

Mass Intentions

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 16, 2017

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Richard Columbo (B)
by William and Barbara Columbo
7:00PM – Frances Burda
by Sister, Agnes Chabak

Sunday – Sept 17th –

8:30AM – Andrew Hazlinsky
by Theresa and Dennis Bieak
10:30AM – Jeanette S. Koncz
by Deacon and Mrs. Jack O’Connell

Monday – Sept 18th – St Joseph of Cupertino

8:00AM – Anne J. Hilt
by Roma Fedor and Family

Tuesday – Sept 19th – St Januarius

8:00AM – David J. Cunningham
by Elizabeth Cunningham

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – Sept 20th – Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions

6:00PM – David J. Sweeney
by Daughter, Lauren

Thursday – Sept 21st – St Matthew

8:00AM – Margaret “Peggy” Funk
by Eugene/Catharine Schaffer and Family

Friday – Sept 22nd – St Thomas of Villanova

8:00AM – Rev. John Philip Conte
by Rev. Eric J. Gruber

Saturday – Sept 23rd – St Padre Pio

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – James DiLiberto, Jr. (A)
by Jim and Carmella Meyer
7:00PM – Mary Ann Faust
by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent DiSante

Sunday – Sept 24th –

8:30AM – Frank “Jive” Snyder
by Nin Snyder and Family
10:30AM – Darlene M. Steiner
by Kathleen and Joe Billie

PASTOR’S CORNER

Motion Sickness [Part Two]

Suddenly his alarm clock invaded his rest and woke Bert Thomasson with a start. He sat on the edge of his bed rubbing his eyes open and trying to remember where he had been late last night. He recalled getting to the Columbus Commons around 9:30pm, taking pictures and video of the moving stars...”Ah!” he stated out loud to no one, as he reached for his backpack and case and drew out his camera. He scanned through the images captured the night before, until he realized that he still did not know how he got home last night.

He scanned the pictures and their time stamps on his digital camera more carefully and then noticed that the last picture was stamped 10:29pm. He took a quick inventory of himself running to the bathroom mirror – no marks, no cuts, no bruises, “no alien entity jumping out of me,” he chuckled to himself. He grabbed his car keys and camera and headed back out to Columbus Commons to get some more information. How did he get home?

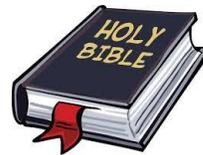
When he arrived at the location it was almost 10:00am and the sun was bright and obscuring any view of the stars. There were still some people milling about their yards, staying home from work. One such family was the Miller couple, Ben and Theresa whose 4-year old Pete had proclaimed the event of stars in motion. The young couple was on their back porch sipping coffee and nervously talking as Pete was playing superhero in a make-shift cape, saving one of his stuffed animals from some dire circumstances. Bert approached with a “Good morning, how are you folks today? I’m Bert Thomasson from News Day, ‘you mind if I sit down and speak with you a minute.” Ben and Terri looked quietly at each other, nodded for Bert to sit, and simultaneously took a deep draught from their respective mugs. Bert started, “Strange things

around here last night, huh? ...I was wondering, when did the stars stop moving...when did you get back to bed?" Again they looked apprehensively at each other, then Terri said, "We think we got to bed before 11:00pm or so...I got up to check on Pete around midnight, I guess, and he was sound asleep...so I looked outside to see the stars in place as usual and everyone gone – no cops, no reporters, no neighbors in their yards watching." She took a deeper breath and another glance at her husband before blurting, "...and we don't remember how we got to bed or when exactly." Bert added, "I'm missing time too. – That's why I asked... it's the darnedest thing...do you mind if I use your porch here as a viewing platform at sunset tonight?" "Sure," Ben Miller agreed, "we'll be glad for the company."

Bert Thomasson excused himself and made his way to his grandfather's office at News Day Central in town. What he found there unsettled him even more.

[...to be continued...]

New Bible Study Class is Forming Now!!!



If you want to learn more of Jesus and ourselves, please consider joining us for a Bible Study series concerning the Acts of the Apostles. We will be meeting on Monday evenings from 6:45 – 8pm in the Church Hall. The suggested cost for the program is \$25. Our first night will be **Monday, October 2nd**. No prerequisite "classes" are required for you to come and learn of Christ's work through the early Church. Please sign up before September 20th on the sign-up sheets at the doors of the Church. Grab your Bible and join up today. Any questions, please see Fr. Eric.



**Pray the Rosary each Sunday
8:15AM and 10:15AM**



Flowers were placed on the altar last weekend in honor of the 48th wedding anniversary of John and Marge Druckenmiller.

