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### MISSION STATEMENT

Church of the Ascension is a Catholic community in Johnstown, Ohio that keeps Christ at the center of our hearts, families, homes and parish, so we can live the truth and share it with others (John 14:6; 1 Peter 3:15).

With the help of sacred scripture, tradition, and the sacraments, we strive to know, love and serve God in this world, while encouraging others to do the same, so we may live eternally in heaven with Christ, the angels, and the saints

(Ephesians 2:4-8).

Ascension of Christ, Gebhard Fugel (c. 1893)

**WEEKEND MASSES** 

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. • 11:00 a.m.

**HOLY DAYS** 

8:00 a.m. • 7:00 p.m.

Vigil 6:30 p.m.

**ADORATION** 

Tuesday 5:00-6:00 p.m.

First Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:30-9:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday 8:00 am Tuesday 6:30 pm

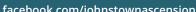
Wednesday-Saturday 8:00 am

**CONFESSIONS** 

Tuesday 5:00-6:00 p.m. Saturday 8:30-9:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY AT CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION. TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 740-967-7871.







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### OCTOBER 27, 2024 • THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Mass Intentions

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH**

8:00 a.m. † JoAnn Wright by Benton Family

4:00 p.m. † Michael Feeney

by Molly Orsini

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH**

8:30 a.m. † Jerre West

by Deacon & Nancy Phillips

11:00 a.m. Parish Family

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

8:00 a.m. † Kathleen Mahar

by LeChard Family

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH**

6:30 p.m. † Sam Glaviano

by Connie & Allan Magyar

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

8:00 a.m. † Ken Winn by Barb Family

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

8:00 a.m. Fr. Peter Fegan

by LeChard Family

6:30 p.m. Vigil Mass – Parish Family

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

8:00 a.m. † Lena Brandimarti

by Fr. Brandimarti

7:00 p.m. All Saints Day † Cahill/Hoy/

Zink/Rankin Families

by Anonymous

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

8:00 a.m. † Hazel Kwiat

by Carter Family

11:00 a.m. All Souls' Day † All the

Faithful Departed

4:00 p.m. † Pat & Peggy Lafferty

by Regina Pasini

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD**

8:30 a.m. † Marilynn & Bert Benton

by Kathy Benton

11:00 a.m. Parish Family

### Confessions

Saturday, October 26th at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, October 29th at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2nd at 8:30 a.m.

## Shepherd's Column

### Dear Brothers and Sisters,

All Saints' Day (November 1) and All Souls' Day (November 2) hold significant meaning for us as Catholics, as they are times for reflection on the connection between the living and the departed in the Christian community.

All Saints' Day honors all saints – both known and unknown – who have attained heaven. It serves as a reminder of the Church's belief in the communion of saints, a spiritual solidarity that connects those on earth with the faithful in heaven. It also encourages Catholics to strive for holiness, inspired by the examples of these saints. The white or gold vestments worn on this day speak of the joy of heaven and the festivities around this great celebration.

All Souls' Day, on the other hand, is dedicated to praying for the souls in Purgatory, those who have died but have not yet reached the perfection necessary for heaven. Catholics believe that prayers, especially the Mass, can aid in the purification of these souls, helping them reach eternal peace with God. The wearing of a black vestment on this day, symbolizes our mourning for those who have not yet attained heaven, and our desire to pray for them while united in their ongoing purification.

Together, these days emphasize the Catholic belief in life everlasting, the importance of prayer for the dead, and the call to holiness for all the Faithful. They highlight the interconnectedness of the Church on earth, in heaven, and in purgatory.

During the month of November, we will be continuing our custom of having a Book of the Dead where parishioners can write the names of those who have passed that we can pray for during this time. We will also have a Memorial Mass celebrated on November 14 specifically honoring those who have died this year.

I invite you to take some time during this November to remember those who have died, to pray for their souls, and to pray that all of us can achieve the glory of heaven! May God continue to richly bless our parish!

In Christ,

### Fr. P.J. Brandimarti

### Parochial Administrator

Church of the Ascension, Johnstown



### BOOK AN APPOINTMENT WITH FR. BRANDIMARTI

Use this QR code to book an in-person or virtual appointment time. Simply choose an available time slot and provide your name, phone number, and email address.

The *FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR* this weekend are in memory of W.D. Schirtzinger's Birthday by Cathy & Mark Mann.

