

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2024

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: Sunday: 11:30 AM
Holy Days: 5:30 PM
Holy Communion 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

Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603
One Cathedral Square

Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop
Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator
Paula Clemens, Secretary
PH: 814-944-4603

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
Holy Trinity Eldorado (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-942-7835
Holy Trinity Fairview (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-381-7011

Director of Religious Education:
Chris Laraia – Pre-K thru 8 - 312-7317

Religious Education Office: Sundays – 943-7424

Director of Music Ministry
Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO
Music Ministry Office - 944-2044
E-Mail: lthayer@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: 12:00 PM
8:00 AM 8:00 AM Saturday: 12:00 PM
10:00 AM 12:00 Noon
5:00 PM

THE FATIMA TOWERS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

11:30 A.M.

Today, February 4, 2024, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Kate Starr (George & Heidi Kopicik)

Next Sunday, February 11, 2024, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Robert Homan (Byrne Family)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

February 4, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Mary Fenello (Jack & Nancy Kirkpatrick)

10:00 AM +June Axinn (Allan Axinn Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

There is an 11:30 AM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

February 5, Monday, St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

12:00 PM +Cree Tomlinson (Audrey Breslin)

February 6, Tuesday, St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

12:00 PM Elverda M. Holtz, 101 Birthday

February 7, Wednesday, Weekday

12:00 PM +Geraldine Petrunak (Sr. Jane)

February 8, Thursday, St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

12:00 PM +Alice Winkler (Patricia & Francis Pleva)

February 9, Friday, Weekday

12:00 PM +Bp. Joseph Adamec (Dr. John Rizzo)

February 10, Saturday, St. Scholastica, Virgin

12:00 PM +Dortheann Simendinger (Beverly & John Butterbaugh)

Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM +Madeline Seidel, Anniv. (Weaver Family)

February 11, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Jane Davidson (Tom & Beth Moore)

10:00 AM +Betty Dobbins/Judy Weise (Don Johnston Family)

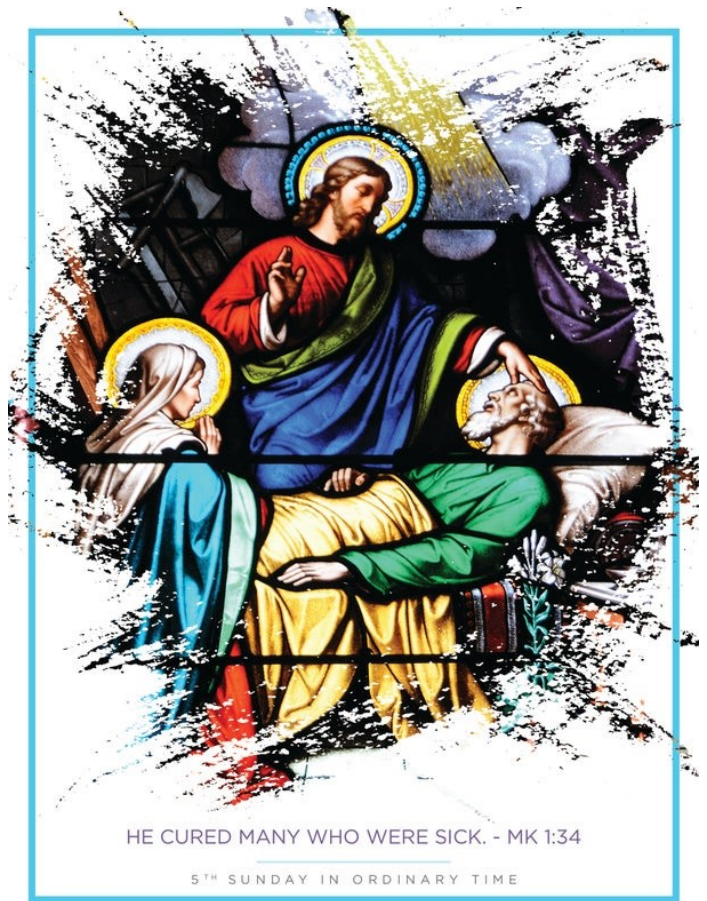
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

There is Mass at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Fatima Parish.



