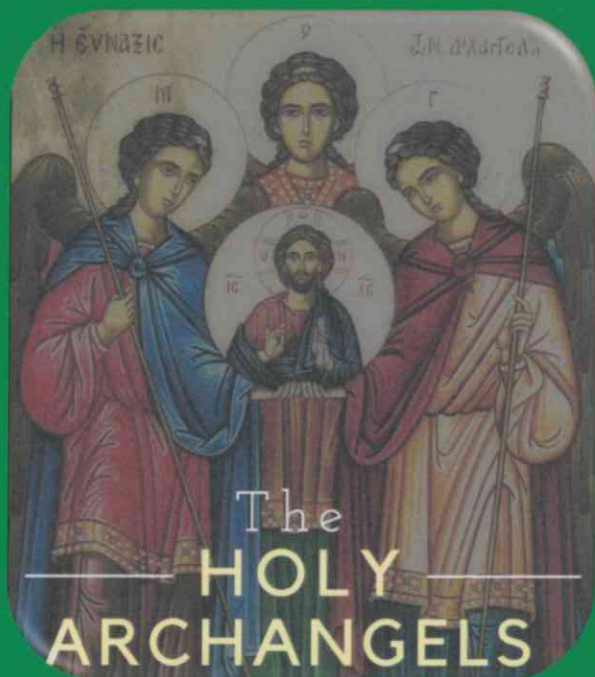


St. Joseph Catholic Church



The HOLY ARCHANGELS

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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 Collection: \$3,546.00

Repair & Maintenance: \$715.00

Harvest Festival Stand Deposit Amount:
\$3,998.00

Quilt Raffle: \$825.00

Second Collections

September 25 – Education Collection

October 2 – Our Faith, Our Future

October 9 – Repair & Maintenance

October 23 – World Mission Day

October 30 – Love of Neighbor

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., Sept. 24th
4:00 PM

Robert G. Kirby
Sue & Larry Blase

Sun., Sept. 25th

*Twenty-sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM

People of the Parish

11:00 AM

Robert Bucher

Mon., Sept. 26th
9:00 AM

Saints Cosmos & Damian
Mary Kashner
by Susie & Jerry Swanger

Tues., Sept. 27th
9:00 AM

Saint Vincent de Paul
Connie Buehler
by her husband Merrill

Wed., Sept. 28th

Saint Wenceslaus
Saint Lawrence Ruiz
Gilbert Bennett

6:00 PM

Thurs., Sept. 29th

*Saints Michael, Gabriel &
Raphael, Archangels*
Dottie Bogle

9:00 AM

Fri., Sept. 30th
9:00 AM

Saint Jerome
Charles W. Emery, Sr on his
birthday by his son John

Sat., Oct., 1st

*First Saturday/ Saint Thérèse
of the Child Jesus*

9:00 AM

Barbara Sforza

4:00 PM

Adeline Pedron
by Maureen Shepard

Sun., Oct., 2nd

*Twenty-seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM

Alda Sekscienski

11:00 AM

People of the Parish



From Your Pastor,

How often do you burst out in some way whatsoever and proclaim, "PRAISE THE LORD, MY SOUL"? It is very hard to do so after great trial and tribulation, a great loss or sorrow. But here is where the rubber meets the road in our travels with Jesus. Psalm 146 is one of the last five Alleluia Psalms of the 150 Psalms. These last five bring a grand finale, like a Beethoven symphony with pounding exaltation and trumpet blast. Despite all the lows and twists and turns and loss of grace, the temple hymnal ends with this grand burst of joy and praise of God.

Remember Jesus is on the way to Jerusalem, to His crucifixion. As He goes, He is teaching us, the cost of discipleship...getting us out of our comfort zone. Amos is trying to save the Eleven Northern Tribes. They show no concern for the poor, but he also turns on his own nation of Judea. He rebukes the aristocracy of Jerusalem, for their complacency over the destruction of their relatives, 'Joseph' the eleven northern tribes.

