

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 7, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

August 8, Monday: Saint Dominic, Priest

6:45 AM+ Verna Bell (Dave and Maureen Hanekamp)
12:00 PM+ Michael "Mike" Wagner (Cathy Pacifico)

August 9, Tuesday: Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

6:45AM+ Tim McCloskey (Albert Schlecht)
12:00PM+ Pete and Sally Colledge (Children)

August 10, Wednesday: Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

6:45AM+ Don McCauley (Greg & Ange Martynuska)
12:00PM+ Dave Lysinger Sr. (Chip and Bob)

August 11, Thursday: Saint Clare, Virgin

6:45AM+ Cheryl Consalvo (Linda Consalvo)
12:00PM+ Gary Leo Doyle (Jacqueline Shaw)

August 12, Friday: Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

6:45AM+ Bishop Joseph Adamec (Anonymous)
12:00PM Special Intention (Anonymous)

August 13, Saturday: Saint Pontain, Pope and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:00AM+ Henry Mangiacarne Family (Bill Mangiacarne)
12:00PM+ Donna Anderson (Claire Marshman Powell & Carolyn Crane Wallen)

Vigil : Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM+ Edgar L. Johnston, Birthday (Wife)

August 14, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Luke Kelly, Health (Mary Gene & Maureen Vogel)
10:00 PM+ Lois Riley, Birthday (Bob & Chris Laraia)
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/ For the People

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

Helping the Homeless and Those in Need

St. Vincent de Paul Society Flea Market and Bake Sale, will be taking place on Friday, August 11th and Saturday, August 12th from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Father Kelley Hall corner of 25th Avenue and 5th Street.

Readings for the week of August 8, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/ Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/ Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-2

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.

Religious Education PK4-11

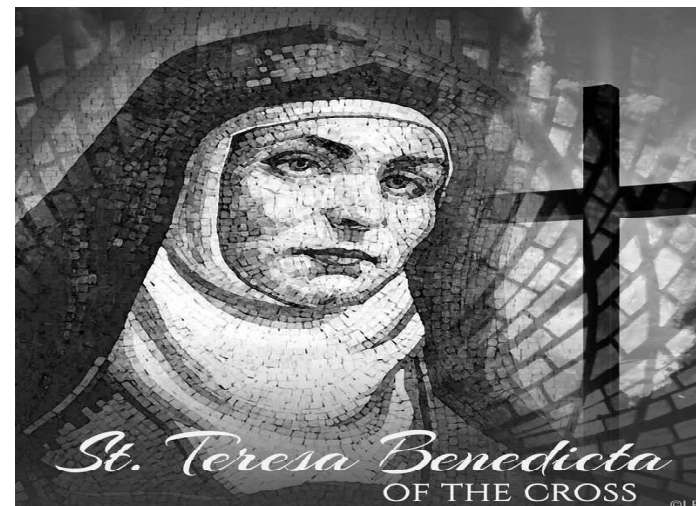
Please return the Registration form as soon as possible.

Registration weekend will be held August 13-14 before and after all Cathedral Masses in the Religious Ed Center. A copy of Baptismal certificate is required for new students.

Classes for Pre K4-11 will resume Sunday, September 11th.

Contact Chris Laraia for information.

All information will be updated through your Flocknote app throughout the summer break.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, July 31, 2022 \$ 7,344.24
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.



FAITH NIGHT AT THE CURVE

Thanks to a benefactor, our parish has a block of 40 tickets (section 203) to the Altoona Curve for the game on Sunday, August 21, at 6:00 p.m. with postgame fireworks. Call or email our office for your free ticket/s. It will be fun to get together with parishioners and friends.

Sisters of Saint Ann

There will be a Day of Recollection: Saturday, August 13, 2022 at Mount Saint Ann Retreat Center, 1120- N. Center Street, Ebensburg, PA. Spiritual Director, The Rev. Jude W. Brady, OSB from St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, PA. To reserve a place call Sisters of Saint Ann, 814-472-9354 or email: sistersann35@gmail.com.

Outdoor Mass for College Students

Before heading off to the campus, young adults are invited to make a detour to Loretto.

Bishop Mark will celebrate his annual outdoor Mass for all students entering or returning to college, and for 2022 high school graduates entering the work force or military. The liturgy is scheduled for August 7, at 7:00 PM at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto.

As always, the Bishop will have a special homily message and blessing those embarking on the next chapter of their life, and will offer a small spiritual gift.

Please bring your own lawn chair. If it rains, Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel.

Coming up! "Basket Bingo"

It is getting to that time of the year to start thinking of Basket Bingo, that which is scheduled for 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). Bottles of water and cans of soda would also be appreciated. They may be dropped off at the Cathedral Parish Center Office during the hours of 9:00 AM-4:30PM. If you have any questions you can call the Parish Office at 814-944-4603, or Lorraine Beck 1-240-676-6704.

