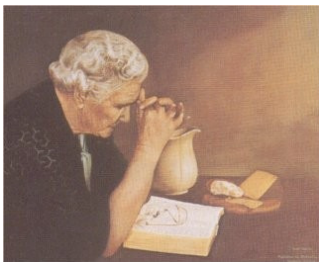


THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
St. Joseph the Worker Parish
"Please, Pray for Our Troops"

Pastor's Corner

For the past two weeks we have been looking at humility. St. Peter was doing great until he started to think about his will instead of God's will. Last week we looked at when we do wrong and how we are humbled to change our ways and how pride can hinder our progress. This week we see the ultimate form of humility - the Cross. What are the crosses of your life? How do you carry your cross? Do you allow others to help you with your cross? Do you allow God to help you with your cross? There is a phrase that I do not care for: "God will only give you what you can handle." The problem I have with this is that sometimes we have pretty big crosses that are not given to us by God. He allows them to happen but they are caused by others and their decisions. However, the phrase: "God will give you the grace to handle whatever is given to you" seems better. Christ's death on the cross is necessary because of Adam's sin, not God's will. Our crosses are life is not God smiting us but the effects of sin within our lives and world. God wishes to help us with these crosses out of love. Christ came to save the world not condemn it. To grow closer to God, not away from Him. God's Peace,
Fr. Brian



Prayer Warriors Needed

After more that 25 years, Honey Stetts is stepping aside as a coordinator of our parish prayer chain ministry. Her years of dedication and fervent prayers are greatly appreciated.

Claire Caputo has graciously agreed to fill the role of coordinator. So now is a perfect time to join our team of Prayer Warriors for the needs of our fellow parish members as well as those who are asking for our prayers. All you would need to do is call one person to pass the prayer request on to the rest of the chain. Then offer in prayer the intention presented and thanksgiving to God for prayers answered.

This is a great spiritual work of mercy that can be done in your own home. If interested please call **Claire Caputo at (570) 323-1091** or **Larry Stetts at (570) 326-0048**.



TIME—TALENT—TREASURE

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Weekly Budgeted Collections:	\$12,115.38
Last Week's Collection:	\$11,984.47
Collection Budget Year to Date:	\$121,153.80
Collections Year to Date:	\$115,268.07
Year to Date Surplus / (Deficit)	\$(5,885.73)

A Call to Prayer

As we begin this new academic year there are many things for which to pray. Our world and our country is experiencing violence unseen in our living memory. The rise of drugs and their effects on families and communities has been felt by everyone. The need for vocations to the Holy Priesthood and Religious Life is great. The need to come home to Christ is always great; but now more than ever, we need people to gather to pray.

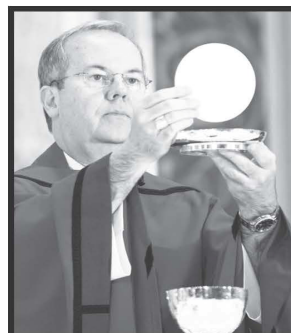


I challenge each and everyone of us, as a parish family, to please pray One Our Father, One Hail Mary, and One Glory Be **each day until October 5th**.

Will you and your family accept this prayer challenge?

LIFE CHAIN

When: Oct. 5th at 2:30pm
Where: Golden Strip by Red Lobster
We stand together to promote life,
we stand against evil in all its forms



*"We are best the church
when each one of us uses
our gifts and talents
to build up one another."*

Most Reverend
Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
Bishop of Scranton

2014 Diocese of Scranton
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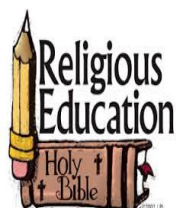
**Join us with a gift to the
Diocesan Annual Appeal.**

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Jim Foran at 570-323-9456
margyjimforan601@cs.com

Important Dates to Remember:



Sept. 14: Classes begin TODAY all levels

9:10am - 10:15am

Coffee House, Children's Liturgy
and Adult Classes also resume

Registration continues today in the Fleming Center

**Pre-K - 8th grade meet at Fleming Center
9th - 12th grade meet at Admin Bldg**

**Sept. 21: Catechetical Sunday
Teaching about**

God's Gift of Forgiveness

Commissioning of Catechists will take place at the 8:00am Mass.



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, Sept. 15, Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 am Cynthia Bower Menne (Mom & Dad)

TUESDAY, Sept. 16, Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

12:10 pm Sylvia Remas (Tony & Kathy DiSalvo)

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 17, St Robert Bellarmine

8:00 am Edward Capkovic (Wife, Mary)

THURSDAY, September 18

12:10 pm Albert & Blanche Taddeo Family (Family)

FRIDAY, Sept. 19, St. Januarius

8:00 am Thomas & June Stetts (Larry Stetts)

SATURDAY, Sept. 20, North Korean Martyrs

8:30 am Intentions of Priests

5:00 pm Carla Szybist (Maria Halabura)

SUNDAY, Sept. 21, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Josephine Ruch (Steve & Carol Saar)

10:30 am Deceased Members of the Gerber Family

5:00 pm Living & Deceased Parish Members

Confessions ONLY

Monday Night @ 6:30pm

New Adult Religious Education Opportunity



Adult Education

Embark on an examination of your Catholic - Christian faith.

