

# Holy Trinity Polish National Catholic Church

200 Grace Street McKees Rocks, PA 15136

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## Mass Intentions

Solemnity of Brotherly Love, September 10, 2023

8:00 AM **Pam Austin and David Pedder**

Remembered by Sister, Margie

10:00 **Josh Haskins and Julia Sobek**

Remembered by Family

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 17, 2023

8:00 AM **Gloria and Herbie Hall**

Remembered by Family

10:00 **Steffie Poppek**

Remembered by Terry

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JOHN 15:12

**Solemnity of Brotherly Love** When we place Jesus at the center of our lives, as Paul calls the Colossians to do, two marvelous graces are given us. We experience God's love for us in the mercy and forgiveness of Jesus. As grateful sinners, we then are able to forgive others.

As we begin each day this week, we can let these two graces be part of our reflection. We can ask our Lord to show us his love. We can fear-less-ly ask to understand who we are as sinners, in the concrete ways each of us falls short, gets distracted, becomes uncentered and makes very unwise choices. We can ask to be forgiven and healed. This journey each day might take us into specific patterns, habits, ruts we're in.

We can choose to focus carefully this week on those people we ask for the grace to forgive. Whose faults do I pay most attention to? Whom do I judge harshly? From whom do I withhold forgiveness? If we begin each day, asking our Lord to reveal the answers to these questions, throughout our day, our days this week will show us deeper places where the Lord can forgive us and where we can share that mercy.

**MINISTRY TO STUDENTS** Thanks to everyone who contributed school supplies this year to help local students as they begin a new year. Thanks to Sherri Koger, from our Parish who teaches in the McKees Rocks School District who has graciously agreed to manage and distribute the supplies. Our outreach effort to enable children in our community to have a strong start to the new school year was a wonderful success due to the generosity of so many from our parish family!!

**CHOIR NEWS** With summertime in the rear-view mirror and autumn on the horizon, our parish once again calls all singers to consider joining our Choir which begins a new season of leading the music at the 10:00 AM Mass today after a restful, yet fruitful respite. Thanks in advance for your faithfulness and support of our music ministry here at Holy Trinity. Thank you!



**SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING** We are excited to begin a new year of learning for our Sunday School students on Sunday, September 17th for the 2023/2024 school year. All students that are participating, please arrive at 9am on the 17th.

Following the first class on the 17th, Pre-School/Kindergarten class will begin at 9:30am and all other classes will begin at 9am. There will be a Communion and Confirmation class so if your child will be receiving either of those Sacraments, please plan on attending.

If you have any questions regarding Sunday School, please contact Mary Nosal at [mary.l.nosal@gmail.com](mailto:mary.l.nosal@gmail.com) or 412-817-0438. All are welcome!

**2023 - 2024 PITTSBURGH STEELERS SEASON FOOTBALL POOL** Holy Trinity Steelers football pool is complete! Good Luck to all those who are participating over the next 17 weeks of the regular season games. Blocks have been assigned and

all the numbers have been picked for the entire season. All participants will have the same block for the entire season but your numbers are different each week. Please be sure to pick up one copy for each of the 17 weeks so you can follow along during the game. Each game will pay out \$25 for half and \$75 for the final. The December 23rd game will pay out \$100 for the first and third quarters, \$200 for the half and \$300 for the final score. If we would get 50 participants these numbers double. Sing up this Sunday, see Mike CLark for more details.

**BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT SUMMER HOLY HOUR** As a Eucharistic people, adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament focuses our attention on the love of God that permeates our lives and our world. On Saturday, October 7, our parish will host a Holy Hour beginning at 10:00 AM. All are welcome!



**O Lord my God, I entrust all my loved ones in your care, and I pray you to protect and guide them daily. Lord, meet them at every point of their need and fulfill all their heart desires. Be their keeper and grant them the opportunity to enjoy good health all the days of their lives.**

**PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING** The Parish Committee will meet after the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, September 24.

**2023 SUPPORT FOR HOLY TRINITY** Thanks to all who generously support Holy Trinity parish. On Sunday September 3 the parish received \$1,278 in our Sunday collection. In addition, the parish received \$89 for Missions, \$34 for the PNCC, \$200 from the Steelers football pool, HELP \$10, SOCL \$40 and cash was \$135. The total deposit was \$1,786. The Enhancement Fund received \$175. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! If you would like to have a set of envelopes for your contributions please see Paulette or Fr. Mike.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** Please pray for all those who are infirmed or home bound. In a special way we pray for Beverly, Bob, Cindy, Jim, Joann, Kimi, Knox, Laura, Nick, Nunny, Melinda, Alan and Jordan.

**THE COMMUNION PRAYER** *In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you, and, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen. Julian of Norwich*

