



Our Lady of Lourdes Church

October 22, 2023

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
and Friday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Thursday—OFFICE CLOSED

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday ~ 9:00 a.m.
Thursday ~ No daily Mass

Adoration

Monday ~ 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal instruction offered at
6:30 p.m. on the
third Tuesday of every month.
Call the office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday ~ 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday ~ 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arranged at least six months
in advance

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Notify the parish office
whenever someone is ill,
hospitalized, or homebound
wishes to receive Communion.

OCIA (formerly RCIA)

Mondays ~ 7:00 p.m.

Parish Membership

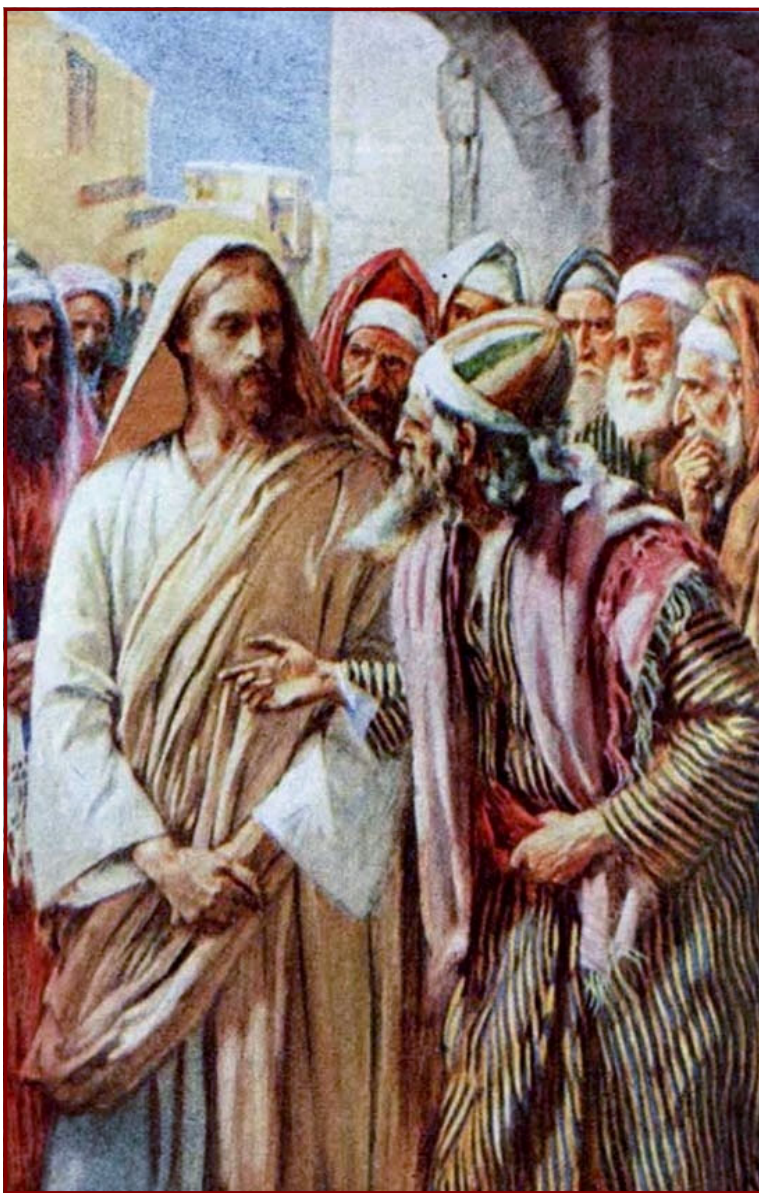
New parishioners are
always welcome
Please call the parish office
to register.

Knights of Columbus

Council 14329

Parish Council

Rita Clayton
Deb Steinbacher
Jamie Wieder
Mary Etta Legarski
Sharon O'Malley
Keith Kuzio
Colleen Brown
Kaycie Gerrity
Lydia Baylor



"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to them, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment".

Matthew 22:34

Dear Parish Family,

I am emailing my bulletin letter this week from the lovely Skytop Lodge in the Poconos where we are in attendance at our yearly Convocation with our Bishop. We just finished day 2, and it has been wonderful so far. The presenter, Rhonda Gruenwald, is dynamic and well prepared as she offers us her experience in promoting throughout the United States Priestly Vocations as well as Vocations to the consecrated life. You will be hearing much more about this incredibly important topic in the weeks and months to come.

