



The way of God
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Finances for September 14/15, 2008

Loose \$ 147.69 White Offering \$2436.00
Total: \$ 2583.69
Envelopes used: 185/533
Last Year: \$ 2169.25
Thank you

Be transformed renew your mind

Mass Schedule

Monday, September 22, 2008

8:00 A.M. - John & Mary Calabro, requested by
The Calabro's

Tuesday, September 23, 2008

8:00 A.M. - Edward Lukashewski, requested by
The Casey Family

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

8:00 A.M. - Mary Hanco, requested by
Joseph & Jackie Gallagher

Thursday, September 25, 2008

8:00 A.M. - Martha Stec, requested by
Pat & Jack Pekala

Friday, September 26, 2008

8:00 A.M. - Edward Donnelly, requested by,
Patricia Zawilski & Sons

Saturday, September 27, 2008

5:00 P.M. - Louise Keil, requested by
Michael & Rose Kutzmonich

Sunday, September 28, 2008

8:30 A.M. - Betty & Tony Adamitis
In Celebration of their 50th Wedding
Anniversary
10:30 A.M. - Parishioners

Altar Servers Schedule

Saturday, September 27, 2008

5:00 P.M. - Gabrielle Konopczyk, Ryan Konopczyk

Sunday, September 28, 2008

8:30 A.M. - Curt Yenchik, Cole Rosner
10:30 A.M. - Christopher Welgosh, Matthew Mendofik

Lector Schedule

Saturday, September 27, 2008

5:00 P.M. - Patricia Heller

Sunday, September 28, 2008

8:30 A.M. - Jo Gulvas

Christine Dolny

10:30 A.M. - Yvonne Sapak

Michele Clark

Military Prayer List

Please pray for all those currently serving in dangerous lands.

Michael Boothe	Brandon Gething
Jonathan Cupina	Andrew Lukashewski
Charles Dixon	Brian Lukashewski
John Folmar	Joseph Lukashewski
Michael Janosov	Michael Rokitko
Christopher Kishback	Michael Sanders
Peter Dolan	Mark Allen Vital
Paul Konschnik	Adam Wendalski

Parish Sick List

Christopher Badman	Dorothy Gandzyk	Donald Murray
Richard Briggs, Sr.	Marion Honhart	Dorothy Novicki
William Baker	Kim Krakauski	Andrew Ostrazewski
Dee Dee Black	Dennis Law	Andrea Padden
Luke Charton	Phyliss Lukashewski	Michael Popiak
James Concannon	Joseph Lukashewski	R. T.
Edward Cooper	Christine Margalis	Harry Ratnieks
Henry Davenport	Anna Miller	Gloria Secoski
Miriam Dotzel	Loretta Mikolajczyk	Adrienne Wanyo
Joseph Evancho	Thomas Morrissey	

Candlelight Rosary

On Tuesday, October 7 at 6:00 P.M., the rosary will be prayed in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue. Afterwards, a covered dish meal will be enjoyed in the Social Hall. It is also our parish feast day.

At the same time, everyone is welcome to help celebrate the Altar and Rosary Society's 75th anniversary. Please call the rectory (868-5855) to make reservations.

60th Anniversary Celebration

Saint Theresa's Guild will celebrate their 60th Anniversary on Sunday, October 5. The day will begin with the ladies sitting together as a body at 8:30 A. M. Mass, followed by a luncheon at the Alden Manor at 1:00 P.M. Invitations will be mailed to all members. The cost of the luncheon is \$15.00.

Entertainment Books

Only 7 Entertainment books are left to complete this year's fund raiser. The cost is only \$20.00. To purchase Entertainment, call the rectory at 868-5855 or drop by to pick one up.

Upcoming Dates

- Sept. 27 - Blood Drive, Honoring Local Service Men
October 4 - Blessing of the Animals Mass
October 5 - St. Theresa's Guild 60th Anniversary
Alden Manor, 1:00 P.M.
October 5 - Blood Drive, Slocum Twp. Firehouse
October 7 - Candlelight Rosary
St. Mary's of Dorrance Feast Day
75th Anniversary of Altar & Rosary
Covered Dish, Social Hall

Our Grateful Faith Diocesan Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Every parish family is asked to consider making a pledge or gift to this year's Appeal. Please return the pledge card you received in the mail as soon as possible.

Rosary Rally

On Saturday, October 11 at 12 noon a Rosary Rally will take place in the parking lot of Mr. Z's Food Store, located on Route 309 in Mountain Top. All are invited to attend.

King's College

King's College (Wilkes-Barre, PA) invites students and their families to attend our Fall Open House Programs scheduled for Sunday, October 5 and November 9th. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. in the William Scandlon Physical Education Center. The formal program will begin at 10:00 a.m. with a welcome and overview of the day's events. Presentations on admissions, academic programs, financial aid, career planning and placement, internships, student life, and athletics will highlight the program. For more information or to register for the Fall Open House Programs, please call the Admissions Office at 570-208-5858 or 1-888-KINGS PA. You may also email admissions@Kings.edu or register online at www.kings.edu.

St. Theresa the Little Flower Novena

St. George Chapel, Loomis Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA will begin their Novena to the Little Flower on Tuesday, September 23. Devotions are 4:00 and 7:00 P.M. Guest Speaker, Father James Walsh, Pastor of St. Joseph's, Wyoming & Our Lady of Sorrows, West Wyoming. The Novena will continue until Wednesday, October 1 the Feast of St. Theresa. The guest speaker on the Feast Day will be Msgr. Vincent J. Grimalia, V.G. Vicar General, Diocese of Scranton. For more information, please call the rectory (868-5855).

St. Mary's Maternity Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Pasta at the Parish, Marymount Parish center, 154 S. Hancock Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA on Saturday, September 27, 2008 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adults: \$7.00 - Children (12 and under) \$3.00. Take outs available.

Support Our Local Blood Drives

Christ United Methodist Church, 175 S. Main Road, M.T. on Saturday, September 27, from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 P.M. This blood drive is honoring Mountain Top area members of the Armed Services. Free car wash for all donors.

Slocum Twp. Firehouse honoring Pete Webby a local man awaiting a kidney transplant on Sunday, October 5th from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

25th Anniversary Celebration

Rev. Mark G. Balczeniuk, current pastor of Transfiguration Church, West Hazleton and SS. Peter and Paul Church in Hazleton, invites everyone to come celebrate his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood with him on Sunday, November 9, 2008.

Mass: Transfiguration Church at 11:00 A.M.
213 West Green Street
West Hazleton, PA 18202

Reception: (Immediately following Mass & is handicapped assessable)

Holy Family Academy (School)
1700 23rd Street
Hazleton, PA 18201

Please call Transfiguration Rectory at (570) 454-3933 to make your reservation. An acknowledgment will be sent after your reservation is made.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 21, 2008

"Seek the Lord while He may be found, call Him while He is near ... let him turn to the Lord for mercy, to our God who is generous in forgiving" ... "My friend I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go ... Are you envious because I am generous?" I am sure we do not compare our following of God with the favorite children's game "hide and seek". But at times, our lives as disciples might seem to be just that. The Lord seems hidden, distant or even gone from us. Yet Jesus came precisely to reveal the Father's love to us all, by becoming one with us. Maybe it is I who have closed my eyes to count to ten, and today I open them to set out in search for the Lord in my daily living. He not only can be found, but is found in the events of daily life, in the people who surround me, in the depth of my heart. I just need to stop, look and listen. Turn to Him, not from fear, but because He is merciful and forgiving. Love God, because He loves us.

The two great gifts reflected in today's scripture are mercy and generosity. The Lord wishes to lavish us with them, but asks us to seek and turn to Him.

The wonderful writer Bishop Francis Xavier Nguyen referred to Jesus' generosity as a defect, for as a businessman He paid the same wage to the last hired as the first. Today as a disciple ask for the wage He offers of generosity and mercy, and share these same virtues with others.