

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 6, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

November 7, Monday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Barbara Shoemaker (Carol Hallberg)
12:00AM+ Donald Cossitor (Anne Marie & Tim Longwill)

November 8, Tuesday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Carrie Moffa (Estate)
12:00PM+ Edward Matosziuk III (Denis & Connie Navarro)

November 9, Wednesday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

6:45AM+ Jim R. Riley (Jim & Steph Kilcoyne)
12:00PM+ Michelle Chislow (The Tomassetti Family)

November 10, Thursday Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

6:45AM+ Jim Davidson (Joanne Berringer)
12:00PM+ John Koeck Jr. (The Shupp Family)

November 11, Friday: Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

6:45AM+ Janet Tomlinson (Greg & Christine McCullough)
12:00PM+ We Are One Body Listeners (We Are One Body Radio)

November 12, Saturday: Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

8:00AM+Freddie Martynuska (Debbie Ball)
12:00PM+Carolyn Ficken, Ann. (Linda Strassburger)
Vigil : Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM+ Dick Cowan (Wife Skip)

November 13, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM+ Patrick Duffy (Greg & Kathy Clemens)
10:00AM+ Rita Miedl (Mary Lysinger)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/ For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Parish is at 11:30 A.M



A poster board in the chapel of Our Mother of Sorrows displays the names of parishioners who have died since last November 2.

The chapel also contains a Book of Remembrance where you can write the names of your deceased loved ones.

Readings for the week of November 6, 2022

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—3:5/ Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19



First Reconciliation

Final meeting with parents and students Tuesday, November 8, 6:30 PM in the Cathedral Parish Hall. Please contact Chris Laria if you are unable to attend meeting so that make up work can be assigned.



Baptismal Prep

Parents requesting the baptism of their first child are expected to attend an adult religious formation session. Sessions are held about 6 times a year. Parents are asked to plan ahead. You can attend the session prior to the birth of your child. You should not wait until the last minute to find an eligible Godparent.

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, October 30, 2022 \$ 10,076.35
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.



#iGIVECATHOLIC

Our parish, along with the rest of our diocese, will be participating in this year's #iGIVECATHOLIC campaign on Tuesday, November 29. Our goal is \$15,000 and we hope to replace the chairs and tables of our social hall. We will be able to make our contributions online and by using an envelope that will be made available. We can even participate early beginning on Monday, November 14. More details will appear in next weekend's bulletin.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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



Basket Bingo Report

We had our final Basket Bingo committee meeting and we are pleased to announce that after all the bills were paid the profit from the bingo was \$9,513.17. We would like to thank our committee for a job well done: Mary Ann Bell, Maryann Joyce Bistline, Paula Clemens, Paulette Farabaugh, Sherry Luke, Mary Lumadue, Paula Miller, Peggy McLucas, Lori Eberwein, Dallas Luke, also a BIG thank you to Lorraine Beck and Roberta Burns for their long hours that they put into this. We are looking forward to our next basket bingo, so mark your calendars for Sunday, September 24th, 2023, hope to see you there!

Stewardship Reflections

Today's readings challenge us to focus on the "why" of stewardship. Why embrace this challenging way of life when it seems hard enough just to pay the bills, take care of our loved ones, meet the demands of our job and fall into bed at the end of a full day? Because this life is not all there is. While we cannot earn our way into Heaven, what we do now with the life God has given us has eternal consequences.

Stewardship living helps us to keep focused on our hoped- for destination in the choices we make each day. To borrow the words from St. Paul to the Thessalonians in our second reading, our stewardship commitments help us "direct [our] hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ." Why should we embrace the stewardship way of life? So that we will use this life to thank God for all His gifts to us and so that we may attain the gift of eternal life and every lasting happiness of Heaven with Him. (Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants, 10/2019)

Basket Bingo Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity will hold a Basket Bingo on Sunday, November 13, 2022, at the Bingo Hall 5519- 6th Avenue. Doors open at 3:30pm, Dinner starts at 4:00pm, Bingo starts at 5:00pm. The cost is \$65.00. That includes: 15 games, of Bingo, 5 Specials, tons of raffle baskets and 2 amazing walk arounds baskets! All tickets are sold ONLINE ONLY!



Daily Mass Schedule

Effective the first week of Advent, the noon Mass will normally be our only daily Mass from Monday through Saturday. There will not be a 6:45 A.M. or a 8:00 A.M. Mass. In addition to the Noon Mass on Saturday, there will still be a 5:00 P.M. Vigil Mass. Our Masses on Sunday will be at 8:00 A.M., Noon, and 5:00 P.M. Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church will be at 11:30 A.M. on Sunday.

Catholics Care.
Catholics Vote.

