

MASS INTENTIONS

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| MONDAY | OCTOBER 4 |
| 8:00 AM | Adoration |
| 9:00 AM | Elizabeth Roman |
| TUESDAY | OCTOBER 5 |
| 9:00 AM | Anna Wiggins |
| WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 6 |
| 9:00 AM | Kenneth Weikel |
| THURSDAY | OCTOBER 7 |
| 6:00 PM | No Adoration |
| 7:00 PM | No Mass |
| FRIDAY | OCTOBER 8 |
| 9:00 AM | No Mass |
| SATURDAY | OCTOBER 9 |
| 4:30 PM | George & Anna Puhak |
| SUNDAY | OCTOBER 10 |
| 8:00 AM | People of the Parish |
| 10:00 AM | Howard Sweeney |

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please remember in your prayers all our parish family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually, especially: *Margaret Bonenberger, Jill Brubaker, Sharon Brubaker, Grace Conti, Cindy Cooper, Marie DalMaso, Rick Fitzgerald, Charles Fonzone, Victoria Gaffney, Wayne Glover, Joe Gnall, Skip Graham, Robert Hartzell, Ariella Jarrab, Gerald Kratzer, Anna Kaufmann, Theresa Kelly, Jade Madden, Deacon Michael Meder, Amalie Meehan, Kathy Mitstifer, Steve O'Connor, Rich Pastorella, David Perenyi, Bob Sheehan, John Signarovitz, Barbara Stangl, Kathryn Wechsler.*

*NOTE: Our usual procedure for hospital information is unavailable. Please call church if you are admitted.

TO THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS



We welcome you to Mass each weekend. If you wish to receive Holy Communion and find it difficult to join the Communion line, please let the ushers know and an Extraordinary Minister will bring communion to you. Low gluten hosts are available; prior to Mass go to the sacristy so the celebrant will know to prepare the host.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the Church on Monday before the 9 am Mass and Thursday evening before the 7 pm Mass. Please contact Wendy Ohlsen at 610-248-6648 if you have questions.

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Please pray for those who have died especially **Raymond Breck** and **Carmela Stephenson**, *mother of parishioner Ann Frankl*. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



READINGS FOR 28TH SUNDAY OT

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| First Reading: | Wisdom 7: 7 – 11 |
| Responsorial Psalm: | 90 |
| Second Reading: | Hebrews 4: 12 – 13 |
| Gospel: | Mark 10: 17 – 30 |

Parish Calendar of Regular Events (call for updates)

Adult Choir – Wed (Sept to May) times as scheduled
Baptism Class – 3rd Thursday every other month 7 pm
Bible Study – Wednesday 10 am in LMR*
Friendly Visitors – 3rd Thursday (Sept to May) 2 pm LMR*
Men of St. Elizabeth – 3rd Monday 7:30 pm LMR*
Our Lady of Knots Novena – Tuesday & Thursday
Parish Breakfast – 2nd Sunday (Nov to April) 8:30 – 11 am Hall
Prayer Shawl – 2nd Wednesday 2 pm LMR* *call Carolyn for details*
PREP – Mondays (Sept to April) 6 pm School
RCIA – Tuesdays (Sept to April) 7 pm LMR*
Toastmasters – 4th Monday 7 pm LMR
Women's Group – 2nd & 4th Sunday 6 pm LMR*

*LMR = Parish office large meeting room 2nd floor.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **Florence Naughton** requested by *the Mascari Family*.

MASS INTENTION BOOK

The 2022 Mass intention book will open in December. Sanctuary Lamp and Church Bells are available as well. More information will follow in November when the new 2022 Intention book opens.

PASTOR'S BIRTHDAY

*Praying God sends all of
the goodness that you give
away into your life today –
And that it's only the
beginning
Of another year blessed
with His love.*

Happy Birthday Fr. Stan!!

PASTOR'S CORNER

One of the liturgical designations of October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. After the Resurrection of Our Lord the apostles gathered in prayer together with some women and our Blessed Mother. They understood instinctively that they needed to be where Our Lady was. They gathered around her in prayer and when they received the Holy Spirit, who was given to them on Pentecost—suddenly they became aware of what it was they were supposed to do. They understood what it meant to be conformed to Jesus Christ, and that was the way they lived their lives from that point forward, everyday becoming more and more conformed into the very likeness of our Blessed Lord.

