

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

4:00 p.m.

Sunday:

8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.

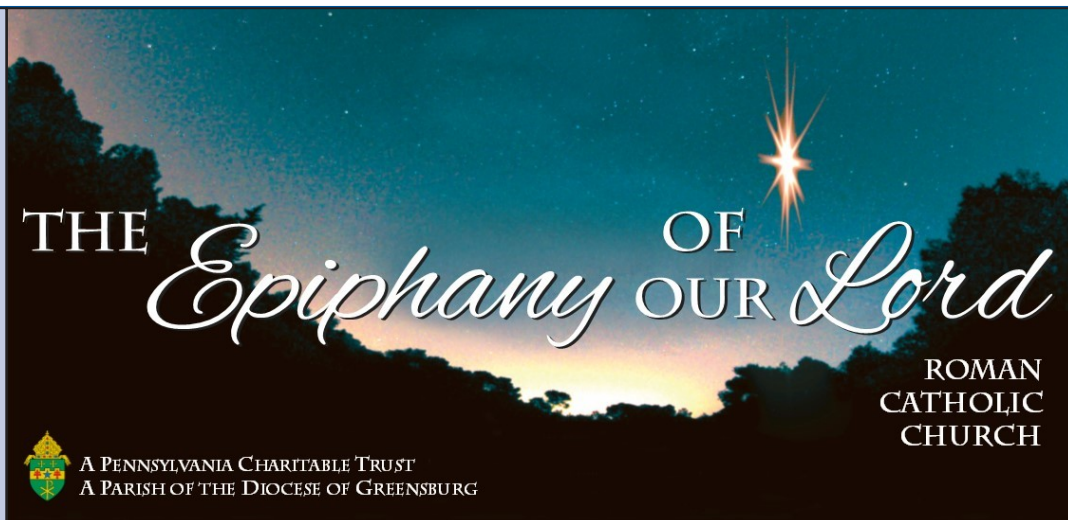
Monday, & Thursday

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wed., Friday

NO MASS

**October 17, 2021**



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### RECONCILIATION

Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. or you may call the office to make an appointment.

### BAPTISM

We baptize during all Masses. Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism session prior to the Baptism. Please call the office for more information.

### MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

### MINISTRY OF THE SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and cannot get to Mass, and they wish to receive the Eucharist, please call the office so arrangements can be made.

### PARISH STAFF

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### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Any article for the bulletin must be in the office by Monday noon.

## 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” - Mk 10:43-45

## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, October 16 — Vigil

4:00 PM † James H. Todd by Ruth Jane Todd & Family

### Sunday, October 17 — 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Naccarato & Reda Families by Mr & Mrs. Fred Naccarato

10:30 AM † Maria & Saverio Gigliotti by Tom & Marinell Gigliotti

### Monday, October 18

8:00 AM † Philip Lopresti by Amy & Will Buchana

### Tuesday, October 19

No Mass

### Wednesday, October 20

No Mass

### Thursday, October 21

8:00 AM † Edward & Dorothy Jarabeck by Daughter, Susan & Nate Campus

### Friday, October 22

No Mass

### Saturday, October 23 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Nazarath & Susan Victoria by Jim & Carol Sepesky

### Sunday, October 24 — 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM † Mafalda August by her family  
10:30 AM † Kathleen C. Kelemen by Robert Kelemen

### Parish Office:

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**Parish Office: 724-684-7661**

**Church Hall: 724-684-5512**

**Religious Education: 724-929-9300**

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### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 12; 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.**

**Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

### Ministry Schedule — Oct. 23 & 24

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	R. Kozar	S. Beneccio	S. Punturiero
8:30 a.m.	F. Petrosky	L. DeFelices	D. DeFelices
10:30 a.m.	M. Melvin	J. Elias	E. Yatchyshyn

### Money Counters

**Monday, October 18**—Team #1— P. Pettko

## Bottle Caps

Thank you to those who have graciously saved bottle caps for us. We are no longer accepting caps. All programs that had been receiving bottle caps have ceased during the pandemic.

## Called to be True Servants

In looking at what our Liturgy is speaking to us about we find issues of power, control and manipulation in direct contrast with humility, suffering and service. All of these things are a part of life and at certain periods of our lives we seek them all out. Life as we know it is full of contradictions. We tend to operate on a spectrum of opposing forces. We love and we hate, we are generous and we are greedy, we give and we take. We live out of these extremes every day.



Today we focus on leadership and what makes a good, honest leader. Jesus tells us that a good leader is one who lives out of the will of God and allows that will of God to be accomplished through them. In our world, people are starving for good servant leaders; people willing to give of themselves for the good of others. Look at all of the campaign advertisements we are exposed to. Those wanting positions of power are always promising to be that “suffering servant” we hear about in the first reading. They are fond of pointing out the faults and weaknesses of opponents, trying to manipulate the vote to swing their way. Once they do get into office, titles and power become more important than the reason why they are there. This is a temptation which can be found with all leadership, whether in government or religion.

