

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 28, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

August 29, Monday: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:00 AM+ Orvitta Knott (Mr & Mrs Tim Knob)
12:00 PM+ Eleanor Fischer (Louise & Becky Marshman and Dick Fry)

August 30, Tuesday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life
(Anonymous)
12:00PM+ Eva Ruggery, Ann. (Children and Family)

August 31, Wednesday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Msgr. Roy Kline (Estate)
12:00PM+ Vera Hauk (Louis & Stephanie)

September 1, Thursday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

6:45AM+ Robert Simanski (Ed & Lois Simanski)
12:00PM+ Rita Miedl (Ruth Novack Family)

September 2, Friday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Patrick Hallinan (Family)
12:00PM+ Paul J. Renyck, Birth. (Pamela Beckwith)

September 3, Saturday: Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:00AM+ John GORITY (Joseph & Regina)
12:00PM+ John Cain (Tom & Becky DeHaven)
Vigil : Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM+ Kathleen Duffy, Birthday (husband, Jack)

September 4, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM+ Gary Doyle (Mary Lysinger Family)
10:00PM+ Alice Winkler (Gail & John Murphy)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/ For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Parish is at 11:30 A.M

Church Cleaning

The cleaning crew will be meeting Wednesday, September, 14th at 9:00 AM. They normally meet on the second Wednesday of the month. If there is a funeral, they will meet on Thursday.

Readings for the week of August 28, 2022

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/
Mk 6:17-29

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab,
13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

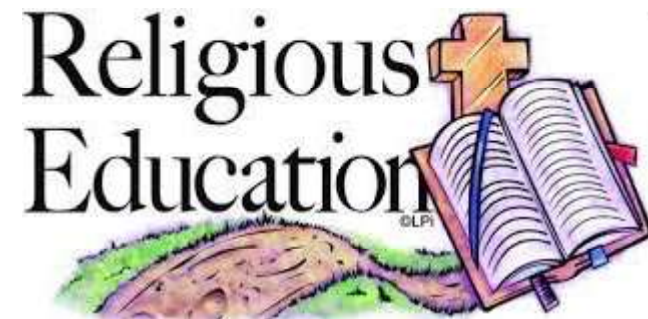
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/
Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk
5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk
5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk
6:1-5

Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-
17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-3



1st Reconciliation/1st Communion Prep

All students in public, parochial or homeschool who will be receiving these sacraments this year must fill out a registration form by September 1st. Sessions will begin October. Forms are available in the Parish Office or at the Registration this coming weekend. Please contact Chris Laraia if you have any questions.

Confirmation Prep

All 9,10,11th grade students in public, parochial, or homeschooled classes must register for Confirmation preparation by September 1st. Sessions will begin in September. Please contact Chris Laraia 814-312-7317 or claraia@diocese.org.

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, August 21, 2022 \$ 9,327.35
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.

Donations for "Basket Bingo"

This year's Basket Bingo is scheduled for Sunday, September 25, 2022 at Father Kelley Hall. Doors open at 12:00 PM, Bingo starts at 1:00 PM. We are taking 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.

Basket Bingo Tickets

We are selling Basket Bingo tickets now at the Cathedral Square door after all masses and at the Parish Office: \$25.00 entry ticket includes 15 games of Basket Bingo, Complimentary Food and Beverage. For an additional \$30.00 you can get the Value Pack that includes: 104 Door Prize Tickets, 6 Walk Around Tickets, 1 Dobber, 5 Special Games. If you have any questions please call Lorraine Beck at 1-240-676-6704, or the Parish Office at 814-944-4603. Tickets will also be available at the doors on the day of the event. The bingo is on Sunday, September 25, at Fr. Kelley Hall. Doors open at noon; bingo begins at 1:00 P.M. Let's Play Bingo!

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

Bishop Mark Bartchak 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.

