



St. Catherine Church

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SATURDAY, October 26: VIGIL OF THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

SUNDAY, October 27: THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Monday, October 28: Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

8:00 a.m. – † Ralph Laughlin by Laughlin Trust

Tuesday, October 29: Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Patty Magusiak by Daily Mass Group

Wednesday, October 30: Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Margareta Taylor by Taylor Trust

Thursday, October 31: Weekday

8:00 a.m. – † Joseph Giacobello by Gerard and Mary Lyons

Friday, November 1: All Saints

8:00 a.m. – † Patrick J. Cullen by Don and Martha Cullen

7:00 p.m. – † Deceased Members of St. Catherine's

SATURDAY, November 2: VIGIL OF THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. MASS – † All Souls

SUNDAY, November 3: THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

The Clothing Bank which is held at the **Presbyterian Church in Mount Union** is a free children clothing bank. It is open the 2nd Saturday of the month (9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.). It's open to all children within the community. We are asking for your help. Please consider donating new or slightly used winter coats, boots, hats and gloves for children up to 12-14 years old. We will need these items before our November distribution November 9th. Please call Beverly Skopic at 542-8794 or Helen Westbrook at 542-8018 if you have donations. Thank you for keeping our youth warm this winter.

CHORAL PROGRAM AT MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH, ALTOONA

The Choral Ensemble from Juniata College under the direction of Dr. Russ Shelley will be performing "Misa Criolla" on Saturday, November 2, at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 1100 8th Avenue, Altoona 16602. Featured in the program will be a duo on Andes instruments. This program is part of the Concert Series. A free will offering will be taken to benefit the Mt. Carmel Pipe Organ Campaign. All are welcome to attend.

Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for November 2/3 2019

MASS	Lectors	Altar Servers	Hospitality Ministers (Greeters)	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Ed McGarvey	Jerry Norris	Mary Lyons	Andrea Christoff Kathy Lantz Mary Lyons
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Louise Ketner Beth Lear	Michael Chilcote Aubrey Roddy	Lori Varner	Louise Ketner Beth Lear Marcia Slates

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION Trustworthy stewards practice humility, giving glory to God for all things great and small. Stewardship of treasure calls us to plan our giving; that is, giving the first portion of our income, not the last.

Deciding to do this involves faith, trusting that what is leftover will be enough for our needs and the needs of our loved ones as well. Many of those who make this decision to put God first in their budgets find their faith deepened, and far from being impoverished, they find themselves enriched both spiritually and materially as well.

The Most Essential Thing

The Most powerful most needed, and most essential teaching is always Love. Love is our foundation and our destiny. It is where we come from and where we're headed. As St. Paul famously says, "So faith, hope, and love remain, but the greatest of these is love". (1 Corinthians 13:13).

My hope, whenever I speak or write, is to help clear away the impediments to receiving, allowing, trusting, and participating in a foundational Love. God's love is planted inside each of us as the Holy Spirit who, according to Jesus, "will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" (John 14:26).

Love is who you are. When you don't live according to love, you are outside of being. You're basically not real or true to yourself. When you love, you love, you are acting according to your



SANCTUARY CANDLE:
The Sanctuary Candle acknowledging The Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week in loving memory of **Poor Souls**



GIFT BEARERS for:

Saturday, November 2, 2019: Ushers

Sunday, November 3, 2019: Ushers

COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:

Sunday, October 27, 2019: Maggie Stiffler

Sunday, November 3, 2019: Dennis Drake

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "who humbles himself will be exalted." It is not the occasional big events, but the daily humble routine of family life which creates bonds and relationships which last a lifetime.

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 Carol Jo Hammon, Steve Renninger, Cinda Imperioli, Denny Drake, Frank Stasenko, Michael Bielski.

deepest being, you deepest truth. You are operating according to your dignity. For a simple description of the kind of love I am talking about, let's just use the word out-flowing. This will become clearer as we proceed. All I can do is remind you of what you already know deep within your True Self and invite you to live connected to this Source. John the Evangelist writes, "God is love, and whoever remains in love, remains in God and God in them." (1 John 4:16). The Judeo-Christian creation story says that we were created in the very "image and likeness" of God—who sets the highest bar for this kind of outflowing love (Genesis 1:26-27). Out of the Trinity's generative and infinitely flowing relationship, all of creation takes form, mirroring its Creator in its deepest identity.

We have heard this phrase so often that we don't get the existential shock of what "created in the image and likeness of God" is saying about us. If this is true, then our family of origin is divine. It is saying that we were created by a loving God to also *be love* in the world. Our core is original blessing, not original sin. Our starting point is "very good" (Genesis 1:31). If the beginning is right, the rest is made considerably easier, because we know and can trust the clear direction of our life's tangent. We must all overcome the illusion of separateness. It is the primary task of religion to communicate not worthiness but **union**, to reconnect people to their original identity "hidden with Christ in God" (Colossians 3:3). The Bible calls the state of separateness "sin." God's job description is to draw us back into primal and intimate relationship. "My dear people, we are already children of God; what we will be in the future has not yet been fully revealed, and all I do know is what we shall be like God" (1 John 3:2).

Henceforth, all our moral behavior is simply: the imitation of God." First observe what God is doing all the time and everywhere, and then do the same thing (Ephesians 5:1). And what does God do? God does what God is: Love. God does not love you *if and when you change*. **God loves you so that you can change!**

PRO LIFE CORNER

Regarding abortion-
‘Thou shall not kill’-
God did not call them
his ten suggestions.

Help stop euthanasia and abortion. Join the pro-life movement today.



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.

OVERWHELMED BY BILLS? NEED HELP WITH UTILITY TERMINATIONS?

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.



Working to Reduce Poverty in America.



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.