

**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 3, 2019**

Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. *Luke 6:44*



MOST HOLY TRINITY PARISH

Parish Office located at:
15 E. Church St., Susquehanna, Pa. 18847
Phone Number 570-853-4634
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www.saintslawrencemartinjohn.com



In case emergency call 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.

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check it out and don't forget to "Like & Share"



Parish Statement

We, the Most Holy Trinity Parish, 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/ DRE
Mrs. Judi Salinkas, Secretary

Bible Study: Is off for the winter months. We will start up in April.

Divine Mercy Service Wednesday's at 3PM at St. Lawrence Church.

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's at 2:30PM. All are welcomed.

Grief Support Group: Call the parish office for more information.

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.

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: @ 607-761-3843 (St. Lawrence) or call the parish office at 853-4634. **Next meeting is March 7, 2019.** 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 15 E. Church St. Susquehanna, PA 18847



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 our Most Holy Trinity Parish



The St. John's Woman's Club will meet on March 12th.

St. Patrick's Party

Friday, March 8, 2019
7:30-10:30PM at St. John's
Parish Hall

LIVE Music by The Shambles
Tickets \$ 20.00

Sponsored by St. John's
Men's Club Contact any
member for tickets or more
information



Ashes & Mass

Wed., March 6th
St. Lawrence: 8:00AM
St. Martin's 12Noon
St. John's: 7:00PM

THE INSIDE SHOWS

In this third Sunday of our reading from the Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks of the inner soul and its outer expression. He uses images as he teaches. He addresses all of us.

Jesus sees a plumb line connecting the soul with the soul's expression-words and actions. He uses exaggeration to drive home his point. We are urged to clear out the debris that blinds us. He knows that we have an uncanny ability to be blind to our own weaknesses, though they be as big as a board. He knows, too, how willingly we seem to ferret out others' smallest speck-like flaws.

And this, too, is for our general consumption; solid old goodness and solid old badness will show eventually. The old Latin saying, which echoes Jesus' images, is true: "What is bred in the bone will out in the flesh." By and by, the inside will show through.

Stewardship—St. John's

February 23rd & 24th, 2019
Offering Env: 1,995.00 Loose: 143.00 CCD: 29.00
Fuel: 15.00 Improvements: 361.00 **Total: \$ 2,543.00**

Please make checks payable to Most Holy Trinity Parish

Ministries—St. John

Saturday, March 9, 2019 5:30PM
A. Nieradka, J. Burke (Servers)
K. Matis (Lector) (EM) L. Norris, M. Snyder, C. Walker

Sunday, March 10, 2019 8:30PM
L. Hilling, J. Paynter (Servers)
L. Buffington (Lector) (EM) J.Schell, B. Cook, C. Barnes

Ash Wed., March 6th 7PM
M. Matis, A. Nieradka L. Buffington
B. Burns, C. Barnes, M. Snyder



NEW FACEBOOKPAGE: @mostholytrinitynepa
check it out and don't forget to "Like & Share"

Winter Weather Reminder: If school is closed no weekday morning mass. If delayed, weekday morning mass is delayed.

We are in desperate need of Center Volunteers and Meals on Wheels drivers in the Susquehanna area. It's only a couple hours a day and they can pick the day or days they could help out. Please call 570-278-7667.

Please consider staying after mass to kneel and say 3 Hail Mary's for our Troops. This is something St. Lawrence has done for years and it would be nice to have all of us join in.



"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." ..

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, Kathy Roe, Cheryl Butchta, Jim Malonis, John Vasina, Eddie Reddon, Nancy Rychlewski, Rita Reavey, Carla Larson Francis Canfield & MaryAnn Jorgenson.

**** when adding a person to the prayer list, PLEASE let us know when we should remove 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: Is not scheduled for the winter months. We will resume in April.

Divine Mercy Wednesday's at 3:00PM at St. Lawrence Church during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The service will include hymns, prayers from St. Faustina's diary. Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as Veneration of the relic of St. Faustina. Please join us.

Flowers for the Altar: Anyone wishing to have flowers on the altar at St. Lawrence can call Lorraine James at 570-465-3393.