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 26-27, 2024

	SATURDAY • 4:00 P.M.	SUNDAY • 8:30 A.M.	SUNDAY • 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Christian Dorsten	Veronica Botts	Bode Cherry
	Isaac Dorsten	Annie Muntz	Mathew Cherry
	Ethan Wnek	Jackson Wernette	Ryan Neal
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	Maureen Keebaugh – Host	Michael Robbins – Chalice	Danielle Wetzel – Host
		Billy Staneart – Chalice	
		Rachel Barb – Host	
LECTORS:	Mike Keebaugh (1)	Diana Lewis (1)	Peter Luhrman (1)
	Maureen Keebaugh (2)	Aaron Locker (2) (sub req.)	Carrie Suess (2)
GREETERS/USHERS:	Dennis Murnane	Tommy Botts	Lora Dunfee
	Jan Orkis	Andrea Botts	Mike Dunfee
LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:			Misiunas Family

## All Saints/All Souls' Day, october 31-november 2, 2024

	THURSDAY • 6:30 P.M.	FRIDAY • 8:00 A.M.	FRIDAY • 7:00 P.M.	SATURDAY • 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Claire Barb	Alex Rush	CC Zirille	Austin Eckstein (sub req.)
	Joey Barb	Phil Scherer		
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	Mark Hawkins – Host	Cathy Biancone – Host	Laura Sammons – Host	Karla Fox Somar – Host
LECTORS:	Rodney Tornes (1)	Mike Rush (1)	Andrea Botts (1)	Carrie Suess (1)
LECTORS:	Adele Robbins (2)	Tom Nann (2)	Peter Luhrman (2)	Diana Lewis (2)
GREETERS/USHERS:	Mark Sheehan	Robbi Eichner	Tommy Botts	
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LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:	Jeff Thomas	NOT FILLED	Misiunas Family	

## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, NOVEMBER 2-3, 2024

	SATURDAY • 4:00 P.M.	SUNDAY • 8:30 A.M.	SUNDAY • 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Christian Dorsten	Paul Cuthbert	Gabi Cervantes
	Isaac Dorsten	Luke Orsini	Alex Smithhisler
	Ethan Wnek	Ben Orsini	Jack Smithhisler
EVEDAODDINIADV	Mike Haefs – Host	Jerri Burgel – Chalice	Joanne Hawkins – Host
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:		Michael Robbins – Chalice	
		Billy Staneart – Host	
LECTORS:	Dave Bogner (1)	Nadia Staneart (1)	Mike Dunfee (1)
	Barbara Vanhoose (2)	Ali Staneart (2)	Carrie Suess (2)
GREETERS/USHERS:	Dennis Murnane	Tom Staneart	Lora Dunfee
	MaryAnn Shaffer	Ali Staneart	Mike Dunfee
LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:			Smithhisler Family

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World Mission	\$ 5.00
Solidarity Fund	\$ 20.00
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Foundation Mission	\$ 274.00

### OCTOBER 19/20, 2024

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Loose Cash	\$	616.00
Online	\$	903.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	210.00
SOLT	\$	10.00
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Foundation Mission	\$	30.00

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### WE WELCOME INTO THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH:

Luca Matteo Munoz who was baptized on Sunday, September 29th. May God's blessings be upon him and his fine family.

**LECTOR WORKBOOKS** are now available in the closet in the east hallway. If you are a Lector, please pick one up for your reference.

### All Souls' Day

All Souls' Day provides the opportunity to gain indulgences for our departed loved ones and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory. What is an indulgence? "An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven (in the Sacrament of Confession), which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies

From the Handbook of Indulgences:

with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1471).

A plenary (full) indulgence, which is applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a church or an oratory on All Souls' Day.

- The requirements for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence are:
  Visit a church and pray for the souls in Purgatory while in the state of grace
- Say the Our Father and the Creed during the visit to the church (this is accomplished in the liturgy if your visit is during Mass; outside of Mass, offer these on your own)
- Pray for the Pope's intentions (an Our Father, or Hail Mary, or any other appropriate prayer is sufficient)
- Worthily receive Holy Communion (on the day itself or soon thereafter)
- Make a sacramental confession within 20 days of All Souls' Day, either before or after
- For a plenary indulgence, be free from all attachment to sin, even venial sin (otherwise, the indulgence is partial, not plenary). It is sufficient that the Christian makes an act of the will to love God above all things and to despise all sin.

In addition, you can gain a plenary indulgence visiting a cemetery each day between 1 November and 8 November. The columbarium in the lower church is considered a cemetery in meeting this qualification. During these days the lower church will be open during school hours so that you can visit. These indulgences are applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory. A partial indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, can be obtained whenever saying the "Eternal rest" prayer: "Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

# November 1, 2024 ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints Day is a day to honor the saints who have reached heaven.

