September 3, 2023 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is a Way of Life. Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of August 27, 2023:

Regular: \$3,984.00

Loose: \$306.25

ONLINE GIVING: \$904.00

Tithing income August 27, 2023: \$5,194.25

Tithing income August 28, 2022: \$6,383.25

Mass Attendance for August 27, 2023 275 Mass Attendance for August 28, 2022 257

Tithe for August 27, 2023

Seminarian Fund at Diocese \$519

Tithe for September 3, 2023

Disabled American Veterans (DAV)

Tithe for September 10, 2023

Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF) (Donations to Benefit Victims of Maui Wildfires)
Peter's Pence (envelope)

Catholic faithful who wish to donate to those affected by the devastating wildfires that have ravaged the island of Maui. Hawaii may contribute to the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF). This Foundation was established to support the parishes and school communities in the Diocese of Honolulu. Bishop Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu, set up a dedicated webpage for donations to go directly to HCCF to support the relief efforts for those affected by the devastation in Maui. You can make a tax-deductible contribution by visiting the following link: https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic. Donations may also be made by going onto the Diocesan webpage of the Diocese of Honolulu and click on the HCCF link. Every donation, no matter the amount, will play a crucial role in helping to rebuild lives and restore hope for the fire victims and their families.



FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3, 2023

"I urge you brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good, pleasing and perfect."

One of the greatest gifts we all have is the gift of encouraging others. Teachers do this for students, parents for their children, coaches for their athletes. We may consider them as cheerleaders. This is what Paul is doing for the Christians at Rome.

It is so easy to be trapped by the 'accepted' way of our world. No, don't conform, but be transformed. Ask, what is the Lord's will for me at this moment, in these circumstances so that my next decision may be good, for my wellbeing and that of others, pleasing to God and enjoyable for me, and perfect, bringing me closer to God. Perfection is my goal. The path to heaven. The gospel also states: 'Be merciful as the Lord is merciful' to me.

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

In this particularly poetic passage, Jeremiah complains that while teaching the Lord's word, he is subjected to insults and derision. He determines to remain silent, but he cannot because the desire to speak the Lord's name is "like a fire burning in my heart."

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Paul tells the Christians to make sacrifices to avoid the trappings of the times, and to do God's will.

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus tries to make his disciples realize that by following him, they will endure suffering, degradation, and death. He tells them that they must deny themselves and take up the cross in order to be his disciples.



renew your mind



Sacred Heart Parish Office will be closed Monday, Sept. 4th in observance of Labor Day. Normal office hours will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 5th.

LITURGICAL NOTES





Saturday, September 2: Weekday

1 Thessalonians 4:9-11: Psalm 98:1. 7-8. 9:

Matthew 25:14-30

4:00 PM Frank Zannino from John & Margaret Maroney Sunday, September 3: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 20:7-9; Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;

Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM John B. Zavacky from wife, Margie

Monday, September 4: Weekday

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Psalm 96:1 & 3, 4-5, 11-12,

13: Luke 4:16-30

9:00 AM Special Intentions of Fr. Peter Rettig from the Companions of Pauline

Tuesday, September 5: Weekday

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14;

Luke 4:31-37

8:00 AM Tom & Marge Connare from Tom Connare, Jr.

Wednesday, September 6: Weekday

Colossians 1:1-8; Psalm 52:10, 11; Luke 4:38-44

7:00 PM Angela Dalton from Del & Rose Guerrini

Thursday, September 7: Weekday

Colossians 1:9-14: Psalm 98:2-3ab. 3cd-4. 5-6:

Luke 5:1-11

9:00 AM Mark Ryan from his Family

In Memory/Honor of SHS Memorial Society Members

Friday, September 8: The Nativity of the Blessed

Virgin Mary (Feast)

Micah 5:1-4a; Psalm 13:6ab, 6c;

Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

8:00 AM Frank Zannino from Del & Rose Guerrini

Saturday, September 9: Saint Peter Claver, Priest (Memorial)

Isaiah 58:6-11; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4, & 6;

Matthew 25:31-40

4:00 PM Vince Pacini from Mom, Joan

Sunday, September 10: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9;

Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM Louis F. & Anna V. Ianelli from Del & Rose

Guerrini

Calendar of Events

Saturday 9/2/23

Confessions/3:00PM/Church

Mass/4:00PM/Church

Sunday 9/3/23 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass/7:30AM/Church

