



St. Catherine Church

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SATURDAY, August 1: VIGIL OF EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. MASS – † Carl and Josephine Peduzzi by Mary Lou

SUNDAY, August 2: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. MASS – Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

Monday, August 3: Weekday

8:00 a.m. MASS – † Kim Cowher by family

Tuesday, August 4: Saint John Vianney, Priest

8:00 a.m. MASS – † Catherine Danish by Joe and Maria Danish

Wednesday, August 5: *The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major*

8:00 a.m. MASS – † Anna P. Suchan by Frank and Connie Suchan

Thursday, August 6: The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 a.m. MASS – † Anna Keller by Eileen Gill and Delores Hetrick

Friday, August 7: Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs, Saint-Cajetan, Priest

8:00 a.m. MASS – † Clara Puchalla family by Joe and Maria Danish

SATURDAY, August 8: VIGIL OF THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. – † Paul and Mildred McGarvey by Ed and Joann McGarvey

SUNDAY, August 9: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. MASS – Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

Sacrament of Baptism of Infants:

By appointment, preferably celebrated within the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, families, regardless of religious affiliation, are encouraged to attend and participate in Baptismal Sacramental Preparation and Celebration. Sponsor certificate must be received at the Parish Office if the sponsors are not members of Saint Catherine of Siena Church.

Becoming Catholic:

This is an ongoing journey of preparation. We invite all who are interested to contact the Parish Office or drop a note into the collection basket with your intention to become a Catholic, your name, address and telephone number to contact you for further information. Sacrament of Baptism or Reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church will be celebrated at Easter Vigil on March 27, 2016.

Adult Confirmation:

Are you an adult who has not been confirmed? We invite you to complete your initiation into our Christian community and to affirm the faith, which you were baptized. You will become part of our Christian Initiation Classes for those becoming Catholics. Your formation process will culminate with the Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated at the Easter Vigil on March 27, 2016.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: One half hour before Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses or anytime by appointment/request.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Make the arrangement with the Parish Office at least nine months *prior* to celebration of your wedding.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:

Request the Anointing of the Sick when you know the date of an upcoming medical procedure or the beginning of the medical treatment by calling the Parish Office. The peace that the Sacrament offers can be yours during the days you prepare for the medical appointment.

Ministry of Caring – Communion to the Sick, Hospital, and Shut-In Visits:

If you have a family member who needs Holy Communion taken to them on Friday mornings, please call the Parish Office during the regular Office Hours, so we can arrange for trained Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Communion to visit. Also, **please notify the Parish Office if you know someone at home or in the hospital.** The hospitals do not notify the Parish Office of hospital stays, so please have a family member call the office. Anyone who needs to be included on the First Fridays' Visitation list of the Sick, please call the Parish Office. Father will try to visit them each month during the day of the First Friday of the month.

Catholic Devotions in Our Parish

Marian Devotions:

Approximately 30 minutes before each Mass begins with the recitation of the Holy Rosary.

Assistance from our Parish Office

Sponsor Certificates: If you are asked to be a Baptism or Confirmation sponsor, our parish secretary can help you with the required certificate. Please call the Parish Office *at least one month prior* to the celebration of the Sacrament. This presumes that you are a registered member of Saint Catherine of Siena Church and practicing Catholic living a valid Church Marriage (if married).

Certificates: Copies of certificates for Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, and Marriage received at Saint Catherine of Siena you may request by calling the Parish Office.

Are you a member of Saint Catherine of Sienna Roman Catholic Church? In order to be considered a member of Saint Catherine of Siena Roman Catholic Church you must submit the REGISTRATION/UPDATE form, located in the sacristy of the church, or you may call the Parish Office to obtain one. If you are not receiving the collection envelopes, most likely you are not registered at this time. If you are a new member currently attending Saint Catherine liturgies, who has not yet registered, or any young adults, 18 or older previously listed as members under their parent's household, please take a moment to fill out this form. In case you moved and began to use new mailing address, please contact the Parish Office, before your mail forwarding service will expire and the parish will not be charged extra fees by the local Post Offices.

If you know of ***Prayer Requests for a sick parishioner:*** Write the name or petition in our Parish Prayer Request Book located in the vestibule of our church. The Prayer Request Book is brought into the church at each weekend Mass and all the intentions are included in the General Intercessions.

Bulletin and Parish Announcements: To place an article into our bulletin, please contact the Parish Office by 10:00 a.m. Tuesday before the weekend. To place an announcement for the weekend Masses, please contact the Parish Office before 12:00 p.m. on Friday.

WE REMEMBER all the sick parishioners in our prayers, especially all our parishioners in the nursing homes and all homebound of our parish:

Stella Los, Mercy Miller- Meadowview Manor, 2103 us highway 522 s, Mcveytown, PA 17051

Betty Renninger - Ohesson manor, 276 green ave., Lewistown, PA 17044

Robert Phillips, Helen Komir - Woodland Retirement Center, Rt. 522, Orbisonia, PA 17243

Julia Madden - William Penn nursing home, 163 summit drive, Lewistown, PA 17044

Helen Crouse - Shirley Home, 17050 Country View Lane, Shirleysburg, PA 17260

a card or visit would be greatly appreciated!

