**PENTECOST SUNDAY May 28, 2023**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

May 28, Pentecost Sunday
8:00AM+Sandy Cuomo (Bear & Patty McCloskey)
10:00AM+Barbara Noel, Anniversary (Michelle, Sherry and Connie)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30 AM

May 29, Monday, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
9:00AM For the People and Deceased Veterans

May 30, Tuesday, Weekday
12:00PM+John Adams Sr, Anniv. (Wife & Family)

May 31, Wednesday, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12:00PM Jim Weaver (Tom & Becky DeHaven)

Extended Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity

Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-14

Virgin Mary
May 31, Wednesday, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12:00PM+Jim Weaver (Tom & Becky DeHaven)

Virgin Mary, the Mother of the Church. Under that title, Mary is the principal patroness of our diocese, therefore it is a feast for us. Bishop Mark will celebrate the feast with Mass at the Cathedral at 9:00 A.M. You are encouraged to participate at that Mass as we entrust the Church of Altoona-Johnstown to the Mary’s solicitude.
The Universal Prayers will include a petition for deceased veterans since Monday, May 29, is also Memorial Day.

**Readings for the week of May 28, 2023**

**Sunday:**
Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
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**Next Sunday:**
Vigil: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:36-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30 AM

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**
Sunday, May 21, 2023, $ 9,805.00
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.

**Holy Trinity Graduation**
The following parishioners graduated from Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School:
Kaitlin Davis 
Lily Sapp

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**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.

**Stewardship Reflections**
The Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way. We are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ. The outpouring of the Spirit was a personalized way of “gifting” the apostles, allowing them each to reach different people, sharing with them the “mighty acts of God.” Embracing the stewardship way of life means that we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the unique gifts He has given to each of us, to accomplish the particular mission entrusted to us.

Jesus gives us this mission in our Gospel passage from John, “As the Father has sent me I have me, so I send you” But we must not let this responsibility overwhelm us. Jesus Himself, tells us “Peace be with you.” As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life. (www.CatholicSteward.com, 4/21/2023)

**Outdoor Sunday Evening Mass**
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**Basket Bingo Meeting**
We will be having a Basket Bingo meeting on Thursday, June 8th at 6:00 PM here at the Cathedral Parish Center. All are welcome!

**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). We are also looking for theme baskets, example: Movie Night, Picnic, Bath Basket, Fourth of July, etc... If you have any questions you can call Paula Clemens at the Parish Office 814-944-4603, or Lorraine Beck 1-240-676-6704.

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and indeed our whole life may become more profoundly lost, but is rather time gained, so that our relationships of the Christian life... Time given to Christ is never time Eucharist: “Sunday is the day which is at the very heart us when we gather for Sunday celebrations of the Paul II reminds us of the grace that is made available to to be fulfilled out of a sense of duty, Pope Saint John Rather than seeing these as obligations that are simply Communion are outlined in the first and third precepts, obligations related to Mass attendance and receiving Commandments as fundamental practices for Catholics specific teachings are intended to stand alongside the Ten traditionally called the “Precepts” of the Church. These of Holy Communion are clearly outlined in what are The questions about Mass attendance and the reception

According to 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.

Our parish has 2 tickets left to the Faith Night Curve Game on Sunday, May 28, at 6:00 P.M. against the Hartford Yard Goats. Call the office to reserve your free ticket/s.

The Family Life Office of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to join them for the return of Faith Day at DelGrosso’s Park on Sunday, June 25th. The high point of the day will be Mass with Bishop Mark at 4:30 P.M. followed by a community dinner. Admission to the park is free, but there will be reduced Ride-and-Slide passes available as well as dinner tickets that can be purchased. More information will be made available later.

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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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