



# Holy Family Parish

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

A Parish in the Diocese of Greensburg

225 North Second Street

West Newton, Pennsylvania 15089

724-872-6123 [www.holyfamilywestnewton.org](http://www.holyfamilywestnewton.org)



**OCTOBER 5, 2025 ~ 27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME TIME**



## *Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Saturday, October 4**

4:00pm Mass + **Eugene Sacconi Anniversary**  
by Anna Jean & Family

**Sunday, October 5**

11:00am Mass + **Philomena Balenovich** by Family

**Monday, October 6**

8:00 am Mass **Church of St. Anne**

**Tuesday, October 7**

8:00 am Mass + **Helen Mary Bump** by Fr. James & Beverly Bump

**Wednesday, October 8**

8:00 am Mass + **Mary Ann Keegan** by Edna Rhoades

**Thursday, October 9**

8:00 am Mass **Church of St. Anne**

**Friday, October 10**

8:00 am Mass **Church of St. Anne**

## *Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Saturday, October 11**

3-3:45 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:00pm Mass + **Dolores & John Novacek** by Family

**Sunday, October 12**

11:00am Mass + **Bob Nedwick** by Aleta Keegan

**Office Hours:** Tue thru Fri 8:30 am - 12pm

**The Reverend Joel A. Sayson, Pastor**

[jsayson@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jsayson@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**The Reverend Richard J. Zelik, OFM Cap.,**  
Weekend Assistant

**Michael Daversa, Business Manager**

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[amanley@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:amanley@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

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**Adele (OCIA/adults)** 724-244-9434

[aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**Julianna (baptism/children)**

[jbaluch@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jbaluch@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

### **Eucharistic Liturgies**

*Weekends: Saturday at 4pm*

*Sunday at 11am*

*Weekdays: Tues. & Wed. at 8am*

*Confessions: Saturday at 3:00pm*

*(or call office for appointment)*

**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 receiving contribution envelopes to support 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.

**Young adults of parishioners who have earlier been under their parent's registration and who are now on their own and remain in the Parish must register as an adult parishioner and receive envelopes.**

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick & Holy Communion.....** are available upon request to those who are sick, elderly or homebound. Families are requested to call the Parish Office to arrange a visit. If urgent, call the office at St. Anne at 724-872-3555.

### Minister Schedule

Sat. Oct. 4 (4:00pm) Lector: Dan Landini  
Eucharistic Minister: Maryann Landini  
Sun. Oct. 5 (11:00am) Lector: Diana Janitor  
Eucharistic Minister: Armand Luzi  
Sat. Oct. 11 (4:00pm) Lector: Bill Hughes  
Eucharistic Minister: Ginger DeBlasio  
Sun. Oct. 12 (11:00am) Lector: Pat Beneccio  
Eucharistic Minister: Darlene Schehr

### **INCOME/EXPENSE/OFFERTORY FOR 9/21/2025**

Offertory: \$2,600.00  
Monthly: \$520.00  
Loose: \$50.00  
Candle: \$89.00  
Online Donations: \$ 210.00  
Endowment Transfer: \$370.00  
Missions (\$20.00)\*  
Seminarians: (\$15.00)\*  
  
Funds to Diocese\* = (\$35.00)  
Funds Available to Parish = \$3,839.00  
**Budget Requirements .....\$5,000.00**  
**Deficit: \$1,161.00**

Please consider using this for your donation. Once registered, you can use this for all of your donations. If you have any questions, please call the Church



### **Remember to check out our online presence**

Facebook page:  
Holy Family Parish, West Newton  
Website:  
[www.holyfamilywestnewton.org](http://www.holyfamilywestnewton.org)

**Spaghetti Dinner:** Sunday, Oct. 19. 12 - 3 pm.  
St. John Byzantine Catholic Church, 525 Porter Ave.,  
Scottdale. Adults \$12 Children 12 and under \$6.  
Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, roll dessert, & beverage.  
Take Out available. Basket Raffle tickets available.

### **Congratulations**



to Gia Fedrow Kostik who was baptized at our church last week. Her parents are Frank Kostik, Jr. and Alison Fedrow, Godparents are Gary Fedrow and Peggy Markle.