The need for power that we see in the two apostles James and John in wanting positions of honor in Jesus’ Kingdom can be found in all of us. We all strive for those positions of honor and prestige once in a while; there is a part of us that likes the idea of being famous. However, we are reminded that with power and honor comes suffering. We must be willing to “drink of the cup” that Jesus drinks if we are to be true leaders in life. If we are not willing to suffer and give of ourselves then we are only kidding ourselves. Society dictates to us the importance of winning and being on top, and we are often told that humility certainly doesn’t win ball games. So, we are dealing with yet another contradiction in life. On the one hand, Jesus is telling us we need to be servants if we are to be true leaders; and on the other hand, society gives us the impression that we are to win and be on top no matter what it takes.

I have always felt that one of the reasons why Jesus was so very successful and believable is because he never sought after power, titles or honors. He spent his life in true service of others. I think that we are to carry with us the simple message not to turn life into an endless power game. We are called upon to live life, do good, and set ourselves aside for others. In doing so, we will experience the promise of resurrection. Remember that the presence of God can always be found in service to others!



The St. Vincent de Paul Society serves individuals in need. Our local store in

Monessen, which is staffed by volunteers from the area, can always use more help. Even if you only have a few hours to help, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested, please call the Monessen store at 724-684-5147

### Weekly Collection Oct. 10

Votive Candles:	122
Utility & Energy:	130
Accent:	5
Imm. Conception	10
All Souls	75
All Saints	23
Advent	10
Christmas	100
Children & Adult	
Collection:	7,065
Online Collection:	853
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$8,393</b>
World Mission	80
Retired Religions	5
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$8,478</b>



## Stewardship

### World Mission Sunday



**Next week** is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith **ensures the work and service of the Mission Church**, as it supports priests,

religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity. There will be envelopes for this collection in the back of the Church.

## Halloween

On **Saturday, October 30** beginning at 8:00 p.m. we will have a Halloween party for the adults! I hope that you come in costume to add to the festivities, (this year we are having a haunted Old West theme). There will be beer and mixes available and you can **BYOB and whatever snacks you want**. There will be music and dancing. This year, dig up a **scary story to share!** All in all, it should be a "haunting evening."



## Movie Night

On Sunday evening we gathered outside the Church and watched "Singing in the Rain." It was a wonderful time for those who came. I am grateful to **Tara** for the work she put into making this happen. Also, **Steve Assenet** provided the sound which made the entire event very theatrical! I hope that we can have more movie nights in the future, it is a nice and relaxing time together!

## Pierogies

It seems like we will never get things back to normal, whatever that might look like! But, at least we need to try. We are looking at making pierogies, but before we even begin to think about doing it, we need to know that there will be people to help. If you think that you would like to help with making pierogies, please give us a call and we can make arrangements. If we do not have enough people to help, we will not be able to do them. You can call the office or Betty Geis and let us know.

## Daily Readings

### Readings for the week of Oct. 17, 2021

**Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

**Monday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9

**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38

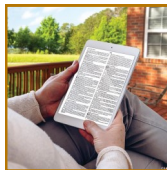
**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9

**Next Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52



## Faith

### Feast of All Saints and all Souls



In the month of November we celebrate two great feast days in the Church. On Monday, November 1 we celebrate the feast of All Saints. As a Church we recognize all of those countless men and women who have died and now share in the eternal peace of Christ bearing the title of "Saint". On Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> we remember all of our faithful departed.

We come together and pray for them that one day they will share in that same Saintly Glory. Our service for all of the faithful departed will be on **Thursday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m.** I invite all of you to come and pray for your departed loved ones.



### Confirmation Candidates

If you still need to attend your Confirmation Retreat, there will be a NET Retreat at the Church of St. John the Baptist in Perryopolis on **Saturday, October 23** from 10:30 a.m. —4:30 p.m.. Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. followed with a bonfire and refreshments.

**All paperwork for the November 30 Confirmation is due now: Diocesan Confirmation form, Sponsor's eligibility letter from his/her Pastor, Baptism Certificate (if not baptized at St. Sebastian's or Epiphany of Our Lord), and Service Project.**

Next year's Candidates (7th grade students) may attend the Retreat this year if they wish to begin their Sacrament Preparation. Please call the Faith Formation Office at 724-929-9300 if you will be attending.



*Remember, October is our month to count!  
We would love to see you.*

### Previously Scheduled Masses

Some of you may have Masses scheduled on a day when Fr. Mike is not here. For those Masses to be fulfilled you have two options: We can have the Mass sent elsewhere, or you may opt to have the Mass retained in the parish and it will be said at a later date. For now, we are addressing **Masses between September 1 and the end of year**. Please contact the office and let us know your preference for the scheduled Mass. The Masses affected are scheduled on Tuesdays and Fridays. We are not rescheduling those Masses this year.

### Enjoy Books



Enjoy books are back! Epiphany Ladies will be selling Enjoy! Books as soon as they are available. Start looking for the Ladies to be selling books after Mass at the beginning of October. The books are \$30.