

**Families and the Gospel** (Mark 10: 2-16)  
 “In today’s gospel, Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rulebook. Rules are for those with ‘hardened hearts.’ Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God’s faithful and selfless love...a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.”

**Office of Lay Ecclesial Ministry being offered in October 2024.** Christian Prayer and Spirituality taught by deacon Michael Russo, Thursdays from 6-8 pm (8weeks) beginning **October 3<sup>rd</sup>** with one Wednesday night class in November. The cost of this class is \$35.00 and must be turned in with the Registration Form. Visit the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown website at [www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry](http://www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry), or contact Jessica at 814-361-2000 or [jgramling@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jgramling@dioceseaj.org). All are welcome!

**Seeking Child Care:** Hello, my name is Katelyn, and I am seeking child care for my six-month old son. I am a nurse, and I work only a few days a week. I need the care to start in early October. I can be reached on my cell 570-502-2581. Please leave me a message if I am unable to answer your call, along with the best time to reach you back. Serious inquiries greatly appreciated. *Thank you.*

**Christmas Request:** Our annual Angel Tree that hold Christmas gift requests for families is set-up on Thanksgiving day. Due to the overwhelming support of our parishioners, we are able to accommodate more families than the number provided by Catholic Charities. If you know of an area family that could use assistance this Christmas, please provide your name and contact number and the name of the family along with a contact number to the church office or Father Michael. All information will be confidential and the family name will not be made public. Referrals are needed by **November 10<sup>th</sup>** to allow for processing the information. Contact Steve Stoner with any questions at 814-931-7964. Thank you in advance for helping to make this Christmas truly the season of giving.

**Healing Mass:** Holy Spirit Ministry will hold a special healing Mass on **Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 7 pm at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg.** This powerful night of hope and healing is for all who are suffering physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Praise and worship will precede the Mass at 6:30 pm and prayer ministry will follow the Mass. Come and experience the healing power of Jesus and be set free! All are welcome!

**Rest in Peace** - Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Lombardo. May God grant her eternal peace in His kingdom and her loved ones comfort and strength.

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**NO LONGER TWO BUT ONE**



“The two will become one flesh. What God has joined together people must not divide.” Mark 10: 9

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**THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE**

“So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.” (Genesis 2: 19)

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn’t something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

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**Office Hours:**  
**Monday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**  
**Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am to 3:30 pm**

**Director of Religious Education:** Lauren Wright  
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**Elementary to High School Classes: (Grades K-11):**  
**Sunday mornings 9:00 am to 10:15 am (weekly during the school year)**

**OCIA:** Susan Burkholder (814) 684-0352

Pastoral Council - Jason Terosky (814) 883-0077  
 Finance Council - Dennis Rozick (814) 684-5511  
 Cemetery Committee - Shirley Hall (814) 931-0657

**Saint Matthew Catholic School**  
**“serving our community since 1869”**  
**Principal:** Pauline Wiley  
**School Phone:** (814) 684-3510  
**School web-site:** [www.stmatthew-school.org](http://www.stmatthew-school.org)

**We welcome all visitors. If you live in the area, please call the Parish Office to register and become an active member of our parish family.**

**If you would like to have a MASS celebrated for the deceased members of your family, or friends, or for special intentions, please stop by or call the parish office.**



**October 6, 2024**  
*The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Weekend Mass Schedule:** Saturday at 5:30 pm  
 Sunday at 7:30 am  
 Sunday at 10:30 am  
**Weekday Mass Schedule:** Wed., Thurs. & Friday at 8:00 am  
**Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule:** 9:00 am & 6:00 pm  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday at 12:30 pm  
 or anytime upon request.  
**Saint Joseph Church in Bellwood: Saturday at 4:00 pm or Sunday at 9:00 am and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday at 3:30 pm.**

