
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

June 7 Most Holy Trinity



Monday, June 8

†Mary Prorok (*Marie Prorok*)

Tuesday, June 9 St. Ephrem

†Denise DiGiacobbe (*Peg Bieniek*)

Wednesday, June 10

†Victor Raia (*Michael D. Raia, Jr.*)

Thursday, June 11 St. Barnabas

Members of the Altar & Rosary Society

Friday, June 12

†John Prorok (*Marie Prorok*)

Saturday, June 13 St. Anthony of Padua

†Frank & Margaret Vinglas (*Speck Family*)

Sunday, June 14 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Mass For the People
†Lynn A. Schreiber (*Mother, Ann*)

**PASTOR'S CORNER
MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY**

The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. God reveals himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The doctrine of the Trinity includes three truths of faith.

First, the Trinity is One. We do not speak of three gods but of one God. Each of the Persons is fully God. They are a unity of Persons in one divine nature.

Second, the divine Persons are distinct from each other. Father, Son, and Spirit are not three appearances or modes of God, but three identifiable persons, each fully God in a way distinct from the others.

Third, the Divine Persons are in relation to each other. The distinction of each is understood only in reference to the others. The Father cannot be the Father without the Son, nor can the Son be the Son without the Father. The Holy Spirit is related to the Father and the Son who both send him forth.

All Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Trinity illumines all the other mysteries of faith.

“The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity leads us to contemplate the mystery of God who unceasingly creates, redeems and sanctifies, always with love and through love.”

—Pope Francis, May 27, 2018



MOST HOLY TRINITY

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-MAY 30-31, 2020

Regular	\$5287.00	Christmas	\$ 32.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 21.00	Ascension	\$ 178.00
Second Collection	\$ 5.00	Initial	\$ 3.00
	\$	Total	\$5526.00

Deacon Jim’s “A Moment with Our Lady”

One day Saint Peter, guardian of Paradise, received a visit in his office from the Father—“So Peter, is everything all right?” — “Yes, God! I am incredibly careful and make sure that all who enter deserve it!” — “All right...let me see the register.”

The Father opened Saint Peter’s book, looked at it, frowned and turned to Saint Peter, “This will not do! You let some people in who did not deserve to enter Paradise!”

Saint Peter did not even recognize the names the Father pointed to in the book. He was confused! The following week, he was especially careful... But it didn’t help: many souls went in without his knowledge...Distressed, Saint Peter suddenly felt a hand on his shoulder. It was Jesus, smiling, who whispered to him:

“Ah, Saint Peter, you still don’t understand? Follow me...” After a short walk, they reached the wall surrounding Paradise...the Virgin Mary was sitting there, on top of the wall, holding her Rosary down over the other side for souls to climb up over the wall...This is how so many souls have found their way into Paradise!

CANDLES:

Special Intention by Susan Trout

June 7, 2020: Trinity Sunday (JN 3:16-18)

A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

As the Father “sent his son into the world” so parents send their children into the world “so that the world might be saved.” This is the missionary role of the Christian family. Your family is a school where your children develop convictions which enable them to make a difference in the world.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

306 – 373

Saint Ephrem, Deacon

and Doctor of the Church

Feast Day: June 9

Known to Syrian Christians as “the harp of the Holy Ghost,” this Mesopotamian from Nisibia was baptized at 18 and may have accompanied his bishop to the Council of Nicaea in 325. He served as head of the cathedral school and left Nisibia only after it became Persian. In 363 he moved to a cave overlooking Edessa but preached frequently in the city and wrote many poems, hymns and biblical commentaries; he organized a choir of women to sing his hymns during liturgies. About 370 he visited St. Basil in Caesarea. The winter before his death, he earned praise for managing relief supplies during a severe famine in Edessa. Ephraem is the only Syrian father declared a doctor of the church.

LYME DISEASE MEETING

The June 11th meeting of the Altoona Area Lyme Disease Support Group has been CANCELLED. Go to palyme.org to learn more about how to prevent tick bites and tick-borne diseases. Call Amber Altiero, Altoona Regional Leader, at 934-7403 for more info.

THEMES FROM CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society. Modern Catholic social teaching has been articulated through a tradition of papal, conciliar, and episcopal documents. The depth and richness of this tradition can be understood best through a direct reading of these documents. In these brief reflections, we highlight several of the key themes that are at the heart of our Catholic social tradition.

