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SUNDAY
OCTOBER 1
2023

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M–TH: 9 am–12 pm & 1–3 pm
Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday 3:00 pm – Confession

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

Deacon

Dcn. Frank Hannah

Director of Faith Formation

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Mrs. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Secretary

Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.”

—Mt 21:32

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to join our parish and become part of the Notre Dame Church family, please complete this form and return by mail or drop in the collection basket.

REQUEST FOR PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name:

Address:

City/State:

Zip:



VIDEO MASS 10/1	+John Mulcahy [9:00AM Mass Friends]
MON 10/2	NO MASS
TUES 10/3 9:00AM	+Marilyn Linzenbold [Bob & Marilou Rossi]
WED 10/4	NO MASS
THU 10/5 9:00AM	+Denise Condo [Bolt Family]
FRI 10/6 9AM	+Carole Lee Arnold [Ken & Gretchen Wagner]
SAT 10/7 9AM	+Frank Matune [Renee Kocis]
SAT 10/7 *3-3:30PM * Confessions	
SAT 10/7 4PM	+Barbara Anne Stawaisz [Stawaisz Family]
SUN 10/8 8AM	+Bob Martincic [Mary & Frank Pleso]
SUN 10/8 11AM	+Mary Ellen Clayton [Stawaisz Family]



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is **PAPER NAPKINS**. The upcoming item will be toilet paper.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

ALL PARISHIONERS INVOLVED IN PARISH MINISTRIES APPRECIATION DINNER

YOU ARE INVITED:

Wednesday, October 25, 6:00 pm
Multi- Purpose Room
Hosted by Fr. Allen and Parish Staff
Caterer: Odette Pasci
RSVP to the coordinator of your ministry

More information to follow.



BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE



Please keep the family of
David Bain
in your prayers.



"Into your hands Oh Lord we commend our brothers and sisters"

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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SAT 10/7 4PM LECTOR M. Multari	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. D. Boller / B. Palisin D. Palisin / P. Stawaisz P. Thornburg	ALTAR SERVER A. Bowser M. Simmers
SUN 10/8 8AM LECTOR C. St. John	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. B. Beaulieu / G. Beaulieu T. DeCaprio / A. Joseph T. Pagliaroli / B. Rossi	ALTAR SERVER Volunteer Needed
SUN 10/8 11AM LECTOR C. Wallace	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. E. McGoff / B. McVey Volunteers Needed	ALTAR SERVER E. Perry L. Perry

***ATTN VOLUNTEERS! Please sign-in prior to Mass**

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MASS SCHEDULE:

DAILY : MON, WED, FRI 7:30 AM	TUES 6:00 pm / *6:30 PM Confessions
WEEKEND: SAT 5:30 PM	SUN 9:30 AM



*Altar flowers last weekend
were donated in Memory of*

Bill White

On Behalf of: Family

And flowers remembering Joe Izzo



Living The Gospel ... One Life At A Time

OCTOBER RESPECT LIFE MONTH

"Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
Respect Life Reflection: "Radical Solidarity"
(respectlife.org/radical-solidarity-reflection)

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 2023

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a)/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a)/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 2023

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Monday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Wednesday: St. Francis of Assisi
Thursday: Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
Friday: St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary
Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God invites each of us to work in His vineyard, but it's our choice whether we "clock in" or stay home. Let's never fail to show up. It's the most important job we will ever have.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Vineyard

The second son never showed up to the vineyard. Did he get lost? Did he get tired? Did he not know where to begin?

When it comes right down to it, good intentions amount to very little. We all know this, don't we? "Show me, don't tell me." "I'll believe it when I see it." It's as true in the workplace and in relationships as it is in the life of the Christian disciple.

It doesn't matter if we *intend* to work in the vineyard. It doesn't matter if we promise to, if we think about it a lot, or if we make grand plans for what we will accomplish there. None of that matters if we don't show up. Before we show up, we have to find the way.

Showing up is the whole point. The work is the point, not the intention.

But all this begs the question: what does *the work* mean for us as baptized Catholics in the modern world? Spending our Saturdays in soup kitchens and homeless shelters? Standing on a street corner shouting out the words of the Gospel?

Our baptismal call is to the vineyard. Where is our vineyard? How do we show up? *We are ready, Lord, we say. We intend to work. But where do we go?*

My vineyard is not your vineyard, and so it's not my place to tell you how to get there. I am glad you want to go, but you'll have to find your own way, just like I will. But I can tell you this: only one voice will lead you there. If you listen to it, you will find your vineyard.

"Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way." — Psalm 25:8

WORSHIP & MEDITATION

WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 2023

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading:

But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

Second Reading:

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus. (Phil 2:5)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)

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SCRIPTURE - Questions of the week

First Reading:

The prophet Ezekiel teaches that all people (the just and the wicked) are capable of doing evil as well as repenting. What do you think motivates anyone to repent?

Second Reading:

Paul encourages the believers in Philippi to have the same attitude of humility as Jesus. Is humility one of your strengths?

Gospel:

Jesus criticizes the religious leaders of Jerusalem for lacking self-reflection. How often do you examine your own behavior and choices?

GOSPEL MEDITATION

A life-long Catholic friend of mine recently mumbled to me, "I can't stand all these converts to the faith. They're always rocking the boat." It surprised me because he is dedicated to evangelization, and yet he struggles with openness to new Catholics. It made me realize how easily I close my heart to those whom I perceive to be outsiders who become new members of the Catholic community. Almost unconsciously I reduce the world to the categories of "us" and "them." The result is that meaningful community silently shrinks in my life. Don't we all do that to some degree?

