

## PASTOR'S CORNER

**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD HAS BEGUN!** Our Atrium is prepared and we have welcomed our first group of children. If you have a child or grandchild who is aged 3 – 5, and would like to register for this program, it is not too late. Please call the parish office at your earliest convenience. Our sessions are held on Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM. Our catechist will be contacting those parents who show interest, and meets with each family individually for an orientation! God is so good to us in revealing to our little ones the Good Shepherd!

**ROSARY MONTH!** The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

**LUKE THE EVANGELIST** is one of the four traditionally ascribed authors of the canonical gospels. The Early Church Fathers ascribed to him authorship of both the Gospel of Luke and is also credited with the Book of Acts in the New Testament. He is mentioned by the Apostle Paul in some of Paul's letters to first-century churches. He is the only Gentile Christian among the Gospel writers. It is thought that He may have been converted to Christianity by Paul. He likely studied to be a physician in Antioch, in Syria. What is distinctive about Luke's Gospel is the attention he gives to the women who were disciples of Jesus, as well as the number of Jesus' parables which he records.

**CLERGY CONFERENCE** – Our annual clergy conference is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday of this week at the Antiochian Village in Ligonier. Please note that because Father Nelson and I will both be attending, there is no morning mass here at St. Rose on Tuesday, October 19. Bishop Mark intends to give an update on the upcoming synod in Rome on Synodality in the life of the Church, as well as reflections on what we can expect regarding for the “Eucharistic Revival” planned for the United States over the next couple years. Stay tuned!

**THE NOCTURNAL ADORATION SOCIETY** - On the first Friday of each month there is Eucharistic adoration at a specified parish in Altoona. Adoration begins at 8 o'clock, and continues until 11 o'clock. This Society of priests and laity has a long history in Europe and around the world. As the Church in the United States prepares to observe a Eucharistic Revival, this is the perfect time for our parishes to place renewed emphasis on Eucharistic Adoration. The site for nocturnal adoration varies from month to month. We are going to make a special effort to keep our parishioners informed as to the site for Nocturnal Adoration, and the hour that has been set aside for members of our own parish. The Nocturnal Adoration Society has a threefold purpose: 1) To provide a fervent response to Christ's invitation to keep prayerful vigil with Him (Mathew 26:38-40; Mark 14:37,38; Luke 22:40-46). 2) To deepen the experience of communion with Christ Eucharistic, as He continues His self-offering and saving influence. 3) To live more consciously and actively the full significance of the Eucharist as the sacrament of charity and unity for the Church and the World. We will make certain that the details for each first Friday are posted in the bulletin. Remember the words of Jesus to his sleepy disciples in the Garden: “Could you not watch with me for one hour?”

### October Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

#### *Missionary disciples*

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.



**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sun. October 17 - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Wed. October 20 - 5:15-6:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary**



**Monday, October 18 - Saint Luke, Evangelist**

8:30 a.m.  
 †LTJG William F. Kohlrusch, USN (*Jim Trexler*)

**Tuesday, October 19 - Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs**  
**NO MORNING MASS**

**Wednesday, October 20 - Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest**

8:30 a.m.  
 †Olive Savino (*Mary Engelman*)

**Thursday, October 21 - Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr**

8:30 a.m.  
 †Josephine and Frank Schachtner

**Friday, October 22 - Saint John Paul II, Pope**

8:30 a.m.  
 †Jean Lane (*Joseph and Vicki Pacovsky*)

**Saturday, October 23 - Vigil of the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00p.m.  
 †Margaret and Frank Vinglass (*Matt and Jean Charsky*)

**Sunday, October 24 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Mass For the People  
 10:30 a.m. †Richard, Betty and David Drabic (Family)

**CANDLES:**

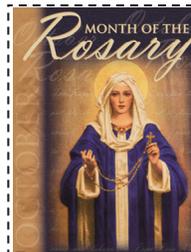
*For Kathleen Trout - requested by Susan Trout.*

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING**  
**October 9/10, 2021**

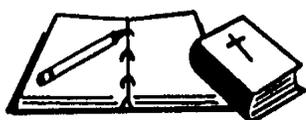
Regular	\$8,117.00	Children's	\$13.00
Loose	\$439.00		
First Offering	\$50.00	Haiti	\$60.00
Priest Medical/Retired	\$474.00	Catholic Register	\$23.00
		Total	\$9,176.00

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** Our culture constantly encourages us to do what we can to get ahead in this world, to do what feels good, no matter the effects; that power, authority, and wealth should be our goal. Our faith offers us something different and fulfilling. As Christian stewards, we are called to give our lives in humble service of God and neighbor, just as Jesus did. Our life is not supposed to be only about us. It is about fulfilling God's glorious plan. So, we must ask ourselves, are we living to reach His goal for me, personally? Is my life centered on Christ and others or is it "all about me?"