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Good Shepherd is seeking a long-term (from September to December) substitute 2nd grade teacher for a self-contained classroom focusing on Religion, Reading/ELA, Math with some Social Studies and Science. Hours are 7:30am to 3:00pm, Monday to Friday. Certified teachers can contact the Principal, Mr. John-Paul Crescenzo, directly at mrcrescenzogscs@gmail.com. Applicants must have proper clearances and certificates.

CCD OPENING DAY

Today is Catechetical Sunday. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated the 3rd Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday. Our Catechists and Assistants will be called to be commissioned into their ministry. Classes are from 9:00am to 10:15am, followed by 10:30am Mass, which is part of our CCD Program and is mandatory. God Bless, Regina Marhefka D.R.E.



The annual **Blessing of Animals** will be held **Sunday, October 1st**, at **1:00pm** on the green between the Church and the rectory. All animals and even their owners are welcomed!



OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection **\$3,427.00**
Hurricane Harvey Collection **\$2,785.00**
 The Second Collection this weekend, **September 16th**
and 17th, is for the **Catty Food Bank.**



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	L.Ruda N.Ruda	J.Englert	F.Hutterer
7:00PM	K.Segan A.Banoza	P.McCarty	P.McCarty
8:30AM	D.Popovic M.Popovic	J.Strohl	J.Druckenmiller
10:30AM	A.Gorr D.Gorr	J.DeLong	F.Hutterer

St. John the Baptist Church

924 N. Front Street, Allentown

Their Harvest Moon Dance will be held on **Saturday, September 16th from 7:00pm to 10:00pm**. Tickets are \$5.00 a person, B.Y.O.B., and the kitchen will be open.

Their Meat Bingo will be on **Sunday, September 17th at 1:00pm**. Fifteen games for \$11.00, doors and kitchen open at 12:00 Noon. Questions, call Bill Drost at 610-432-3505.

Salem UCC Church, 615 3rd Street

Their flea market will be held on **Saturday, September 23rd, from 9:00am to 1:00pm**. It features a basket raffle with great prizes, plus a bake sale and good food to eat in or take out.

Starting on **Monday, October 2nd** and every first Monday of the month, they will be having a community lunch from 11:00am to 12:00pm. This luncheon is open to everyone!

MYSTERY DINNER THEATER

Holy Trinity Memorial Church, 4th & Pine Sts

Their mystery dinner will be held on **Saturday, September 16th**, and is \$30.00 per person.

Featuring: Agents Muller and Scurry in X-Pired Files
Join us for a night of crime and nourishment!

Menu: Marinated chicken breast, roasted potatoes, green salad, rolls, dessert, and beverages. For tickets call Carol, 610-264-2045 or Sandi, 484-426-0083.

ARTISTS AND CRAFTERS NEEDED

St. Nicholas Church, Berlinsville, is seeking artists and crafters for their Second Annual Artisan Show, to be held on **Saturday, Sept. 23rd, and Sunday, Sept. 24th**.

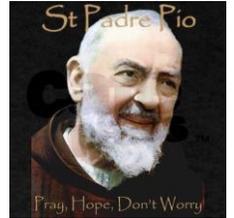
As in the past, the show will be juried to provide patrons with a wide variety of original handmade, high quality crafts and artwork. To receive more information please call 484-272-5710.

SAINT JANUARIUS

According to tradition, in the year 305, Januarius, the Bishop of Benevento in Italy, received word that the deacons Sossus and Proclus and the laymen Euticius and Acutius were imprisoned under the brutal emperor Diocletian. Januarius prepared to visit the men in prison. The Romans arrested Januarius with his companions Festus and Desiderius on their way to perform this work of mercy. All seven men were sentenced to death and exposed to wild beasts. When the beasts refused to attack them, the men were beheaded. Januarius is the patron saint of Naples, Italy. He is remembered in New York City at the yearly festival of San Gennaro.
~ *Magnificat, September, 2017*

SAINT PADRE PIO

Born of poor parents in Pietrelcina, Italy, Francesco entered the Capuchins at the age of sixteen, taking the name Pio. In 1918, he received the visible Stigmata, the wounds of Christ. For the next fifty years, pilgrims flocked to the convent of San Giovanni Rotondo, where Padre Pio reconciled many to Christ in the confessional. He bore physical sufferings and continual scrutiny, entrusting himself to our Lady of Grace – “my little Blessed Mother” he called her. “Pray, hope, and don’t worry,” he counseled. “Worry is useless. God is merciful and he will hear your prayer.” He died in 1968 and was canonized in 2002.



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Saints Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions

“The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church.” In 19th century Korea, this adage of Tertullian was confirmed anew. Both of these saints were sons of martyrs. Paul Chong Ha-Sang spent his life in the perilous work of trying to bring missionaries into Korea. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, the first native priest of Korea, entered the country after his ordination in Shanghai, and brought the Eucharist, much longed-for, to his Korean brethren. They and their 101 companion martyrs were canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1984.
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