



## St. Catherine Church

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### **SATURDAY, June 1: VIGIL OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**5:00 p.m. MASS** – † Cathy (Suchan) Williams by John and Jane Suchan

### **SUNDAY, June 2: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

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

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**Monday, June 3:** Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

**8:00 a.m. – NO MASS**

**Tuesday, June 4:** Easter Weekday

**8:00 a.m. – NO MASS**

**Wednesday, June 5:** Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

**8:00 a.m. – NO MASS**

**Thursday, June 6:** Saint Norbert, Bishop

**8:00 a.m. – NO MASS**

**Friday, June 7:** Easter Weekday

**8:00 a.m. – † Clara Sarra** by Don and Martha Cullen

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### **SATURDAY, June 8: VIGIL OF PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**5:00 p.m. MASS** – † Joseph Giacobello by M/M Keats Daschbach

### **SUNDAY, June 9: PENTECOST SUNDAY**

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

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**Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree,** Padre Pio Assembly, Huntingdon and Mount Union councils will have a meeting on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Family Hall at St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

**Catholic Daughters of America** will be having a “Coffee and Donut” social for **Priest Appreciation** after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 9, in the Holy Family Hall. All are invited to attend.

Today, we are taking up the collection for **Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**. Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, in the United States and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Altoona/Johnstown Diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

The family celebrates the Gospel of life through daily prayer, both individual and family prayer...But the celebration which gives meaning to every other form of prayer and worship is found in the family's actual daily life together, if it is a life of living and self-giving.

## Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for June 8/9, 2019

MASS	Lectors	Altar Servers	Hospitality Ministers (Greeters)	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Louise Ketner	Guy Kumpf	Mary Lyons	Louise Ketner Kathy Lantz Mary Lyons
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Cathy Wilson Suzanne Brown	Lauren Todaro Riley McNerlin	Therese Branigan	Mary Secrest Will Crouse Marcia Slates

**PRO LIFE CORNER** If we place more value in money, that is in making money and saving it for the ‘future’, than we place in the tremendous value of one human life we have misplaced our values.



*Working to Reduce Poverty in America.*

Catholic Charities, a program of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, offers qualified applicant’s emergency financial assistance to help pay utility costs, medications, rent and temporary housing, and transportation expenses. Please call them at 944-9388.

**OVERWHELMED BY  
BILLS? NEED HELP WITH  
UTILITY  
TERMINATIONS?**

### Tilling the Soil

In the parable of the sower, it is Jesus who generously scatters the seeds (the word of God). Many never bear fruit. They fall on the pathway and are eaten by birds. They fall on rocky soil or among thorns. Only the seeds planted in good soil will grow abundantly. This parable has much to say to parents and religious educators about faith formation.

In my early years as a parish director of religious education I often told parents how important it is that they support their child’s catechist or Catholic school teacher. As the years went by I realized that



### SANCTUARY CANDLE:

The Sanctuary Candle acknowledging The Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week in loving memory of **Howard V. Fleck**  
rb Ann Holesa, Stanley & Patty



GIFT BEARERS for:

**Saturday, June 8, 2019:** M/M Keats Daschbach  
**Sunday, June 9, 2019:** Ushers

COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:

**Sunday, June 2, 2019:** Mary Secrest  
**Sunday, June 9, 2019:** Maggie Stiffler

### **Gospel: Lk 24:46-53**

Jesus tells us today, “you are my witnesses” and guarantees the “promise of the Father” to “clothe us with the power to accomplish this mission.” It is not worldly power which dominates and manipulates. It is the power of the Kingdom of God to live in peace, forgiveness, compassion, service to others, love of enemies and care for the poor and defenseless.

**LIVE MASS** aired Every Sunday from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown on **WATM-TV ABC Channel 23** 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.



**Birthdays** Isacc Mathur, Andrea Christoff, Timothy Smith Jr.

I had things reversed. It is a catechist or teacher who is in the supportive role. What children learn or don't learn in their religion classes depends to a great degree on what they are learning at home, where the soil is tilled.

Parent and parish work together to prepare the soil, but parents have the primary role. Parents turn pathways into fertile fields by living lives that promote gospel values, by bringing to light the good in the world and exposing and uprooting the evil. Parents cultivate and water rocky soil by providing a home where hope is encouraged and faith and love are shared. Parents hack away at the thorns of a secular society by diligently supervising and actively participating in their child's free time. The seed of faith was planted in the heart of your child at Baptism. But it is up to you the parent-with the help of the parish-to cultivate an environment so that faith can grow abundantly.



**prayer chain:** if you have someone for whom you would like to request prayer, please get in touch with Maria Danish, 542-2233; Liz Stasenko, 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 Stasenko: Bonnie Melnyk, Maggie Stiffler, Jeannette Bumbaugh, Cathy Wilson; Carmela Ciccaglione: Ann Gilliland, 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.*

### ***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.

***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:***

## **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.

## **Faith & Light- Sharing Faith & Friendship with Intellectual Disabled Persons**

A faith sharing group which also includes family members, caregivers, friends. Meets monthly, Sundays, 1:00-4:00 p.m. at a handicap accessible location. Call Gaye (814) 472-7317 of Family Life Office (814) 886-5551. [www.faithlife@dioceseaj.org](http://www.faithlife@dioceseaj.org)