It can be difficult to know God's plan for our entire life. He sees the whole picture, we can only see the now. All we can do is seek Him daily. If each day is centered on Him, then our entire lives will become the work of Jesus. So let us make it our daily mission to do the will of God in Spirit and action. It will look different for each one of us. (*Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2021/9/20*)



**ROSARY:** The Rosary will be recited before all Masses during the month of October. Please come to Mass a little earlier and partake in this beautiful devotion to Mary.



*Religious Education News*

**October 22 Service Project - ARC Party** - 2 different shifts: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM or 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM (Must sign up with Yvonne Gibson - 814-330-2518)  
**October 24: 10:45 AM - 2:30 PM SHYCON Virtual at St. Rose (Students should bring a water bottle.)**  
**November 6: 9:00 AM to noon - 9th Grade Retreat - St. Therese Church (in Father Kelly Hall) Students must have sponsor, parent or grandparent with them. Please call or text Yvonne Gibson to register - 814-330-2518.**

### Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

The day before the feast of the Ascension in 1867, Father Désilets, pastor of Cap-de-la-Madeleine, Canada, stayed in the sacristy all day, waiting in vain for his parishioners to come to confession as he had urged them to do on the previous Sunday. Before going back to the rectory, he entered the church when a scuffling sound in the pews caught his attention. A big, dirty pig went up to the side altar of the Confraternity of the Rosary dominated by the statue of the Madonna. He had a Rosary in his snout that he chewed while dragging it on the floor. The priest drove away the animal, but a thought arose in his mind: "People are dropping their Rosaries and pigs are picking them up!"

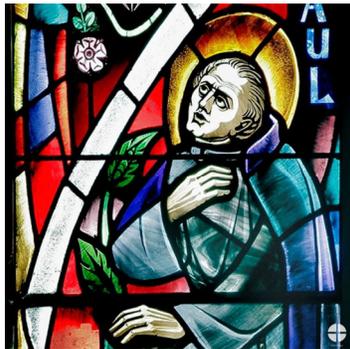
Then, kneeling before the statue of the Virgin Mary, the good priest promised to dedicate his life to raise the awareness about the Confraternity of the Rosary and spread the Rosary not only in his parish, but in the whole diocese and wherever his voice would be heard.

The Catholic revival in Cap-de-la-Madeleine can be traced to that day. Three years later, the modest church had become too small to hold the crowd of faithful every Sunday.

**FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL:** "Advice" books abound on marriage and parenting. Jesus tells us in today's gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve others. It is not about "getting," it's about "giving" ourselves. If you feel like you are a servant to your children and spouse, then you are doing it right. *Reprinted with permission: A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar.*

### SAINT OF THE WEEK:

Saint Paul of the Cross  
Dates: 1694-1775  
Feast Day: October 20  
Paolo Francesco Danei, the oldest son in a poor but noble Italian family, lived austere even as a teen. After a year in the Venetian army, he returned to a monk-like life of prayer and penance, and refused to marry. In a vision in 1720, Our Lady, wearing a black habit with a white cross and bearing Jesus' name, told Paul to start an order to preach Christ's passion. With his bishop's approval, he founded the Discalced Clerks of the Most Holy Cross and Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, which he led for the rest of his life, and later began a nuns' institute. Passionists were soon doing missions, retreats and spiritual direction throughout Italy. Paul was canonized in 1867.