Stewardship Reflections

We are asked today, "What do you treasure?" and "What would you do if you had radical faith in God?" As a Christian steward, you could ask yourself further: "Where do I spend the majority of my energy? "How do I choose to spend my few spare minutes? What do my spending habits reveal about what is important to me?"

Acting with radical faith will take prayer and honesty: "Would I change my whole life in faith and trust to answer the call of God to enter into unknown territory as Abraham did? Is there a new and different ministry that I may take on? What projects might I pass up at work so that I can be more present at home? This week think about what you really treasure and then take a bold, faith-filled and unafraid risk to show your gratitude to God for all that he has given to you and your family. (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2022/1/10)

Finance Council Meeting

Our parish's Finance Council will be meeting on Tuesday, August 9th, at 4:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Center.

Parish Council Meeting

Our Parish Council will be meeting on Tuesday, August 16th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Center.



Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

Bishop Mark Barchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating **1, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+** years of marriage in 2022 (and their families) to attend the **Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy**. Couples may attend Sunday, **September 18** in **ALTOONA** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, or Sunday, **September 25** in **JOHNSTOWN** at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 p.m. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be provided after the mass for anniversary couples and their families.

Family members of the couple, children, grandchildren, siblings, nieces and nephews etc. are encouraged to participate in the liturgy as ushers and altar servers, if they currently serve (or have served) in their home parish.

Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Monday, August 29th.

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St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us that, "Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe, to know what he ought to desire, and to know what he ought to do." Everyone is called to work toward their salvation, which is ultimately union with God. Those who take this call seriously must embark upon a journey inward to the deepest recesses of their soul. In the adventure and wonder of that journey, we work out the details of our union with our Beloved. We cling to what we need to believe, remain firm in what we truly desire, and are guided by what we know we have to do. Once we know that our goal is to be one with our Creator, life becomes an exciting expedition to pursue that end. We make necessary preparations, follow the map, and remain on course.

Whenever we really want something, we put our entire selves into achieving it. Being fully invested in our labor, we willingly work extra hours, devote an abundance of energy and effort, and remain vigilant for beneficial opportunities that may come our way. We certainly do not passively sit by doing nothing! Such an attitude leads to laziness and the accomplishment of little. Worse yet, some look to others to do the work for them, hoping to reap the benefits of another's efforts. Conscientiousness and diligence are the only means to success.

For the one who eagerly awaits the day when they can be fully with God, life becomes a joyous adventure indeed! Alert, ready, focused, convicted, and willing to be a servant they constantly watch and prepare themselves for meeting the Lord. Loving the journey and being in love with their Creator, their lives become joyful witnesses of love and service. They are secure in their hope, confident in their faith, and perfect in their love. Never looking for recognition or gratitude, they stand as gentle inspirations of what the Holy Spirit can do in the hearts of those who believe. Because we do not know what tomorrow will bring, we stand ready to be used as God wills and run eagerly toward Him when He comes. How much do we desire to experience the joy of salvation? ©LPI

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Since the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, August 15, falls on a Monday this year, it is not a holy day of obligation. We will have Masses at 8:00 A.M. and Noon.

Women's Conference

A dynamic and inspiring Catholic speaker will headline the upcoming Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown women's conference "Women Find Strength in Christ" on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at Holy Name Parish in Ebensburg. Kelly Walquist, founder of WINE: Women in the New Evangelization, will be the keynote speaker. Also presenting will be Deanne Miller and Colleen Scariano, co-founders of Soul Core, a movement that nurtures a body and soul through prayer and core strengthening exercises. The conference includes Eucharistic Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and lunch. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Please register online at dioceseaj.org or pick up a hard copy registration form at any parish and mail the form and a check to the diocese. The deadline for reservations is August 31.

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 Cathedral frequently has other liturgies scheduled like marriages, funerals, and diocesan events. There will still be a 5:00 P.M. Vigil Mass on Saturdays.



DO IT TOGETHER MINISTRY

Most parishes, including the Cathedral and Our Lady of Fatima, are still recovering from the pandemic, church scandals, and either cultural indifference or opposition. Liturgical ministers need to be recruited and trained; committees need to be formed to address issues of maintenance, the liturgy, and our presence on social media; help is needed to respond to requests for ancestry research; since the Cathedral is also a tourist site, tours and hospitality need to be provided; the formation of missionary-disciples needs to take place; storage areas need to be cleared of accumulated and unvaluable debris; and we need to improve our outreach to those in need.

You are encouraged to respond positively when requests are made for the contribution of your time and talent.

THE CHURCH OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN THE CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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CHURCH OFFICE: 814-944-4603**

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

Paula Clemens, Parish Secretary

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CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - 814-944-4603

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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

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