

## MASS INTENTIONS

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| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>OCTOBER 18</b>      |
| 8:00 AM          | Adoration              |
| 9:00 AM          | Patricia Lipowsky      |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>OCTOBER 19</b>      |
| 9:00 AM          | Christine Marie Pullin |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>OCTOBER 20</b>      |
| 9:00 AM          |                        |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>OCTOBER 21</b>      |
| 6:00 PM          | Adoration              |
| 7:00 PM          | Michael Oswald         |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>OCTOBER 22</b>      |
| 9:00 AM          | George Wirth           |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>OCTOBER 23</b>      |
| 4:30 PM          | Julius & Lois Meyer    |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>OCTOBER 24</b>      |
| 8:00 AM          | Elizabeth Roman        |
| 10:00 AM         | Lynn Finelli           |

## OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

\*NOTE: Please call church if you are admitted to the hospital.

## 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.

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Please save the date for the Mass of Remembrance for those who have died in the past year. November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30. More information will follow.

## 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.

## READINGS FOR 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OT

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| First Reading:      | Jeremiah 31: 7 – 9 |
| Responsorial Psalm: | 126                |
| Second Reading:     | Hebrews 5: 1 – 6   |
| Gospel:             | Mark 10: 46 – 52   |

### Parish Calendar of Regular Events (call for updates)

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

\*LMR = Parish office large meeting room 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **Mary Tracy** requested by *John & Cindy Keglovits.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who have died especially **Chau V Nguyen**, brother of parishioner *Leslie Huynh*. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



## 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.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

One of the biggest obstacles to understanding how Jesus might see a particular issue stems from the fact that, in Scripture, Jesus does very little moral teaching. He doesn't simply walk around from town to town saying to those he meets, 'Don't do that' or 'Cut that out' or 'How dare you!' when it comes to the issues of right or wrong. In fact, Jesus seems to have a certain kind of affinity for, connection with, and heartfelt compassion for sinners, for people who have messed up, for people who have done the wrong thing time and time again. And he rarely scolds them. Rather, he often invites them to turn away from their sin, encourages them to walk a different path, challenges them to see things differently and embrace a new way of living. And while he does all of that, his deep love for them shines through.

'You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you'. (Mark10:42-43)

There is something clear in the Scripture passages about Jesus that he seems to have little or no tolerance for. Nothing seems to make Jesus angrier and more disappointed than someone pointing their fingers at others, while at the same time elevating their own status or goodness. (If only the rest of the world were like me.....).

We often fall into the trap of believing that other people are the problem, not us. We have all the answers, and we know what God wants, while others don't. We can often be like the Pharisees who often put themselves on pedestals of righteousness. How often can we spout off answers to the moral questions of the day but never take the time to listen? How often can we scold, put down and admonish others and never take time to look in the mirror?

Pope Francis put it beautifully when he said, 'If one has answers to all the questions - that is proof that God is not with him. It only means that he is a false prophet using religion for himself. The great leaders of the people of God, like Moses, have always left room for doubt. You must leave room for the Lord, not for our certainties. We must be humble.'

Let us put on humility as we continue our journey of faith. And let us never use our faith, or our beliefs, or our Catholic tradition in a heavy-handed or self-righteous way. Rather, let us acknowledge the great mystery that is our loving God, and acknowledge our profound need for his great mercy and forgiveness and saving power.

God bless you,

Fr. Stan

## THINGS TO PONDER...

There's another huge battle shaping up in Congress over **taxpayer funding of abortion**. Your help is needed!

You are probably aware; the Hyde Amendment protects Americans from being forced to pay for abortion with our tax dollars.

But the House and Senate are moving forward on a "human infrastructure" bill. The bill is likely to include things that many Catholics support, including expanded health care coverage. But there is serious concern that such health care proposals **will fund elective abortion**.

Leadership is using a rare process known as "budget reconciliation", which would allow this "human infrastructure" bill to become law with a simple majority vote (most legislation requires 60 votes in the Senate to move forward).

That is why we need your voice NOW to tell Congress that **Americans do NOT want their tax dollars to pay for abortions in ANY bill, much less a bill promoted as a "human infrastructure" bill**.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops just wrote to Congress asking for policies that will:

- help those on the margins of society
- strengthen families
- protect religious freedom
- promote care for creation
- respect the rights and dignity of every human life.

The letter insists that health care proposals in this "human infrastructure" bill be governed by the Hyde Amendment principle of **NOT funding elective abortions**.

And our bishops made it clear that "should this bill expand taxpayer funding of abortion, **the USCCB will oppose it.**" Congress **must hear from YOU** now! Tell your representatives that any health care proposals **MUST NOT** fund elective abortion.

## 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!

## CYO REGISTRATION OPEN

CYO Basketball and Volleyball registrations are now open. Registrations will close on Wednesday, Oct 20<sup>th</sup>.



We are looking for coaches. Anyone interested should reach out to Victoria vledolphin@gmail.com



<http://www.stelizabethcyo.com/>

## Save the Date!

## ST. ELIZABETH'S TRUNK OR TREAT!



St. Elizabeth will have its 3<sup>rd</sup> "Trunk-or-Treat" on Saturday afternoon, October 30 after the 4:30 Mass in the large parking lot on Pershing Blvd. All parish families are invited - *the young and the young at heart!*

Please consider participating by decorating your car with Halloween fun and treats for the kiddies!!

Details are on [www.sercc.org](http://www.sercc.org) - See this website for ideas: <http://homefaithfamily.com/trunk-or-treat-ideas/>

World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday provides us with an opportunity to speak about our faith and respond to our missionary call - *through prayer, participation in the Holy Eucharist, and giving generously* to the collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith**. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious, and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, serve the poor - and speak of our shared faith in all corners of the world.

## OUR COMMUNITY

"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



## 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

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

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](mailto:stjohnbaptistpa@gmail.com)

Ethnic Foods: Halupkie, Pierogies and Halusky!

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

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

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](mailto:jglover@ptd.net) or give her a call at 610-349-7791 by November 1<sup>st</sup>. 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](mailto:jmillerbsmx2@gmail.com).

Help support the Allentown Diocese Chew Street Soup Kitchen Located at 179 Chew Street, Allentown



**St. Elizabeth Music Ministry**

*Thanksgiving/ Christmas Nut Roll Sale*

All freeze very well!

Orders due: Wednesday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> **Payment must accompany your order;** checks payable to "St. Elizabeth Music Ministry".

*Just clip the entire order form on the right side of this sheet, put it in an envelope with your payment to the parish or mail to Joan Glover at 618 Fullerton Ave, Whitehall PA 18052*

If you have any questions, please call 610-349-7791

*Saint Elizabeth Music Ministry*  
**Thanksgiving/Christmas  
 Nut Roll Sale  
 Order Form**



**\$16 each**

**Orders due: November 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Pick up Date:**

**Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>  
 from 9 - 11:30 am - Parish Hall**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

| <u>Flavor</u>           | <u>How Many</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Apple                   | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Apricot                 | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Coconut Cream           | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Lekvar (Prune)          | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Nut                     | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Poppyseed               | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Pumpkin Cheese          | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| Seedless Raspberry      | _____ x \$16 =  | _____        |
| <b>Total # of Rolls</b> | _____ x \$16    | _____        |

*Payment must accompany your order  
 Checks made payable to  
 St. Elizabeth Music Ministry*

**Thank You!**