

# Church of the Visitation

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## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 25, 2015

Rectory Office Hours: 8 AM - 3 PM Monday-Thursday

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### MONDAY— Weekday

8:00 AM No Mass – Clergy Conference

#### TUESDAY— Weekday

8:00 AM No Mass – Clergy Conference

#### WEDNESDAY— Saints Simon & Jude

8:00 AM No Mass – Clergy Conference

#### THURSDAY— Weekday

8:00 AM No Mass

#### FRIDAY— Weekday

8:00 AM Marilyn Chuba  
(Req. by Margie Gawlas)

#### SATURDAY— Weekday

5:30 PM Valley Pike Manor  
No Mass

4:00 PM Margie Giannone

(Req. by Nancy Kardes)

#### SUNDAY— ALL SAINTS

8:00 AM Zlata Prohaska & Parents  
(Req. by Nada Prohaska)

10:30 AM Intentions of the Parish Family

### SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Norma Fabina

Req. by Deb & Dave Magro

MASSES FOR SUNDAY: Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturday 1:00 PM

INFANT BAPTISM: Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

COMMON POLICY FOR BAPTISM: The parents must attend an instruction/preparation class on the Sacrament of Baptism. Arrangements are made through the Parish Office. Catholic Sponsors need a letter from their Pastor stating they are in full communion with the Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By appointment with the Pastor at least nine months prior to the date of marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Done after any Sunday Mass when requested.

MEMBERSHIP: Please contact the Rectory Office to register as a member.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK:**

**Mon10/26:** Rom 8:12-17 / Lk 13:10-17  
**Tue 10/27:** Rom 8:18-25 / Lk 13:18-21  
**Wed10/28:** Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16  
**Thu 10/29:** Rom 8:31b-39 / Lk 13:31-35  
**Fri 10/30:** Rom 9:1-5 / Lk 14:1-6  
**Sat 10/31:** Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 /  
 Lk 14:1, 7-11  
**Sun 11/1:** Rev 7:2-4, 9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-36 /  
 Mt 5:1-12a



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 All the Men and women  
 fighting for our country in the  
 military services, all the elderly,  
 homebound, sick and

hospitalized members of our parish family,  
 especially the following: Pat Barnhart, Patrick  
 Brady, Phyllis Brady, Jack Bulisok, Margaret  
 Case, Louise Connelly, John Correll, Kevin  
 Cyburt, Frank Daly, Tom Fabina, Ida Fallon,  
 Gloria Fenik, John Frieko, Josephine Gallo,  
 Joseph Guydo, Eugene Hipp, Deborah  
 Hockey, Mary Ann Holtz, Carol Houghton,  
 Mary Kenny, Rosemary Kiser, Dorothy  
 Kleinosky, Kathy Kohan, Madeleine Krueger,  
 Anne Kucera, Rose Leone, David Magro,  
 Martha Majoris, James McCabe, Loretta  
 Meyers, Anna Miller, Ethel Pavlik, Eileen  
 Rengh, Anna Petro, Stephanie Poltrack, Atlas  
 Rea, Charlotte Rollins, James Rovon, Barbara  
 Russell, Marion Saia, Maria (Petro) Sanders,  
 John Slovikovski, John Sweeney, Joe Taresco,  
 Edward Waddell.

**If any of the above has sufficiently recovered and  
 can be removed from the list, please contact the  
 Parish Office. Thank you.**

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**SERVERS: Oct. 31-Nov.1**

**SAT 4:00 PM** M. & P. Rastall  
**SUN 8:00 AM** J. & M. Smith  
**10:30 AM** C. Boyle

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**LECTORS: Oct. 31-Nov. 1**

**SAT 4:00 PM** C. Arnone-1  
 J. DiBuono-2  
**SUN 8:00 AM** S. Maestra-1  
 D. Krumenacker-2  
**10:30 AM** E. Haggerty-1  
 P. Molchany-2

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE  
 EUCHARIST: Oct. 31-Nov. 1**

**SAT 4:00 PM** (Plate) \*J. Correll, N. Vavrek,  
 \*P. Balagusz  
 (Cup) \*Ja. Bulisok, B. Tran, P. Cavanaugh,  
 C. Vavrek  
**SUN 8:00 AM** (Plate) \*M. Carney,  
 A. Reynolds, E. Hobbs  
 (Cup) D. Krumenacker, \*K. Carney,  
 S. Maestra, \*J. Kuswara  
**10:30 AM** (Plate) D. Tedjeske, B. Williams,  
 O. Standley  
 (Cup) \*S. Durst, \*C. Williams, \*B. Nagle,  
 P. Molchany

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**GREETERS: Oct. 31-Nov. 1**

**SAT 4:00 PM** (ST) D. & V. Hummel  
 (VP) N. Ward  
**SUN 8:00 AM** (ST) R. & A. Albert  
 (VP) G. Krumenacker  
**10:30 AM** (ST) Johns Family  
 (VP)

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**\$\$\$ INCOME \$\$\$  
 October 18, 2015**

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,787.00
Loose	750.61
Energy	173.00
Catholic Education	25.00
World Mission	69.00
Votives	123.00
Parking	<u>665.00</u>
	\$5,592.61

May we, like Bartimaeus, throw away our former  
 lives to follow Jesus, Thereby earning His words  
 for comfort: "Your Faith has saved you."





