

Welcome to the Catholic Communities of

St. Ann, St. John Neumann & St. Vincent de Paul

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

28 SEPTEMBER 2025

Praise the Lord, my soul!

AT THE END



In the coming weeks, as we draw nearer to the end of the liturgical year, we will often hear references to the end of our lives and the end of time. This week's scriptures are no exception. The reading from Timothy warns us to live "without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Timothy 6:14), and the psalm says that God "secures justice for the oppressed . . . but the way of the wicked he thwarts" (Psalm 146:7, 9). In the reading from Amos we hear about the "woe" that is in store for the complacent rich, who think nothing of how their self-indulgence oppresses the poor. The Gospel parable about Lazarus and the nameless rich man exemplifies such complacency, as well as the justice that both the wicked and the oppressed will experience beyond the grave.

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Reverend Edward J. Casey
PASTOR

Reverend Binesh Joseph Kanjirakattu
SENIOR PRIEST



*Saint Thérèse
of the Child Jesus*

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the past century, a desire to recover a deep sense of unity among all believers in Christ has grown. The "ecumenical movement" (from the Greek word meaning the "the whole inhabited world") began among Protestant Christians, but was given great energy in 1920 with a letter from the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, calling for closer dialogue and cooperation among Christians. In 1960, Pope John XXIII invited Protestant and Orthodox observers to the Second Vatican Council. In 1964, the Council's Decree on Ecumenism named these Christians "separated brethren," a huge leap forward from the time of labeling them as "outside the Church." A year later, a new pope, Paul VI, and the Orthodox Patriarch officially nullified the condemnations that walled off East from West for nine hundred years.

The pace and optimism of the 1960s has sadly waned, and the signs of progress toward unity are few; yet there are wider agreements on sharing Communion among various Christian denominations, and among Protestants agreements regarding sharing of ecclesiastical life and ministry. Among the success stories of the ecumenical movement are greater cooperation among Christian clergy, a similar Lectionary for Protestants and Catholics, and even experiments in the monastic life and common worship.

~James Field

R MONDAY
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a
Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5
Jn 1:47-51

E TUESDAY
Zec 8:20-23
Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7
Lk 9:51-56

A WEDNESDAY
Neh 2:1-8
Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6
Lk 9:57-62

D THURSDAY
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Mt 18:1-5, 10

I FRIDAY
Bar 1:15-22
Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9
Lk 10:13-16

N SATURDAY
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29
Ps 69:33-35, 36-37
Lk 10:17-24

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MOVING FORWARD
OBSTACLES ARE PROOF THAT YOU'RE
MOVING FORWARD. ~CHARLIE KIRK



LIVE
JESUS DEFEATED DEATH
SO YOU CAN LIVE.
~CHARLIE KIRK

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Woe to the complacent. Their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

Psalm — Psalm 146
Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading — 1 Timothy 6:11-16
Compete well for the faith. Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus.

Gospel — Luke 16:19-31
The parable of Lazarus and the rich man.

PURSU
Righteousness
Devotion
Faith Love
Patience
Gentleness
1 Timothy

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ST. JOHN NEUMANN'S PARISH

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9:30am to 2:00pm

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Joan Dingee, Secretary/Bookkeeper

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 29)
Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Archangels

9:30 a.m. (SJ)

† Kathleen Thomas

TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 30)
Saint Jerome
Priest and Doctor of the Church

9:30 a.m. (SJ)

† Jeanine Tenzi

WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 1)
of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Virgin and Doctor of the Church

No Mass

THURSDAY (OCTOBER 2)
Holy Guardian Angels

9:30 a.m. (SJ)

† Robert Dean Bove

FRIDAY (OCTOBER 3)
Weekday

9:30 a.m. (SJ)

† Robert Lusardi

SATURDAY (OCTOBER 4)
Saint Francis of Assisi

Vigil: Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

3:15-3:45p.m. Confessions (SJ)

4:00 p.m. (SJ)

† Vincent Caputo, Jr.

SUNDAY (OCTOBER 5)
Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:30 a.m. (SJ)

† David Pirozzi

(SJ) - St. John's (GS) - Good Shepherd

Offertory and Mass Attendance

Offertory includes money from weekly envelopes and loose checks from registered parishioners.

