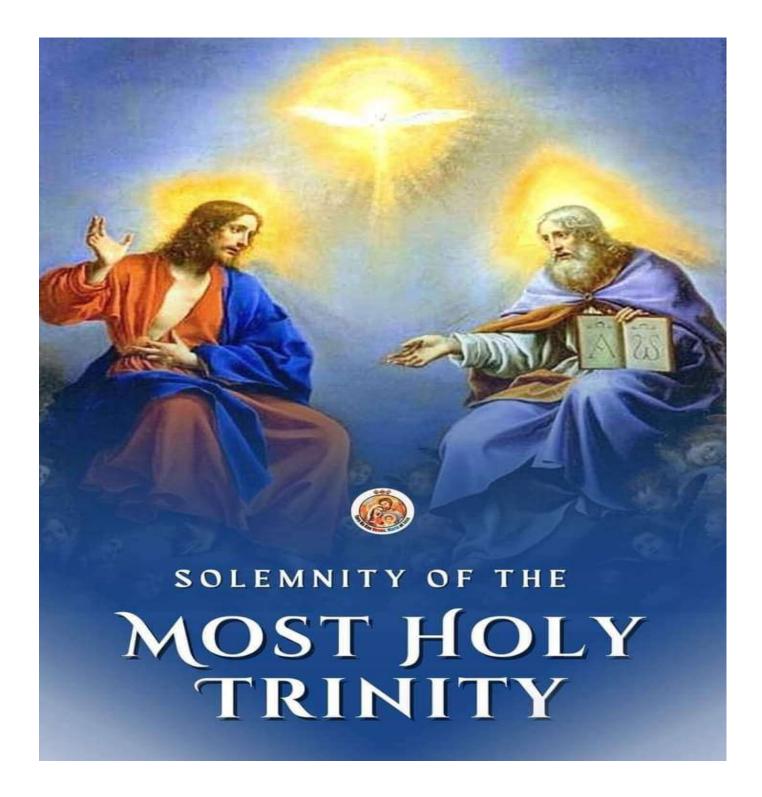
June 4th, 2023 - The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

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PARISH STAFF

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am

Mon- Fri: 9:00am (Thursday at old St. John's Church)

Holy Days: 9:00am & 7:00pm

CONFESSION: Saturdays 4:15pm - 4:45pm or by appt.

Register in the Parish: Please contact the parish office

to register when you move into our parish.

<u>Certificates of Eligibility</u>: May be issued only to registered parishioners who currently reside within our parish boundaries, who have been registered parishioners at least six months, are 16 yrs. and older, who have received all of their Sacraments of Initiation, and are actively practicing their faith in our parish.

BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Baptism may be scheduled to take place on a Saturday at 10am or 11am; or on a



Sunday following at 11:45am. Parents and at least one Godparent are to attend our Enrichment class prior to the Baptism. You will need to call the Parish Office to register for this class. Godparents must be committed, practicing Catholics, over the age of 16, and if from another parish, must

provide a *Certificate of Eligibility* from their pastor. A Christian of another denomination may serve as a Christian Witness alongside a Catholic Godparent.

MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Matrimony Mass may be



celebrated no later than 1pm on Saturdays. Couples planning marriage are to contact the parish office & schedule a meeting with our Pastor no later than 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. Couples are to attend a Pre-Cana

program approved by our Diocese.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at



any time to request a visit from our Pastor for Anointing of the Sick. Communion will be brought to the sick and homebound by our Pastor or one of our Communion Ministers upon request. **We celebrate a**

Communal Anointing of the Sick in June, near the *Feast of St. John the Baptist.*

Mass Intentions

Week of June 05 - Jun 11, 2023

Monday: + Inez Becker (John Becker)

Tuesday: + Mark & Betty Koch (Their Children)

Wednesday: + Kathleen Warner

(Richard & Marta Ackourey & Family)

Thursday: + Joe Cegielski (Mike & Colette Kirk)
Friday: Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Litschauer & Family

(Mary Pat Meyer)

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5pm: Parishioners' Intentions

Sunday 8am: + Gloria Schmel (Mary Ellen Resetar)
Sunday 10:30am: + Raymond Carr (Family Member)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Mon-Fri 9am – 5pm

To plan a Baptism, Wedding, Funeral, private Confession, please contact our Pastor, Fr. Selvaraj Lucas through the Parish Office.

WEEKLY MASS COLLECTIONS

May 21st: Envelopes \$4,202

E-Giving \$1.828

May 28th: Envelopes Not Available

E-Giving \$5,628

Thank you for your generosity!

WEEKLY MINISTRY MEETINGS

Mon. Jun 05: K of C – 6 Pt Meeting – Marian Rm – 7:30pm

Sat. Jun 10: Men of Faith – Marian Room – 9am

Sun. Jun 11: Conquest/Challenge – School – 11:30am-2pm

A Prayer for the People of the Ukraine

We fly to Your patronage, O Virgin Mother of God. Despise not our prayers in our needs, but deliver us from all dangers, since you alone are pure and blessed.

