



MASS  
INTENTIONS

September 20, 2020  
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME

**ST. JOSEPH IS A TITHING PARISH**

God's Plan for Giving

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to God the following:

Sunday Offerings:	\$5,258.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 858.00
Last Year:	\$5,234.00

The above are bank deposit amounts

**First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9**

Isaiah expresses an urgent plea that all should seek the Lord and turn to him for mercy.

**Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a**

In a strongly personal message from Paul while in prison, he says that he wishes "to be freed from this life and to be with Christ," but he realizes that he still has much important work to do.

**Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a**

Jesus tells the parable of the owner of an estate who hires workmen for his vineyard. When, at the end of the day, he pays a full day's wage to those who worked only one hour, those who worked all day complained bitterly. But the owner says, "I am free to do as I please, am I not?" Jesus reminds us through this parable that "the last shall be first and the first shall be last."

**Second Collections**

**September 20-Repair & Maint.  
September 27-Education Collect.**

**Special Collections**

There will be a special collection at mass during the weekend of 9/13 & 9/20. These collections are for the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land and for relief of Hurricane Laura and wildfire victims.

Thank you for your support. *Last weekend, \$175.00 was collected for the relief of Hurricane Laura/Wildfire victims and \$584.00 has been collected for the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land. Thank you for your generosity.*

<b>Sat. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup></b> <b>4:00 PM</b>	<i>St. Januarius</i> Sally Bogdan (Mary Rose & Jack Knelly)
<b>Sun. Sept. 20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> People of the Parish Crystal Faulkner-Choplick (Chester Choplick)
<b>Mon. Sept. 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	<i>St. Matthew</i> Jim Jackson (Family)
<b>Tues. Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	<i>First Day of Autumn</i> Bea Gharett
<b>Wed. Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	<i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</i> Sara Loftus
<b>Thurs. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup></b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	Henry & Mary Louise McGee (McGee Girls)
<b>Fri. Sept. 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	Lois Schnyder (Paul & Marilyn Boiardi)
<b>Sat. Sept. 26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>4:00 PM</b>	<i>S.S. Cosmas and Damian</i> Paul Emery (Mom & Dad)
<b>Sun. Sept. 27<sup>th</sup></b> <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Joseph Poponiak (Wife, Eleanor) People of the Parish

CCD students will be collecting for, "Walk in the Spirit ". Collections will take place after all Masses on October 3th & 4th, and 10th & 11th. Walk in the Spirit was formerly, Crop Walk /Bridge Walk. Money collected will benefit the Salvation Army and Hand Up. All monies raised will be used to meet their needs in our community.

*From Your Pastor,*

*This Sunday is Catechetical Sunday, a time to recognize Christ's call for us to go forth and teach and proclaim the gospel. We are all called to be catechist, to echo by word and especially by personal example the Good News. Not only do we all have a carbon foot print but also a Catechetical footprint; either pointing toward or away from the Kingdom of God. This begins within the family and within the parish family, to build each of us up to be faith filled living members of the Church, the parish family.*

*This Sunday I want to recognize Anne Rocktashel and all of the volunteers that make our religious education program happen. There are so many new regulations and procedures we have to follow and it was a great deal of extra time and effort to get it all done. Parents, thank you for bringing your children and students thank you for your enthusiasm. Let us always remember to pray for the good work of our catechist.*

*Our teachers are...*

Seth Rorhbach -25 years of service (St.Monica and St. Joseph)

Theresa Madison -15 years of service

Michele Seebold – 15 years of service

Regina Brown-10 years of service

Kathy Gorton – 10 years of service

Amy Beaver – 10 years of service

Sara Mull – 5 years of service

*New Catechist*

Mary Moser – 2 years of service

Terry Engleman – 2 years of service

Christopher Walker – 1 years of service

*Adult Education*

Tom Lang

George Rocktashel

*A lot under consideration: Each Sunday I take a count and try to figure out when and how we can return to the church on Broadway. By the end of September there should be a well-established pattern. This move has been a learning experience for us. The one thing I learned, my brother priest told me it would happen, that people prefer to go to the Restroom during the Holy Mass than to go before or after the Liturgy. Prayer has a strange effect on some people. Many a good soul might have a bathroom emergency once in a while but those who regularly make their potty break on God's time is a mystery to me. Parents, please discuss this with your family. Tell them that not only is God watching them but so is Fr. Hoke.*

**REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS ESPECIALLY:** David Torrey, Richard Oppel, Barbara Coup, Vickie Youman, William Cameron, Geri Preyer, Bridget Emery, Residents and Staff at Milton Rehab., Dolores Caicco, Marilyn Vargo, Matt Mousley, Carole Schrader, Emily Myerson, Jane Woodcock, Allen Treibley, Scott Zerrenner, Nathan Young, Mary Ann Carter, David Carter, Kathleen Jones, John Zerrenner, Mike Azinger, Evelyn Young, Tresha Sudol, George Sudol, Ed Arndt, Kirsten Koons, Andrea Rea Young, Mike Walters, Dr. Weisner, Rita Patynski, Anna Lee Fagnano, Abram Koons Jr., James Tomedi, Lisa Ressler, George Baran, Christine Koons, Bernice Yocum, Keith Robenolt, George Sarfine, Abram Koons Sr., Tom Robenolt, Theresa Folk, Rita Prentiss, Aiden Barsis, Connie Buehler, Mason Reeder, Matthew Rosboschil, Charlotte Farrell and Jackie Rando. **PRAYER IS OUR WAY TO CALL UPON GOD.**

### **St. Joseph Happenings**

Respect for Life Rosary: before all masses during the month of October

Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> - February Lottery Ticket Sale Begins

Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Parish Rummage Sale

### **October is Respect Life Month**

This year's theme is "Live the Gospel of Life". In response to live out the Gospel of Christ, we will be saying the rosary before each weekend mass, during the month of October. We are reaching out for volunteers to lead the rosary. If interested, there will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board across from the restrooms at the center and on the bulletin board at the church. Thank you for volunteering.

### **Parish Rummage Sale**

October- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>. We need clean useable items and clothing. You can pack up items in boxes and drop off any time at the front door of the Parish Center. This will be protected under cover, and we will check this spot every day for items to take back into storage. If I you have large items, please call Harriet More 570-412-3769 to arrange to have someone meet you at the Parish Center to store them away. Thank you and please do not use us a dumpster for waste items. We need your help, God Bless, Fr. Hoke