September 7th 4:00pm 112 253
\$2,141 11:30am 141

Offertory to Date \$31,643

Weekly Average \$3,164

Summer Collection to Date \$23,161

AUTOMATED TITHING

Choose the convenience of online giving more information can be found at www.sjneumannchurch.com.

Thank you for your generosity!



FOODS OF THE MONTH

BLOOMING GROVE FOOD PANTRY

Please consider including these items with your food donations. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to this worthwhile cause.

Canned Veggies, Snacks for school, Toilet Paper and Side Dishes (Noodles, Rice-a-Roni, etc.)

SUNDAY READINGS DISCUSSION

Meet every Tuesday at 3:00pm in Saint John's Hall. The meetings usually last about 90 minutes. All are welcome to come and participate. Call Peter at 570-775-1647 for more information.

St. John Neumann Parish Hall

Alcoholics Anonymous®

Wednesdays 7:00pm

UNRECOGNIZABLE

All God's ANGELS
COME TO US disguised.

~JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL



*The Sanctuary Votive Candle
will burn the week of September 28th
at St. John Neumann Church
in Loving Memory of
Charlie Denniston*



SAINT ANN'S PARISH

121 Richardson Avenue
Shohola, PA 18458
570-832-4275

St. Mary's Church, Lackawaxen

Office: 125 Richardson Avenue
Tuesday - Thursday 8:00am to 2:00pm
Email: stann@ptd.net
www.stannshohola.org
Carol Laput, Administrative Manager

Offertory and Mass Attendance

Offertory includes money from weekly envelopes and loose checks from registered parishioners.

September 7th 5:30pm 44
\$3,678 8:30am 70 196
10:15am 82

Offertory to Date \$33,690
Weekly Average \$3,369

AUTOMATED TITHING

Choose the convenience of online giving more information can be found at www.stannshohola.org

Thank you for your generosity!

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ST. ANN'S EMAIL PRAYERLINE

If you would like to join our email prayerline please email Mary Agnes at: prayerlinemary@gmail.com



"O Lord, bless these wondrous animals, and quickly, please... before one of our pets starts saying grace."

ST. ANN'S FOOD PANTRY

Paper Goods, Flour and Sugar,
Gently used Kitchen Towels

Seeking volunteers to help unload trucks and stock pantry. Contact Laura at 845-239-3605 if you are interested.

WALKER LAKE WOMEN'S CLUB



A group of ladies with a common interest ... quilting!

If you're interested in participating in future charitable projects, please feel free to reach out to Chris Cancemi.

570-296-7216 (home)
570-228-8442 (cell) or
sewchris@ptd.net



CHRIST
APPEARS
IN GLORY

The Sanctuary
Votive Candle
will burn
the week of
September 28th at

St. Ann's Church
in Loving Memory of
John McGarry

St. Mary's Church
in Loving Memory of
Emma Kuhn

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 29)

*Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Archangels*

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Robert Kozakiewicz

TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 30)

*Saint Jerome
Priest and Doctor of the Church*

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Dominick M. Furlipa

WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 1)

*of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

No Mass

THURSDAY (OCTOBER 2)

Holy Guardian Angels

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Yole Miello

FRIDAY (OCTOBER 3)

Weekday

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† Vickie Barrett

SATURDAY (OCTOBER 4)

Saint Francis of Assisi

Vigil: Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

5:30 p.m. (SM)

♥ For the People

SUNDAY (OCTOBER 5)

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. (SA)

† DJ Mark Spaide

9:30-10:00a.m. Confessions (SA)

10:15 a.m. (SA)

† Robert Ferry

(SA) - St. Ann's (SE) - St. Eligius Room (SM) - St. Mary's



St. Vincent de Paul Church
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday (September 29)

*Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Archangels*

No Mass

Tuesday (September 30)

*Saint Jerome
Priest and Doctor of the Church*

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Kathleen Murtha

Wednesday (October 1)

*of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Amelia Tolerico

Thursday (October 2)

Holy Guardian Angels

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Special Intentions

Friday (October 3)

Weekdays

8:45 a.m. (C)

† Charlie Kirk and ♥ Family

Saturday (October 4)

Saint Francis of Assisi

Vigil: Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

3:15-3:45p.m. Confessions (SV)

