


ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

MOTHER CHURCH OF THE BERKSHIRES

ESTABLISHED 1849
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Liturgical Celebrations



Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM 11:30 AM
Daily Mass	12:10 PM
RCIA	Tuesdays, 6:30 PM
Holy Hour	Monday-Friday, 11:00 AM
Daily Rosary	Monday-Friday, 11:30 AM
Prayer Group	1 st & 3 rd Wednesday, 6:45 PM

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St. Joseph's Cemetery

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Sacrament of Baptism:

All new parents are expected to complete a course of instruction.
Please consult the parish office for classes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45PM

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Couples should contact the parish office at least one year prior to the wedding.

New Parishioners should register at the parish office. We look forward to welcoming you to the parish family and hope you will become involved with your time, talent and treasure.

Ministry to the Sick and Parishioners confined to home have visitations that are scheduled on a regular basis. Please notify the parish office to make arrangements.

Religious Education Classes are held at St. Joseph's High School following the 9:00 AM Mass for all public school students, grades K-11, and parochial students preparing for Sacraments.

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Are you willing to sell everything you own and follow the Lord? Once you accept the Lord into your life— as a priest, sister or brother—you will not miss those things you have 'given up'. Rather, you will rejoice in what you have 'found'. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Gary Dailey at (413) 452-0811 or email: g.dailey@diospringfield.org Website: www.myvocation.com



Please contact Lori Cote in Admissions to enroll your student at St. Joseph's High School for the 2014-2015 school year. For those who need financial assistance, it is given on a first come, first serve basis, until the funds are depleted. Please call as soon as possible if you have any questions or would like to visit the school.

St. Joseph's Church 20/20 Club Week No. 11: Kyle Kozlowski and Evelyn Colbert. CONGRATULATIONS!

Sacrificial Giving Last Week: \$5, 365.00. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!



Part-time Administrative Assistant position available for the St. Joseph's CCD Program. The person will provide clerical, record keeping and communications assistance for the Program. Ten month position, 5 hours per week. Flexible work hours. Requirements: Excellent computer skills in Microsoft Word and Excel, experience with mail merge, graphic design, good communication skills and active member of St. Joseph Parish. Please submit resume or letter of interest to the Rectory. Call Msgr. Mike with any questions.



It's another BUS TRIP and this time we're heading to

SARATOGA RACEWAY

Monday, August 25th

Cost: \$30

Please call St. Joseph Rectory for reservations!

From today's Gospel, Matthew 13: "It is the smallest of all seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants." Even small acts that honor and show the dignity of life will have a large impact on those who see.



Gloria Langlois is taking orders for **homemade Pasta!** She can be reached by calling (413) 447-7793. Prices are as follows: Cheese Manicotti \$5 per dozen, Cheese Ravioli \$3 per dozen, Potato Gnocchi \$2 per pound with a 5-pound minimum. **All profits are donated back to St. Joseph Church.**

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday 4 PM
July 19th

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Pat Momnie, Cheryl Furtek, Carol Gamberoni, Marie Kotowicz, Mary Sukiennik & Joe Tournier

LECTORS: Jim Armstrong & M. Fezzi

Sunday, 9 AM
July 20th

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jack Laviolette, MaryKay McClintock, Nancy Nolan, Donna Quallen, Joe Ryan & Judy Sayers

LECTORS: Bob Cancilla & Al Najimy

Sunday, 11:30 AM
July 20th

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jim McNeice & Ron Pelletier

LECTORS: P. McDonough & Anna Stack

A Place
for You—
Join Us





For OVER 48 YEARS THE POLISH PICNIC is a tradition that has carried forth from Holy Family Church to St. Joseph Church. This event continues to draw a large attendance. We hope to continue the success of the picnic with what we have planned for this year. Frozen Polish food can be purchased starting at 9 AM. Hot Polish dinners will be available at 12 Noon. We'll have American food, beverages for all ages, desserts, raffles, and Kiddie Land too! For your dancing and listening pleasure—The Rymanowski Brothers from New York! Date: **July 20th** Time: 12 Noon—6 PM.

Newport Playhouse presents: **MURDER AT THE HOWARD JOHNSON'S** on Tuesday, August 19th. Cost: \$118 per person and includes - Performance followed by a delightful Cabaret Show, Bus, and Seafood Buffet Lunch. To reserve your seat, please call Sacred Heart Rectory at 413-443-6960. Bus leaves Sacred Heart Church, (191 Elm Street) **promptly at 7:15 a.m.** (bus will make one rest stop both to/from the performance). Sponsored by Sacred Heart Family Community Life Committee.

