

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 26, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

June 27, Monday: St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:45 AM+Rosemary Plank Grieg (Albert Schlecht)
12:00 PM+Susan Burkey (Godchildren)

June 28, Tuesday: St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

6:45 AM+ Linda Blackie, Anniversary (Friend)
12:00 PM+John P. Koeck Jr. (Gary Koeck Family)

June 29, Wednesday: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

6:45AM +Nancy Foster (Jack & Nancy Kirkpatrick)
12:00PM +Honor of St. Anthony (Mae Ruggery Pagliara Family)

June 30, Thursday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

6:45AM+Audrey Krause (Phyllis Lavelle Sheetz)
12:00PM+Ernie Tomassetti, Wedding Ann. (Wife)

July 1, Friday: St. Junipero, Priest

6:45AM+Jim Davidson (Kevin & Jane Byrne)
12:00PM+John Gority (BGHS Class of 1965)

July 2, Saturday: Weekday

8:00 AM +Carrie Kibler Detwiler (Mom & Dad)
12:00 PM+Vera Hauck (Mary Margaret & Rick Morning Family)

Vigil : Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM+Geraldine Petrunak (Family)

July 3, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Susan Kapfhammer, Retirement (Rae & Joseph Kapfhammer)

10:00 AM+Jim R. Riley Sr. Birthday (Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/ For the People

Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Parish is at 11:30 A.M

Readings for the week of June 26, 2022

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/ Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/ Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/ Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-

Religious Ed PK/11

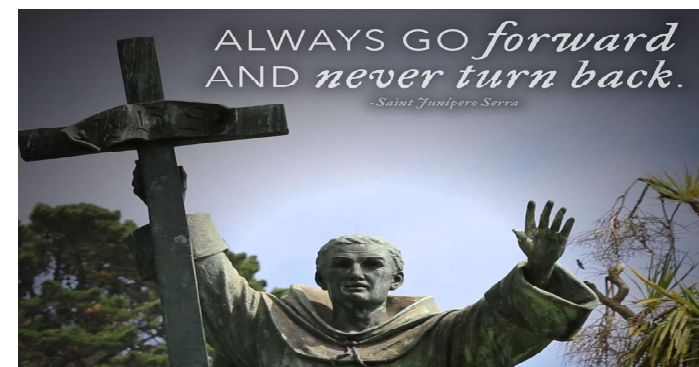
We need several catechists for our program. Please consider this ministry of stewardship if you would like to become involved in teaching the Catholic faith to the youth of our parish. Please contact Chris Laraia at 814-312-7317 or email her at claraia@dioceseaj.org, for more information.

Coming up! "Basket Bingo "

It is getting to that time of the year to start thinking of Basket Bingo, that will be taking place on Sunday, September 25, 2022 at Father Kelly Hall. We are starting to take donations of Basket Fillers, Monetary, and gift cards (with activation receipt please). If you have any questions you can call the Parish Office 814-944-4603, or, Lorraine Beck 1-240-676-6704.

Basket Bingo Meeting

We will be having a Basket Bingo meeting on Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 6:30 PM here at the Cathedral Parish Center. All are welcome!!



OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, June 19, 2022 \$4,865.69
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.

Eucharistic Adoration

On Wednesday, July 6th, Cathedral Parish will have Eucharistic Adoration from 12:30 P.M. until the end of Confessions. A sign-up sheet is located on the cross aisle table to mark your time for visitation before the Blessed Sacrament. The Church asks that at least two people be present at all times when there is Exposition of the Sacrament.

Nocturnal Adoration

The next Nocturnal Adoration will take place at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 2010- 12th, on Friday, July 1, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. All are welcome to spend an hour or as long as you would like.

Guided by the Spirit

There will always be something behind us and before us. Time moves on and the world continues to rotate. Will we miss that which exists right before our eyes because they are shut while we are consumed by the past or worried about the future?

When we go about whatever work God has set for us this day, large or small, we cannot get it done if we are looking behind us. Being mindful means to live for the present. It sounds like the simplest thing in the world, but we forget it (I forget it at least once every day). We must be guided by the Spirit.

What I'm talking about here is a radical abandonment of ourselves to God — over, and over, and over again. We cannot put our hand to the plough, while our eyes are looking backward at what is left behind. We cannot turn back if we are to move forward.

When we take up the yoke of stewardship, we will never be able to bear it if we rely on our own strength. When we put our hands to the plough, we will never get the job done if we look backwards at our own track record for inspiration. There is no inspiration there. Let the dead bury their dead. ©LPI



Stewardship Reflections

Two disciples agreed to follow Jesus, but only on the condition that they take care of what they needed to. We are called to put Christ and His kingdom ahead of our own plans if we want a victory in the battle of selfishness. Stewardship living provides us with a commitment to keep a custom-made "training plan." It is a plan discerned through prayer, and by looking at the realities of our unique circumstances, strengths and limitations we can make specific offerings of our time, talent, and treasure.

