



St. John the Baptist

Roman Catholic

Parish Family

10th & Mahantongo Sts., Pottsville, Pa. 17901

Pastor: *Rev. David J. Loeper*

Deacons: *Luis R. Visot / Lawrence Lonergan*

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 28, 2020

Rectory (570) 622-5470
Rectory Fax (570) 622-4589
Russell Building (570) 628-3002
Website – SaintJohnPottsville.org.

Parish Council President: *Robert Bechtel*
Choir Director/Organist: *David Derbes*
CCD Coordinator: *Lucilla Kochol*
E-mail – stjbparish@comcast.net

Nativity BVM High School (570) 622-8110
Assumption BVM Elementary (570) 622-0106
St. Joseph Center for Special Learning (570) 622-4638

Cemetery Information

John Consugar (570)-449-1675
St. John's Rectory (570)-622-5470

C.C.D.

All children preparing to receive any sacrament must be in a Religious Education Program for two consecutive years immediately prior to receiving a Sacrament. The child must also be a practicing Catholic.

Certificates of Eligibility

Certificates to act as sponsors, Godparents, etc. will only be issued to parishioners who are formally registered with the church and attend Mass on a regular basis.

New Parishioners

Please call the Rectory for an appointment to register.

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday prior to publication.

Sick Calls

Please notify the parish office

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the Rectory one year in advance.

Sacrament of Baptism

First Sunday of each month at 11:30 a.m.
Second Sunday during 10:30 a.m. Mass
Baptismal Preparation for Parents **MUST** precede the Baptism
Please contact Father Dave for an appointment.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC,LPC
Direct Telephone: (800) 791-9209

Diocesan Secretary for Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services

Office of Safe Environment
Pamela Russo, MSW, MS
610-871-5200, Ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

In this Sunday's gospel Jesus discusses the challenge of living the gospel. In this Sunday's gospel Jesus tells his apostles that whoever does not take up his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. Faithful discipleship comes with demands but we are not to keep the gospel message to ourselves. It must be proclaimed and lived out no matter what the cost. Putting Jesus first is our challenge. For those who are faithful and do put Him first, the reward will be newness of life.

Yours in Christ,
Father Dave

CANDLE DONATIONS

BVM – For Susan Gaffney & Michelle Hanson intentions by Bernice Petock

St. Joseph – IMO Martha Cook by Susan Cook

Tabernacle – IMO John E. Cook by Susan Cook

Sanctuary

1. IMO Peggy Carl by Susan Cook

2. IMO Joseph W. Cook by Susan Cook

3. IMO Frances Cook Murton by Susan Cook

4. IMO Andrew Cook by Susan Cook

Guardian Angels

1. IMO Alice Moran by Anonymous

2. Special Intention

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday – June 29 – 9:00 a.m.

DOROTHY LOTZ (Ed & Mary Hauck)

Tuesday, June 30 – 9:00 a.m.

HELENANN ZELONIS (M/M John Carroll)

Wednesday, July 1 – 9:00 a.m.

ESTHER SMITH (George & Joan Arnold)

Thursday – July 2 – 9:00 a.m.

ANN M. KOCH (John & Joyce Gerace)

Friday, July 3 – 9:00 a.m.

PATRICK MURPHY (David & Ann Terleckas)

Saturday – July 4 – 5:00 p.m.

LUCILLA MAE FANELLI (Lucilla Kochol)

Sunday, July 5 – 8:15 a.m.

LEO & DOROTHY LOTZ (Carol Frie)

Sunday, July 5 – 10:30 a.m.

ZAMBO & YENILAITUS FAMILY (Zambo Family)

WEEKLY COLLECTION

June 20/21: \$4,543.78

*We thank our parishioners for their sacrificial giving
by dropping envelopes at the rectory,
by mail and online giving.*

Next Week's Readings

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (July 4/5)

Reading I: Zechariah 9:9-10

Reading II: Romans 8:9, 11-13

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Is there someone carrying a cross who needs your help?

PRAY FOR OUR SICK / DECEASED

We remember in prayer those who are ill. We commend to our Divine Lord all of our aged people and those residing in nursing homes.

