

# TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## September 18, 2022

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### September 19, Monday: St Januarius, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 AM+ Michael Ratzesberger (Family)  
12:00 PM Special Intention Jesse Leonard (Vogel Family)

#### September 20, Tuesday: Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

6:45AM+ Bernie McLucas (Family)  
12:00PM Special Intention Susan Bauer (Friend)

#### September 21, Wednesday: Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

6:45AM+ Rev. Paul Turnbull (M/M Dave Hanekamp)  
12:00PM+ Fred Drexler (McNelis All Stars)

#### September 22, Thursday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Bishop Joseph Adamec (Anonymous)  
12:00PM+ Kirk Kling (Patty & Bear McCloskey)

#### September 23, Friday: St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

6:45AM+John Duffy (Mike & Mary Mulligan)  
12:00PM+ Burkey Sisters (Family)

#### September 24, Saturday: Weekday

8:00AM+Rita Beck (Pat Trexler & Roberta Pelligrini)  
12:00PM+Christine Dunchuch (Mary Lysinger)

#### Vigil :Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM+ Ann Rhodes (Gary & Lou Craig)

#### September 25, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM+Maureen Martynuska Wolfe (Fred & Gail Martynuska)

10:00PM+James Locke Sr., Ann. (Wife & Son)

5:00PM Pro Popolo/ For the People

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

#### The Biblical of David Live

Anyone interested in attending the Sight and Sound production of "David" in Lancaster on October 10th? This bus trip includes the show, transportation and lunch. The cost is \$155.00 per adult. Seats are still available. If interested, call Carol Galioto at (814) 946-3769 and leave a message.

#### Readings for the week of September 18, 2022

**Sunday:** Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

**Monday:** Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

**Thursday:** Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

**Next Sunday:** Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31



#### Religious Ed PK-11

All registrations are due now. Classes have begun and are held in the Cathedral Parish Religious Ed Center.

#### 1st Reconciliation/1st Communion

All registrations are due now. First meeting with students and parents is Tuesday, October 4, 6:30-8:30 in the Cathedral Hall.

#### Confirmation Prep

All registrations are due now. Sunday, September 18, 2:30-4:30, Fall Session for grade 9, is being held in the Cathedral Religious Ed Center. Please bring your red folder.

#### Baptismal Prep

Parents requesting the baptism of their first child are expected to attend an adult religious formation session.

The next session is on Tuesday, October 11, at 6:30PM in the Cathedral Parish Religious Ed Center. Please call the Parish Office to register 814-944-4603.

Godparents/sponsors are required to have completed the 16th year, be a Catholic who has been Confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist. They also need to be living a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken; for example, not being a practicing/participating member of a parish, cohabitation, and being married outside the Church would be an obstacle.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  
**Sunday, September 11, 2022 \$8,355.12**  
**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. This Bingo supports the ministries we offer to our children and teenagers.

#### 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!

#### High School Students Service Hours

High School Students who need service hours for Religious Education are invited to assist at our parish's Basket Bingo. You can help by emptying bags and giving cans of soda or bottles of water to our bingo players. If you could help us for 1 hour or all 4, that would be appreciated. You can get in touch with your teacher or have your parents call the office 814-944-4603 and talk to Paula who will put your name on a list and provide the times that are available.

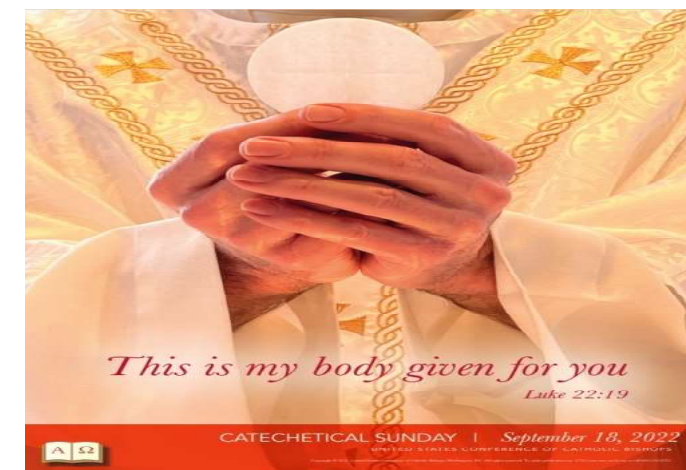
#### A Note of Thanks

Gratitude is extended to Jerry Fulare who recently power-washed the portico (the front porch) of the cathedral, the steps down to the landing, and the landing.

#### Christian Mothers

On Sunday, October 2nd at the 10:00 am Mass, Bishop Mark will recognize the Cathedral Christian Mothers for their presence in our parish. Formed in 1972 by a group of parish women, this year marks our 50th anniversary! If you, your mother or grandmother were once members or have any memorabilia, pictures or stories, please share with our current members or call Mary Boslet at (814)944-8988. Everyone who has been involved throughout the years is invited to attend this special Mass.

The next meeting of Christian Mothers will be on Wednesday, September 14th in the Seton Suite at 6:30pm.



