

Saint Joan of Arc Church

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26th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

“Which of the two did his father’s will?” They answered, “The first.”
Jesus said to them, “Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and
prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.” - Mt 21:31

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 7:30 A.M.

9:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Daily Mass: Monday– Thursday: 8:00A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

First and Second Sunday, NOON

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please call and arrange with Rectory.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the Rectory.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Directory

Most Reverend David A. Zubik, *Bishop*

Reverend Phillip Paul Pribonic, *Pastor*

Reverend Jon Brzek, *Parochial Vicar*

Patti Reavel, *Music Minister*

Beverly Buddemeyer, *Religious Education*

Mona Musser, *Pavilion Supervisor*

Audrey Wurst, *Youth Group Coordinator*

Sharon Gomber, *Office Coordinator &*

Safe Environment Administrator

Nancy Matter, *Secretary*

Petar Pranjic & Mary Tracey, *Maintenance*

Karen Urbanowicz, *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

Nina Hughes, *Respect Life Committee*

Steve Wardzinski, *Finance Council President*

Michael Palus, *Pastoral Council President*

Ed Strauss, *Head Usher*

Melissa Coe, Ian Valenta: *Retreat Coordinators*

Chris Lauterbach: *Life Enrichment*

Mike Pensenstadler : *RCIA*

Mass Intentions

From the Pastor's Desk

Saturday, September 30– Saint Jerome

5:00 P.M. - Andrew Czerski
(Kris & Dan Cummings)

Sunday, - October 1– Twenty-Sixth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Mark Cummings (Kim Lucas)
9:00 A.M. - Helen Moeslein (The Weber Family)
11:00 A.M. - Linda Mattola (M/M Fred Zegler)

Monday, October 2- The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00 A.M. - Gerald Fosbaugh (Wife, Karen)
- Veronica Bujdos (Ron & Annette Boron)

Tuesday, October 3– Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Kathleen Kempton (Husband & Family)
- Margaret Harchelroad (Vic Satter)

Wednesday, October 4– Saint Francis of Assisi

8:00 A.M. - John Grosko (Wife, Judy)
- Jane Mendarino (John & Barb)

Thursday, October 5– Blessed Francis Xavier

8:00 A.M. - Edward J. Mindziekiewicz
(Janice Reinhardt)
- Rita Dirling (M/M Michael Losak)

Friday, October 6– Saint Bruno

8:00 A.M. - NO MASS

Saturday, October 7– Our Lady of the Rosary

5:00 P.M. - Temporal & Spiritual Welfare of
Pat & Tom Cummings (Kris & Dan)

Sunday, - October 8– Twenty-Seventh Sunday in

Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. - Georgia Hackett (Cheryl & Jim)
9:00 A.M. - Mary Pieczynski (Family)
11:00 A.M. - Ed & Flo Doyle (Elisa Doyle)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Rose Marie Bottles, Dale Kragnes, Jay Briggs,
Thom Mills, Gerry Evans, Karen Recrosio, Tom Recker,
William Reddy, Chuck Stanford, Emerson Cotter,
Michael Weston, Rod Shipe, Father Joseph Grosko,
John Oakes, Julie Schmaltz, Marcy Smith, Eleanor Young,
Meredith Bisette, Dom Salvucci, Albert Lexie, Jenny Fraas,
Sue Wimer, Brenda Dunois, Paul Kubis, Donald Melinchak,
Alyssa Strutt, Cheryl Hackett, Madeline Moze, Michael Sexton,
James Conteen, Richard Humenansky, Tom Recker,
Fran Drummond, Virginia Silinskas, John Roberts, Mark Dubich,
Tim O'Brien, William Vetter, Ryan Doughty,
Father Michael Maranowski, Arthur Iocozzia, Mary Lou Quinn,
Jonathan Piccoli, Margaret Pietrzyk and Audrey Jones.
Help, save, pity and defend your servants. O God by your grace.

Wedding Banns– Robert Maleski to Colleen Wockley

Financial Statement	
Regular Offertory.....	\$ 7,859.00
Bishop's Education Fund.....	\$ 881.00
THANK YOU For Your Generosity.	

The diocesan commission for “On Mission” has recommended to Bishop Zubik that our parish join with St. Louise de Marillac Parish as the best move forward during this time of transition in the Diocese when nearly 200 parishes will be reduced to 48 overall. The Bishop will announce his final decision on the recommendations next April, and then the parishes will decide how to proceed further.....we continue to pray for all involved during this period.....we remember also the victims of the hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, war, poverty, in our country, as well as in other parts of the world.....we begin Respect Life Month as the Church again encourages us to support the right to life for the unborn, as well as respect for ALL who have been bornwe live in trying, angry times and could do well by reading Paul’s letter to the Philipians where his main theme is “consider others more important than yourself”...yikes!!!!.....A great turn-out of youth and adults to package for “Rise Against Hunger” last Sunday, food packages will be shipped to Nicaragua.....please note that we will have anointing of the sick on Monday, October 16 at the 8:00 AM Mass.....Congratulations to Bishop David A Zubik who is celebrating his tenth anniversary as our bishop of Pittsburgh, and we send him our very best as well as prayers for good health and guidance at this time.....we fondly remember Father Paul Grunebach, vicar at our parish 1986-1991, who died suddenly this past week and was buried from his parish of St. Katherine Drexel Parish in Fredericktown.....we are accepting additional daily Mass intentions until the end of December, please call the Rectory to schedule.....

