



Holy Family Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust
A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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Friday 8-12

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Holy Family

Tuesday ... 8 AM

Wednesday ... 8 AM

Saturday....4 PM

Sunday.....11 AM

Holy Days & Civil Holidays:

Consult the Mass schedule in the
Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday at 3 PM or by appointment

St Anne

Monday....8AM

Thursday....8AM

First Friday .. 8 AM (preceded by Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament).. 7-8 AM

Saturday...4:30 PM

Sunday.....8 AM & 11 AM

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

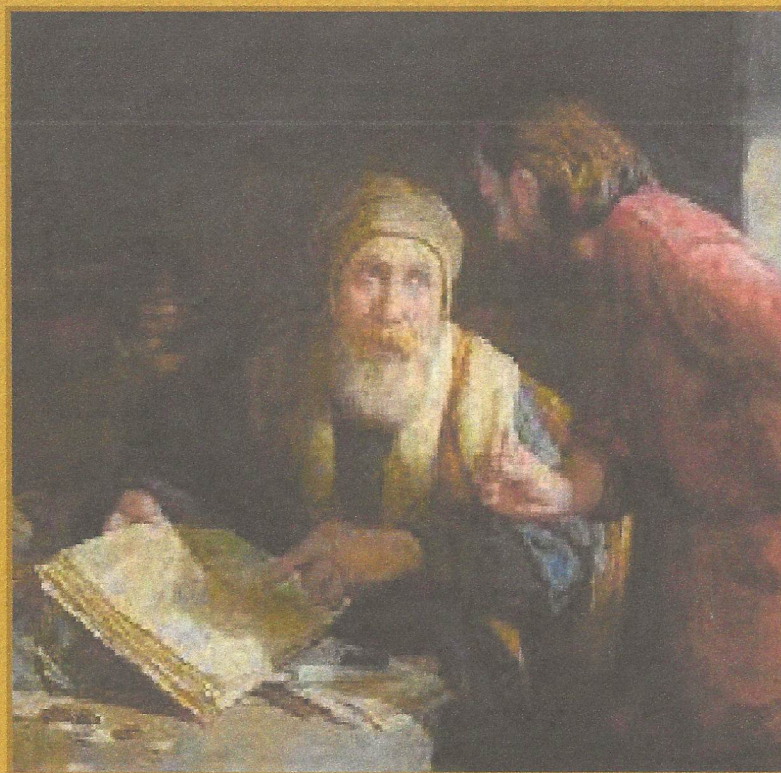
Saturday at 3:30 PM

Save the Date:

9/25 Faith Formation Gr 1-3 St Anne

9/26 Faith Formation Gr 4-8 Holy Family

9/28 Adult Bible Study 9AM Holy Family



SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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The Reverend David J. Nazimek, pastor
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Saints for this week

September 23 - St Pio of Pietrelcina (also known as Padre Pio) (1887-1968)

He was born in the small village of Pietrelcina in southern Italy, and joined the Capuchin friars at the age of 16. He became a priest seven years later, and spent fifty years at the monastery of San Giovanni Rotondo, where he was very much sought after as a spiritual advisor, confessor, and intercessor. On September 29, 1918, while kneeling in front of a large crucifix, he received the visible marks of the crucifixion, making him the first stigmatized priest in the history of the Church. The doctor who examined Padre Pio could not find any natural cause for the wounds. Upon his death in 1968, the wounds were no longer visible. In fact, there was no scarring and the skin was completely renewed. He had predicted 50 years prior that upon his death the wounds would heal.

The blood from the stigmata had a fragrance described by many as similar to that of perfume or flowers, and the gift of bilocation was attributed to him. Padre Pio had the ability to read the hearts of the penitents who flocked to him for confession which he heard for ten or twelve hours per day. Padre Pio used the confessional to bring both sinners and devout souls closer to God; he would know just the right word of counsel or encouragement that was needed.

Padre Pio died on September 23, 1968 at the age of eighty-one. His funeral was attended by about 100,000 people. On June 16, 2002, over 500,000 pilgrims gathered in Rome to witness Pope John Paul II proclaim padre Pio as Saint Pio of Pietrelcina.

Financial Report for 9/13/2022

Offertory: \$2,203.00 Loose: \$133.00
Candle: \$95.00
Assumption: \$10.00 Monthly: \$385.00
Parish Income: \$2,826.00

Accent: \$9.00 Seminarian: \$5.00
Catholic Univ. & Schools \$10.00
Home Missions \$10.00
Total Offertory: \$ 2,860.00

