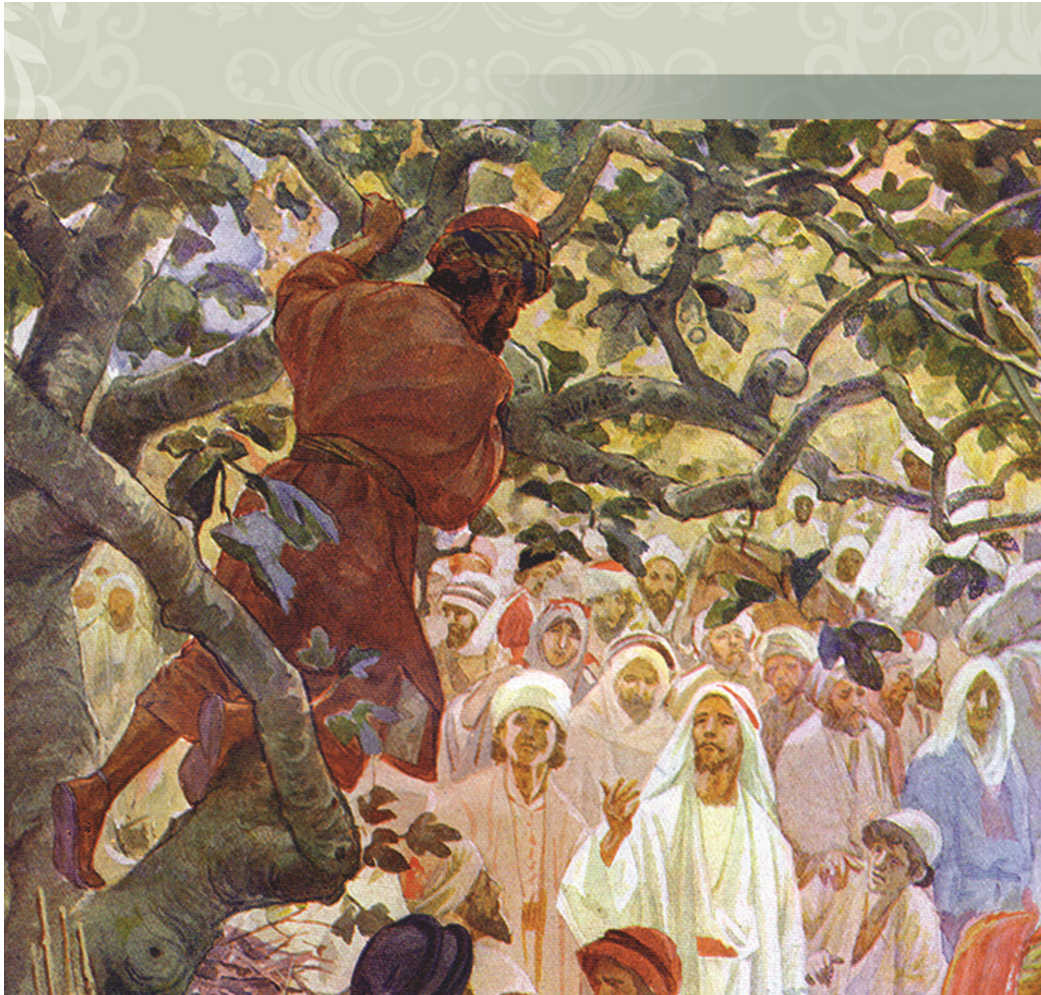


ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH



31st Sunday
I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

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FATHER MARK'S NOTES

I invited every one involved in our music program to become involved in our present music ministry as a way of serving the parish, using our considerable gifts and talents to create the best music ministry possible.



A Conversation about Music

A couple of weeks ago, I had a meeting with everyone involved in our music program to share my vision going forward of our music ministry to the parish. Essentially, in an effort not to deplete any one part of this all-important ministry, it is my view that we move forward as one music ministry. In that meeting, I shared my rationale, and I invited everyone involved in our music program to become involved in our present music ministry as a way of serving the parish, using our considerable gifts and talents to create the best music ministry possible.

I think it is time for me to share with the parish why I have made that decision. So, on November 10th after the 8:30 Mass, I will be in the Church to offer an explanation and a rationale for my thinking. Everyone is welcome to come.

Welcome, Ali!

I am very happy to introduce to the parish, our new Director of High School Ministry, Ali Koch. I am very excited to have Ali join our team. She has a real passion for our Faith and a genuine love for our children, including her own four little ones! Below is Ali's bio. When you get a chance, say hello to Ali and offer your support.