Mary, health of the sick, pray for them.

prayer



chain: if you have someone for whom you would like to request prayer, please get in touch with Maria Danish, 542-2233; Liz Stasenکو, 542-4987, or Carmela Ciccaglione, 542-4281; they will contact the people on their list. if you want the person's name to remain anonymous, just ask for a special

intention, etc. the lists include: Maria Danish: Ed and May Galla Liz Stasenکو: Bonnie Melnyk, Maggie Stiffler, Jeannette Bumbaugh, Cathy Wilson; Carmela Ciccaglione: Ann. Gilliland, Mary Gaisior, Carmen Rivera, Valerie Thomas, Melissa Fleming. those on the list will be called when a request is received, but the prayer chain will not be held up if the contact person is unable to reach you. if anyone else would like to be added to the prayer chain, please call the rectory or one of the contact persons.

please let us know when you or a family member is admitted to the hospital.



Birthdays Anna Mary Wenzel,
Agnes Hileman, Kimberly
Clemens, Frances Suchan, Carolyn
Suchan.

LIVE MASS aired Every Sunday from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown on **WWCP-TV Fox Channel 8**. If you are homebound and not able to attend the Sunday Mass, please watch our Diocesan Program Proclaim at 10:30 a.m. and the live telecast of Sunday Liturgy at 11:00 a.m.

PRO LIFE CORNER

Prominent defenders of abortion rights publicly admit that abortion kills human beings. There is simply no debate among honest, informed people that abortion kills a distinct human being. We must end abortion and euthanasia now! Our future as a nation depends on it.



DEPRESSED OR ANXIOUS? NEED SOME HELP AND SUPPORT?

Catholic Charities, an agency of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown offers professional, confidential counseling for individuals, children and youth, families, and couples. Please call them at 944-9388 for more information.

Outdoor Summer Masses

The Diocesan Vocation Office is once again holding Masses at the Outdoor Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto, PA this summer. Masses begin at 7:00 pm on Memorial Day Weekend and finish on Labor Day Weekend. Please bring your own lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, Mass will be held inside the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel. For more information, please call the Diocesan Vocation Office at 814-472-5441.



MASS TIMES - If you are traveling this summer and need to find a church and mass times, simply go to www.masstimes.org. This website will tell you the mass times in any area you are visiting.

The **Parish Picnic** will be held on Sunday, August 23, 2015 at the **Riverside Park** in Mt. Union (behind the high school field house). The food cart will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs from 12:00-1:00 p.m. The parish has reserved the park for the entire day. Please come and enjoy the food and fellowship. Be sure to record the number of family members attending and what food/beverage you are bringing to the picnic. A head count is due by August, 16, 2015. A signup sheet is in the gathering area. See you at the park.

Knights of Columbus will hold its **Soccer Challenge** Saturday, September 12 at 9:00 a.m. at the Mount Union High School Field, open to kids ages 10-12 yrs olds.

Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples with Bishop Mark The Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Family is invited to participate and to pray for those living the Sacrament of Marriage at an Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples on Sunday evening, August 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. Bring a lawn chair. Indoors if rain. Bishop Mark is the celebrant and homilist. This is a wonderful way to celebrate, encourage and support married couples! Come early bring food and picnic together. Singers needed for choir. One rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. before the Mass. Contact choir director Kevin Luke by July 17 at 814-944-2044.

The Altoona Cathedral will be hosting **CASINO NIGHT** in the Cathedral Hall on **Saturday, August 8** from **6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.** This is an adult event with the following games: poker, roulette, over/under, chuck-o-luck, money plate, paddle wheel, 50/50 drawing and bingo tips. Food and beverages will be available: pulled pork sandwich platter, roast beef sandwich, meatball sandwich, pig-in-the-blanket, and french fries. Music will be provided by DJ. All are welcome.

Mass For College Students- Bishop Mark Bartchak will celebrate an outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college this fall and their families. The Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, August 9th at 7:00 p.m., at Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shire in Loretto. The Bishop will offer a special blessing to the students and enjoy fellowship with them after Mass. In the event of rain, the Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel in Loretto.

Pope Francis has declared that a Year of Consecrated Life will be celebrated from Advent 2014 to the World Day of Consecrated Life, Feb. 2, 2016. As part of this celebration, the Carmelite Community of the Word Sisters are offering a "Day of Discernment" Saturday, Aug. 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the CCW Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin, PA. The Carmelite Community of the Word is an Institute of Diocesan Rite, primarily women of prayer, rooted in the tradition of Carmelite Spirituality, who actively engage in ministerial labors in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. The day will include communal prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, time for personal discernment and an opportunity to meet members of the Carmelite Community of the Word and explore our Ministries. For more information about this event, to discuss your journey, or to register for this event, Please contact: Vocation Director: Sr. Margie McGuire- 814-472-9457 or Vocation Co-Director: Sr. Linda LaMagna. E-Mail: margiemc12@gmail.com. Visit our website at www.ccwsisters.org or visit us on facebook

Scott Hahn Announcement The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will sponsor a day with Dr. Scott Hahn, noted Catholic author and speaker, Saturday, Sept 12, 2015 at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School in Ebensburg. Tickets for the day are \$10 per person which includes refreshments and a boxed lunch. For more information or to purchase tickets contact Laurie at 814-943-1981 ext. 106.

