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Eighteenth Sunday in O.T.  
August 5, 2018

*Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life.*  
— John 6:27a

Our Lady of Fatima  
*Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary before Sunday Mass and privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.*

August 6th



**Our Lady of Fatima Parish**  
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Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule  
Sunday: 10:30 AM - Holy Days: 6:00 PM  
Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator  
Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur  
Parish Secretary  
Carol Z. Smith

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Cathedral Eucharist:

Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil) Weekdays: 6:45 AM

8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM
10:00 AM	12:00 Noon	12:00 Noon
12:00 Noon	5:30 PM	Saturday : 8:00 AM
5:00 PM		12:00 Noon

## **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 5, 2018**

### **GOD'S WORK**

*We are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?*

*We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being "God's work." But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God's work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is "God's work?" "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (John 6:29).*

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### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

*In 1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the "pious ladies," as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799 they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.*

*The unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the "rule" of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the "reign of terror," and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the "rule" that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.*

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### **NO HARSHNESS**

*Fight all error, but do it with good humor, patience, kindness, and love. Harshness will damage your own soul and spoil the best cause.*

—St. John Kanty

August 5, 2018  
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
10:30 AM

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS**

Readings; Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

**\*Today's Intention - Caroline Denise Keagy**

Readings: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

**\*Sunday August 12th, Zeralda Geis, Family**

**CATHEDRAL MASS INTENTIONS**

**August 6, Monday: The Transfiguration of the Lord**

Readings: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

6:45 AM Janet Tomlinson (Cathedral Parish)

**\*8:00 AM Paul Cassarly, Birthday (Family)**

12:00 PM Robert Smithmyer, Anniversary (Wife)

**August 7, Tuesday: St. Sixtus II, Pope; St. Cajetan, Priest**

Readings: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36

6:45 AM Dec'd of Michael & Ella Gibbons Fam. (Irwin Fam)

8:00 AM NO MASS

12:00 PM Amandus Gallagher (Mark & Diane Moschella)

**August 8, Wednesday: Saint Dominic, Priest**

Readings: Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28

6:45 AM NO MASS

8:00 AM Verna Bell (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)

12:00 PM Marlene Sheets, 80th Birth. (Veronica Shaffer)

**August 9, Thursday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**

Readings: Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23

6:45 AM Prayer and Thanksgiving (Grove Family)

8:00 AM NO MASS

12:00 PM Nancy Kennedy (John Kennedy)

**August 10, Friday: Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr.**

Readings: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

6:45 AM Joseph A. Keirn (Mom and Dad)

**\*8:00 AM BeBe Milliron (Theresa Heasley)**

12:00 PM Pat Vierkorn (Pinky Newberry)

**August 11, Saturday: Saint Clare, Virgin**

Readings: Hb 1:12-2:4; Mt 17:14-20

**\*8:00 AM Rose Marie Simanski, Birth. (Husband, Robert)**

12:00 PM Billy C. Geis, Birthday (Geis Family)

**Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

5:00 PM Jack Leiden, Birthday (Family)

**Note: Weekly Mass Schedule**

**There will be one priest available for Mass this Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; there will be two Masses on these days. Please note that there will be 6:45 AM Mass on Tuesday and Thursday, and there will be 8:00 AM Mass on Wednesday. There will be Noon Mass on each of these days.**

*Please keep the sick folks of the parish in your prayers!*

August 5, 2018  
*Scripture Reflection*

On each of the Sundays of August, the church reflects on a portion of the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, a reflection often called the "Bread of Life" discourse. John crafted this lengthy address, unique to his Gospel, as a response to a specific event. The crowd that Jesus had miraculously fed followed him through the night back to Capernaum with the intention of making him king.

The Gospel continues John's narrative, setting the stage for a discourse in which Jesus explains the symbolism and significance of the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand. He challenges his hearers about their motivations. They followed him because they focused on the material gift he had given them--namely, bread to eat. Instead, Jesus focuses on the deeper spiritual meaning they should seek, "the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you."

