

OCTOBER 2, 2022

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading — In spite of violence, destruction, and ruin, the just person, because of faith, will live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

Gospel — Lord, increase our faith! (Luke 17:5-10).

PRAYER OF THE WEEK: Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



MONDAY 10/3

8:00 A.M.

Johanna Santacroce (Tony & Marie Spataro)

TUESDAY 10/4

8:00 A.M.

Florence & Edward Cwalinski (Estate)

WEDNESDAY 10/5

8:00 A.M.

Blanche Kulish (Mark Kulish)

THURSDAY 10/6

8:00 A.M.

Charles & Margaret Faseski (Mark Kulish)

FRIDAY 10/7 FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 A.M.

Tiffany Brodvin (Friend)

8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon

Adoration

SATURDAY 10/8

4:00 P.M.

Anthony & Theresa Kissolovege (Family)

SUNDAY 10/9

8:00 A.M.

Anthony Spataro (Tony & Marie Spataro)

10:30 A.M.

Alexander Ruth

12:00 P.M.- SPANISH MASS

ROSARY RALLY FOR LIFE: Will be on Saturday, Oct. 15 at 12 Noon in front of Mary on the lawn. All are welcome.

REST IN PEACE: Josephine Cunningham.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH: Join us in praying for an increased Respect for Life during the Month of October.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: Friday, Oct. 7th 8:30 to 12 Noon. All are welcome to spend some prayer time with Jesus.

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

OFFERTORY	\$ 2,158.00
ON-LINE GIVING	\$ 355.00
DUES/SALARY	\$ 60.00
SECOND COLLECTION	\$ 144.00
INCOME	\$ 2,717.00

COUNTERS FOR MONDAY OCTOBER 3, 2022

Phil Tochelli
Jim Perry
Kevin Toolan

MINISTRY	SCHEDULE	WEEK-END	08-09
TIME	4:00 P.M.	8:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
E. MINISTER	M. Serniak	T. Spataro	
LECTOR	J. Joyce	S. Serniak	C. Barlow



THE GIFT OF FAITH

Faith is a gift. When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, they were going to the source of that faith with their request. God is the giver of all good gifts, including faith. When we put our faith in Christ, we believe that God is with us, even though we cannot physically see God. Or can we? If we are attentive, we see the evidence of God's presence in the love of family and friends, care poured out in service of our neighbors, the living beauty of creation. This is not blind faith, but rather is the result of seeing with the eyes of faith. Followers of Jesus look beyond what is apparent to see what is possible with the power and presence of the Holy Spirit within and among us.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: The Stewardship Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 12, at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend.

CHRISTMAS CASH/EARLY BIRD DRAWING: Two Early Bird Drawings will be held at the monthly Stewardship Meeting on Wednesday, October 12 – one drawing for September and one for October. The prize for each drawing is \$50. To be eligible, please turn in your ticket stub and payment no later than Monday, October 10. Good Luck!

ROAST BEEF DINNER: Take out: Noon – 5:00 pm Saturday, October 15, 2022. St. James – St. George Episcopal Church 398 Washington Avenue Jermyon, PA 18433 (570) 876-4896. Adults \$15.00 Children under 12 \$5.00

NOTICE: On Sunday, October 9th the Steamtown Marathon will pass through Mayfield. The runners will come through town approximately 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Churchgoers are asked by the Mayfield Lions Club and police department to please cross Lackawanna Avenue on Chestnut Street by the Ryczak/Harrison Funeral Home. There will be traffic control personnel there to help cross with a minimum of interruption for drivers. Thank you for your help in this matter.

ROSARY NOVENA 43RD ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT: Saturday, Oct. 1st through Sunday, Oct. 9th at 7:00 P.M. ST. LUCY'S CHURCH 949 Scranton Street – Scranton, PA. Everyone is invited to attend. Handicap accessible. Rev. Sam Ferretti, Pastor – Deacon Carmine Mendicino, Director-Christopher Mendicino, Choir Director.

- The Rosary will be said by candlelight in the Church.
- The crowning of Our Blessed Mother takes place each night.
- The Novena will close each evening with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Scranton Chapter Pennsylvanians for Human Life: 38th annual prayer breakfast for life (open eating) Oct. 15, 2022 9 AM to Noon at Fiorelli's Catering 1501 Main St, Peckville, PA. Reservation (deadline 1 Oct. 2022 call 570-343-5099). Seniors \$55.00 21 & under \$45.00. Mail check for reservation to 400 Wyoming Ave Suite 110 Scranton, PA 18503.



SONNY SAYS: The pastor had called a meeting of the finance committee to consider ways of raising money for the new school. After the usual suggestions of bazaars, raffles, bingo and the like, the pastor calmly proposed: "Let's do it the old-fashioned way." "What's that?" asked one of the committee. "We'll just beg for it."

PROOF OF THE REAL PRESENCE: On the evening of the last day of his October 1995 visit to the United States, John Paul II was scheduled to greet the seminarians at Saint Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. It had been a very full day that began with a Mass at Oriole Park in Camden Yards, a parade through downtown streets, a visit to the Basilica of the Assumption, the first cathedral in the county, lunch at a local soup kitchen run by Catholic Charities; a prayer service at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in north Baltimore; and finally a quick stop at Saint Mary's Seminary. The schedule was tight so the plan was simply to greet the seminarians while they stood outside on the steps but the Pope made his way through their ranks and into the building His plan was to first make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament. When his wishes were made known, security flew into action. They swept the building paying close attention to the chapel where the Pope would be praying. For this purpose highly trained dogs were used to detect any person who might be present. The dogs are trained to locate survivors in collapsed buildings after earthquakes and other disasters. These highly intelligent and eager dogs quickly went through the halls, offices and classrooms and were then sent to the chapel. They went up and down the aisle, past the pews and finally into the side chapel where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved. Upon reaching the tabernacle, the dogs sniffed, whined, pointed, and refused to leave, their attention riveted on the tabernacle, until called by their handlers. They were convinced that they discovered someone there. We Catholics know they were right – they found a real, living Person in the tabernacle!