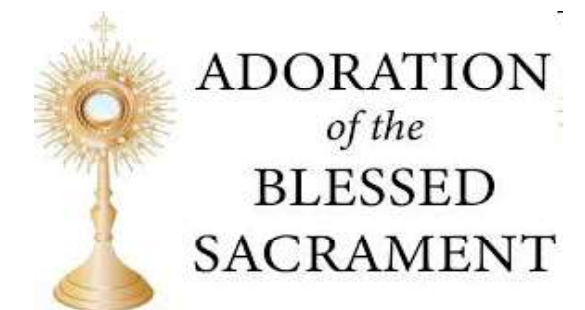


Mission Co-Op

At our Masses this weekend, the Rev. Jose Manuel will be speaking about the works and the needs of the Latin Archdiocese of Trivandrum in India. Trivandrum has about 270,000 Catholics. 90% of the people are traditional fishermen who depend on fishing for their livelihood and 10% are farm workers who are recent converts from low caste Hindus. Unemployment and poverty are most rampant in this community. The Archdiocese depends on outside assistance to support its clergy, seminarians, catechists and to continue its developmental programs. We are looking for emergency assistance for food, medicine, and housing. Won't you be as generous as you can during the second collection? Your sacrifice for the Missions is deeply appreciated.

Eucharistic Adoration

On Wednesday, September 7th, 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 The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, One Cathedral Square, Altoona, on Friday, September 2nd from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. All are welcome to spend an hour or as long as you would like.

Parish Offices Closed Labor Day

Cathedral Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, September 5, to celebrate Labor Day.

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People who are concerned with their own advancement and agenda have little room for anyone else. With an almost addictive pursuit of esteem and acknowledgment from others, they become little more than entitled embodiments of the vice of pride. Public humiliation or embarrassment can hit them hard. While avoiding humiliation and embarrassment may be advantageous to obtaining worldly success, they are much less desirable motivations for entering the Kingdom of God. Avoiding embarrassment is a self-serving motivation. Pride and all of its manifestations have no place on God's agenda, neither do worldly success and fulfillment. In fact, we have been clearly told that if we love our lives, we will lose them. Therefore, if you really want to find your true station in life, learn to give yourself away.

While this may sound foolish to secular ears, it actually makes perfect sense. God, who is love, makes each of us in His image. Love, and therefore God, is in our DNA. That being the case, love is never love if it is kept to oneself or hoarded. Love needs to be shared and given away. Therefore, it is the only proper motivation for entering the Kingdom of God. The door to happiness is only opened when we realize that all we are and all we have is due only to God's grace. Without God we are nothing.

Love is the remedy for pride and protects us from ourselves. God asks us to be humble. Only when we are free from the traps of pride and arrogance that we can begin to follow the path to true humility. Only one who is humble can rightly love and be of service to God. "God makes use only of the humble as his instruments (Jean-Pierre de Caussade)." The humble one does not need others to give them worth and value. Their self-esteem comes from the much more secure foundation of God. Only those who are entirely free can give themselves freely to others. Love must always be our motivation for doing all things. Be content that God has invited you to the banquet of life. Concern yourself with accepting the invitation, and don't worry about where you will sit. ©LPI



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.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, or seeking information about joining the Catholic Church, you are welcomed to join us for "Inquiry" which will begin Sunday, September 18th after the 10:00AM Mass. We will gather in the church. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Carol Galioto at (814) 327-4841.

Birth of Mary Celebration

Thursday September 8, 2022
Saint Catherine of Siena Church
Old Rt. 22, Duncansville Pa 16635

The day begins with a 7:45 a.m. Mass in the Church, followed at 8:15 a.m.-9:15a.m. with the Holy Rosary in the Church. There will be another Mass at Noon with the Holy Rosary commencing at 12:45 p.m. till 4:30 p.m. At 5:30 p.m. there will be an Outdoor Mass at the Shrine and Rosary Procession. Please bring a lawn chair. If there is Inclement weather the 5:30 p.m. Mass will be celebrated in the Church.

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

ONE CATHEDRAL SQUARE, ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA 16601-3315
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.

WEB: WWW.ALTOONACATHEDRAL.ORG

FAX: 814-942-4337

E-MAIL: ALTCATHEDRAL@DIOCESEAJ.ORG

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Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil)
8:00 AM
10:00 AM
5:00 PM

Most Reverend Mark L. Barchak, 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

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Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO
Music Ministry Office - 814-944-2044
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CHRISTIAN INITIATION TEAM - 814-944-4603

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
Saturday: 8:00 AM
12:00 Noon

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