When they point to the gift of manna their ancestors ate in the desert, Jesus reminds them that it was not Moses who gave them manna, but the Father who "gives you the true bread from heaven." When Jesus says "I am the bread of life," he shows how the manna in the desert foreshadowed his own coming.

As "the bread of life," Jesus is the one who gives bread that is eternal life. The crowd pursued him for his miraculous food, but this was not his true gift. Although his miracles alleviated the suffering of many, their purpose was to reveal the love he shared with the Father and offered to his disciples. Divine love was the "bread" that kept him going and the food that would sustain his disciples for eternal life. Jesus wanted disciples who pursued him for this gift, not for the symbols that only pointed to its reality. Real hunger can only be satisfied through a personal relationship with Jesus.

- Can you name the "bread" the Lord has given you that witnesses to God's great love for you?

*Jesus, Son of the Living Father,  
Have Mercy on Me a Sinner.*

**2018 Catholic Ministries Drive (Goal = 9602, Cash received = 9422, To reach Goal = 180)**

***Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50, 55, and 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2018 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, Sept. 9 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, Sept. 16 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 p.m. 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 date.***

***Please see the reservation sheet attached to this bulletin. Reservation must be returned to the parish office by August 16th. They must be signed by Msgr. Mazur and then mailed to the family life office by August 23rd.***

**Adult Enrichment**

To become once again a Church driven by evangelical momentum and **audacity**, we must again become faithful and evangelized disciples. –Pope Francis

Formation in the faith is a lifelong pursuit, both the duty and the joy of the Christian life. The Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry has announced classes for 2018-2019 which begin this fall. For class information and registration forms please visit us online at [www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry/](http://www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry/) or contact us directly at (814) 361-2000 or by email at [mheinze@dioceseaj.org](mailto:mheinze@dioceseaj.org). All are welcome!

**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 5)**

Christian stewards demonstrate their gratitude for God's blessings by putting away "the old self of your former way of life" (Eph.4:22) to build up His Kingdom here on earth by sharing their time, abilities and financial resources.

<p><b>PROPER BURIAL OF THE BODY AND CREMATED REMAINS</b></p>	<p><b><i>Liturgical Reflection...</i></b> Cremation is sometimes chosen as an option because of sanitary, economic or social considerations. The Church raises no doctrinal objection to this practice, since cremation of the deceased's body does not affect his or her soul, nor does it prevent God, in his omnipotence, from raising up the deceased body to new life. Cremation does not negate neither the Christian doctrine of the soul's immortality nor that of the resurrection of the body. The Church continues to prefer the practice of burying the body of the deceased, because this shows a greater esteem towards the deceased. <i>Instruction, Ad resurgendum cum Christo , Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2016, Number 4.</i></p>
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2018, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648

<b>JULY COLLECTIONS 2018</b>		<b><u>Is God calling You to a Life of Service as Deacon?</u></b>				
		<i>All those interested in learning about the Formation, Ministry and Life of the Permanent Diaconate, are invited to join Deacon Michael Russo, Director of the Permanent Diaconate at a special get together on <u>Saturday, August 18th</u> at the Carmelite Community of the Word Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Married men are expected to attend with their wives. Space is limited. Reservations are required. To make reservations, contact: Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, The Office of the Permanent Diaconate, 814-693-9870 or email: <a href="mailto:jnoonan@dioceseaj.org">jnoonan@dioceseaj.org</a>, <a href="http://www.dioceseaj/diaconate/">www.dioceseaj/diaconate/</a></i>				
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Weekly		1583.05				
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Votives		120.00				
Children's		4.00				
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Fuel		0				
Assumption		10.00				
Register		8.00				
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			08/11	Kerry Byrne	08/12	Kathleen Koeck
			08/11	Patty Flanagan	08/12	Rick Summers
			08/11	Elizabeth Stitt		
			08/12	Mary Ann & Stan Krish	08/15	Kelly & Chris Keagy



