SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 14, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

May 14, Sixth Sunday of Easter
8:00AM+Pro Popolo! For the People
10:00AM+Libby Ann Shea Allen (Cathh Hallinan)
5:00PM+Geraldine Kines, Ann. (Sharon Yanchik)
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30 AM

May 15, Monday, Saint Isidore
12:00PM+Robert Lamot (Mr/Mrs Dave Hanekamp)

May 16, Tuesday, Easter Weekday
12:00PM+Carrie Kibler Detwiler (Mom & Dad)

May 17, Wednesday, Easter Weekday
12:00PM+Deceased Mothers (McNeils All Stars and Friends)
5:30PM+ Alice Winkler (Friends at Forever Media)

May 18, Thursday, The Ascension of the Lord
12:00PM+Mike Kling (Family)
8:00AM+John Hallinan (Family)

May 19, Friday, Easter Weekday
12:00PM+Charlie Moore, Birth. (Tom & Beth Moore)
7:00PM BGCHS Graduation

May 20, Saturday, Easter Weekday
12:00PM+Nancy Foster (Trudy Schroth)
5:00PM+Mary Snowberger (Ruth Novack)

May 21, Seventh Sunday of Easter
8:00AM+John Hallinan (Family)
10:00AM+Mike Kling (Family)
5:00PM Pro Popolo! For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30 AM

Readings for the week of May 14, 2023

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
(1) 1 Pt 3:15-18/1Jn 14:15-21
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-8a and
9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/ Jn
16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13,
14/Jn 16:12-15
Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph
1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn
16:23b-28
Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4,
7-8 (13)/ Pt 4:13-16/ Jn 17:1-11a

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, May 7, 2023, $ 9,552.60
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.

Graduations
Bishop Guffeyye Catholic High School will have their
Baccalaureate Mass at the cathedral on Ascension
Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. Their Graduation
will be held on Friday, May 19, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Holy Trinity Catholic School will have their graduation
Mass at the cathedral on Tuesday, May 23, at 6:00 P.M.

Cathedral parish collected $1,958.80 for Catholic
Relief Service’s Lenten Rice Bowl campaign.
Thank you for your generous almsgiving.

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL WORKSHOP
There will be a Eucharistic Revival Workshop on
Saturday, May 20, from 9:00-11:30 A.M. at the
Bertschi Center, Mt. Aloysius College in Cresson.
Presentations about the Eucharist will be given by Fr.
Clem Gardner, Fr. Jude Brady, Fr. Brian Norris, and
Mr. Robert Long. The cost is $10.00. (Fr. Norris will
be celebrating a Mass in Our Lady of Mercy Chapel
in the Administrative Building at 8:00 A.M.)

Register online at www.dioceseaj.org/beginning-
again. You may also scan the code that is available on
posters at our entrances.

COMING UP! “Basket Bingo”
It is getting to that time of the year to start
thinking of Basket Bingo, that will be taking place
on Sunday, September 24, 2023 at Father Kelly
Hall. We are starting to take donations of Basket
Fillers, Monetary, and gift cards (with activation
receipt please). If you have any questions you can
call Paula Clemens at the Parish Office 814-944-
4603, or, Lorraine Beck 1-240-676-6704.

PreK-8th Grade
The final class is Sunday, May 21st. Please
return registration forms ASAP.

Stop the Bleed Training
With the addition of an AED in our church, some
members have recently completed CPR/AED training.
We are now able to offer another certification called
“Stop the Bleed” which encourages bystanders to
become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in
a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives.
If you are interested in any of these training
opportunities, please call the Cathedral Parish offce
at 814-944-4603, to sign up. You may save a life!

An Automated External Defibrillator
is located in the hallway/ambulatory near the Blessed
Sacrament Chapel. A First Aid Box is also available at that location.
Obligation: Mass or Communion?

Question: Are Catholics obligated to attend Mass each Sunday, or receive Communion each Sunday?

Answer: The questions about Mass attendance and the reception of Holy Communion are outlined in the Code of Canon Law. The obligations related to Mass attendance and receiving Communion are not time bound in the first and third precepts, which we find quoted in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (no. 2042):

The first precept (“You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor”) requires the faithful to sanctify the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord as well as the principal liturgical feasts honoring the mysteries of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints; in the first place, by participating in the Eucharistic celebration, in which the Christian community is gathered, and by resting from those works and activities which could impede such a sanctification of these days.

The third precept (“You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season”) guarantees as a minimum the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.

Rather than seeing these as obligations that are simply to be fulfilled out of a sense of duty, Pope Saint John Paul II reminds us of the grace that is made available to us when we gather for Sunday celebrations of the Eucharist: “Sunday is the day which is at the very heart of the Christian life... Time given to Christ is never time lost, but is rather time gained, so that our relationships and indeed our whole life may become more profoundly human” (Dies Domini, no. 7). ©LPI

按到the last diocesan report issued on April 30, 107 donors have contributed or pledged $34,065 towards our $42,000 target. If you haven’t already done so, please participate. We need $8,000 to reach our target. The diocese is very generous in subsidizing cathedral parish, it is important for us to support the diocese. Thank you.

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.

Deviations:
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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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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