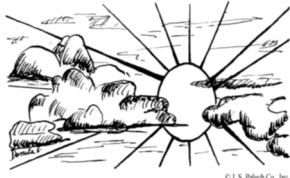


**Thirtieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
October 28, 2018**

The LORD has done great things  
for us; we are glad indeed.  
*Psalm 126:3*



**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH  
ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
ST. MARTIN OF TOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Joint Parish Office located at:

15 E. Church St., Susquehanna, Pa. 18847

Phone Number 570-853-4634 Office Email: jointoffice3@gmail.com

Fax: 570-853-3356. [www.saintslawrencemartinjohn.com](http://www.saintslawrencemartinjohn.com)

**JOINT Website: [www.saintslawrencemartinjohn.com](http://www.saintslawrencemartinjohn.com)**

**Emergency Phone Number at St. Lawrence Rectory: 570-267-1366 or Fr. Dave at 570-604-0819**

**BAPTISM:** The Church, as a norm, celebrates baptism on Sunday, the Lord's Day. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** We always welcome new members to our parishes. Registration is important so that we may serve your spiritual needs. Call the office to register. You must be registered to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage or be granted letters of eligibility for sponsoring a Baptism or Confirmation.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples contemplating marriage should contact the parish office at least six months before the anticipated date. This allows for proper preparation for this sacrament of commitment.

**PENANCE:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday at St. John's after Mass, St Lawrence at 4:15PM, and at 3:15 to 3:45PM at St. Martin's. Individual Confessions can also be arranged at another time by calling the parish office for an appointment.

**HOSPITALS/NURSING HOMES AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Please notify the parish office of anyone in the hospital, nursing home or seriously ill anticipating an operation or advanced in age. Members of the parish are available to bring communion to the sick and the homebound each Sunday.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** You can honor a deceased relative or friend by remembering them with a Mass intention. Please call the rectory if you would like to have a Mass said for someone. The stipend is \$10.00 per Mass.

**CHURCH NEWS DEADLINE:** Information for our weekly bulletin, inserts, and church announcements should be submitted to the parish office by **TUESDAY 11:00 AM**. If you or your organization has an announcement or prayer request to be read by the lector at mass, please have it to the parish office by our Tuesday deadline as well.

Like us on Facebook: @stlawrencemartinjohn check it out and don't forget to "Like & Share"

**Joint Mission Statement**

We, the Roman Catholic Parishes of St. John the Evangelist, St. Lawrence and St. Martin of Tours, are committed to enriching our faith in Jesus Christ and our Catholic heritage through prayer, the celebration of the Sacraments, and devotion to the Eucharist. We joyfully proclaim the Gospel to all through word and deed and encourage our faith community to share God's gifts by serving others in works of hospitality and love.

Rev. David Cramer, Pastor  
Deacon Ron Maida  
Mrs. Vickie Mulligan, Pastoral Associate/Joint DRE  
Mrs. Judi Salinkas, Joint Secretary

**Bible Study:** Friday evenings at 7PM, in the St. Lawrence Trinity Center.

**Divine Mercy Service** Is postponed until further notice.

**Email Prayer Chain**, please send us your email! This prayer chain is not replacing the phone chain, it's just getting the prayers said to more people! jointoffice3@gmail.com

**Eucharistic Devotions:** Are held at St. John's on Sunday evenings at 6:00PM. All are welcomed.

**Grief Support Group:** Watch the bulletin or call the parish office for time and dates.

**Holy Hour:** Will be held after the Thursday morning Mass at St. Martin's. The hour will include the Mass and 30 minutes of private adoration. At 8:45 the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited.

**Nigerian Mission Collection:** Will take place on the 3rd weekend of each month.

**Novena at St. Lawrence:** Every Monday evening at St. Lawrence there will be a Novena and Adoration after the 7:00PM Mass.

**Patriotic Rosary** is said at St. John's Chapel every Thursday at Noon. All welcome to join us.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** If you know of anyone who is in need of one of these special lap shawls/quilts please call Toni Romanofski @ 853-4715 (St. John's), RoseMary Cosentino @ 756-2557 (St. Martin's) and Cheryl Tomeo: @ 879-4364 (St. Lawrence) or call the parish office at 853-4634. **Next meeting** is November 8th, 2018. We have given out over **250** quilts/shawls. We make these for our joint baptisms as well! Quilters and knitters always needed.

