

**Families and the Gospel** (Mark 10:35-45)

Advice books abound on marriage and parenting. Jesus tells us in today's gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve other. It is not about "getting," it is about "giving" ourselves. If you feel like you are a servant to your children and spouse, then you are doing it right.



There will be a meeting for anyone who may be interested in prison ministry on **Tuesday, October 29th at 7 pm** in the gathering space. A sample facilitation will be shared and questions will be answered. If unable to attend, please contact Teresa Jeffries at 814-381-1317.

**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 10th** 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.

Active Shooter Seminar presented by Officer Brad Tuskovich at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Port Matilda, PA on Saturday, **November 16, 2024 from 10 am 11 am** RSVP by Monday, November 11, 2024 by called the parish office.

Try Catholic Radio – WJVM 90.3 FM the *Voice of Divine Mercy*

As the holidays approach, please remember the Tyrone Food Bank. Donations can be placed in the Gathering Space.

**Monica's Tears:** Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona, hosts an hour of adoration with the recitation of the rosary *every Thursday night from 6 pm to 7 pm* to pray for our loved ones who have left the practice of the Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome, please join us.

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**AS JESUS DID**



"Can you drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with my baptism?" Mark 10: 38

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

*"For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."* (Mark 10: 45)

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God's love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from "I want more" to "thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share". This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God-centered.

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**Saint Matthew Catholic School**  
**"serving our community since 1869"**  
**Principal:** Pauline Wiley  
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**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 20, 2024**  
*The Twenty-Ninth 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 19, 2024 – October 27, 2024**

- Sat. 5:30 pm** Jeanne Raffetto Tentis – Mark & Karen Raffetto
- Sun. 7:30 am** Bill & Maxine Schoch- Family
- Sun. 10:30 am** Patie Walsh - Knights of Columbus
- Mon. 8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph
- Tues. 6:00 pm Mass at St. Joseph
- Wed. 9:00 am Joe Kern – Fred Bennetti
- Thurs. 8:00 am Norman Good – Ann Sellers
- Fri. 8:00 am Michele Faust – Michael Burkholder
- Fri. 8:30 – 9:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction**
- Sat. 5:30 pm** TBD
- Sun. 7:30 am** For the People - Pastor
- Sun 10:30 am** Dick Barrett – Ellie Spangler



*Sanctuary Candle* for the week of October 20<sup>th</sup> is in memory of Norman Good requested by Ann Sellers.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE**

**Weekdays** D Cunningham

**Lectors – Oct. 26/27, 2024**

**Sat. 5:30 pm** Sue Gavazzi, S Burkholder, G Miller  
**Sun. 7:30 am** S McNelis, B Hiergeist  
**Sun. 10:30 am** MJ Gunter, S Cowher, I Maceno

**Extraordinary Ministers Eucharist Oct. 26/27, 2024**

**Sat. 5:30 pm** † K Raffetto, M Raffetto, R Bunch  
**Sun. 7:30 am** † S Zakrzwski, D Zakrzwski, TBD  
**Sun. 10:30 am** † L Wright, S Thomas, M Morse

**Altar Servers: Oct. 26/27, 2024**

**Sat. 5:30 pm** K Shaffer, TBD  
**Sun. 10:30 am** E Lake, A Lake

<b>Financial Report – October 13, 2024</b>	
Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection	\$7,707 \$36(children)
<b>Beginning July 1, 2024 and Ending June 30, 2025</b>	
Year to date Sunday Collection Income	\$ 83,795
<b>2024</b> Year to date Bingo Net Income	\$ 31,153
Second Collection	\$ 398
SMS Catholic School Envelopes	\$ 45
Religious Education Envelopes	\$ 0
Good Samaritan	\$ 70
<b>2024 Catholic Ministries Drive TARGET</b>	<b>\$ 29,219</b>
CMD Donations for 2024	\$ 79,217
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!</b> 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 <u>what makes a person truly rich</u> is not how much they have but how much they give.	



The Altar flowers this weekend are in memory of Michele Faust requested by Michael Burkholder.

**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, Rose Long, Ailani Myers, Shannon Riley, Michael Sharer, Mike Ronan, Harry Sickler, Dorothy Smyder, Lee Wertz, Rachel Harshman Wiggins, Esther Zane

**Stewardship Reflection**

Our readings today convey how deeply God understands our weaknesses and sufferings, and how we are called imitate Him through humility and service.

Our culture constantly encourages us to do what we can to get ahead in this world, to do what feels good, no matter the effects – as if that power, authority, and wealth should be goals in life.

Our faith offers us something different and fulfilling – a life of humility and service. As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in service of God and neighbor, just as Jesus did. Our life is not about us. It is about fulfilling God's glorious plan for each one of us.

Today, let us recall that we have a loving God who completely understands us and sympathizes with us. He is waiting for us to call on Him for mercy and strength. Yet, let us also recall that our God challenges us to be imitators of Him by becoming humble servants for God and Neighbor.

Father Michael has designated that the **second collection this weekend, October 19/20, 2024** will be earmarked for the devastation endured by the victims of Hurricane Helene and Milton. There are envelopes in the pews for your convenience. You may place your donation in an envelope with your name and envelope number or may give an anonymous donation. If this weekend is not convenient, you may drop off your clearly marked donation in the parish office or in the offering next week.

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 refreshments 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).

Each **October** the Church in the United States celebrates **Respect Life Month**. 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.

**Prayer for the Unborn Child**

Dear Lord, Reawaken in us respect for every unborn life, make us capable of seeing in the fruit of the maternal womb the miraculous work of your creation, open our hearts to generously welcoming every child that comes into life. Bless all families, sanctify the union of spouses, render fruitful their love.

Accompany the choices of legislative assemblies with the light of your Spirit, so that people and nations may recognize and respect the sacred nature of life, of every human life. Guide the work of scientists and doctors, so that all progress contributes to the integral well-being of the person, and no one endures suppression or injustice. Give creative charity to administrators and economists, so they may realize and promote sufficient conditions so that young families can serenely embrace the birth of new children.

Console the married couples who suffer because they are unable to have children and in Your goodness provide for them. Teach us all to care for orphaned or abandoned children, so they may experience the warmth of your Charity, the consolation of your divine Heart.

**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 pray the 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).

**October 20<sup>th</sup> – World Mission Sunday**

Pope Francis reminds us, **"we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves"** and that we can respond to our missionary call through charity.

Your support of evangelizing efforts and building the Church in more than 1,100 mission dioceses on that special day answers that shared call. Parishioners' prayers and sacrifices will support priests, religious, and lay pastoral leaders who are proclaiming the Gospel, building the Church and serving the poorest communities in territories covering more than half the globe.

They must know how their practical help – and devoted prayer – enables missionaries to work and witness to Christ, as an *extension of their own intention to speak about the contagious faith they have seen and heard* – especially as the Mission Church, with us, continues to cope with the challenges of the global pandemic.