# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 3, 2022

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

July 4, Monday: Weekday

9:00 AM+Catherine Beech Frederick, Ann. (Family)

July 5, Tuesday: Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

6:45AM+Michael Ratzesberger (Lucy Eckels) 12:00PM+Joe & Patty Wiedemer, Birthday (Family)

July 6, Wednesday: Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

6:45AM+ Alma Baronner (Friend) 12:00PM+John Adams (Bill & Crystal Lidwell)

July 7, Thursday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Janet Tomlinson (Ken & Kathie Civils) 12:00PM+Jane Davidson (John & Alice Joyce)

July 8, Friday: Weekday

6:45AM+Nicholas John Moffa (Estate)
12:00PM+Walter Beckel Jr. (Donna Lecher & Barry
McLeary)

July 9, Saturday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 AM +Mary Alice Plummer (Tim, Luanne & Dianne Hileman)

12:00 PM+Amelia Seiler (Ken & Sue Enck)

Vigil: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM+Thomas P. & Mary M. Kilcoyne (Jim & Steph Kilcoyne)

July 10, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Living & Dec. Members of the Michael & Ida Seymore (Seymore Family)

10:00 AM+Rita Beck (Susanna Tomlinson & Jen Crawford) 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 July 3, 2022

**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 10:1-9

**Monday:** Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

**Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10//Mt 9:32-38

**Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/ Mt 10:7-15

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/ Mt 10:16-23

**Saturday:** Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33 **Next Sunday:** Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/ Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-3

#### 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.

## **DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

When Msgr. Carson is away for retreat, a few days off, or vacation, the 6:45 A.M. will normally be cancelled and coverage will be arranged for the noon Mass. Eventually, there will probably be only one daily Mass on Saturdays, since the Catherdal frequently has other liturgies scheduled like marriages, funerals, and diocesan events. There will still be a 5:00 P.M. Vigil Mass on Saturdays.

#### PATCHWORK AND PAINTING

There are areas in the Cathedral's side aisles, chapels, and ambulatory(the hall behind the sanctuary)that need some repair work and painting. The work is expected to be done during the summer months.

#### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST prayer cards are available at the cathedral entrances. Other cards will also be made available. You are encouraged to pray for vocations.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, June 26, 2022 \$7,487.00
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.

#### **REST IN PEACE**

Patrick Duffy, age 59, died unexpectedly on June 24, 2022. His funeral was on Friday, July 1st. Pat was employed in our parish for over 40 years doing custodial and maintenance work. May Jesus hold the Duffy family close to His comforting Heart. May Patrick enter the joy of eternal life in heaven.

#### **Polish Day of Merriment**

Queen of Angels Parish in Central City will be sponsoring their "Summer Dyngus Party" on Saturday, July 16 at their parish hall (738- Sunshine Avenue). The event includes live polka music by Li'l John Nalevanko and the ATM Band, games of chance, all you can eat buffet of homemade ethnic foods, beer, and soft drinks. Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 PM in the church (Sacred Heart). For tickets please call 814-154-5224. All proceeds benefit the parish CCD program.

## **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!!

#### 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 Kelley 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.

## **Stewardship Reflections**

In His wisdom, Christ sent His disciples out not as individuals but in pairs, as teams. They could lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement, helping each other to stay on tasks and to put their heads together to pray and problem-solve. This teamwork approach is just as relevant today.

It points to the reality that when we invite others to embrace the Good News of the Gospel, we are not inviting them only into a belief system, but into a relationship with Christ. As a Christian steward and disciple of Jesus Christ in today's culture and society let us remember every action that we take in Jesus name is a step in the Kingdom of God. (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/07/05)

#### **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.

#### Office Closed

The Cathedral Office will be closed Monday, July 4th, 2022 in observance of Independence Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, July 5th, 2022 at 9:00 AM.



#### **Prayer Shawls and Anointing of the Sick**

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.

The Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during the 5:00 P.M. Mass on Saturday, July 16, and the Noon Mass on Tuesday, July 26.

## July 3, 2022

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others. ©LPi



# BLESSINGS TO FATHER DENNIS KURDZIEL

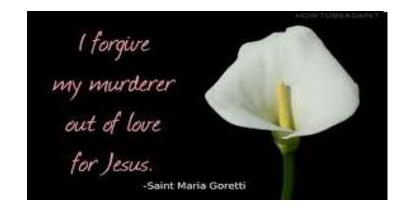
On May 18, 2022, Bishop Mark announced that Father Dennis Kurdziel, has been appointed to Senior Priest status with private residence, effective May 11, 2022.

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 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.



# THE CHURCH OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN

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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.

#### WEB: WWW.ALTOONACATHEDRAL.ORG FAX: 814-942-4337

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Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 5:00 PM Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, J.C.D., Bishop

**Reverend Monsignor Stanley Carson, Administrator** 

Paula Clemens, Parish Secretary

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Chris Laraia - Pre-K thru 12 - 814-312-7317 Religious Education Office: Sundays - 814-943-7424 E-mail: claraia@dioceseaj.org

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO Music Ministry Office - 814-944-2044 E-mail: lthayer@dioceseaj.org

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**CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - 814-944-4603** 

MAIL MINISTRY TO ELDERLY, HOMEBOUND, SERIOUSLY SICK, AND GRIEVING - 814-944-4603

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL 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

BISHOP GUILFOYLE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL Web: www.bishopguilfoyle.org - 814-944-4014

Weekday: 6:45 AM

12:00 Noon 8:00 AM

Saturday: 8:00 AM 12:00 Noon

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