# Welcome to the Parishes of St. Joseph and St. Patrick

# Rememderinζ October 1-7

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#### WEDNESDAY

#### Thursday

8:00am (SJ) † Communion Service Adoration 8:30am

#### FRIDAY

12:00pm (SP) <sup>(</sup>Communion Service Sacred Heart Novena

SaCURdaç 4:00pm (SJ) ° The People of St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP) Geraldine Chelak Pike Co. Probation & Domestic Relations

#### SUNDAY

7:15am (SP) P Elizabeth Wuger Joseph & Barbara Rowan

> 8:30am (SJ) Cathy Van Horn The Family

11:00am (SP) **Lawrence & Richard** Johnson Mary & Ed Dunn



# Protect Life

The tapestry scene may not seem to have much to do with the readings, yet it does. Let me explain: This wall-size work of art depicts the murder decreed by Herod of all the children two years and under. It was his desperate effort to extinguish any possibility that the Messiah might eventually contest his throne.

The reading of James could very well be applied to the greedy and avaricious Herod. "You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of [your own] slaughter" (James 5:5). All the wealth, authority, and success he had only led him to be more grasping and insecure. Anyone who sees a threat to his own well-being in the birth of a child reveals his own internal poverty of spirit.

Rather than remove the little ones from our lives, we should do all we can to edify and maintain their faith. Jesus, as well as James, has harsh words for anyone who would lead a little one to sin.

Herod was the first who needed to hear the words of the Messiah he was trying to silence. If anything causes you to sin, even something as precious as a hand or foot, it's better to cut it off and live physically impaired rather than maintain apparent wholeness while spiritually rotting from within. The life of our souls and that of the little ones is of paramount importance, and no material security should be placed ahead of it.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

September 30, 2018

*Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)* Nm 11:25–29 Jas 5:1–6 Mk 9:38–43, 45, 47–48

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#### For Reflection

Do I protect life as a gift from the Father, from conception to natural death? How do I help the little ones in my life come to know Jesus?

[Jesus said,] "It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna."

Mark 9:43

#### Welcome

Our entire Parish Families welcome all of you who have come to worship with us today. We encourage you to participate fully in the spiritual, ministerial and social life of our parish community. If needed, please contact your Parish Office to register.

#### Sacrament of Baptism

All parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal instruction. Please contact your Parish Office to make arrangements for this opportunity for spiritual renewal

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples contemplating marriage should notify your Parish Office at least six months before the date of their intended marriage.

#### Sacrament of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is for the comfort and strength of the ill. It is not just intended for those immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or

## **NEW R.C.I.A. CLASS**

A new R.C.I.A. class is about to begin. If you, or someone you know, are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, think about joining us. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for the non baptized and for Catholics who have never completed their sacraments of Initiation, which include Confirmation and Eucharist. It is also for people who have been baptized in another faith and are interested to learn more about becoming a Catholic. You will be meeting with a team of parishioners who will answer questions and guide you on your faith journey. We meet on Sunday afternoons for one hour. Please call the office at 570-296-7451 if you are interested. Ask for Deacon Tom. We promise to make you feel very welcome!

## **TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF?**

St. Vincent de Paul Church's Grief Ministry is a faith based support group formed to give comfort to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. A six-week series will take place on Mondays covering a variety of topics chosen to help those who are grieving. The death of a loved one is difficult to accept and meeting with people who are feeling the same way can help. All meetings will be held in St. Vincent's Parish Hall on Mondays, October 8,15,22,29, November 5 and 12 from 6:30 until 8:00pm. Light refreshments will be served. If you would like to attend these meetings or if you'd like more information, please contact stvgriefgroup@att.net or call the parish office at 570 686-4545. ALL ARE WELCOME!

## DINGMAN-DELAWARE MIDDLE SCHOOL DINNER THEATRE

126th Annual Complimentary Dinner theatre for the Senior Citizens of the Delaware Valley School district. A complete Chicken Parmesan Dinner will be served at 5:00PM in the dingman-Delaware Middle School Cafeteria on Friday, November 9, 2018. Followed at 7:00 PM by the DDMS Drama Club's performance of "Willy Wonka, Jr." For Reservations Call 296-3143 by November 2, 2018. the Dingman-Delware Middle School is located at 1365 Route 739 in Dingmans Ferry, PA.

# ST. JAMES THE GREATER ANNUAL SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL DINNER.

Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 6:00pm. All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs, salad, garlic bread, and dessert. Bring your own drinks. Take-out available. Adult: \$12.00 Children under 12: \$6.00 Children under 6: Free. Tickets available by calling or texting Bill Ricciardi at (845) 341-3686 or emailing: wjr218@optonline.net.

### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER**

For St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message.

## ST. MARY'S LITTLE LAMBS

would like to invite you to participate in our first Touch a Truck fundraiser! This community wide event will be held on Columbus Day, Monday, October 8 from 10 am to 2pm in the St. Mary's Church parking lot, 50 Ball St., Port Jervis. Event admission is \$10 a family. Kids will interact with a variety of vehicles and the heroes that drive and operate them. They can buy lunch from a food truck, hear sirens, explore vehicles, and meet the people who build, protect, and serve our community. The first hour, 10am-11am, will be "sensory friendly," with no lights, horns, or sirens. Families can learn about a variety of health and safety topics from local guest speakers. There will be raffles and a 50/50. This event is go on rain or shine! For more information, please call 845-858-4208, email littlelambs@stmarysportjervis.com, or visit our Facebook page.

## **ROSARY RALLY**

At Orange Square, Pike Street, Port Jervis, NY Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 12:00noon. Meet at St. Mary's Church Ball Street, Port Jervis, at 11:30am and walk as a group to Orange Square (about 3 blocks) For more information please call Nancy Smith 845-856-4610.

## COMPASSIONATE CARE HOSPICE ADULT BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Belle Reve Senior Living is offering 7 group sessions which starting September 20th. Group is intended for adult men and women who are grieving a loss. Group will provide emotional comfort in a safe environment. The purpose of this group is to provide information about the grief process. The following are dates that the Group will be meeting, October 4th, November 1, November 15, December 6 and December 20th at 11:00 RSVP is strongly encouraged (570) 476-0150.



#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE October 6-7

Saturday 4:00pm
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Lector Tom McMullen

### Eucharistic Minister

Stanley Lazarczyk Carol Cordova

#### **Altar Servers** David Marcial

Ella Carroll

Sunday 8:30am

**Lector** Diana Sierra

## **Eucharistic Minister**

Neal & Michele Bensley

# Altar Server

Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher

#### Milford Senior Care

9/30 Lois Lazarczyk

10/7 Carol Cordova



The Sanctuary Candle burns In Memory of

Robert Balch

by The Family

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

# ST. JOSEPH'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED

**WE NEED YOU!** We need your help in revitalizing our parish. Please consider joining our Parish Council to share your energy and ideas. The role of the Parish Pastoral Council is to help our Pastor lead the parish planning process on an ongoing basis. Membership does not require a large amount of your personal time. We invite you to attend one of our meetings! If you are interested in serving on the Council, please fill out a nomination form located at the front entrance to the Church and return it to the Parish Office.

## **COFFEE SOCIAL**

Our next Coffee Social will be held next Sunday, October 7, 2018. A variety of foods will be available including sugar-free! All are welcome! Anyone wishing to donate baked goods call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

## ST. JOSEPH'S JUNIOR CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Our Jr. Choir sings at the 8:30 Mass on Sundays. Students in grades 3 through 12 are welcome and encouraged to join. Please call Mrs. Bradley at 845-754-3620.

## WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU

Our Parish Service Ministry is reaching out to all parishioners who may be in need of our help. If you need or know a relative, friend, or neighbor who would like a home visit, help with shopping, a friendly phone call or check on well being, even a ride to a doctor's appt, please call the rectory at 570-491-2618 or drop a note in the collection basket.

## ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY

Our next food pantry will be Friday, October 26, 2018 from 6 - 8pm (Team B). To volunteer call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506. Thank you for your continued support.

Weekly Offering

September 23, 2018

\$ 3834.85

Last Year

**September 24, 2017** \$ 3721.65



Thank you for your generosity!

"We, the parish of St. Joseph's, in union with our Holy Father, our bishop, and our pastor, seek to grow in holiness as a welcoming and caring family reaching out to all. As a faith-filled community celebrating the Eucharist, we strive to enrich our spiritual lives by cultivating a deeper relationship with Christ through the sacraments. We are united in faith and find unity in diversity as we pray for the grace to use our gifts and talents to promote the knowledge of God's love."

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### IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers the soul of *Gina Spataro*, mother of Deacon Tom Spataro who died this past week. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen.

## MASS TIME CHANGES DURING WINTER MONTHS

Beginning next weekend we will reverting back to our winter schedule until Memorial Day. Please note there will be no 7:15AM Mass. The regular Mass schedule will be Friday evenings at 5:30 and Sunday morning at 11:00AM.

## ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER GROUP

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail the name to Tom Hogan—tchogan@ptd.net or 570-296-6224 (if no answer, please leave a message). There are approximately 30 people in this group to pray for your needs. If anyone wishes to join please contact the number or e-mail above.

# FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's serves Friday November 2, 2018 at 6:30pm.

## **EVA STRINATI'S NEW ADDRESS**

Eva has moved to be closer to her daughter in Philadelphia. Anyone wishing to send a card or drop her a line her new address would be: Eva Strinati c/o Litts, 800 Admirals Way, Unit #1846, Philadelphia, PA 18146.

## PRAY THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Wednesdays at 2:40pm. During Adoration of Our Most Merciful Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. The Holy Father, St. John Paul II imparted a special Apostolic Blessing "to all the faithful, who during Adoration of Our Most Merciful Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, will be praying the Divine Mercy chaplet for the sick and those throughout the world who will be dying in that hour." The Apostolic Blessing extends indefinitely for all who participate.

## MASS AT BELLE REVE

Join Father Joseph while he celebrates Mass with the resident's of Belle Reve on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 2:30pm. The next scheduled Mass will be October 17th.



Weekly Collection September 23, 2018 \$ 3,204.00 This time last year \$2,804 Weekly Mortgage Offertory September 23, 2018 \$919.00

Year to Date July '18- Current \$8,153.00 Goal for the Year \$100,000 MINISTRY SCHEDULE October 6-7

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Ray Proulx
Communion Ministers
Donna Hersca, Annette Petry
Altar Servers
Jason Lecina, Nicole Traxler
Sunday 7:15am
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Lector David Stine
Communion Ministers
Pat Corcoran, Karen Lo-
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Altar Servers
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Diane Dennis
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Communion Ministers
Ray Weeks, Colleen Sheldon
Altar Servers
Caterina Catizone, Nicholas
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burns in memory of
Col. Steven Dutkus
requested by
Stan & Arlene Dutkus

St. Patrick's Parish is the presence of the Catholic Church in a diverse and vibrant area of northeastern Pennsylvania. As disciples, we dedicate ourselves to hearing, learning and sharing the good news of God's Word as we reverently celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Together, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we seek to know, love and serve God. We strive to promote a culture of love and respect for all human life and for the beautiful world in which we live. We welcome all people to participate in the spiritual and social life of our parish family.

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<b>Gospel Today</b> <b>Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time   Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48</b> Don't be jealous of others who also have God's Gift of the Spirit. God loves all His people around the world and helping anyone with simple love and kindness will be noticed and rewarded.													ll His	<b>Monday</b> OCTOBER 1 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and	
Whoever is not against us is for us. Mark 9:40 In the old Testament, Gehenna =														Doctor of the Church Jb 1:6–22 Lk 9:46–50 <b>Tuesday</b> OCTOBER 2 Holy Guardian Angels	
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Spirit People	Ν	S	Ρ	I	R	I	Т	S	D	S	В	Е	S	W	Mk 10:2–16 or Mk 10:2–12

# **Daily Prayer**

A regular way of reporting some important news today is to cite the source: "according to a highly placed government official," even when the source is anonymous. We give the story credibility if it seems to come from an authoritative source, deserving credibility. Jesus tells us clearly that the source of his message and his power is God, the Father, himself.

This week we can experience intimacy with God in the midst of our busy lives if we take brief moments throughout our day, every day, to let the connection between ourselves and God become conscious. We forget who we are. We get distracted by the world around us, even with things that are our duty, or commitment. To become more conscious of the presence of God with us in our busy days takes some practice. It is a matter of desire and choice. If we desire it, we will choose it. And, it takes a "method."

This week we can wake each morning and let our first thoughts turn to our Lord and our relationship. "Good morning, Lord. Thank you for letting me be your disciple today. Help me to be connected with you throughout this day. With your love, help me to be freer and more grateful, in the midst of the anxiety and tension I experience today." That takes less than 30 seconds to say. We

might object, saying "I am just barely awake when I wake up. How am I supposed to think this clearly immediately?" It just takes practice. The point isn't to focus on the words, but on the relationship that frames our day. Then, in the shower, while getting dressed, getting to work, and at a dozen in between times throughout the day and evening, we can re-connect consciously, in and ongoing conversation - 20 or 30 seconds at a time.

"Be with me in this next challenge, Lord. I often lose my temper here. I can get fairly impatient at this time. I get hooked and slip into judgment and anger. Stay with me and I will rely on your grace to be more patient, gentle and loving." Or, walking down the hall to the restroom, I might say, in my heart, "Lord, it really helps me to remember that beyond my job description, I'm your disciple. Help me to listen to you. Help me sense I'm here to let your Kingdom enter the world here. Give me the help to bring healing and love in this place today."

Try to take a brief few moments while getting ready for bed to recall the moments of connection and grace this day and give thanks.

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