

Basket Raffle - Winner will be drawn at 12:00 p.m.

BY: MRS. CATYLN BAILEY, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS FORMATION
EMAIL: CBAILEY@DIOCESEOFGREENSBURG.ORG

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

As a reminder, the next Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held on **Sunday, October 31st** during the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

DONUT SUNDAY

Please join us for donuts and coffee after Mass on **Sunday, October 31, 2021**

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

The next Young Adult Ministry will be held on **Wednesday, October 27, 2021** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Church Social Hall.

This is an informal gathering to allow the young adult members of our community to learn more about our Catholic Faith, and support each other in living as disciples of Christ.

ANNUAL OCTOBER COUNT

This month we will record the number of people that will be attending the weekend Masses and will submit these figures to the Diocese. This is a process that is completed each year and is used as one of the factors to assess the vitality of parishes throughout the Diocese of Greensburg. It is so important to be counted and show how truly strong and vital our parish is.

SHARE THE FAITH MISSION



Did you know you can help save our parish money by providing us with your e-mail and cell phone number? In fact, we won't have to mail you important updates this fall if you text the word Faith to the number

724-305-3057

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

OCTOBER LADY OF THE ROSARY

October is a special month dedicated to our Lady of the Rosary, to observe this, the Rosary Altar Society members will pray the Rosary on **every Sunday at 9:00 a.m.** before 9:30 a.m. Mass.

In addition, they will pray the Rosary at 7:30 a.m. before daily Mass Tuesday through Friday for the month of October. Please consider join reciting the Rosary with our members. Thank you!

MARIAN PRAYERS

Our Rosary Altar Society will sponsor our monthly devotions and Marian Prayers on **Wednesday, October 13, 2021 from 1:30 - 3:15 p.m.** in the Church.

SAINT JAMES CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW

Saturday, November 6, 2021

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Soup Sale & Food in Social Hall

Wedding : _____ # of quarts - \$10.00 Quart
Chicken Noodle: _____ # of quarts - \$10.00 Quart

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Soup Order Deadline: **Wednesday, November 3, 2021** via our website or completing this form and submitting to the Parish Office.

Contact Mrs. Angel Gillott for booth registration/ information at:

724-787-2240 or email: angelgillott2@gmail.com

ROSARY ALTAR MEETING

Our Rosary Altar Society will have their fall meeting on **Thursday, October 14, 2021**. The rosary will be recited at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will be held in the Church Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.

SAINT JAMES STEWARDSHIP NEWS

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

COLLECTION REPORT

OCTOBER 3 & OCTOBER 3, 2021

Adult Envelopes:	\$2,693.00
Offertory Loose:	\$233.00
First Week of 10/2021- EFT:	\$2,725.00
Fuel & Maintenance:	\$520.00
Fuel & Maintenance - EFT	\$125.00
Candles:	\$96.02
Catholic Accent:	\$40.00
Seminarian:	\$15.00
World Mission:	\$65.00
Total:	\$6,512.02

74 Adults

31% out of 237 who choose to use regular Sunday envelopes

Income	Budget	Difference
\$6,392.02	\$3,890.48	\$ +2,501.54

ELECTRONIC TRANSFER REPORT

September - \$4,030.00 - 18 donors

This amount is added offertory revenue for our Parish for the month of **September 2021**. This amount represent offertory gifts given through our parish EFT program and those received through our Diocesan website offertory link.

MASS ATTENDANCE

OCTOBER 3 & 4, 2021

4:30 p.m. - 60

9:30 a.m. - 110

Total - 170

**OCTOBER 2, 2021
THE MOVIE - THE CHOSEN**

6:00 p.m. - 33

MINISTERS OF THE WEEK

Saturday, October 16, 2021

4:30 p.m.

Lector - Bridget Widdowson
Eucharistic Minister - Mary Bartolini

Sunday, October 17, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Lector - Nance Disciascio
Eucharistic Minister - Fran Disciascio

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning during the month of **October 2021**

In Memory of: **John Nemchik**
Requested By: Wife Pat & Family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered this weekend after each Mass.