Sick: *Connor Satterwhite*

Deceased: *Marie Fitzpatrick*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We congratulate our boys and girls who received Eucharist for the first time on Saturday, June 20th. We also congratulate their families and teachers who brought them to this point in their life

Ella Grabowski

Grady Hughes

Dean Ketner

Luke Lieberman



Gloria Lisowski

Maria Neifert

Hunter-Rian Nohaft

Jerome Urban

CCD REGISTRATION

DEADLINE – August 1st

Now is the time to register your child for next year's CCD class. **There are reduced rates until August 1st.** If you have not received a form in the mail, please call the rectory or pick one up in church. The forms are at the entrances of the Church. The longer form is for new students and new first graders. The shorter form is for students who are presently attending class.

Registration Fee: \$50.00 First Child

(after August 1st - \$60.00)

All Other Children: \$45.00 per Child

(after August 1st - \$55.00)

CCD PROGRAM

Our CCD Program is in need of a First Grade Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9 to 10:15 a.m. in our school building. No experience necessary, just a desire to pass on our faith to our youth. All volunteers must have all required clearances including Protecting God's Children. For more information, call **Lucilla Kochol at the rectory 570-622-5470 ext. 5.**



PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS - 2020

It is now time to nominate new members to the council to fill the places of those whose term has expired. The term of office is three (3) years with the possibility of a second consecutive term

Any parishioner who is at least 21 years old is eligible for nomination. You may nominate yourself or someone else. Please put nominations in the collection or mail your nomination to the rectory. When nominating, please don't choose just the most popular people, but choose people who will work for the parish.

We wish to thank the following members who will be completing a three-year term on the Parish Council. They **are eligible** to be nominated for a second three-year term.

Joseph Gerchak Alicia Kleman Al Norkus	Josette Peckman John Powers
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The following should **NOT** be nominated as they are presently serving or finishing their term:

<u>Term expires 2021</u> Heidi Gorski Eric Lieberman Melissa Scheetz Martin Smith	<u>Term expires 2022</u> John Consugar Darren DeArment Patty O'Neill Nick Quinn
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President: Robert Bechtel
1st Vice-President: Kevin McNamara
2nd Vice-President: Darren DeArment
Past President: Paul Datte

NOMINATION BALLOT

I Nominate:

(a) _____
 (b) _____

Please email your nominations to:
stjbparish@comcast.net
or mail to: St. John's Rectory
913 Mahantongo St., Pottsville, Pa. 17901

NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL ...

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

Chemistry Teacher (PT) --- Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry/Science Education; certification is preferred.

Math Teacher (PT) - Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics Education; certification is preferred.

Interested candidates for either position should send résumé, certifications and all clearances no later than July 3, 2020 to

Nativity BVM High School
Attn: Mrs. Lynn Sabol, Principal
One Lawton's Hill, Pottsville, Pa. 17901
lsabol@nativitybvm.net

**NO STEUBENVILLE?
 NO PROBLEM!!
 GOD'S GOT THIS!
 "LISTENING AMIDST THE STORM"**

Catholic teens (grades 8-12) talks, praise & worship, adoration, and confession

SUN JULY 19th 7- 8:30 p.m.

at ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
RSVP by 7/12 by email at:
stjbparish@comcast.net
or call 570-622-5470

Join us for a night of "letting go." Learn what God is saying to YOU about your life, the world, and your relationship with God.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Schuylkill County Permanent Diaconate Aspirants ask for your help with a Schuylkill/Carbon Catholic Charities Drive. A local neighbor-helping-neighbor drive to help restock needed supplies listed below will run from **Saturday, June 27th thru Sunday, July 19th**. Your donated item(s) can be dropped off in the Drive containers located in church. Any questions, please call the rectory 570-622-5470. Thank you for any help during these very trying times.

Diapers (ALL sizes), baby wipes, baby bottles, baby shampoo, baby body wash, teething rings, small toys, early reading books, car seats, 2T & 3T clothing, onesies, cleaning supplies, paper bags- all sizes, sandwich bags, plastic utensils, and grocery gift cards- Aldi's, Weis, Giant, Boyers, etc. (place gift cards in collection basket). Yours in service with Jesus Christ,

John Matulevich - St. John The Baptist
 Robert "Bo" Reiley - St. Ambrose
 John Sutter - St. Patrick's

CEMETERY REGULATIONS

- All decorations must be removed within 14 days after specified holidays which are: Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day and Christmas.
- All decorations except those flowers or plants planted in the ground, must be removed by **July 1st**
- Placing of artificial flowers in the ground is forbidden.
- All rubbish should be taken with you or placed in receptacles at Cemetery