**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK OCT. 25-31**

Robert Rizzo, Barbara Kinley, Kathy & Ryan Ozog, Mary Vizzini, Caelyn Bell, Rose Barger, John Orlosky, Dolores Valinsky



**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Oct. 25** –No Classes-Home study  
**Oct. 26—11<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat. 4-9 PM**  
**Nov. 1**-Class, 9<sup>th</sup> Grd-10:30 Mass & Retreat  
**Nov. 8**-Class, 10<sup>th</sup> Grd-10:30 Mass & Retreat  
**Nov. 15**-Class  
**Nov. 22**- Class      **Nov. 29**- Thanksgiving Vacation

There will be a meeting for ALL Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.



**It's Turkey Raffle time!**

In the coming weeks we will be accepting donations of Cash, Door Prizes, Lottery Tickets, Gift Cards, and items for the Basket of Cheer.

Donations can be dropped off in the vestibule of the church and cash and lottery tickets can be placed in the collection basket. Your help is needed for the success of this event. Thank You.

**Marriage Moments** Sometimes spouses can be so busy taking care of children and trying to save the world that they get lazy about giving each other respect.

During Respect Life Month, speak respectfully *to* your spouse and *about* your beloved. This can include courteous actions, honoring your spouse's time, and giving preference to his/her needs.



***But What About You-n-Me?***

The job gets full attention. The car gets a tune-up. The yard gets mowed. The laundry gets clean. Then the kids get... whatever they need. *When is there time to "check-in" on us as husband & wife?* Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and get the time you both so richly deserve. Rediscover "US." November 13-15 at The Antiochian Village near Greensburg, PA. To sign-up or for more information go to [YourMarriageIsWorthIt.org](http://YourMarriageIsWorthIt.org)



Resurrection Parish Basket Party Sunday, November 8 at Christ the Savior Reception Hall, 307 Garfield St. Doors open at 12:30. \$10 includes lunch, 25 basket chances and eligibility for door prizes. For tickets call 539-5788 ext. 3.



**Arts & Crafts Show:** St. John Vianney Church Hall, Mundy's Corner  
 Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 9 AM-7 PM  
 Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> 11 AM-5 PM

St. Clement Parish will be holding a **Textile Recycling Drive** Fundraiser on Friday, November 6 from 3-6 PM, Saturday, November 7 from 9 AM-4 PM, and on Sunday, November 8 from 11:30 AM-6 PM.



Acceptable items include All Clothing including Coats & Jackets Socks, Belts, Shoes, Boots, Purses, Hats; Bedding: Comforter, Sheets, Blankets; Towels, Draperies & Table Linens, Soft Toys, Stuffed Animals. All items should be clean, dry & bagged or boxed. All proceeds benefit Mission Work. Thank you for your support!

**What about you?**

When Jesus asked the blind man "What do you want from me?" he asked for sight. If Jesus asked you the same question, what would you say? Okay, that is your prayer.

## "What do you want me to do for you?"

Have you ever encountered a once in a life-time opportunity you knew you could not pass up? Such a moment came for a blind and destitute man, named Bartimaeus. He was determined to get near the one person who could meet his need. He knew who Jesus was and had heard of his fame for healing, but until now had no means of making contact with the *Son of David*, a clear reference and title for the Messiah. It took a lot of "guts" and persistence for Bartimaeus to get the attention of Jesus over the din of a noisy throng who crowded around Jesus as he made his way out of town.

Why was the crowd annoyed with the blind man's persistent shouts? He was disturbing their peace and interrupting Jesus' discourse. It was common for a rabbi to teach as he walked with others. Jesus was on his way to celebrate the Passover in Jerusalem and a band of pilgrims followed him. When the crowd tried to silence the blind man he overpowered them with his emotional outburst and thus caught the attention of Jesus.

This incident reveals something important about how God interacts with us. The blind man was determined to get Jesus' attention and he was persistent in the face of opposition. Jesus could have ignored or rebuffed him because he was disturbing his talk and his audience. Jesus showed that acting was more important than talking. This man was in desperate need and Jesus was ready, not only to empathize with his suffering, but to relieve it as well. A great speaker can command attention and respect, but a man or woman with a helping hand and a big heart is loved more. Jesus

commends Bartimaeus for recognizing who he is with the *eyes of faith* and grants him physical sight as well. Do you recognize your need for God's healing grace and do you seek Jesus out, like Bartimaeus, with persistent faith and trust in his goodness and mercy?

"Lord Jesus, may I never fail to recognize my need for your grace. Help me to take advantage of the opportunities you give me to seek your presence daily and to listen attentively to your word."

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### Faith comes first

A major part of Jesus' active ministry was as a healer. Those who came to him had faith that he could heal them; they believed in his power and were changed because of it. Scripture scholar Father Donald Senior, C.P. writes, "If there was faith, then the miracle had already begun: the miracle of a transformed life . . . physical cures were simply dramatic illustrations of the fundamental restoration Jesus worked in everyone whom he touched and who believed in him." Faith drew people to Jesus for healing, not the other way around. Believing opens your life to God and allows for transformation that's nothing short of miraculous.