With that in mind, there is an upcoming workshop on Saturday, November 18, from 9am-3pm at St Maria Goretti Church in Laflin, PA, regarding the formation of a parish vocation team. It is to be composed of and directed by parishioners, with the approval and assistance of the Pastor. I would like you to prayerfully consider attending this workshop. We are looking for 5-10 people who are willing to attend the workshop, and perhaps be on our Parish Team. I know you will enjoy the experience, and you may realize how important it is for parishioners to be involved in promoting Vocations. It is not just the job of Priests and Sisters. So let us work together insuring that there will always be Priests to offer the Sacrifice of Holy Mass, providing The Eucharistic Presence of Jesus for our children's children until the end of the age. It only takes a *fiat, a yes to Jesus, but the question must be asked, "Is God calling you to be a Priest?"*

It is truly a joy to serve the Lord as a priest, and to serve you as your Pastor! Let us help our sons to consider this exhilarating chance of a lifetime to make a difference in this world which leads, holy moment by holy moment, to the joys of God's Kingdom in Heaven!

As always, I am joyfully yours,

Fr. Michael



Get Ready to Set Your **"Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move"** for World Mission Sunday!

This weekend, we'll unite with fellow Catholics globally to mark World Mission Sunday. As we reflect on Pope Francis' compelling theme, we're invited to enkindle the flames of Christ's love and spread its warmth to mission territories in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe. Prepare to support the Society for the Propagation of the Faith with prayers and generosity. Thank you for being a beacon of Christ's love!

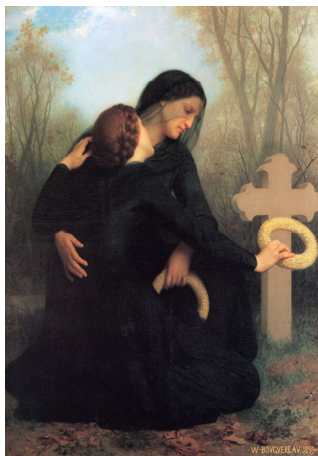
ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY

All Saints Day Masses (Holy Day of Obligation): Tuesday, October 31, at 5:00 p.m. And Wednesday, November 1, at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

All Souls Day Mass ~ Commemoration of the Faithful Departed: Thursday, November 2, at 6:00 p.m.

**Special Mass of Remembrance:* The 6:00 p.m. Mass on November 2 will include the presentation of memorial candles in memory of parishioners or loved ones of parishioners who have died since All Soul's Day 2022. A time for fellowship will follow with a reception in the parish hall.

If you would like a loved one remembered, please call the parish office by October 27.



Celebration of Parish Life

Sunday, October 29, 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

All are welcome to stop by the parish hall to learn more about the wonderful things happening in our parish, along with fun activities for the children and breakfast served by our 7th & 8th grade students.

We are spotlighting the Ministries of Community and Service this week.



Pictured above, are members of the Pro-Life Group at the Baby Shower they held for Good Counsel. And to the right, parishioners participating in the Life Chain.

The Pro-Life Group of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, in keeping with the truth of our Catholic faith, reverence the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. Our mission is to be a visible example of our unwavering support of those most vulnerable among us. We are united in not only raising awareness, but in assisting mothers and all who strive to protect life. We are committed to prayerfully seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of our Holy Mother in bringing an end to the scourge of the culture of death on our world. *The next Pro-Life Meeting will be Monday, October 23 @ 7:00 p.m. in the hall. For more information, contact Deb Steinbacher at #570-337-7460.