All Saints Day is a Holy Day of

Obligation. Catholics are expected to attend Mass on All Saints Day.

### **MASS TIMES**

Thursday, October 31- Vigil Mass 6:30 pm

Friday, November 1 -Mass 8:00 am \* Adoration 8:30 am- 5:00 pm Confessions/Benediction 4:00 pm- 5:00 pm All Saints Mass 7:00 pm

# November 2, 2024 ALL SOULS' DAY

On this day, we honor all the faithful departed for their fidelity in life, as well as pray for them, since they are being purified before entering the All Holy Presence of God. This is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday, November 2 -Mass 8:00am \* Adoration/ Confession 8:30am Mass at St Joseph Cemetery 11:00 am

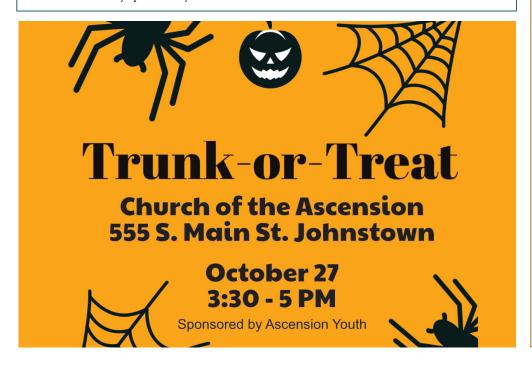
\*incense used, ad orientem



Our *MEMORIAL MASS* will be held on Thursday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m. We will gather as community to remember and pray for those who have died, for those written in our Book of the Dead and for those mentors, friends, and loved ones who have enriched our lives along the way. We will remember those parishioners, friends and loved ones who have died this year with a Blessed Candle. If you would like to have their names read at this Mass and have them remembered with a Blessed Candle, please call the Parish Office at 740-967-7871 with the name of your loved one and the name of the person who will attend Mass to receive the candle. Please call by November 11, 2024.

### REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FOR A PARISHIONER

My grandparents attend the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday mornings. Both of them use walkers, and they live on Jug Street in Johnstown, which is only about 4.8 miles (a 6-minute drive) from the church. They will need assistance getting to Mass for the foreseeable future. Typically, my cousin takes them, but she is about to have a baby and may not be able to help for the next few months. If you are willing to assist them, please contact Chase Alexander at 240-750-7841. For any questions, you can reach Amanda at the Parish Office at 740-967-7871.





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## SEMINARIAN SUPPORT FUND With the desire to support

the ongoing formation of seminarians and future priests in the Diocese of Columbus, the Office of Vocations has established a new annual second collection. The Seminarian Support Fund collection, which marks the beginning of Vocation Awareness Week, will be held November 2-3, 2024. Bishop Earl K. Fernandes is grateful for your ongoing support of the future priests of

our diocese. You may donate by scanning

### YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

While Mary Nelson is on maternity leave, please note youth group will meet on the following days only: November 3, 17, and December 8! Youth group will pick up weekly again starting January 5!

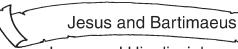
We need help providing lunch to the youth and the amazing volunteers who are helping to keep youth group running. Please sign up by going to https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084BA8A628AAFFC52-47092442-youth.

## Your Prayers are Requested

Your prayers this week are asked for Michael Seggert, brother of Lynn Caterina, Danny Oxley, James Litzinger, Lyndsie Woosley Grubb, Rafferty Loughran, Jennifer Ankrom, Angela Taylor, baby Carmen, Sally Blubaugh, Ernie Burnam, Bob & Sylvia Freed, Rick Potter & Family, Justin King, Maxine Nann, Letha Patton, Susan Welch, Joyce Curran, Gabrielle & Shawn, Dana Caswell, Suzanne Kubin, Sharon Freitag, Di Habash, Joe Lindsay, Ivan Booth, Donna Dellapina, Cathy Mann, Peggy Hall, Terry Baesmann, John & Helen Tomich, Barbara Penhorwood, Margie Easterday, John & Neva Stover, Jared Writesel, Don Vocca, Karen Reitz, Jeff Ankrom, Ron & Ann Mullins, Ron Gallo, John T. and James and for those who have no one to pray for them.

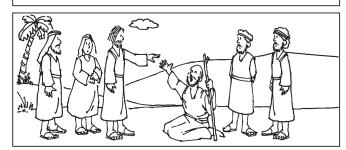
Are you or someone in your family on active duty in the military? Please let us know and we will add the names to our Prayer Requests.

