

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 6, 2025
Mass Intentions

July 6, Sunday, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM+Dolly Wesner (Winkler Family)
10:00AM+Rose & Sam Bennatti (Brian & Connie Bennatti Family)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30AM

July 7, Monday, Weekday

12:00PM+ Barry Krug (Bob and Tammy Dattris)

July 8, Tuesday, Weekday

12:00PM+Patricia Dennis, Birthday (Mary Ellen Burke)

July 9, Wednesday, Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

12:00PM+Sam Kokolis (Bob and Christina Laraia)

July 10, Thursday, Weekday

12:00PM+Ray Kelly (Family)

July 11, Friday, Saint Benedict, Abbott

12:00PM+ Cheryl Barry (Maureen Kedzuf)

July 12, Saturday, Weekday

12:00PM+Joseph Stevens (Family)

Vigil : Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM+Diane Johnston, Ann. (Mom & Family)

July 13, Sunday, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Living and Deceased Members of Michael & Ida Seymore Family (Seymore Family)
10:00AM+Etta Pastore (Family)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30AM

Outdoor Mass for Married Couples

Bishop Mark will be celebrating an outdoor Mass for married couples at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto on Sunday, July 20, at 7:00 P.M. Couples will be invited to renew their sacramental commitment to each other. Bring your own lawn chair. If it rains, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, June 29, 2025-\$11,334..06

Thank you for your monetary and personal contributions to the life of our parish.

Basket Bingo Tickets

We are going to start selling Basket Bingo tickets starting Saturday, July 12 after all Masses and in the office, Hours are 9:00AM-4:00PM, Monday thru Thursday and Friday 9:00AM to 3:00PM at 1405-13th Avenue. They are \$25.00 per person, and also a value pack can be bought for an additional \$30.00. If you have any questions call Paula at the Parish Office at 814-944-4603, Her cell # 814-215-5949, or Lorraine Beck cell at 1-240-676



Church Cleaning

We will be cleaning the church on Wednesday, July 9, at 9:00 AM. If there is a funeral, we will meet on Thursday.

Journey Through Loss

Is a nine-week program for those who have lost a loved one through death recently or in the past. The Christian based program provides the opportunity to share or to listen and offers positive ideas for coping. **The next sessions begins on Tuesday, July 22.** We will meet weekly from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the Parish Center at St. John the Evangelist Church in Lakemont. All faiths are welcomed. For more information or to register contact Mary Petrak at 814-502-6076, or mfpetrak@hotmail.com.

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome to our parish Haze Anthony Bennatti, the son of Devin and Shawney Bennatti, who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism.



We have a block of 40 tickets for a Curve game on Friday, July 18, at 6:30 P.M. Call the office (814-944-4603) to reserve your tickets. 17 tickets are still available.



Our parish will have a picnic on Sunday, August 17, at The Catholic War Veterans Club from 1-4 P.M. The parish will provide chicken and hot dogs. You've invited to bring a covered dish.

Training Session

CPR and AED Training sessions coming soon. If interested please contact Paula in the office at 814-944-4603 with your name and phone number it will be added to the list. Karen Isenberg will get in touch with you.

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser

Knights of Columbus, Bishop Garvey Assembly #916, is having a fundraiser on Sunday, July 12, from 7 AM-7PM at the Valley Dairy Restaurant at 2724 Plank Road in Altoona. 20% of the cost of your meal will directly benefit the Knights. The flyer that must be presented to your server when you pay is available at the cathedral's 13th avenue entrance. A form on the flyer needs to be completed during your visit.

Christian Mothers

On Sunday July 13th, the Cathedral Christian Mothers will host the showing of the **Sight and Sound version of "Jesus"** in the Seton Suite at 1:00PM. Join us as we enjoy the sights and sounds of this beautiful story. **All are welcome.** For more information contact Carol Galioto at (814) 946-3769.

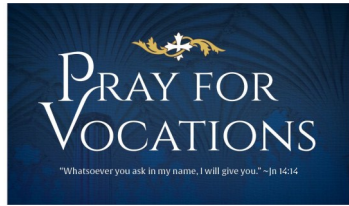
The feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, who were Mary's parents and Jesus's grandparents, is celebrated annually on July 26th. On **Sunday July 27th, which is The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**, we will be celebrating our parish grandparents and their grandchildren after the 10:00AM Mass. A light reception and some fun games are planned. More information will be posted in next week's bulletin.

Stewardship Reflections

In today's Gospel passage, from Luke, we find our Lord appointing disciples to go out and prepare others to receive His invitation into the Kingdom of God. "The Lord appointed 72 others whom He sent out ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place He intended to visit." In His wisdom, Christ sent His disciples out not as individuals, but in pairs, as teams. The disciples could lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement, helping each other to stay on task and to put their heads together to pray and problem solve. This teamwork approach is just as relevant to us modern day Christian stewards. It takes courage and commitment to go out and invite others into the Christian life, and we need to work together.

There is also symbolic importance to working in teams. It points to the reality that when we invite others to embrace the Good News of the Gospel, we are not merely inviting them into a belief system, but into a relationship with Christ and into Christ's family.

We are not meant to live as isolated individuals within the parish any more than we are meant to live in isolation within our families. We are meant to be in community. That is why it is so important for us to foster a vibrant, supportive, welcoming parish life, and that is why hospitality is one of the pillars of stewardship. We must invite others into our community, and offer a place and a mission, for



O God, Father of all Mercies, Provider of a bountiful harvest, send Your graces upon those You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor; preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of you.

Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your holy will; inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ.

Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life guided by Your Divine Word and Truth.

Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



The Altoona Gabriel Project would like to thank the Cathedral Parish for helping to supply area moms and babies with supplies via our collection crib. Thanks is also extended to the Cathedral Christian Mothers for their recent monetary donation. The Gabriel Project, a Catholic Pro-Life Ministry, helps with temporal, emotional, and spiritual support for moms in need. Please continue to help by filling the crib with diapers, wipes, blankets, and other baby items. If you know of anyone who needs assistance, please call 814-440-1021.



The 2025 Catholic Ministries Drive target for Cathedral is \$51,400. Please be supportive. This year's Theme is "Follow Me" (Mt. 16:24).

Since the diocese is extremely supportive of Cathedral parish, it is important for us to support diocesan sponsored ministries.

\$39,850 has been either pledged/donated from 118 parishioners. We have reached 78% of our target. Thank you for participating. If you haven't already done so, please help us reach our target.



2031 will mark the 100th anniversary of our cathedral's dedication. The diocese has a local engineering firm coordinating the evaluation, by several additional firms, the extensive work that needs to be done: to the dome, roof, exterior masonry, stained glass windows, accessibility issues, general improvements, mechanical and electrical, painting, and eventual organ repairs.

The Church of Altoona-Johnstown THE CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ONE CATHEDRAL SQUARE, Altoona, Pennsylvania 16601-3315

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 6, 2025

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.

By appointment, by texting or calling 814-937 8240 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 - Normally, the First Wednesday 12:30 PM - 6:45 PM

Eucharistic Day - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Sponsored by the Christian Mothers on Thursdays after the noon Mass.

Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

September through April: Pre-Kindergarten thru 12.
Sunday morning 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM Pre-Kindergarten thru 8. Grades 9-11 Sunday Evening at 6:15.

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Mass Times

Sunday:	Weekday:
5:00 PM (Vigil)	12:00 Noon
8:00 AM	
10:00 AM	Saturday:
5:00 PM	12:00 Noon

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