

## **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 10, 2025**

Our Lady of Fatima Parish  
2000 12th Avenue  
[www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org](http://www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org)  
Office Hours:  
Tuesdays and Thursdays  
11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Parish Office: 814-942-0371

Our Lady of Fatima Parish  
Rev. Mariusz Gorazd, Administrator  
Residing at St. Mary's Rectory, Altoona  
Emergency Phone Number 814-942-2416

Administrative Assistant  
Paula Hall

Eucharist: Sunday: 11:30 AM  
Holy Days: 5:30 PM  
Holy Communion for the home bound - weekly:  
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.  
Religious Education—Contact St. Mary's at  
814-942-2416

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open  
Sunday through Saturday: 7:30 AM - 5PM  
for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be held  
at Our Lady of Fatima.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick  
Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of  
healing may call the office.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH IS A RE-  
SULT OF THE MERGER BETWEEN THE  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF  
SS. PETER & PAUL AND ST. LEO THE  
GREAT IN 1995.

**\*\*\*\*IF YOU HAVE A GLUTEN ALLERGY,  
PLEASE RECEIVE COMMUNION FROM  
FR. MARIUSZ GORAZD'S LINE\*\*\***

**THE FATIMA TOWERS**  
*Cathedral Eucharist:*

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS**

**11:30 A.M.**

**August 10, 2025 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Paul & Gerri Rose (Kathleen Davis)**

**August 15, 2025 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**5:30 P.M.**

**Robert & Shirley McCall (Theresa Heasley)**

**August 17, 2025 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Special Intention Helen Glashauser (Patricia Byrne)**

**ATTENTION!! FYI!!**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA OFFICE IS  
NOW LOCATED IN THE CHURCH!!**

Since the sale of the Rectory, the Church Office is now located inside the Church in the Reconciliation Room. Hours will remain the same: Tuesdays and Thursdays 11Am-4PM

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

When Pope Pius XII died in 1958, there was the usual buzz of speculation about likely successors. Cardinal Agagianian, Patriarch of the Armenians, was highly thought of as a likely choice. This took many Catholics by surprise, since he had never celebrated the same liturgy as Pope Pius, but followed ancient Armenian customs according to the Eastern church, which veils the Eucharistic liturgy from sight by the series of curtains, and in which the priest kneels while the people stand for Communion.

In the years that followed, the Second Vatican Council would affirm the dignity of independence of the Eastern Churches, in complete union with Rome, yet different in patterns of life and worship. We have the same faith, the same sacraments, and the same pope. Yet everywhere in the world our separate Churches are combined into families held together by the ministry of bishops. All of this serves as warning: If you ever say, "But we've always done it this way," you are on very thin ice indeed!

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**Our Lady of Fatima Traveling Statue**

**Our Lady of Fatima traveling statue is available to sign out and take home. Please ask Chris Keagy after mass or contact the office if interested.**



**During August, the Sanctuary Candle is being lit in memory of Tucker Keagy by Chris, Kelly, Killian, Chase and Caroline Keagy  
Thank you.**

**Please Update Information**

Parishioners are asked to please update their contact information with the parish office. If you have had a change of address, discontinued a land line phone number, or have a new cell phone number, inform the office or put a note in your envelope.

**Today's Readings**

**First Reading**-Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God's promised summons (Wisdom 18:6-9)

**Psalm**-Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading**-By faith Abraham sojourned in the promised land (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19[1-2, 8-12]).

**Gospel**-You do not know the day nor the hour when the Son of Man will appear (Luke 12:32-48[35-40]).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon:** Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

**Tues:** Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Wed:** Dt 34: 1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

**Thurs:** **Vigil:** 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

**Day:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16;

1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

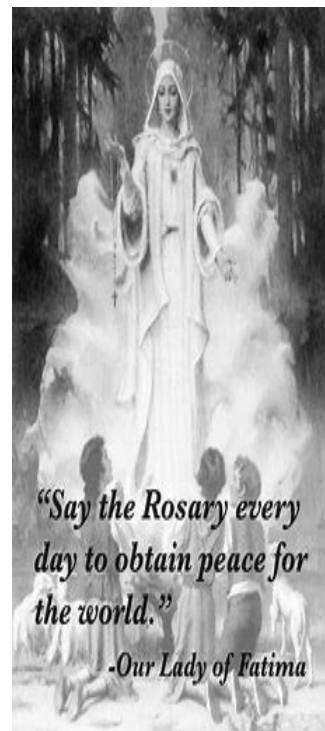
**Fri:** Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12

**Sat:** Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19: 13-15

**Sun:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima**

O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer.  
Amen.



