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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
August 4th, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **NO DAILY MASSES** scheduled indefinitely. Please call Catherine at the Rectory office for any questions or concerns and she'll do her best to address your issues.

SATURDAY - Vigil of 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM - Pro Populo

SUNDAY - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM - Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Father John
(Req. by Ron Cleaver)

SANCTUARY CANDLE

In Birthday Remembrance of Helene Balagusz
Req. by Family

The daily readings; may be found at either
USCCB.ORG or under the headings of daily readings
listed in back of the missalette.

1127 McKinley Avenue
Johnstown, PA 15905

Rev. John J. Slovikovski, PhD, Pastor
Mrs. Maureen Clark, DRE
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Rectory Office Hours: Monday through
Friday, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

IN LOVING MEMORY: The Sanctuary Lamp is available for your intentions by calling the parish office. Please attempt to request your intention as early as possible. A \$10 donation is suggested.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Confessions will not be heard regularly until Fr. John has recovered from his liver transplant. **Confession may ALWAYS be arranged with Fr. John personally by calling the rectory office. Please avail yourselves to this life-giving sacrament!**

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Scheduled no less than **nine months** prior to the date of marriage. Four preparation sessions with the pastor, as well as all diocesan requirements, must be met. All Catholic candidates for Marriage must be registered, practicing members of a parish at least 6 months prior to scheduling the wedding.

INFANT BAPTISM: Baptisms are generally celebrated during one of the Sunday Liturgies. Pre-baptismal instructions must be completed by the parents at least 3 weeks prior to the celebration of the sacrament. Catholic godparents must obtain a letter of eligibility from their pastors four weeks in advance. Baptisms are never celebrated during the Season of Lent.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Celebrated after any Sunday Mass as requested and as a parish during the Easter Season.

MEMBERSHIP: Forms are located on the back page of the bulletin (or on the parish website) to be filled out and sent to the parish. Registrations are also welcome by phone.

\$\$\$ INCOME \$\$\$

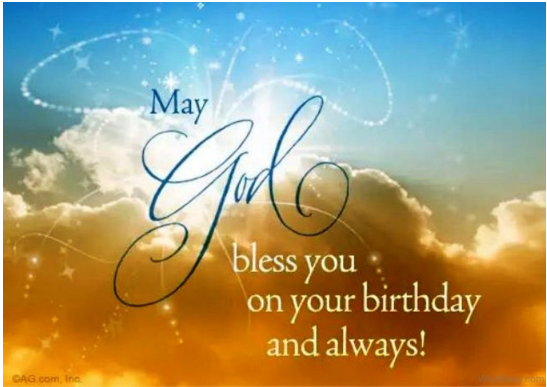
Collection - July 28, 2024

Loose Money.....	\$326.00
Sunday Collection.....	\$2101.00
Holy Father.....	\$3.00
Learning Lamp Rent - August.....	\$3800.00

TOTAL: \$6230.00

Let us continue to pray for the members of our parish community who serve in the military, as well as for the sick, elderly and homebound members of our parish especially:
Anonymous Petitioners, Pat Balagusz, Ralph Blair, David Clark, Ronald Cleaver, Dolores Danner, Francis Dietz, Dorothy Fisher, Barbara Fox, Paul Harnish, Catherine Heinlein, Mary Carol Hill and children, Donna Johnson, Baby Gianna Kniss, Karen Kohan, Betsy Konar, Marylee Konicky, Madeleine Krueger, Gaile Krumenacker, Victoria Leflie, Michael Letzo, Joanne Macri, Patricia Mainhart, Marianne Mangiafico, Pat Meagher, Myla Minner, Pauline Molchany, Larry Oravetz, Anna Petro, Francis Petro, Jean Petraro, Anna Marie Pfeil, Maria Petro-Sanders, Mia Bella Rastall, Stacy Roberts, Sean Rovon, Leonard Russell, Stephen Sanders, Jennifer Schellhammer, Ernestine Schmidt, Rose Sigg, Allegra Slick, Father John Slovikovski, Shirley Slovikovski, Megan Var-mecky, Coralie Williams, Christi Vavrek, Carrie Young

Please join us in remembering members of our parish family who celebrate their birthdays the week of August 5th to August 11th:



- Michelle Walters

Michael Butler

Kathleen McMonagle

Tammy Meyers

Erin Schiffhauer
- Angela Thompson

Mary Ellen Maestra

Alexandria Krise

Patrick Cascino

While Father John is recovering from his transplant surgery and is suspending weekly mass indefinitely, here are some local churches and their daily mass schedules:
St. Clement: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 8:00 AM
St John Gualbert: Monday, Tuesday, Friday - 7:00 AM
Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 PM
St. Patrick: Thursday - 8:00 AM
Our Mother of Sorrows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday - 8:00 AM
Wednesday - 6:00 PM
St. Benedict: Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:00AM
Tuesday, Thursday - 12:05 PM