The same is true for each one of us. If we are going to be conformed to Christ, it is in a particular way to be able to place before ourselves the very mysteries of His life, of His death, and of His glorification. That is exactly what we have in the Rosary. We meditate upon the mysteries of Our Lord's life; we place them before us every single day; and in so doing, slowly, little by little, we become conformed to the mysteries upon which we meditate. Our Lady is at the very center of all of that, and it makes perfect sense. God chose her, to be the mother of His Son. Our Lady, being a mother, has formed then but one child, and she formed Him perfectly. If we place ourselves in her hands, she will conform us to the image of that one child that she knows how to form—and that is Jesus.

The Rosary is an exceedingly powerful weapon, a spiritual weapon against the enemy of our souls. Sister Lucia, the visionary of Fatima, made very clear the power of the Rosary as she understood from what Our Lady had shown her. She said simply, "Through the Rosary anything can be obtained. Anything." That is the power of the Rosary. Once again, it moves us right into the central mysteries of the life and passion of Our Lord and into the mystery of Our Lady's relationship with Christ. We learn from her how to live the Christian life and through her we become perfectly conformed to Christ. That is the power of the Rosary. The Rosary is able to take a situation which seems impossible and help us to see God's Will, to turn it into something which is not only completely possible, but something which is going to give the greatest glory to God. That is what we have to be about.

Through this very humble means, we see that we have the most powerful of all weapons. It is a weapon to be wielded on the spiritual realm, a weapon that is used against Satan. Through the Rosary, all things are possible for those who really pray it, for those who trust in the power of God. Through Our Lady's intercession, everything can be obtained through the prayerful recitation of the Most Holy Rosary.

God bless you,

Fr. Stan

THINGS TO PONDER...

The Rosary *our quest for October*

The rosary is first and foremost a meditation, primarily an encounter with Jesus through the heart of his mother.

The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the *depth of the Gospel message in its entirety*, of which it can be said to be a compendium. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial *Magnificat* for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb. With the Rosary, the Christian people *sit at the school of Mary* and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer.

—From *On the Most Holy Rosary (Rosarium Virginis Mariae)*

What is meditation?

Meditation is a Christian practice of prayer dating back to the early Church. As the Catechism states: "Meditation is above all a quest. The mind seeks to understand the why and how of the Christian life, to adhere and respond to what the Lord is asking." By meditating on the Gospels, holy icons, liturgical texts, spiritual writings, or "the great book of creation," we come to make our own that which is God's. "To the extent that we are humble and faithful, we discover in meditation the movements that stir the heart, and we are able to discern them." It is a question of acting truthfully to come into the light: "Lord, what do you want me to do?" (CCC 2705-2706).

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Meditation is an essential form of Christian prayer, especially for those who are seeking to answer the vocational question, "Lord, what do you want me to do?"



PARISH NEWS

GIVE THE GIFT OF A CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Complete or partial sponsorship of a student can make a difference in a student's ability to attend Saint Elizabeth Regional School. Sponsorship opportunities, combining faith with learning, create a well-rounded and prepared student. As an "Angel of the Lord Sponsor," you provide financial support to families who desire the spiritual, moral, and intellectual growth fostered by a Catholic, faith-based school.

Choose from any three levels of support:

- **Phanuel Angel:** Donate Any Amount
- **Seraphim Angel:** Donate a Half Year of Tuition (\$1,775)
- **Uriel Angel:** Donate a Full Year of Tuition (\$3,550)

Send donations to Mrs. Kimberly Kocher, Principal
St. Elizabeth Regional School
431 Pershing Blvd, Whitehall, PA 18052

Thanks for your support.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Monday, Oct 11 in observation of Columbus Day.

We will reopen on Tuesday, Oct 12th.



PARISH PRIZE RAFFLE BASKET SOCIAL WEEKEND



We thank our parish family for always responding so well to our fundraisers. This year we are once again adding a prize raffle to the Basket Social event. *A pack of five tickets were mailed out along with Basket Social information. If you have not received a mailing, you can pick up the information from the parish website and tickets from the parish office. We have more tickets!* Please consider selling or purchasing them at the price of \$5 a ticket or all five tickets for \$20. The cash prizes are listed below; winners will be picked on Sunday afternoon, October 10th. Winners do not need to be present and will be contacted promptly after the Social. Sold and unsold tickets can be dropped in the collection basket (in an envelope) or at the parish office or at the Basket Social event weekend. Tickets will also be on sale during the Basket Social. *We thank Joe Mascari's Carpets and Rugs International for sponsoring the ticket printing.*

1st Prize - \$500 • 2nd Prize - \$200

3rd Prize - \$100 • 4th Prize - \$100 • 5th Prize - \$100

BLESSING OF PETS

St. Elizabeth will hold the annual Blessing of Pets in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Monday, Oct 4th at 7:45 am in the church parking lot.

