



St. Catherine Church

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SATURDAY, Aug 21: VIGIL OF TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. MASS – † Ann Norris by Catholic Daughters

SUNDAY, August 22 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Monday, August 23: Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

8:00 a.m. – † Cecilia Sanker by The Sanker Family

Tuesday, August 24: Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 a.m. – † William E. Fleming by The Family

Wednesday, August 25: Saint Louis, Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:00 a.m. – † Theonas Fleming by Dot Holtz and Family

Thursday, August 26: Weekday

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

Friday, August 27: Saint Monica

8:00 a.m. – † John C. Fleming by Suchan Family

SATURDAY, August 28: VIGIL OF TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. MASS – † John J. Suchan by Joseph and Anne Bache

SUNDAY, August 29: TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

9:00 A.M. MASS Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

Religious Education (CCD) will begin **Sunday, September 12 at 10:00 a.m.** There is a need for substitute teachers. If you are interested in helping with the program, please call Kim Clemens at (814) 251-2510 or Fr Joe at (814) 542-4582.

Outdoor Mass Celebrating Married Couples: The Family Life Office annually dedicates an Outdoor Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies. This past July was made a wonderful success with the incredible hard work from the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel! We would especially wish to thank the Very Rev. John Byrnes JV, JCL. Also we thank, the awesome choir and musicians of the Basilica and their Music Director Jonathan Nagy, uplifting psalmists Mike & Vicki Krug, the beautiful readings from Mary Lessard all accompanied by clear outdoor sound by Steve Hogue and a beautiful altar and landscaped venue by Fred & Diane Koposky. And of course the Homily from Bishop Mark Bartchak never to be forgotten, empathy is a virtue! Thank you each and every one of you! **Outdoor Masses are held each Sunday until September 5th.** Don't miss out!

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

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for August 28/29 2021

MASS	Lectors	Altar Servers	Hospitality Ministers (Greeters)	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Beth Lear			Mary Lyons
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Suzanne Brown			Marcia Slates

Stewardship Reflection: In today's Gospel, we hear that many of Jesus' disciples cannot accept his teachings and instead return to their former way of life, abandoning Him altogether. Jesus asks the Apostles. "Do you want to leave too?" Peter specks up for the twelve responding "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Peter came to the realization (to paraphrase), "I don't really see any better options, lord. I've tried life with you and it's hard. But I've tried life without you and it's harder. It doesn't satisfy me. Where else am I going to? I choose You, Lord." And, so he humbly chooses to rely on God. How can we keep going when it gets tough? Peter's honest answer to the choice Jesus poses shows us a way to stay true to a stewardship way of life. The demands of a stewardship way of life can be difficult. And the teachings of Christ can be hard to accept. Remembering blessings and relying on Him are two keys to this beautiful way of life.

What earthly treasure she possessed was of secondary importance compared to her service to God. Her desire for material security was not enough to keep her from fleeing to Egypt with Joseph to protect their Son or to stop her from coming to Jerusalem for his Crucifixion. Our own sacrifices seem minor compared to hers.

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.



SANCTUARY CANDLE:
The Sanctuary Candle acknowledging The Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week in loving memory of **Anthony Blazeovich**
rb Lisa & Jim Callahan

COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:
Sunday, August 22, 2021: Maggie Stiffler
Sunday, Aug 29, 2021: Dennis Drake

Gospel: 21st Sunday (John 6: 60-69)
Even though many found the teachings of Jesus "difficult", He did not back down. In our families, it is important to say what is difficult to hear, to speak the truth with kindness, to correct with love and guide with understanding.

Pro-life: August 22, 2021- Many souls fail to find God because they want a religion which will remake society without remaking themselves. Pray and work and euthanasia and abortion.



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Birthdays Melissa Cramer, Wayne Kassebohm, Bonnie Melnyk.

August 2021 Schedule for Liturgical Ministries at Saint Catherine of Siena Church

Date/Mass	Readers	Ministers
5:00 p.m. Saturday August 7, 2021	Hannah Bonson	Andrea Christoff
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 8, 2021	Dennis Drake	Mary Secrest
5:00 p.m. Saturday August 14, 2021	Dayton Shugarts	Kathy Lantz
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 15, 2021	Louise Ketner	Louise Ketner
5:00 p.m. Saturday August 21, 2021	Louise Ketner	Louise Ketner
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 22, 2021	Beth Lear	Will Crouse
5:00 p.m. Saturday August 28, 2021	Beth Lear	Mary Lyons
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 29, 2021	Suzanne Brown	Marcia Slates

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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.

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