

PASTOR'S CORNER

A FAREWELL DINNER FOR FATHER BRIAN – This Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock the parish will celebrate the ministry of Father Brian, who has served our parish so faithfully over the last 11 years, as well as giving me an opportunity to become reacquainted with this wonderful parish. We are pleased with the number of reservations that have been made!

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL HERE AT ST. ROSE - Last week in the bulletin I mentioned that the American bishops have embarked on a multiyear *National Eucharistic Revival initiative* that is part of their 2021-2024 strategic plan, "Created Anew by the Body and Blood of Christ: Source of Our Healing and Hope." To prepare us as a parish, my brother priests, deacons and I will be preaching on the Eucharist later this summer, when Jesus' sermon on the Bread of Life will be the gospel for four consecutive weeks.

HONORING OUR SAINT KATERI: As St. Rose of Lima was canonized to become the first saint of the Americas, so on July 14 we honor St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Native American to be recognized as a saint. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. Her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband. Kateri contracted smallpox as a four-year-old child which scarred her skin. The scars were a source of humiliation in her youth. She was commonly seen wearing a blanket to hide her face. Worse, her entire family died during the outbreak. Kateri Tekakwitha was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan.

Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. However, she refused to marry. When her adoptive parents proposed a suitor to her, she refused to entertain the proposal. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

At age 19, Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her adoptive parents and their neighbors. Some of her neighbors started rumors of sorcery. To avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal. We acclaim her virtuous life, and pray for all Native Americans who find inspiration in her life!

RENEWAL OF LITURGICAL MINISTRIES - Now that more of the Faithful are returning to Sunday Mass, it is important for us to renew our commitment to our various liturgical ministries. We will be reaching out to those who have been lectors and Eucharistic ministers, preparing schedules for these ministries. We also invite you to participate as "Gift Bearers" and as ministers of hospitality.

SURVEY NEXT WEEKEND: Next weekend we will be conducting an in-the-pew survey to gather additional information regarding your contact information, as well as your willingness to participate in a variety of parish ministries. The generous use of our time talent and treasure enriches parish life!

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY – What enables a parish to grow is the spirit of hospitality that is extended to folks who come to our parish for Mass. Over the next weeks we will be soliciting people to serve as ministers of hospitality, who will also serve as those taking up the weekly collection. More information will follow.

OUR OFFERTORY PROCESSION (PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS) - An important part of Mass is the presentation of the gifts of bread and wine, as well as the collection, which are brought to the altar as the offering of ourselves to almighty God. Your willingness to be a part of this procession is greatly appreciated.

MASS INTENTIONS: Those wishing to have Masses offered here at St. Rose are asked to make use of the special envelopes that have been placed in the vestibule. These intentions can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the rectory. Your use of envelopes rather than placing a phone call will help us keep accurate records!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun July 11 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun. July 11 Farewell Dinner - 5:00 p.m.
Wed July 14 5:15-6:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary



Monday, July 12 St. Anthony Zaccaria, St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:30 a.m.
 †Frank Hughes (*Joan Finefrock*)

Tuesday, July 13 St. Henry

8:30 a.m.
 †Paul Sheets (*Fritz & Bill Beard*)

Wednesday, July 14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

8:30 a.m.
 †Rosemary McConnell (*Holy Trinity Catholic School Board*)

Thursday, July 15 Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m.
 †Jean Lane (*Joseph & Vicki Pacovsky*)

Friday, July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:30 a.m.
 †Earl May (*Salvatrice Aurummia*)

Saturday, July 17

4:00p.m.
 †Eugene Stoltz (*Gary & Janet Roesch*)

Sunday, July 18 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass For the People
 10:30 a.m. †Eugene Bettwy (*Dr. & Mrs. Frank Fochler*)

OUTDOOR MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES:

All married couples and their families are invited to the annual Outdoor Mass for Married Couples on Sunday, July 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto. Bishop Mark will celebrate the Liturgy, during which married couples will have the opportunity to renew their commitment to each other. The Rosary will be prayed beginning at 6:30 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair, and if it rains, Bishop will celebrate Mass inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel next to the shrine. The Mass is sponsored by the Family Life Office of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-JULY 3-4, 2021

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| Regular | \$8,545.00 | Children's | \$18.00 |
| Loose | \$196.00 | Peter's Pence | \$45.00 |
| Parish Upgrade | \$5.00 | Christmas Club | \$69.00 |
| | | Total | \$8,878.00 |

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

God called Amaziah from his daily life to carry forth a mission. Jesus commissioned the 12 apostles to preach the Gospel. He gives them the authority they need to do so, and sends them forth. In the second reading St. Paul praises the Lord and reminds us that it is "God whose chose us in Him, before the foundation of the world."