### Readings for the Week of October 17, 2021

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist</b> 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs</b> Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest</b> Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Lk 12:39-48
<b>Thursday</b>	Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 12:49-53
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saint John Paul II, Pope</b> Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Lk 12:54-59
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saint John of Capistrano, Priest</b> Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

**WORRIED ABOUT A LOVED ONE?** St. Leonard's Personal Care Home in Hollidaysburg provides medication management, personal hygiene assistance, socialization, meals, housekeeping and a 24 hour staff in a home-like environment. We serve men and women 62+ for whom it is no longer safe to live alone. To tour our beautiful Victorian mansion or for more information, call Mrs. Connie Cretin, administrator, at 814-695-9581 ex. 107 during weekday business hours. We are a faith based facility but accept all eligible applicants, and will assist with financial aid applications where applicable.

### DIAPER DRIVE FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES:

Thank you to all who have dropped off diapers for Catholic Charities. We will continue to collect diapers throughout October. Catholic Charities is in need of the larger sizes, specifically sizes 4, 5, 6, and 7. Thank you again.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.



**Patris corde, 5. A Creatively Courageous Father**

In the Gospel accounts we learn that the Son of the Almighty came in to our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph. God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child. In this sense, Saint Joseph is the guardian of the Church. And the Church is the continuation of the Body of Christ in history. Jesus and Mary his mother are the most precious treasures of our faith.

The Church shows a special love for the least of our brothers and sisters as Jesus did, having been taught by St. Joseph. We too, continue to protect the *child and his mother*, by our love for the Church. Every poor, needy, suffering or dying person, every stranger, every prisoner and every infirmed person is “the child.” For this reason, Saint Joseph is invoked as protector of the unfortunate, the needy, the exiles, the afflicted, the poor and the dying. We must learn that same care and responsibility.

**St. Joseph, A Creatively Courageous Father, Protector of Children and Mothers, pray for us.** (Pope Francis Apostolic Letter *Patris corde*, 2020, 5. Dec. 8, 2020; 2021), Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, *Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center*, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

**RAFFLE TICKETS FOR AFGHAN:** Help us help our neighbor... the Altoona Catholic Daughters of the Americas are selling raffle tickets for an afghan made by one of our member’s mother! Tickets are \$5.00 each. For tickets contact Donna at 814-631-3509. Flyers are in most parish foyers or you can see a flyer online at: [cda2625.com/2021-afghan.pdf](http://cda2625.com/2021-afghan.pdf).

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**St. Rose of Lima’s St. Vincent de Paul Conference Weekly Reflection for October 17 - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

In the Gospel today Jesus tells his disciples: “Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest; whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all.”

**When you give the furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you give hope to your neighbors who have nothing.**

If you know of someone in need, please visit our website (<http://strosesvdp.org>) to inform us of their situation. We will do our best to help out in any way we can. We encourage all parishioners to use our website to help us help those in need. Thank you!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN BBQ BENEFITING THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEED’S OFFICE:** The St Rose SVDP Conference supports the poor and disadvantaged individuals in our area through the St Vincent de Paul Needs office. The Needs office brings God’s love and mercy to those in need by providing help with utilities, rent and other financial support. In December, the Knights of Columbus of Hollidaysburg will be hosting a Chicken BBQ to benefit the St Vincent De Paul Needs Office. The BBQ will be held December 12th. The meal includes the Knight’s famous BBQ Chicken, baked beans, applesauce and a roll. Tickets are only \$10. Tickets are available at the Parish Office and after some of the Masses from now until the 5th of December. Please help us help others and buy your ticket(s) today. May God Bless You!

**SPAGHETTI DRIVE-BY:** The Church of the Transfiguration will be having a Spaghetti Drive-By on Sunday, October 24, 2021 from 10:30am to 1:30pm. Meal includes: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Tossed Salad, Dinner Roll & Dessert. All for \$8.00 per meal!

**TAKE OUT SPAGHETTI DINNER:** St. Mary’s Altoona Christian Mothers Spaghetti Dinner (take out only), will be held on Sunday, November 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The pick-up location is the Saint. Mary’s Memorial Hall at 1418 Fourth Avenue, Altoona. Dinners are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for children under 10, children under 3 years of age are free. Tickets will be sold after Mass at St. Mary’s the weekends of October 16/17, October 23/24 and October 30/31. Tickets can also be purchased at the St. Mary’s Rectory (1405 Fifth Avenue) or by calling 814-942-2416. Deadline for ordering is Sunday, October 31.