4:00 p.m. (SV)

† Epifania Reyes

Sunday (October 5)

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. (SV)

† Vicki Fritz

11:15 a.m. (SV)

† Kenian Hausan

(SV) - St. Vincent de Paul (C) - Chapel

The Lifestyle of Generous Hearts

Offertory and Mass Attendance

*Offertory includes money from weekly
envelopes and loose checks from registered
parishioners.*

September 7th

Envelopes	\$2,966	4:00pm	94
We Share	\$2,070	8:30am	116
		11:15am	116

Offertory to Date \$44,051

Weekly Average \$4,405

Online Giving

Choose the convenience of online
giving more information can be
found at stvdepaulchurch.org

Thank you for your generosity!

SHARING THE SUNDAY READINGS

Tuesdays 6:30pm via Zoom

Relax at home and join us
online - PJs welcome! Each
week, we reflect on the
Sunday scriptures, exploring
their meaning and how
they guide our lives. No
commitment—share your
thoughts or simply listen.

For details, call the Parish
Office at 570-686-4545.

WEEKDAY MASSES AVAILABLE!

We currently have openings for **weekday** Mass intentions.

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one,
living or deceased, please contact Liz 570-686-4545.

IN-PERSON COFFEE HOUR

After 8:30am Mass

Reconnect with other parish members with coffee, tea,
baked goods and fellowship. Held in the parish hall
each Sunday.



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in Loving Memory of

Ronald DaPuzzo



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

LOAVES AND FISHES

GIFT CARDS

Support our parish! Buy
gift cards in the narthex
before and after weekend
Masses. Order or view
available cards
by scanning the
QR code or call
570-686-4545.



OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES

SAFE ENVIRONMENT REMINDER

If you have attended a Protecting God's Children training session, please remember that your participation will not be credited until you also complete your online registration in VIRTUS.

After your initial training, you are required to stay current by completing the ongoing online Training Bulletins.

In addition, Mandated and Ethical Reporter Training 1.0: Caring Adults and Reporting Child Abuse is now available online in VIRTUS for all participants.

Thank you for your commitment to providing a safe environment for our parish community.



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS



Submit announcements to: Carol at bulletin@stannshohola.org by **Thursday at 1:00pm**, at least **10 days prior to the publication date**. (Earlier deadlines may apply for holidays.)

To help me process your request efficiently, please:

- Send the text as a **Word document** or **plain text file**.
- Include the **Who, What, Where, When, and Why or How** to ensure the announcement is complete and clear.
- If you must send a PDF or image, please note that space limitations may make it difficult to use effectively. **Images should be high-resolution** and may be resized or omitted as needed.
- Specify a **start and end date** for the announcement.

If you'd like me to add graphics or "dress up" your announcement, just let me know—I'm happy to help.

Please note that due to limited space, not all submissions can be accommodated, but I'll do my best.



Welcome to St. Ann's, St. John Neumann and St. Vincent de Paul Parishes

To all who are celebrating with us today, if you are not registered, recently married, have moved or will be moving, or have a new telephone number, please scan the code to complete registration online. We encourage you to register as a member of our faith community. Registering in the parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of the Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of the parish. Registering also makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, religious education registration, weddings and when asked to be a sponsor for baptism or confirmation.



4th Annual

St. Vincent de Paul Day



*Each year the parish has come together to celebrate its namesake on or around the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul. Join your parish family for this **FREE** event to celebrate St. Vincent de Paul Day!*

Sunday, September 28
12:30pm Parish Hall

The day includes:

- Tricky Tray and 50/50 Raffles
- Games, Crafts and Face Painting
- Food, Fun, Fellowship
- Festivities for the whole family