**Pro-Life Ministry:** Call parish office for more information.

**Special Novena:** On Thursday mornings at the 8:00 AM Mass at St. Martin of Tours there is a special novena after Mass to St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer victims and those suffering from serious illness. There is a prayer box by St. Peregrine's statue where you can enter the name of a suffering loved one or yourself to be remembered. The box is emptied January 1st and July 1st. You are welcome to reenter names for those still suffering. Anyone in need of the Sacrament of anointing can receive the anointing that evening by calling the rectory at 570 853-4634.

**THE GREATEST NEED**

The world's greatest need is not more Christians but more Christians who practice their Christianity.

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

## Food Bank Collections (Susq. Food Pantry)

Items may be left in the vestibule. All monetary gifts may be placed in an envelope marked "FOOD BANK" (cash only) and dropped in the collection. Canned veggies, soup & cereal.

We are still collecting rosaries for our troops. Please place them in the back of church.

**Need a lift to Church?** St. John's has a transportation Committee to help out parishioners who need a ride to church. Call JoAnn Barnes at 570-647-0833.

The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** burns for all the unborn.



## THIS SUNDAY, October 28th

**The CCD Parent Activity Committee**, in conjunction with St. John's Women's Club, will be sponsoring a Family Fun Fall Festival on October 21st following CCD class. Bounce house, games, cider and donuts, and free fun for all! **All students received a flyer in class.** For more information contact Kathy Matis at kmatis14@gmail.com

## **St. John's Woman's Tea & Christmas Craft:**

Saturday, November 3rd, 10AM-1PM. Call the parish office to sign you and or your table up. Come alone or bring some friends.

**American Girl BINGO:** Saturday, November 10th at St. John's Hall.



**Blood Drive:** St. John's Hall on November 15th 12:30-5:30PM



## A SAINTLY DEFINITION

The saint does everything that any other decent person does, only somewhat better and with a totally different motive.

**"Individual commitment to a group effort-- that is what makes a team work, a company work, a church work, a society work, a civilization work." ..**

15 E. Church St.  
Susquehanna, PA 18847



## **Stewardship—St. John's**

October 20th & 21st 2018

Offering Env: 1,845.00 Loose: 189.00 World Mission: 123.00

**Total: 2,157.00**      **3** families used WeShare.

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## **Ministries—St. John**

**Wednesday, Oct. 31, 7PM All Saints Vigil**

B. Stone (lector) L. Stone, M. Snyder, C. Walker

**Friday, Nov. 2, 8AM All Souls Day**

M. Mazikewicz (lector) B. Burns, C. Barnes, V. Mulligan

**Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018 5:30PM**

A. Nieradka, J. Burke (Servers)

G. Chianese (Lector) (EM) S. Decker, C. Walker, J. McNamara

**Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018 8:30PM**

M. Matis, L. Dooley (Servers)

(Lector) M. Mazikewicz (EM) J. Schell, J. Bucci, B. Cook

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CCD has begun. Be cautious behind the wheel and watch for our children.

*Happy Birthday  
80th  
Carl Tross*

*AGE is merely the  
number  
of years  
the WORLD  
HAS BEEN  
enjoying  
YOU*

**IHM Silver Circle:** For \$ 25.00 you can participate in 324 drawings from Oct. 2018 to June, 2019, in which the lowest prize is \$ 50.00. There is also a \$ 1,000.00 prize drawing. In addition, Silver Circle members share in the daily prayers and works of the Sisters of IHM, Scranton, Pa. and are remembered in a monthly Mass for benefactors. All proceeds from Silver Circle Program benefit the IHM Retirement Fund. For an application and or additional information, please contact:

Sr. M. Rosella Salvato, IHM St. Clare Convent  
2201 N. Washington Ave. Scranton, Pa. 18509  
phone # 570-346-3359

# ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

380 FRANKLIN STREET GREAT BEND, PA. 18821



We at St. Lawrence ask you to PLEASE pray for those who have been placed on our prayer chain:  
*Jerry Stahl, Lorraine Smith, Karen Hartt, Cathy Johnson, Barry Corrigan Jr. J. Gill, Bernard Kovitch, Kathy Roe & Jeannie Grassman.*

*\*\* when adding a person to the prayer list, PLEASE let us know when we should take off their name.*

**Food Pantry:** You can leave non perishable food items in the cry room for the Great Bend Food Pantry. All items are needed and greatly appreciated.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Will be on Friday evenings at 7PM in the St. Lawrence Trinity. All Welcome and encouraged to come.

