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Thank you,

Msgr. Stan Carson

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 7, 2021

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

2010 12th Avenue

www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org

Rectory Office Hours:

Tuesdays and Thursdays

11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Parish Office: 814-942-0371

or call the Cathedral Office at 944-4603.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator

Parish Secretary

Paula Hall

Director of Music Ministry

Cathy McFee

***Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.***

**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.**

**Preparation for Baptism, and Weddings will be
held at the Cathedral. 944-4603**

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of healing may call the Cathedral Parish Office to make arrangements. 814-944-4603**

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

Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603

One Cathedral Square

Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop

Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator

PH: 814-944-4603

Rev. Father Dennis M. Kurdziel, Parochial Vicar

Christian Initiation Team: 944-4603

Catholics returning Home: 944-4603

**Mail Ministry to Elderly, Homebound, Seriously Sick
and Grieving - 944-4603**

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Web: www.holytrinitycatholic.school

Altoona Campus (Pre-K thru Grade 4) - 381-7011

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Director of Music Ministry

Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO

Music Ministry Office - 944-2044

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Reconciliation @ Cathedral: 7:00 PM Wednesday

12:30 PM Saturday

Religious Education @ Cathedral: Pre-K through 11

**Sacramental Formation @ Cathedral: First Reconciliation
First Communion
Confirmation**

**Sacramental Formation @ the Cathedral: Baptismal Prep
Marriage Prep
Christian Initiation**

Hospital Visitation: Call the Cathedral: 944-4603

Cathedral Eucharist:

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

8:00 AM

8:00 AM

12:00 Noon

10:00 AM

12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon

5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

5:00 PM

12:00 Noon

THE FATIMA TOWERS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Today, Sunday, February 7, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thomas W. Stoltz, Sr. (Robert & Joan Baker and Family)

Next Sunday, February 14, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bebe Milliron (Theresa Heasley)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

February 7, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Kirk Kling, Thanksgiving (Jim & Elaine Weaver)

10:00 AM +Belinda Paruch, Anniv. (Family & Friends)

Noon PM +Brian McCaulley, Anniv. (Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

February 8, Monday, St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

6:45 AM +Rosemarie Fedeli (Family)

12:00 PM +Betsy Cote (Tina Reighard Foltyniewicz)

February 9, Tuesday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Jim Davidson (John and Alice Joyce)

12:00 PM +John Adams (M/M Albert Yurinko)

February 10, Wednesday, St. Scholastica, Virgin

6:45 AM +Madeline Seidel, Anniv. (Jim & Elaine Weaver)

12:00 PM +David Baronner (Maxine Cover)

February 11, Thursday, Our Lady of Lourdes

6:45 AM +Julianne Seidel (Don Sgro)

12:00 PM +Lori Keirn (Kevin & Cindy Boslet)

February 12, Friday, Weekday

6:45 AM +John & Marian McNelis (Jim & Steph Kilcoyne)

12:00 PM +Don & Anita Hanekamp (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)

February 13, Saturday, Weekday

8:00 AM +Carrie Kibler Detwiler (Mom & Dad)

12:00 PM +Margaret Michelle Chislow (Helen Tomassetti)

Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM +Alice Winkler (Michelle & Walt Kennedy)

February 14, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Linda Ruggery George (Sam & Janet Ianuzzi)

10:00 AM +Joyce Rourke McNeal (Kirk Dodson)

12:00 PM +M. Virginia Jones (Scarfone Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of February has been donated by the Noel Villadolid Family. Other months are available for \$30.00. Thank you.

FIFTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2021

JESUS CURED
MANY WHO WERE
SICK WITH
VARIOUS DISEASES,
AND HE DROVE OUT
MANY DEMONS.

MARK 1:34



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Job finds life on earth to be drudgery; he is filled with restlessness (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel. I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Thank You

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, January 31, amounted to \$1,272.

Thank you very much.

