

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The gospel story this Sunday presents us with a question: "Whose wife shall she be?" The Sadducees, temple priests, did not believe in the Resurrection and hoped to discredit Jesus with their "seven-edged question." The woman in their story dies after having been married to all seven brothers who each died before her. When she gets to heaven, which of the seven will be her true husband?

Actually, no matter who marries whom, or how many times, it doesn't make any difference in heaven. Marriage is an earthly sacrament with lots of cultural rules and requirements. In heaven there is only God's love for every individual.

Yours in Christ,

Father Dave

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday – November 7 – 9:00 a.m.

WILLIAM & KATHRYN ROSENBERGER

Tuesday – November 8 – 9:00 a.m.

WILLIAM ELISON (Mary & Jack Bound)

Wed. Nov. 9 to Fri. Nov. 11

NO MASSES

Saturday – November 12 – 5:00 p.m.

SYLVIA BERCHER (Grandchildren)

Sunday – November 13 – 8:15 a.m.

ED SMITH (Grandchildren – Brandon, Andy, Olivia)

Sunday – November 13 – 10:30 a.m.

LIVING & DECEASED OF ST. BERNARD'S
BENEFICIAL SOCIETY

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Tuesday – November 8th

at York Terrace Nursing Home

ANN MARIE BERGER (Staff & Residents)

CANDLE DONATIONS

BVM – IMO Philomena Carroll by Family

St. Joseph – IMO Thomas C. 'Tucker' Selinko
by Family

Tabernacle – IMO Daniel Kline by Mother Joan &
Brothers Dennis & Bob

Sanctuary

1. IMO James Cavanaugh by Family

2&3. IMO John & Kathryn Gaynor by Joan Florida

4. IMO Jim Wollyung by Joe & Barbara Wollyung

Guardian Angels

1&2. IMO Ramon Grapsy by Joan Grapsy

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Explain the ways in which God is the God
of your "living."

SCHEDULE

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. – Saturday – November 12th

Reader: Bill Gianfagna

Euch. Min.: Mary Jean Morgalis, Bobbi Murray,
(Dr. Visot)

Servers: Luke & Lindsay Garvey, Sophie Murray

Cantor: Mary Bound

8:15 a.m. – Sunday – November 13th

Reader: Dave Smith

Euch.Min.: Paul & Debbie Herb, (Larry Lonergan)

Servers: Logan & Joseph Palko, Rachel Brahler

Cantor: Tina Seiger

10:30 a.m. – Sunday – November 13th

Reader: Susan Hahner

Euch.Min.: Debbie Guers, Joe Rehnert,
(Larry Lonergan)

Servers: Rileigh McPhillips, Vincent Prestileo,
Ethan Meyer

Cantor: Melody Newhard Kirk

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: Fred Maskerines, Pete Meseravage,
Joanne Kochol, Mary Connell, Mary Ann Holley,
Andrew Mickey.

Next Week's Readings

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (November
12/13)

Reading I: Malachi 3:19-20a

Reading II: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

DIVINE MERCY PERPETUAL ADORATION

Open Hours with Jesus

"Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon Him while He is near." *Isaiah 55:6*

Heavenly Father, increase our faith in the Real Presence of Your Son, Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist...Please send down the Holy Spirit upon all peoples to give them the love, courage, strength and willingness to respond to the invitation to Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.

Could You Not Watch With Me One Hour?

We need adorers for the following hours:

Wednesday 8 p.m.; Friday 1 & 2 p.m.

Saturday 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.;

Sunday 12 a.m.

Please call Albert 573-0036 or Aleece 449-7678.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

October 29/30: \$ 5,169.25

We thank our parishioners for their sacrificial giving

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

Please drop your All Souls Day envelope in the collection as soon as possible so your intentions can be placed on the altar for All Souls Day. Additional envelopes for your intentions can be found at the church exits.

FLOWER DONATIONS

If anyone wishes to memorialize flowers in the sanctuary for the weekend Masses for a living or deceased intention, please call the rectory 622-5470.



ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY COMMITTEE

St John's Cemetery Committee is in need of reorganizing. It was established in 1984 and most of the original members have passed away or retired. It is made entirely of volunteers whose purpose is to ensure the future of the grounds while protecting the wishes of those buried there.

The duties of the committee involve these aspects:

1. Maintaining the grounds.
 - * Hiring and supervising capable personnel.
 - * Providing burial services at time of need.
2. Keeping accurate records.
 - * Assigning and selling new plots.
 - * Collecting data on lot files whenever possible.
3. Providing financial support.
 - * Supervising activity in the Perpetual Care Fund.
 - * Overseeing the bookkeeping of bank accounts.
4. Reporting all aspects regularly to the Pastor and other Committee members.

Although this looks like an insurmountable task taking up many hours, it actually requires a minimal amount of time for any one person. The most time involves those people who care for the grounds -- they usually are workers who are not part of the committee.

The vast amount of cemetery work has been accomplished over the past thirty some years. It is just time for new parishioners to take over the different roles involved.

Will you do it?

FAMILY MATTERS

Grieving Parents. Please pray today for parents who are grieving the loss of their child. Help them to find peace and comfort in their lives. We pray that God's love and healing power will give them the mercy and strength needed to relieve their pain.

You pray for my family and I'll pray for yours.

PRAYER GROUP



Our Prayer Group meets on the second Sunday of each month after the 10:30 Mass in the Chapel. Please consider joining us as we lift up those in need of prayer. It will take only a few minutes of your time.

Prayer request can be placed in the box on side of confessional. Thanks and God bless!
For more information or questions, please contact one of the following:

Bob Hahner 570-640-4448

John Corbacio 570-640-5038

My Prayer Request

Please place in box on side of Confessional.

ADVENT-URE

Please join us to celebrate the start of Advent

Date: Sunday, December 4th

Place: Russell Building

Time: 11:30 a.m.

We will begin the Advent-ure with a light lunch. Crafts will be completed and holiday entertainment is all part of the activities planned by the Family Guild to help your family prepare for the feast of the Birth of Jesus – Christmas. The children will also receive a special treat to help them wait.

All children ages grades Pre-K to 3rd are welcome to participate. Registration is a must so that adequate food and refreshments, and craft supplies can be ordered. Please call the Rectory to register (570-622-5470) or complete this form and drop in the collection basket or give to Miss Kochol.

Please consider joining us to share a fun time with fellow parishioners. Thank you and we hope to see you there.

Parent/Adult must accompany children.

Family Name _____

Child's Name _____ **Age** _____

Child's Name _____ **Age** _____

Child's Name _____ **Age** _____

**** Registration is a must ** by November 27th**

Sponsored by St. John's Family Guild.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

18th Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 12th – 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday, November 13th – 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

(Preview weekend is November 5th & 6th)

(Chances can be purchased at this time.)

Helping hands are always welcome. If you can volunteer or have any questions, please call the Rectory 622-5470.

Hot Roast Turkey Platters

will be available after 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday and on Sunday after 10:30 a.m. Mass.

(Take-outs are also available.)

Hot Roast Turkey Platters include:

Turkey Breast / Gravy

Mashed Potatoes / Filling

Vegetable / Applesauce or Cranberries

Dessert & Beverage

A la Carte

Homemade Soups, Pulled Pork BBQ, Hot Dogs,

Sauerkraut, Hamburgers, Desserts, Beverages

(Prices will be posted)

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

We wish to thank the following for their donations ...