LIFE AND DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. Human life is threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty. The intentional targeting of civilians in war or terrorist attacks is always wrong. Catholic teaching calls on us to work to avoid war. Nations must protect the right to life by finding effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

CALL TO FAMILY, COMMUNITY, AND PARTICIPATION

The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society—in economics and politics, in law and policy—directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined.

We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities—to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

OPTION FOR THE POOR AND VULNERABLE

A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment (Mt 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

THE DIGNITY OF WORK AND THE RIGHTS OF WORKERS

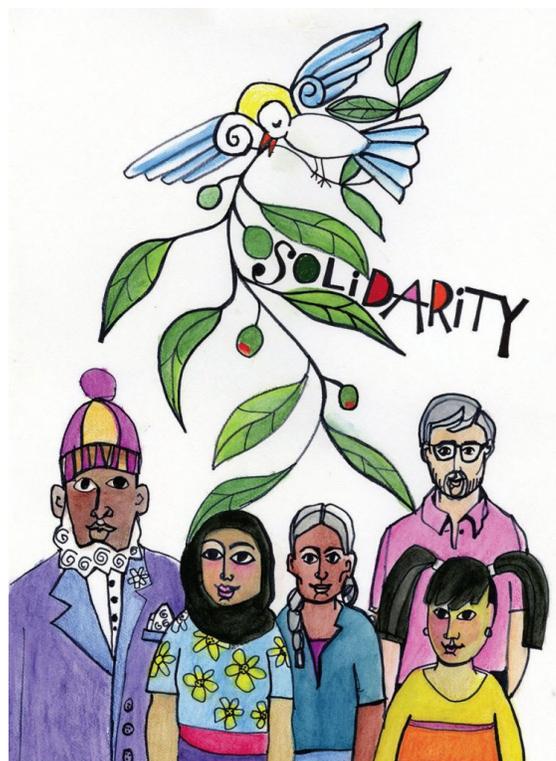
The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected—the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative.

SOLIDARITY

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Blessed Pope Paul VI taught that "if you want peace, work for justice." The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict.

CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.



**St. Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona presents...
England's Treasures.**

Join Fr. Brian Saylor April 21-May 2, 2021 on a tour of England. Visit Liverpool, the home of the Beatles, and spend three nights in the Georgian town of Bath with its 2000-year-old Roman spas. Explore the monastic ruins of Glastonbury Abbey and the mystical, ancient Stonehenge. See the sights of London with a local guide and savor a traditional English roast. Cost: \$4,499 (Double) includes Round trip Air from Pittsburgh, taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel transfers.

**For information or a brochure please call/
email Fr. Brian at 814-944-8509/bsaylor
@dioceseaj.org or Collette 844-218-2148
(refer to Booking #987192)**

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION
June 7 The Most Holy Trinity Sunday**

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.” (Jn 3:16) May we as Christian disciples and stewards, always give of ourselves as a grateful response for his perfect gift.

Living as a Christian at this time in history we are reminded daily that we can greet everyone with the peace of Christ through our prayer, a kind word of encouragement, or a simple donation of food, time, or money. If even one other person can see the face of God in us then we are bringing to them the belief in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, and that they indeed can have eternal life through the saving act of Jesus Christ.

The Friar's Nook Gift Shop

The Friar's Nook Gift Shop is open and is stocked for your First Communion and Confirmation gift needs! The modified hours for June are Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. The shop is located on the campus of St. Bernadine Monastery at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg.
For an questions, please call 814-695-3802.

**St. Rose of Lima's St. Vincent de Paul
Conference Weekly Reflection for June 7:
Most Holy Trinity**

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.

If you know of someone in need, especially in these trying times, please visit our website (<http://strosesvdp.org>) to inform us of their situation. We will do our best to help out in any way we can. We encourage all parishioners to use our website to help us help those in need.
Thank you!

NOTE: The SVDP Thrift Store, located at 1215 7th Avenue, Altoona, is now open. Now more than ever we need your help to get the store back on track, as well as to refill our Conference's Food Pantry located at the store. Any donations for either the store or the pantry would be greatly appreciated. Donations for the store can either be dropped off at the store or at the designated location in the Maria Parish Center. Food items should be dropped off only at the Maria Parish Center. Donations will be accepted once public Masses start on June 14th.

Thank you.

Stay well and God Bless!