



St. Catherine Church

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SATURDAY, March 11: VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 p.m. MASS – † Mary Ann Kumpf by Maggie Stiffler

SUNDAY, March 12: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Monday, March 13: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Joan Renninger by Donna Schicking

Tuesday, March 14: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Margaret Cassatt by Dan and Suzanne Brown

Wednesday, March 15: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Katherine Yakymac by The Family

Thursday, March 16: Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Jack and Mercy Miller by Family

Friday, March 17: Lenten Weekday (Saint Patrick, Bishop)

8:00 a.m. – † Jonie Jenkins by Joe and Maria Danish

7:00 p.m. Stations by Parishioners

SATURDAY, March 18: VIGIL OF FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 p.m. MASS – Anna M. Holesa by Joe and Maria Danish

SUNDAY, March 19: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Benefit Breakfast: The Padre Pio Assembly will host a benefit breakfast in behalf of Tim Schrack. Tim has an aggressive form of cancer and is in need of our prayers and support. The breakfast will be held at Trinity Hall in Huntingdon on **Saturday, March 18th** from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. or until sold out. Admission is by donation. Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage and bacon, fruit cocktail, orange juice, and coffee.

Bishop Dispenses Obligation to Abstain from Meat on Saint Patrick's Day

The Most Rev. Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, is granting a dispensation from the obligation of Catholics in the diocese to abstain from meat of Friday, March 17, 2023, the Feast of Saint Patrick.

Bishop Bartchak requests that any Catholic in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown who chooses to accept this dispensation should perform some other act of penance in its place. The choice of such penance is to be determined by the individual. The Bishop recommends that the penance reflect the spirit of Lent, that is, acts of prayer or charity to the poor. Catholics who choose to observe the traditional Lenten abstinence from meat on that day are not required to perform any other penitential acts. Saint Patrick is credited with bringing Christianity to the people of Ireland and is the patron saint of that country. His feast day is one of celebration in the Catholic Church and throughout secular culture.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 12, 2023

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for March 18/19, 2023

| MASS | Lectors | Altar Servers | Hospitality Ministers (Greeters) | Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion |
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| Saturday 5:00 p.m. | Dayton Shugarts | Mary Secrest | | Mary Lyons |
| Sunday 9:00 a.m. | Dennis Drake | Kasen Gipe | | Marcia Slates |

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.

Marian Devotions:

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

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2023 Catholic Ministries Drive- TOGETHER WE SERVE

Your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity.

During Lent, and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties and one of those holy duties is to support the Church. We are challenged to open our eyes and see those in our midst that bring hope to life through their time and talent in serving the community through the 14 ministries supported by the Catholic Ministries Drive.

All gifts received beyond our parish target amount will be used in the parish. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries!



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, March 12, 2023: Dennis Drake
Sunday, March 19, 2023: Kathy Lantz

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) –Regularly scheduled classes will be held every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.



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.

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



Ethan Clemens, Caden Feather, Abe Weirich

| MARCH 2023 Schedule for Liturgical Ministries at Saint Catherine | | | |
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| Date/Mass | Readers | Altar Servers | Ministers |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday March 4, 2023 | Maggie Stiffler | Volunteer | Maggie Stiffler |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday March 5, 2023 | Beth Lear | Abigail Brodbeck | Will Crouse |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday March 11, 2023 | Cathy Wilson | Maggie Stiffler | Kathy Lantz |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday March 12, 2023 | Suzanne Brown | Abe Weirich | Mary Secrest |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday March 18, 2023 | Dayton Shugarts | Mary Secrest | Mary Lyons |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday March 19, 2023 | Dennis Drake | Kasen Gipe | Marcia Slates |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday March 25, 2023 | Ed McGarvey | Guy Kumpf | Maria Danish |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday March 26, 2023 | Louise Ketner | Juliam Weirich | Louise Ketner |

Sacrament of Matrimony:

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

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.

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.