A Few of My Favorite Things	Gift Certificate
Adelphia	Gift Certificate
Vincent Albo	\$40.00
BeeHive Salon	Beauty Basket
Beer Shak	Gift Bucket
Bella's Florist & Kemfort Cottage	Wreath
Jen, Dirk, Rex Berger	Children Games, Jewelry
BG's	Gift Certificate
Chris Black	Christmas Novelties Bsk.
Blu Tavern	Gift Certificate
Joan Bowers	Wine & Lottery Bskt.
Brennan & Ketner Families	Margarita / Chili's Bskt.
Brok-Sel Markets	Gift Certificate
Dolores Brophy	Farberware Knife Set
C & C Candies	Gift Certificate
CCD Staff	Brownie Baking Bsk.
Charlie's Pizza & Subs	Gift Certificates
Nora Chiplonia	Wine
Cooper Family / Pat Pugh	Wine & Accessories Bsk.
Costas Candy	Club Sandwiches
Dairy Queen	Gift Certificates
Janet Daubert	Wine
DeAngelo's Sweet Pizz Pizza	Gift Certificate
Domino's	Gift Certificates
Don & Joanne Doyne	Hamper Full This&That
Peggy Ebling	\$25 Sheetz Gift Cert.
Dot Elison	\$50.00
Empire Beauty Schools	Gift Certificates

Farlow's

Gift Certificate

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Father Dave	Soup/Bake Basket
Forget-Me-Not Florist	Gift Certificate Bskt.
Friendly's	Gift Certificate
Friends of St. John's	\$150.00
Sandy & Joe Frinzi	Sports Tubs (2)
Karla Garland	Basket of Sunshine
Joyce & John Gerace	Philosophy Basket
Bill & Kathy Gianfagna	\$25 Greystone Rest.Cert.
Bill & Kathy Gianfagna	\$20 Hope Hill Farm Gift
Giant Store	Gift Certificate
Missy Hahner	Cookie Tray
Mary Beth Harvey	Watercolor Prints
Heaven & Earth Salon	Facial Gift Basket
Fr. Don Henry	\$250.00
Joanne & Sterling Hepler	\$50.00
Hidden River Credit Union	\$50.00
Historical Society/Parishioners/ & Costas Candy/Kay Russell	Skook Basket
Theresa Hossler	Butterfly Basket
Theresa Hossler	Princess House Basket
Hughes Family	Fall Basket
John Jefferson & Donna Kern	Wine & Snack Basket
Ric & Sue Jochems	Lavendar Hope Hill Farm
Ken's Tires	Gift Certificate
K & S Warehouse	Holiday Wreath
Maeve Ketner	Temptations Dinnerware
LoDuca's Restaurant	Gift Certificate
Lucilla Kochol	Barbie Basket
IMO Anna Kurtek	\$25.00
John & Pat Kutch	Costas Candy Basket
Lescavage & Quinn Families	Coach Basket
Eric Lieberman	Estate Planning Special
Lieberman,Tamulonis,Hobbs	\$200.00
LoDuca's Restaurant	Gift Certificate
Larry & Sharon Lonergan	\$100.00
M/M James Loeper	\$25.00
Fran Lorenz	\$35.00
Skye Major & Family	Gluten Free Basket
Fred & Hilda Maley	Large Baskets
Phil & Pat Markovich	\$25.00
Martin's Country Store	Gift Certificate Basket
Miller's Distributing	Topps 2015 Cards
Momma Mia's	\$15.00
Momma Millie's	Bakery Tray
Moore's Sneaker Place	Gift Certificate
John & Mary Jean Morgalis	\$100.00
Barbara Munster	QVC/Sheetz Basket
Nativity BVM High School	Nativity BVM Basket
Kathy & Al Norkus	Ninja Coffee Bar
N. Centre St. Pizzeria	Gift Certificate
John & Patty O'Neill	Harley Davidson Bsk.
DeAnna Orlowsky Family	\$50 Kohl's Gift Cert.
Rick & Angela Oswald	Party Basket
Palermo's	Gift Certificate
Parishioners	Longaberger Cake Bsk.
Parishioners	Tea Time Basket
Parishioners	Salsa/Chip&Dip Basket
Parishioners/Kay Russell	Coffee Basket
Pasierh Family	Cuddle Up With A Book
Pine Creek Country Gardens	Gift Certificate

