

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH PASTOR’S NOTES:
JUBILEE 2025 Pilgrims of Hope Ecumenical Choral Concert - You and your friends are invited to Saint John Gualbert Cathedral, Johnstown for a Jubilee Expression of Music at 2PM. on Sunday, October 5, 2025. The choirs featured will be: Diocesan High School Choir: featuring students from Bishop Carroll, Bishop Guilfoyle and Bishop McCort; Westmont Presbyterian Choir, Greater Johnstown Community Choir and Greater Johnstown Diocesan Festival Choir. Before and following the concert in the Zion Lutheran Hall next door you can view the Expressions of Hope Art and Photo display and refreshments.

ANNUAL FAMILY MARIAN MASS & ROSARY-SUNDAY OCTOBER 5 - The Family Marian Celebration Mass and Rosary will be held today Sunday, October 5th at 3PM at Saint Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown. The theme for this year’s celebration is “Mary Most Faithful: The Role of Mary in the Life of the Church.” Bishop Mark L. Bartchak will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Please join Bishop Mark, along with the priests, children, and religious organizations in honoring our Blessed Mother.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS - The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Monday October 13th, 2025, at 6:30PM at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Brian Norris. Bring a Friend!

UNIQUE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY Starting in January 2026 All Saints Parish in Boswell will begin Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), a Montessori based approach to religious education for children ages 3-6. CGS is held in a specially prepared space called an ‘atrium,” where children use beautiful, hands-on materials, to explore the life of Jesus, the liturgy, and scripture at their own pace. Through prayer and contemplation, CGS fosters the child’s natural and joyful relationship with God. The session usually lasts around 2-3 hours and will be held during the week (time and day to be determined by interest – either in the evening or during the day) in a space specifically set aside by the parish for CGS. Sisters of the Sacred Heart, who have been specially trained in CGS, will conduct the program. If you are interested in this unique opportunity, please phone Emily Marsh, secretary of All Saints Parish, at 814-629-5551.

DIOCESAN PRIESTS’ MEDICAL & RETIREMENT COLLECTION - Priests guide the faithful through our spiritual journey, sharing in our most important milestones, from Baptism to the day we are called home to the Lord. By showing your thanks for their dedication, you can make sure our priests are supported through their retirement years. Our retired priests receive a modest retirement pension, funded primarily by parish assessment, and take on their own housing and living expenses. Many graciously continue to serve parishes amid a shortage of active priests, celebrating Mass and visiting the sick and homebound. Your generous support allows the diocese to support our senior priests, such as Msgr Tomaselli, while keeping increases in the parish’s assessment for priests’ medical care and retirement needs to a minimum. Your gift to this annual collection shows your appreciation for the dedication of all our priests. Thank you.

DEAR PARISHIONERS, There will be a second collection to secure funds for building maintenance projects. The sum total of the costs for the following projects are estimated at \$122,000. These projects are:
1.Roof Repairs: The slate roofs on our Church, Hall and Rectory are aging and are missing several slate tiles and ridge caps. The roofs are over 50 years old, and we are doing our best to extend their life. The cost to repair the roofs and to install heat tracing in the gutters is \$25,000.
2. Church Pavers: \$6,700 **COMPLETED**
3. Parking Lot. The parking lot needs some pavement repairs and resealed. The estimated cost for this work is \$22,000. **COMPLETED**
4. Hall Air Conditioners: We are proposing to replace the existing units with two high efficiency units at a cost of \$14,400.
5. School Boilers: We had to replace the boilers in the school this past winter. One boiler was replaced at a cost of \$18,000, and \$36,000 is still needed for the two remaining boilers, for a total cost of \$54,000. **COMPLETED**
We are conducting second collections to raise money for the repairs. Our Parish has always been very generous in supporting the needs of our Church and we hope you will be as generous as your means permit. Thank you!
FUNDS RAISED: \$77,763 (We are over half way there!)

There will be a Special Anniversary Mass on Monday, October 6th at 6PM. Fr. P. Watson, Provincial Superior along with other Priests will be celebrating the Holy Mass in honor of St. Maria Faustina, their patroness. Please join them!