Ashes & Mass

Wed., March 6th

St. Lawrence: 8:00AM

St. Martin's 12Noon

St. John's: 7:00PM

You can get your Lenten soup while you're here!

A Big Thank You to all who donated items to the Rummage Sale. We couldn't have a sale without your donations. Thank You to ALL who came out and bought items and cooked and worked the sale as well. It takes a lot of work and time to make it successful. Your time talent and treasure are greatly appreciated. The sale made \$ 1,600.00.

Save the Date, Sat. March 23rd. Liz and Ray Landes will be hosting the Caring Café' at the GBUMCC in memory of Rays Mom, Marilyn Landes (Caring Café' founding member). All are welcome to come and enjoy this delicious free meal and bring a friend. Hope to see you there! Liz & Ray



Keys Found: A set of 2 keys were found at the St. Lawrence Rummage Sale. Please call the parish office.

Stewardship- St. Lawrence

February 23rd & 24th, 2019

Offering Env: \$ 1,523.00 Loose: 156.00 Maint: 13.00 Fuel: 20.00 Insurance: 172.00 Candle: 50.00 Care & Edu: 20.00 E. Flowers: 166.00. **Total: \$ 2,120.00**

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Online Giving is no longer available to our parishes.

MINISTERIES-ST. LAWRENCE

"A Disciple's Response of Time and Talent"

Saturday, March 9, 2019 5:00PM

I. McCarthy (lector) B. & K. Ragard (EM)

Sunday, March 10, 2019 9:30AM

K. Mead (lector) D. Horn & B. McGuire (EM)

Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019 8:00AM

I. McCarthy F. O'Connor

Greeters: 3/2: D. Vogel **3/3:** A. Rudick **3/9:** C. Salinkas **3/10:** K. Mangel **3/16:** L. Landes **3/17:** P. Bryce **3/23:** P. Bryce **3/24:** S. Guinan **3/30:** A. Mydlinski **3/31:** L. Kowalewski.



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Meals on Wheels Drivers NeededB/S/S/T Area

Agency on Aging, Inc. delivers hot, nutritious meals out of the Lanesboro Senior Center five days a week, Monday through Friday. A volunteer can choose as little as one day or all five days to deliver meals to those in the community. Delivery hours are usually between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. Volunteer drivers are reimbursed \$.50 per mile and training is provided. B/S/S/T Area Agency on Aging, Inc. humbly asks that you consider serving your community by becoming a volunteer Meals on Wheels driver. For more information or to become a volunteer, please call Kelly Allen at 1-800-634-3746.

Knights of Columbus

Council 356 - Great Bend, PA

SPAGHETTI & HOMEMADE MEATBALL DINNER

DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH

TIME: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

PLACE: KOC Hall - 65 Kilrow St., Great Bend, PA

Adults: \$ 10.00 Children 6-12: \$ 5.00 Children 5 &

under: Free Includes: salad, bread, homemade dessert and beverage - "Take outs available"

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Have you ever thought about becoming a Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Altar Server?? Now is the time to act! It remains clear that there is a growing need for participants in these ministries. Criteria towards becoming an EM is to be 18 yrs of age and taking a training class before starting. Prayerfully consider serving!

The Knights of Columbus meetings are still on the first Sunday of the month after the 9:30AM mass.

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

State Rts. 92 & 492 Jackson, Pa. 18825



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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.

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We can really use a couple of lectors, especially for Saturday's. Consider serving *YOUR* church.

Lenten Confession at St. Lawrence is Tuesday, March 5th 7-7:30PM (not Thursday, March 7th)

Ashes & Mass

Wed., March 6th

St. Lawrence: 8:00AM

St. Martin's 12Noon

St. John's: 7:00PM

Grab your soup while you're here!

Please consider staying after mass to kneel and say 3 Hail Mary's for our Troops. This is something St. Lawrence has done for years and it would be nice to have all of us join in.



