

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

Sun May 9 Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Thurs May 13 ASCENSION THURSDAY  
Wed May 12 5:15-6:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary



**Monday, May 10 St. Damien de Veuster**  
8:30 a.m.  
†Jean Lane (*Bill & Fritz Beard*)

**Tuesday, May 11**  
8:30 a.m.  
†Eugene Bettwy (*Mary Engelman*)

**Wednesday, May 12 Ss. Nereus & Achilleus,  
St. Pancras**  
8:30 a.m.  
†Cindy (Microsh) Metz (*Tony*)  
7:00 p.m.  
†Eugene Stoltz (*Mike & Norene Civiello*)

**Thursday, May 13 Ascension of the Lord**  
7:00 a.m.  
Members of the Altar & Rosary Society  
8:30 a.m.  
†Richard, Betty & David Drabic (*Family*)  
7:00 p.m.  
†Catherine Spinazzola (*Ida Spinazzola Family*)

**Friday, May 14 St. Matthias**  
8:30 a.m.  
†Catherine Wojtarowicz (*Sally*)

**Saturday, May 15 St. Isidore**  
4:00p.m.  
†William Luther (*Gary & Janet Roesch*)

**Sunday, May 16 Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
8:00 a.m. Mass For the People  
10:30 a.m. †Patsy & Florence Labriola (*Labriola & Rossi Family*)

**PASTOR'S CORNER**

**ASCENSION THURSDAY  
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

This Thursday, May 13, is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. It is a holy day of obligation in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. Forty days have passed since the glorious resurrection of the crucified Lord from the dead. Today the Church remembers the return of the Son of God to the Father's right hand. When all things are made new and Christ comes in all his glory, all will be united in the kingdom of God. Catholics are expected to participate at Mass on this day. Masses will be Wednesday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. and on Thursday 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Happy Mother's Day!**



We wish all our mothers a happy and healthy Mother's Day!

Loving God,  
as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children,  
so you watch over your Church.  
Bless our mother.  
Let the example of her faith and love shine forth.  
Grant that we, her family,  
may honor her always  
with a spirit of profound respect.  
Grant this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-MAY 1-2, 2021

Regular	\$ 9127.75	Christmas Club	\$ 46.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 71.00	Candles	\$ 15.00
Ascension	\$ 65.00	Home Missions	\$ 90.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 3.00	Communications	\$ 55.00
Second Collect	\$108.00	Total	\$ 9580.75

### Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, the Eastern Church celebrates the synaxis in honor of the ashes or Holy "Manna" produced by the tomb of the holy and illustrious apostle and evangelist, the virgin and beloved disciple of Christ, the friend who leaned upon his chest at the Last Supper, and to whom the Virgin Mary was particularly entrusted: John "the Theologian."

Sometime after the burial of the holy Apostle John the Theologian at Ephesus (celebrated every year on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September), the disciples opened the grave, but found his tomb empty, and it became a source of miracles. On May 8<sup>th</sup>, it used to be covered with a kind of ashes, which the local Christians called "Manna." This substance could cure diseases of the soul and the body, for those who anointed themselves with faith.

Because of this annual miracle, the Church instituted a feast to celebrate the beloved disciple of the Lord and beloved son of the Mother of God.

### Families and the Gospel

**May 13, 2021: The Ascension of the Lord**  
(Mark 16:15-20)

As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."

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### Mass for Widows and Widowers to be Televised

Remember your loved ones on **Sunday, May 30, 2021 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 a.m. on WATM ABC 23 and will be rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Atlantic Broadband channel 9.** All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email [familylife@dioceseaj.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseaj.org). When registering, please give your **name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away.** Deadline to register is **May 24, 2021.** Sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office.

### CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

Sharing the good news begins with you...

Next week our special collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the internet, television, radio and print media. Fully 50% funds collected remain here in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message!

This appeal will be take up next weekend May 15-16. Please use the envelope that is located in your pack of envelopes. Thank you for your generous support.

**CANDLES:** Timothy Stephen Housum by Dennis & Carole Housum, Sophia Sukala by Anne Sukala, Joseph Mishock by Irene Mishock, Intentions of Ruth Novack by Irene Mishock.

