

PROCLAIM! 10:30 am; Live Mass Telecast 11:00 am - Noon
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Live Mass Also Airs on Cornerstone Faith and Family Channel

The Minute-a-Month Electronic Ministry
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A New On-Screen Upgrade for Our Live Televised Mass!

**Thousands of Appreciative Viewers
Join Us for September 11 Live TV Mass
Honoring 15th Anniversary of 9/11**

We deeply appreciate the many kind comments and expressions of gratitude from the many viewers who tuned in to our live Mass telecast on Sunday, September 11, for a special Liturgy in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the Attack on America in 2001.

The special Blue Mass honored the nearly 3,000 persons who died on that fateful day, as well as all who continue to serve the public as firefighters, police, and emergency medical personnel.

All local First Responders were invited to wear their uniforms to the Mass and were assigned a place of honor in the front of Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.

Evonne Yanzetich-Homway, Cathedral Director of Music and Chief Organist, prepared a special program of music appropriate for the occasion, reflecting the meaning and purpose of the event, as well as its implications for succeeding generations.

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Our live TV Mass soon will have a new improved appearance thanks to two much-needed on-screen upgrades.

The first involves the installation of a new character generator, the electronic computer-based device which creates and displays all of the on-screen graphics during the Mass telecast.

The second and related upgrade centers on a new Mass opening, which establishes the theme and atmosphere for the Liturgy.

The immediate need for the new character generator became evident when our present unit, more than a decade old, crashed a few weeks earlier. Our Chief Engineer **Joe Delso** did a quick search of the internet and found a used unit similar to ours in Rochester, New York, and had it sent to us by Express Mail Overnight.


After several hours of work over a two-day period Joe was able to get the equipment on line in time for our Blue Mass telecast on September 11.

Meanwhile, we are ordering a new state-of-the-art generator incorporating the latest advances at a cost of \$7,000.00, which we hope to have in operation by the end of October.

At the same time, **Dale and Becky Wicks**, owners of WIX PIX Productions of suburban Johnstown, are in the process of preparing a new Mass opening designed to give a fresh perspective to our live telecast.

Dale and Becky have always been friends of our TV Ministry through their support and the donation of their creative skills and used equipment.

Thanks, Joe, Dale and Becky for everything!



Live Sundays
11:00 am

**Father Anthony J. Petracca October 9
TV Mass Guest Celebrant and Homilist**

Our Guest Celebrant and Homilist for October will be **Father Anthony J. Petracca**, Parochial Vicar at the three parishes in Windber, Somerset County, and backup chaplain in Hospital Ministry.

Father Petracca will celebrate the TV Mass on Sunday, October 9, the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time and Vocation Awareness Sunday.

The Sunday Mass is telecast live from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown from 11:00 am until noon on WATM-TV ABC 23 and the Faith and Family Channel of Cornerstone TV. The Mass is also rebroadcast at 9:00 pm Sundays on the Atlantic Broad-band Public Access Cable Channel 9.

Our complete list of celebrants for October:

Sunday, October 2 Very Rev. James F. Crookston
Pastor and Rector, Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
(Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time/
Respect Life Sunday)

Sunday, October 9 Rev. Anthony J. Petracca
*Parochial Vicar, Windber Parishes and
Chaplain in Hospital Ministry)*
(Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time/
Vocation Awareness Sunday)

Sunday, October 16 Very Rev. James F. Crookston
Pastor and Rector, Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
(Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time/
Laity Sunday)

Sunday, October 23 Very Rev. James F. Crookston
Pastor and Rector, Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
(Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time/
World Mission Sunday)

Sunday, October 30 Rev. Chuck Bridges
Parochial Vicar, Saint John Gualbert Cathedral
(Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Sunday/
Reformation Sunday)

Minute-a-Month Mass October 9

The Minute-a-Month TV Ministry Mass for October will be celebrated as the 11:00 am TV Mass from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral on **Sunday, October 9**, the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time and Vocation Awareness Sunday.

In Memory of Mr. Francis D. Maruca
We remember Francis D. Maruca, 80, of Johnstown, who died Sept. 3, 2016. He was a faithful viewer of our live TV Mass and had a deep devotion to the Rosary

Keeping the Faith October Guests

Keeping the Faith, hosted by **Bishop Mark Bartchak**, airs at 10:30 am Sundays on WATM-TV preceding the live TV Mass.

Sunday, October 2: In celebration of the Year of Mercy, Penn State Altoona Campus Minister **Andre McCarville** shares with Bishop Mark how some students are serving others through their yearly mission trips.

Sunday, October 9: Monica Ludwig, a member of Saint Nicholas Parish in Nicktown and Secretary of the Altoona-Johnstown Legion of Mary, talks about the special outreach by members of the Legion.

Sunday, October 16: As we salute our October School of the Month, Our Lady of Victory School in State College, Principal **Samantha Weakland** and teacher **JoAnne Venturino** talk about the faith, academics, and service that are the school's cornerstones.

Sunday, October 23: As Bishop Mark prepares to celebrate his annual Mass recognizing Scouting in our Diocese, Boy Scout **Matt Beam** and his dad, **Michael Beam**, members of Saint Matthew Parish in Tyrone, recall a special Scouting project they completed for their parish.

Sunday, October 30: A *People from the Pew* series spotlights **Lu** and **Mary Lessard**, parishioners at the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel in Loretto. The couple discusses their spirituality as members of a parish with a strong connection to the Priest-Prince/Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin.

Our Viewers Write, E-mail, and Call!

Dear Proclaim!

I want to thank everyone making it possible for us to watch the live Mass every Sunday from Saint John Gualbert. It is so deeply appreciated! The Blue Mass on Sept. 11 was so beautiful and I thank everyone involved. God bless all of you.
--Sincerely, JW, Windber (Somerset County)
PS Enjoyed Kevin's proposal to Kelli; I wish them the best!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

I kindly request that my name be added to your mail list that I may receive the TV newsletter every month.
--May God bless you!--KG, Somerset PA

Dear Father Bridges,

I am 99 years of age and I enjoy reading your newsletter. I am celebrating my 100th birthday this year.
I hope to get to a Mass from the Cathedral. Pray for me and I will pray for you.
--Sincerely, JT, Monessen, PA (Westmoreland County)