**Thank You Very Much**

**Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for August 3 were \$2,513.00.  
Thank you.**



Our Lady of Fatima Church's parish picnic will be on Sunday, August 24, at St. Stan's Hall from 1-3 P.M. The parish will provide chicken and hot dogs, soda and water. You're asked to bring a covered dish. There's a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



The Catholic Ministries Drive target for Our Lady of Fatima Parish is \$10,200. So far, 20 donations amounting to \$4,360 has been received or 43% of our goal. Thank you.



You are invited to help Our Lady of Fatima Parish by supporting this year's FHF fundraiser which will take place on Wednesday, October 22, from 8 AM until 11 PM. A donation of \$5.00 for a shopping pass entitles you to 25% off the lowest sale price. Our parish keeps the \$5.00 donation. More details are available on the pass. They are available in our office and following our weekend Mass.

**2025 Annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration**  
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 2025 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, September 21 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, September 28 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00PM. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/shacks 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 12th.**

**BISHOP'S NIGHT OF VOCATIONS 2025**

Who do you know that's hearing the call...maybe it's you?

Is God calling you to a life of service as a Permanent Deacon?

Deacons are leaders in identifying the needs of others and calling God's people into service.

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to a special evening of inspiration, discernment, and fellowship.

Meet current Deacons, Candidates, their wives, as well as others who are discerning their vocation.

**Location: U.S. Hotel & Tavern-401 S. Juniata Street, Hollidaysburg**

**Date: Wednesday, October 8, 2025**

**Time: 7:00PM**

**Light refreshments will be served.**

**RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 2, 2025-CALL 814-361-2000**



**The Altoona Gabriel Project is a Catholic Pro-Life ministry dedicated to helping moms and babies with supplies, as well as providing spiritual and emotional support. Cathedral parish is a part of a group effort of several Altoona area parishes.**

**The Cathedral has a collection crib at the alley entrance of the Cathedral for non-perishable baby items (diapers, wipes, clothing, bibs, towels, blankets, etc.)**

**The Cathedral will also be a site for the distribution to moms and babies in our section of the city. Items will be distributed on Thursdays from 1:30 -2:30 P.M. If you would know of someone in need of support, or would like to volunteers, please call 814-440-1021.**



**Loving and Generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You. Help us to grow in the Love and Service of our Church as we experience it today.**

**Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice.**

**Bless the Church of Altoona-Johnstown by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers.**

**Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through our Lord. Amen**

August 10, 2025-19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Whether you are just beginning your stewardship journey or have been living a stewardship way of life for years, today's readings invite us to ask ourselves two potentially life-changing questions.

The first question is: "What do you treasure?" Of course, we all know the 'right' answer to this question—we treasure our faith, our family and our friendships. But Jesus tells us in the Gospel passage from Luke how we can discover the real answer to this question. He says, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." To bring to light what we truly treasure in life, we can ask ourselves, "Where do I spend the majority of my energy, my thoughts, my time and my money?"

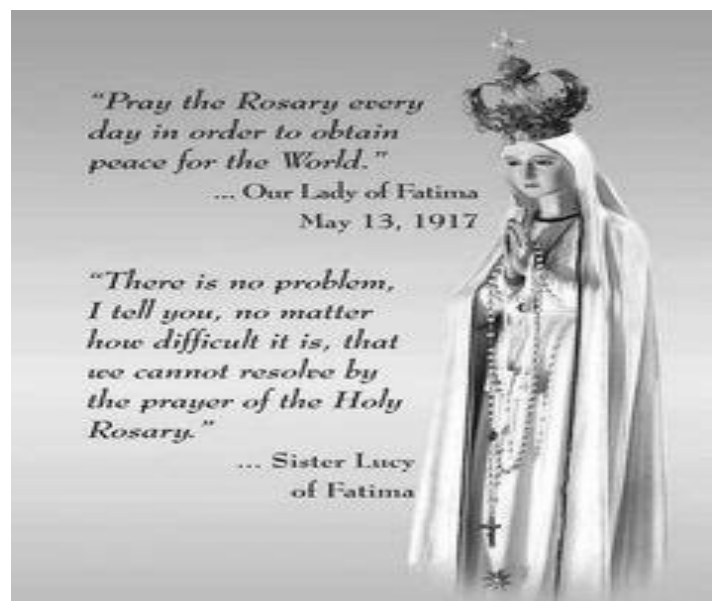
The second question today's readings ask is: "What would you do if you were not afraid?" To put it another way, what would you do if you had radical faith in God? In the Gospel, Jesus tells us plainly, "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom." If our perfect Father is pleased to offer us nothing less than His Son right now, and Heaven eventually, then what on earth have we to be afraid of?

There is so much to think about this week. Let's ask ourselves what we really treasure, and then take a bold risk—faith-filled and unafraid—to show our gratitude to God for all that He has given to us.

#### **POSSIBILITIES**

**All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.**

—St. Lawrence



**NOT EASY**

**FAITH MAKES ALL THINGS POSSIBLE-IT DOES NOT MAKE THEM EASY.**—Anonymous