

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those who worked on the school's golf scramble or came to play in it. God certainly blessed us with a glorious day to be out at Jackson Valley even if the bugs did get a little out of hand. For those who stopped to say hello on hole 6 where I was watching for a hole-in-one, that smell was bug spray, not the odor of sanctity.

Retreat is always an opportunity to reconnect with God, with my brother priests, with nature in a quiet and beautiful setting. I am thankful for the time away to be enriched by the retreat director, by the liturgies that we celebrated together, and by the prayer that we shared.

Whenever we get a chance to be away, the rush to get things done so there is nothing left hanging is balanced by the rush to dig through the pile of things to do when we get back. In both cases, a deep breath is in order.

This week looks like summer is going grudging into fall. I was surprised at how many leaves have changed already, but the warm temperatures say don't forget summer. Each season has its own beauty that we need to appreciate and the transition from one season to another reminds us that we should be thankful for all.

Fr. Rick

PARISH NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS! The St. Joseph Parish Community joyfully welcomes **Rebecca D. Mechling** into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church this Saturday September 23, 2017. Becky will receive the Eucharist and Confirmation. A special thank you to her sponsor Margie Fincher for walking with her on her journey.



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL CRAFT SHOW There are tables available for the annual St. Joseph School Craft Show on December 2nd. Please contact Katie Courson via phone 730-6689 or email coursonkatie@gmail.com for more information.

A sincere **THANK YOU** to all who helped support the Pie Stand at the Wild Wind festival. The CCY Youth Group realized a profit of **\$875** for our youth programs & CHWC.

Thank you for your help and generosity!



LAST WEEK TO COLLECT ITEMS FOR SUPPORT OUR TROOPS St. Luke Church and St. Joseph Church will be collecting items for Christmas boxes to be sent to our troops. A list of the items needed and collection boxes are at the entrances of both churches. **You may drop off items until September 26th.** Thank you for your support and continued generosity.

****CHILDREN AND YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY****

A new year of Children and Youth Music Ministry is beginning. Cherub Choir (preschool –1st grade), Sonrise Choir (2nd-5th grade) and Teen Praise Team (6th-12th grade) will rotate performing. Sign up forms and calendars may be found at the Church entrances, or on the Church website. Faith Formation hours will be given for participation. Please contact Rachel Harvey at 706-2262 or singplay@yahoo.com with any questions.

****TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY****

Can you help one of your fellow parishioners get to Mass? Our ride share program is in need of committed individuals to drive parishioners to Mass. We could also use volunteers to fill in on an as needed basis when a regular driver is unavailable. Building a pool of drivers is the best way to ensure all of our faithful can celebrate Mass. Parishioners seeking a ride to Mass are very committed to church and it is important that they continue to be part of our St. Joseph community. If you are feeling called to this great ministry or have any questions, please call Betsy Williams at the parish office 723-2090..

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL GOLF SCRAMBLE: Thank you to Scott Nelson, Marlene Sandberg, and Linda Ditka for helping make this year's golf scramble a huge success! We are grateful to all who contributed either by sponsoring a hole, donating prizes, donating their time or playing in the event. It was a beautiful day enjoyed by all!

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY is looking for members to gather with others to knit or crochet shawls. The groups meets once a month to pray, knit, and enjoy each other's company, while creating a visible sign of God's love for someone in need. Yarn is provided. Please contact Betsy Williams at 723-2090 for more information or if you are interested.

OCTOBER SPECIAL EVENTS

SAINT LUKE CHURCH

October– 5th, 6th & 7th—Fall Rummage Sale - Hours 9am-5pm on the 5th & 6th and 9am-noon on the 7th with \$1.00 a bag. **Drop off times are 10:00am-4:00pm Mon-Fri until the date of sale (Use the back entrance)**

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

October 14th—St. Joseph School Spaghetti Dinner—4pm-8pm, Adults \$8.00, Children (5-12) \$4.00, Children under 4—Eat Free, Take outs -\$8.00

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LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 9/24 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:45am For Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Luke Church
 10:30am Eugene Manfrey by Geno Manfredi

