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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:15 pm
Sunday 11:00 am
Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday 8:00 am
Wednesday 12:10 pm

Confession

Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm
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Confession

By appointment.

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Monday at 8:30 am - 14 days prior



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DID HIS FATHER'S WILL?

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Baptism: A pre-baptism class is required before scheduling a baptism. Please call 724-981-3232 to schedule a class and your baptism date.

Matrimony: Please contact the pastor for marriage preparation at least one year in advance of the wedding.

Prayer Line: For intentions, please call 724-981-3232.

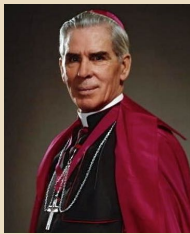
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

FROM THE PASTOR



Dear Parishioners,

This past Thursday the Catholic Church rejoiced to celebrate that one of our own was beatified, which is the step just below canonization. Archbishop Fulton Sheen was declared "Blessed" at a Mass in St. Louis Missouri. Blessed Fulton Sheen was an American bishop and scholar who sought to spread the faith through his many radio programs, TV programs, and books. His broadcasting career began with the show, "The Catholic Hour," on NBC Radio and reached its peak with his popular TV program, "Life is Worth Living," on ABC, a show which was regularly watched by an audience of 30 million Americans, most of whom were not Catholic. In order to be declared "blessed," at least one miracle needs to be approved (attributed to his intercession). For his miracle, Pope Francis approved the case of a newborn who was without a heartbeat for 61 minutes, but then revived after a prayer was said for the intercession of Fulton Sheen. That miracle happened in 2010. Blessed Sheen's feast day will be on December 9 - the anniversary of his death.



This week is the Rummage Sale at St. Anthony Church. It will begin on Wednesday and end on Saturday. Not only is the Rummage Sale a chance to do a little shopping, but it is also an opportunity to get a bite to eat. The Antonium Kitchen will be open during the Rummage Sale and will be cooking up some tasty meals. Friday evening will be our Fall Fish Fry, which is take-out only. I hope to see you there.

St. Francis Day is this Sunday, October 4. In honor of St. Francis, we'll be doing a pet blessing on the front steps of St. Joseph Church at 1:00 PM on that day. If the weather is bad we'll go into the Gathering Space on the Case Avenue side of the church.

Melissa Joseph will be leading an 8-week series on the life and spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi. We have chosen to do this series because this year is the 800th anniversary of his death. This series will be held on Tuesdays: there will be an 11:00 AM session at St. Anthony Church and a 6:30 PM session at St. Joseph Church. It will begin on Tuesday, October 6 and conclude on Tuesday, November 24. God Bless,
Fr. Power

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (1581-1660) - September 27

St. Vincent de Paul was born in the 16th century and lived on a small farm in Gascony, France. He worked herding his family's livestock as a child and entered seminary at age 15. He was ordained at age 19 but since he was too young to be a pastor, he continued his theological studies. Although he initially hoped priesthood would afford him a comfortable life, he had a change of heart while hearing the confession of a dying servant. From then on, he sought to fulfill the spiritual needs of the poor in France. He eventually became the leader of the Vincentian community, whose members devoted themselves to the service of the poor in small towns and villages. Throughout his life he established confraternities of charity, organized fundraisers for missionary projects, founded hospitals and seminaries, and ransomed slaves. He also had a particular passion for training priests by conducting retreats. Vincent started out as a hard and rough man but became tender and sensitive to others' needs. Let us be uplifted by the example of St. Vincent de Paul, who allowed himself to be transformed by Christ in both character and deeds. May we follow his example and seek to serve those in need in whatever capacity God may be calling us to.



—Tami Urcia

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For the Week of September 27**Sunday****Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

Monday

Job 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday**Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday**Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of Church**

Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday**Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

Job 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12

Friday**Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels**

Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday

Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

The Feast of St. Francis

OCTOBER 4

PET

Blessing

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

1:00 PM—State Street Entrance (steps)



(If bad weather—Gathering Space.)

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 28

†8:00 am • St. Joseph
Frank Balawender
(Rodney & Kate Bernat)

Tuesday, September 29

†8:00 am • St. Joseph
Anna Marie Trenga
(Paula & Rod Uber)

Wednesday, September 30

†12:10 pm • St. Joseph
Judy Bator
(Fran Foust)

Thursday, October 1

†8:00 am • St. Joseph
Bob Kurz
(Robert & Katherine Malaniak)

Friday, October 2

† 8:00 am • St. Joseph
Paul Voytko
(Curtis Street Girls)

Saturday, October 3

† 5:15 pm • St. Joseph
Kathy Sivulich
(Scanga Family)

Sunday, October 4

† 8:30 am • St. Anthony
Living Members of St. Anthony &
St. Joseph Parishes

† 11:00 am • St. Joseph
Jack & Valeria Taylor
(Moschillo Family)

WEEKLY REMINDERS

For the Week of September 27

Every Sunday • St. Joseph
7:00 PM-Holy Hour

Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri. • St. Joseph
7:00 AM - Adoration-Chapel

Sat., Oct 3 • St. Joseph
10:00 AM - Confirmation Retreat-
Villa Maria

SANCTUARY CANDLE

St. Joseph • Week of September 27

The Sanctuary Candle at St. Joseph Church is lit for **Deceased Members of St. Joseph Parish.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

St. Joseph • Week of September 27

Altar Flowers are donated in memory of **Angelina & Philip LoScalzo** from Chris and Linda Lucas.

ALTAR CANDLES

St. Anthony • Week of September 27

The Sanctuary Candle at Saint Anthony Church is lit for **Bernie Wlodarski** from Janet Groenendaal.

The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle at Saint Anthony Church is lit for **Anna Jaklic** from daughter Inge and family.