### **DLA Report for Holy Family as of 9/23/2025**

Total Goal: \$34,500

Diocesan Target: \$25,172 Parish Goal over Target: \$9,328

Total Pledged: \$25,947.00 Total Paid: \$24,673.90

% Diocesan Target 103.1 % Total Goal: 75.2

**All money donated to the DLA over the diocesan target will stay at Holy Family!**

### **Volunteer Clearances**

Please visit the Diocese of Greensburg website ([www.dioceseofgreensburg.org](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org)) and click "schools" then "clearances" for a list of requirements. For further assistance, please call the office at 724-872-6123 and ask for Dan Landini.

### **FYI Concerning Fundraising!**

Fundraising and Candle Income are NOT assessed by the Diocese. The expenses for those items are listed in the income section of the financial statement. This allows fundraising & candle income to stay with the Church.

### **Fundraiser Coming Soon! *The 500 Club***

One strip ticket w/five numbers for \$5.  
You may purchase as many tickets as you like.  
You will get the same number of tickets each month.  
We need to have all 200 tickets reserved to start.  
The winning parishioner will receive \$500.  
The Parish will receive \$500.  
Sign up for tickets at the Church entrance or contact Christy Sweeney at 724-244-1576

### **RELIC AND EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT**

St. Sebastian Parish, Belle Vernon. A Saint Carlo Acutis first class relic and Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit will be on display Friday, Oct. 24, from 3-7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 25, from 1-7 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 26, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**First Baptist Church, 6th & Vine Streets, West Newton**, invites us to a "Revival" with their own Dr. Jeff Johnson. Sunday, October 12, 10:50 am and 6:00 pm. "Great music and Christian Fellowship"

Thank you to the J. William McCauley Jr. Funeral Home, for donating a set of new Funeral Parking Signs.

### **HOLY FAMILY COOKBOOKS**

STILL AVAILABLE - \$15 EACH

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE, SEE DAN LANDINI,  
OR AT GARY'S CHUCK WAGON

## *Pastor's Note:*

“We Are Unworthy Servants; We Have Done What We were Obligated To Do”

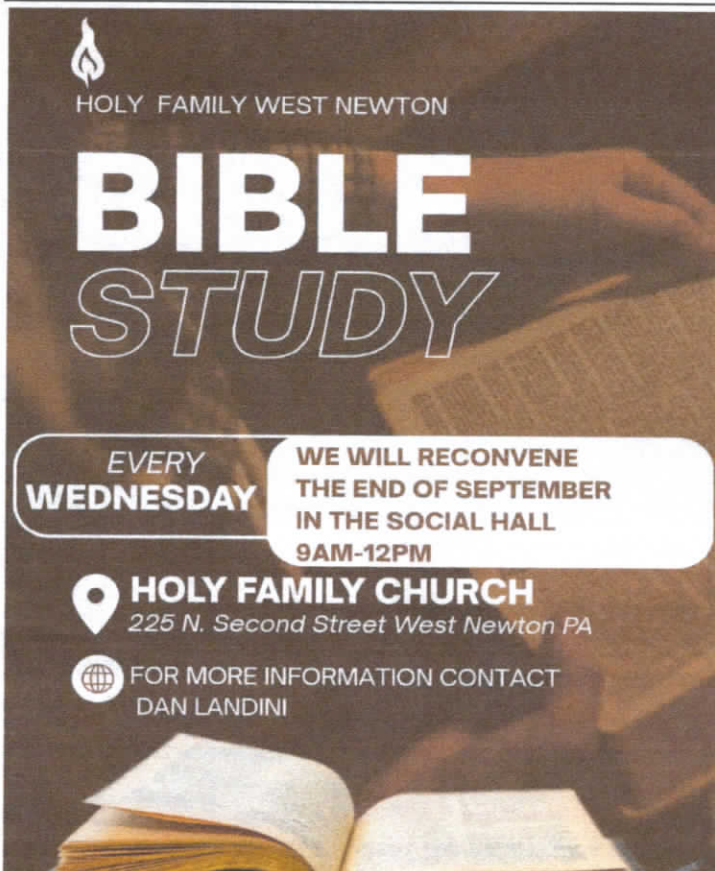
Many of us have an innate desire to announce our good deeds, to blow a horn when we have done something kind for another. We yearn for recognition of the noble acts we perform that benefit others. However, it is essential to remember that every good thing we do must be understood in the context of service and love. When we help others, we do so not merely out of a desire for acknowledgment, but because we feel compelled to follow the Lord's commands. Our motivation to serve is rooted in a deep sense of responsibility and a commitment to fulfill our duties as servants.