Ali Koch, Director of High School Ministry

Allison Koch is thrilled to take on the position of Director of High School Ministry. She has been working with children of all ages for over 12 years. Ali, a native of Johnstown, graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Education degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Gannon University.

Ali has been actively involved in various parishes as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Religious Education teacher, and in the Music Ministry over the last decade. She is very excited to give her whole heart to this ministry, to get the opportunity to know the students, and to help them know the Lord in a personal way.

Ali has been happily married to her husband, Brian, for almost ten years, and they have been blessed with four loving children.

ARISE TOGETHER IN CHRIST



Called to Be a Neighbor

We explore the "Call to be a Neighbor" this week as we dive into the story of the Good Samaritan. We have heard this story many times so let's see what it means to be a good neighbor. Is it offering a temporary "band-aid" to a person's situation or is it truly helping to remove the barriers that inhibit an individual's opportunities to live a productive life?

- Are we living lives that match God's dream for humanity?
- Do we attempt the small gifts of charity to make us feel better but ignore the true injustice?
- As a Church, a "community of love," are our acts of charity preaching the Word of God?

These are some questions we can ponder as we do our readings this week, and as we together all seek to walk in the Footsteps of Christ.

Please drop your book contribution envelope in the collection basket or give it to your small group host.

FALL CLEAN-UP

Roll up your sleeves; it's almost time for our Parish Fall Clean-Up Day!

This is a great time to come out in fellowship with others to 'shine up' the church and make it a more welcoming place for all. There are so many jobs large and small, inside and outside, and including organizing lunch and drinks for the hungry crew of workers.

Bring your buckets and rags, mops and brooms, step stools, your love, and your energy, as we tackle the area and make your church shine!

We have scheduled **Saturday, November 9th at 9 a.m.—12 noon.** to gather, clean, and ready our church home for the upcoming holiday season. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Petrell, Outreach Coordinator, 254-0256, or cell 244-5569 for more details. Remember: no experience necessary, and all ages are welcome to help!

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36 [14c]/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8, 9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Next Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

CENTENNIAL CORNER

- Blood Drive extended through November. — Call and schedule your appointment for Friday afternoons at the Johnstown Red Cross office. You may be helping a fellow family member.
- Visit our "Turkey Pen" in the church and help us provide 100 Turkey Dinners to those in need. All items should be returned by November 15th.

100 PINTS for the RED CROSS

We have extended our Blood Drive through November. Westmont High School is sponsoring a donation day in November. Stay tuned for more details.

Our goal is 100 units, but the more, the better, so please encourage your family and friends to donate as well! Their donations can be credited to OMOS if they request. You can check the 17 sites on our website for the one most convenient for you. Please call Christine Schirato at 814 270-5989 or email Christine.Schirato@redcross.org.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to **Ada Rose McAneny**, daughter of Mark & Kathleen McAneny, who was baptized at OMOS on October 27th.

Congratulations to **Aaron Dawes and Tia Dudukovich** who were married at OMOS on Saturday, October 26th.

REST IN PEACE

Alice Kovach

Mother of John & Sharon Kovach

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends

YOU ARE INVITED

PRE-ADVENT TOUR

Liturgical Folk

We are very excited to announce another concert in our church featuring *Liturgical Folk* on Monday, November 25th. *Liturgical Folk* is a sound of liturgical renewal, pairing historical church language with modern folk sounds. *Liturgical Folk* concerts are lights on, words-in-hand, public liturgies, suitable to all ages and faith stages. Come and experience a reimagining of the hymnal for a new generation of worship. ALL ARE WELCOME!!

SURVIVING the HOLIDAYS

Monday, November 4th, 6 pm—8 pm

When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. The **Surviving the Holidays** seminar helps participants discover:

- How to deal with emotions
- What to do about traditions
- How to find hope for the future
- Provides helpful tips for surviving social events

Join us Emmanuel Baptist Church, 425 Luther Road. For more information call 814-487-7829. All are welcome!

DIVINE MERCY TURKEY RAFFLE

Please join us on Saturday, November 16 for the Annual Athletic Association Turkey Raffle to be held at the DMCA East Campus Cafeteria (2310 Bedford Street). Tickets are available at the East and West Campus' School Offices. Tickets are \$15 and include food, beverages, and entry into a cash drawing. For more information, please contact Susan Lavelly at 814 619-9990. All are welcome!