Could it be that our culture's emphasis on comfort, ease, entertainment and pleasure, with little concern for the poor, is our modern Cardinal Sin? Could it be that our worst sin is not what we have done, but what we have failed to do? Do we take better care of our pets under the table, than the poor at the door?

Did you laugh or cry, or maybe you did both, when you heard that, the wealthiest, most educated, most influential, liberal minded American citizens living on Martha's Vineyard could not handle 50 poor displaced persons. They got them out of their community before you could say, "We are a sanctuary city" The truth comes out. In humility, we all need to examine the condition of our souls before God does it for us.

Fr. John D. Hoke

*Happy 80th Birthday last week
To Sandy Soltys
& Happy Birthday this week
To Kathleen Ulrich*

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Amos denounces the selfish attitude of those who surround themselves with luxuries with no concern for others. He goes on to warn that because these people lacked interest in the state of their society, they would be the first to be exiled.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Paul tells Timothy to seek integrity, faith and love. Paul urges him to attain everlasting life by maintaining strong faith in Jesus and in God until Jesus returns.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells of a rich man who feasted daily, while a beggar named Lazarus went hungry outside his gates. When both men died, Lazarus was taken to Abraham, but the rich man was in torment. When he begged for mercy, Abraham reminded him that Lazarus had lived in torment, while the rich man lived in selfish luxury. The man then asked if Lazarus could be sent to his brothers to warn them. But Abraham said if they had not heeded Moses or the prophets, they would ignore even the warning of one risen from the dead.

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

October 15 / 7:30 am - 2:45 pm

The Eucharist: Jesus in Our Midst

Keynote Speaker: Barbara McGuigan,
Voice for Virtue founder and Catholic Speaker

For more than 35 years, Barbara McGuigan has delivered messages of virtuous living and loving to teens, educators, and parents. The founder of *Voice for Virtue International*, Barbara has trained more than 1,000 teachers, spoken to more than 30,000 teens and young adults, and given more than 300 presentations around the world.

If you would like to join the women of the local parishes at our Parish Center, we will live stream the conference. You will need to register at the Diocese and call the office to reserve your spot at the Parish Center. (570) 742-4356 Lunch will be provided. Live-streaming will depend on the number of participants. Deadline to sign up for a spot at the Parish Center is Saturday, October 1st.

The phone number in last week's bulletin was incorrect. Registration info on last page.

FEAST DAY OF THE ARCHANGELS

September 29th

The three archangels whom the Church honors by name are St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael. They are also the only three angels who are mentioned by name in Sacred Scripture. The Feast of all three Archangels is September 29.

St. Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host." 'Mica-EL' means: 'Who is like God?' St. Michael is most known for doing battle against Lucifer and casting him and the other fallen angels out of heaven. Because of this feat, he is known as the leader or prince of the angels. St. Michael is the champion of God's people and the protector of the Church. He is also regarded as the angel who brings the souls of men to their judgment before God, thus being the angel of judgment.

Gabriel means "Power of God." St. Gabriel is most known for his messenger role in the Annunciation. He is the angel who appeared to Zachariah and the Blessed Virgin Mary announcing the birth of St. John the Baptist and Incarnation of Jesus Christ, respectively. He is also believed by some to be the angel who appeared to St. Joseph and the shepherds at Christ's nativity, as well as the angel who comforted Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. Because of this he is known as the herald angel, and the angel of mercy and consolation.

Raphael means "God has healed." He was a companion, protector, and healer. He is also believed to be the angel who stirred the water in the pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem, giving it its healing properties, as mentioned in the New Testament. He therefore is regarded as a healing angel and a companion angel.

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CHOOSING A NEW BISHOP

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Bishop Gainer submitted his letter to Pope Francis in conjunction with his 75th birthday. "It puts the pope on notice that, when he chooses, he should begin a process to look for the next bishop, the 12th Bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg," Bishop Gainer said. "Right now, I'm simply in that holding pattern. Nothing changes in terms of my responsibilities and my vocation and the ministry that I perform as the Bishop of Harrisburg, until I receive notice from the Holy Father that he has chosen the next bishop."