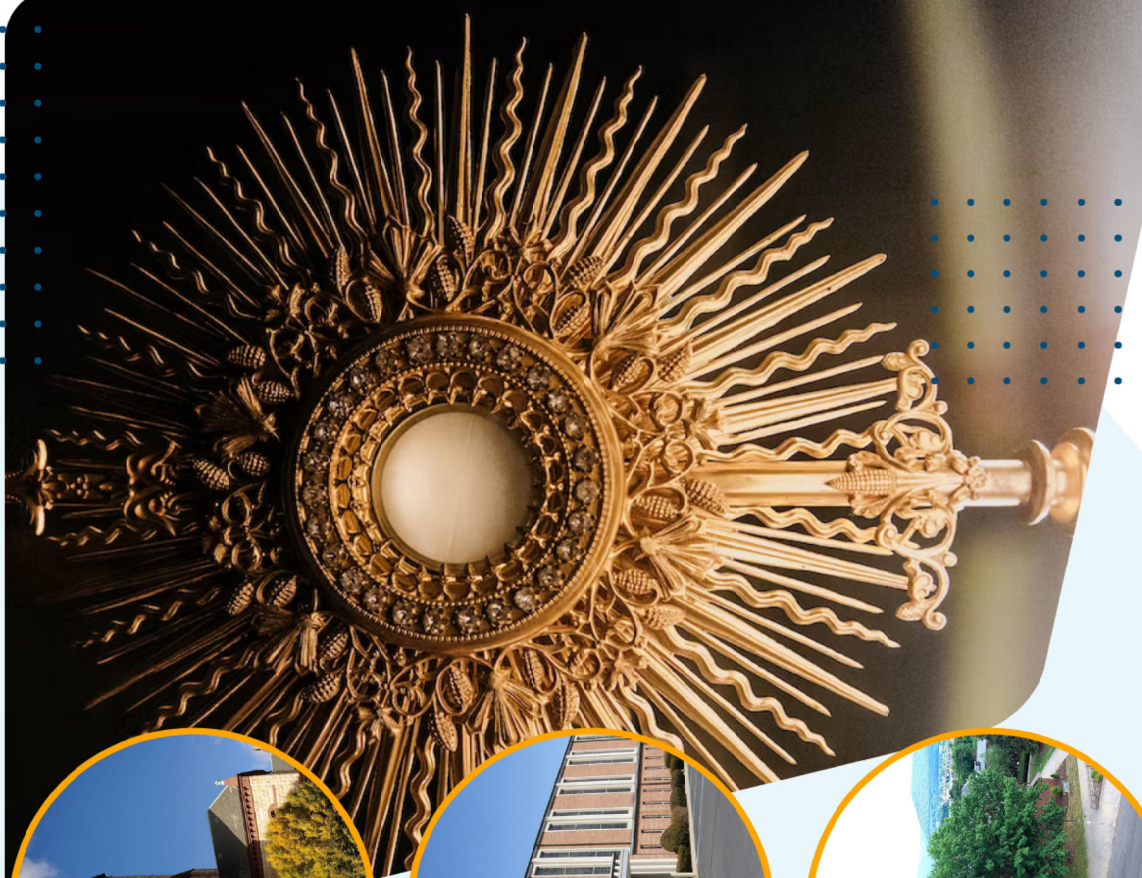


Pictured to the left, is Father Mike with Beth Jones, coordinator of the Backpack Program from Faith United Methodist Church Community. OLOL is affectionately known as the "Peanut Butter Church", noting that Peanut Butter is the most expensive item on their menu. Gratitude was expressed for our commitment in providing all of the P.B. for supplemental food program that serves the Montoursville Area School District which serves 120 children each week.

We can do no great things ~ only small things with great love.
Mother Teresa

40 HOURS

Celebration



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
702 W. FOURTH ST.

8:00 AM - MASS & EXPOSITION
7:00 PM - EVENING PRAYER
& BENEDICTION
WITH DCN. JOHN BUBB



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
100 WALNUT ST.

8:00 AM - MASS & EXPOSITION
7:00 PM - EVENING PRAYER
& BENEDICTION
WITH FR. SEAN CARPENTER



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

ST. BONIFACE
326 WASHINGTON BLVD.

8:00 AM - MASS & EXPOSITION
7:00 PM - EVENING PRAYER
& BENEDICTION
WITH FR. BERT KOZEN



The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday, October 22

- ~Religious Education (Grades 1-7) ~ 9:00 a.m.
- ~Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation ~ 10:30 a.m.
- ~Confirmation Parent/Student Meeting ~ 11:30 a.m.

Monday, October 23

- ~Holy Hour/Confessions ~ 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- ~Pro-Life Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. in the hall

Wednesday, October 25

- ~40 HOURS ~ Eucharistic Adoration (See Insert)

Thursday, October 26 ~ Office Closed

- ~Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m.

Friday, October 27

- ~Confessions ~ 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 29

- ~Celebrating Parish Life ~ Intergenerational ~ 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Offertory Collections
(Includes on-line contributions)

October 14 & 15, 2023

Loose	\$	498.00
Offertory	\$	7,136.00
Maintenance	\$	115.50
Utilities & Fuel	\$	97.00
Votives	\$	95.00
Religious Education	\$	21.00
Christmas	\$	3.00
TOTAL	\$	7,965.50

Diocesan Collections

Care & Education of Priests	\$	144.50
World Mission	\$	5.00
Rice Bowl	\$	25.00
Human Development	\$	3.00
Retirement Fund	\$	23.00
TOTAL	\$	200.50

Collection Counter Schedule



- October 23 ~ Group 1** Darl Simms, Mary Ann Hollenbach, Wendy Marshalek
- October 30 ~ Group 2** Glenda Farrington, Mary McNamara, Carol Everett

Love Never Ends

Next meeting will be October 27 @ 12:00 p.m.
Our topic will be "Right To Life". Corn Soup along with fellowship will be served.
See you there!