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES



SUNDAY OCTOBER 5th

St. Ann's 11:45am

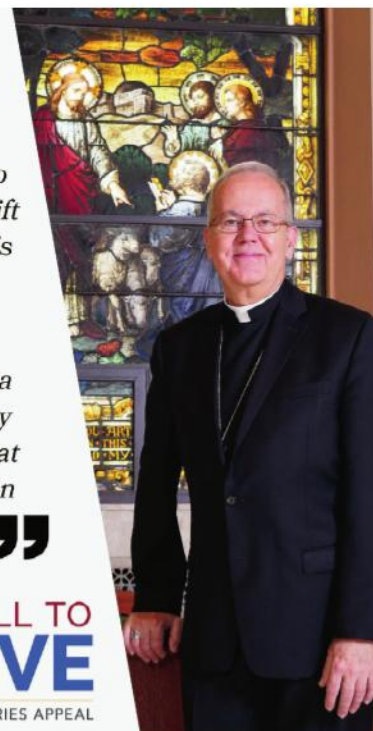
St. John Neumann 12:45pm

St. Vincent de Paul to be announced

All are invited to bring your animal companions to our annual blessing of the animals, in celebration of the Feast day of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. To protect and respect the church and all creatures, please make sure that your animal companions are secured and that any "offerings" are cleaned up. Thank you!

“ In this **Jubilee Year of Hope**, I humbly invite you to consider making a gift of any amount to this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Every dollar makes a difference, and every gift tells someone that they are not forgotten and are loved. **”**



Father Abraham,
have pity on me

LUKE 16:24

The Tea Ladies for Mary
of St. Vincent de Paul Parish

Praying

AN ICON OF Mary

Presented by Sister Mary Magdalene Sladicka

11 October | 10:00am - 1:00pm

Participation is limited to 50 people.

Sign-ups will take place the weekends of September 28th and October 4th in the Narthex of St. Vincent. You may also sign up by emailing your name and phone number to tealadiesformary@gmail.com.

Join us for a time of faith, fellowship, and sharing centered on Our Blessed Mother Mary.

A freewill offering will be gratefully accepted.

10TH ANNUAL DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

BE A CATHOLIC MAN CONFERENCE

CHRIST IS KING

SAT., OCT. 4, 2025, 8 AM - 3:00 PM

Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Penna. Ave., Wilkes-Barre

Speakers: Mike Aquilina, David Bereit, Fr. Charles Connor

Adoration, Reconciliation, Exhibitors, Mass- Bishop Bambera

\$40, (Early \$30 by 9-15-25) Students \$15, Priests/Deacons/Seminarians FREE

Morning coffee & box lunch included

ONLINE info and registration:
BeACatholicMan.com

BY MAIL: Send name, address, email & parish with check or money order (payable to "Be a Catholic Man")

Put "Men's Conference" in check memo.

Mail to: **Be a Catholic Man**, PO Box 669, Wyalusing, PA 18853

Contact: Mike Kilmer 570-721-0872 • mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN

Trying to cope with grief? ST. JOHN NEUMANN'S

BEREAVEMENT/GRIEF MINISTRY

A support group formed to give comfort to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one.

A six-week series will take place on Mondays covering a variety of topics chosen to help those who are grieving. The death of a loved one is difficult to accept and meeting with people who are feeling the same way can help.

All meetings will be held at St. John Neumann's Parish Hall, 705 Route 739, Hawley, PA beginning on **Monday, October 13, 2025 through Monday, November 17, 2025** from 2:00 PM until 3:30 PM. Light refreshments will be served.

If you would like to attend these meetings or if you'd like more information, please call the Parish Office at 570-775-6791 or email at stvgriefgroup@att.net.

Please join us for various presentations on relevant topics in a supportive atmosphere.

St. John Neumann

Summer Collection

We've kicked off this year's Summer Collection at St. John Neumann. Your support helps us care for our parish spaces and take on important upkeep and improvement projects.

Every gift, no matter the size, is deeply appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and commitment to our parish family.

ST JOHN NEUMANN AND ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Our Vision: To combine the wonderful fellowships in our parishes & Communities with our talents of knitting & crocheting and form a prayerful ministry that reaches out especially to those in need of comfort and solace.

If you are in need of a prayer shawl or lap blanket, please contact your parish office.

Donations are welcome but not necessary.

