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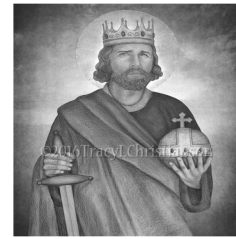
*I will rather boast most gladly
of my weaknesses, in order
that the power of Christ may
dwell with me.*

— 2 Corinthians 12:9

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.*

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Our Lady of Fatima Parish
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Rectory Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Parish Office: 814-942-0371

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

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

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open
Monday through Friday: 9AM - 6PM
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

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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

July 8, 2018

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that "[he] was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6). We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week's Treasure mentioned the "Nuns of the Battlefield," religious sisters from several communities who served as nurses in the Civil War. Florence Nightingale had only instituted female nurses a decade before in the Crimean War, so the idea of women tending to wounded soldiers was extraordinary. The medical and sanitary conditions on the battlefields were appalling, and the sisters were nearly all teachers. Few had any medical training beyond what they had learned as youngsters in the family. Anti-Catholic prejudice was so deeply entrenched in America that sisters could not wear their habits in public. These sisters were the first, and people on both the Union and Confederate sides soon began to marvel at their bravery, efficiency, and respect for Protestant soldiers. More than six hundred sisters from twenty-one communities went to war, serving in wretched conditions. They were tough and single-minded, efficient and fearless.

After the war, sisters could appear in public everywhere in the reunited nation, and often received the praise and gratitude of grateful soldiers and family members on behalf of their sister nurses. An outdoor monument to the "Nuns of the Battlefield" stands in Washington at M Street and Rhode Island Avenue. The inscription reads: "They comforted the dying, nursed the wounded, carried hope to the imprisoned, gave in His name a drink of water to the thirsty."

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WORDS

Fair words butter no parsnips.

—John Clarke

ONLY HALFWAY

You can only go halfway into the darkest forest; then you are coming out the other side

—Chinese proverb

July 8 Mark 6:1-6

Today's gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The home town folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary routines of our family. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it. Live it.

July 8, 2018
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

***Today's Intention - Bonnie and Michael Long, 40th Ann.**

Readings: Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

***John D. Kelly, (Ray Kelly Family)**

CATHEDRAL MASS INTENTIONS

July 9, Monday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Pr./Comp, Martyrs

Readings: Hos 2:16, 17-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26

6:45 AM Dan & Miriam Burns (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)

8:00 AM NO MASS

12:00 PM Joe Wiedemer (Pat and Jean Ann Krug)

July 10, Tuesday: Weekday

Readings: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38

6:45 AM NO MASS

8:00 AM Jim and Peggy Mullan (Daughters, Nancy & Skip)

12:00 PM Thomas and Mary Irwin (Irwin Family)

July 11, Wednesday: Saint Benedict, Abbott

Readings: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7

6:45 AM Brian Gordon (Mike and Sherry Byrne)

8:00 AM NO MASS

12:00 PM Rose Ciavarella (Jen & Doug Rosenberry)

July 12, Thursday: Weekday

Readings: Hos 11:1-4, 8-9; Mt 10:7-15

6:45 AM NO MASS

8:00 AM Jack & Kitty Bell, 70th Wed. Anniv. (MaryAnn Bell)

12:00 PM John Vogel, Anniv. (Madeline Vogel Family)

July 13, Friday: Weekday, Saint Henry

Readings: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23

6:45 AM David Conrad (Bob and Theresa Mellott)

8:00 AM NO MASS

12:00 PM Patty Geis (Pat Rhoa)

July 14, Saturday: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Readings: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33

8:00 AM Anna Mercer (Cathedral Parish)

12:00 PM Herbert J. Kutruff (Darlene Vickers)

Vigil: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

5:00 PM Diane M. Johnston, Anniversary (Mother)

NOTE: Daily Mass Schedule

Because of Father Dennis's absence, there will be two Masses scheduled daily. There will always be the Noon Mass each day; the 6:45 AM and 8:00 AM will alternate each week. Thank you for your understanding.

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

July 8, 2018
Scripture Reflection

Biblical prophets speak God's Word to God's people. They come as God's messengers proclaiming an uncomfortable message that challenges their hearers. Throughout the Scriptures, God's prophets encounter opposition and rejection. Today's readings offer three examples of God's messengers of mercy and grace being rejected because of their challenging message. "Hard of face and obstinate of heart are they to whom I am sending you," says the Lord to the prophet Ezekiel.

Because of internal jealousy and rivalries, Paul had to defend himself to the Corinthian community that he had founded. Paul lays out his qualifications as an Apostle and prophet sent by God to preach God's message of salvation. When Paul's critics focus on his weaknesses, he shows how God's grace overcomes these weaknesses: "When I am weak, then I am strong."

Jesus also experiences opposition from those who know him best. His home town of Nazareth rejects him. Despite his wisdom and miracles, they arrogantly reject him because, as they say, "Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" Jesus quotes a proverb that says, in essence: "A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house." He is one of us, so how could he attain such wisdom?

We often miss the holiness right in front of us. We expect God's action to be flashy and otherworldly, whereas Scripture and theology tell us that God acts through regular people and everyday events. Often, we miss the sacredness of the everyday because we are preoccupied with the past or worried about the future--or, these days, because we have our noses in electronic devices.

- This week name someone or something that exemplifies holiness.

AT HOME WITH THE WORD 2018, Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications, pg. 107.