Enhance your understanding of the truth and life granted to you in the Holy Spirit.

Energize your spirit with the light and love of God that affects your daily life in Christ.

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Select the day and time that is best for you.

The subject lasts for 10 weeks.

The subjects will rotate each semester until you experience all three areas of study.

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THE HOLY BIBLE: Begins Next Tuesday, Sept 23 @ 7pm

CHRISTIANITY: Begins Thursday, Sept 18 @ 7pm

CATHOLICISM: Begins Today Sunday, Sept 14 @ 9:10am

Call the parish office to register or show up to sign up.

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS:

1st Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: John 3:13-17

Car Talk: Who carries a cross today?

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Please pray for those soon to exchange vows in the Sacrament of Matrimony:

- **Abigail Collyer and Craig Santmyer, St. Joseph the Worker Parish**



CHANGE IN MASS LOCATION

Our parish family of St. Joseph the Worker is graced with a group of families who have decided to home school their children. Home Schooling is a national trend that is being supported by technology (cyber schooling) as well as Catholic principles of the parents being the primary teachers of their children. In light of these principles the Catholic Home Schooling Group has asked to have Holy Mass offered before they begin their day. Because of numbers, and the size of the Holy Family Chapel, we are offering Holy Mass

in the Main Church on Fridays starting on September 19th at its normal time, 8am.

Please continue to pray for the success of Catholic Education in all its forms. Please also continue to pray for families as they work tirelessly to bring up their children in the Light of Christ.



HOMESCHOOL CO-OP @ St. Joseph the Worker Parish

**Registration & Orientation
Tuesday, SEPT. 16**

3:00pm

**2nd floor Admin Bldg
For anyone interested in joining**

**Call Sandra Eck for more info/details
570-326-2909**

VIRTUS Training

**Sunday, SEPT. 28th @ 1:00pm
Admin. Bldg.**

Please call the parish office to register.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 15** Fr. Brian @ Convocation of Priests
Centering Prayer @ 6pm, Admin Bldg
Confessions @ 6:30pm
Bingo
- Sept. 16** Homeschooling Meeting @ 3pm, Admin
Baptism Class @ 7pm, Admin Bldg
Parent Bereavement @ 7pm
- Sept. 17** Centering Prayer @ 1pm, Admin Bldg
Food Pantry, 4-5pm, Admin Bldg
Youth Mentor Board @ 6pm
- Sept. 18** Confirmation Mentor Mtg @ 6pm, Admin
Adult Ed, *Christianity* @ 7pm, Admin Bldg.
Finance @ 7pm, Admin Bldg
Choir @ 7pm
- Sept. 21** **Catechetical Sunday**
Religious Ed, 9:10am-10:15am all levels
Adult Ed, *Catholicism* @ 9:10am, Admin
33 Days to Morning Glory, @ 9:10am
Admin Bldg 2nd floor
Youth Group, 6:30-8:00pm, Admin Bldg

Prayers for Healing

**Please pray for and support those parish family members
who are sick or with special medical intentions:**

Pat Agnoni, Luke Antolick, Bob Ardell, Rose Beamer, Marguerite Birch, Ted Bloomer, Robbie Butler, Rose Campana, Tammy Campbell, Yvonne Carlin, Michele Casale, Antonio Cerquozzi, Ron Churba, Quintin Coleman, William Colling, Joann Conklin, Cindy Coraggio, Peyton Cox, William Cummings, Jr, Chris Cupp, Nikki Dangle, Chris Dannemann, Donna Decker, Joanne Dietrick, Sara Derr, Doris DiPalo, Jessica Drick, Tom Eck, Judy Eckenrodt, Danny Fagnano, Larry Feist, Wilma Finkbeiner, Judy Folmar, Peg Foulkrod, Hannah Freezer, Sharon Galligher, Michael Gardner, Kaylin McQuillen Gee, Jan Girardi, Irene Gohrig, Harry Gower, Billy Greenawalt, Charlie Greenawalt, Shirley Grove, Richard Hafer, Cecilia Halderman, Louis Hart, Barbara Heere, Bev Hinkelman, Bill Holliday, Kay Hunter, Mary Ilniski, Charles Jean, Cobe Johnson, Merle "Moe" Johnson, Bernadette Kemmerer, TruAnn Kiessling, Jack Kinney, Shirley Kinley, Mary Grace Knepley, Mason Knepley, Ken Koehler, Mike Kriner, Bernice Kuna, Diana Linn, Lori Lorson, Joan Lowe, Wanda Lucas, Ann Lundy, James Lusk, Mary Ann Matthews, Patty McCloskey, Hobert McCracken, Mary McGee, Jessica McKenzie, Joyce McMullen, Betty Meng, Hazel Miller, Bradley Mitsdarfer, Dennis Moore, Lucile Morrison, Tom Morrison, Joann Nau, Jamie Neece, Rocky Nichols, Stoney Nichols, Amy Nogle, Marissa Notor, Declyn O'Brien, Dorothy Pasukinis, Jerome Pasukinis, Mary Paulus, Fred Plocinski, Kevin Plocinski, Brant Quinn, Kathleen Rafferty, Christine Rall, Seymour Rall, Cole Robinson, Joan Rogers, Mason Rogers, Sophie Ross, Arlene Salvatori, Auburn Segreaves, Zachary Segreaves, Patricia Shuey, Ed Shuhler, Thomas Snauffer, Theresa Sniffen, Jackson Stankdish, Ed Stanford, Frank Stetts III, Honey Stetts, Gary Stryker, Matt Tedesco, Pete Tedesco, Isabelle Troxell, Joe Ulsamer, Janette Varasky, Robert Vaughn, Oswaldo Viteri, Ryan Weber, Peg Wehler, Edna Wertz, Margaret White, Franklin Williams, Avery Young, and Betty Zay.