We ask that all animals be on a leash under the control of their adult owners or in a carrier.

For Mass at 8:00 am

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison, Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra Gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi; dona nobis pacem.

OUR COMMUNITY



ANNUAL BASKET PARTY!!
Holy Trinity Catholic Church

4456 Main St. Whitehall, PA (Egypt)
Call 610-262-9315 or 610-533-2794 for information

Directions to Holy Trinity: Take MacArthur Rd (145 N) to light at Rt 329.
Take left at Rt 329 to the next light. Holy Trinity is on the left.

Saturday, October 23
10 AM to 7 PM
Sunday, October 24
8 AM to 1 PM

Tickets: 25 for \$5.00, on sale at door.

****Only basket party committee may be present for drawing****
Prizes will be available for pickup Sunday evening and Monday afternoon. Winners will be called.

Great homemade food and baked goods on sale!
****TAKE OUT ONLY****

We will follow CDC guidelines at the time of the event.

Small games of chance license #0094R21

St. Mary's Church

Second & Union Streets, Catasauqua



Friday & Saturday October 15th & 16th

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

German Themed Food

& Drinks

Muzik By: D.H. Productions DJ's

dhpro.com @dhpartyypeople

Free Admission

Available for purchase: German Foods
Drinks (Soda, Wine & German Beers) and Raffles



610-264-0332

kim.stmarys122@gmail.com

November Horn of Plenty Dance

St. John Social Hall 924 N. Front St.
Saturday Nov 6 Oldies Dance \$5 per
person – BYOB – Kitchen Open
Dance from 7 – 10 – Doors open 6:30 Call
Bill Drost 610-432-3505



Women's Day of Reflection

Join us for a Women's Day of Reflection Saturday, October
16th 9am – 2 pm focused on the Real Presence. The day will
include Eucharistic Adoration, opportunities for the
Sacrament of Reconciliation, guest speakers, Mass with
Bishop Schlert, lunch, and time for personal prayer and
reflection. Cost is \$20 per attendee. Register ASAP
St. Mary Parish | 94 Walnut Rd., Hamburg

St. John the Baptist Parish Fall Festival and Tricky Trays

Saturday October 30 – 31 at St. John Social Hall 924 N.
Front St



Saturday 11 am – 6 pm & Sunday 9 am – 4 pm

Winners will be notified by phone.

Questions? Call 610-432-0034 email

stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com

Ethnic Foods: Halupkie, Pierogies and Halusky!

TAKE OUT ONLY – everyone encouraged to wear a mask,
practice social distancing.

BONANZA BINGO IS BACK!!!

St. John Social Hall 924 N. Front St

Sunday October 17th



\$15 for 20 Games, 6 Specials and Lucky 7

Doors and Kitchen Open at noon

Bingo begins at 1 pm

First come – first served seating.

Masks are requested so all feel comfortable.

Bring your daubers – NO Hardboards

Call Bill Drost 610-432-3505

St. John the Baptist Parish Lottery Calendar Sale

January 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022 *Make GREAT stocking
stuffers!* Only \$20 for six months of chances to win!
Questions? 610-432-0034

“Eucharistic Presence”

Immaculate Conception Church, 501 Ridge Ave. will hold
its Homecoming Day of Recollection on Sunday, October
17 from 2 to 5 pm. The afternoon will include recitation of
the rosary, a guest speaker, meditation, benediction, and a
social gathering afterwards with light refreshments. Register
by calling 610-433-4404

Care Packages for Deployed Military Members

Blue Star Mothers of America, Lehigh Valley Chapter PA
201 is planning to send care packages to deployed military
members in November. We'd love to send a package to
your family members or friends. If you have anyone
deployed or serving overseas and would like them to
receive a package, please email their name and address to
Joan Glover at jglover@ptd.net or give her a call at 610-
349-7791 by November 1st. For more information about
the Blue Star Mothers, please call or email Judy Miller,
President of the LV Chapter @ 610-428-0778 or
jmillerbsmx2@gmail.com.

