

The Church of Saint Joseph in Jim Thorpe

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Parish Membership: Active parish membership is both necessary and helpful to all involved when seeking sponsorship certificates, Marriage or Baptism preparations. Please call the parish office to register or to report address or phone number changes, email addresses or family membership changes. (Those who have reached the age of 18 must re-register as adults). We need to get our member records current.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

(In the event of a funeral, the Mass Intention for that day will be rescheduled for another date.)

Monday, May 22 - St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

8:00 AM: Connie Herman Requested by: Butch & Ava Bretzik

Tuesday, May 23 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM: Phyllis Perillo Requested by: Jim & Mary McHugh

Wednesday, May 24 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM: Irene Stianche Requested by: Vinnie & Joseph Butchko

Thursday, May 25 - The Ascension of the Lord

9:00 AM: School Mass - Fritz Hussar Requested by: Joe Blisko

6:30 PM: Anna Hussar Requested by: Kathy & Joe Kenderish

Friday, May 26 - Saint Philip of Neri, Priest

8:00 AM: Intentions of Daniel Gilberry Requested by: Brother, David

Saturday, May 27 - Vigil: Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM: Rosary for Life

3:30 PM: Confession

4:00 PM: Al Yzzi Requested by: Dreher Family

Sunday, May 28 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

7:15 AM: Pray the Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:00 AM: Living and Deceased Parishioners of Saint Joseph Church

10:30 AM: James Sofranko Requested by: Joe Krebs & Family

Candles will be lit May 21-27:

Sanctuary In Loving Memory of Vincent Bokeko (2nd anniversary) - Requested by Wife & Family

Saint Jude Health of my brothers - Requested by Jackie

Guardian Angel Special Intention

Sacred Heart In Loving Memory of Pat (Bronko) Humphrey - Requested by Kitty & Bill Malatak

Saint Rita Special Intention

CYO NEWS: St. Joseph's CYO is looking for a girls varsity/junior varsity volleyball coach for the upcoming season 2017-2018. If anyone is interested please call 570-325-9392.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE: **May: Sat., 4 PM:** L: John Malarkey. **EM:** Gloria Kehrli, Pam Heydt, Todd Woodward except 5/20 & 27, Diana Bochantin on May 27, Deacon Jack on May 20. **A.S.:** Ryan Malarkey, John Malarkey, Rhiannon Malarkey **Sun. 8 AM:** L: Alexa Igoe **EM:** Bernie Schweibinz, Kathleen Kenderish, Theresa Kattner. **A.S.:** Kathleen Kenderish **Sun. 10:30 AM:** L: Greg Strubinger **EM:** Karen Yanity, Joe Blisko, Gloria Kehrli. **A.S.:** Noah Snisky, Leah Snisky, Brianna Snisky.

MAHONING VALLEY NURSING HOME: Sunday, May 21 - Deacon Jack & Rita Mroz

PARISH STEWARDSHIP/OFFERTORY

May 13 & 14

Weekly: \$3,865 Other Envelopes: \$899

Thank you for your support of our parish.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, May 23 - Choir - 6:30 PM

Tuesday, May 23 - Catholicism series - 7 PM

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: John 14:15-21

Jesus promised us that the Holy Spirit (the Advocate) would remain with us always. When have you experienced the Spirit? Family Activity: Find symbols or pictures of your Confirmation or the Confirmation of other members of the family. Talk about what you remember about the day. Discuss how the Holy Spirit was present that day and how you continue to experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life today.

MEN'S MISSION: The collection cans will be in the doorways to the church this weekend to help the ongoing process to aid the children with their Kindergarten Building, food and uniforms in Tanzania.

CATHOLICISM SERIES: Join us on Tuesdays at 7 PM in the Brogan Room for a stimulating and compelling exploration of the spiritual, moral and intellectual riches of the Catholic world. Journey with Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries. Discover the full meaning of the faith where the mystery of Catholicism is revealed.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: The Knights of Columbus will be conducting another baby bottle campaign this year. Proceeds from the campaign will be donated to MARY'S SHELTER in Bethlehem, PA. MARY'S SHELTER is a Catholic non-profit organization which helps disadvantaged women who need help with their pregnancies and life situations. Last year, parishioners of Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph and Sts. Peter and Paul contributed \$5,500 to help MARY'S SHELTER in its mission. **Baby bottles will be available in the vestibule after each weekend Mass starting on Mother's day.** The bottles may be returned any weekend up to Father's day on June 18. Contact Mike Gonzalez at 570-401-2301 if you have any questions.

INVITATION: The Serra Clubs of the Allentown Diocese invite all the faithful to join in celebrating our newly ordained Priest, Father John Rother, with a reception and dinner on Monday evening June 19th at Saint Mary's parish hall in Hamburg, PA from 5:30 to 8 PM. Please join us in honoring our new Priest as well as thanking all our Priests, Deacons and Sisters who will be joining us! Dinner will be provided by Boscov's catering and the speaker will be Father Robert Finlan. Tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased from any Serra member or contact Joe Zawaly at 610-944-7313 or email to probablyis@verizon.net by June 11th. Note that no late reservations can be accepted this year! We know the many ways our Clergy and Religious sustain us and our families in good times and bad so let's use this special evening to appreciate the gift of their Vocation and their selfless love in dedicating their lives in service to our faith community! Mary, Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

WCC SUMMER PROGRAM: Have a child entering First through Eighth grade in the public school, non-Catholic private school, or are you homeschooling? Check out our Religious Education Program....Jim Thorpe Regional Catholic Whole Community Catechesis (formerly CCD or PREP). Registration begins this weekend!! You will find registration forms and Parents' handbooks in the vestibule of the Church. Classes run for 2 weeks July 17th through the 28th from 9 am until 1 pm. Classes take place in St. Joseph Regional Academy but we begin and end each day in St. Joseph Church. The cost is \$50/week /child. Homeschooling is also available. Please contact Mrs. Merkel at 570-325-2791 ext. 18 with any questions. Or email at wccjt@ptd.net. **Registration is due by June 19th** or a \$25 late fee is incurred per child. No registration will be accepted after July 3rd.

