

September 21/22 2024
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, September 21st, 2024

4:00 pm at St. James

The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeff Takacs

Vickie & Bill Takacs

Sunday, September 22nd

9:00 am at St. Catherine

Deceased Members of OLoL Women's Guild OLoL Women's Guild

11:00 am at St. Mary & St. Joseph

Joseph Sabo

Wife Alberta Sabo & Family

Monday, September 23rd

9:00 am at St. Mary & St. Joseph

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Parish Families

Tuesday, September 24th

9:00 am at St. James

Tom DePiore

Ann DePiore

9:45 am at St. James

Scripture Study

Wednesday, September 25th

6:30 pm at St. Catherine

No Mass

Thursday, September 26th

9:00 am at St. Mary & St. Joseph

No Mass

Friday, September 27th

No Mass

Saturday, September 28th

4:00 pm at St. James

Ann & Andrew Semko

Dave & Lyn Sonnenlitter

Sunday, September 29th

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am at St. Catherine

Gary Burke

Mary K. Adams

11:00 am at St. Mary & St. Joseph

Mary Ann Gazda

Joe & Patt Dubos

Liturgical Ministers for September 28th & 29th The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm St. James

9:00 am St. Catherine

11:00 am SSMJ

Lectors: Pat Kichton

Tom Janik

Sandy Mason

Lyn Sonnenlitter

Georgia Dungan

Lisa Kellner

EM: Rich Alcorn

Patty Melnykovich

Ken Huber

Server: Michael Klodt

Gary Lippert

Joe Thiry

Readings for Sunday, September 29, 2024

First Reading: Numbers 11:25 -29 (137B)

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 19: 8, 10, 12-13, 14

Second Reading: James 5: 1-6

Gospel: Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

Our Lady of the Lakes

Prayer to St. Pio (Sept. 23rd):

O God, you gave Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, Capuchin priest, the great privilege of participating in a unique way in the passion of Your Son, grant me through his intercession, the grace which I ardently desire; and above all grant me the grace of living in conformity with the death of Jesus, to arrive at the glory of the resurrection. Amen.

Church support record for the weekend of September 14/15, 2024: Offertory: \$2,284.75, Communications: \$25.00.

Women's Guild Meeting: The next Women's Guild Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 2nd, at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Social Hall. All women of the Parish are welcome!

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

Stewardship Reflection:

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be last of all and the servant of all." MARK 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is to "make holy" from the words "*sacer*" = *sacred* and "*facere*" = *to make*. In other words, when we sacrifice, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

Fall Festival Update: A meeting is being held on Thursday, September 26th at Roby Lee's Restaurant in Newton Falls at 6:00 p.m. This meeting is open to all three church parishioners. Please join us as we discuss and make plans for the fall festival, which is on Saturday, October 26th. Don't just assume that other people will help. We need you!

Chefs For Charity: On Thursday, September 26th from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Eastwood Event Center, Catholic Charities will sponsor an evening with local chefs to support programs that help stabilize housing and fight homelessness. There will be delicious tastings from 24 of our region's finest restaurants, each showcasing a specialty dish. This event promises to be a culinary delight. Alongside these delectable tastings, attendees will enjoy live entertainment by Backbeat, a large basket raffle, a \$1,000 cash raffle, a photo booth, and other engaging activities. A cash bar will also be available. Join our host, Bishop David Bonnar, in support of the Catholic Charities Regional Agency, serving Columbiana, Mahoning and Trumbull counties. Visit ccdoy.org/chefs-for-charity/ for tickets (\$75.00 each).

St. Mary & St. Joseph

Prayer to St. Vincent de Paul (Sept 27th): Pray for us, that in our **simplicity** we may always find honest words of love and comfort. Pray for us that our **humility** leads us to seek God's glory, not our own. Pray for us that with **gentleness** we offer food to the hungry and shelter to the homeless. Pray for us, that with **selflessness** we give of our time, our possessions and ourselves. Pray for us, that our **zeal** to share Christ's charity may light fires in the hearts of all we serve. Amen.

Church Support Record: Sunday, September 15, 2024 Weekly: \$1561.00

Candles: \$15.00 St. Joseph Hall Rental Deposit: \$75.00

Our Food Pantry served 118 households with 267 people in August. Our next giveaway is Saturday, September 28 from 9:00-10:00 am. Thank you for your continued generosity!

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Adult Faith Formation Opportunities are open to anyone wanting to grow deeper in their faith and learn something new. These opportunities are **not** limited to teachers or catechists. Contact Margie Hynes at mhynes@youngstowndiocese.org or 330-744-8451 for more information. Keep an eye out for the new listings coming out soon.

The Catholic Echo magazine would like to feature your favorite recipes in an upcoming print edition! All recipes are welcome. We will prioritize recipes for which the Echo staff can find photos to accompany the entries. For more information or to submit a recipe, email catholicecho@youngstowndiocese.org.

Newton Falls Methodist Church 336 Ridge Rd. is having a *Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, September 28 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Adults: \$10 Kids: \$5* Performing: Red Letter Journey Band.

Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics

As we find ourselves in an election year, it is now more important than ever to promote **civil and compassionate dialogue** among our parishioners and for all people of goodwill. A fantastic resource to promote this goal is *Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics*, an initiative from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Civilize It—home page and pledge form: <https://www.usccb.org/civilizeit>

Civilize It—introduction video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eY0oV38KRmw>