

St. John
The Apostle

“one sent forth - a messenger”

OCTOBER 2024

APOSTLE DEADLINE
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BAPTISM

9-15 At Ringtown we welcomed Maya Andrea Kovalewski, daughter of Christopher & Amanda (Kalce) Kovalewski, into our Lord’s Family by baptism.

Thank You...

...to everyone who supported the Social Ministry Meatloaf Dinner. Your time baking desserts, serving, and your purchases were appreciated. Funds raised to benefit Carl Stuafter’s medical expenses. Thrivent provided seed money.

...to everyone who supported the Helping Hands Italian Hoagie sale. Your time selling, prepping, assembling, and your purchases are appreciated. Funds raised will benefit the Capital Campaign Fund. Thrivent provided seed money.

...to these Thrivent members who designated Choice Dollars to St. John’s:
Rngntn: \$174 Donald Beaver, Lee Grimes, Gary Schell

PRAYER FOR OUR PASTORAL VACANCY

Gracious God, as we prepare to call a new pastor, may we count on the support and prayers of our members just as we trust your Spirit to guide us. During this time of pastoral vacancy, we pray for patience through the call process, that when your time is right, you will lead us to our new pastoral leadership. We pray that you would keep us strong in our faith and worship life; and we thank you for blessing us with supply pastors, and worship leaders. As pastoral candidates review our ministry profile, we pray for them and their families. We ask that you would be with them as they prayerfully consider their decision to accept our call. We ask that you work through our Call Committee and guide them in their duties; give them wisdom in choosing a pastor to lead us into the future and an exciting new chapter in our life of faith and ministry. All this we ask in your Holy name. Amen

PASTOR’S PAGE

The Pastor’s Page is provided by Pastor Philip Smith who is our visitation pastor during the pastoral vacancy. He will take care of hospital visits, weddings, funerals, First Communion, Catechism, pre baptismal meetings, etc.

PASTORAL CONTACT INFORMATION

In the event of a pastoral emergency, please call Pastor Phil Smith, visitation pastor, 570-384-3645, the church office 570-889-5203 or Marion Chupasco 570-889-3393; and she will contact pastoral coverage.

PrayerPartners

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As a continuation of the on-going ministry of the Prayer Partners; you are invited to pray for members, family, friends, and the ongoing ministry of the Brandonville-Ringtown Lutheran Parish.

This list is provided for your use so that we might support each other in our efforts to be a caring Family of God.

Some people you may know well; and others not as well. A new list will appear each month.

Pray for their health, their daily ministries, their homes, families, and for their spiritual growth.

Pray that God would guide and direct their lives. Pray that they may be thankful for God’s blessings and for His strength when they face difficulties.

Put the list where you will see it often---on the refrigerator, in the car---wherever you will be reminded.

Then, having been reminded, offer your prayers to God on their behalf.

Who knows the joy, comfort, or blessings that can result because we are each remembered by others in prayer. (If your APOSTLE arrives late, please include the members and petitions for those days that may have been delayed.)

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Kay Faust, Aubrey, Pr. Bill Zimmermann, Erika, Joe Cocco, Barbara Miller, Gary, Phelma, Rob, Jake, John Lex, Marie Davis, Cathy, Joan Lex, Albert, Paul Deebel, Phyllis Shehan, Mike, Pam, Judy Kline, John, Joe Catizone, Jenna, JoAnn Harrison, Lovell Kahley, Carol, Tina Shehan, Yvonne, Sandy, Shirley, Bruce, Ralph Richards, Joan Medlinsky, Carl, Chris Mullin, Josh Trutt, our Parish during the vacancy and call process, those in the armed services, our companion congregation, the Amani Parish and the South Central Diocese of Tanzania, all facing conflict and violence, all doctors, nurses, medical staff, emergency services, police, businesses, restaurants, schools, parents, family, friends, neighbors, and ministers sharing God’s Words of comfort during these challenging times.

PRAYER LIST NOTE: To respect privacy, please be sure to ask permission from the person or their family before placing his/her name on our prayer list.