**Mass Schedule & Intentions**  
**October 5, 2024 – October 13, 2024**

- Sat. 5:30 pm** Jeanne Raffetto Tentis – Knights of Columbus
- Sun. 7:30 am** William & Hulda Engelman - Estate
- Sun. 10:30 am** Paul Peter Eggie – Paul Eggie
- Mon. 8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph
- Tues. 6:00 pm Mass at St. Joseph
- Wed. 9:00 am Donna Pavlic – John Pavlic
- Thurs. 8:00 am Descendants of the Arthur and Mabel Ramage Family – JR & Suzie Gurekovich
- Fri. 8:00 am Maddy MacNeil – Aye Tepsic
- Fri. 8:30 – 9:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction**
- Sat. 5:30 pm** Joseph and Mary Dambeck & family – Martha and Ann
- Sun. 7:30 am** Michael Cannistraci – Mom & Dad
- Sun 10:30 am** For the People - Pastor



*Sanctuary Candle* for the week of October 6<sup>th</sup> is in memory of Patie Walsh requested by Mary Jane Cornelius and family.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE**

**Weekdays** R Long

**Lectors – Oct. 12/13, 2024**

**Sat. 5:30 pm** D Strayer, J Ieraci, J Rumberger  
**Sun. 7:30 am** B Hiergeist, R Long  
**Sun. 10:30 am** H Quinn, A Langenbacker, K Auman-Gooding

**Extraordinary Ministers Eucharist Oct. 12/13, 2024**

**Sat. 5:30 pm †** K Raffetto, M Raffetto, C O'Rourke  
**Sun. 7:30 am †** M Rozick, B Rozick, L Grove  
**Sun. 10:30 am †** L Wright, M Morse, S Thomas

**Altar Servers: Oct. 12/13, 2024**

**Sat. 5:30 pm** E Narehood, H Narehood  
**Sun. 7:30 am** TBD  
**Sun. 10:30 am** M Weber, C Weber

**Financial Report – September 29, 2024**

Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection \$3,412 \$23(children)

**Beginning July 1, 2024 and Ending June 30, 2025**

Year to date Sunday Collection Income \$ 70,593

2024 Year to date Bingo Net Income	\$ 28,803
Second Collection	\$ 0
SMS Catholic School Envelopes	\$ 290
Religious Education Envelopes	\$ 150
Good Samaritan	\$ 315

2024 Catholic Ministries Drive **TARGET** \$ 29,219  
 CMD Donations for 2024 \$ 77,402

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!** Please remember that one can have a lot of money but still live a really poor life and one can have no money at all and live a really rich life, that's because what makes a person truly rich is not how much they have but how much they give.



The Altar flowers this weekend are requested by Mary Jo and Mark Calvert to celebrate of Baptism of their grandson, Leo James.

Thank you to Rozick's Greenhouse for the beautiful Mums placed on our altar this Fall season.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND** (June 1 to Dec. 1, 2024) Charlie and Anna Cannistraci, Bonnie Carper, Sue Chambers, Jack Futrick, Cindy Hampton, Rick Hampton, Rob Hampton, Vicky Hayes, Dieter Hartsock, Mary Ellen Jones, Tina Kilmartin, Lila Jo Laughlin, John Lewis, Ailani Myers, Shannon Riley, Michael Sharer, Mike Ronan, Harry Sickler, Dorothy Smyder, Lee Wertz, Rachel Harshman Wiggins, Esther Zane

**Stewardship Reflection** Our readings this week speak to each of our domestic churches – the little churches that we call our families. They bring us back to the very beginning of time and call us to restore what God had intended for each of us.

As Genesis reminds us, God created woman as a partner for man and He desires that they become unified. It is in this union of marriage that man and woman work together to bring their family to Heaven. This is the mission that our families must be united in. We must ask ourselves, how are we living out that mission? It should be the very heart and soul of our families.

As we think about our families this week – whether it be a single household or a family of 10 – let us find small ways in which we can live out our mission to bring our families to heaven.

For anyone wishing to contribute to the Missionary Collection for Father Felix Diocese, there are envelopes in the pews or you can utilize the Missionary Co-op envelope in your semi-monthly packet or you may drop off your donation in the parish office.