2018 Catholic Ministries Drive (Goal = 9602, Cash received = 7594, To reach Goal = 2008)

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Friday July 13th, at 6:30 P.M. in the Sunken Gardens. (In case of inclement weather, the devotions will be at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel). The singing will be led by the "T.O.R. Novitiate Choir" and the sermon will be delivered by Bro. Daniel-Maria Klimek, T.O.R. We would like to extend a cordial welcome to all.

Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples with Bishop Mark

The Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Family is invited to participate and to pray for those living the Sacrament of Marriage at an Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples on Sunday evening, July 15 at 7:00 pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. Bring a lawn chair. Indoors if rain. Bishop Mark is the celebrant and homilist. This is a wonderful way to celebrate, encourage and support married couples!

ARISE Meeting

There will be an ARISE Group Leader meeting on Wednesday, July 11, from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM in the Cathedral Seton Suite.

Free Bishop Guilfoyle Youth Football Clinic

There will be a FREE BG Youth Football Clinic at Bishop Guilfoyle on Wednesday, July 18, 2018, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. It will be at the Tom Irwin Field at Bishop Guilfoyle High School. The camp is run by BG's head varsity football coach, Justin Wheeler, along with his staff and the three-time State Championship winning players! There will be awards and prizes. There will also be FREE hot dogs and ice cream! Any and all students entering grades 1-8 are welcome! Player registration entering grades 1-8 are welcome! Player registration forms are available at the Cathedral's entrances.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 8)

Ezekiel and Jesus were both rejected by those who were close to them. May we be open-minded enough to see God revealing his will for us from those whom we least expect. May we live and act with the heart of Jesus and not let people's judgments hold us back from being the stewards God has empowered us to be.

**PROPER BURIAL
OF THE BODY
AND
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Liturgical Reflection...

The resurrection of Jesus is the culminating truth of the Christian faith. Through his death and resurrection, Christ freed us from sin and gave us access to new life. It is true that Christ will raise us up on the last day, but it is also true that, in a certain way, we have already risen with Christ in the Sacrament of Baptism. Because of Christ, Christian death has a positive meaning. By death the soul is separated from the body, but when the Lord comes in all his glory, he will give incorruptible life to our body, transformed by reunion with our soul.

Instruction Ad resurgendum cum Christo, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2016, Number 2.

2018, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648

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Prayer To St. Jude

Most holy apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Come to our assistance in this great need that We may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all our necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly - the return to health for Fr. Dennis Kurdziel and the sick of our parish that we may praise God with you and all the elect forever. (If it be God's will.) We promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as our special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.



07/12 Mim Stitt

07/15 Jeanne Summers

07/16 Jim Riley

Marcella and Joseph Ianniello

Another year to create precious memories together. Another year to discover new things to enjoy about each other. Another year to strengthen a marriage that defines forever. Happy Anniversary!

July 10, 1951 - July 10, 2018

St. Henry
Feast Day July 13th

St. Henry, son of Henry, Duke of Bavaria, and of Gisella, daughter of Conrad, King of Burgundy, was born in 972. He received an excellent education under the care of St. Wolfgang, Bishop of Ratisbon. In 995, St. Henry succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria, and in 1002, upon the death of his cousin, Otho III, he was elected emperor. Firmly anchored upon the great eternal truths, which the practice of meditation kept alive in his heart, he was not elated by this dignity and sought in all things, the greater glory of God. He was most watchful over the welfare of the Church and exerted his zeal for the maintenance of ecclesiastical discipline through the instrumentality of the Bishops. He gained several victories over his enemies, both at home and abroad, but he used these with great moderation and clemency. In 1014, he went to Rome and received the imperial crown at the hands of Pope Benedict VIII. On that occasion he confirmed the donation, made by his predecessors to the Pope, of the sovereignty of Rome and the exarchate of Ravenna. Circumstances several times drove the holy Emperor into war, from which he always came forth victorious. He led an army to the south of Italy against the Saracens and their allies, the Greeks, and drove them from the country. The humility and spirit of justice of the Saint were equal to his zeal for religion. He cast himself at the feet of Herebert, Bishop of Cologne, and begged his pardon for having treated him with coldness, on account of a misunderstanding. He wished to abdicate and retire into a monastery, but yielded to the advice of the Abbot of Verdun, and retained his dignity. Both he and his wife, St. Cunegundes, lived in perpetual chastity, to which they had bound themselves by vow. The Saint made numerous pious foundations, gave liberally to pious institutions and built the Cathedral of Bamberg. His holy death occurred at the castle of Grone, near Halberstad, in 1024. His feast day is July 13th. He is the patron saint of the childless, of Dukes, of the handicapped and those rejected by Religious Order.

As German king and Holy Roman Emperor, Henry was a practical man of affairs. He was energetic in consolidating his rule. He crushed rebellions and feuds. On all sides he had to deal with drawn-out disputes so as to protect his frontiers. This involved him in a number of battles, especially in the south in Italy; he also helped Pope Benedict VIII quell disturbances in Rome. Always his ultimate purpose was to establish a stable peace in Europe.

According to eleventh-century custom, Henry took advantage of his position and appointed as bishops men loyal to him. In his case, however, he avoided the pitfalls of this practice and actually fostered the reform of ecclesiastical and monastic life. He was canonized in 1146.



**OUR LADY URGES US TO PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY FOR
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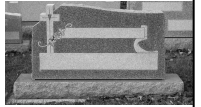
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