

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
November 13, 2022
MASS INTENTIONS**

November 14, Monday: Weekday

6:45AM+ Beverly Woodring (Tom Byrne)
12:00AM+ Dec. Members Shaffer Fam. (Marie & Sharon)

**November 15, Tuesday: Saint Albert the Great,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

6:45AM+Fred Allman, Birthday (Shamba Elijah)
12:00PM+Walter Beckel Jr. (Cathy Pacifico)

**November 16, Wednesday: Saint Margaret of
Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin**

6:45AM+ Lavelle Family (Phyllis Lavelle Sheetz)
12:00PM+ Deceased Veterans (McNelis All Stars)

November 17, Thursday: Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

6:45AM+ Bernie & Peggy Joyce (Family)
12:00PM+ Libby Shea Allen, Birthday (Albert Schlecht)

**November 18, Friday: Saint Rose Philippine
Duchesne, Virgin**

6:45AM+ Bishop Joseph Adamec (Anonymous)
12:00PM+ Walt Beech, Anniversary (Family)

November 19, Saturday: Weekday

8:00AM+Patrick Corrigan (Sibold Family)
12:00PM+Susan Burke (Nieces & Nephews)
Vigil : Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
5:00PM+ Michael McCaulley (Wife & Family)

**November 20, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the
Universe**

8:00AM+Gary Doyle (Bob & Chip Klisiewicz)
10:00AM+Barbara Beech, Anniversary (Family)
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 13, 2022

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

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-4



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 AM, 10:00AM and 5:00PM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church will be at 11:30 A.M. on Sunday.

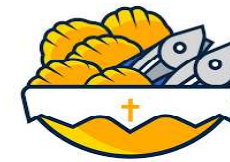


Baptismal Prep

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.

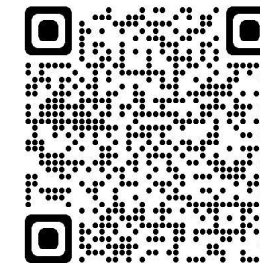
Godparents/sponsors are required to have completed the 16th year, be a Catholic who has been Confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist. They also need to be living a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken; for example, not being a practicing/participating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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, November 6, 2022 \$ 10,501.69
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 are able to make our contributions online or by using an envelope that has been made available. We can even participate early beginning on Monday, November 14. To give online, go to: <https://aj.igivecatholic.org/organizations/cathedral-of-the-blessed-sacrament> or scan the code found below. Envelopes are available at our entrances.



Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Parishioners are invited to enjoy a Greek Grill Fundraiser at 1433- 13th Avenue on Sunday, November 13, 2022, from 11:30AM to 2:30PM. They are featuring freshly grilled lamb and beef gyros for take-out. They will also be selling a variety of Greek pastries. They really appreciate our ongoing support.

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive Event

The Knights of Columbus Council 551, Altoona, welcomes new and current members to our membership drive event on Sunday, December 4, at 1:00PM. Food and a cash bar will be available as we watch the Pittsburgh Steelers play the Atlanta Falcons. The Knights of Columbus hall is located at 1508- 12th Avenue, Altoona. To register for this event, please email kofc551@gmail.com.

Stewardship Reflections

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, we are offered a sobering reminder that now is the time to get our priorities in order, putting God first above all else as His faithful stewards. It also means of refraining from certain actions and areas that are really none of our concern. St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians reinforces the message that we must order our lives so that they are directed to the attainment of holiness and nothing else. When we have a plan in place all you need to do is stick with it.

If you are living a stewardship way of life, there is nothing to fear. But we should expect to be tried and tested. Jesus urges us to persevere through trial and tribulation. How can we as stewards bring hope to those in the world that are in need of our Stewardship? (Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants, 10/2019)



As of October 31, Cathedral Parish has reached 109.71% of this year's target of \$42,898 for the Catholic Ministries Drive. Pledges/gifts amounting to \$48,545 have been received from 146 contributors. Thank you very much for participating.

Thank You from the Christian Mothers

The Cathedral Christian Mothers would like to thank our parishioners and friends for their generosity last weekend. This annual collection assists those families in our parish and community during the upcoming holidays. Together we collected over \$1,508.00 to help the less fortunate among us. Thank you so much for your support.

Pro-Life Christmas Cards

Citizens Concerned for Human Life, Blair County Chapter, is offering Christmas cards sale. Two beautiful designs are being offered, one entitled "Holy Family with the Infant Jesus". The other card is entitled "Peace on Earth," and illustrates the Nativity scene in silhouette against a nighttime Bethlehem backdrop. Packages of 11 cards are available for \$8.00. Your purchase helps support the pro-life work of CCHL in Blair County. To order, call Pat at 814-946-0681.

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Many make it their life's ambition to determine precisely when the world will end. By reading the signs of the times, consulting scripture, or looking to prophetic predictions that are sometimes centuries old, they claim a certain credibility in being able to do so. Is all that necessary to know? Even when his disciples pointedly ask him this question, Jesus does not directly answer. While the end will inevitably come, Jesus points out that there is a lot we need to do first: remain faithful, face persecution, endure suffering, face wars and insurrections, and give testimony. Human beings tend to focus their energies on the wrong kingdom. Consumed with all of the things we have built and seeking to preserve them, we forget that we belong to a different kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

All of the "stuff" we have constructed will be taken away. All that will remain is God's kingdom. Which kingdom do we prefer? We answer that question by honestly looking at where we invest most of our time and energy. What matters to us as we embrace a new moment or day in our lives? If our relationship with God, the strength and integrity of our souls, and the steadfastness of our character are of utmost importance, then it matters little when the physical end will come. We will have what we need to persevere, endure, and confront whatever comes our way. Jesus cautions that we do not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed or overly terrified by the agonies and disappointments of the world. Although we may be apprehensive and uncertain when faced with complex challenges, God is with us. We will receive the inspiration we need to forge ahead.

God is a God of salvation and new beginnings. Whether we consider the daily unfolding of our earthly lives or our eternal ones to come, God never leaves us with dead ends. There is always hope, and there is always something new to come. As Julian of Norwich reminds us, "God made us, God loves us and God keeps us." This wisdom holds true whether life is stable and profitable or challenging and uncertain. If we remember this simple truth, we will be ready regardless of the day or the hour. ©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.**

An Advent Recollection

The Sisters of Saint Ann announce Saturday, December 3, 2022 at St. Ann Retreat Center, 1120-North Center Street, Ebensburg. Time is 9:00AM till 4:00PM, Spiritual Director, Rev. Mark Pattock, OFM cap. Donation \$40.00 (including lunch. For more information and Reservations call: Sisters of St. Ann: 814-472-9354. All are welcome!



THE JUNIATA COLLEGE WIND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Juniata College Wind Symphony Orchestra will present a concert in the Cathedral this Friday, November 18, at 7:00 P.M. The program of both sacred and secular selections will feature Aaron Copeland's "Fanfare for the Common Man" as well as an arrangement of the hymn "Eternal Father, Strong to Save." A free-will offering will be accepted.



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. So far, over 15 parishioners have volunteered to help, if you're interested in joining them and sharing your talents and time with 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. It will be fun.

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

**ONE CATHEDRAL SQUARE, ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA 16601-3315
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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. Bartchak, J.C.D., Bishop

Reverend Monsignor Stanley Carson, Administrator

Paula Clemens, Parish Secretary

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**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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