**\*\* Bible Study will be held in the church on Friday, Nov. 2nd.**

St. Lawrence is looking for someone to step up and take over the job of caring for our church linens. This is changing/washing the altar linens and having them cleaned when necessary, (at our expense).

**\*\*Paulette will be leaving before the snow arrives so please consider stepping up so she can show you a few things.**

Call the parish office if interested. SOON!

If interested call the parish office at 570-853-4634 or see Paulette.

## Harvesting Our Blessings Food Drive

To benefit the Great Bend Methodist Food Pantry. All Food STAYS LOCAL. Items needed are..pasta & sauce, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruits & vegetables, toilet paper and cleaning supplies. And of course, cash donations can be dropped into collection basket marked "Judi"



Benefit for Cheryl Buchta on Nov. 17th 5-8PM at the American Legion Post 357 Hallstead, Pa.

Cheryl has spent the vast majority of her life helping others as a fellow Volunteer EMT on the Great Bend Hallstead Ambulance. Cheryl has small cell lung cancer.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** St. Lawrence Trinity Center on Thursday, November 15th 10:30-2:30PM.



## THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety, Fear of the Lord

## Stewardship- St. Lawrence

October 6th & 7th, 2018

Offering Env: 1,509.00 Loose: 249.00 Maint: 51.00 Fuel: 175.00 World Mission: 77.00 Nigerian Mission: 150.00.

**Total: \$ 2,061.00**

**0** families used WeShare.

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## MINISTERIES-ST. LAWRENCE

*"A Disciple's Response of Time and Talent"*

**Wednesday, Oct. 31st All Saints Vigil 7:00PM**

J. Burton (lector) R. & D. Maida (EM)

**Thursday Nov. 1, 2018 7PM J. Burton, R. & D. Maida**

**Friday Nov. 2, 2018 12Noon I. McCarthy D. Shreffler**

**Saturday Nov. 3, 2018 5:00PM**

C. Rinker (lector) D. Maida, F. O'Connor (EM)

**Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018 8:00AM**

J. Burton (lector) D. Shreffler, D. Horn (EM)

**Greeters:** M. Smith **10/27:** B. McGoldrick **10/28:** J. Burton  
**11/3:** C. Oliver **11/4:** B. McKetta **11/10:** D. Vogel **11/11:** C. Salinkas.

The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** burns for or all the unborn.



## Pampered Chef BINGO

Friday, November 2nd held in the St. Lawrence Trinity Center. Limited seating. 2 hours of fun and laughs. 20 games for \$20.00. Each prize is

worth **AT LEAST \$50.00.**

Homemade soups available. Questions call Judi at the parish office.853-4634.

**Don't wait, get your ticket NOW! Limited seating.**



Knights of Columbus # 356-Great Bend  
**Spaghetti & Homemade Meatball Dinner**  
Saturday, Nov. 10th, 2018 4PM-7PM in the K of C Hall, Great Bend. Adults \$ 10.00, Children 6-12 \$ 5.00 & 5 & under free. Includes salad, dessert and bev. Take out available

# ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

State Rts. 92 & 492



## St. Martin of Tours Mission Statement

United with the Holy Father, our Bishop, and our Pastor, we, the parish community of St. Martin of Tours, bring the Word of God alive through our Eucharistic celebrations and Works of Charity.



The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** burns for all the unborn.

The St. Peregrine prayer box: If you have a loved one who remains in need of prayer you are welcome to put your request in the prayer box.