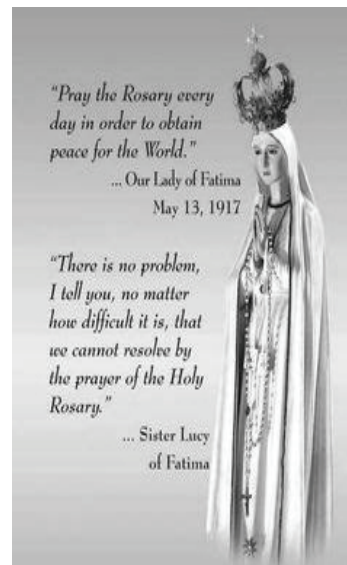
May God bless you for your generosity.

"Pray the Rosary every day in order to obtain peace for the World."

... Our Lady of Fatima
May 13, 1917

"There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary."

... Sister Lucy of Fatima



A TIME TO LAMENT

The poignant description of human suffering in our reading from the book of Job echoes the cries we have heard throughout the world with the coming of the coronavirus. We grieve many losses: of life and health, of jobs and security, of freedom to be with those we love. We are reminded that many of the psalms are prayers lamenting that the world is often not what it ought to be. In these coronavirus times, we the Church are first called to prayerfully lament: to weep with those who are weeping and to ache for a better world. Our prayer can remind us that, as Paul described in Romans 8, all creation is groaning, and the Holy Spirit is groaning in wordless, shared suffering.

We also live in God's promise to transform our tears into joy. God is eager to bring healing to the world, and we are God's instruments in doing so. We bring God's gifts of creativity, resourcefulness, and perseverance to the task. Our prayerful lamentation reminds us of the urgency of God's work through us.

The first chapter of Mark's Gospel is very fast-paced, as Jesus begins his ministry on the move. The first scene in today's passage happens so quickly that it's easy to miss: Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law, and she promptly begins to serve Jesus and the disciples. This woman is never named, and only noted by her relationship with Simon. But she is the first person in Mark, once healed by Jesus, to clearly respond as a disciple. Her healing frees her to serve Jesus and others, and sparks the healing of many others.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus' healings restore health, dignity, and a place in the community. They are also a summons to service. Mark's brief story highlights that God is always raising up persons and communities, healed of illness or sin or sadness, to join in God's healing work for others.

Today's Readings: Jb 7:1–4, 6–7; Ps 147:1–2, 3–4, 5–6; 1 Cor 9:16–19, 22–23; Mk 1:29–39

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The story of Job seems at first hearing to be an extension of February's gloom into the liturgy. The monumental suffering of a good man is so horrific that the laments of the front page of modern newspapers barely measure up. The whole story is not long to tell, but its resolution is of great comfort. We can trace in its plot the stirrings of a belief in an afterlife, and in God's great power to right every wrong and raise human beings from suffering.

In the Gospel, we see the fulfillment of these longings in the hand of Jesus, grasping an ill woman by the hand and raising her up to vibrant life. Peter's mother-in-law becomes her best self, attentive to her guests, providing hospitality, the warmth of her laughter, the delights of her kitchen. Against February's customary lethargy, its background whines and ailments, the liturgy summons us to life, grasps us by the hand, and sends us to serve in Christ's name. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Due to the pandemic, this year there will be no individual blessing of throats with blessed candles. A blessing for the entire congregation will conclude the Prayers of the Faithful on Sunday, today, February 7.

FISH FRIES

Altoona Almrausch Schuhplattler's German Dance Group, Unter Uns Club on Van Buren and 14th St., Fish Dinner, 5-7 PM or until sold out, every Friday during Lent, beginning 2/19, Adults \$10, children \$5.00, Menu: baked or fried haddock, mac and cheese or scalloped potatoes, stewed tomatoes, cole slaw, roll and butter, baked goods at an additional cost, limited indoor seating and take outs.

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Drive-thru Fish Dinner, on Ash Wednesday from 1:00 PM -3:00 PM and on Fridays, except Good Friday, from 11:00 AM -1:30 PM, take-out only, pick up at alley door, Cost \$9.00, Menu: Beer battered fried fish, mac & cheese, cole slaw and sandwich roll.

