



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5, 2014

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God.
— *Philippians 4:6*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM Alex Ladonis

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

9:00 AM Dr. Albert Kapsak

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:00 AM George Sheehan III

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:00 AM NO MASS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 AM Anna Mihalik

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00 AM Jackie Christopher

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

10:00 AM Deceased Member of the CCW
4:30 PM Wendy Harvey

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM Special Intention
25th & 50th Anniversary Couples
12:30 PM Mary Ellen Murray

SANCTUARY CANDLE THIS WEEK: In honor of Father Tamburro's feast day.

PEACE CANDLE: In memory of Robert Nagy.

RESURRECTION CANDLE: In memory of Betty Lurowist requested by Rose Chiki.

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE: In memory of Christine Cerullo requested by Rose Chiki.

THE ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE in memory of Eileen McHugh Flaim given by Johnson Family.

OUR PRAYERS & SYMPATHY to the family of Betty Lurowist. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Respect Life Sunday

Monday: St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

Tuesday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Wednesday: Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset

Thursday: St. Denis and Companions;
St. John Leonardi

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

PARISH SUPPORT

September 28 Offering

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| Adults | \$4772.00 |
| Youth | 14.00 |
| Loose | <u>345.00</u> |
| Total | \$5131.00 |

Debt Reduction: \$1526.00

Thank you for your generosity!

PARISH DATEBOOK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

BIBLE STUDY/SHARING: 1:30 PM in the meeting room.

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL: 3:45 PM in the church.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA in the church at 7:00 PM.

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL in the church at 7:30 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

MARIAN DAY RETREAT: 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

CCD: Classes in session 10:40 AM to 11:55 PM.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD

Next Sunday, October 12

Saturday, 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Monatesti, B & D DeLuca
Lector: H. Woodeshick
Altar Servers: 1
Greeters: Kubitsky

Sunday, 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Curry, Kilcullen, Wolf
Lector: Belford
Altar Servers: 2
Greeters: M & B Samsel

Sunday, 9:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Czajkowski, Marston
Lector: Ferentz
Altar Servers: 3
Greeters: J & T Fink

JUST A REMINDER
CHICKEN BAR B Q & PULLED PORK
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH
OFFICE AND AFTER ALL MASSES. THE
DATE IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2014
FROM 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM.
TAKE OUT ONLY IN THE PARISH GROVE.
TICKETS ARE ONLY \$9.00

**Announcing the 2014
 Public Square Rosary Crusade**

It may be that America is at a historic crossroad. Secularists are trying to push God from the public square. They reject His beneficial action upon society. But without God, where will our leaders get the wisdom to solve the great problems we face? It is necessary to check the secularist advance and pray to God for help. He will hear us, if we pray through the intercession of His Blessed Mother.

Join the Public Square Rosary Crusade

What: The Most Holy Rosary

Where: 721 Monroe St. Berwick (St. Joseph)

When: October 11 at 12:00 NOON

Bring a Chair. For more information call 570-764-4142

“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in His own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

Pope Francis’ Day for Life Greeting



ASK FOR HELP

Ask Our Lady to help you. Ask her to entreat her Son to let you know what you should do.

—Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

IN THE VINEYARD

As usual, today’s first and third scripture readings are obviously related, with the second continuing one of Paul’s Letters—these days, the Letter to the Philippians. The vineyard stories from Isaiah and Matthew both talk about evildoers coming to a bad end.

In Isaiah, it’s the vineyard itself that produces “wild grapes” instead of the crop the owner dreamed of and worked for. So it will be “trampled” and “overgrown with thorns.” In Matthew, those to whom the owner leased the vineyard destroy the dream. So the owner “will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants” (Matthew 21:41).

Yes, if we reject divine love we come to a bad end. And with all this talk of the unfaithful being trampled and thrown out, it’s consoling to hear Paul’s message to the Philippians, who were by no means perfect. “Have no anxiety at all,” Paul said. “Then the God of peace will be with you” (Philippians 4:6, 9).



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The sacrament of penance has a long and difficult history. The Church sometimes struggles with how best to be faithful to the image of an all-forgiving God. Once a very public rite with publicly visible participation on the part of the penitent, it became in time a very private matter. By the fourteenth century, when a prayer of absolution and a laying on of hands was still required in sacramental confession, theologians were saying that even that was too much liturgy. All that was required was confession itself, and the sacramental words *Ego te absolvo*, or “I absolve you.”

In 1614 the Council of Florence tried to flesh out this bare skeleton, requiring that if possible the priest should wear a stole, that the confession should be in church, and that there be questions about the person’s state in life, occupation, and last confession. This is the first time the Church recommended that the penitent and priest be separated by a grill, thereby eliminating the ritual laying on of hands once so central to the sacrament, substituting the priest’s raised right hand in blessing. This is the rite that remained in force until the sacrament became the subject of very stormy debates at the Second Vatican Council, leading to a major reform in 1974 that is still only partially received