#### Catechetical Sunday

The Church celebrates with all our catechists today. Many people come forward annually to pass on the faith to our children, adolescents, and adults. The theme for this year is **This is my Body Given up for You**. Cathedral Parish Catechists will be acknowledged and we will pray The Rite Blessing of Catechists this Sunday, September 19th during all the Masses.

We express appreciation to the following: **Holy Trinity Catholic School:** Danielle Aikens, Lori Eberwein; **Religious Education Pre-K-11:** Chris Laraia, Director, Gabriele Cronin, Helen Carper (Our Lady of Fatima), Lori Pastore Carol Galioto, Phyllis Baker, Darlene Sinisi, Nicole Burkle, Roberta Burns, Jeanne Thompson, Karen Isenberg, Brandon Solnosky; **First Reconciliation and First Eucharist:** Msgr. Stanley Carson, Chris Laraia, Lori Pastore; Confirmation: Msgr. Carson, Chris Laraia, **Baptismal Preparation:** Chris Laraia, Judy Kokolis, Paula Clemens, Gabrielle Cronin, Roberta Burns; **Marriage Preparation:** Clark and Kim Adelman, Bob and Chris Laraia, Tom and Beth Moore; **Rite Christian Initiation of Adults:** Jeanne Thompson, Diocesan Director Carol Galioto, Director, and Barbara Rossi, Tony Kibelbek.

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"You cannot serve both God and mammon." Merriam-Webster defines mammon as material wealth or possessions, especially having a debasing influence. While God does not take issue with our need to use money for the business of our lives, there can be a problem with the attitudes we bring to it. We can easily become so preoccupied and obsessed with money that it becomes the real "god" we worship. Do we serve mammon instead of God? In their book, *Wealth, Riches and Money*, Craig Hill and Earl Pitts outline symptoms of mammon's influence in our lives. Some of these are worry and anxiety over money, money mismanagement, fear over "never having enough," an "I can't afford it" mentality, impulse buying, stinginess, greed, debt, and discontent.

Many of the things on that list can consume us to the point that we are distracted from what we really need to be doing. Many people spend an inordinate amount of time worrying about money and it becomes the source of their worst fears. If we are honest with ourselves, we need to admit that we place far more emphasis on our material securities than we ought. In fact, we have actually convinced ourselves that we cannot live without it. Are we that certain about the presence of God? Many of the world's problems, especially those involving inequity and injustice, result from conflicts about money. Many equate money with happiness. Those successful in accumulating large amounts of it quickly realize just how wrong they are.

"Your ultimate allegiance is not to the government, not to the state, not to nation, not to any man-made institution. The Christian owes his ultimate allegiance to God, and if any earthly institution conflicts with God's will it is your Christian duty to take a stand against it. You must never allow the transitory evanescent demands of man-made institutions to take precedence over the eternal demands of the Almighty God (Martin Luther King, Jr.)." This is the point Jesus is trying to make. Unfortunately, when we look around our man-made kingdoms are far more prevalent than God's kingdom. When we start seeing greater evidence of justice, equity, dignity, respect, opportunity, gentleness, holiness, solidarity, honesty, simplicity, care for creation, and a decrease in ambition, then we will know that God's kingdom is being served. We will be doing what we are supposed to do. ©LPi

### **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.

### **A NEED FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

When the Church gathers together to celebrate the Mass we gather in a variety of ministries and roles. Because of our baptism we have been given a share in the priesthood of Christ. The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Second Vatican Council tells us that participation in the liturgy is the right and duty of all the baptized.

In addition to the ordained ministries there are roles in the liturgy which are exercised by lay people who place their time and talent at the service of the liturgical assembly as altar servers, readers, greeters, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion (U.S.C.C.B.).

Cathedral parish is in need of additional lay people to function in roles of ministry during our liturgies. Individuals who would like to present themselves as candidates to prepare for one or more of these ministries are asked to sign-up during the first weekend of October.

Youth (3rd grade and older) and adults are invited to the ministry of server. Servers may be boys and girls, men and women of the parish. Servers are aware of the parts of the Mass; fully participate in the worship; and assist the bishop, priest or deacon.

Members of the parish starting in ninth grade, male and female, are invited to be readers. Readers need to love Scripture and are skilled in pausing, pronunciation, projection, voice tone, eye contact, and reverent proclamation.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must be Confirmed and completed the 11th grade of high school. Extraordinary Ministers need to have a deep love and practice of the Eucharist and possess the respect of God's people.

### **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](http://WWW.ALTOONACATHEDRAL.ORG)**

**FAX: 814-942-4337**

**E-MAIL: [ALTCATHEDRAL@DIOCESEAJ.ORG](mailto: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. 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](mailto:claraia@dioceseaj.org)

#### **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY**

Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO  
Music Ministry Office - 814-944-2044  
E-mail: [lthayer@dioceseaj.org](mailto:lthayer@dioceseaj.org)

**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](http://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](http://www.bishopguilfoyle.org) - 814-944-4014**

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

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