So when will Pope Francis appoint the next Bishop of Harrisburg? "It's indeterminate," Bishop Gainer said. "Some bishops' resignations have been accepted within a few months. Other times it's a year. Some have even gone beyond two years after they wrote their letter offering their resignation," he said. "There's no way of telling how long the process will take." The process of selecting a new bishop is done under what's known as the Pontifical Secret; it cannot be discussed once it is underway, Bishop Gainer noted. It will begin with a series of questionnaires. One, which Bishop Gainer and some others will receive, will focus on the strengths of the Diocese and areas that need attention and development.

"I'll be looking at everything: the whole of ministry, the sacramental life, the faith life, financial issues – every aspect of Diocesan life," he said. He will also likely be asked to nominate up to three possible candidates to be considered as the Diocese's next bishop.

More on choosing Bishop Gainer's successor next week.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Remember those who are sick in your prayers, especially:

Bob Bender	John Heimbach	Joseph Muscarella Sr	Patricia Starcher
Lew Bogle	Betty Johnston	Gloria Reeder	Enza Welker
Luke Boyd	Christine Koons	Judy Reese	Alfred Wilver
Dolores Caicco	Andria Laurence	Joan Rudloff	Bernice Yocum
Helen Choplick	Andrew Mikowski	Dashawnda Russell	Vickie Youmans
Charlotte Farrell	Dave Moser	Larry Seibert	Andrea Rae Young

Please contact the church office (email, call or place a note in the collection basket) if you would like to have a name added to the prayer list. The names appearing on the list are to be on for two months. You are welcome to have a name reinstated. Please spell the person's name and include your name with the request.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 17, 2022



Karen, Bob, Mary and Sylvia stand ready for customers at 9:00 Saturday morning. Bill Turbitt said the stand got too busy to take pictures later in the day. A full report will follow.

THE QUILT

Harriet sold tickets for the quilt both weekends of the Harvest Festival. The drawing was held following the 4 o'clock Mass on Harvest Parade Saturday.

**Lucky Winner was our Parishioner
Stephanie Soltys**



Tony Lupo was the saluting officer for the Harvest Parade. On the bandstand with him are his wife Bonnie and granddaughter.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 9:30-3:30

Wednesday 9:00-12:00

Office Phone: (570) 742-4356

If you would like to make an announcement in the bulletin, please contact the office via phone message, email or note in the collection basket.

♥♥♥FEBRUARY LOTTERY♥♥♥

Harriet Moore has agreed to be in charge of the February Lottery. This great fundraiser nets \$10,000 for our church. The tickets are printed. If you would like specific numbers, please contact Harriet by September 28th, and she will try to accommodate your request. Harriet is looking for folks who will take a group of tickets to sell. Harriet's phone number is (570) 412-3769/

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

For information and registration go to <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/womens-conference-online-registration/#registration-instructions>. There is an online option in the registration instructions.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 24, 2022-300 Club Drawing
October 8, 2022-Rosary Rally
October 14, 2022-Filled Chicken Breast Dinner
October 15, 2022- Women's Conference
Diocesan Center-Harrisburg
October 21, 2022-Rummage Sale
October 22, 2022-Rummage Sale
November 11, 2022-Filled Pork Chop Dinner

COUNSELING AVAILABLE

Heart of Mercy Counseling Ministry (Sisters of the Good Shepherd) in the Danville area has two licensed therapists available to serve adults for individual or couples counseling. In-person or virtual counseling options.

Please contact either one of them to schedule an appointment if you are seeking counseling based in Catholic teaching:

Sr. Mary Frances Altavilla, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, 410-245-0870 faltavilla@hotmail.com
Sr. Patricia Marie Barnette, Licensed Professional Counselor, 352-328-8145 guadalupe531@aol.com
(in Coal Township on Mondays)