



St. Catherine Church

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SATURDAY, August 22: VIGIL OF TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 p.m. MASS – † Lisa Bower by Family

SUNDAY, August 23: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Monday, August 24: Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 a.m. – † Health and Welfare of Austin Yakymac by Yakymac Family

Tuesday, August 25: Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Health and Welfare of Jennifer Lego by Dad

Wednesday, August 26: Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † For Vocations

Thursday, August 27: Saint Monica

8:00 a.m. – † Anthony Blazeovich (Birthday Remembrance) by Jim and Lisa Callahan

Friday, August 28: Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. – † Fr. Joe by Louise Ketner

SATURDAY, August 29: VIGIL OF TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 p.m. MASS – † Health and Welfare of Jakob Kline by Yakymac Family

SUNDAY, August 30: TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating **1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of Marriage in 2026** (and their families) to attend the **Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy**. Couples may attend Sunday, **September 13** in **ALTOONA** at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, **September 20** in **JOHNSTOWN** at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at **2:00 p.m.** Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families.

Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Friday, September 11th.

There will be a **Parish picnic** for **Saint Catherine's** on **September 13, 2026** at **11:30 a.m.** Location will be in Saint Catherine's parking lot. We will have a tent and seating. The hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. There is a signup sheet in the Gathering Space for covered dish items. We hope all can come to make this a great event.

The first day of CCD is September 13th. After the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We will be having a Children's Mass that day to start of the New Year.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 16, 2026

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for August 29/30, 2026

MASS	Lectors	Altar Servers	Hospitality Ministers (Greeters)	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	Cathy Wilson	Guy Kumpf	Volunteer	Andrea Christoff Mary Lyons
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Dennis Drake	Bella Starr Marissa Mellott Maria Mellott	Volunteer	Beth Lear Volunteer

Confession from 3:15-3:45 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday and Wednesday after morning mass.

August 23, 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our readings today reveal beautiful truths about our God, and they challenge us to look at the truth about ourselves as well. Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, leads us to take a serious look at whether our lives give God the glory He deserves. It comes in the form of a question that Jesus poses to the disciples. He leads up to it gently enough: “Who do people say that the Son of Man is? And they offer varying responses. Then, Jesus gets personal with them. “But who do you say I am?” Peter gets the answer right. “You are the Christ, the son of the living God.”

Jesus is getting personal with us today. He poses the same question to each one of us who call ourselves His stewards and modern-day disciples. Surely, we would not hesitate to answer just as Peter did, that Jesus is the Christ, Son of the living God. But do our lives truly reflect this answer?

The gifts and blessings that God has given us – our time, our talents, our material possessions – are meant to be used in a matter that says “Christ is my Savior and I am His Disciple.” The most eloquent praise we can offer Him is a life lived in grateful response to His unfathomable love. This is the beauty and power of a stewardship way of life.



SANCTUARY CANDLE:

The Sanctuary Candle acknowledging The Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week for

Poor Souls



COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:

Sunday, August 23, 2026: Dennis Drake

Sunday, August 30, 2026: Mary Secrest

21st Sunday August 23rd Matthew 16:13-20

Like Jesus in today’s gospel, we are seen by others in different ways. Perhaps the name our family gives us is closest to our true identity. They know us best. Who do they say you are?

Spaghetti Dinner: There will be a ‘Back to School’ Spaghetti Dinner at Most Holy Trinity on Saturday, September 12th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. We will need some of the Huntingdon Sir Knights to help out. I am also asking that some of the Knights ask their significant others to make a cake for the event.

Fourth Degree Meeting Changes: A motion was made and approved to reduce our meetings to a quarterly basis. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 4th at Trinity Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Pro Life: AUGUST 23-“The hairsplitting difference between formed and unformed makes no difference to us. Whoever deliberately commits abortion is subject to the penalty for homicide.” St. Basil the Great (329-379), Father and Doctor of the Church



Melissa Cramer, Wayne Kassebohm,
Bonnie Melnyk

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August 2026 Schedule for Liturgical Ministries at Saint Catherine			
Date/Mass	Readers	Altar Servers	Ministers
4:00 p.m. Saturday August 1, 2026	Cathy Wilson	Volunteer	Andrea Christoff Volunteer
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 2, 2026	Dennis Drake	Dane Varner Nolan Starr	Beth Lear Volunteer
4:00 p.m. Saturday August 8, 2026	Beth Lear	Guy Kumpf	Mary Lyons Kevin Muha
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 9, 2026	Suzanne Brown	Marissa Mellott Maria Mellott Bella Starr	Will Crouse Marcia Slates
4:00 p.m. Saturday August 15, 2026	Louise Ketner	Volunteer	Louise Ketner Volunteer
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 16, 2026	Cheryl Marino	Quinton Stoltzfus Quinn Weirich	Brent Stoltzfus Volunteer
4:00 p.m. Saturday August 22, 2026	Ed McGarvey	Volunteer	Maria Danish Volunteer
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 23, 2026	Beth Lear	Nolan Starr Dane Varner	Will Crouse Marcia Slates
4:00 p.m. Saturday August 29, 2026	Cathy Wilson	Guy Kumpf	Andrea Christoff Mary Lyons
9:00 a.m. Sunday August 30, 2026	Dennis Drake	Bella Starr Marissa Mellott Maria Mellott	Beth Lear Volunteer