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# THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” - Mt 28:19-20

**Parish Stewardship for 2020-2021**

Weekly amount budgeted for 2020-2021 . . . \$3,462.00  
 Regular Offertory 05/11/21 thru 05/17/21 . . . \$1,512.00  
**CSA 2021 Campaign Parish Goal . . . . . \$33,199.00**  
 CSA 2021 Total Pledged . . . . . \$21,030.00  
 CSA 2021 Total Pledged Amount Received. . . . . \$13,275.00

**Thank you for supporting St. Joseph Church**

**Please remember your prayers for the unborn!**



“Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world.” Join us at St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6:00 pm.



**St. Joseph “Prayer Chain”** If there is someone who could use the prayers of our Parish, please call Gina at 787-7593. **“Care & Concern”** Do you know someone who would like to be remembered with a card or note? Call 8`14-787-4151 #3

**Baptismal Training Session Schedule:**

June 8	7:00 p.m.	St. Leo	Ridgway	814-772-3135
July 6	7:00 p.m.	St. Joseph	Force	814-787-4151
August 10	6:30 p.m.	St. Mark	Emporium	814-486-0569



A Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated in our cemetery Monday, May 31 at 9:00 a.m. Also, a Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated at the Saint Cecilia Cemetery on Tuesday, June 1 at 5:00 p.m.



The Honor Guard of the Bennetts Valley American Legion Post 978 will be at our cemetery Honor Roll at 11:00 a.m. for those of you who would like to observe the ceremonial salute to our loved ones who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.



Please remember to contribute to the cemetery fund. It is your donation that enables our church to maintain the attractive appearance of the grounds for our loved ones who have passed.



Thank you for your continual support for the Food Bank. The food donation delivered to the Christian Bank in St. Marys ( which includes our area as well) totaled 216 lbs!

The church office will be closed Memorial Day.

**June Area Events:**

**St. Boniface Block Party** at the Parish and School Campus at 355 Main St., Kersey: food, craft vendors, raffles, —fun for all. June 4 & 5 inside the social hall from 11-7. June 5 after 4:15 Mass outside in parking lot. Sunday, June 6 from 8-Noon (KofC Breakfast Buffet, with door prizes and basket raffles which will be drawn at Noon.)

**St. Leo School HUGE truckload sale** June 11, 12, 13 at the former Motion Control Building , Ridgway. The KofC BBQ will be on Saturday. Go to **St. Leo School truckload sale 2021 facebook page** for more information.



**The Most Holy Trinity  
 Memorial Day  
 The Visitation of Mary**

**I. The Most Holy Trinity** is Who we celebrate in this most Holy Solemnity this Sunday: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We celebrate that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit have been revealed in the human history of creation, salvation and of sanctification (to be made holy).

In the Book of Genesis we read about the creation story of our universe, world, all living things and man and woman, who were especially made in God’s Image and Likeness. We also read in Genesis and throughout the Old Testament about the fall of Adam and Eve and God as a loving Father made a covenant through Abraham, Issacs, Jacob and Moses and the prophets in order to bring man and woman back into a right relationship.

We then read in the New Testament of the Bible that in the fullness of time, God sent His Son Jesus to teach us about God’s Kingdom and through His Death on the Cross and His Resurrection, we now have free access to salvation and everlasting life. By receiving God, and the Holy Spirit through the Sacraments of the Church, we can live a holy life that will prepare us for life in Heaven after our life here on earth. We receive this new life of the Holy Trinity —Three Persons in One — at our Baptism. Jesus commissioned His Apostles to baptize as He says in this weekend’s Gospel Reading: “Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).

**II. Memorial Day** is a very blessed national holiday when we remember all of our loved ones who had died and especially, we honor all men and women who had served our country and the many who had given the supreme sacrifice in defending our country. Visiting the cemetery and praying for our deceased loved ones and friends is the most important activity we can do to remember them.

**III. The Visitation of Mary** is a special feast day that we celebrate also on this Memorial Day, May 31. At this feast we reflect on Mary who had just received the announcement from the Angel Gabriel that God had chosen Her to be the Mother of His only Begotten Son — Who “will be great and will be called Son of the Most High.” (Luke 1:32a) “Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.” (Luke 1:39-40)

Mary needed to visit Elizabeth in order to share the amazing experience She had. Elizabeth in turn expressed to Mary the joy of her infant who leapt in her womb upon hearing the news. Elizabeth acknowledged that “Mary is the Mother of my Lord.”(Luke 1:43)

# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, May 31, 2021 9:00 a.m. Mass @ Cemetery	All the Deceased in our St. Joseph Cemetery		<b>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	Zep3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday, June 1, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Cecilia	Ann Michelini Steve Betta	Rita Fenice & Carolyn Winkler Jim and Barb Betta	Saint Justin, Martyr	Tb 2:9-14 Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday, June 2, 2021 No Mass			Saint Marcellinus and Saint Peter, Martyrs	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a Mk 12:18-27
Thursday, June 3, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass	John F. Lovenduski (5th anniversary)	wife Pauline	Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs	Tb 6:10-11,7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a Mk 12:28-34
Friday, June 4, 2021 8:30 a.m. Mass First Friday	Rachel and Frank Gutowski (84 wedding anniversary)	daughters	Weekday	Tb 11:5-17 Mk 12:35-37
Saturday, June 5, 2021 9:00 a.m. Mass First Saturday	Father Michel Allison	Father Mark	Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr	Tb 12:1-5, 15, 20 Mk 12:38-44
Saturday, June 5, 2021 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Vigil of the <b>Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	(See below)
Sunday, June 6, 2021 9:15 a.m. Mass	Tom Winkler	his children	<b>The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	Ex 24:3-8 Heb 9:11-15 Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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**STAFF**

**Rev. Mark J. Mastrian**..... Pastor  
**Deacon Paul Bauman** ..... Deacon Assistant  
 Parish Secretary: **Marlene Berasi**; Faith Formation Coordinator: **Mary Stoker**; Domestic Administrator: **Miriam Pane**  
 Pastoral Council President: **Bryan Chiappelli**; Finance Council Moderator: **Leon Calliari**

**Church Hours**

**St. Joseph Church: Sun., Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 7:30 am — 4 pm; Wed. 8 am — 4 pm; Sat. 9:00 am — 7 pm**

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday ..... 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**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 11<sup>th</sup> 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**—Celebrated for all who are seriously ill annually at a parish Liturgy. The Sacrament is also available 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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