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Bob & Mary Porter	Warm & Cozy Evening
Pottsville Zone	Gift Certificate
Rodnick's Discount Groceries	2 lb. Candy
Roma Pizzeria	Gift Certificate
Rosie Write Craft	Gift Certificate
Pat Pugh/Joanie Scheetz	Fashion Accessories Bskt.
Carole & Ed Quirin	\$100 Walmart Gift Card
Carole & Ed Quirin	Samsung Galaxy Tablet
Mary Lou Roeder	Baby Basket
Kay & Bob Russell	Tastes of Fall Bsk.
Mark Sabados/Deanna Orlowsky	Afghan/Gift Card Basket
Sasha's Canine Bakery	Gift Basket
Eleanor Schaeffer	Donna Sharp Bskt.
Joanie Scheetz	Pfaltzgraff Winterberry, Perfume
Pat, Missy, Amy Scheetz	Movie Night Basket
Sue Scheetz	Baking Basket
Scheidel Family	Little Peace Farm 1/2 Share
Joanne Schultz, Dolly Parsick, & Debbie Herb	Family Fun @ Knoebels
Serendipity	Thanksgiving Basket
Natalie Stolock	Doll Basket
Mary Sitoske	Deck the Halls Bskt.
Rosann Sitkus	Various Gift Items
Schuylkill Valley Sports	Gift Basket
St. John's CYO Program	\$25.00
St. John's CYO Volleyball	\$120 Lottery Tree
St. John's Family Guild	\$50 Dunkin Donuts
George L. Smith	Book Basket
Something Sweet	Candy Cornucopia
Sophy Jewelers	Gift Card & Bracelet
The Spa @ McCann	Gift Card
Bill Spleen	Wine
Dorothy & Joe Stangl	Everything Chocolate
Dianne Stoudt	\$50.00
Subway (Minersville)	Gift Certificates
Sunseekers Salon	Gift Certificate/T-shirt
Jackie Szeliga	31 Basket
Miriam Tirjan	Kitchen Basket
Uma Hibachi Steak House	Gift Certificate
Various Businesses	Fast Food Frames 1,2,3,4
Various Businesses	Gift Cert. Frames 1,2
Kathy Vicic	\$50 Lottery Tickets
Viduszynski Family	\$25.00
Luis & Virginia Visot	Wine Basket
Vito's Coal Fired Pizza	Gift Certificate
Mike & Cindy Vuksta	Jello Shot Basket
Weis Markets	Gift Certificate
Wheel Restaurant	Gift Certificate
Toni & Carl Wiest	Steelers Snack Basket
David & Tyler Wilson	\$25 Olive Garden Gift Cert
David & Tyler Wilson	\$20 Five Below Gift Cert (2)
Joe & Barbara Wollyung	\$50 Lottery Tickets
Yorkville Drug Store	Door Decoration
Yuengling's	Yuengling Basket
George & Kathleen Zwiebel	Child's Art&Craft Bskt.
George & Kathleen Zwiebel	Bathroom Basket
George & Kathleen Zwiebel	Wine Basket
J. Robert & Ellen Zane	\$50.00
Plachko, Bohorad, Painter, Gardner, Wapinsky, Kalinich, Direnzo, Brennan Families	(3) Wine Baskets

ATTENTION ... ALL BAKERS, CANDY MAKERS

Baked Goods and Candy are needed for our **Baked Goods Stand** at the Christmas Bazaar on **November 12th & 13th**. All donations are most appreciated!



DESSERTS NEEDED We are grateful for any dessert you would be willing to make to be served with our Roast Turkey Platters ... jello, pudding, tapioca. Sugar-free desserts are also needed.

THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

Our parish is collecting food items for Thanksgiving. Last year we distributed **16 baskets**. Please help us reach out to the needy in our area.

Items Needed:

Stuffing Mix	Cranberries
Broth	Spaghetti's
Coffee/Tea (instant)	Instant Potatoes
Hot Chocolate	Ravioli
Beef Stew	Gravy
Soups	Cake Mixes
Icing	Baked Beans
Canned Vegetables	Canned Sweet Potatoes
Canned Fruit	Macaroni & Cheese
Apple Sauce	Spaghetti
Spaghetti Sauce	Jelly



Needed Items of the Month: Stove Top Stuffing & Turkey Gravy.

If anyone wishes to donate a Turkey for this collection, please call the Rectory 622-5470.