O most glorious ever-Virgin Mary, the Mother of Christ our God, accept our prayers and present them to Your Son and our God, that for the sake of you, He enlighten and save our

souls.

From your Pastor

As we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are called to reflect admire the mystery of God's and existence. Very often, we admire what God does for us. But today, we are invited to love God for what He is. "Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: not in their names..." (CCC 233). Our faith rests on Trinitarian God, who is one in being and three in distinct persons. How can one be three? The illustration of a married woman may help us to understand this complex concept. She is one being, but as persons, she plays three distinct roles - as daughter, wife, and mother. She is distinct in persons but as a woman, one in her being.

So also, God is one in being with three distinct natures. He is one God in Father, Son, and Spirit. Avoiding the mathematical argument, we need to accept this fact in faith. As perfect unity, three persons of God are always united in a loving relationship. So also we are called to be united in a loving relationship with God, others, and nature. To be a complete being, we also need to be united in body, mind, and spirit.

Sincerely in Our Lord

REV. S. LUCAS MSC

Pastor, St. John the Baptist Parish

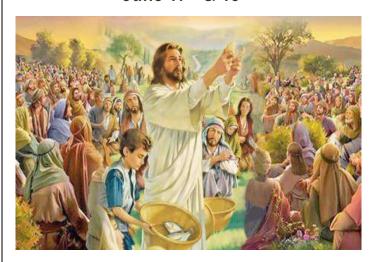


NEXT WEEKEND! PARISH SOCIAL AFTER MASS PLEASE STOP BY!

Next weekend we will have a Parish Social after each Mass. All are welcome to stay, enjoy hospitality and get to know your church family.

Hope to see you!

MANNA SUNDAY to Support the Lord's Pantry
June 17th & 18th



Manna Bags for The Lord's Pantry will be available for pick-up in the Narthex next weekend, June 10th & 11th. Please take one and fill up with non-perishable items only. Some suggested items: canned soups/stews, Gatorade, juice boxes, canned meats/vegetables/fruits, rice, pasta, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna fish, pork & beans, bread/cake mixes, cooking oil, powdered milk or eggs, shampoo, toothpaste & toothbrushes, soap, paper towels, toilet paper, aspirin.

Please bring the Manna Bags back the weekend of June 17th & 18th. You can drop the bags off in the Marian Room at the church. Thank you for your generosity and kindness towards our neighbors who are struggling to feed their families.

God bless you!



Father Stommel Council # 4545

serving St. John the Baptist, Ottsville and St. Lawrence, Riegelsville, has started their **2023 Membership Drive**.

Our Council meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:30pm. For information or to join, please contact Grand Knight Bill Saxton or email KofC4545@aol.com.

Who are the Knights of Columbus?

A fraternal organization of Roman Catholic parishioners.

What do the Knights of Columbus accomplish?

- We put our Catholic faith into action in support traditional values that help our families, support our parishes and members, and improve our community.
- Promote Pro-Life education, pregnancy counseling and the equal rights for babies in the womb.
- Assist with capital improvement projects at our churches.
- Plan and promote fundraising activities in support of our missions.

How much time and money are involved in joining?

- We meet two times a month, the 1st Monday of the month for financial matters and the 3rd Monday of the month for the general membership meeting. Both typically last 1-2 hours.
- We are currently offering one year duesfree for all new members to get to know us.

Why join the Knights of Columbus?

- Make a difference in our world by serving others.
- Add your voice to the 2 million fellow members defending your values and faith.
- Protect your family with exclusive access to financial investments and insurance policies.
- Deepen your faith by interacting with likeminded individuals, access to print and digital Catholic resources and participation in our activities.

If you would like to strengthen your family, help our parishes and our community; or just have any questions please contact Council # 4545 Grand Knight Bill Saxton or email us at: KofC4545@aol.com.

PRAYERS TO ST. PEREGRINE



Every Tuesday morning, following the 9am Mass we will be praying for those who are suffering from cancer and other diseases. We will be doing the Prayers to St. Peregrine.

Please join us in praying for all who are suffering.

Holy Communion for the Sick & Homebound



Are you or your family member unable to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion? If you would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521.

We will make arrangements to bring the Lord to you.



2023 Eucharistic Congress

The Gift of Finest Wheat: This is My Body Given Up for You

Saturday, September 30, 2023 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa 654 Ferry Road - Doylestown, PA

- Holy Mass at 9:00 AM celebrated by Archbishop Pérez begins the day.
- Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 4:00 PM concludes the day.
- There will be talks on the Mystery of the Eucharist by compelling speakers.
- Tracks are available in English and Spanish as well as a Teen Track (ages 14-17) and a Children's Track (ages 6-13).
- There will be opportunities for Adoration, Confession and other Devotions.
- Please bring your own lunch and there is plenty of parking available.