November 6, 2022

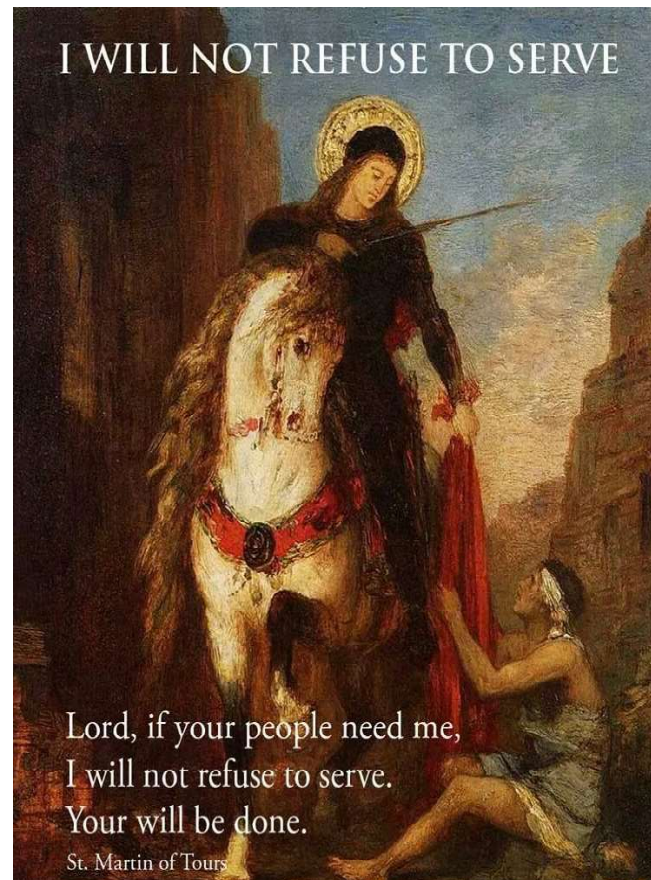
Facing her 50th birthday and recently diagnosed with Type-2 Diabetes, Rebecca was at a crossroads. Realizing that she had neglected her health and fitness over the years and allowed herself to gain significant weight, she felt poorly about who she had become. While it was easier to give in to temptation and the gratification received from food, her family needed her, and she desired a long life. She had an image of the person she could become. She wanted to be more trim, focused, disciplined, and healthy. She liked what she saw in her mind and set out on a journey to create it. With great effort, she succeeded and accomplished her goals. When we have a goal ahead of us, we are more apt to do whatever is necessary to get it.

Is heaven a goal you want to achieve? Our popular images and metaphors to describe heaven can leave some people wondering if this is something they want for all eternity. Living like an angel, wearing white robes, meeting St. Peter, and reconnecting with loved ones are all welcome notions to some extent. But do they really inspire and captivate us enough to want to dramatically change how we live our lives? Heaven's reality is more profound than any human image or idea can fathom. Even though we believe in a bodily resurrection, heaven is more about attaining union with God. To achieve heaven is to attain eternal happiness and fulfill all desire. How do we awaken within us an ardent and passionate desire for heaven?

St. Isaac of Ninevah counsels, "Enter eagerly into the treasure house that lies within you, and so you will see the treasure house of heaven, for the two are one and the same, and there is but one single entry into them both. The ladder that leads to the kingdom is hidden with you, and is found in your own soul. Dive into yourself and in your soul you will discover the rungs by which to ascend." Our souls are made to be eternal. Once we discover our true selves and are captivated by the wonder of who we really are, we will unleash our unwavering desire for a lasting union with our Creator. Heaven is about who we are. "For seeing you, our God, as you are, we shall be like you for all the ages. **@LPi**



OUR 2023 CALENDAR OF CASH LOTTERY TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE DURING THE WEEK AND FOLLOWING MASSES ON WEEKENDS. THE COST IS \$20.00.



Christmas PARADE

A Call for Volunteers With Christmas Spirit!

Our parish will be participating in the Sixteenth Annual Spirit of Christmas Parade scheduled for Thursday, December 1, in Downtown Altoona and we're looking for volunteers interested in being part of a spirited group that will be designing and constructing a float. The theme of this year's parade is "Christmas on the Silver Screen." We're fortunate in having the vehicle for the float and an indoor space in which to construct the float design. We need individuals with any general construction and artistic abilities, and those interested in coming together in Christian fellowship while representing our parish. It will be fun. If you're interested in being a part of the committee, please contact Dave Kimmel at: 814-207-1802 or at: cdavidkimmel@gmail.com. You may also call the parish office at 814-944-4603.

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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:

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. Barchak, J.C.D., Bishop

Reverend Monsignor Stanley Carson, Administrator

Paula Clemens, Parish Secretary

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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

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