Father Pribonic

Second Collection is for the Hurricane Irma Victims.
Second Collection next week is for repairs and replacements .

BLESSING OF PETS; TUESDAY OCTOBER 3, AT 6:30 PM IN THE LOWER PARKING LOT

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for the Blessed Mother in memory of Fran & Vera Hinkofer, requested by Jim & Joan Lane.

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for Special Intentions , requested by the Stanley Family.

Rest in Peace: Betty O'Neill sister of Kathie Gasior, Margaret Nordstrom wife of Harry, Margaret Harchelroad mother of Suzanne, Janice, James & Timothy and Joe Winkler husband of Palma and father of Mary Jo, Dorothy Kudla mother of Annette Dearfield, and Father Paul Grunebach a former Vicar of Saint Joan of Arc.

Scripture Reflection

Entering the Kingdom of Heaven

The parable in the Gospel Reading, Jesus says, is about entering the kingdom of heaven. In the parable, a father says to one of his sons, "Go to work in my vineyard, Son!"; and that son says, "NO!" Then the father says to his other son, "Go to work in my vineyard, Son!" And that son says, "YES!"

Which of these sons is the good son? Which one enters the kingdom of heaven?

You might sensibly enough think that it is the son who says "YES" to his father. After all, what could be worse than saying "NO!" to God the father? Who would think that rebellious *NO*-sayers could be pleasing to God? Who would suppose that they could enter the kingdom of heaven?

And so it seems clear that the *YES*-sayers are the ones who will enter the kingdom of heaven and those wretched *NO*-sayers will wind up in the other place.

But this is not what Jesus says. He says that the *NO*-saying son is the one who did the will of his father. He is the one who entered the kingdom of heaven, and not the *YES*-saying son.

Why would Jesus say this?

Well, the son who says "YES" to his father doesn't actually do what his father wants him to do. It is the *NO*-saying son who actually goes to work in his father's vineyard.

And so here is the thing for us to notice. What the *NO*-saying son *says* is contrary to God's will. But what he *does* is in accordance with it.

It is just the other way around with the *YES*-saying son.

The words of the *YES*-saying son are obedient to God's will, but his life is lived in opposition to it.

The words of the *YES*-saying son are empty. His life, not his words, tell the real truth about his relationship to his father. The truth is that the *YES*-saying son rejects God's will, however much acceptance there is in his words.

And so the Psalm gives us the right prayer to go with this parable: "Lord, teach us your ways!" Our ways need to be God's ways. It is good if our words say *YES* to God. But what is crucial is that our lives say *YES* to God. Unless they do, our words are worthless.

Eleonore Stump

Altar Server Schedule

October 7

5:00 Sebastian Dean

October 8

7:30 Cameron Carroll

9:00 Clare & Cole Brdar

11:00 Abbey & Jason Gigliotti, Bella Fuller

DEAR JOAN:

The end of the year is fast approaching and I know that our Pastor is retiring and also celebrating his golden jubilee at the same time. Have any plans been finalized?

Signed: Long-time Parishioner

Dear Long-time Parishioner:

Yes, Father will be celebrating his golden jubilee this December 21. He was ordained in Rome at St. Peter's Basilica on December 21, 2017, with sixty other members of the class of 1968 of the North American College, the United States seminary in Rome. Instead of being ordained in the spring, the custom in Rome for the American priests was to ordain in December so that the families of the ordinands could make the flight at a very much reduced rate at that time of year.

Father has a number of celebrations planned for December.

The first is on Sunday December 10th when Father will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at 2:00 PM with his family, friends, priests, Sisters, the Croatian community (a number of people who attended Father's first Mass in Croatia January 1, 1968, now living in Canada, will be in attendance) as well as people who have supported him at key moments throughout his priesthood. Mr. Tom Franzak and his family will return to St. Joan of Arc to lead us in the singing. People may attend the Mass, but given the space limitations of our hall, attendance at the reception afterwards will be by invitation only.

Father will also offer a Mass of Thanksgiving on the actual ordination date of December 21 at 10:00 AM. Since Father spent four years in Italy, where he learned how to drink wine and eat pasta, this Mass will feature some readings in Italian with the local "Circolo Italiano" in attendance and we are happy to be able to have Ms. Deana return and lead us in an Italian response. Parishioners and friends are all welcome and an Italian theme reception will take place afterwards in the Gathering Place.