Like Amaziah and the 12 apostles, each one of us has been called to carry out a mission, to be a Christian disciple and proclaim the Gospel in all we say and do. He has given us everything that we need to do that. Every gift we have comes by way of gift from the Lord. It is our responsibility to make the choice to recognize those gifts and to use them for God's purposes, to give glory to God through sharing our time, talent and treasures with all those in need. (Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2012/7/03)

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We are meeting on *Monday, July 12th*, in the St. Rose of Lima Social Hall, at 6:45 PM with the business meeting beginning at 7:00 PM. Enter through the automatic double doors on the 56th Street side of the school building. You can find us online at: www.cda2625.com. Contact us at: <https://www.cda2625.com/contact>.

BUS TRIP TO FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL

MEMORIAL WITH FR. FRANK: Mt. Carmel Parish is sponsoring a bus trip to Flight 93 National Memorial, Shanksville, PA, on Sunday, July 25th. The trip includes transportation, visit Flight 93 site (Tower of Voices, Visitor Center, Memorial Plaza Walk along the Crash site), Buffet Dinner at Oakhurst Grille, Somerset, PA & gratuities. The cost of the trip is \$53.00 per person. Please contact the Parish Office at 814-942-8501 to make your reservation by July 16th.

Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

"Just as two friends, frequently in each other's company, tend to develop similar habits, so too, by holding familiar converse with Jesus and the Blessed Virgin, by meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary and by living the same life in Holy Communion, we can become, to the extent of our lowliness, similar to them and can learn from these supreme models a life of humility, poverty, hiddenness, patience and perfection."

In this process of being conformed to Christ in the Rosary, we entrust ourselves in a special way to the maternal care of the Blessed Virgin. She who is both the Mother of Christ and a member of the Church, indeed her "pre-eminent and altogether singular member," is at the same time the "Mother of the Church." As such, she continually brings to birth children for the mystical Body of her Son. She does so through her intercession, imploring upon them the inexhaustible outpouring of the Spirit. Mary is the perfect icon of the motherhood of the Church.

The Rosary mystically transports us to Mary's side as she is busy watching over the human growth of Christ in the home of Nazareth. This enables her to train us and to mold us with the same care, until Christ is "fully formed" in us.

Saint Pope John Paul II

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BECOME A DEACON?

Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown? If so, you and your wife (if married) are invited to join Bishop Mark and Deacon Michael Russo at the "Bishop's Night of Vocations" on Tuesday, September 21 at 7 p.m. at the US Hotel Tavern, Hollidaysburg. Reservations for this event are required and can be made by contacting Marybeth at (814) 361-2000. The deadline for reservations is August 20th. For more information on the Permanent Diaconate please visit us online at www.dioceseaj.org/Diaconate/ or by contacting Deacon Michael Russo, Director at (814) 288-3036. All are welcome!

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown currently has the following openings. Please go to www.dioceseaj.org/employment to apply. Resumes can be emailed to lmcevoy@dioceseaj.org.