No Adult Sunday School

Mass/11:00AM/Church

Spanish Mass/1:30PM/St Jude

Monday 9/4/23

Mass/9:00AM/Church

Parish & SHS Offices Closed



Tuesday 9/5/23

Mass/8:00AM/Church

Wednesday 9/6/23

1st Day of Sacred Heart School

Confessions/6:30PM/Church

Mass/7:00PM/Church

Adult Choir/7:30PM/Church

Thursday 9/7/23

Mass/9:00AM/Church

Friday 9/8/23

Mass/8:00AM/Church

Saturday 9/9/23

Confessions/3:00PM/Church

Mass/4:00PM/Church

Sunday 9/10/23 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass/7:30AM/Church

Adult Sunday School/9:00AM/Parish Office

Mass/11:00AM/Church

Spanish Mass/1:30PM/St Jude



The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of September 3rd burns for the I ntentions of Anne Marie Showers From The Sacristans



Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates are available: October 1, 8 & 15 and November 5.



The Sanctuary Flowers for the week of September 3rd are in Loving Memory of John B. Zavacky From Wife, Margie and Family



Memorialize Flowers: If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the office to schedule. The following dates are available: September 17 and October 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29.



Choir Rehearsal Begins

Just a reminder that Choir Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, September 6th. Rehearsals will begin promptly after the 7 PM Mass and will end at 8:30 PM.

New choir members are welcome,

including students who have been confirmed. The choir will be preparing for the 40 Hours Eucharistic Devotion as well as for the Advent/Christmas Season. A full schedule will be provided at the first rehearsal. For additional information contact Cathy Stout at 814-360-4268 or email cstout43@comcast.net.



Ministry Schedule: August 26 - August 27

Sat. 4:00 PM

Greeter: Diane Bray, Al Specht Lector: Bernie Howard EMHC: Christina Stryker

Knights of the Holy Temple: Tristen Kline

Altar Server: Daniel McMonigal

Cantor: Cathy Stout Sun. 7:30 AM

Greeter: Sue Reinke, Linda Treaster

Lector: Dan Palopoli **EMHC:** Mike Leeper

Knights of the Holy Temple: Gino Zannino

Altar Server: Anthony Palopoli

Cantor: Mary Smith Sun. 11:00 AM

Greeter: Denny & Dottie Peiffer

Lector: Jeff Michaels **EMHC:** John Maroney

Knights of the Holy Temple: Matthew Murray

Altar Server: Kenneth Shank Cantor: Dr. Michael Murray

Ministry Schedule: September 2 - September 3

Sat. 4:00 PM

Greeter: Diane Bray, Al Specht **Lector**: Pete O'Donnell

EMHC: Joann Loht

Knights of the Holy Temple: Tristen Kline

Altar Server: Daniel McMonigal

Cantor: Rose Guerrini

Sun. 7:30 AM

Greeter: Linda Treaster, Betsy Tressler

Lector: Tom Soccio **EMHC:** John Maroney

Knights of the Holy Temple: Unfilled

Altar Server: Jacob Cirota Cantor: Mary Smith Sun. 11:00 AM

Greeter: Denny & Dottie Peiffer

Lector: Cathy Michaels **EMHC:** Wendy Vogt

Knights of the Holy Temple: Matthew Murray

Altar Server: Chase Bubb Cantor: Dr. Michael Murray

The first day of school for Sacred Heart students will be on Wednesday, September 6th.





One of the services that St Vincent dePaul provides is the delivery of donated furniture to individuals in need. We work with other Human Services agencies in Mifflin and

Juniata County to help with furniture and household goods. We are one of only two agencies that make deliveries. Right now our delivery truck is in the garage for an expensive repair. We are asking for your financial help in this matter. If you can help at all, please send your check to: St Vincent dePaul, 3 W Monument Square, Suite 203, Lewistown, PA 17044. We thank you in advance and as always we are in need of personal care items, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, canned goods and paper goods.



Youth Group meetings will resume on the first and third Sunday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the Church Basement. The first meeting will be Sunday, September 17th since the first

weekend in September is the Labor Day Holiday Weekend. Join us for pizza and games. The youth group is open to everyone in 6th-12th grade.

