

October 4, 2026 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday – Oct 3rd – Vigil Mass –

5:00PM Patti Green (Senior Family)

Sunday – Oct 4th - Mass is Streamed Live –

9:30AM Congratulations - Audrey & Eric Senior – 1st Baby – Josephine

Monday – Oct 5th – Weekday – St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Blessed Francis Xavier

9:00AM Intentions of Michele Crew-Locke (Dominik & Lillian)

Tuesday – Oct 6th – Weekday – St. Bruno, Priest

9:00AM Living/Deceased Members of St. Lawrence

Wed. – Oct 7th - Weekday – Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00AM Blessings to Our Newest Registered Parish Family (Parish Community)

Thurs. – Oct 8th – Weekday –

9:00AM Reading & Communion Distribution Only

Friday – Oct 9th – Weekday – St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs

9:00AM Intentions of Bernie Boylan (Dolores Bonk)

Saturday – Oct 10th – Weekday –

9:00AM Blessings for Baby Josephine Senior (Daddy & Mommy)

Please Pray for Our Sick and Housebound, Deceased Members, for an End to Abortion and Respect for all Life!

Lynda Stefanski, Peter Libasci, Joseph Bonk, Tom Trotter, Dave Blessing, Jeff Olimpo, Matt Sebastiano, Maria Middleton, Fern & John Gibson, William Merkle, Russ Funkhouser, Joseph Jones, Elizabeth Ann Schlotter, Andrew Schlotter, Bethany Steinberg, Joann Thaler, Julie Petry, Steven Fusco, Greg Gambino, Patrick D. Brown, Douglas Defreest, Jr., Benny LoScalzo, Steve Ombalski, Jane Burger, Ginny LaBar, Michael Gawronski, Marciano Alves Viera, Bernadette Maszczak, Shawn Kelly, Beth Collins, Nikia Helfant Messier, Anthony Libasci, Louis Cortese, Faith Marie Messier, Ann Lewis, Alvin LaBar, Emma Jones, Bernie Boylan, Elizabeth Ohle, **Mary Senior**

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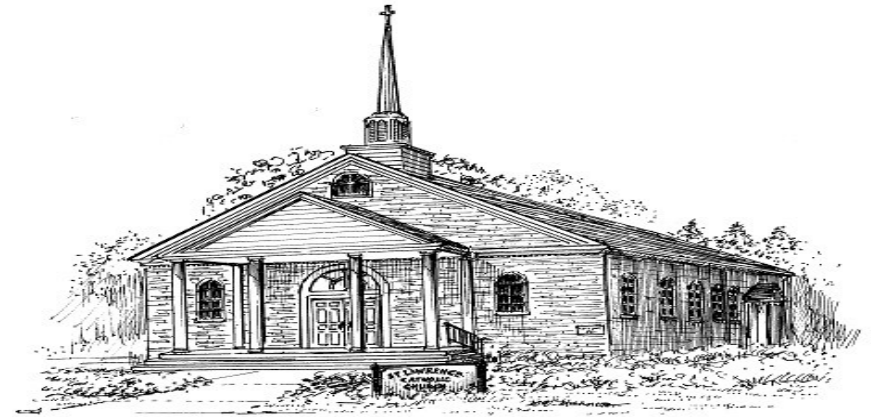
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Mass Schedule: Saturday Evenings @ 5PM; Sunday Morning @ 9:30AM; Holy Days @ 9AM, 12 Noon & 7PM; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday @ 9AM, Thursday Readings & Communion Distribution Only.

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday @ 9:30AM – 11AM

Confessions: Saturday @ 3:30PM - 4:30PM @ Church. Via Appointment - Contact Rectory

Holy Name Society: Meets Monthly; Second Monday @ 7PM @ Ceader Hall (Sept – May)

Altar Rosary Society: Meets Monthly; Second Thursday @ 7PM (Sept – May)

Lay Carmelite Community of St. Teresa of Jesus of Los Andes: Meets Monthly, First Saturday Following the 9AM Mass in Ceader Hall.