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets every Tuesday at
St. Vincent de Paul's Church 11:00am- 1:00pm

Religious Education

Grades 1st-8th

10:00am St. John Neumann Church

Praise the LORD,
my soul

PSALM 146:2

KNIGHTS CORNER

BECOME A KNIGHT

ASK A KNIGHT AT YOUR PARISH HOW

- ☆ Lead with Faith
- ☆ Protect your family with insurance
- ☆ Serve others
- ☆ Defend your Catholic Values

Rich Flora *Grand Knight Council 12571*
raf_619@yahoo.com

COLUMBIETTES

We meet the second Tuesday of each month at Saint John Neumann's Church Hall at 7:00pm come visit and see what we're all about. Please contact:

Donna 570-257-0310 or
Natalie 845-500-5810

FOOD FOR FAMILIES & FRIENDS



1:00pm ~ 2:30pm

October 5th

TBA

at St. John Neumann

October 12th

TBA

at St. Ann's

SA Parish Office 570-832-4275
SJN Parish Office 570-775-6791
or 347-446-9636

Orders due by the Wednesday prior to the dinner.

SAINT ANN'S

ST. ANN'S YOUTH GROUP

ON FIRE FOR FAITH



You've Got the Spark, Now Be the Flame!
Open to any student who has received Confirmation.
Meetings begin in September.
For details, email Mike (mhattar@hopenn.com) or Helen (hymiello@gmail.com)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

FOR YOUNG ADULTS



Thursday,
October 2nd
7:00 PM

St. Maria Goretti Church
42 Redwood Drive - Laflin

ALSO INCLUDES:
RECONCILIATION AND SOCIAL.
LIVE MUSIC BY JOEL KANKIEWICZ

Diocese of Scranton VOCATIONS  Saint Maria Goretti Church 

TALENTED AND ENERGETIC

Hell is full of the talented, but heaven of the energetic.

-St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Register Today

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES



Sundays at 9:20am
St. Ann's Parish Center
125 Richardson Ave



Growing with Jesus, Together



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

In the Parable of the Rich Man, the man said,
"Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water ...

G	U	E	A
N	T	N	D
Y	O	O	C
M	L	O	

A _ _ _ _ _ ."

Answer: *and cool my tongue*

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ST. ANN'S 100th ANNIVERSARY RENOVATION PROJECT

This is your chance to help our Parish. Sign up now to become a volunteer and make a difference!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Tear off and return in the collection, drop off at the Parish office or email info to stann@ptd.net



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul Faith Formation Classes

2025-2026 Faith Formation Registration is now open!
 Grades Pre-K through 8th
 Classes are held on Sundays 9:45am - 11:00am.
 Classes begin September 21st

THIS YEAR WE HAVE TWO WAYS TO REGISTER!

01 Download and complete the registration form on our website for each child that will be attending and return it to the parish office. www.stvdepaulchurch.org

02 Scan the code to complete the form online




STELLAR SAINTS

Second Thursday of the Month

Learn some interesting tidbits about some of the lesser-known saints. The sessions will be available through Zoom. the Parish Office 570-686-4545 to register and receive the connection information.

BRING

Cards
Games

Puzzles

Learn a new



ENJOY

Roast dinner



RAFFLES - MONEY TREE
DOOR PRIZES -- 50/50



All proceeds go to the Sharing Fund for our neighbors in need.

ANNUAL GAME-CARD PARTY LUNCHEON

Friday, Oct. 17, 2025

12:00-4:00

\$15.00 per person

St Vincent De Paul

101 St. Vincent Drive, Dingman
(Across from DG Market Rt.739)

For Reservations call Marie-Eleena 570-686-1550

Save the Date

St. Vincent de Paul
 Adopt-A-Highway Litter Pick Up
 Saturday, October 18th
 9:00am-11:00am

Grow+Go

Grow+Go helps us reflect on the Sunday Scriptures and live as evangelizing disciples of Christ. Each week's message offers simple, concrete ways to GROW in faith and GO share it with others, following Christ's call in Matthew 28:19. Find Grow+Go on our parish website, Facebook, and in St. Vincent's Updates weekly email.



St. Vincent de Paul

Our Lady of the Mountain Council #9832

KNIGHTS BREAKFAST

Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus **second Sunday** of each month from 9:00am to 11:00am.

Join fellow parishioners for a full hot breakfast. Cost \$5/person

maximum \$20/family

SPEND A HALF HOUR WITH YOUR MOTHER

St. Vincent de Paul Church

Come Pray the Rosary 1st Saturday of the month 10am in the Chapel. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus #9832 Lady of the Mountain. Rosaries provided if needed.

