

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 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

Bishop Guilfoyle Academy
Web: www.bishopguilfoyle.org
Eldorado (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-942-7835
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, July 14, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pour Souls (Anonymous)

Next Sunday, July 21, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul Watters (Helen Watters)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

July 14, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Living and Deceased Members of the

Michael & Ida Seymore Family (Family)

10:00 AM +Denis Burns (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

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

July 15, Monday, St. Bonaventure, Bp. and Dr.

12:00 PM +Geraldine & Paul Rose, Wed. Anniv.
(Family)

July 16, Tuesday, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

12:00 PM +Rich Peo (McNelis All Stars & Friends)

July 17, Wednesday, Weekday

12:00 PM +Charles Brady, Birth. (Joe & Dee Shellen-Berger)

July 18, Thursday, St. Camillus deLellis, Priest

12:00 PM +Shirley Keirn, Birth. (husband, Joe)

July 19, Friday, Weekday

12:00 PM Special Intentions of Fred Petrunak, Birth.
(Family)

July 20, Saturday, Weekday

12:00 PM +Miriam Jacobs, Birth. (John & Becky Bettwy)

Vigil: The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM +Rose Moryken, Anniv. (Bobbi Dixon & Theresa Crowell)

July 21, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Anna Marie Jacobs, Birth. (Family)

10:00 AM +Sam Kokolis (Kathy Grove)

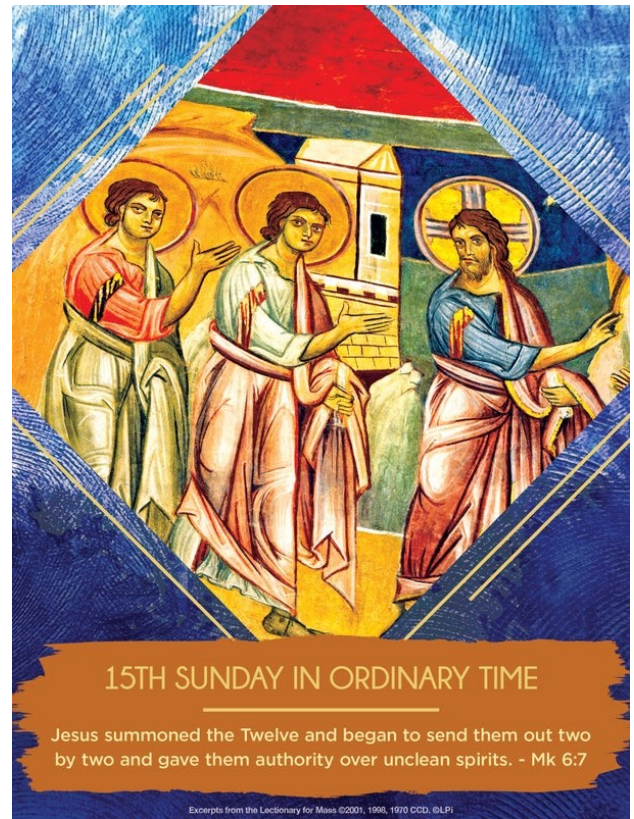
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

There is Mass at 11:30 A.M.

at Our Lady of Fatima Parish.

TABERNACLE CANDLE

During the month of July, the sanctuary candle is being lit for the intentions of the Link Family. Thank you.



Readings for the week of July 14, 2024

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

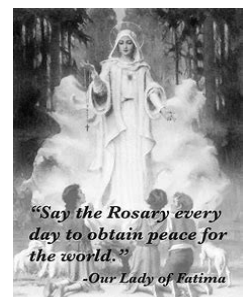
Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated.

The contributions for Sunday, July 7, were \$1.929.