STEELER TICKET LOTTERY - Once again our Church has been blessed, through the generosity of a parishioner, to offer chances to a Steelers game: Steelers vs. the New York Giants at 8:15 PM on Monday October 28th, 2024 at Acrisure Stadium. Chances cost \$10 each and include seating for 4 persons at the game. Seats are located on the 40-yard line, ten rows up from the field. Package includes transportation to the game by way of the Steeler bus, and \$200 of mad money. The winners are determined by the PA Lottery 7:00 PM drawing of the Pick 3 on October 18th. Those who have either the number below or the number above the winning number will receive \$100 each. **What an amazing deal!** Tickets can be purchased in the vestibule of the Church, beginning next weekend, before or after week-end Masses or by calling the rectory office. **We would also appreciate anyone who is willing to take tickets to sell.** Thank you for your support of this fundraiser that has the potential to make more than a \$9500 profit with minimal work on the part of the parish. Also, we want to formally thank the donor of our tickets who wishes to remain anonymous. They have been most generous to us over the last few years. May God bless them for their commitment to the financial well being of our parish.

Ethnic Fest - Now that **July 4th** has passed, **Labor Day** weekend will be fast upon us and with it our participation in the **Annual Johnstown Ethnic Fest**. As you know, this is one of our major fundraisers throughout the year, and our success allows us to meet our annual budgetary needs. Although it is early, we are beginning to request some essential items for this activity; in particular we are in need of Jello and Spirits for our main source of income, our Jello shots. Our supply of sprits is **VERY LOW** and we are in desperate need of donations. While items such as vodka (both regular and flavored), rum and tequila are **ALWAYS A GREAT NEED FOR US**, other forms of spirits are always appreciated. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.



From the Pastor's Desk: Father John is still hospitalized at Allegheny General. He has had a couple of setbacks in his recovery that have slowed down his recuperation somewhat. He has an outstanding medical team and they are pleased with his progress and he is improving every day, although not nearly as quickly as he would like. He is very, very appreciative of all the cards and monetary gifts he has received from so many parishioners. Your support has been overwhelming and so comforting to him. And, of course, he deeply appreciates your prayers. Please continue to keep him in your prayers as he moves forward with his recovery. Cards can be sent to the rectory or dropped in the basket collection. We will make sure he gets them.
You may also mail them to:
Allegheny General Hospital
320 E North Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15212
ATTN: Fr. John Slovikovski

Public Rosary - There will be a public rosary praying for our Blessed Virgin Mary's Intercession for our country on Thursday, August 8th at 6:30 PM St. Clement Church, Upper Yoder Twp.

UPCOMING 2024 DIACONATE CLASSES - Deacon Michael Russo will be having a six week course on Wisdom Literature and Psalms. The following class will be a ZOOM Class and will be open to all! Thursdays from 6:00 PM-8:30 PM (Running for 6 Weeks) and one Wednesday class beginning August 22, 2024. The registration fee is \$35 and the required book for class is: Wisdom Books-William Anderson and The Psalms: Heart-beat of Life-both can be purchased on Amazon. To register for this class please visit www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry, see your Parish Secretary for a Registration form or contact Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000.

Father Brian Saylor will be having a six week in-person course on Ecclesiology at St. Rose of Lima, Altoona. The following class will be an in-person class and will be open to all! Tuesdays from 6:30 PM-9:00 PM (Running for 6 Weeks) beginning August 13, 2024. The registration fee is \$35 and no books are required for this class. You will receive 16 Hours Continuing Education Hours. To register for this class please visit www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry, see your Parish Secretary for a Registration form or contact Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000.

[The invitations to the rosary every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. continue to be extended to all parishioners. We also pray the litany of St. Joseph since Wednesday is dedicated to him as the patron of the Universal Church. Remember the parish intention is for Fr. John's health, however, personal intentions for the Rosary and adoration are your own.](#)

Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy - Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2024 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, September 8 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, September 15 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 p.m. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Tuesday, August 27th.

Fatima Devotions - The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Tuesday August 13th, 2024, at 6:30pm in the Sunken Gardens at Saint Francis Friary. (In case of inclement weather, they will be at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University.) The presider will be Bob Sutton from St. Aloysius Parish in Cresson. We are really looking forward to seeing you.

A Women's Day of Reflection - St. Benedict Parish, Johnstown will be hosting Award Winning Author and Speaker, Liz Kelly for A Women's Day of Reflection, "Jesus Approaches: What Contemporary Women Can Learn about Healing, Freedom & Joy from the Women of the New Testament" This one-day event will be held from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM September 28, 2024. The day will start off with taking a fresh look at the encounters that women had with Jesus while you grow in confidence and skill praying with Scripture and making the Gospel your own. The day will include Mass, Adoration, opportunities for confession and fellowship and the opportunity to strengthen the tether between your heart and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

This event is Free and open to all, A Lunch and Refreshments will be served so an RSVP is required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact St. Benedict Rectory at (814) 266-9178 or Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or email at michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.