CCD News

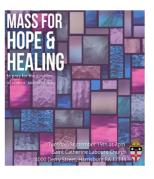
Registration will be different this year.
Please reach out directly to Marcie Cirota
to register by calling (717) 247-4382 or by email at
mcirota51@gmail.com. This includes new students
(K-8) or returning students. Classes will begin on
Sept. 17th at 9 AM and will be held at Sacred Heart
School. The book fee is \$20 per student and is payable
on the first day of class.

The ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS,

(Catechism in a Year)

will not meet Sunday, September 3rd, due to the Labor Day Holiday weekend. Class will resume on September 10th.





A Mass for Hope & Healing will be celebrated by Bishop Timothy Senior on Tuesday, September 19th at 7 PM at Saint Catherine Laboure Church, Harrisburg. During this Mass, we will pray for and with survivors of clerical sexual abuse. All are encouraged to attend.

RCIA Classes



Sharing is the basis for our religion—sharing God's love with those around us, but most of all, sharing the Body & Blood of Jesus Christ and becoming One with Him. Paul tells us that we don't get into heaven alone.

What could be more rewarding than to know that you took the initiative to ask and **someone accepted** the invitation to share our faith? Your mission is to love and serve the Lord. That "**someone**" is waiting to be asked! **If you know anyone who would be interested in Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes, please contact Dan Swigart at 717-446-5099 or the Parish Office at 717-242-2781. RCIA is a program of 1 time per week classes, usually for about 9 months, for those interested in entering the Catholic faith.** Also, Catholics who have been "away", for whatever reason, are invited to attend and find answers in these sessions to re-establish their receiving of the Sacraments.

Parish Eucharistic Revival Weekend October 6, 7 and 8, 2023



Save the Date: Join us for Saint Jude Thaddeus Parish Eucharistic Revival and Devotion Weekend, Friday October 6 through Sunday October 8, 2023. We will begin with a Mass of Consecration and Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament on Friday, October 6th at 7:00 PM. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Emeritus Gainer who will consecrate our new altars. Following the Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed during all hours, (with the exception of weekend Mass times) until Benediction at 4:00 PM Sunday, October 8th.

The Liturgy of the Hours will be prayed during the hours of exposition. The weekend will conclude with a Eucharistic Reflection, Procession and Benediction on Sunday at 4:00 pm. A sign-up sheet for adoration times has been placed in the Narthex. A covered dish dinner will follow Benediction on Sunday. A sign-up sheet for the dinner is also in the Narthex.

We look forward to seeing you!!





SACRED HEART SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS Monday – Friday 7:30 AM- 3:30 PM

If assistance is needed outside of office hours, leave a message on the school answering machine at 717-248-5351 or contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781





Update: Giant and Weis grocery cards are available to purchase at the parish office. This is a year round fundraiser.

Thank you for your support!



Our Amazing Teachers have created wish lists on Amazon to help prepare their classrooms for the upcoming school year. If you would

like to purchase something, please visit https://www.sacredheartschool.com/academics/teacher-wishlists.

Thank you for your support of our teachers.



Auction News



Save the Date!

The 26th Annual SHS Benefit Auction weekend:
October 14-15 at the Mifflin County Youth Park! The
auction committee is looking for handmade, new, or like
new donated items to be auctioned off. In the past these
creative items have proven to be the most sought after
and cherished by our generous bidders!

Like to think outside the box? How about teaming up with some of your friends to auction off a dessert a month, a progressive dinner, soup a month, the opportunities are endless. For questions contact:

development@sacredheartschool.com

Please bring all items to the Parish Office by September 22, 2023. We thank you in advance for your support of our largest fundraiser of the year!



Sacred Heart School All Cash Raffle

It's time for Sacred Heart's All Cash Raffle! Be on the lookout for your tickets in the back of the church. Proceeds from the raffle are the single most profitable segment of the

SHS Benefit Auction, and we need everyone's help and support! We are asking each family to sell at least two booklets of five tickets. If you can sell more, please contact the Parish Office at 717- 242-2781. Return sold/unsold tickets and money to the Parish Office or collection box no later than Monday, October 9th. For sold tickets, please make one check payable to "Sacred Heart".

Thank you in advance for your help with this important fundraiser. Winners will be drawn at the SHS Benefit Auction on Sunday, October 15th.

A special "Thank You" goes out to Steve, Amy & Brodie Dalton for sponsoring the printing of the tickets.