Father will speak at all Masses on December 30/31 and receive well-wishers afterwards in the Gathering Place after each Mass. His farewell Mass will be at 11:00 AM and there will be a light program afterwards in the Gathering Place. Parishioners and friends may wish Father well at these times.

More than anything else, Father would like to use these opportunities to thank God for blessings received as well as to thank all the people who have been part of his life and ministry and have meant so much to him throughout the years. He says that he cannot be thankful enough for what the people have made it possible for him to do throughout fifty years as a priest.

Signed: Joan d' Arc

Prayer Shawl Ministry – Next meeting **October 17** – please mark your calendar – We had 3 visitors from St. Louise attend the September meeting – and 2 new members from St. Joan join us. We welcome all who want to attend – remember you don't need to know how to crochet or knit –we need help with other things and everyone knows how to pray – which is the most important part of our ministry. **Father Josn** joined us and blessed us and the shawls and prayed with us. We are over **4,200 shawls** given out to recipients in **13 ½ years** – that is a lot of work from everyone and those that receive them appreciate it very much. Thank you all and hope to see you on October 17 for our next meeting – Karen Urbanowicz

THANK YOU! We wish to thank everyone who came last Sunday and made meals for Rise Against Hunger. We were accompanied by teens and parishioners from St. Sylvester, St. Gabe's, and St. Louise. Hard to believe we made 10,000 meals so fast, but when we are joined together in His name, great things can happen! Also, by your presence, you showed our teens you support them, and for that, I could never thank you enough. I was told our meals will possibly be headed to Nicaragua. They will send us pictures and I will share them with you in a future bulletin. Thank you again and God bless each and every one of you for your help.
Audrey Wurst

St. Elizabeth Respect Life Group is holding its annual Fall Flea Market on Saturday October 7 between 8am to 1Pm at St. Elizabeth Gym– Rt51– Pleasant Hills. Food and refreshments will be available, and a 50/50 raffle will be held. There is free admission and parking.

South Park Women's Club will be sponsoring their 24th Annual Craft show at South Park's Home Economics Building behind the County Police Barracks. Date is Saturday, October 7th from 10AM until 4PM. Admission is FREE.

"St. Anne's in Castle Shannon will welcome Brad Mattes, MBS. president and CEO of Life Issues Institute and the International Right to Life on Tuesday, October 10 at 7:30 pm in the church. Please contact Kathy Raimondi at 412-344-9690 for more information."

ENJOY BOOKS The Youth Group will once again be selling Enjoy Books. There's exciting news! The 2018 books will contain a **National Section** with coupons redeemable at about 50,000 locations nationwide. Some of which are: Dick's Sporting Goods, Famous Footwear, Sears, Uber, Ruby Tuesday, Macy's, Family Dollar, Sam's Club, Harbor Freight, Advance Auto Parts, Sherwin Williams, and many more! Price is still \$30, and they will be available in mid September. If you are interested in a book, please give me a call at 412-833-2400. Thank You for your support of our Youth.

FISH FRY, FRIDAY, October 6

Eat in or Take out

11 am to 7 pm

412-854-3173

Baked goods needed

and appreciated

Can be dropped off at Domremy Pavilion.

*Volunteers please wear your
your **Green Wizard of Oz Shirt***

Appalachia Work Camp is collecting donations for Chinese Auction Basket items for our 4th annual Purse Bash being held October 22nd at LVFD. Please contact Kim Lucas at 724-263-6507 or email kalucas0101@gmail.com for additional information, arrange pick up/delivery, etc.

Life Enrichment Club

Love a good mystery? Then join us for our next Life Enrichment Club luncheon on Wednesday, October 11th at 11:00am. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reporter, Paula Reed Ward will be here to talk about her book, "Death by Cyanide: The Murder of Autumn Klein". UPMC neurologist, Autumn Klein died suddenly and mysteriously in April 2013. The circumstances of her death took an unlikely twist when her husband, Dr. Robert Ferrante was accused of poisoning his wife. Ward's book describes the murder investigation and trial of this sensational Pittsburgh true-crime case. All are welcome-please bring a covered dish and a friend. For more information, please call the parish office or visit the parish website, www.mystjoan.org.

FREE ADMISSION! Join us for the Craft Show Extravaganza Saturday, Oct. 7, 10am-3pm at Providence Heights, 9000 Babcock Boulevard in Allison Park, benefiting the Sisters of Divine Providence. Shop over 70 crafters and enter to win great raffles – baskets, 50/50, or a beautiful quilt. Questions? Contact Pat Serafini [412.635.5401](tel:412.635.5401) or pserafini@cdpsisters.org.

**Attention All Gardeners & Spouses:
Appreciation Dinner; October 24
at 6:00 P.M. in the Gathering Place.**



Please bring either a salad or an appetizer to share at the dinner.

**RSVP: to RON BORON by October 10!!!!
ronaldboron@verizon.net**