The daily commitment to the plan strengthens us and helps us gradually move away from the "yes, but" attitude and move towards an unqualified "Yes!" to Christ and His will. Do not be afraid to give the best of yourself and your gifts to Christ. (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/06/28)

Ethnic Food Festival and Baskets

St. Anthony of Padua in Windber, will be having an Ethnic Food Festival, the weekend of July 9 and 10. Food is for take-out only. Saturday July 9 its 3-7 PM and Sunday July 10 its 11 AM-4 PM. Baskets chances are \$5.00 for 25 chances. Drawing will be held at 4:00 PM on July 10 and winners will be called on Monday July 11. We are also selling Festival Lottery Tickets. They are \$20.00 each and have 4-3 digit numbers on each ticket and based on the PA Lottery. They run July 10th through July 17th, with prizes of \$200, \$300, or \$500 each night. Tickets are available at the parish office or by calling 814-467-7292.



Prayer Shawls

If anyone feels that they need some comfort in their troubled times, please feel free to contact Lorraine Beck at 814-942-7774 for one of our Prayer Shawls. These shawls have been Blessed and may bring you the comfort that you need.



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And to another he said, "Follow me." In every moment of every day, in every circumstance and experience, God is calling us. We can easily get distracted and not hear it or simply ignore it, pretending it wasn't even heard. When we do hear it and favorably respond, there are some conditions that must be met. Jesus makes it clear that once we say yes to his invitation, we must stay focused and forge ahead. We cannot keep looking behind or worry about unfinished business. There are some tasks, and discipleship is one, that require our full devotion.

There are many "masters" vying for our attention. We need something or someone to give us direction. Human nature requires it. Our motives and actions reveal what has our allegiance. It is tempting to give ourselves to masters that lure us with intriguing promises. When given the choice between a "master" that promises worldly success, abundant wealth, status, privilege, and security versus a "master" that asks for self-sacrifice, hardship, suffering, ridicule, and death, to whom do we go? While the promise of immediate pleasure is enticing, there is always a catch. For all that secular masters can promise, they always keep us looking behind, checking on ourselves, second guessing choices, calculating options, and being slaves to excessive worry. Our guard can never come down. Only one master really promises life: Jesus Christ. Hearing his call, we either trust him or we don't.

Saying yes to following Christ does come with a risk. But it also comes with the brightness of future hopes and dreams. There is no need to keep looking behind. Sins are forgiven and regrets serve no effective purpose. God is not there. He's moved beyond all that stuff. God is in the today and the tomorrow and what he can continually do with our daily affirmation to follow Him. All we need to do is be obedient. St. Gianna Molla is credited with saying, "The stillness of prayer is the most essential condition for fruitful action. Before all else, the disciple kneels down." Begin with prayer. We will not only hear God's call but find the courage to trust that He will guide us where we need to be. God uses us in the most ordinary of ways through the simple daily expression of our lives. ©LPi

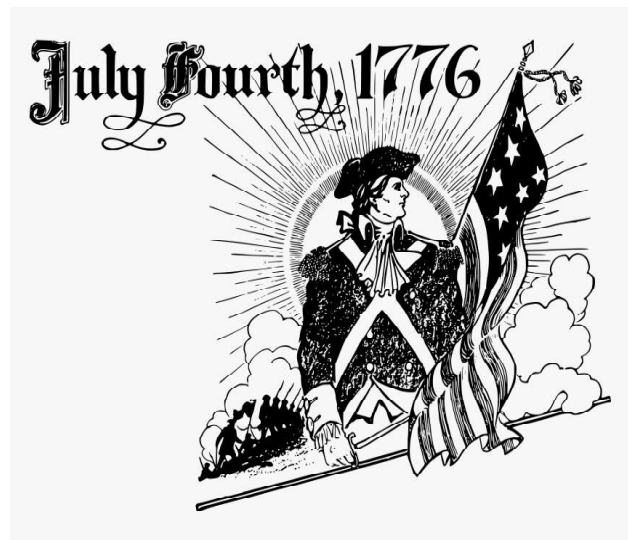


BLESSINGS TO FATHER DENNIS **KURDZIEL**

On May 18, 2022, Bishop Mark announced that Father Dennis Kurdziel, has been appointed to Senior Priest status with private residence, effective May 11, 2022. Father Dennis will be moving out of our rectory at the end of this month.

Bishop Mark will be celebrating the 5:00 P.M. Mass on Saturday, July 23, with Father Dennis as a concelebrant. A reception for Father will follow that Mass. You are invited to attend the Mass and reception and express your appreciation for Father Kurdziel's ministry.

We ask God's blessing upon Father Dennis and all of our Senior Priests.



You are encouraged to begin your 4th of July by coming to the 9:00 A.M. Mass on that Monday. Pledging our allegiance to, and acknowledging our dependence on, God are a fine way to celebrate the many freedoms we enjoy as a nation.



You can still return the Precious Life Baby Bottles. Please place them in the baskets at the entrances. Thank you for participating in this valuable pro-life effort.

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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
5:00 PM

Weekday: 6:45 AM
12:00 Noon
Saturday: 8:00 AM
12:00 Noon

Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, J.C.D., Bishop

Reverend Monsignor Stanley Carson, Administrator

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CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - 814-944-4603

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Web: www.holytrinitycatholic.school

Altoona Campus (Pre-K thru Grade 4) - 381-7011

Hollidaysburg Campus (Pre-K thru Grade 4) - 695-6112

Middle School Campus (Grades 5 thru 8) - 942-7835

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