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Parish Stewardship for 2019-2020**Weekly amount budgeted for 2019-2020. . . \$3,529.00**Offertory for the weekend of **Aug. 31/Sept 1**.....\$2,989.00Offertory for the weekend **Sept. 7/8**..... \$2,647.00

Budget from July 1, 2019—June 30, 2020.....\$183,500.00

Deficit/Surplus to Date.....-\$6,785.31

Thank you for your generosity!

**St. Joseph “Prayer Chain” and “Care and Concern”**

If there is someone who could use the prayers of our Parish, please call Charlene at 787-7601.

Thank you for your constant generosity in supporting the Food Bank for the area. You may continue to leave your donations at the box in the church vestibule or at the church office.**September Events****September 17, 19, 20 Communion Svc Only 8:30 a.m.****September 22 Faith Formation Classes 9:00–10:10 am****September 22 Only -Sunday Mass Change to 10:15 a.m!****September 22 Taste of Italy Sunday Dinner 11:00 a.m.****September 29 Annual Pet Blessing 11:30 a.m.****Baptismal Preparation Sessions Schedule**

September 17 7:00 p.m. St. Marys Church 781-1019

October 12 10:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Church 834-7861

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Force) Harvest Raffle**Tickets Now on Sale!** Tickets are \$10 each.

Top prize: \$2,000! Second: \$500! and 3rd thru 7th: \$100!

Drawing will be November 16. For tickets call Barb Secco 814-787-7733 or Barb Azzato 814-787-4282.

Save the Date!

After the 10:15 Mass on Sunday, September 22 St. Joseph Church will have its “Taste of **Italy**” Dinner from 11-2 (or until sold out!). Cost is adults: \$12; children 10 & under: \$7. You can eat-in at an Italian atmosphere prepared for the dinner in the church social hall or do take-out by calling 814-787-4151 (**delivery in Bennetts Valley will be available**). Enjoy your delicious Sunday dinner this day at St. Joseph Church in Force!

**40 Days for Life September 2 to November 3**

Sign-up sheets and prayer sheets are located in the church vestibule for you to add your name for prayers and fasting for this important time given to the innocent and helpless. In this weekend’s bulletin is an insert detailing the milestones that have been accomplished due to your sacrifice and prayers. **Children are not a burden...they are a blessing. Show them that you love them.** Prayers for these innocents by Pro-Life people around the world are being answered. **Sign-up today!**

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Diocesan Child Protection Policies: The Diocese of Erie, along with all dioceses of the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in creating safe environments. The diocese is committed to on-going screening and training of paid or volunteer persons who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. It is also committed to the yearly safe environment training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environments. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help create safe environments, check out <https://www.eriercd.org/>



St. Anthony (Praying for Lost Things & Lost People)

St. Anthony of Padua lived from 1195-1231.

At a very young age he decided to give up wealth and power in order to join the Augustinians which was a flourishing Order in the Church at that time. A few years later he was inspired by St. Francis and his followers so St. Anthony entered the Franciscan Order and started preaching to a people called the Moors.

After a brief illness Anthony returned to Italy and spent his time in a small house praying and studying the Sacred Scriptures. Anthony lived a very simple life as a Franciscan. He was an outstanding scholar and preacher of the Bible and all regarded him as a holy person who gave up everything to follow Christ.

We all know St. Anthony as *the one to whom we ask to help us find things that are lost*. I am sure that most if not all of us at one time or another has asked St. Anthony to help us find lost items we were diligently looking for . . . and, sure enough we found them.

In a like manner, my brothers and sisters, our Gospel Reading from Luke 15 is about things and a person that were lost but then they were found. In the parable about the lost sheep, the shepherd goes in search and eventually finds his lost sheep and returns joyfully.

In the next parable about the lost coin, the woman looks for it and then in finding it, “she calls together her friends and neighbors and says to them, ‘Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost.’” (Lk 15:9)

Finally, we hear about the dramatic story of the prodigal son who returns to his father’s house in dire need. We see how his needs caused him to be found by his father who “while he was still a long way off ... caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion.” (Lk15:20) — We know the rest of the story. There was a huge celebration because the lost son was found.

My brothers and sisters, we can be happy and satisfied when we find things that we had lost, especially if we ask for St. Anthony’s help. Let us though rejoice when **we have found our way back to our Loving, Heavenly Father after being lost** and feel His Mercy and Compassion, through prayer, confession and through another person who loves us enough to offer mercy.

God Bless,
Father Mark



We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scripture
Monday, September 16, 2019 8:30 a.m. Mass	Hazel and Albino Bleggi	Fran and Gloria Bleggi	Saint Cornelius, Pope and St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 7:1-10 (443)
Tuesday, September 17, 2019 8:30 a.m.	Communion Service Only		Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	1 Tm 3:1-13 Lk 7:11-17 (444)
Wednesday, September 18, 2019 No Mass			Weekday	1 Tm 3:14-16 Lk 7:31-35 (445)
Thursday, September 19, 2019 8:30 a.m.	Communion Service Only		Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr	1 Tm 4:12-16 Lk 7:36-50 (446)
Friday, September 20, 2019 8:30 a.m.	Communion Service Only		Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs	1 Tm 6:2c-12 Lk 8:1-3 (447)
Saturday, September 21, 2019			Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist	Eph 4:1-7. 11-13 Mt 9:9-13 (643)
Saturday, September 21, 2019 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Vigil of Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	See below
Sunday, September 22, 2019 9:15 a.m. Mass	Ed Warmbrodt	Mr. and Mrs. John Bricen	The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13 (135)

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St. Joseph Church
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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.; **Sunday:** 9:15 a.m.; **Holy Days:** 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; **Daily:** Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. 8:30 a.m., No Mass Wednesday
BULLETIN INFORMATION

Groups or individuals wishing to have information published in the bulletin are asked to submit the information in writing, by email or by phone by Monday at 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Baptism – A baptism preparation session is required of all parents wishing to have their child(ren) baptized. Parents must be registered parishioners. Sessions are held periodically at parishes throughout the Deanery. It is always preferred that baptisms be celebrated during a regular Sunday Liturgy. Call the Parish office for more information.

Eucharist – Children preparing for Eucharist (Gr. 3) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

Confirmation – High School youth who are entering the 11th grade and who are active in the Faith Formation process or attend a Catholic High School since 9th grade are eligible to enter the Confirmation preparation sessions.

R.C.I.A. – Rite of Christian Initiation for adults are initiated into the Church through this process. Any individual who may be interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church is invited. Please call the Church office.

SACRAMENTS OF VOCATION

Priesthood/Permanent Diaconate – Men who feel that they may be being called to the vocational life of Priesthood or Diaconate can contact the pastor at any time or call the Diocesan Vocation Office at 814-824-1111.

Matrimony – There is a required preparation process which normally includes 3 sessions with the pastor and an Engagement Encounter or Nova experience. Please notify the pastor at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick – Is celebrated for all who are seriously ill annually at a parish Liturgy. The Sacrament is also available anytime upon request.

Reconciliation – The sacrament is celebrated weekly on Saturday from 4:45 – 5:15 p.m., or anytime by request. Parish Penance services are celebrated during Advent and Lent. Children preparing for Reconciliation (Gr. 2) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

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