Temporary Accounting Assistant: Diocesan Finance Office

Care Coordinator: Martha & Mary Homeless Shelter Johnstown

Caseworker: Catholic Charities Altoona Office

General Laborer: Transfiguration Parish Johnstown

Administrative Assistant: St. Patrick School Newry

Administrative Assistant: Saints Gregory & Barnabas Parish Johnstown

Custodian: St. Michael School Loretto

DRE: St. Benedict Parish Carrolltown

Housekeeper: St. John the Baptist Parish New Baltimore

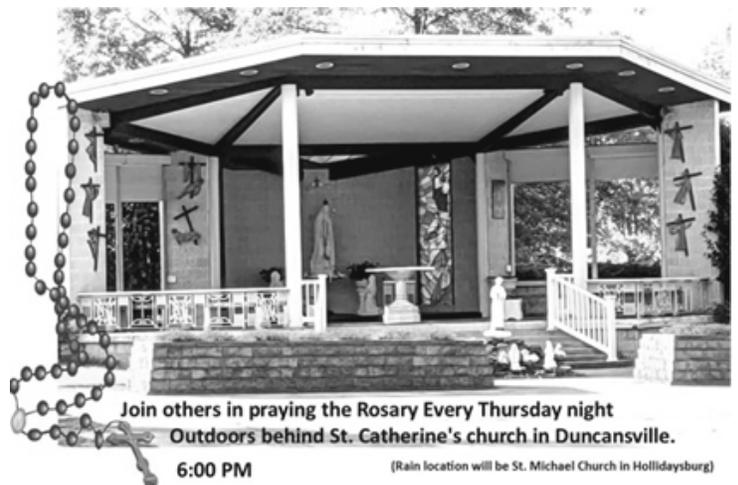
Organist: St. Catherine of Sienna Parish Duncansville

School Principal: St. Matthew, Tyrone; St. Patrick, Newry

Various Elementary & High School Teaching Positions

MEMORIAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR SISTER CELESTE CIESIELKA: The Carmelite Community of the Word will celebrate a Memorial Prayer Service honoring the life of Sr. Celeste Ciesielka who died from Covid-19 on December 15, 2020. Sr. Celeste served in many roles and touched the lives of many throughout the diocese. Family, friends and co-workers are invited to join in this celebration to be held at the CCW Incarnation Center Motherhouse, 394 Bem Rd, Gallitzin, PA on Sunday, August 1, 2021. An outdoor prayer service is planned for 2PM with a reception to continue until 4PM. Attendees are asked to bring a lawn chair if possible to compliment seating within a tent.

RSVP's are requested by July 28, 2021 by emailing communityofficeCCW@gmail.com.



FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL (Mark 6:7-13) Jesus sent out His apostles without a lot of “things” because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about and protect our “things.” Garage sales only transfer “things”. We even ignore each other because we have “things” to do. What “things” are separating you from your family? *Reprinted with permission: A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar.*

A SUMMER TRADITION CONTINUES: Outdoor Masses will be celebrated at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto every Sunday night at 7:00 p.m. through Labor Day weekend, September 5. Those attending are asked to bring their own lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel next to the Shrine. Faithful are invited to come early to the outdoor Masses and visit one of the most historic sites in the diocese. The Prince Gallitzin Chapel House, located next to the Shrine, will be open for self-guided tours from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on June 6 and 20; July 18; and August 1, 15, and 29. The humble structure was the home and personal chapel of the Prince-Priest and Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin. Today, it stands as a museum, which contains artifacts from Father Gallitzin’s personal life.

Readings for the Week of July 11, 2021

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| Sunday | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13 |
| Monday | Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Mt 10:34—11:1 |
| Tuesday | Saint Henry Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24 |
| Wednesday | Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27 |
| Thursday | Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; Mt 11:28-30 |
| Friday | Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ex 11:10—12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8 |
| Saturday | Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15; Mt 12:14-21 |
| Sunday | Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34 |

St. Rose of Lima’s St. Vincent de Paul Conference Weekly Reflection for July 11, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In the Gospel today we see how Jesus sent his Apostles out two by two. From the beginning of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, members visit in pairs “two by two”, those who are poor and needy in their homes. It is there, in the family setting, that Vincentians listen, offer humble advice, and render assistance.

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

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!

Our Conference’s next meeting is on July 13th at 6 pm at the Church. Please contact Dan Weaver at dweaver@atlanticbb.net for more information.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS ARE BACK: The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating Fatima Devotions this Tuesday, July 13th, in the gardens of Mount Assisi at 6:30 p.m. (In case of inclement weather, they will be held at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.) We are really looking forward to seeing you.

MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH HANDMADE GNOCCHI SALE: From the Kitchen of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the Parish is sponsoring a Handmade Gnocchi Sale. On the weekend of August 14—15, you may purchase packages (single serving) of frozen handmade gnocchi freshly made by the ladies of the Parish under the direction of Rosa of the former Aldo’s. They will be available on August 14th from 4:30—6:00 pm and August 15th from 9:00 am—12:30 pm in the School Cafeteria (8th Avenue) for \$5.00/package. All you will have to do is take them home, boil the water, cook the gnocchi, and add your favorite sauce. This will make a delicious meal for the “famiglia.” The proceeds will benefit the Parish.