Let this serves as a challenge for all of us: to do what is commanded of us with humility and dedication. We are, after all, unworthy servants, and our focus should be on fulfilling our obligations rather than seeking accolades. In a world that often measures worth by recognition and achievement, we must find value in the quiet strength of selflessness and devotion.

By embracing our roles as servants, we contribute to a greater network of care and support that binds us together as a community. Every act of service, no matter how small, play a vital role in uplifting those around us. Let us strive to cultivate an attitude of gratitude for the opportunity to serve, understanding that fulfillment lies not in recognition, but in the act of serving itself.

In conclusion, let us commit ourselves to this path of service, responding to the call to do what is right and necessary. By doing so, we embody the true spirit of love and compassion, reflecting the grace we have received. In our steadfast commitment to our responsibilities, we find deep meaning and purpose, knowing that we are fulfilling our duty as unworthy servants.

*Father Joel*



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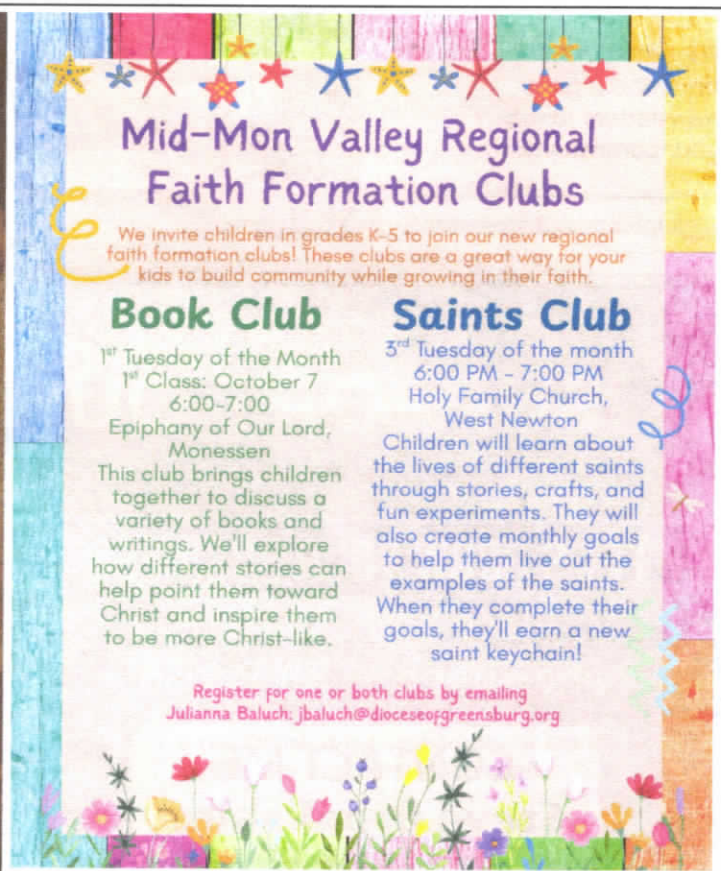
# BIBLE STUDY

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**WE WILL RECONVENE  
THE END OF SEPTEMBER  
IN THE SOCIAL HALL  
9AM-12PM**

 **HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**  
225 N. Second Street West Newton PA

 FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT  
DAN LANDINI



**Mid-Mon Valley Regional  
Faith Formation Clubs**

We invite children in grades K-5 to join our new regional faith formation clubs! These clubs are a great way for your kids to build community while growing in their faith.

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| <b>Book Club</b><br>1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Class: October 7<br>6:00-7:00<br>Epiphany of Our Lord,<br>Monessen<br>This club brings children together to discuss a variety of books and writings. We'll explore how different stories can help point them toward Christ and inspire them to be more Christ-like. | <b>Saints Club</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month<br>6:00 PM - 7:00 PM<br>Holy Family Church,<br>West Newton<br>Children will learn about the lives of different saints through stories, crafts, and fun experiments. They will also create monthly goals to help them live out the examples of the saints. When they complete their goals, they'll earn a new saint keychain! |
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Register for one or both clubs by emailing  
Julianna Baluch: [jbaluch@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:jbaluch@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

**Matters of Sexual Abuse** - 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 make the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724 837 0901, ext 1221.