

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 20, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

June 21, Monday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga

6:45 AM + John B. Neff (Kirk Dodson)
12:00 PM + Sr. Catherine Mary Malloy, Birthday
(Jean & Randy Koury)

June 22, Tuesday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bp, Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More

6:45 AM + Bernard J. Joyce (Family)
12:00 PM + Jim Rourke (Fellow McNelis School Board Members)

June 23, Wednesday: Weekday

6:45 AM + Fred Martynuska (Family)
12:00PM + In Thanksgiving (Anonymous)

June 24, Thursday: The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

6:45 AM + Roger Furry (Kerry & Cathy Hallinan)
12:00 PM + Geraldine Kines (Sharon Yanchik)

June 25, Friday: Weekday

6:45 AM + Msgr. Roy Kline (Robert & Cathy Chirden)
12:00 PM + Orvita Knott (Joe and Dan Angesk, and Marcy Yurinko)

June 26, Saturday: Weekday

8:00 AM+ Betty Capoullez, Anniversary (Family)
12:00PM + Lillian M. Ratchford (Joan Conway)
Vigil: **Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
5:00PM + Daniel R. Shade (Michael & Suzan Kuny)

June 27, Sunday

8:00 AM + Martha Maurer (Jack & Nancy Kirkpatrick)
10:00 PM + Jeldo Evangelisto (Donna Evangelisto Family)
12:00 PM + All God's People (Altoona Catholic Daughters)
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/ For the People

Please remember our sick in your prayers.

Fun Facts About Cathedral

The first resident pastor was the Reverend John Tuigg from 1853-1876. That was when we were still part of The Pittsburgh Diocese. The Diocese of Altoona was established on May 30, 1901. Then on October 9, 1957 the name was changed to the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown.

Readings for the week of June 20, 2021

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22 [12]/ Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/ Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [4]/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55 [cf. 54b]/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



Happy Father's Day

Thank you, Dad. You provide for us, share your wisdom, and gave us life. We remember all fathers, living and dead, with the following prayer:

God our Father, in your wisdom and love You make all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Nocturnal Adoration

Will be held at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 2010-12th Avenue, Altoona, on Friday July 2nd from 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM. They are the host church for this event. Please try to visit for an hour. You may attend anytime.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Will be published next week

Religious Education

Registration forms for grades PK/11 have been emailed to all families. Please return these as soon as possible so that textbooks can be ordered. All classes will return in person on September 12th. Registration weekend will be held before and after all Masses on August 7 & 8th in the Parish Education Center. A Baptismal certificate is required for all new students. Online registration is also available at all times on the parish website: www.altcathedral@diocese.org. Please contact Chris Laraia DRE(814-312-7317) for more information.

Confirmation Preparation

All students entering grades 9,10,11 in the Fall 2021 are required to attend an information meeting with your parents on Tuesday, August 3rd at 6:30PM. in the Cathedral church hall. This includes all students from both public and parochial schools and home schooled students. A copy of your Baptism and 1st Eucharist certificates will be needed.

Please call or email Chris Laraia, DRE for more information at 814-312-7317 or claraia@dioceseaj.org.

Through the Eyes of Children

An activities booklet about Saint Joseph is available at our entrances for children. It contains artwork, puzzles, prayers, games, and coloring pages.

Camp Timothy / Camp Zacchaeus

For Youth entering Grades 10-12 and Newly Graduated Seniors for 2021. June 21, 22, 23 at Resurrection Picnic Grove in Johnstown Pa. We will offer Virtual Day Camp and an Overnight Tent camping option! For more information or to receive a brochure, contact Francine Swope in Youth Ministry Office at (814-317-2646). July 19, 20, and 21, 2021- 9:00 am-3:00 pm (daily check-in begins at 8:30 am). Altoona Area-St Patrick, Newry and State College Area-Good Shepherd, Port Matilda. July 26, 27, and 28, 2021- 9:00 am-3:00 pm (check-in begins at 8:30 am). Johnstown Area- Resurrection Picnic Grove, Johnstown.