Kindly place your donations in the basket at the bottom 10th St. side entrance of church.

Gift cards to purchase turkeys will be gladly accepted. Thank you.

PLEASE -- NO OUTDATED ITEMS

THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL

The Schuylkill County Knights of Columbus Councils will deliver a Turkey Dinner complete with Turkey, Filling, Yams, Gravy, Vegetable and Dessert to all residents of Schuylkill County who are in need of a meal for this Thanksgiving Day. If you or someone you know is in need of a meal, please call either 570-691-1429 or 570-773-0627 or 57516-9514 or 570-628-3333 or you can contact us at KofC431@yahoo.com.

Closing date to order is November 18th at 5 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S BENEFICIAL SOCIETY will meet on **Wednesday, November 9th at 8 p.m.** in the Rectory Fellowship Room.

CELEBRATING THE 2016 JUBILEE YEAR

OF MERCY Girls of all ages - scouts and non-scouts alike are invited to attend on **Saturday, November 19th** from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Allentown Central Catholic HS Cost is \$5.00 per girl; all participants will earn the Year of Mercy patch. This event is hosted by the Girl Scout Subcommittee of the Catholic Committee on Scouting and more information and registration available at www.allentowndioocese.org/scouting. Questions — Mary Vanya, Mariska@enter.net.

NEIGHBORING EVENTS

PORK & SAUERKRAUT sponsored by St. Michael the Archangel Church, Minersville, on **Tuesday, November 8th** from noon to 6 p.m. at the Parish Center Cafeteria. Adults \$9.00; Children (under 10) \$4.00. For more information and tickets 570-544-6853

CARE NET ... SILVER RING THING on **Sunday, November 13th**, 6 p.m. at Pottsville Area High School. Are you a teenager or the parent of a teenager? You don't want to miss this event that talks honestly with teens about dating and relationships. Teens, join us for a concert-style event while parents participate in a short parent session. Pizza and drinks included. Call Sarah at (570) 624-7244 for more info or visit www.silverringthing.com for more info and tickets.

FROM OUR PARISH NURSE ...

Cholesterol-lowering statin drugs help prevent heart attacks and strokes in people at “intermediate risk” for cardiovascular disease, a major study in the *New England Journal of Medicine* has confirmed. The study involved 12,705 people from 21 countries. None had cardiovascular disease, but all were at intermediate risk because of factors such as obesity or smoking. Over the course of 5 ½ years, people taking statins were 24% less likely to have a heart attack or stroke than those taking a placebo. That worked out to about one less event per 100 people. Statin users had a lower rate of discontinuation due to adverse effects than those taking the placebo.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

REACH OUT and TOUCH SOMEONE.

St. John’s OutReach Ministry can help with light housekeeping, grocery shopping, transportation, meals, etc. Volunteers are always needed.



Call the Rectory 570-622-5470 ext 3.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We appreciate advertisers who support St. John’s by advertising in our bulletin. Please patronize their business and let them know you saw their ad in our bulletin.

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NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM U.S. Armed Force Veterans are invited to attend this special program at Nativity High School on **Thursday, November 10th** beginning at 10 a.m. Veterans are asked to gather at the school between 10 – 10:30 a.m. on that day. A luncheon will follow the program.

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO at Nativity High School on **Sunday, November 13th**. Doors open 11:30 a.m.; Bingo begins 1 p.m. Admission \$25.00. Homemade food & refreshments available for purchase. Sponsored by the Nativity Green & Gold Booster Club. For more information please call Cathy 570-640-8945.

TRIVIA NIGHT hosted by Nativity Green Wave Assoc. on **Saturday, November 19th** at the Walk-in-Art Center, 220 Parkway, Schuylkill Haven. Doors open 6 p.m.; Games begin 7 p.m. Cost \$25 per person includes beer, hot dogs, burgers, chips & pretzels. Door prizes, Raffles, 50/50’s available. Proceeds benefit Nativity BVM Athletics. For more info and reservations please call Mike 570-449-7750 or Vince 570-449-3428 or Joe 570-640-1491.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

... 1 Corinthians 1:3