



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,
Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:17

Parish Stewardship

Weekly collection for 11/02/25. not available
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POPE'S INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER
For the Prevention of Suicide

Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care, and love they need in their community and be open to the beauty of life.



Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world. Join us at St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Baptismal Training Sessions 2025

November 25th 6:30 pm St. Marys Church 814-781-1019

*THIS WILL BE THE LAST CLASSES UNTIL 2026

Faith Formation: Students in **Grades K-5** will meet for class in the Faith Formation bldg. on Sunday, Nov. 9th following 9:15 am Mass. **No Edge** and **No Purpose** classes.

Book of the Beloved Dead In preparation for the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls, a special **Book of Remembrance** will be available in the back of the Church. **Throughout the month of November**, please feel free to write down as many names as you wish. The Book will continue to be displayed in our Church so that all of the names you write in the book will be included in our prayers.

The **2026 Mass** calendar is open for scheduling Masses. You can come into the office M-Th between 9am and 4pm, call the office at 814-787-4151 x3, drop your request into the collection basket at church, or mail your request. Thank you.

A Family Perspective Jesus reminds us that the day will come for 'the children of God' where the complications of our earthly life will no longer matter. Just as parents recognize the sound of their children's voices, when you call out "Lord," will God say, "Who's there?"

Child Protection-Know the Warning Signs of a Predator:

Perpetrators are not waiting on the street to snatch kids; only 10% of sexually abused children are abused by strangers. 90% are abused by someone known and trusted by the child/child's family. Perpetrators integrate themselves into everyone's life, not just the child. They build relationships so that they are trusted to be alone with the child. One of the most important ways to ensure the safety of children in our environment is to know the warning signs of adults who present a risk of harm to children. Among these signs are when the person (1) always wants to be alone with a child in areas where no one can monitor the interactions, (2) allows a child to do things their parents would not permit, (3) is always more excited to be with children than with adults, and (4) discourages others from participating in activities involving kids. Visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/ for more information and resources.

The Power of Hope in Bennetts Valley
(Part Two)

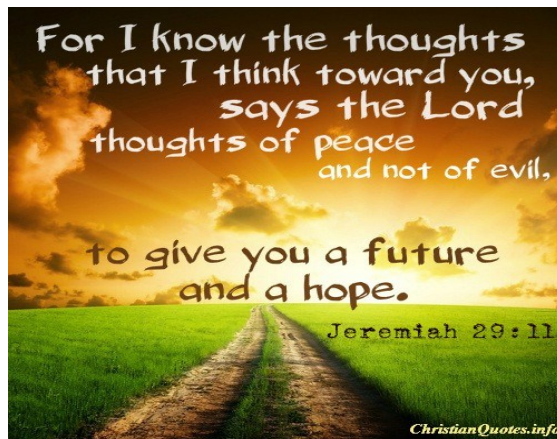
The hope and faith of members of our family and of our parish family is the power of hope that has been given to us. It has been activated in us through our own prayers that we pray and the great Christian example of our brothers and sisters who have passed on to a better and perfect life, with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Also, when people listen to our problems and we feel better and when we give our burdens to our Lord in prayer, the power of hope is being activated in each of our lives.

Life's glorious opportunities shower us with the power of hope: Baptisms (we have had six Baptisms recently here at St. Joseph Church), First Eucharist, Confirmation, and the many weddings that were celebrated here at St. Joseph Church over the years. We look forward to the construction and restoration of our social hall, so that, public dinners, classes, and social activities can continue to happen there.

As we take the time to celebrate the gift of hope during the continuation of this Year of Hope, I encourage us together to trust the power of hope that is ready to live in and through our life each new day! Just as the widow in the city of Nain, in our Gospel Reading this weekend, was filled with the power of hope when Jesus healed and brought life back into her son, so too, is Jesus ready and willing, in His Mercy, to bring back to life the power of hope in our relationships, in our physical and spiritual health, and in our Church. Why? So we can reflect the Goodness and Glory of God, and be missionaries of giving hope to others.

Finally, I leave you with some tools to use in order to keep the **Power of Hope alive in your life each new day!**

- (1) Pray the Rosary with a great desire for a closer relationship with Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Pray this for other people as well.
- (2) Attend Mass every weekend.
- (3) On busy or stressful days, spend quiet time in the Church.
- (4) Read the Bible often.
- (5) Get some online Catholic Apps such as: Laudate, Divine Office (in audio), EWTN, and the Hallow App.
- (6) Pray for the Power of Hope in all areas of your life.
- (7) Be kind and share your faith, hope, and love of God with others.



We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, November 10, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Dolores Floravit	The Gausman Family	Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church (32nd Week in Ordinary Time)	Wis 1: 1-7 Lk 17: 1-6 (491)
Tuesday, November 11, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass VETERANS DAY	Germaine Olewnik 89th birthday	Joann Georgino	Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop	Wis 2: 23--3:9 Lk 17: 7-10 (492)
Wednesday, November 12, 2025 No Mass			Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr	Wis 6: 1-11 Lk 17: 11-19 (493)
Thursday, November 13, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Eddie Levenduski 60th wedding anniversary	wife-Janice	Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin	Wis 7: 22b--8: 1 Lk 17: 20-25 (494)
Friday, November 14, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Stephanie Garvelli	Joann McPherson	Weekday	Wis 13: 1-9 Lk 17: 26-37 (495)
Saturday, November 15, 2025 No a.m. Mass			Weekday <i>Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; BVM</i>	Wis 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9 Lk 18: 1-8 (496)
Saturday, November 15, 2025 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church		Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	(see below)
Sunday, November 16, 2025 9:15 a.m. Mass	Bill & Kathy Tyler	Lamont & Frances Gray	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mal 3: 19-20a 2 Thes 3: 7-12 Lk 21: 5-19 (159)

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Diocesan parishes to host *Man of the Shroud Exhibit*

Thanks to the generosity of the National Shrine of St. Maximilian Kolbe at Marytown and the support of the Catholic Foundation of Northwestern Pennsylvania, several parishes across the diocese will host the “**Man of the Shroud Exhibit.**” The display features a replica of the renowned Shroud of Turin—often called the “Resurrection Shroud.”

Presented during November, the month dedicated to remembering the deceased, the exhibit offers a message of hope in the promise of our own resurrection and serves as a meaningful way to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope.

The exhibit will be hosted at **St. Boniface Parish in Kersey, Immaculate Conception Parish in Clarion, St. Francis Xavier Parish in McKean and St. Peter Cathedral in Erie.** Please see the attached flyer for dates and parish-specific details.

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