STEWARDSHIP ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

February 23rd & 24th, 2018

Offering Env: \$ 528.00 Loose: 97.00 Fuel/

Utilities:72.00 **Total: \$ 697.00**

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

MINISTERIES-ST. MARTIN'S

Saturday, March 9, 2019 4:00PM

(Lector) C. Schultz (EM) M. Bier

Sunday, March 10, 2019 11:00AM

G. Whitehead (server) Children's Mass (Lector)

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

Ashe Wed. March 6, 2019 12Noon

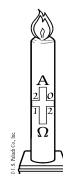
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St. Martin of Tours has an **Emergency Prayer Request** team that is ready to pray for the needs of her parishioners. Prayer requests can be made to Annette Corrigan at corrigan@echoes.net 570 280-2264 or Betsy Supancik at grannybets68@yahoo.com 570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

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.

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The box is emptied, please resubmit your names of loved ones for prayers.



*Remember in your prayers
Andrew Banko
who passed away. We offer his family
and friends our sincere condolences*

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our next meeting will be held on March 7, 2019. Baptism blankets/quilts are given out as well as regular sizes and colors. We have given away over 250! The next blessing will be the weekend of March 16th/17th.

Eucharistic Devotions are held at St. John's on Sunday's at 2:30PM. All are welcomed.

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*.

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!

Military Names Wanted: *If you have a loved one in the Military and would like our parish community to pray for them, you may submit their name to the office. We will place them on our new military board on the altar.*

Men's choir. This would involve men from all 3 churches. Liturgies would rotate among all 3 churches. If interested, contact Kathy at 315-877-5815, email kmatis14@gmail.com or call the parish office at 570-853-4634 and leave your contact info.



We are finished with the Nigerian Mission collection even though you may see it on the calendar. Since all 3 churches fell short on the Diocesan Annual Appeal, we will have a 2nd collection for 3 weeks to help meet our Appeal goal. It will be March 10, 17 & 24th.



We will have Anointing of the sick at First Friday and First Saturday Masses.

CCD Gertrude Hawk orders are due back March 10, 2019. If you'd like to order we have extra forms in the back of each church. Payable to Most Holy Trinity please.



Don't Forget to "Spring Ahead" your clocks on March 10th.

Please consider staying after mass to kneel and say 3 Hail Mary's for our Troops.

Sat. March 2 St. Martin's St. Lawrence	8:00AM 4:00PM	Poor Souls in Purgatory Joseph Plonski Sr. req. by Ilhan and Christine Sezer Terry Rafferty req. by Joe Persons Jeff Boughton req. by Glenn and Laura Allen
St. John's	5:00PM 5:30PM	
Sun. March 3 St. John's	8:30AM	Joe Kapcsandi Jr. req. by the St. John's Men's Club
St. Lawrence	9:30AM	Catherine Battisti req. by Bob and MaryLou Rood
St. Martin's	11:00AM	Lillian Jannini req. by Alfred Jannini
Mon. March 4 St. Lawrence	7:00PM	Joe Cloutier req. by Barbara McKetta
Tues. March 5 St. John's	8:00AM	David Scales req. by Dick and Pam Hennessey
Wed. March 6 St. Lawrence St. Martin's St. John's	8:00AM 12Noon 7:00PM	Mass & Ashes For our parish community Poor Souls in Purgatory Robert and Mary McNamara req. by their family
Thurs. March 7 St. Martin's		NO MASS
Fri. March 8 St. John's	8:00AM	Jeffrey Boughton req. by Pat and Joe King
Sat. March 9 St. Martin's St. Lawrence	4:00PM 5:00PM	Angelo Petriello req. by family Evelyn Woolbaugh req. by Pat Forsythe
St. John's	5:30PM	Gerald Gow Sr. req. by Mary Snyder
Sun. March 10 St. John's	8:30AM	Mary Ahearn req. by Clay and Mary Jo Weaver
St. Lawrence	9:30AM	Evelyn Woolbaugh req. by the Burton family
St. Martin's	11:00AM	Poor Souls in Purgatory

Knights of Columbus # 356-Great Bend
Spaghetti & Homemade Meatball Dinner
Saturday, Feb. 9th, 2018 4PM-7PM in the

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Make a decision today: "I am finished with upset and turmoil; peace is mine, and I am going to enjoy it now," and begin to live in peace. Keep conflict out of your life; out of your thoughts, words, and attitudes; out of your relationships. Choose life! Choose peace!