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Thank you,

Msgr. Stan Carson

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 14, 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

Hollidaysburg Campus (Pre-K thru Grade 4) - 695-6112

Middle School Campus (Grades 5 thru 8) - 942-7835

Directors of Religious Education:

Chris Laraia – Pre-K thru 8 - 312-7317

Jean Koury – 9 thru 12 – 949-2777

Religious Education Office: Sundays – 943-7424

Director of Music Ministry

Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO

Music Ministry Office - 944-2044

E-Mail: ltthayer@dioceseaj.org

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 14, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Next Sunday, February 21, First Sunday of Lent

Catherine "Kate" Starr (Husband, Pete)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

February 14, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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

Noon PM +M. Virginia Jones (The Scarfone Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

February 15, Monday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Lavelle Family (Phyllis Lavelle Sheetz)

12:00 PM +Lori Crilley, Birth. (Sisters, Pam & Vicki)

February 16, Tuesday, Weekday

6:45 AM Priests (Anonymous)

12:00 PM +Fr. Andrew Stanko (Mary Lysinger)

February 17, Ash Wednesday

6:45 AM +Dave Berger (McNelis All Stars)

8:00 AM +Joseph Knott, Jr. (Jeff, Ryan, & Becky Knott)

12:00 PM +Barbara Jorden (McNelis Teachers)

5:30 PM +Amelia Seiler (Tom & Beth Moore)

February 18, Thursday after Ash Wednesday

6:45 AM +Tracey Anderson & Mom (Friend)

12:00 PM +Michael McCaulley, Birth. (Family)

February 19, Friday after Ash Wednesday

6:45 AM +Peggy Joyce (Family)

12:00 PM +Barb Beech, Birth. (Debbie Ball)

February 20, Saturday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM +The Weidlich Family (J. Donald Douglas)

12:00 PM +Richard Yahner (Wife)

Vigil: First Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM +Robert Beck (M/M Nunzio Rehm, Jr.)

February 21, First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM +Barry Saletnik (Barry & Cathie Yogoda)

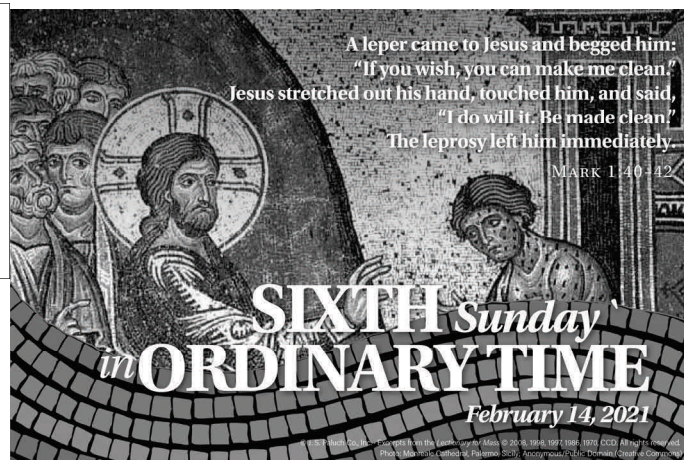
10:00 AM +Martha Maurer (M/M Tim Longwill)

12:00 PM +Patricia Koeck (Susan & Stan Galant)

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.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalm — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading — Do everything for the glory of God; be imitators of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).

Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

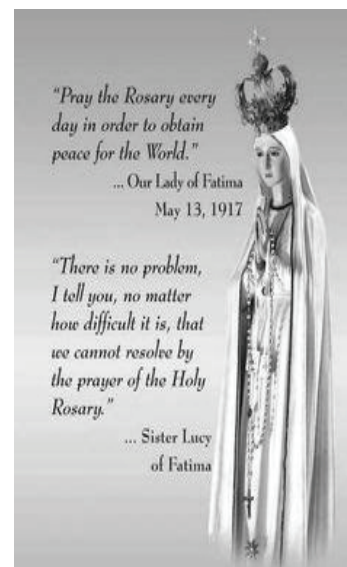
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Thank You

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, February 7, amounted to \$2,440.00.

Arise Together in Christ

Arise faith-sharing groups will resume during the Easter season. If interested, call Chris Laraia at 814-312-7317 so materials can be ordered on time.



SURRENDERING CONTROL

The Gospel today concludes the first chapter of Mark, which traces the rapid expansion of Jesus' ministry. Excitement about Jesus grows so much that he can't enter a town without being besieged. His healing of a leper results in a reversal: the leper, who had been isolated from the community, is now free to speak with everyone. Jesus, who before could speak freely, now must isolate himself from the crowds. By serving others, Jesus lost some control over his ministry. This is the first hint of what happens later in Mark. Jesus' displays of power—over illness, over evil spirits, over nature—eventually lead him to the "powerlessness" of the cross.

The experience of Jesus guides us in our own efforts to be of service. Surrendering control is often very difficult. To be a servant is to engage with others, where frequently we lose some control over our freedoms, time, and energies. Often there is a cross or two to bear. As Jesus let go of control in his life, he also placed his trust in his Father. He invites us to do the same.

In today's passage from First Corinthians, Paul concludes his extensive reflections on a variety of issues in Christian life, summarizing with "whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." Beyond the specific problems he addresses, Paul invites his listeners deeper, to consider the primary orientation of life in Christ. We live "for the glory of God" when we organize our lives around God's values and purposes. We find our identity within God's story as described in the scriptures. We are called to join God's work in care for others. Just like Paul, we wrestle with many difficult problems emerging from the messiness of daily living. As Lent approaches, we might claim some time to reflect upon how life's messiness connects with our identity and calling.

Today's Readings: Lv 13:1–2, 44–46; Ps 32:1–2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40–45

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This Wednesday, February 17, is Ash Wednesday when the Church begins the forty day journey toward the Triduum (The Three Days) with the annual discipline of fasting, praying and giving alms. Ash Wednesday (February 17) and Good Friday (April 2) are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. FASTING refers to only one full meal, with two small meals and no eating otherwise for the day. ABSTINENCE refers to not eating meat at all during the day. The Church directs the holy FAST to all those in their 18th year until their 60th year (Canon 1252). The ancient practice of fasting and abstaining can occur throughout other days in Lent.

Copies of **"My Little Black Book"** are available on the tables in the back of the church. They contain daily 6-minutes worth of meditation and prayer material for the season of Lent. Be sure to take a copy.

Almsgiving is an important component of Lent. We are encouraged to support Catholic Relief Services' ministry to the poor by using the **donation boxes** available in the back of the church. "What you give up for Lent changes lives." Please be generous with your spiritual and financial thoughtfulness.



ASHES will be distributed during all of the Masses at the Cathedral on Ash Wednesday.

Bishop Mark will be celebrating the noon Mass.



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be prayed publically at the Cathedral at 5:30 PM on Fridays. You are also encouraged to pray them privately in our church or at the cathedral.

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.