Marthas & Marys Ministry: Faith based group, meets First Friday @ 11:30AM @ Ceader Hall

Weddings: Contact Rectory for Details. Plans Preferred Minimun 6 Months in Advance.

Parish PREP Classes & New Parishoners: Contact Rectory via Phone or email.

Rectory Office: Mon-Fri @ 9:30AM – 12 noon

Pastor's Corner October 4, 2026

The final sentence of today's Gospel explains the point of the *Parable of the Unfaithful Tenants*. Speaking to the chief priests and the elders of the people. Jesus says, *"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."* In the parable, the landowner and the tenants had a working agreement: the tenants would be responsible for the prepping, planting, and harvesting of the crops; the landowner would pay them a fair salary for their work. In this case the tenants were not only irresponsible, but greedy and criminal. They wanted the owner's land and all the wealth that would be a by-product of that farmland. It wasn't that they wanted to change the relationship with the landowner; they wanted to terminate it with the murdering of his son, the future heir of the land. They were greedy, dishonest, without any respect for their word or their actions.

What is the point which Our Lord is making? Aside from anticipating His own rejection by the religious authorities and most of His own people, **Our Lord means to speak directly to us**. If we, as followers of Our Lord, wish to enjoy

eternity with Him, we must work at our relationship with Him. This entails dying to those things in our lives which are contrary to God's love and "producing fruit". What is that fruit? It is a continuing effort to be unselfish for others, to be generous, trustworthy, transparent, and courageous, by standing up for the weak and powerless, to identify with Jesus is everything we do, both privately and publicly. It is to do everything we can to reverse the various manifestations of evil like racism and poverty.....basically, to be Jesus to our contemporaries, especially when they are promoting things that are destructive to themselves or those around them. It's not rocket science; it's about being accountable to someone who loves you and who deserves your love.

Like each of Our Lord's parables, there is always much for us to reflect on and pray over. When we pray, let us always ask Him the question which is difficult to ask: *"Lord am I producing good fruit? Help me to be a good tenant."* Hopefully, we already know the answer! Your brother in Christ,



Collections: Sept 27th Parish @ \$3330, Choir Donation @ \$124. Thank You!!

Knights of Columbus: meeting, Monday, Oct 5 @ 7:30PM @ Ceader Hall.

Fr. Benn: out of office Wed., Oct 7 after 9AM Mass.

Altar Rosary Society: meeting for Thursday, Oct 8 @ 7PM @ Ceader Hall moved to Oct 15. Please take note.

Coffee & Donuts: Sunday, Oct 11 following the 9:30AM Mass @ Ceader Hall. All are Welcome!!

Holy Name Society: Meeting Monday, Oct 12 @ 7PM @ Ceader Hall.



Octoberfest: Saturday, Oct 17 following the 5PM Mass @ Ceader Hall. Ends ~ 9PM



KOC Penny Party: Wednesday, October 7 @ St. John the Baptist. Doors open 5PM. Action begins 7PM. Admission \$5 includes Coffee & Deserts. BYOB. Food, Snacks, etc. for purchase. If you never attended before....now would be a good time. Each

chance to win cost only one penny and you select what you would like to win!! Purchase as many one penny chances you like increasing your chance to win. Put a group together if you like and take over a table with your friends & neighbors. What do you have to lose...just a penny:>

8th Annual Donum A Deo Gala – Gift from God: presented by St. John The Baptist Parish on Friday, Oct 30 @ the *Doylestown Country Club*. Tickets @ www.rasjb.org See flyer in vestibule.

IMPORTANT ACTION ITEM: 2027 weekly contribution envelopes. If you currently are not receiving envelopes and would like to in 2027 or something needs to be updated on your current 2026 envelopes inform the Parish office.

Prayer for Priests: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.