



## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 20, 2013

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains;  
whence shall help come to me?  
My help is from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.

— *Psalm 121:1-2*

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20**

7:30 AM Andrew Haladay  
9:30 AM People of the Parish

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 21**

9:00 AM NO MASS

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

9:00 AM NO MASS

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23**

9:00 AM NO MASS

#### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24**

9:00 AM NO MASS

#### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25**

9:00 AM NO MASS

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26**

4:30 PM Sam & Betty Stevens

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27**

7:30 AM Michael "Mickey" Franczak  
9:30 AM People of the Parish

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Father Tamburro will be at the Diocesan Workshop from October 20<sup>th</sup> through October 25<sup>th</sup>. He will take the following Masses with him.

10/21 Holy Souls in Purgatory:  
10/22 Joseph Kondrcek: 10/23 Holy Souls in Purgatory:  
10/24 Holy Souls in Purgatory:  
10/25 Holy Souls in Purgatory.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE THIS WEEK:** In memory of Katie Kerbacher requested by Mat Creme Sr.

**PEACE CANDLE:** In memory of Angie George requested by Joselle Kinney.

**RESURRECTION CANDLE:** In memory of Joseph DiFebo requested by Rose Chiki.

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE:** In memory of Florence Ciampi requested by Virginia Jordan Riofski.

**THE ALTAR BREADS AND ALTAR WINE** that will be consecrated at our Masses this week are in memory of Joseph and Victoria Peak given by Mr. & Mrs. Harlow V. Hileman.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are in memory of Elizabeth & George Pirnick given by their family.

**OUR PRAYERS & SYMPATHY** to the family of Edward Cove. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

### PARISH SUPPORT

October 13, 2013 Offering

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| Adults | \$6178.30     |
| Youth  | 13.70         |
| Loose  | <u>468.00</u> |
| Total  | \$6660.00     |

Catholic Education: \$835.00

### PARISH DATEBOOK

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

**BIBLE STUDY/SHARING:** 7:00 PM in the meeting room.

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

**YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL:** 3:45 to 4:30 PM

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA**

7:00 PM in the church.

**ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL:** 7:30 to 8:15 PM

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

**BLUE ARMY HOLY HOUR** will be prayed at 8:00 AM.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT** in parish center.

Beginning at 10:00 AM and concluding with 4:30 PM Mass.

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

**NO CCD CLASSES**

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### SERVICE FOR THE LORD

#### Next Sunday, October 27, 2013

#### **Saturday, 4:30 PM**

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| Eucharistic Ministers: | B & D DeLuca, Canouse |
| Lector:                | Pierce                |
| Altar Servers:         | 5                     |
| Greeters:              | Torsella              |

#### **Sunday, 7:30 AM**

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| Eucharistic Ministers: | Curry, Marston, Wolfe |
| Lector:                | Wark                  |
| Altar Servers:         | 2                     |
| Greeters:              | R & M Crake           |

#### **Sunday, 9:30 AM**

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| Eucharistic Ministers: | Monatesti, Eroh, Dante |
| Lector:                | Belford                |
| Altar Servers:         | 1                      |
| Greeters:              | J & T Fink             |



**THE LADIES COUNCIL** will be handing out white ribbons today after Mass to be worn against pornography. Wear it to help increase public awareness of the harms pornography and obscenity can cause.

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**Confirmation Retreat will be held here at St. Mary's Saturday, October 26, 2013. Registration will be at 10:00 AM. Retreat will be 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM in the Parish Center. Confession will be at 3:00**

**PM and Mass at 4:30 PM. A Continental Breakfast & Brown Bag lunch will also be served.**

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**HOLY ANNUNCIATION ORTHODOX CHURCH**, 1228 Second Avenue, is inviting you to a lecture on October 22, 2013. The lecture will begin at 7:00 PM. Admission is free with refreshments being served following the presentation. Please see our bulletin board for more information.

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**ST MARY'S POLISH POTTERY BINGO** will be held in our parish center on Sunday, November 10, 2013. Doors open @ 12:30 PM. Games start @ 2:00 PM. 20 games for \$20.00. Tickets are limited and are available in the parish office or by calling Joann @ 570-579-9227. Your help is need to purchase pottery. If you are able to make a monetary contribution, please call the parish office @ 570-759-8113. Thank you.

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**HOLY FAMILY CONVENT** in Danville will be holding its annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, November 2, from 4 PM to 7 PM in the main dining room of the convent. The tickets are \$6.50 for adults and \$4.50 for children if purchased in advance..\$7.00 and \$5.00 at the door. For more information call Sister Joanne Maria Powers at 570-275-3141.

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**VOCATION AWARENESS**

"Pray always and do not lose heart." If you are considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, let the grace of prayer encourage you. Call Father Raymond LaVoie at (717) 657-4804 ext. 282, or email [vocations@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@hbgdiocese.org).

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
- Wednesday: St. John of Capistrano
- Thursday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**PERSISTENT PRAYER**

Pray Always  
Always Pray



To the best of our knowledge, the authors of the New Testament did not spend much time in each other's company following the Resurrection. They took their charge to go to the nations and spread the Good News seriously. Paul and Luke are an exception to this, having travelled

together on missionary journeys. It is no accident, then, that perseverance in prayer is a favorite theme of both authors. Luke's Gospel (which speaks most frequently about Jesus' own prayer), Acts, and the Pauline Letters all exhort us to unceasing prayer.

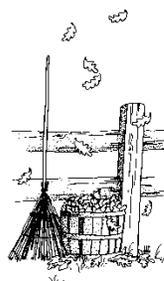
Paul's personality was certainly tenacious; he most likely would have admired the persistent widow in today's Gospel passage. The purpose of these passages is not to make us think—as infants and toddlers do—that if we keep asking or yelling or crying we will eventually get our way. No, the point is that when true disciples believe in something, we will persist in following that belief whether it is convenient or not, even when we come up against seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Although the hours of daylight are rapidly dwindling, many people would say that these October days bring the year's most splendid weather. Americans are riders and joggers, not strollers, and so the pleasures of the season are often lost on us. This is not the case with many Jewish people, who observe an ancient rule in walking to synagogue on the Sabbath. On city streets and suburban sidewalks in many cities, we may notice around sunset the nicely dressed families walking and chatting on Friday afternoon. After a short prayer at dusk, the families stroll home again for a relaxing and festive meal. They return to synagogue in the morning, and then spend an afternoon in family leisure until three stars appear in the night sky and Sabbath ends.

Catholics, on the other hand, pile into the car and drive even a short distance to Mass; some even divide the family to participate at different hours. For Jews, the leisurely walk marks a dividing line between hectic life commitments and a day of abundant joy and enrichment. Before we became an automobile culture, Catholics embraced a similar pace, and in most places walked to church.



These lovely days of fall invite us to tap into an old and life-giving tradition. If you live within a mile of your church, walk next week. If you must drive, park at a good distance and walk the rest of the way. Talk about your life, greet strangers, notice the crunch of leaves under your shoes. You may be surprised at how different Sunday Mass feels when it is framed by leisure!