Monday, 9/25 Weekday
 12:00pm Alice Williams by Roy & Betsy Williams @ St. Luke

Tuesday, 9/26 Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
 12:05pm James Graziano by Deacon Joe Lucia

Wednesday, 9/27 Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
 9:05am Sam Falvo Anniversary by Family

Thursday, 9/28 St Wenceslaus, Martyr, St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs
 12:05pm Brooks Rossman by Fran Durante, Joe & Anna Durante, & Vicki & Brian Duckett

Friday, 9/29 St Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels
 8:00am Lucy Noto by Family

Saturday, 9/30 St Jerome, Priest & Dr of the Church
 5:30pm Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church

Sunday, 10/1 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:45am Frank Kwiatkowski by Phil & Judy Bosko @ St. Luke
 10:30am Michael Kolos by Karen

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
9/30			
5:30pm	K Jones	J Anderson, *P Bailey, * J Cauban-Lim, *D Geiger, C & K Darling, D Labowski	A Gatto G Gatto C Shene
10/1	D	J & R Cecco, W Harvey,	G Wortman
10:30am	Wortman	R Beyer, *J Kostrzewski, *E Keeney	I Wortman E Strausser

WEEKLY SANCTUARY CANDLES in Memory of
 Bill & Ellen Sherman, Jarrod & Justin Sherman
 by Terry & Janice Ressler & Katie Ressler

St. Joseph Church

Weekly Donations - September 17th - \$7703.50
 2nd Collection - Catholic Education - \$1809..19
 Thank you for your continued generosity!

ST. JOSEPH PARISH IN LUCINDA will host their annual fall country style turkey and ham dinner on **Oct.8th, 11:00am—1:30pm**. \$9.00 adults, \$4.50 children, free to Preschoolers.

HELPING HANDS ITEMS NEEDED IN SEPTEMBER

LAUNDRY SOAP, DISH DETERGENT, CLOROX WIPES, TOILET PAPER, AND PAPER TOWELS WILL BE COLLECTED during the month of **September for the Salvation Army**. Please continue to check the Helping Hands bulletin board for new items needed. Contact the Parish Office for information or questions @ 723-2090.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Ezra1:1-6; Gospel Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday Ezra 6:7-8,12b,14-20; Gospel Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday Ezra 9:5-9; Gospel Luke 9:1-6

Thursday Haggai 1:1-8; Gospel Luke 9:7-9

Friday Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; Gospel John 1:47-51

Saturday Zechariah 2:5-9,14-15a; Gospel Luke 9:43b-45

Sunday Ezekiel 18:25-28, Phil 2:1-11; Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday, September 24
 8:45am Mass @ St. Luke Church
 10:30am Mass
 Liturgy of the Word for Children
 5:00pm 10th Gr Confirmation pizza party (Meyer Hall)

Monday, September 25
 12:00pm Mass @ St. Luke

Tuesday, September 26
 12:05pm Mass
 4:30pm Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, September 27
 9:05am School Mass
 10:30am Faith Share (Meyer Hall)
 7:00pm Choir Practice (Church)

Thursday, September 28
 8:30am International Peace Pole/Prayer Ceremony (School)
 12:05pm Mass
 6:00pm Daisy & Brownie Scouts (Meyer Hall)

Friday, September 29
 8:00am Mass

Saturday, September 30
 4:30pm to 5:15pm Reconciliation
 5:30pm Mass

Sunday, October 1
 8:45am Mass @ St. Luke Church
 9:00am K-9 Faith Formation
 10th & 11th Grade Confirmation
 10:30am Mass
 Liturgy of the Word for Children
 Coffee & Donuts after Mass (Cafeteria)
 11:45pm Parents Confirmation Meeting (Meyer Hall)
 6:00pm Youth Praise Team rehearsal (Church)
 7:00pm CCY HS (Youth Room)

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraiser from Sept 5th—28th
 You can place an order for Little Caesar's Pizza with any student or call the School office. Thank you for your support in this fundraiser. If you or your children want to send your/their child/ren to St. Joseph Catholic School, please call the school at 814-723-2030. We have open enrollment.