## **Transfiguration of the Lord Celebrated August 6**

*The feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ celebrates the revelation of Christ's divine glory on Mount Tabor in Galilee (Matthew 17:1-6; Mark 9:1-8; Luke 9:28-36). After revealing to His disciples that He would be put to death in Jerusalem (Matthew 16:21), Christ, along with Ss. Peter, James, and John went up the mountain. There, Saint Matthew writes, "he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun: and his garments became white as snow."*

### Quick Facts About the Feast of the Transfiguration

- **Date:** August 6.
- **Type of Feast:** Feast. (For more details, see *Is Transfiguration a Holy Day of Obligation?*)
- **Readings:** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

**Prayers:** Collect for the Feast of the Transfiguration (from the Mass of St. Pius V): "O God, Who in the glorious transfiguration of Thine only-begotten Son didst strengthen the sacraments of faith by the testimony of the fathers, and Who didst wonderfully foreshow the perfect adoption of Thy children by a voice coming down in a shining cloud, mercifully grant that we be made co-heirs of the King of glory Himself, and grant us to be sharers in that very glory. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen."

**Other Names for the Feast:** The Transfiguration of Jesus; The Transfiguration of the Lord; The Transfiguration of Christ

### The History of the Feast of the Transfiguration

The brightness with which He shone on Mount Tabor was not something added to Christ but the manifestation of His true divine nature. For Peter, James, and John, it was also a glimpse of the glories of Heaven and of the resurrected body promised to all Christians. When Christ was transfigured, two others appeared with Him: Moses, representing the Old Testament Law, and Elijah, representing the prophets. Thus Christ, Who stood between the two and spoke with them, appeared to the disciples as the fulfillment of both the Law and the prophets.

At Christ's baptism in the Jordan, the voice of God the Father was heard to proclaim that "This is my beloved Son" (Matthew 3:17). During the Transfiguration, God the Father pronounced the same words (Matthew 17:5).

Despite the importance of this event, the Feast of the Transfiguration was not among the earliest of feasts celebrated by Christians. It was first celebrated in Asia starting in the fourth or fifth century and spread throughout the Christian East in the centuries following. The Catholic Encyclopedia notes that it wasn't commonly celebrated in the West until the tenth century. Pope Callixtus III elevated the Transfiguration to a feast of the universal Church and established August 6 as the date of its celebration.

### Dracula and the Feast of the Transfiguration

Few people today realize that the Feast of the Transfiguration owes its place on the Church's calendar, at least in part, to the courageous actions of Dracula.

Yes, Dracula—or, more precisely, Vlad III the Impaler, who is better known to history by the dreaded name. Pope Callixtus III added the Feast of the Transfiguration to the calendar to celebrate the important victory of the Hungarian nobleman Janos Hunyadi and the elderly priest Saint John of Capistrano at the Siege of Belgrade in July 1456. Breaking the siege, their troops reinforced the Christians at Belgrade, the Muslim Turks were routed, and Islam was stopped from advancing any farther into Europe.

With the exception of Saint John of Capistrano, Hunyadi could find no significant allies to accompany him to Belgrade, but he did enlist the help of young prince Vlad, who agreed to guard the mountain passes into Rumania, thus cutting off the Turk. Without the aid of Vlad the Impaler, the battle might not have been won. Vlad was a brutal man whose actions earned him immortality as the fictional vampire, but some Orthodox Christians venerate him as a saint for confronting the Islamic threat to Christian Europe, and indirectly, at least, his memory is recalled in the universal celebration of the Feast of the Transfiguration.



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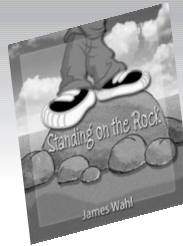
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