**11:00 AM | Saturday,
September 17**

**Lector: Landini
Eucharistic Minister:
Houseman**

**4:00 PM | Saturday,
September 24**

**Lector: Keegan
Eucharistic Minister:
Houseman**

**11:00 AM | Sunday,
September 18**

**Lector: Hughes
Eucharistic Minister:
Luzi**

**11:00 AM | Sunday,
September 25**

**Lector: Null
Eucharistic Minister:
Beneccio**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 9/17

For: Nick & Mary Jo Cyktor
From: Children

Sunday, 9/18

For: John & Mary Simon, Birthday Rem.
From: Family

Tuesday, 9/20 Weekday

For: Living & Deceased Members
Of Holy Family Parish

Wednesday, 9/21 Weekday

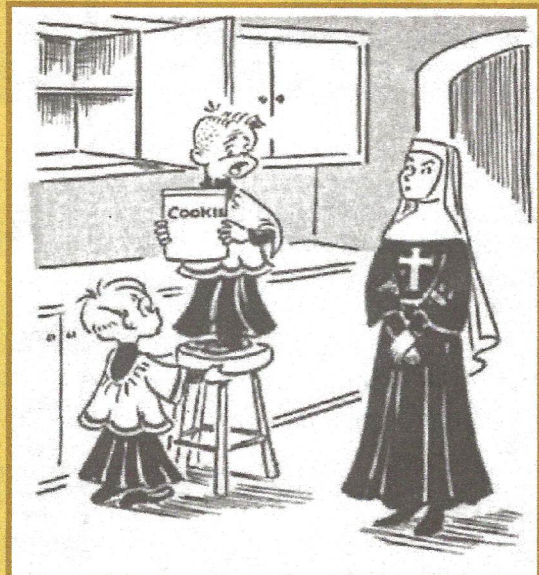
For: Deceased Members of the Balash Family
From: John & Sandy Balash

Saturday, 9/24

For: Eugene Saccani
From: Anna Jean

Sunday, 9/25

For: Living & Deceased Members
Of Holy Family Parish



"Well, Sister, it's like this. We prayed to St Anthony and he helped us find them."

WORSHIP TOGETHER

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Amos 8: 4-7; 1 Timothy 2: 1-8; Luke 16: 1-13)

The oppression of poor people by the well-off, comfortable people is condemned by the prophet Amos in today's first reading. In his first letter to Timothy, Paul reminds Timothy today that the good Lord wants everyone to be saved, not just some; not just the rich, not just the comfortable, or the respectable – but everyone, including the poor, the criminal, the down-and-out, the despairing. Therefore, no matter what happens, we cannot bring the gavel of condemnation down on the people we do not like, or on the people who give us trouble. Our greatest sin, the practice that does most harm to our society, is the practice of excluding certain groups of people because they don't "meet our criteria."

In the Gospel, Our Lord is teaching something that is extremely complex – a parable about the master and the steward. The words are there on the page: "So I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when the money fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of because He goes on to say that you have to choose to be the servant either of God or of money. Nor would Jesus be happy to see us forsaking our innocence for the sake of an easier conclusion to life's challenges. His own life provides us with a clear framework of the courage and honesty He asks of us, whatever the trials we must endure. So – what are the skills a follower of Jesus needs that display the same ability or astuteness in matters of the Gospel. The main quality that Jesus highlights, something the unjust steward is certainly not an example of, is trustworthiness. He also asks for freedom from greed and from a devotion to riches and money, again the opposite of the unjust steward.

After a brief exchange with the Pharisees, who laugh at Him for this attitude to money, Jesus will go on to tell the parable of the rich man who ignores the poor man, Lazarus, at his gate. Ultimately, Jesus uses the example of the steward to turn upside down the world and call us to defend, with the same energy and passion, His new option for those who are poor. This is where we may get confused. We are not to be taken in by the world of the steward. Rather – we are to use all our wit and wisdom to promote the values of the Gospel and the recognition of those who are vulnerable and weak in the eyes of that world.

It is in the making of friends with everyone – even those most ignored by the rest of society – that seals our lives in harmony. Never set out to make enemies of anyone. The bonds of good will must be forged between all groups in society, especially where injustice and inequality threaten to destroy the peace. Having a care for the poor, not driving them into despair, this is the Lord's clear teaching today.

Saints for this week

September 21 St

Matthew - The call of

Let us pray for the Conversion of the World & for Peace.

St. Matthew, the tax collector, to be one of the twelve apostles of Jesus is described in the Gospel which bears his name. "Jesus saw a man named Matthew at his post where taxes were collected. He said to him, "Follow Me!" And Matthew got up and followed Him." It is hard to imagine a more unlikely person for Jesus to call as a companion than Matthew. Tax collectors, as agents of a hated Roman government and members of a profession known for unfairness and greed, were despised by the Jewish people. They were excluded from the synagogue and the temple. No good Jew would have anything to do with them. When Jesus invited Matthew to follow Him and then ate at his house where Matthew's friends, outsiders like himself, were gathered, he heard the outraged comments of Capernaum's local leaders. "Why does Je [Jesus] eat with tax collectors and sinners?" Jesus simply replied, "Those who are well have no need of a doctor; sick people do." By calling Matthew, Jesus invited an outcast to enjoy the healing friendship of God. In a lesson of love, Jesus showed that God wants all, no matter who they are, to share His life

SEPTEMBER

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Upcoming

9/18 Christian Mothers: Gary's, 12:30PM

9/25 Faith Formation Gr 1-3 St Anne

9/26 Faith Formation Gr 4-8 Holy Family

9/28 Adult Bible Study 9am Holy Family

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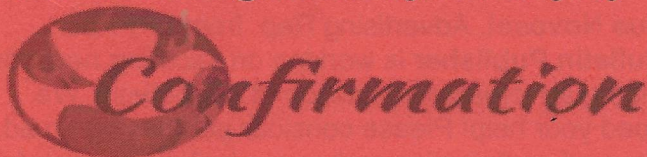
Faith Formation classes begin **NEXT WEEKEND**-September 25-26.