**PLEASE JOIN US:** Each First Saturday Mass at 8:00AM at St. Martin of Tours.

First Saturdays in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary include the following elements, performed with the intention of reparation for blasphemies against the Immaculate Heart, for at least five consecutive months: Confession (Father will be available) Holy Communion received on the first Saturday of each month; the Holy Rosary, five decades recited sometime during the day; meditating for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary.

**THANK YOU** to all who came out and enjoyed our luncheon. A special thank you to Fran, Joann & Frank, Rita, Miriam and Rose Mary for all their help with the preparation, serving and cleaning up. Thank You to Rose Mary for making and donating the beautiful wreaths for the raffle!

Our donations totaled: \$ 407.00.

*Encourage, lift and strengthen one another. For the positive energy spread to one will be felt by us all. For we are connected, one and all.*

## **THE HOPE AND PROMISE OF REDEMPTION**

The prophet Jeremiah prophesies the end of the Babylonian exile. He describes how the weak and sorrowful people now return with joy. These are the scattered people of God: the blind and the lame, the mothers and pregnant women. They shall be led along an easy road so that no one will stumble. The Lord's kindness and mercy are on all these weak and broken people.

Here and in Psalm 126 we find the most lovely poetic images of God's love and care for us. "Those that sow in tears / shall reap rejoicing. Although they go forth weeping, / carrying the seed to be sown, / they shall come back rejoicing, / carrying their sheaves" (Psalm 126:5-6). Although God had to punish Israel for their many sins, God never forgot them, scattered as they were, and brings them all back to the land of their ancestors, there to flourish and be joyful again. We can see in this the hope and the promise of our own redemption, gathered from the far corners of the earth into the great banquet of God.

## STEWARDSHIP ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

October 20th & 21st, 2018

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,653.00 Loose: 122.00 Care & Edu: 5.00 Maint: 5.00 Fuel: 25.00 Mission Sunday: 166.00 **Total: \$ 1,976.00** 1 family used WeShare.

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*Time, Talent & Treasure: Think of giving not as a duty but as a privilege.*

## MINISTERIES-ST. MARTIN'S

**Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018 4:00PM**

R. Gilleran (Lector) M. Czachor (EM)

**Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018 11:00AM**

F. Kwader (Lector) B. Kwader, B. Supancik, K. Kempa (EM)

**Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018 8AM**

**Friday, Nov. 2, 2018 7PM**

St. Martin of Tours has an **Emergency Prayer Request** team that is ready to pray for the needs of her parishioners. Prayer requests can be made to Annette Corrigan at [corrigan@echoes.net](mailto:corrigan@echoes.net) 570 280-2264 or Betsy Supancik at [grannybets68@yahoo.com](mailto:grannybets68@yahoo.com) 570 756-2586.

**Holy Hour:** will be held after the Thursday morning Mass. The hour will include the Mass and 30 minutes of private adoration. At 8:45 the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited.

**Special Novena:** On Thursday mornings at the 8:00 AM Mass at St. Martin of Tours there is a special novena after Mass to St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer victims and those suffering from serious illness. There is a prayer box by St. Peregrine's statue where you can enter the name of a suffering loved one or yourself to be remembered. The box is emptied January 1st and July 1st. You are welcome to reenter names for those still suffering. The box is emptied, please resubmit your names of loved ones for prayers.

**Our Rosary Garden** The prayerful can walk along the stepping stones to recite the Rosary for anyone in the need of healing or special intentions. It may be found in the front yard facing the statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

**Egg Cartons Needed:** Please bring them to St. Martin's and leave them by the food baskets, or see Fran.

# PARISH CLUSTER NEWS

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** The next meeting is November 8th, 2018 in St. John's Parish Hall. All welcome to come!!! Baptism blankets/quilts as well as regular sizes and colors are appreciated. We have given away over 200!

If you cannot serve on your scheduled mass, please do your best to find a substitute. If you are a server, lector or EM, at one of our other two churches, please don't hesitate to help. After all, we are all *One Body of Christ*.

St. John's ~ St. Lawrence ~ St. Martin's  
**EACH** need of a person to shovel sidewalks this winter. This is for morning and weekend masses. PLEASE call the parish office ASAP is interested.