**TABERNACLE
CANDLE**

During the month of February, the sanctuary candle has been is being donated by the Burr Family.



Readings for the week of February 4, 2024

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30

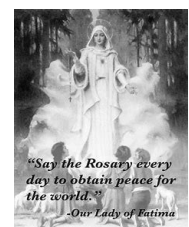
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, January 28, were \$1,962. Thank you.



Confirmation Preparation



There is a 9th grade session on Sunday, February 18, in the cathedral hall from 2:30-4:30 PM. A sponsor or parent must attend with the student. Please bring your red folder.

The Final Session and Interview for 11th grade confirmation candidates will be on Sunday, March 17, from 2:30-4:30 PM. A parent or sponsor must attend with the student. All make-up work must be turned in.



FIRST COMMUNION PREP

There will be a 1st Communion Meeting on Tuesday, February 6, in the cathedral hall from 6:30-8:00 PM. Parents and students must attend. If you haven't already turned done so, please bring your completed Reconciliation text and Family Crest activity.

There will be another meeting on Tuesday, March 5, in the cathedral hall from 6:30-8:00 PM. Parents and students must attend.



Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes & Discovery of Barcelona

Msgr. Carson will be leading a pilgrimage from September 15-24, 2024.

Pilgrimage information is available in the brochures available in the vestibule, at the Cathedral's Facebook page, and at <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1213040>.



Bus trip to the Museum of the Bible in Washington, D.C.-Wednesday, April 17, 2024-\$115 (Adult and ages 11+) and \$99 (child 4-10). The price includes transportation, admission, and dinner. The Museum of the Bible invites all people to explore the narrative and history of the Bible and its impact on the world. The restaurant and gift shop (10% discount) will be open. To reserve your seat or to ask questions, call Robyn Murphy (814-931-5683) or Diane O'Leary (814-935-2114) The deadline for reservations is Sunday, February 25. Twenty-five people are needed for the trip. Make checks payable to: Freedom Excursions.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

There is a Life in the Spirit Seminar at St. Mary Church in Hollidaysburg on Saturday, March 16. The donation is \$20, if registered by 2/26/24, \$25 afterward. Students are free. Lunch and dinner are provided. To register contact 814-931-0192 or email holyspiritministry20@gmail.com. The registration deadline is 3/6/24. Spirit-filled praise and worship, faith sharing, speakers include Msgr. Stan Carson, Mandy Conrad, Fr. David Dodd, Fr. Mike Pleva, Deacon Mike Anna, Doug Putchko, & Dominic Tornatore.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Purpose and Pride

Father, forgive me. Today's Gospel made me want to fight somebody.

If you want to make me really, really angry, you are sure of doing so if you tell me about an old woman who was sick, but felt a little better, and then her son-in-law and all his buddies showed up, so she cooked them a bunch of food and cleaned up after them.

We all project our own feelings, fears, insecurities, and desires onto the word of God. I certainly do. And most of my feelings, fears, insecurities, and desires spring from my current role as a tired mom of little kids.

I think there is a fear inside many of us of God's purpose for our lives. What if it's not aligned perfectly with what we think we need, or what we imagine we want? Most of the time, I think I need a nap, and I imagine that I want absolutely no one asking me for any kind of help. And here I am, perpetually napless and always being called on to render assistance.

The actions of Peter's mother-in-law were the only actions we would expect of a woman who had just received a miracle. She jumped up, and with bravery and boldness she served the Lord.

But couldn't she rest? Couldn't she serve him later? Couldn't she thank him with a smile and take a nap? Well, I suppose. But is that how you react to a miracle?

I have received my miracle — my family. My purpose. So why am I still lying down?

“He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them.”
— Mark 1:31