FAITH IN ACTION



For the month of **OCTOBER**, soap and body wash for all ages will be collected. God Bless!

We continue to collect *16 oz. jars of peanut butter* to help support the Montoursville School District Backpack Program. Drop off donations inside the Church or the Church office.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 22 ~ World Mission Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Robert Cappelli (By Diane & Ron Steppe)
- 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday, October 23 ~ St. John of Capistrano

- 9:00 a.m. Donald Klingerman (By Knights of Columbus)

Tuesday, October 24 ~ St. Anthony Mary Claret

- 8:00 a.m. David Fuller (By His Wife)

Wednesday, October 25

- 8:00 a.m. Kathryn Moore (By Tim & Kathy Pagana)

Thursday, October 26

- 8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Mondell and Arduini Family (By Steve & Kathleen Mondell)

Friday, October 27

- 9:00 a.m. Agnes McGee Hinkle (By McGee Family)

Saturday, October 28

- 4:00 p.m. Michael Sullivan (By Joi, Tim & Family)

Sunday, October 29

- 8:00 a.m. Mark Hartland (By Hartland Family)
- 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Readings for the week

- Monday:** Rom 4:20-25; Ps 33; Luke 12:13-21
- Tuesday:** Rom 5:12-21; Ps 40:7-17; Luke 12:35-38
- Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1-8; Luke 12:39-48
- Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-6; Luke 12:49-54
- Friday:** Rom 7:18-25; Ps 119:66-94; Luke 12:54-59
- Saturday :** Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Luke 12:49-53
- Sunday:** Is 45:1-6; Ps 96:1-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21



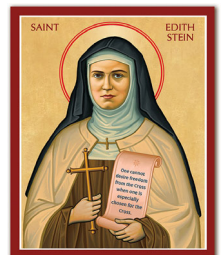
Prayer List for the Month of October

If you or a loved one would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact the parish office.

Dave Bonus, Karen Boyle, Gerald Dincher, Ann Marie Dorin, Diane Folk, Margie Foulds, Carissa Foulds, Charles Gries, Geraldine Hamm, Michael Hook, Mina Hoover, Cliff Hales, Matt Hales, Rosemary "Cate" Legarski, Chuck Ligosh, Kathleen Maiolo, Karen Marlett, Alex Mazzante, Tyler Morton, Mary Myers, Justin Reed (Father's nephew), Nicole Selleck, Isabel Shumbat, Kim Singer, Sofia Steinbacher, Shawn Steinbacher, Staci Stone, Christine Quinn, Carl Ulsamer, Debbie Winterer

Coffee Chats ~ Women of the Parish

Please join us for "Coffee Chats" at the home of Lydia James on November 11 at 9:30 a.m. We will be studying St. Edith Stein, Seeker of the Truth. To attend please email Lydia at ldjams25@gmail.com or text at #570-419-9744 and she will send you the study chapters, along with other details.





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**ST. LUKE'S
SAUERKRAUT DINNER**

St. Luke's Catholic Church of Jersey Shore will hold their annual Sauerkraut Dinner on Wednesday, October 25. Lunch is being served from 11:30am-3:00 pm, dinner is from 4-7 pm and takeouts from 11:30am - 7:00pm. The dinner will consist of: Pork & Sauerkraut, Knockwurst, Mashed Potatoes, Dumplings, Apple Sauce, Bread, Home Made Pie, Coffee & Tea. Advance tickets will be available at St. Luke Church before and after weekend Masses, the Parish office and Buttorff's Hardware. Advance ticket prices are \$11 for adults and \$12 at the door. For Children 6-12, advance price is \$5.00 and \$6.00 at the door. Children under 6 eat free.

Address: 118 Kendall Ave, Jersey Shore, PA

St. Lawrence Parish
PANCAKE Breakfast
Sunday, November 5
8:00 am - 12:30pm
Adults: \$10
Children Under 12: FREE
Pancakes - Eggs - Sausage - Scrapple
Applesauce - Tasty Treats - Coffee & OJ - Etc.
HOLIDAY RAFFLE BASKET & CHRISTMAS MINI-YARD SALE
St. Lawrence Parish Hall
800 W. Central Ave. - South Williamsport

BUY TICKETS NOW - OR - AT THE DOOR
JUDY: (570) 323-6202 PAT: (570) 323-6422

Our Lady of Lourdes Diocesan Annual Appeal Update

We're at \$7,065 (17% of goal) with pledges and donations from 27 families (4.5%) of the parish as of 10/13/2023. Please prayerfully consider how you might support the campaign and help the parish to reach our goal. Thank you!

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