If you have misplaced the schedule that was included in the registration packet, please contact the office (724) 872-6123

Drop off and Pick up guidelines will be emailed soon. Once you receive them and you have any questions, please contact Angela:

AEhrhardt@dioceseofgreensburg.org or

Rachel: RLewis@dioceseofgreensburg.org



September 18 Service Project

*All families attending 11:00 Mass at St. Anne
Cleaning St. Timothy Cemetery - arrival
12:15ish. Parents need to provide transportation
and stay. Bring any gardening tools (rakes,
shovels), garbage bags, gloves. etc.
Wear appropriate clothing and shoes!*

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SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

AND HOLY COMMUNION: Anointing and Holy Communion are available upon request to those who are sick, elderly or homebound. Families are requested to call the Parish Office (724) 872-6123 to arrange a visit.

Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone - please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.



First Communion Dates

Sunday, February 5 - Communion Parent Meeting 9:45 - St. Anne (cry room area)

Saturday, March 4 - Workshop - 9:00 - 12:00 St. Anne social hall

Sunday, April 2 - Practice during class

Saturday, April 15 - First Communion 10:00 AM - St. Anne

First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation Dates

Sunday, October 23 - Reconciliation Parent Meeting 9:45 - St. Anne (cry room area)

Saturday, November 5 - Workshop 9:00 - 12:00 (November 12th alternate) - St. Anne social hall

Sunday, November 20 - Reconciliation practice during class

Saturday, December 10 - Reconciliation - 10:30 AM - St. Anne

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptism

Preparation Catechesis is required for parents and sponsors prior to the child's baptism. Please call the Office of Faith Formation to register and arrange a time for the ceremony.

GODPARENT/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATE:

For a Catholic to be a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, one must be a practicing Catholic regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Sacraments, a registered member of the Parish and a faithful contributor to the support of the Parish for a minimum of four months. All requests for a certificate should be made four weeks in advance of the designated date needed for sponsorship.

Respect Life Month in October

October is Respect Life Month, and the first week of October is Respect Life Week starting with Sunday, Oct. 2, Respect Life Sunday. The USCCB Respect Life webpage has free resources to support the dignity of life, including ways of implementing these ideas in parish communities. Available resources include:

- bulletin announcements
- petitions
- posters
- prayer cards
- homily suggestions

If you'd like more ideas on how to celebrate Respect Life Week/Month, contact Carolyn Cannizzaro, Director of Pro-Life Advocacy, at ccannizzaro@dioceseofgreensburg.org. More information is available from the USCCB at www.respectlife.org/called-to-serve

Catholic Men's Retreat Sept. 30-Oct. 1

Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

The Diocese of Greensburg Men's Ministry Team is planning a Catholic Men's Retreat from 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, until 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Bishop Larry J. Kulick will celebrate a closing Mass for all participants. For those staying both days, the cost is \$100 for a single room, \$80 for a double room, with all meals included. There are also options for those not staying overnight or only attending one day. High school and college students receive a registration discount, and financial assistance is available. For more information, contact Jim Pencola at 724-726-5315 or Dan Lieberum at 724-787-1797. Registration is due by Thursday, Sept. 15.

CRS Spotlight

Catholic Relief Services calls for international action following a warning issued from the United Nations that famine will occur in Somalia later this year unless the international community provides more humanitarian support. Parts of Somalia are projected to face famine between October through December in the absence of a significant increase in humanitarian assistance. It's estimated about 7.1 million need emergency aid, half of them children. Visit www.crs.org for more information!

St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon

Parish Festival

St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon, will hold its festival Sunday, Sept. 18, from noon-7 p.m. Homemade food, entertainment and games are planned. For information, call 724-929-9300

St. Edward Parish

Murder mystery theater/dinner Oct. 7

St. Edward Parish, Herminie, will host "The Death of Dr. Frankenstein," an adults-only murder mystery theater and dinner, Friday, Oct. 7. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and the event is BYOB. Dinner will be provided by Giannilli's Restaurant, and soft drinks will be available. For tickets, call 724-446-5197. Proceeds benefit the parish's 100th anniversary celebration.

West Newton Library is Hosting:

You, Me & a Cup of Tea

Sunday, Sept. 25 at LeGrande Banquet Room
Cost & 20 per person and is from 1PM-4PM
Tickets on sale at West Newton Library or Gary's Chuckwagon or call (724) 633-0798

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Our parish bulletin is one of our main communication tools to our parish members. It provides inspirational words from Father, Mass intentions, news, and events for the week ahead. We are thankful that this crucial communication piece is provided to our parish at no cost thanks to the generous advertising support of our parishioners and community-minded businesses. Please let us know if you can help. Sponsors of our bulletin recognize the tremendous value of connecting with our Church family, who in turn respond by supporting our sponsors!

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Thank you