If you or a loved one are in the hospital or you are unable to attend Mass due to advanced age or sickness/disability and would like a home visit, please call the parish office at 853-4634. Fr. Dave is more than happy to pay you a visit!

O Quam Gloriosum. Please join us for our debut concert of the Southern Tier Singers' Collective, a new professional-level chamber choir in central N.Y. Motets by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina and Francesco Soriano frame Tomas Luis de Victoria's evocative motet and Mass "O Quam Gloriosum." Open to the public; no ticket required.

*A free-will offering will be collected.*

Friday, October 26th, 2018, 7:30PM

St. Patrick's Church at 9 Leroy St. Binghamton, NY 13905 (featuring Josh Silver)

**Pampered Chef BINGO:** Friday, Nov. 2nd 6-8PM start. St. Lawrence Trinity Center. Call parish office for more information and tickets. Limited seating.

**2018 Feed A Friend:** Susq. County Trehab, WNEP 16 and Susq. County Churches are teaming up for Thanksgiving Dessert. They are asking for canned pie filling, box pie crust, box cake mixes & prepared canned frostings. If you know of anyone in need of a Thanksgiving Basket contact the Trehab's Station House at 570-853-1109

\*\* The Barrels at St. Lawrence are for the Great Bend Food Bank ONLY.

**In Loving Memory:** A Mass of Remembrance Help, comfort, sympathy, in time of bereavement, mourning, grieving, thanksgiving and celebration of a loved one's life and fond memories. Will be celebrated on Friday, November 2nd, 2018. St. John's: 8:00AM ~ St. Lawrence: 12Noon & St. Martin of Tours: 7:00PM.

*We cannot accomplish all that we need to do without working together.*

<b>Sat. Oct. 27</b> St. Martin's	4:00PM	Elaine Hobart req. by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keyes
St. Lawrence	5:00PM	Dean Marzocca Sr. req. by Cheryl Salinkas and family
St. John's	5:30PM	Robert F. Reddon req. by Pat and MaryBeth Ahearn
<b>Sun. Oct. 28</b> St. Lawrence	8:00AM	Theresa Bogusinski req. by Lloyd and Mickey Thomas
St. John	8:30AM	Damian Silipo req. by Shirley Silipo
St. Martin's	11:00AM	Joseph Kapcsandi Jr. req. by Steve and Jenny Bixby
<b>Mon. Oct. 29</b> St. Lawrence	7:00PM	<b>Prayer Service</b> Evelyn Woolbaugh req. by Ray and Liz Landes
<b>Tues. Oct. 30</b> St. John's	8:00AM	<b>Prayer Service</b> Anna Salvato req. by Chet Walker
<b>Wed. Oct. 31</b> St. Lawrence	8:00AM	Poor Souls in Purgatory
St. John's	7:00PM	Gerald Gow Sr. req. by Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNamara Sr.
<b>Thurs. Nov. 1</b> St. Martin's	8:00AM	All Saints Helen Space req. by the Mulligan family
St. Lawrence	7:00PM	Catherine Battisti req. by Frank and Sharon O'Connor
<b>Fri. Nov. 2</b> St. John's	8:00AM	All Souls (Mass of Remembrance) Mary Ahearn req. by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adornato
St. Lawrence	12Noon	Dec'd members of our parish community
St. Martin's	7:00PM	Dec'd members of our parish community
<b>Sat. Nov. 3</b> St. Martin's	8:00AM	Dec'd members of our parish community
St. Martin's	4:00PM	Elaine Hobart req. by Frank and Betty Kwader
St. Lawrence	5:00PM	Frank and Barbara McKetta req. by Barbara McKetta
St. John's	5:30PM	William and Louise Canini req. by Joe Canini
<b>Sun. Nov. 4</b> St. Lawrence	8:00AM	Ernest Megali req. by Irene McCarthy
St. John's	8:30AM	Romolo Redicchi req. by his family
St. Martin's	11:00AM	Isabelle Plonski req. by Christine and Ilhan Sezer

## Confession:

St. John: Saturday's after Mass

St. Lawrence: Saturday's 4:15-4:45PM

St. Martin: Saturday's 3:15-3:35PM