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Rectory Office Hours: Monday through
Friday, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

3rd Sunday of Easter
May 4th, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - Easter Weekday
NO MASS

TUESDAY - Easter Weekday
NO MASS

WEDNESDAY - Easter Weekday
NO MASS

THURSDAY - Easter Weekday
NO MASS

FRIDAY - Easter Weekday
12:05 PM - Elizabeth Worthington
(Req. by Mary Ann & Amy Wissinger)
Rescheduled from 5-2-25

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass

SATURDAY - Vigil of 4th Sunday of Easter
4:00 PM - All Mothers Living and Deceased

SUNDAY - Mother's Day
9:00 AM - All Mothers Living and Deceased

SANCTUARY CANDLE
All Mothers Living and Deceased

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

Fr. John will be away for a conference from May
5th - 9th in Minneapolis, MN for his diocesan posi-
tion as the Director of Ongoing Formation of
Priests and Clergy services. Please pray for him.

IN LOVING MEMORY: The Sanctuary Lamp is avail-
able for your intentions by calling the
parish office. Please attempt to request your inten-
tions as early as possible. A \$10 donation is sug-
gested.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Confessions are heard
from 6:30 until 7:00 PM on Wednesday Evenings.
**DURING THE JUBILEE YEAR, CONFESSIONS WILL BE
HEARD FROM 3:00 PM until 3:40 PM THE FIRST SATUR-
DAY OF EVERY MONTH. 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 Cath-
olic candidates for Marriage must be registered,
practicing members of a parish at least 6 months
prior to scheduling the wedding. There are NO EX-
CEPTIONS.**

INFANT BAPTISM: Baptisms are generally celebrat-
ed 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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Wednesday and
Friday following Mass.

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 - April 27, 2025

Loose Money.....	\$422.00
Sunday Collection.....	\$2625.00
Easter Offering.....	\$785.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$350.00
Holy Thursday.....	\$609.00
Good Friday.....	\$604.00
Ascension.....	\$5.00
Catholic Home Missions.....	\$37.00
Sanctuary Candle.....	\$10.00
Parking Lot Rent.....	\$205.00

TOTAL: \$5652.00

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, John Bair, 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, Gianna Kniss, Karen Kohan, Betsy Konar, Marylee Konicky, Madeleine Krueger, Dick Krumenacker, 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 Petroro, Maria Petro-Sanders, Mia Bella Rastall, Stacy Roberts, Sean Rován, Stephen Sanders, Jennifer Schellhammer, Rose Sigg, Allegra Slick, Father John Slovikovski, Shirley Slovikovski, Ken Turner, Megan Varnecky, Christi Vavrek, Carrie Young

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



Wade Miller	Jeanne Prosser
Martin Bolinger	Kimberly Litvin
Barbara Penna	Charles Cowan
Tara Rosa	

For the Good of the Vineyard and Our Particular Part

The invitations to participate in all of the devotions associated with the spiritual life and vigor of our parish continue to be extended to all parishioners. We pray the rosary every Saturday evening at approximately 3:30 PM prior to Mass as well as every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. On Wednesdays, Mass is celebrated at 5:30 PM followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6:30 PM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament also occurs on Friday following the 12:05 PM Mass

until 1:30 PM. 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 for the rosary is for Fr. John's health, however, personal intentions for the Rosary and adoration are your own. BOTH OF THESE PRACTICES WOULD MAKE AN EXCELLENT EASTER DEVOTION. A VISITATION TO THE RISEN LORD PRESENT IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT COULD PROVIDE YOU WITH THE "TRUE" GRATITUDE FOR THE GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE WE HAVE ALL RECEIVED.

Purses & Prizes: A Bingo Extravaganza with Birthright of Johnstown - Join Birthright for a night of fun and a little luck at the Purses and Prizes Bingo Night. 15 rounds of the classic game, high end raffle prizes, new special games and a Plinko board. There are plenty of opportunities to win! It will be held on May 8th, 2025 at the Willow. Doors will open at 4:30 PM and dinner will be at 6:00 PM. Games start at 6:30 PM and the ticket price is \$50.00. You can call Birthright at 814-535-8231 or go online at <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/purses-and-prizes-a-bingo-extravaganza-with-birthright-of-johnstown> to purchase your tickets. Space is limited, so please call or go online to reserve your seat today!

April Showers Bring May Flowers! - We are currently selling coupons for hanging baskets and flats of flowers from Stuver's Riverside Nursery. Your support with this fundraiser is greatly appreciated. Please note that these coupons will only be available for one more week.

SAVE THE JUBILEE DATES:
 June 29th: Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul
 Mass, St. Michael's Basilica, Loretto, PA

October 17th: Pilgrimage – Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
 Washington, D.C.

Fatima Devotions - The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 6:30pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. William Shee, T.O.R. We are really looking forward to seeing you.



From the Pastor's Desk:
 I think that it is a surprise to no one that I was completely devastated at the news of the Pope's death and this is the first time that I have to reflect publicly about it. When I was away, I could do nothing but send some factual information to be shared you with my parish family, for I had not yet embraced my own grief. The Church has not only lost a Pope, but also at prophet...and I mean that in the purest sense of the term. A prophet, in the tradition of Israel, was one who spoke with the Lord's own voice, and if anyone spoke with the word of Jesus, it was Pope Francis. One word that was second nature to him was mercy. He knew, lived, and believed that divine compassion was the heart of faith. He knew that mercy, "compassion" was to suffer with, which is the greatest form of love because it bears another's hardships, taking them on as one's own. This is the greatest form of divine intimacy, the most fecund communion with God and the other. And that is how Francis lived....that is how Francis died. He cherished humanity, the good, the bad, and the ugly; the sick and the sinner; the elite and the marginalized; he gave his life over for the oppressed. In him there was no guile. And he suffered greatly: physically and emotionally and spiritually because of his steadfast to the truth. To be honest, there are two men in my life who ever demonstrated qualities of heroism for me: my father and Pope Francis; that is why I mourn his passing so greatly. There is so much that is to be said; however, you know me I am never at a loss for words and there is limited space here. Therefore, I will leave you with two things. The first concerns the "cartoon" illustrations below:

