

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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February 25, 2018



## Mass Times

Weekday – 8:30 AM

Saturday - 5:30 PM

Sunday – 9:00 AM

Holy Days – 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Holy Hour – Friday – 3:00 PM

**CONFESSIONS** – Saturday at 4:30 PM, Sunday at 8:00 AM and after Holy Hour,  
all Masses, or any time by appointment.

Religious Education – grades 1 -11 on Sunday 10:00-10:55 AM – Fr. Fairman

Parish Council – Bob Spargo, Chairman

Finance Council – Mark Rakoczy, OD, Chairman

Catholic Charities – 814-944-9388, call Monday through Friday, between 9AM and 5 PM

LITURGY---February 24-March 4

SATURDAY February 24
5:30 PM Jay I. Miller by Family
SUNDAY February 25
9:00 AM All Members of the Parish
MONDAY February 26
8:30 AM Clara Gardner
by Fred & Margaret Grover
TUESDAY February 27
8:30 AM NO MASS
WEDNESDAY February 28
8:30 AM Madeline Farland by Margaret Novak
THURSDAY March 1
8:30 AM Ralph Snyder
FRIDAY March 2
8:30 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory
by Grace Golden
3:15 PM EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR
4:30 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY March 3
5:30 PM Fran Hillegas by Loved Ones

SUNDAY March 4
9:00 AM All Members of the Parish

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March 3 & 4



LECTORS

5:30 PM P. Clingerman
9:00 AM M. Grover

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NEW PARISHIONERS: Please fill out a yellow registration card found by the bulletin board and introduce yourself to Fr. Fairman.

Parishioners: Please let us know if you are leaving the parish so we can update our records.

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DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET AND ROSARY: We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary before Mass at 5 PM Saturday and 8:25 AM Sunday. The Rosary and Chaplet is also prayed after weekday Masses.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Religious education for all students in the parish grades 1-11, classes meet from 10-10:45 AM. Contact Fr. Fairman to register a new student.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Feb 25-Choir practice after 9 AM Mass
Mar 3-Parish Retreat-9 AM-Social Hall
Mar 11-CCD Confessions
Mar 12-Pro Life Meeting-Homewood Estates-6:30 PM
Mar 14-Ladies Meeting-7PM-Social Hall

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PRAYER LIST: Pat Waltman, Conley Cirko, Bev Summerville, Michael Miller, Gabriel Grassi, Margaret Novak, Mary Drake, Hope Burkett, Pete Schetrompf, Joe Price Family, Fr. Norm Imgrund, Don Weaverling, Jane Cunard, Gene Ford, Cathy Crawford, Vincent Naglic, Chris Olsen, Ellen Coleman, Linda Wigfield, Joe Summerville, Deb Willey, Joan Buchanan, Anne Majcher, Herb Hillegas, Barb McConnell, Shirley Ford, Terry Young, Cameron Lowery, Marie Smith, John Milavec, Bradley Foor, Helen Terry, Bryce Phillip Johnson, Edwinna Flynn, Ann Robine, J. B. Whisker, Robert Myers, Stephen McLean, Jacey Schmidt, Jean Williams, Joette Reid, Jackie Verdiglione, Bill Waltman, Pat Young, Deborah James, Jane Hood, Rose & Ben Feight, John Watson, Sandy Carl, Emily Koontz, Carol Hines, Jeff Robine, Richard Bord, Helen Snyder, Kathleen Tomkosky, Nancy Stolarski, Troy Melliott, Dwane Gochnour, Fr. John Ellias, Cindy Appley, Mary Ellen Culver and Cohen Allen.

(Please call to add or remove a name once the person is recovered or no longer in need of special prayer. If you are placing someone other than a family member on the list, please be sure to have their permission first.)

SUNDAY OFFERING
February 18, 2018
Weekly: \$1,483.00
Ash Wed., Haiti Missions \$235.00
Black & Indian Missions \$258.00
Local Needs: \$50.00
Thank you!

MARCH LOCAL NEEDS COLLECTION: March 29, is Holy Thursday. Our collection that day will be for St. Vincent de Paul Society, Bedford County. We ask you to use your March monthly envelope for this collection. It will be combined with all other monthly donations.

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Notes from Fr. Fairman



Please note that I am in the process of changing my email address. My new email address is [fdfairman@gmail.com](mailto:fdfairman@gmail.com). Please use this new email, although I will still check the yahoo account as well.

If you would like to serve our parish as a money counter, please let me know. I can answer any question that you might have. Thank you for considering serving our parish in this way.

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**RETREAT:** Would you like to deepen your spiritual life? Would you like to find some renewal? Would you just like to take some time away from the hustle and bustle? On **Saturday, March 3**, at St



John's church, come join us for a retreat centered on conversion and repentance. We will begin at **9:00 AM** with Mass, with time for reflection, prayer and fun. We will end around **1:00 PM**. Lunch will be provided. Call the rectory at **652-5854** to let us know if you are coming, so that we can prepare enough for lunch.

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**REMINDER:** If the Everett School District has a delay or is cancelled due to the weather, Mass is also canceled. *If there is only a delay, we will still have our Eucharistic Holy Hour. If school is canceled, Eucharistic Holy Hour will be canceled.* Daily Mass is also cancelled on days of a funeral.

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**CHOIR PRACTICE:** The choir will practice after the **9:00 Mass**. Please consider joining your talent to our choir.



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**LADIES OF ST. JOHN:** Next meeting will be **Wednesday March 14, 2018, 7 PM**. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

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**PRO-LIFE:** Bedford County Citizens Concerned for Human Life meeting will be held **Monday, March 12, 6:30 PM**, in the game room at Homewood Estates. For more information call Doug Braendel at 814-623-6887

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



*this is my Beloved son, listen to Him. MKS:2-10*

**LENTEN PENANCE SCHEDULE:**

**Seven Dolors-Sunday, March 18**, after Noon Mass

**St. Thomas-Sunday, March 18**, 4 PM

**St. John the Evangelist:**

**Week of March 18**

Saturdays 4:30 PM, Sunday 8 AM

9:30 AM after regularly scheduled Masses

Wednesday March 21, 6:30 PM

After Stations of the Cross Friday at 5 PM

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**ST VINCENT DEPAUL:** In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

**Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.**

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**LITURGICAL REFLECTION:** During these forty days of Lent we recall our sins and seek the Lord's forgiveness, especially in the Sacrament of Penance. We are invited to fast, pray and give alms to the poor. These Lenten practices are to turn us from sin, and bring us closer to the Lord.

It is part of our Catholic faith to have Mass for our faithfully departed. When someone dies, family and friends have a Mass offered for the one who has died.

Parishes list the Mass intentions each week. Usually these Masses are for the dead, praying God will shed his mercy and compassion for the deceased. Mass intentions for the deceased seek God's mercy and peace for the faithful and, perhaps not so faithful Christian.

**Order of Christian Funerals, 1998-1989, Number 129, Diocese of Altoona Johnstown Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd. Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648.**

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**Families and the Gospel**

**February 25**

**Mark 1: 12-15**

The apostles thought they knew Jesus, but when he changed in front of them at the Transfiguration, they were afraid. In families we cannot freeze relationships because change and growth are inevitable. Children grow up, parents grow old and spouses change. Transfigurations are all around us and within us. Relationships can only grow when we embrace the new and let go of the old.

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**Stewardship Reflection**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**February 25**

Abraham's trust in God earned him a reward that was beyond his expectations. The transfigured Jesus is evidence to everyone who is fully obedient to God's will that all disciples will have everything to gain when they place their trust in God. "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

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**NOTE FROM FR. FAIRMAN:** All Fridays in Lent (February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30) are days of abstinence. The fourth precept of the Church is to **abstain** and **fast** on appointed days,



- Children, even if they are not bound to these obligations yet, should be instructed about them and educated in a true sense of penance.
- Many times people wonder what is considered meat and what is not. Meat includes beef, pork, chicken, turkey, ham etc. Amphibians, reptiles, fish and any cold blooded animals are not considered meat. Eggs, milk products and sauces made from animal fats may be eaten as well.

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### What is Meditation?

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*"Meditation is a Christian practice of prayer dating back to the early Church. As the Catechism states: "Meditation is above all a quest. The mind seeks to understand the why and how of the Christian life, in order to adhere and respond to what the Lord is asking." By meditating on the Gospels, holy icons, liturgical texts, spiritual writings, or "the great book of creation," we come to make our own that which is God's. "To the extent that we are humble and faithful, we discover in meditation the movements that stir the heart and we are able to discern them. It is a question of acting truthfully in order to come into the light: "Lord, what do you want me to do?" (CCC 2705-2706).*

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**ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLE:** Please drop off **rinsed, crushed aluminum beverage cans ONLY** for recycling, near the garage doors. **Aluminum foil and plates are NOT recyclable.** The proceeds are sent to the Haiti Missions.

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**BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION:** For Everett Elementary school in Everett. See container under bulletin board sample picture on container.

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### Carmelite Community of the Word offers Opportunities for Spiritual Enrichment

#### Sunday Sabbath Series Sunday, March 11, 2018 They Killed Sr. Dorothy

A documentary on the killing of 73-year-old Catholic nun and activist Sister Dorothy Stang in February 2005, in the Brazilian rain forest, where she, for 30 years, fought along with environmentalists and the underprivileged local communities against the exploitation of powerful loggers and landowners. Sunday Sabbath gatherings begin at 1:30 PM and end at 5:00 PM. It includes the DVD presentation and time for prayer, reflection and discussion. There is no charge for the session but a free will donation will be welcomed. **Pre-registration is requested 5 days before each session.**

Sessions will be held at Carmelite Community of the Word Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Rd., Gallitzin, PA. To register, get directions, or for more information, call 814-886-4098.

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### Spiritual Resolutions

We work on our physical fitness but what about our spiritual fitness?

**February:** Stretch out your heart to care about the situation of others.

*"Stretch out your hand to the poor, so that your blessing may be complete"* (Sir 7:32).



All exercise starts with warming up the muscles. Warm up the muscles of the heart this month by attending to compassion; feel with others in their pain and concern. Take a chance and stretch out your heart to care a little more somewhere along the month for someone (possibly a rebellious teen who has been difficult to listen to lately, or a challenging toddler who drains your energy).

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#### **THE FRIAR'S NOOK GIFT SHOP**

The Friar's Nook Gift Shop – Open Mon – Sat 10 – 4, 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg, Pa 16648 (Across from the Monastery) Stop in to see our new collections. We also have several outdoor statues and garden plaques. If you have any questions, please call (814) 695-3802.

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