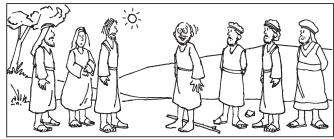
### Activities for Children



Jesus and His disciples met Bartimaeus. He could not see.

Circle 6 things that are different in the 2nd picture.





Bartimaeus shouted. Many told him to be quiet. But he continued to shout ...

Trace the vowels.

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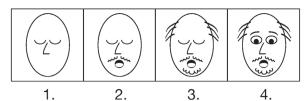
"Son of David, have mercy

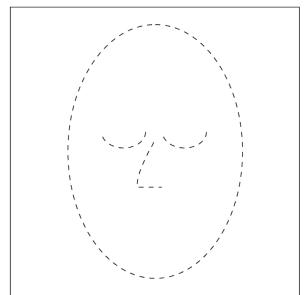
Jesus said, "Go, your faith has healed you." Bartimaeus could see. He followed Jesus.

Put the pictures in the correct order. 2 3

Jesus asked, "What do you want?" Bartimaeus said, "I want to see!"

Follow the steps to draw Bartimaeus with open eyes.





### **BEING HEARD**

Reflection on Mark 10:46-52

We often consider Jesus' question: "Who do you say that I am?" as the most important question for wouldbe followers ever posed in the New Testament. Certainly, each of us must answer this question not only in the course of what we believe about Jesus but also in how we go about living our lives.

But perhaps today's question posed to Bartimaeus from Jesus: "What do you want me to do for you?" is equally, if not even more significant for disciples.

When Jesus tells Bartimaeus that his faith has saved him, perhaps He was referencing the beggar's persistence, his determination to find his voice and make it heard, his insistence that carrying his desires/prayers to Jesus in personal encounter will surely result in a showering of grace, his courage in going against the "many" who just want him to go away and stop irritating them.

When Jesus encounters the faith of Bartimaeus, and when He encounters our faith. He stresses that we are first and last His beloved children. May you know, in the depth of your being, that you are loved by God. When we have this gift, we can approach the Divine as a child, with any request, and we will be heard.

- Fr. Jay



### WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

### Sunday, October 27, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 31:7-9

Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52

### Monday, October 28, 2024

Feast of Saints Simon and Jude. **Apostles** 

Eph 2:19-22

Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Lk 6:12-16

### Tuesday, October 29, 2024

Weekday

Eph 5:21-33

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

Lk 13:18-21

### Wednesday, October 30, 2024

Weekday

Eph 6:1-9

Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14

Lk 13:22-30

### Thursday, October 31, 2024

Weekday Eph 6:10-20

Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 Lk 13:31-35

### Friday, November 1, 2024

Solemnity of All Saints Rv 7:2-4, 9-14

Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a

### Saturday, November 2, 2024

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls) Wis 3:1-9

Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Rom 6:3-9 Jn 6:37-40

Access Daily Readings from

the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at https://bible.usccb.org

### SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

Saint of the Day: November 3

Patron Saint of: African Americans, Barbers, Hairdressers,

Race Relations, Radio, Social Justice

Martin was the son of a freed woman of Panama and a Spanish grandee of Lima, Peru. Martin inherited the features and dark complexion of his mother. His parents never married. After the birth of a sister, his father abandoned the family. Martin was reared in poverty. Even as a child, he gave his heart and his goods to the poor and despised. When he was 12, his mother apprenticed him to a barber-surgeon. He learned to cut hair and also to care for wounds, treat illness, and prepare and administer medicines.

Martin applied to the Dominicans to be a "lay helper," not feeling worthy to be a religious brother. After nine years of prayer, penance, charity and humility, the community requested that he make full religious profession. Many of his nights were spent in prayer and penance; his days were filled with caring for the sick and the poor, regardless of their color, race, or status. He was instrumental in founding an orphanage, caring for slaves brought from Africa, and became the procurator for both priory and city.

Side by side with his daily work, Martin's life reflected God's extraordinary gifts: ecstasies that lifted him into the air, light filling the room where he prayed, bilocation, miraculous knowledge, instantaneous cures, and a remarkable rapport with animals. He would excuse the raids of mice and rats, and he kept stray cats and dogs at his sister's house.

A formidible fundraiser, he obtained thousands of dollars for dowries so that poor girls could marry or enter a convent. Many of his religious fellows took Martin as their spiritual director, but he continued to call himself a "poor slave."

> Read the full article: "Saint Martin de Porres" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-martin-de-porres/ (Accessed October 1, 2024).





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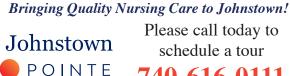
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