St. Mark School has openings in their 4 year old (by December 1) full day 9 AM—2:30 PM pre-school program. Pre-school children have classes just like the “big kids” - Art, Music, Computer, Library, and Gym. For more information call: 413-442-6040.

The **St. Anne Society** will again this year sponsor a **Triduum of Masses** honoring their Patron, St. Anne, whose Feast Day is July 26th. The special Masses will be Thursday (July 24) and Friday (July 25) at 6:30 PM in the church. Barbara Kochapski will coordinate the music and members will serve as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers. The third part of the Triduum will be celebrated at the 4 PM Mass on Saturday (July 26), and new members will be installed. This is an opportunity for all parishioners to celebrate at these special Masses in mid-summer, and women are welcome and invited to consider becoming a member in this parish service society.

Pittsfield Ethnic Fair and Classic Car Show—Sunday, **July 27th** from 11 AM to 5 PM on North Street in downtown Pittsfield. There will be a large variety of ethnic foods, non-food vendors, live entertainment, Kiddie Land and several hundred classic cars to view. Free admission. Come join the fun! .

The next **Mass for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired** will be on Sunday **July 27th** at 2 PM with Fr. Matt Alcombright, at St. Mark's Church, 400 West Street, Pittsfield. For further information on Mass: cathdeafmin@diospringfield.org; or VP: 413-241-3193; or TTY: 413-391-7340.

St. John Paul the Great will host a Picnic at the Polanka Grounds on Mill St. in Adams on **July 27th** from 1 PM—5 PM. The Rymanowski Brothers will play for your listening and dancing pleasure. Polish Food catered by the PNA will be available for sale. Gates open at noon.

SAVE THE DATES —Planning Meetings for **Sharing Roots**: Wednesday, August 6th at 6:30 PM at St. Joseph North Chapel and Thursday, August 28th at 6:30 PM, St. Joseph Church - North Chapel.



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GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO CANNOT TOLERATE GLUTEN. PLEASE NOTIFY PRIEST BEFORE MASS.

Kindly silence all pagers & cell phones.

Thank you!

"Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." This beautiful image gives us a glimpse into heaven. The saints who reside there radiate a brightness, a warmth that resembles the sun itself. Gathered around the throne of God, they share in the luminous presence of the King



of Kings, the true Son of the Father. Perhaps there really is something spiritual about the nearly universal craving to enjoy a tropical vacation, the trend to escape to

warmer climates for the winter, or the move towards permanent residence in sunny climates. The continual presence of sunshine, the enjoyable experience of one warm day after another may be in fact like a little taste of heaven. In the Gospel, Jesus himself describes eternal bliss using the imagery of sunshine. But heat has its downside too. When it's too intense, it can actually be deadly. Think forest fire. Think desert. Think "the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth." These are not images of the four-star vacations that we want to last for eternity. No. Here Jesus is referring to the hellish habitat of "all who cause others to sin and all evildoers." That's not a trip we want to take. As uncomfortable as it may be, we need to examine ourselves to be sure we're not on board a train that's going in the wrong direction. We need to identify and acknowledge any patterns of sin that may have crept into our lives, and seek God's forgiveness. That will get us back on the right track, enabling us to be counted among "the children of the kingdom."

Let's aim for a journey to that kingdom, the one true trip to paradise that lasts for all eternity.

Readings for the Week of July 20, 2014

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

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Saturday, July 19th

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MADDEN FAMILY

4 PM

Requested by Family

Sunday, July 20th

JOAN MCNEICE 3RD ANNIVERSARY

9 AM

Requested by Family

SANDY SCHOLZ 38TH ANNIVERSARY

11:30 AM

Requested by Peggy

Sanctuary Candle

IN MEMORY OF DECEASED POLISH PICNIC WORKERS

Monday, July 21st

DOROTHY PRICE

12:10 PM

Requested by Msgr. Mike, Paul and Staff

Tuesday, July 22nd

NO INTENTION

Wednesday, July 23rd

IRENE GALLIPEAU 1ST ANNIVERSARY

12:10 PM

Requested by Therese McKeever Forget

Thursday, July 24th

WALTER & SOPHIE ZAWISTOWSKI

12:10 PM

Requested by Family

Friday, July 25th

SIMON & REGINA LYSECKI

12:10 PM

Requested by Boc Family

Saturday, July 26th

WILLIAM & DOROTHY GEARY

4 PM

Requested by Mardi & Butch

Sunday, July 27th

GEORGE DEMARY *Birthday Remembrance*

9 AM

Requested by Debra Goddeau

ELDA PADUANO

11:30 AM

Requested by Family

Sanctuary Candle

DOROTHY SIOK

REQUESTED BY NANCY WITUSZYNSKI

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"The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." - Mt 13:41-43a