ANGEL TREE

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish wishes to reach out to any family in need of securing Christmas gifts for their children. If you feel you need help this Christmas or know a family in need, please fill out this form and return it to the Parish Office by November 17, 2019. In order to maintain confidentiality, please place the form in an envelope marked "Angel Tree Project".

- Request Forms are due by Sunday, November 17th
- Angel Tree will be up in the church by Monday, November 25th.
- Angel Gifts are due back to Parish Office/Church by Sunday, December 8th.
- Gifts are to be picked up at a determined location on Thursday, December 19th between the hours of 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please fill out the following information for your children. Infants and school-age children up to 17 years of age are eligible to receive gifts.

*****NO ELECTRONICS OR VIDEO GAMES PLEASE*****

Child's Name/Age/Gender

Clothing Item & Size

One Toy, Game, or Object

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WEEKLY & MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Monday, November 4

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

8 a.m.—Mass

Server: Bradyn Younkins

Tuesday, November 5

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 a.m.—Confession

8 a.m.—Mass

Server: Nico White

Wednesday, November 6

7 a.m. Praise & Worship

9 a.m. Rosary at St. Michael's

4:30 p.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

5:30 p.m.—Confession

6 p.m.—Mass

Server: Tim Burgess

Thursday, November 7

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

9 a.m.—Mass

Servers: Tim Burgess

Friday, November 8

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration

8 a.m.—Mass

Server: Tim Burgess

Saturday, November 9

3 pm—Confessions

4 p.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers Haley Kessler & Ayda Dorian

Lector: Katie Dorian

Euch. Min. Cheryl Carbaugh (2), Michelle Rivetti, Jim Kukura, Tom Simmons, Nancy Simmons, Linda Rosenbaum, Michelle Petrell

Hosp. Nancy & Tom Simmons, Val Deater, Evie Drapchak, Bill Livingston, Mary & George Kogut, Jim Galiardi

Saturday, November 9

6 p.m. Mass at St. Michael's

Servers: Serenity & Alexis Williams

Lector: Linda Popchak

Sunday, November 10

8:30 a.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Andy & Grace Messina

Lector: Rosemary Zenone

Euch. Min: Ed (2) & Julie Sheehan, David & Estelle Milligan, Karen Hoffman, Ron Golias, Denise Esch

Hosp: Kevin Evans, Jim & Joan Frischauf, Jerry Unger, John & Julie Fontana, Jackie Ayres, Martin Malek

Sunday, November 10

11:00 a.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Sabrina Zimmerman

Lector: Marty Radovanic, Jr.

Euch. Min: Mary (2) & Tom Polacek, Marty Radovanic, Sr., Mary Beth & Deron Lintz, Keith Santee, Mary Beth Cartwright

Hosp: Anne & Matt DiFrancesco, Janet Hammett, Michele Varner, Rick Phillips, Denise Mezyk, Lisa Shelter, John Onufro

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 2 All Souls

8:00 a.m. Bertha LaRocca (Frank &

Jeanne Stumpo)

Saturday, November 2—Vigil

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of OMOS Parish

Sunday, November 3, 2019 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Thomas Kelly (Loretta Ciupak)

9:30 a.m. James Christofes (wife, Pat & Family)

11:00 a.m. Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of OMOS Parishioners

Monday, November 4, 2019

8:00 a.m. Thomas Newhouse (wife & Family)

6:00 p.m. Mass of Remembrance

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

8:00 a.m. Charlene Tarnowsky (Ladies Columbian Circle)

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

6:00 p.m. Ronald Kline (Sister Nancy)

Thursday, November 7, 2019

9:00 a.m. Rita Clark (Son, Bill)

Friday, November 8, 2019

8:00 a.m... Rose Marie Weinzierl (Carol Babik)

Saturday, November 9, 2019

4:00 p.m. Concetta Morbit (Loretta Nagy & Family)

6:00 p.m. Harvey Moose (Theresa Christofes & Family)

Sunday, November 10, 2019 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Patricia Puchko (Jeff & Karen Wood)

11:00 a.m. Gladys Keck (Husband, Rudy)

SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 20, 2019

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| Envelopes..... | \$9,177 |
| Loose..... | 1,835 |
| Online (73) | 4,173 |
| Total..... | \$15,185 |
| St. Michael's | \$1,073 |

ST. MICHAEL'S NEWS

St. Michael's Church Fall Food Drive for St. Vincent de Paul is beginning. Non-perishable food items can be left in baskets at the church entrance through November 21st.

Christmas poinsettia order forms are at each door. Please help to decorate our church with beautiful flowers for the Christmas season. Return orders with your payment by December 1st.