Campers will enjoy daily Liturgies, inspirational music, prayer experiences, evangelization sessions (our theme lesson for the day) games, arts and crafts and lots more! Camp will be held following all current (CDC), State and Diocesan protocols for Camp Zacchaeus for COVID. For more information or to receive a brochure, contact Francine Swope in the Youth Ministry Office at (814)317-2646.

High School Graduates

Altoona Area HighSchool

Corey Aikens, Taylor DeGennaro, Carolyn Dumm, Alivia Grove, Logan Hough

Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School

Kyle Goss, Zachary McCloskey, Rachel Simanski, Sophia Warner, Elizah Jo Wilson

Hollidaysburg Senior High School

Emma John, John McGregor

Home Schooled

Giovanna Roefaro

Best of luck to all the Seniors, as you achieve your goals, hopes, and dreams. May God Bless you on your journey.

Holy Trinity Catholic 8th Grade Graduates

Congratulation to the following 8th grade students that graduated on Thursday, May 27, 2021: Ava Iapalucci, Mara Kirkpatrick, Emily Koller, Nicholas McCloskey, Josh Warmath.

Facebook

Our parish has created an official Facebook page and the address is <https://www.facebook.com/cathedralofaltoona> The link is found at the top of our parish's webpage. Our official page will gradually become a convenient way to keep people informed and post notices. (Please do not use the link at the bottom on the page.)

Bus Trip

Mt. Carmel Parish is sponsoring a bus trip to Flight 93 National Memorial, Shanksville PA, on Sunday July 25th. It will leave from Mt. Carmel Church Parking lot at 1:30 pm. The trip includes transportation, visit Flight 93 site (Tower of Voices, Visitor Center, Memorial Plaza Walk along the Crash site) Buffet Dinner at Oakhurst Grille, Somerset Pa, and gratuities. The cost of the trip is \$53.00 per person. Please contact the Parish Office at 814-942-8501 to make your reservation by July 16th.

A Note of Thanks

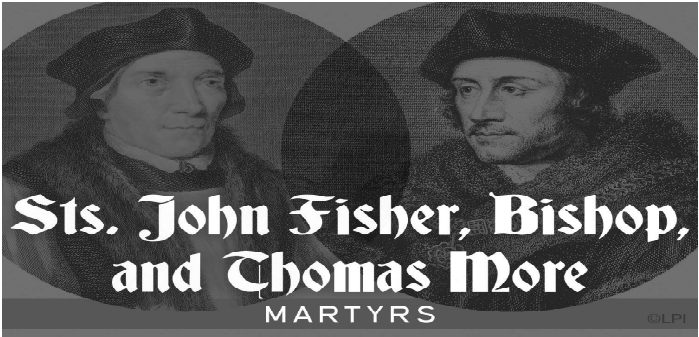
We would like to thank the following people that helped to clean the church for the Ordination Mass. Paul Luke, Patty McCloskey, Bill Smith, Herb Tomlinson, Cheryl & Rich Williams.

JUNE 20, 2021

As we look at our lives and world events, do we ever find ourselves wondering if God is sleeping? After all, maybe God’s patient, unconditional love has run its course and He is finally fed up with humanity’s reluctance to accept the truth about who we are. God really can’t be that patient! All throughout human history, many have prayed to God for intervention or for particular needs. Because their prayers were not answered in the way they wanted or anticipated, they felt that God may have abandoned them. Were they right? It seems that we are continuing, at a rapid rate, down a path of destruction. Do you not care, God, that we may be perishing? When the boats of our lives are rocking and the seas tumultuous, we want to know that we have God’s attention. Even more so, we want God’s intervention.

Maybe the storms and the waves are necessary. If we listen, they can teach us valuable lessons. Without them, we would never learn that we have the strength to endure, understand the uselessness of fear and worry, or develop the ability to really trust. If God immediately rushed in and simply calmed things down before they got difficult, what good would that really be? We would miss opportunities to learn how to drink more deeply of life, treasure its complexity, irony, and beauty and fully engage ourselves in surrendering to the love of our Creator. It is easy to walk on the surface of life without immersing ourselves in its messiness. Life has to burn its way through us in order to bring us to a place of secure trust. It’s unfortunate that some prefer a shallower journey.

