Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 15, 2026
Mass Intentions

November 15, Sunday, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM+Rita Adams (Family)
10:00AM+John & Patrick Duffy (Toots)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/ For the People

November 16, Monday, Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin
12:00PM+Pat Morning (Jay & Mel Cree)

November 17, Tuesday, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
12:00PM+John Marin (McNelis All Stars and Friends)

November 18, Wednesday, The Dedication Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
12:00PM+Doris Carson Eget (Bob and Chris Laraia)

November 19, Thursday, Weekday
12:00PM+Florence Moffa Brook (Estate)

November 20, Friday, Weekday
12:00PM+Mary Ann Hofer (Judy, Mark and Samantha Bowman)

November 21, Saturday, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12:00PM+Joseph Maltet (The Capouellez Family)
Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
5:00PM+Bernadine Farrell, Birthday (Family))

November 22, Sunday, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:00AM+Jack Duffy (Family)
10:00AM+George & Margie Weamer (Judy & Mark Luke)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/ For the People

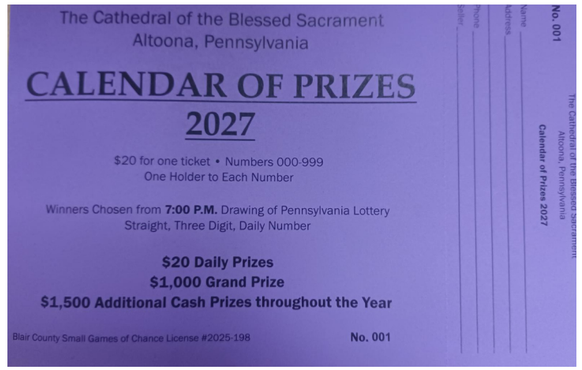


OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, November 8, 2026,

$ 11,205.21

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



Our Calendar of Prizes is currently on sale. The cost is $20.00 per ticket for a year's worth of opportunities to win cash prizes. Please be supportive. The tickets are available after the weekend Masses and in the parish office. They make great Christmas gifts and stocking stuffers.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LECTOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
SERVER SACRISTAN CANTOR USHER

New Schedules

We will be working on our new schedules for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers. The current schedule runs out the last Sunday of this month. If you have special requests or are not available for certain dates, please email Paula at pclemens@dioceseaj.org or call the office at 814-944-4603. The next schedule will begin the 2nd Sunday of Advent (12/6), and include the Christmas season, and continues until February 7, 2027. Thank you for your willingness to serve.



Be Sure to make plans to attend our annual Thanksgiving Day Mass on Thursday, November 26, at 9:00 A.M. We are invited to be a part of the offertory procession by bringing a monetary gift or non-perishable food items which will be donated to the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry.



A Call for Float Volunteers

Our parish will again participate in the Annual Altoona Christmas Parade with a float entry honoring our 175th anniversary. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Dave Kimmel at (814) 207-1802 to be added to the list or if you have any questions. Be a part of the energetic and enthusiastic committee!

The parade is on Saturday, December 5th, 2026. Line-up is Noon; parade begins at 1:00 P.M.

Stewardship Reflections

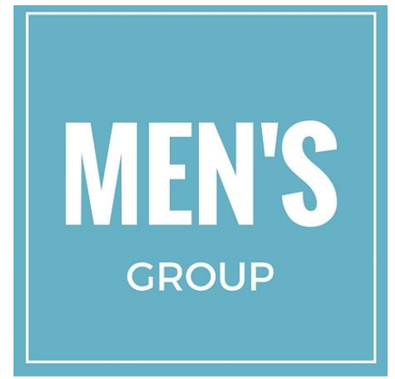
Today's readings challenge us to live not for the "here and now," but rather with eternity in mind. We are reminded that we will all be called one day to give account for the gifts God has given us, our physical, intellectual and material gifts, as well as the gift of time itself. We must examine our lives to determine whether we are making the best use of our gifts with the time we have been given to use them.

St. Paul gives us a wonderful lens through which to do this type of self-examination, in our Second Reading from 1 Thessalonians. He reminds us of our true identity as disciples of Christ. "All of you are children of the day. We are not the night or the darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay awake and sober." We are to live in a way that is counter to the prevailing wisdom, living not for ourselves and for the pleasure of immediate gratification, but rather to advance the Kingdom of Heaven.

Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts entrusted to us, time, talent and treasure, in such a way that at the end of our life on earth, we will hear these words from our Father: "Well done, my good and faithful servants. Come, share you master's joy."

First Reconciliation Prep Meeting

Tuesday, November 17, 2026
6:00-8:00PM
Cathedral Hall
Bring Family Crest



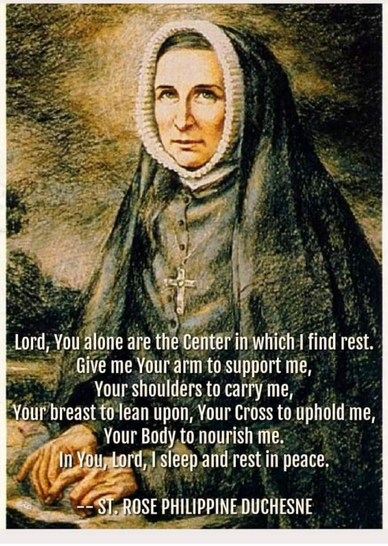
Cathedral Parish's Men's Group will be meeting this Thursday, November 19, in our hall beginning at 7:00 P.M. The monthly get-together has been a successful time for men, including men from other parishes, to have an opportunity for a bit of spiritual enrichment, enjoyable fellowship, meet new friends, and good refreshments.

VETERANS SUPPORTING VETERANS

Our parish's Respect Life committee will be supporting the **Veterans Supporting Veterans Group** in Blair County who provides clothing, hygiene essentials, and connecting veterans with local resources and services. Serving those who served with compassion, dignity, and respect. A collection box is available at the alley entrance. The group has a location at the Logan Valley Mall.

Our 7th grade Religious Education Class is also working on a service project for veterans. Please be supportive.

The class is asking for help with a collection of Rosaries, stamps and names and addresses of Veterans and widows/widowers of Veterans so we can mail cards to them. IF you would like to share a story about the rosary please place a note with them in an envelope with your name on them in the collection boxes which will be on the tables inside the doors of the Cathedral. We are also inviting our parishioners who are currently in the military to sign the Thank You poster on the tables inside the doors of the Cathedral. They will be placed in the entry ways for the weeks to come.



LAND OF PEACE

This weekend, November 14-15, our brothers and sisters representing the Land of Peace Mission-a nonprofit organization will be present with us speaking briefly about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries-all made of olive wood that is native to the Holy Land. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Please browse and buy some articles. You are invited to visit their website: www.landofpeace.org.

Christian Mother's Home-bound

Again, this year, Cathedral Christian Mothers will be delivering a special gift to our home-bound for Christmas. Last year we distributed over 35 baskets to parish members at their homes. Do you know parishioner (s) who are home-bound and may appreciate a small token of friendship from the parish? If you know of someone, let us know by November 30th by contacting any Christian Mother member or Lorraine Beck (814-942-7774), Mary Gene Vogel (814-943-6431), Paula Miller (814-942-5593), Carol Galioto (814-327-4841).

Annual Winter Coat Drive

Winter weather is quickly approaching. The parish annual winter coat drive is now underway. If you have unneeded used coats, please consider donating them. Last year, over 200 coats, jackets and sweaters were given to many agencies in our local are for distribution. This year, children's coat in addition to men's and women's have been requested by the agencies. Coats may be left on the clothing racks in the back corner of the church. Thank you for your support of this parish activity.

The Church of Altoona-Johnstown

THE CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ONE CATHEDRAL SQUARE, Altoona, Pennsylvania 16601-3315

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME , NOVEMBER 15, 2026

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:
The process of formation for those seeking God through membership in the Catholic Church.
Call 814-944-4603

INFANT BAPTISM:
Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

CONFIRMATION:
Ninth, tenth and eleventh and twelfth grade students are invited to participate in the Confirmation Preparation Process.

RECONCILIATION:
Wednesday: 7:00 PM, Saturday: 12:30 PM or by appointment, by texting or calling 814-937-8240

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, Rector
Paula Clemens, Parish Secretary

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Chris Laraia - Pre-K thru 12 - 814-312-7317
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CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - 814-944-4603

GABRIEL PROJECT-814-440-1021

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 9-12 Sunday evening at 6:15 P.M

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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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