



St. Catherine Church

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SATURDAY, September 14: VIGIL OF TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. MASS – † 100th Birthday of Jean DeVecchis by Tonnie and Bill

SUNDAY, September 15: TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. MASS – † Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

Monday, September 16: Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. – † Harold, Rita, Beth and Cecilia Sanker by The Family

Tuesday, September 17: Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. – † Kenneth Boggs by Joe and Maria Danish

Wednesday, September 18: Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Sheldon Leonard by Mary and Family

Thursday, September 19: Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 a.m. – † Health and Welfare of John Bell by Betty Gerlock

Friday, September 20: Saints Andrew Kim Taegŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. – † Fred Renninger by Joan Renninger

SATURDAY, September 21: VIGIL OF TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. MASS – † Paul McGarvey by Ed and Joann McGarvey

SUNDAY, September 22: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. MASS Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

Finance and Parish Council Meeting Wednesday, September 18 in the Holy Family Hall at 6:30 p.m.

John G. Kurey Scholarship: for post high school students who are attending full time at an accredited college or university and are full time members of **St. Catherine's Church** are eligible for this scholarship. Applications forms are now available in the parish office. **Forms need to be returned ASAP.**

Knights of Columbus are selling **Football Sweepstakes tickets** in the Gathering Area after Mass each weekend until Sunday, October 6 or until sold out.

Dare to be Different: "Dare to be different; life is so full Of people who follow the same push and pull. Poor, plodding people who, other than name, Try to pretend they're exactly the same. God made us different; there never will be, A replica soul of you or me. The charm, the glory of all creation Rests on this very deviation. Your charm, your own glory, too. Lies in being uniquely you-Lies in being true to your best, That part of you different than all the rest."

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for September 21/22 2019

MASS	Lectors	Altar Servers	Hospitality Ministers (Greeters)	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Beth Lear	Guy Kumpf	Mary Lyons	Beth Lear Kathy Lantz Mary Lyons
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Suzanne Brown Dennis Drake	Conner Harper Elijah Harper	Therese Branigan	Mary Secret Will Crouse Marcia Slates

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION In today's parable, we hear of a father who showers his once-lost child with abundant love even before he asks for forgiveness. The older, faithful son believed that he, and not his wasteful brother, was entitled to a great banquet. Do we relate to the son who displayed an attitude of deserving something extraordinarily special, or do we try to imitate our Father by reaching out with forgiveness and reconciliation?

The grace of our Lord had been abundant, along with the faith and love that are in Jesus Christ. A life of Stewardship is a continual process of conversion and growth. As we embrace Stewardship we are freed to view life in a new way: a precious gift from a loving God.

At Home With Our Faith

Catholic 101

Confirmation

My daughter just asked me what Confirmation is and I found that I couldn't quite explain it. Can you tell me more about this sacrament? Confirmation, like Baptism, is a sacrament of initiation. Confirmation is the completion of Baptism, in the early church it was the end of the baptismal liturgy, which then led to Eucharist. Confirmation is associated with fullness of gifts of the Holy Spirit (listed at our blog, homefaith.com) given to the church at Pentecost. (Of course, you also get the spirit in Baptism.) The idea of Confirmation as a transition to an adult faith is more modern interpretation. Confirmation roots us



SANCTUARY CANDLE:

The Sanctuary Candle acknowledging The Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week in loving memory of **Sheldon Leonard**
rb Mary & Family



GIFT BEARERS for:

Saturday, September 21, 2019: Ed McGarvey
Sunday, September 22, 2019: Ushers

COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:

Sunday, September 15, 2019: Mary Secret
Sunday, September 22, 2019: Maggie Stiffler
Gospel: Lk 15: 1-32

Show me a family without a "lost relationship" and I'll show you a family that isn't cleaning the skeletons from the closet. Maybe that person hasn't run away or left home; they sort of "drifted" away. Conversation with them is superficial and forced. In today's gospel Jesus challenges us to bring that "lost sheep" back home. Like Jesus we have to "welcome sinners and eat with them."

PRO LIFE CORNER

[the American Cancer refuse to list the Abortion/Breast Cancer risk, even though 13 of 14 studies in the USA revealed the risk and 25 of 31 studies worldwide. Laboratory tests with rats also revealed the risk. And yet, with this evidence, why is the ACS withholding this vital information?"—Dr. Frank Joseph, MD



"Yet they Society]



Birthdays Abigail Cramer, Ashlyn Drake, Kurt Wenzel, Michael Melnyk.

more deeply as a child of God and unites us more closely to Christ. It increases in us the gifts of the Holy Spirit and gives us a special strength to spread the faith by word and action as a true witness of Christ.



Prayer chain: if you have someone for whom you would like to request prayer, please get in touch with Maria Danish, 542-2233; Liz Stasenko, 542-4987, or Carmela Ciccaglione, 542-4281; they will contact the people on their list. if you want the person's name to remain anonymous, just ask for a special intention, etc. the lists include: Maria Danish: Ed and May Galla Liz Stasenko: Bonnie Melnyk, Maggie Stiffler, Jeannette Bumbaugh, Cathy Wilson; Carmela Ciccaglione: Ann Gilliland, Carmen Rivera, Valerie Thomas, Melissa Fleming. those on the list will be called when a request is received, but the prayer chain will not be held up if the contact person is unable to reach you. if anyone else would like to be added to the prayer chain, please call the rectory or one of the contact persons.

please let us know when you or a family member is admitted to the hospital.

Know someone married 5 or 10 years? A son or daughter, sibling, niece or nephew, or you yourselves...Bishop Mark has a message for you! To receive this letter, send the couple's name, mailing address, email and whether married 5 or 10 years to the Family Life Office, 5379 Portage St., Lilly, PA 15938; 814-886-5551; familylife@dioceseaj.org. Be sure to indicate it is for the anniversary letter from Bishop Mark.

LIVE MASS aired Every Sunday from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown on **WATM-TV ABC Channel 23** If you are homebound and not able to attend the Sunday Mass, please watch our Diocesan Program Proclaim at 10:30 a.m. and the live telecast of Sunday Liturgy at 11:00 a.m.

DEPRESSED OR ANXIOUS? NEED SOME HELP AND SUPPORT?

Catholic Charities, an agency of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown offers professional, confidential counseling for individuals, children and youth, families, and couples. Please call them at 944-9388 for more information.



Working to Reduce Poverty in America.

OVERWHELMED BY BILLS? NEED HELP WITH UTILITY TERMINATIONS?

Catholic Charities, a program of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, offers qualified applicant's emergency financial assistance to help pay utility costs, medications, rent and temporary housing, and transportation expenses. Please call them at 944-9388.

Faith & Light- Sharing Faith & Friendship with Intellectual Disabled Persons

A faith sharing group which also includes family members, caregivers, friends. Meets monthly, Sundays, 1:00-4:00 p.m. at a handicap accessible location. Call Gaye (814) 472-7317 of Family Life Office (814) 886-5551. www.faithlife@dioceseaj.org