CONGRATULATIONS to Damien Renna and Joe Kelleman II, the winners of the pig raffle! Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser for our Parish.

On behalf of our parish family, we would like to extend our congratulations and blessings to all couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries this month.

Heavenly Father, bless these couples so that the love they have for each other may continue to reflect the love of Christ for his Church. Look with kindness upon them and continue to bless them with peace, joy, health and happiness.

STEWARDSHIP: October 5th, 2025 - The time, talents, and treasure entrusted to us are all God’s.
Regular Sunday: \$8,519
Online Giving: \$2,055
Votive: \$124
Building Fund: \$10,650
School: \$170



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SCHOOL NEWS FOR OCTOBER 5TH, 2025
10/6: Grade 6 Field Trip to Johnstown Airport for AERIUM Summit
10/10: NO SCHOOL – Diocesan In-Service – NO SCHOOL MASS
10/10 – 10/12: St. Pete’s Crop in Hall

LOOKING AHEAD:
10/13: NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
10/15: Marianna’s Pizza/Sub Orders due
10/17: SCHOOL IN SESSION but NO SCHOOL MASS due to the diocesan pilgrimage.
10/21: Grades 4 & 5 Field Trip to Ft. Ligonier

CONGRATULATIONS MRS. GROSHOLZ! St. Peter School’s second grade teacher, Mrs. Carlye Grosholz, will be recognized this Friday, October 10th, for her 25 years of service to St. Peter School. At this Friday’s Diocesan Teacher In-Service at Mt. Aloysius College, Mrs. Grosholz will receive her very special recognition from Bishop Mark Bartchak. On behalf of our entire school community, both past and present, we want to thank Mrs. Grosholz for her teaching excellence, her love and compassion for her students and for her commitment to the mission and spirit of Catholic education at St. Peter School. If you would like to send an appreciation or congratulations note to Mrs. Grosholz, you can reach her at the school address or at cgrosholz@saintpeterschool.org. Thank you, Mrs. Grosholz and God bless you!



ST. PETER PTA’S KICKOFF MARIANNA’S PIZZA AND SUB SALE IS UNDERWAY! All orders and payment are due by 9AM on Wednesday, October 15th. Delivery will be Friday, October 24th. Please see a school family to place an order by October 15th. These are a delicious way to have a quick lunch or dinner during these busy fall days. Thank you so much for your participation!

CCD NEWS
Prudence Shaulis, DRE
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10/5: CCD Class
10/5: Confirmation Class Rite of Commitment Mass at 12:15PM Mass
10/12: NO CCD or Confirmation Class - Fall Break

LOOKING AHEAD:
10/19: SHYCON 2025 will be held at the Stokes Center, St. Francis, Loretto.
10/26: Protecting God's Children

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We would like to thank our sponsor of the week: Paul Bunyan, Commercial & Residential Stump Removal

Pro-Life Corner: “How can there be too many children? That is like saying there are too many flowers.” - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

**THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA** will be collecting socks during the month of October for our annual Socktoberfest. They will be distributed to local charities. Please place socks in the collection box in the church lobby. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, November 5th, at 6PM in the annex.

ST. PETER’S MEN’S GROUP continues to offer "That Man Is You!", an interactive men’s program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith on Tuesday evenings at 7PM in the hall. All men are welcome!

A PRAYER FOR LIFE TO JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - *O Jesus, you came that we might have life and have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers' wombs and call us to love you for all eternity. As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, help us to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable. For you are God, forever and ever. Amen.*

MINISTER SCHEDULE:
OCTOBER. 11-12
Saturday - 4PM
E.M.: M. Farrell
Lector: P. Diesel
Greeters: Kolonich
Cleaners: K. Berkey, B. Neilan, M. Vukela
Sunday - 8AM
E.M.: C.Gombita
Lector: D. Halverson
Greeters: Kuhn
Sunday - 10AM
E.M.: Deacon Komula
Lector: A. DiLoreto
Greeters: Wilk, Halverson
Sunday - 12:15PM
E.M: J. Faidley
Lector: M. Petrosky
Greeters: Sheets