MEMORIAL: St. Joseph Church would like to acknowledge a donation made in memory of Paul Herman from Evelyn Schweibinz.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS: Congratulations to the following winners of our May Sweepstakes:

May 1	6734	(6347)	Gail Smith	May 4	2274	No Winner
May 1		(6374)	Scott Wojton	May 5	0940	No Winner
May 2	9357		No Winner	May 6	7141	No Winner
May 3	2109	(2109)	Amy Karnish			
May 3		(2190)	Renee Herman			

BREAKFAST - All you Can Eat - Sunday, May 21 - 8:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. - St. Joseph, Summit Hill
\$8 Person / \$4 Children 6-12, Children under 6 Free -Take-Outs Available - (570) 645-7454
Ham/Eggs/Bacon/Sausage, Waffles/Fr. Jim's Mess/Breakfast Sandwiches, Omelet Station/Home Fries/
Pancakes, Beverages: Coffee-OJ-Tea, Homemade Baked Goods! - Next Breakfast June 18.

ATTENTION ADORATION PARTICIPANTS!! Due to St. Joseph's Graduation on Tuesday, June 13, we need to change our date for our June Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Therefore, please note that our **June Adoration will be on the LAST Tuesday, June 27th**. We know that this may not work for some of you. Please try to find a replacement, if you cannot be there and please let Deacon Jack or Rita know who your replacement is along with a phone number so the person gets a reminder call. God bless all of you for your dedication to this beautiful time with Our Lord.

MASS TIME CHILD CARE: We are looking for volunteers to provide a child care program during the 10:30 Sunday Mass. We need at least 3 volunteers to begin the program which we hope to run initially 2x a month. It would be helpful for volunteers to have some experience in caring for pre-school and early grade children. Background checks as well as participation in safe environment program as mandated by the Diocese must be completed. If you are able to help out with this program, please call the church office at 570-325-3731 to volunteer. Thank you.

FREE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM: The third annual summer lunch program is underway once again being held at the Masonic Lodge Fellowship Hall on 5th Street in Jim Thorpe. Volunteers from our parish for this years program are needed for the week of June 26-30 to help greet, serve and assist in clean-up from 10:00 AM - 2 PM. Last year over 2,000 meals were served to individuals ages 2-96. If you can volunteer some time to this worthy cause, please contact Theresa Kattner who is handling the volunteers for our parish at 570-325-2658 or the parish office at 570-325-3731 so that schedules can be completed.

GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, MAY 27 - 9 AM - 1 PM
(Behind the church on School Street)

Pine Coffee Table - \$10

Small Pine Chair with Cushion - \$10

Household Items:

Knick Knacks, Dishes, Lamps, Vases, Decorations, Wreaths, Pictures,

Toys, Books, Seasonal Items

New Items Arriving Monthly!

Novena for the Feast of Pentecost

Begins on Ascension Day

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Leader: Come Holy Spirit, inflame the hearts of all people with the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and all will be reborn.**

All: And you will renew the face of the earth.

**Leader: Holy Spirit, open our eyes, and calm our minds.
Fill our memories with the Father's love, with the Sons unceasing prayer
for the world and of your own presence within us.**

All: Holy Spirit, give us faith.

**Leader: Holy Spirit, reveal to us the truth
of the Father's unfailing promise, purpose and plan;
of the Son's victory and risen presence;
the truth about our selves – sinful yet children beloved of God.**

All: Holy Spirit, give us hope.

**Leader: Holy Spirit, give us peace;
Peace with God and peace with all people.
Kindle my desire for you.
Strengthen our wills to love and serve.**

Teach us and lead us where you will.

All: Holy Spirit, give us love.

Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Christ Jesus, before ascending into heaven,
you promised to send the Holy Spirit to your apostles and disciples.
Grant that the same Spirit may perfect in our lives the work of your grace and love.
Grant us...

the Spirit of Wisdom

that we may aspire to the things that last forever;

the Spirit of Understanding

to enlighten our minds with the light of your truth;

the Spirit of Counsel

that we may choose the surest way of doing your will, seeking first the Kingdom;

the Spirit of Fortitude

**that we may bear our cross with you,
and with courage overcome the obstacles that interfere with our salvation;**

the Spirit of Knowledge

that we may know you and know ourselves and grow in holiness;

the Spirit of Piety

that we may find peace and fulfillment in the service of God while serving others;

the Spirit of Holy Fear

**that we may be filled with a loving reverence towards God
and may avoid anything that may displease Him.**

**Teach us to be your faithful disciples
and animate us in every way with your Spirit.**

Amen