Holy Name Parish, Ebensburg is inviting parishes **on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, as Jessica Cox will be giving a talk on her Catholic Faith.** This remarkable woman is a motivational speaker, martial artist, and airplane pilot and she does all this with no arms. Please mark your calendars.

Each **October** the Church in the United States celebrates **Respect Life Month**, and the **first Sunday of October** is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish,

defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between.

On Saturday, **October 12<sup>th</sup>, All Saints Parish** in Boswell will be hosting a performance by the famed Tamburitzan folk ensemble from Pittsburgh at North Star High School in Boswell (about 90 minutes from Tyrone). The Tamburitzans help to preserve venerable ethnic cultures from around the world through lively dances, authentic instruments, vibrant costumes, and a variety of languages. The event begins at 2 pm on Oct 12<sup>th</sup>, cost is \$25 for seniors, \$30 general admission, \$10 for students. Reception after the program at the parish hall is \$20 for all you can eat food from around the world. For tickets please phone the parish office, 814-629-5551 or email the parish secretary Emily Marsh at [emarsh@dioceseaj.org](mailto:emarsh@dioceseaj.org).

Also On **Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 6:30 pm the parish will host Fr. Czeslaw Krysa from Buffalo, NY to present Polish Easter Customs at their parish hall at 505 Center Street, Boswell. The event includes refreshment and is free of charge. You are asked to register by contacting the parish office 814-629-5551 or email Emily March at [emarsh@dioceseaj.org](mailto:emarsh@dioceseaj.org).



A Rosary Rally will be held at the Saint Matthew School parking lot (near the statue of the Blessed Mother) on **Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**

**at noon** to mark the 107<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima Portugal. Please consider participating. Chairs will be provided. Light refreshments afterwards. In case of inclement weather, the rosary will be held in the Gathering Space. Any questions please contact the parish office.

**Fatima Devotions:** The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on **Sunday, October 13, 2024**, at 6:30 pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Malachi Van Tassell, T.O.R.

**October is the Month of Mary and the Rosary** The month of October is **devoted to Mary and praying the Rosary.** It is a month during which we need to increase our Marian spirituality. It is good to place a statue or Holy picture of Our Lady and place it at a prominent place in your home. You can decorate it with a bouquet of flowers or in your own creative way. Remember that the Rosary is recited every Wednesday morning after the morning Mass in the Church and before all weekend Masses. Please come and join us and fulfilling Our Blessed Mother's instruction to say a rosary daily.

Parish Mission Presents Fr. Greg Bramlage from Missionaries of the New Evangelization at St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford, Johnstown. **Built Upon the Rock** is a three-night event to be held at 7 pm on October 21, 22, and 23, 2024. Each evening you will worship God in "Spirit and Truth" as you pray for God's healing in your lives. Please come with an open heart ready to be awed by the extravagant love of God. Open to adults and children in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. Tickets are not required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or by email at [michael.russo@atlanticbb.net](mailto:michael.russo@atlanticbb.net).

**Visitation Parish in Johnstown** will sponsor Game Night Fundraiser to help cover the post-liver transplant bills for its pastor, Fr. John Slovikovski on **October 20<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 7 pm in the Parish Hall.** The cost is \$5.00 and will include admission and registration for games, pizza, popcorn, soda, water, and beer. You may register as individuals or as groups and you can reserve games. Games include Monopoly, Pictionary, Trivial Pursuit, Bamboozled, Scattergories, Family Feud, Johnstownopoly, CLUE, LIFE Right, Left, Center, Corn hole, Poker, Uno and many more. To register, please call or email: Visitation Parish 814-536-6110, Kristyn Amendola 814-248-2942 or [kamendola528@gmail.com](mailto:kamendola528@gmail.com), Debbie Magro 814-243-9028 or [ddmagro1958@gmail.com](mailto:ddmagro1958@gmail.com). Thank you for your support and kindness.