The Sacred Heart Candle at Saint Anthony Church is lit for **Patricia Morris** from Fran Mikota.

The St. Joseph Candle at Saint Anthony Church is lit for **Phyllis Korab** from Fran Mikota.

The St. Anthony Candle at Saint Anthony Church is lit for **Anna Mesin** from Anthony and family.

MASS INTENTIONS

The 2027 Mass Intention Book is open. A few things to remember when reserving Mass Intentions. Weekend Mass availability is limited across both parishes. Therefore, we can only permit one Sunday Mass Intention per person, per year. Weekday Mass Intentions, however, are not limited.

Mass Intentions are booked on a first-come, first-served basis. A customary \$10 stipend is due at the time of scheduling (no holds).

To reserve a Mass Intention at St. Joseph or St. Anthony, please stop by the St. Joseph Church office during office hours or call the parish office to make other arrangements.



We welcome anyone in prayerful need to add themselves or a loved one to our *Please Pray For* list, which is posted weekly in our bulletin. It is important to keep us updated on a monthly basis.

If you or your loved one has been listed for over six months, please contact us at 724-981-3232 x2 to remain on the list. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ford Bartle, Peggy Heldorfer, Gene Pacsi, William Haroldson, Helen Donnelly, Msgr. Andrew Karg, Adele Ontko, Ed Doughty, Frances Rice, Joe Biro, Ed Gursky Jr., Chuck H., Walter Zuhosky, Lisa Dawson, Dennis Staul, Levi Bowser, Ken Smerek, Liam Rueberger, Mike Yazvac, Jerome Jurenovich, Joe Ference, Barbara LeMon, Justine Pacsi Deane, Gary Koch, Carla Flannery, Joann Sangregorio, Colin Pryts, Rosemary Ruhley, Rose Marie Haines, Alyce Acre, Bev Chalupka, Carol Thomas, and Lise Desplaines.

2026 Christmas Shoebox Program

The annual Christmas Shoebox Program collection drive will run through, Sunday, October 25. A list of needed items is located at both the Clepper and Gathering Space entrances. *(No actual shoeboxes are required. A special shoebox is provided by the organization.)*

Packing Sunday is Sunday, October 25 at 2:00 PM. We are looking for volunteers to help pack 100 boxes. Please contact Bunny at bmaffey@gmail.com if you are able to volunteer.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

ST. JOSEPH FOOD PANTRY

Featured Item: "Jelly"

Please place your donation in the shopping cart located in the Gathering Space or at the Clepper's entrance.

Upcoming Featured Items

Toilet Tissue * Cereal * Mac & Cheese

For qualified individuals, October Food Pantry distribution dates are October 2nd & 16th from 9:30-11:00 AM.

St. Joseph site: Monday evenings from 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM (October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9), held in the Choir Room.

Notre Dame Site: Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM (October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10) in the Multi-purpose Center.

For information and/or registration:**St. Joseph Site**

Fran Billen: 330-448-6236

Patty Dodd: pdodd1020@yahoo.com

Bob Clarke: 724-584-6847

Notre Dame Site

Kathy Higgins: 724-342-7858

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Donna DeBonis to St. Anthony Building & Grounds in memory of Sima Kordich

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION: Robert Morgenstern & Mary Ann Palitti to St. Anthony Church. May God Bless you for your kindness.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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OUR

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Please call the church office at 724-981-3232 or talk with Mary after Mass. No formal training is necessary, just a desire to praise God with song.



SUNDAY KIDZ

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

M	R	O	U	C	S	A	W	M	Z
F	F	R	H	U	C	H	I	E	F
C	K	D	R	S	O	N	S	I	F
N	S	E	W	Z	X	W	O	R	K
M	F	R	B	E	L	I	E	V	E
I	F	E	L	D	E	R	S	F	Y
N	U	O	C	H	A	N	G	E	U
D	Q	K	K	Q	A	V	O	X	M
S	C	P	G	G	J	V	I	O	G
X	Y	V	I	N	E	Y	A	R	D

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May has Mother's Day and June has Father's Day. Did you know that the 4th Monday in September (Sept. 28 this year) is Family Day? Relax, there are no gifts to buy or cards to send, simply eat dinner with your family on this day. Maybe you do this regularly anyway. Good. If not, try to do it more often. Some families have each person share a high and a low of the day during dinner.

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Offertory for the Weekend of September 20

St. Anthony

Sunday Offertory \$1,576
of Envelopes Returned 58 of 149

St. Joseph

Sunday Offertory \$ 6,637
Online Giving \$ 380
Budgeted Offertory \$7,300
Deficit \$ 283
of Envelopes Returned 156 of 599

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – OCTOBER 3/4

St. Joseph • Vigil 5:15 pm (Saturday)

Lector J. Bonomo
Extraordinary Ministers
of Communion K. Bonomo, T. H. Cole, F. Smeraglia
Altar Server Volunteer
Greeter B. Charles
Ushers J. Charles, B. Clarke, P. Messina, P. Dach

St. Anthony • 8:30 am (Sunday)

Lector Sr. Margaret
Extraordinary Ministers
of Communion L. Kubyako, C. Styduhar
Altar Server M. Podolan
Offertory Counters Group 2

St. Joseph • 11:00 am (Sunday)

Lector S. Cleary
Extraordinary Ministers
of Communion P. Emery, B. Maffey, G. Maffey,
..... C. McKnight, V. Mulligan
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SEPTEMBER
OCTOBER

27

SEPT
12:00 PM

ALTAR SERVER
TRAINING

St. Joseph Church

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OCT
10:00-3:00

CONFIRMATION
RETREAT

Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center
2067 Evergreen Rd., Villa Maria, PA 16155

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OCT

NO CONFIRMATION
CLASS

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5:00-7:00
PM

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