This week Jesus' punchy parable about the two sons blows up that black and white world. One son said he wouldn't get to work, and then did. The other said he would, and then he did not. **"Which did the will of his father?"** asks the Lord. Like so many of us, in identifying the first as the answer, the religious authority's manifest hidden hypocrisy in refusing to follow Jesus. They — like us — intuit the correct path but simply won't do it. The tax collectors and prostitutes are indeed following Jesus and thereby getting to work in the kingdom of God. *Everyone* is called to do God's will regardless of the labels we may apply to them.

This week let's reject the convenient but damaging categories of "insiders" and "outsiders." Instead, let's embrace a grateful attitude that Jesus is calling fallen, weak, and broken men and women like you and me. Then we begin to see that the tax collectors and prostitutes aren't *them*. They are *us*. And Jesus wants all of us working in his boat, no matter the rocking.

— Father John Muir



Saint of the week

St. Theodora Guérin, a French immigrant to the United States, established a community of the Sisters of Providence at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana. Her congregation went on to start numerous schools and institutions as well as orphanages and free pharmacies to care for the poor and sick.

Prayer

Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, valiant woman of God, intercede for us in our needs.

Implore for us through Jesus, the Christ, the gifts of a living faith, abiding hope and steadfast charity, so that through a life of prayer and service with others we may aid in promoting the Providence of God among all peoples.

Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, pray for us.

Amen.

(With Ecclesiastical Approval)

(Prayer Source: <https://spsmw.org/prayer/saint-mother-theodore-guerin-prayer/>)

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2023 - 2024 Religious Ed FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Notre Dame [Mass schedule: Saturday 4:00PM / Sunday 8:00 & 11:00AM]

Grades: **PreK-10th** / Sunday Mornings **9:15-10:45AM**

Grades: **11th - 12th** / First Sunday of every month / **9:15-10:45AM** / Facilitator: Deacon Frank Hannah

Director: Joe Ranelli / Secretary: Mary Lou Hornyak / Email: Religioised@notredame-pa.org / Phone: 724-981-5566

October 2023

1 Class
8 Class
15 Class
22 Class
29 NO Class

November 2023

5 Class
12 Class
19 Class [Safe Environment In-service]
26 NO Class [Thanksgiving]

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY THE STUDY OF THE EUCHARIST: SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION

In this first year of Eucharistic Revival, Our Catholic Conference of Bishops have invited all American Catholics to immerse themselves in the study and understanding of the Eucharist- "The Source and Summit of our Catholic faith". Notre Dame Staff will offer a five (5) week course on understanding the Eucharist.

Reservations to Kathy Higgins are helpful for completing handouts- 724-981-5566, ext. 109.

Thursdays / 6:30 - 8:00pm / Multipurpose Room

Scriptural Basis

Oct. 5 / Deacon Frank

Topic: *Scriptural Overview Of The Eucharist*

Oct. 12 / Fr. Allen

Topic: *Celebrating The Eucharist: From The First Christians To The Present Day*

Eucharist is the Source and the Summit

Oct. 19 / Gretchen Wagner

Topic: *Celebrating Liturgy [Participation Of The People]*

Oct. 26 / Kathy Higgins

Topic: *Community Of The Body Of Christ [Called And Sent]*

Nov. 9 / Joe Ranelli / Meeting in Chapel

Topic: *Personal Prayer: Eucharistic Adoration*

BBQ Chicken

WHOLE BBQ CHICKEN - ONLY \$10

Sunday, October 15 / 11:30am - 2:00pm

PRE-ORDERS ONLY / CALL LUNA 724-342-2489

Deadline to place order: Sunday 10/8

ST. ANTHONY, 804 Idaho St., Sharon, PA



ATTENTION GRADES 6-12

You're invited to a Bonfire and Mass

Sunday / October 8 / 5:00-8:00pm

Good Shepherd, West Middlesex

Food! Games! Fun!

Bring a friend or 2

ST. MICHAEL BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Shenango Valley's Original & Largest!

46TH ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION / SUN, OCT 8TH

ST. MICHAEL SOCIAL CENTER

2140 Highland Rd, Hermitage

[level parking / wheelchair accessible]

DOORS OPEN 1:00PM / DRAWING AT 2:15PM

ADMISSION \$6

[Includes Lunch + 1 Free Tear Sheet] Tear Sheets 6 For \$5

Prizes for every family member!

St. Bartholomew Food Pantry 5K Race & Fun Walk

Saturday, November 11, 2023

311 W. Ridge Ave., Sharpsville, PA

REGISTRATION: Race \$20 - Fun Walk \$10

NO SHIRTS FOR REGISTRATIONS AFTER 10/30/23

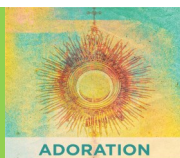
REGISTRATION ONLINE: <https://www.smileymiles.com>

START TIME: RACE 9 AM - 1 MILE FUN WALK 9:10 AM

More Information: snadra04@outlook.com or rjz@psu.edu

CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH

All proceeds go to St. Bartholomew Food Pantry

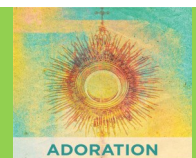


ADORATION

Tuesday / 9:30 AM-11:00 PM and Wednesday / 9:00 AM-11:00 PM

Join us for an hour of Prayer, every Wednesday during Adoration at 7pm

For more information call: Jo Feeney 724-699-3340 / Monica 724-977-7665



ADORATION