And for all in Nursing Homes & Personal Care Homes

**Please call the parish office
to add or remove names from the alphabetical list**

BINGO BINGO BINGO

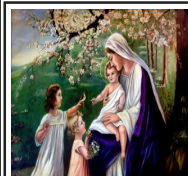
Monday, SEPTEMBER 15th in the Fleming Center.
Doors open at 5pm. BINGO begins at 6:30pm.
Air Conditioned and Non-Smoking Environment
Volunteers are always NEEDED and WELCOMED.
HELP SUPPORT OUR PARISH IN THIS GREAT EVENT!

FOUR OF HEARTS WINNERS:

John Lee	\$30.00
June Deise	\$30.00
Bernie Schelb	\$50.00
David Konkle	\$30.00



Tickets are still on sale at the Parish Office for only \$30.00
Good Numbers are being called every day!



LET THE "LITTLE ONES" COME TO ME

Children's Clothes Closet for the
"little ones" in need
(newborn to 6 years old)
Still collecting clothes!

All little boy sizes, especially sizes 5-6 are needed.

Thank you for all your donations!
OPEN EVERY TUESDAY 10am - 2pm @ Castellano
Center—All clothes are free!

Liturgical Ministry Training Sessions

Proclaimers of God's Word (Lectors).

Training session: Sunday, Sept. 21, 2-4pm

**Please pray and discern God's Call to Serve Him
at St. Joseph the Worker Parish!**



**Parish Music Ministry Presents a
CANTOR WORKSHOP**

with David Baloga,
Director of Worship, Diocese of Scranton
Saturday, SEPT. 27 from 9am to Noon
Admin Bldg

**ALL cantors are required to attend.
Call the parish office to register.**



**Diocesan Workshop for
Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of
Communion, Cantors, Ministers of
Hospitality, Liturgy Committees**

**Marywood University
Saturday, OCT. 4th
8am—3pm**

**Carpooling from church parking lot 6am.
Please call the parish office and ask for Jeff for
more information & registration.**

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

OTTO'S Book Store



OKTOBERFEST

Saturday, OCTOBER 4th
Fleming Center

Doors open at 6:00PM

Dinner at 7:00PM

Dancing till midnight

Advance tickets \$15.00—Door \$18.00

INCLUDES:

Food, Beverage, Dancing, Fun

MENU

Pretzel Bar - Bratwurst Bar - Rice Gulasch

Pork Schnitzel Sliders - Brot Kartoffeln

Green Bean Casserole - German Potato Salad

German Chocolate Cake

ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Tickets available at the parish office.

Divine Mercy Pilgrimage

Date: October 11 @ 6:30am

Cost: \$75.00

There are still a few seats available. Payment reserves your seat.



YOUTH NEWS

Attention all students that have been confirmed!
(Grades 8-12th)

Youth Group Meeting

Sunday Night meeting 6:30-8pm

Admin Bldg 2nd floor

Join us in the new youth room!!

HEART 24... ONE DAY...

ONE MISSION... ONE LOVE

Is an all day mission organized by CHWC (Catholic HEART WorkCamp) that will be happening **Oct. 11 in Pittsburgh, PA**



Meeting this week

Calling all Adults of the parish that would like to volunteer for the youth ministry program! We will be meeting Wednesday, Sept 16th for dinner. Please contact Darleen @ stjosephtheworkerym@gmail.com for more info.



UP & OVER RETREAT

Youth in grades 6th—8th

Sept. 19th @ 7pm until Sept. 21st @ 1pm
Camp Orchard Hill in Dallas, PA

"Teamwork and Recognizing God's Gifts in You."

Cost: \$35.00 is all inclusive (meals, program and private room)
for more info call 570-207-2213.