Family Moments

“You don’t choose your family. They are God’s gift to you, as you are to them.” -Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Families today are pulled in so many directions, it’s near impossible to find an open night on the communal calendar to stay home and spend time together. Even when parents make a concerted effort to limit extracurricular activities, things eventually reach critical mass, with dad running back and forth between soccer fields while mom juggles music lessons and grocery shopping.

When it comes to reshaping our home lives to include more family time, there are lots of options. At the top of the list is family meal time. No matter how busy our home life may be, it’s critical that we find time to eat together at least a few nights every week. But what if it’s just not possible some weeks? Here’s an idea: What if we eat breakfast together on a day when dinner won’t work? What if we have cocoa and cookies on a night when we miss family dinner? What if we put aside the household chores on a Saturday to make a special meal? No one said it has to be gourmet. Let our new motto be: Eating PBJ’s as a family is better than eating filet mignon alone.

In addition to meal time, a strong family relies on a strong marriage, a relationship between husband and wife that is not only loving and loyal at its core but obviously so to the children. Seeing mom and dad in a caring relationship helps children understand how to build their own loving relationships—within the existing family and eventually in their own adult lives and families.

“Non-doing.” There’s a concept that’s foreign to our culture today. Sometimes doing nothing with our children is the greatest gift we can give. Turn off all devices and distractions that keeps your family from really hearing each other. Rather than staring at screens family members can look and interact with each other.

PLEASE, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

August 7, 2015 (Friday): **FIRST FRIDAY** visits to homebound and hospitalized parishioners.

August 12, 2015 (Wednesday): **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA Meeting** in Holy Family Hall at 6:30 p.m.

August 15, 2015 (Saturday): **ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

August 16, 2015 (Sunday): **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Meeting** in School Hall at 10:00 a.m.

August 20, 2015 (Thursday): **ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY Meeting** in Holy Family Hall at 5:00 p.m.

September 1, 2015 (Tuesday): **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Meeting** in the Holy family hall at 6:30 p.m.

September 4, 2015 (Friday): **FIRST FRIDAY** visits to homebound and hospitalized parishioners.

September 9, 2015 (Wednesday): **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA Meeting** in Holy Family Hall at 6:30 p.m.

September 12/13, 2015 (Saturday/Sunday): **THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA COLLECTION** will be taken at all the weekend Masses.

September 17, 2015 (Thursday): **ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY Meeting** in Holy Family Hall at 5:00 p.m.

September 20, 2015 (Sunday): **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Meeting** in School Hall at 10:00 a.m.

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for August 8/9, 2015

MASS	Lectors	Altar Servers	Hospitality Ministers (Greeters)	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Dayton Shugarts	Guy Kumpf	Annette Brodbeck	Jerry Norris Kathy Lantz Mary Lyons
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Suzanne Brown Dennis Drake	Nicholas Roddy Aubrey Roddy	Stephanie Todaro	Kathryn Ross Mary Secrest Will Crouse

Liturgical Reflection.... The Psalmist may be a liturgical ministry independent of the reading and cantor ministries. It is the psalmist's place to sing the Psalm or other biblical canticle between the two readings. To carry out this function correctly, it is necessary for the psalmist to be accomplished in the art of singing Psalms and possess a facility in public speaking and elocution. The psalmist processes into Mass with the two readers in front of the Priest and the Deacon. The psalmist is seated with the readers in the sanctuary and returns with them to his/her place following the second reading. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, Number 102. Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 South Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION Christian stewards demonstrate their gratitude for God's blessing by putting away "the old self of your former way of life" (Eph 4:22) to build up His Kingdom here on earth by sharing their time, abilities, and financial resources.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Number of Sunday Envelopes Issued:.....142
 Number of Sunday Envelopes Used:.....65



SANCTUARY CANDLE:
Poor Souls



GIFT BEARERS for:
Saturday August 8, 2015: Ed McGarvey
Sunday, August 9, 2015: Ushers

COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:
Sunday, August 2, 2015: Mary Secrest
Sunday, August 9, 2015: Maggie Stiffler

LOOSE COLLECTION

1st Sunday of month: Saint Catherine Cemetery
 2nd Sunday of month: General
 3rd Sunday of month: St. Vincent DePaul Society
 4th Sunday of month: Charity

Today Gospel

Jn 6:24-35

In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Do not work for what perishes." Give your life to what endures such as the family history you are creating, the love and mutual respect which bonds you together, the memories you share and the forgiveness generously given. These are the true treasures that are worth working and dying for.