Cursillo Small Grouping

All Cursillistas are invited to gather for small grouping at St. Vincent de Paul's Chapel on the first Tuesday of each month, following the 8:45am Mass. We begin by praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by grouping.

KID'S CORNER

Jesus told a story about a poor man with sores all over his body. He often would lie at the door of a rich man's estate, but the rich man never helped ease his suffering. When the poor man died, the angels carried him to heaven, where he found comfort and peace. To discover the man's name, circle the capital letter on each angel's robe.

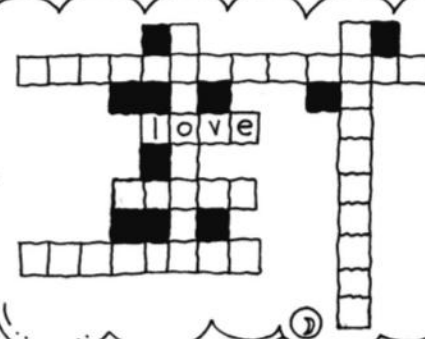


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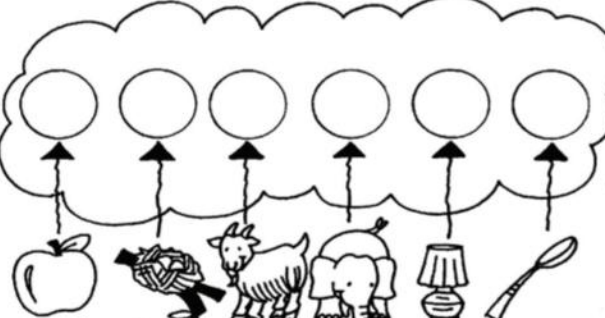
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul wrote a letter to Timothy telling him the qualities he should pursue (1 Timothy 6:11-16). Fit the words in the box into the crossword inside the thought bubble. One is done for you to get you started. Keep them in your mind, too!

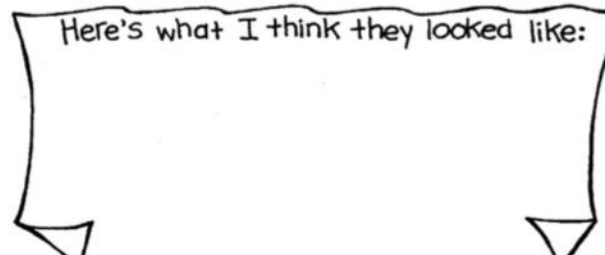
patience gentleness devotion
righteousness faith love



Write the first letter of each picture to find out who carried a poor man named Lazarus to a place of perfect peace and comfort. Can you draw a picture of them? You can read the story in your Bible at Luke 16:19-31.



Here's what I think they looked like:



GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

A rich man had everything in his life and a poor man, Lazarus, was starving and suffered greatly.

Am 6:1a, 4-7 Ps 146:7-10 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31

Directions: Circle the picture of the poor man.



NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hot-line (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. This end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being.

Information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

The icon on the cover... Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, written by Franciscan friar and iconographer Brother Robert Lentz, OFM. In it, Thérèse is portrayed in her Carmelite habit, holding an image of the Holy Face of Christ.

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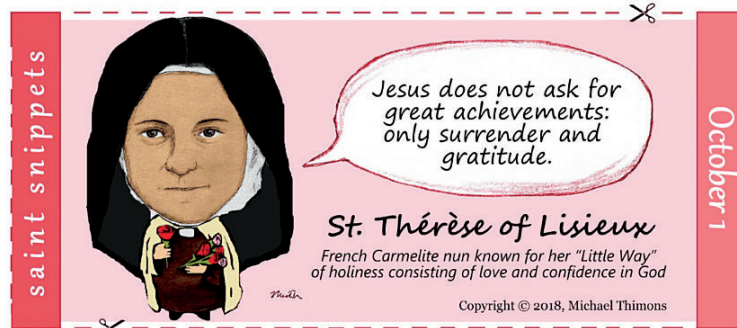
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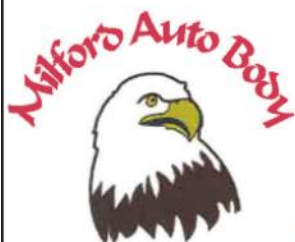


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