That’s the balancing act that comes with faith. It is not God’s job to prevent us from encountering the torrential rains and winds of life. Many believe that if faith is done the right way, that God will provide for smooth sailing. That’s not how it works. God permits us to ride out the difficult stuff knowing that the storm will eventually be calmed. Do we not have faith that God will do this? True faith trusts in the steadfastness of God’s love when the seas are calm and when they are choppy. God’s unconditional loving presence shines through all of it and endures forever. Knowing this allows us to put our boats out into uncharted waters without hesitation. Knowing that we prefer the comfort and safety of what we know to be still waters, how do we feel when Jesus says, “Let us cross to the other side”? ©LPi



The Year of Saint Joseph
The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Patris Corde 1. A Beloved Father, Pillar of Families.

St. Joseph was a beloved father. St. Joseph placed himself at the service of his vocation as husband and father. Pope Francis in his apostolic letter *Patris Corde*, expressed it this way “He turned his human vocation to domestic love into a superhuman obligation of himself, his heart and all his abilities, a love placed at the service of the Messiah who was growing to maturity in his home.”

Joseph makes his home into a small church in Nazareth, a village of about forty houses. Imagine Mary speaking to the woman of her village around the well, praying the Psalms with Jesus and Joseph, blessing God at every simple meal, participating in the great pilgrimages, and learning by heart the principle blessings which begin thus, “blessed may you be, O Lord our God, King of the Universe.” Let us each live our vocation faithfully.

(Pope Francis Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde*, 1. Dec. 8, 2020; *St. Joseph Man of the Faith*, Jacques Gauthier, Catholic Book Publishing, N.J., 2014) **2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 2713- West Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.**

Saint Joseph, Renovo

A Special Mass at 3:00 pm on Saturday, June 26, of the 3 day parish festival, June 25, 26, 27. All are welcome every weekend for Confessios and Mass. Website: www.stjosephchurchrenovopa.org

Saint Joseph Mission Church, Hart’s Sleeping Place, Carrolltown

This historic Church, Blessed by Servant of God, Demetrius Gallitzin himself on October, 10,1830, will be opening once a month for visitation and self-guided tours ,The Church will be open from Noon-3:00 PM on Sundays: July 4th. A Special outdoor Mass with Bishop Mark Bartchak as Main Celebrant, will be held on Sunday, August 1 at 4:00 PM. The Church will be opened from Noon-3:30 PM, with Confessions from 1:00 PM-3:00 PM WEBSITE: www.sjm1830.com

St. John the Evangelist Parish Chicken BBQ

On Sunday, June 27, St. John the Evangelist Church, 309 Lotz Avenue, Altoona, will hold a DRIVE THRU ONLY Chicken BBQ at the Knights of Columbus, 324 Bedford St., Hollidaysburg, beginning at 11:00 AM. The \$10 tickets can be purchased after any weekend mass. Tickets will also be available in the Parish Office, which is open weekdays from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM - (814-942-5503) The proceeds will go to our Twin Parish in Haiti.

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CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

The process of formation for those seeking God through membership in the Catholic Christian community.

INFANT BAPTISM:

Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

CONFIRMATION:

Ninth, tenth and eleventh grade students are invited to participate in the Confirmation Preparation Process.

RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday: 7:00 PM, Saturday: 12:30 PM.

Communal Penance Services: Advent and Lent.

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Upon Request and Communal celebration

MARRIAGE:

Arrange nine months in advance. Couples expected to participate in pre-marriage preparation program.

DEVOTIONS:

Charismatic Prayer - Normally 3rd Monday of the Month
Eucharistic Adoration - First Wednesday - 12:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Eucharistic Day - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

September through April: Pre-Kindergarten thru 12.
Sunday morning 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM
Pre-Kindergarten thru 8.
Sunday Evening 6:15 PM- 8:15 PM
Grades 9 thru 12.

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Sunday:	5:00 PM (Vigil) 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon 5:00 PM	Holyday:	5:30 PM (Vigil) 8:00 AM 12:00 Noon 5:30 PM	Weekday:	6:45 AM 12:00 Noon
				Saturday:	8:00 AM 12:00 Noon

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