Why go to confession? Another term for the Sacrament of Confession is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We go to this sacrament not only to confess our sins, but to be reconciled with God. Of course, this begs the question, "If I can pray to God on my own, why can't I be reconciled to God on my own?" In the seven sacraments, we recognize the importance of community. Sacraments like baptism or matrimony happen in the context of the wider church to remind us of the communal impact of our lives. We are not alone in our walk of faith!

We don't need to confess our sins in front of the whole community - thank God! But going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a tangible reminder that our sins affect not only ourselves and our relationship with God, but others as well. Jesus gave his Apostles authority to forgive sins in his name. Through this sacrament, we are really, truly forgiven by God Himself. We receive an outpouring of grace and strength to sin no more and our relationship with Christ and his Body, the Church, are restored.

October Rosary Rally in Jeannette

A public Rosary Rally, hosted by the partner parishes of Ascension and Sacred Heart, is scheduled for **Saturday, October 16th** at McKee Parking Lot in Jeannette, PA at Noon. Come join us in giving witness to our faith in a world that has become lost and is searching for direction.

Saint Cecilia Parish, Whitney, Plans Bingo, Burger Bashes

Saint Cecilia Parish, Whitney, will hold a Burger Bash **Saturday, October 16**, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the church pavilion. Bingo is held the first Sunday of each month (except January, which is Jan. 9) in the parish hall; doors open at 12:30 p.m., and games begin at 2:00 pm. Refreshments are. For information, call 724-423-3777.

Red Cross Plans Blood/Platelet Drives

The American Red Cross is experiencing an emergency blood and platelet shortage and has set the following blood drives (donors are asked to make an appointment by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS):

October 13: Greensburg Blood Donation Center, noon-6:00 p.m. **October 14:** Murrysville Education Center, 11:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. **October 15:** North Huntingdon Town House, 12:30-5:30 p.m.

Apple Jamboree October 17, 2021 at Saint Bruno Parish, South Greensburg

An Apple Jamboree will be held **Sunday, October 17**, from noon-5:00 p.m. at Saint Bruno Parish, Greensburg.

Rosary Altar Society Communion Breakfast set October 17, 2021

The annual Communion breakfast for the Rosary Altar Society members of St. Paul, St. Bruno, Our Lady of Grace and St. Benedict parishes will be held **Sunday, October 17**, at St. Benedict Church. The day will include the Rosary at 10:45 a.m., Mass officiated by Father Daniel L. Blout and a light brunch. Cost is \$15.00 per person. St. Paul members are asked to drop payments in the collection basket or bring them to the parish office rather than mailing due to timing issues.

Outdoor Concert at Saint Emma Retreat House, Greensburg, October 17, 2021

A outdoor worship concert by Alabaster Performing Arts will be held **Sunday, October 17**, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Emma Retreat House, Greensburg. Donation is \$10.00. Those attending should take chairs. For information, call 724-516-5189.

Catholic Charities' Designer Purse Bash and Crystal Bake Sale November 7, 2021

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg will host its fifth annual Designer Purse Bash and Crystal Bake Sale **Sunday, November 7**, at the Barn at Ligonier Valley. Doors open at noon. Tickets are \$35.00 For information or to purchase tickets, visit www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org and click on "Fundraisers," or stop at the Catholic Charities office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

SARRIS CANDY FUNDRAISER! Saint Bartholomew's in Crabtree, PA

Saint Bartholomew will be having their Sarris Candy fundraiser again for the holiday season. Candy can be ordered online and shipped directly to you or you can order through our Brochures and pick up your order at our Parish. If ordering by Brochure, orders need to be returned to St. Bartholomew's by **Wednesday, November 17**. The delivery date of the chocolate will be on Monday, December 13'. Brochure and order forms are available at St. Bartholomew's Parish or they can be mailed to you upon request but calling 724-834-0709. If you are writing a check, please make payments to "St. Bartholomew Church." When ordering online use our group ID #10-3712. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Noel at 724-537-9498 or email her at klausnoel3@comcast.net.



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