**ARCHBISHOP FELIPE FRANCO: INTRODUCTION, NIHIL OBSTAT, and IMPRIMATUR**

**NEW BOOK: "The Catholic Faith in Easy Term" Missionary Disciples of Jesus the Good Shepherd**

**Available on AMAZON:**

[https://www.amazon.com/dp/0578817098?ref=pe\\_30520](https://www.amazon.com/dp/0578817098?ref=pe_30520)

## YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

**Saint Joseph, Husband of the Mother of God,  
pray for us.**

**“After Mary, the Mother of God, no saint is mentioned more frequently in the papal magisterium than Joseph, her spouse. My predecessors reflected on the message contained in the limited information handed down by the gospels in order to appreciate more fully his central role in the history of salvation.” [2]**

Saint John Paul II declared St. Joseph as “Guardian of the Redeemer” [4] God revealed his saving plan to Joseph by using dreams, Pope Francis tell us in his Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde*. In the first dream an angel speaks to Joseph. “Do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.” (Mt 1:20-21) So Joseph defended her virtue and kept her from public disgrace and possibly death. May all husbands choose to be Josephs for their wives and the mother of their children. *Patris Corde*, December 8, 2020,2.4.

2021 Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, Pa. 16601

### **MAY: DEVOTED TO THE BLESSED MOTHER**

We will pray the Rosary during the month of May. If anyone is interested in leading the Rosary, please call Mary Engelman 943-3796.

### **FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL EASTER TIME**

**May 9, 2021: Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
(John 15: 9-17)

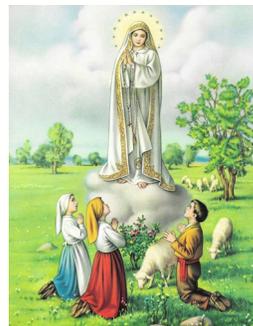
Today’s gospel challenges us to “love one another as I have loved you.” Jesus is our model and he asks us to “lay down our life” (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

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**Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
Court Prince Gallitzin #2625 –Serving all 11  
Altoona parishes and beyond.  
Catholic Daughters primary focus is  
Spirituality and Service!  
New members are always welcome!  
Please come and join us!**

We are meeting on Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, in the St. Rose of Lima Social Hall. Enter through the automatic double doors on the 56<sup>th</sup> Street side of the school building. Come by between 6:00-6:10 p.m. to join us in saying the Rosary beginning at 6:15 p.m. and then stay for the business meeting. or come by at 6:45 p.m. or the business meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. You can find us on line at: [www.cda2625.com](http://www.cda2625.com)  
Contact us at: [www.cda2625.com/contact](http://www.cda2625.com/contact).

## **SAINT OF THE WEEK**



### **Our Lady of Fatima**

**Feast Day – May 13**

**20<sup>th</sup> Century**

Mary appeared to three peasant children near Fatima, Portugal, six times between May 13 and October 13, 1917, and asked for prayers for world peace and an end to World War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia. She entrusted the children with three secrets, regarding devotion to her Immaculate Heart, a vision of hell, and a “bishop in white” shot by soldiers firing bullets and arrows. Many connect the third secret to the attempted assassination of Blessed Pope John Paul II on May 13, 1981, and the pope thanked Mary for guiding the bullet and saving him. At the Vatican last October 13, Pope Francis stood before the statue of Our Lady from the Fatima shrine and formally entrusted the world to Mary.

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**St. Rose of Lima's St. Vincent de Paul  
Conference Weekly Reflection for May 9 -  
Sixth Sunday of Easter:**

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us,  
"This is my commandment: love one  
another as I have loved you...You are  
my friends if you do what I command  
you."

**By your gift to the Society  
of St. Vincent de Paul you  
fulfill this commandment.**

If you know of someone in need, 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!

**"WALK OF FAITH"**

Personalized bricks are now available to put into  
The "Walk of Faith". Bricks are \$50.00. Order forms  
are in the foyer of the church. Take a look at the  
walkways and see hundreds of name and add yours  
to the walkway.

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Anne Sukala, Joseph Mishock by Irene Mishock,  
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**HALUPKI SALE**

**The Society of Angels at Our Lady Queen of  
Angels Parish in Central City will be selling  
raw, frozen Halupki for \$15 a dozen at the  
Activities Center (738 Sunshine Ave. Central  
City, Pa. 15926) on Saturday, May 15 from  
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Advance order are  
recommended. Orders will be taken until  
Wednesday, May 12.

Place your order by calling 814-754-5224.

**BEATITUDES FOR MOTHERS**

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who did without for us, they will be rewarded.

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who lost sleep when we were sick,  
They will find rest.

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who taught us how to pray,  
They will share God's kingdom.

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who comforted us, they shall be comforted.

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who taught us right from wrong,  
They will know justice.

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who shared with us the meaning of peace.  
They shall know peace.

**Blessed are Mothers**

Who taught us the importance of loving God and  
each other, they shall see God.

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