Registration is now open! Speakers will be announced soon. Adults \$25.00 per person, no charge for youth under age 18.

Full details and registration:

phillyeucharisticrevival.org/congress

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Visit our website www.stjohnsottsville.org and click on the above link. Follow the prompts to join our **e-giving program**. For more information please call the Parish Office.



June 12-16, 2023 - 8am-12noon Event: Faith and Film Camp

St. Andrew Catholic Church in Newtown, PA with the help of Personally Catholic Films is hosting a Faith and Film Camp from June 12-16 for teens entering grades 6-12! We'll introduce the teens to the cinema cameras, drones, audio equipment, editing software and lighting techniques used by Personally Catholic Films in our movie, Rescued from Darkness now on Amazon and AppleTV, our Catholic cable television shows and even our local parish video work! But more importantly we'll share how a personal relationship with God as a Catholic can shape our lives and our creative process!

www.personallycatholic.com/faithandfilmcamp



An earring was found after the First Holy Communion Mass on May 13th. If you lost it, please call the Parish Office at 610-847-5521 to claim.



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Worldwide Marriage Encounter is an enrichment program for <u>married couples</u> who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. It is also for <u>priests and religious</u> who want to strengthen their relationships with their church communities.

What happens in a WWME experience?

Over the course of the experience – typically, a weekend – three couples and a priest will provide new tools, using examples from their own lives, to help you work through common themes we can all relate to, such as:

- Exploring our personality styles
- · Appreciating our differences
- Listening in a new way
- Communicating intimately
- Addressing difficult topics
- Discovering God's desire for our marriage
- Continuing the journey

There is no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be.

Married couples of any denomination, mixed faith, or without religious affiliation are welcome.

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a non-profit organization faithful to the Roman Catholic Church's definition that marriage is a covenant that exists between one man and one woman. Any reference to "marriage" or "couple" made by WWME is in this context.

June 10th & 11th. 2023 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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	Communion Minister	Lector	Altar Server	Music Ministry	
SATURDAY 5PM	Helene Bell Lynn Gammello	Kim Zampirri	Jacob Roney Joel Roney Christine Wimpenny	Katie Minster Karen Parash	
SUNDAY 8AM	Tom Keller Jim McHugh	Jeanne Keller	Alaina Butler Gretchen Meyers Need 1 Volunteer	Ordinary Time	
SUNDAY 10:30AM	Jim Black Joan Black	Ward Van Haute	Max Van Haute Hezekiah Van Haute Audrey Van Haute	-	



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



OUR SICK:

Baby Conner & his Parents, Roger Bahnck Sr., John Becker, Loretta Bodisch, Katie Carty, Steve & Patty Combs, Barbara Docs, Marvin Eichlin, Melanie Fioretta, Tom Fleck, Gabriella Froehlich, Marie & Rosalyn Giardullo, Peg Glancey, Kathy & Mark Hancharik, Maryann Hauber, Sylvia Holznagel, Sheila Haney Kaisen, John Klinges, Pat Kreschollek, Chris Leahy, Mark Leidtke, Nate Leidtke, Loretta Malloy, Roseann McCarty, Bridget McHugh, Michael Moreni, Nancy Moreno, Ray Malachowski, Helene Nastro, Jeff Olimpo, Erin Rogers Pickering, Janet Reidler, Beatrice Bohm Rogers, Linda Russo, Barbara Sabath, Adriana Salvucci, William Saxton, Thomas Shepherd, Bella Sosa, Simon Tirpok, Fr. Joseph Tobias, MSC, Bambina Ventresca, Helen Wall, Ed Wismer

If someone no longer needs prayers, please advise the Parish Office so that we may keep the list up-to-date.

OUR TROOPS:

Jamie Steven Ayuso, Fionna M. Boyle, Derek Brosius, Christopher Brune, Kyle Crossland, David Fisher, Anthony James Fleck, Michael Froeder, A.J. Giovino, Aaron Given, Michael Griffin, Matthew Gumprecht, Bob Hankinson, Victor Hormilla, Aileen Lauer, Stephen Lindmeier, Jason Litschauer, Dan O'Connor, McKenna Pason, Dusty Rhodes, Steven Salva, Kate Salva, Jack Salva, Ann Salva, Kendall Smith



May God protect and watch over our troops.



A Prayer for OUR FIRST RESPONDERS:

Lord, please watch over all the men & women who work as first responders. We pray for their safety and that they return to their families at the end of each shift. We give thanks for their selfless service, compassion and care for everyone. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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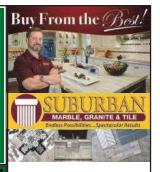
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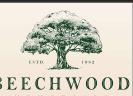
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