Thank you.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What We Carry from Town to Town

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

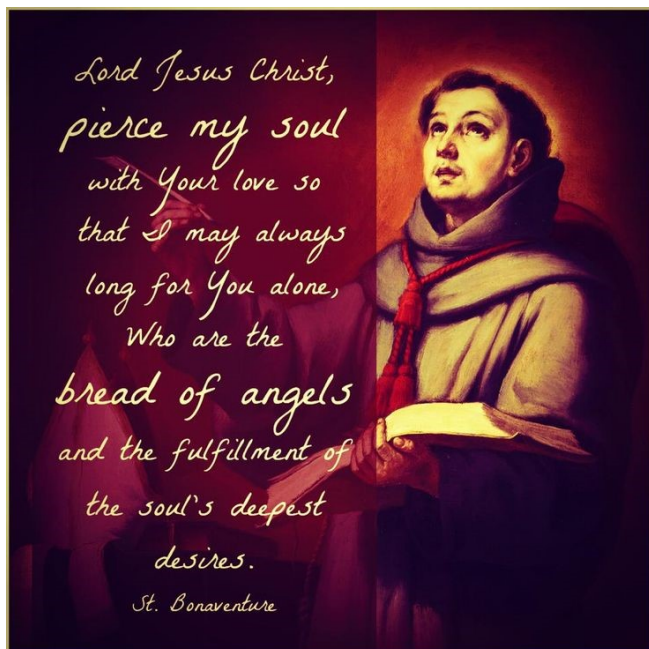
People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Sisters of Charity OF NAZARETH

The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth have been invited to the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Fatima Parish as part of the annual Mission Cooperative Plan 2024. Sister Sarah Geier, SCN and Sister Teresa Kotturan, SCN will speak at all Masses next weekend, July 20-21, 2024. The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth were founded in Bardstown, Kentucky in 1812. Through their ministries of healthcare, education and social service, SCN's carry the message of Christ's love to those who most need help throughout the world. The Sisters will share stories about their ministries here in the United States as well as in their foreign missions and invite us to be part of their ongoing commitment by participating through our prayers and financial help. A special collection will be taken up for their mission. We know that, as always, you will be as generous as you can.



This year's Bosco's Friends Helping Friends Event is on Tuesday, October 22, from 8:00 AM to 11 PM. The \$5.00 Discount Pass is good for 25% off prices (exclusions apply). The passes are available after Mass and in the parish office. 100% of your \$5.00 donation goes to our parish.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Shake Off the Dust

Our kitchen floor is at least 35 years old, and it's the ugliest color to come out of the '80s. But it's a good, durable floor, and my husband, bless his heart, guards it like it was a finely finished hardwood imported from Brazil.

Every time the kids track mud and sand across its vinyl surface, he immediately gets down on his hands and knees and lovingly wipes the mess away. I'm too impatient to do this myself — we have kids, so we're going to have a dirty floor, is my attitude. But this is the hill upon which my husband dies. On hands and knees, scraping dirt off an almost 40-year-old floor, he is the silent, long-suffering sentry, and if it kills him, he will keep these floors pristine. He is Gandalf, and the dirt is the Balrog. You shall not pass.

"Shake the dust off your feet." This is what Christ tells his disciples to do when they — and his word — are rejected. Shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them. Why does he say that? It's not an act of dismissal. It's not a thumbed nose or a stuck-out tongue. No, it's an act of caution: Don't bring it with you. Leave it there.

When we walk through the world, we pick up a lot of dirt. Misguided notions, disordered priorities, habits, and desires that we never noticed until we realized they left a trail. We come into a situation intending to do what is right, but somehow it all goes sideways, and we walk away from it with detritus clinging to us in places we don't notice. They wouldn't listen. They'll see, we think. Oh, they'll see. They'll see how right I was. Pride and vengeance hitch a ride on the soles of our feet, and we track them all through the world.

What to do about this? You can be like me with my ugly old floor. You can shrug your shoulders and say, "It happens, I guess. I'm only human. I meant well."

But here's what would be better: be like my husband. Get down on your knees and get rid of the dirt. Stop the trail in its tracks. So they went off and preached repentance." — Mark 6:12 ©LPi



Our parish is having an indoor picnic at the St. Stan's Club on Sunday, August 25, beginning at 1:00 P.M. There's a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. If possible, please bring a covered dish.

UPMC Needs Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Pastoral Care Department at UPMC Altoona is looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for current openings on Saturdays. If you have a desire to bring the Blessed Sacrament to sick and suffering Catholic hospital patients, please contact Tony Conrad at 814-889-4323 for



The *2024 Catholic Ministries Drive* is taking place. Our sacrificial gift of prayer and treasure will make an immediate and lasting impact on our ministries that focus on evangelization, serving those in need, and the formation of our priests and deacons.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation this coming week or in the near future. Our diocese's ministries need our support. **Our parish's target is \$9,813. So far, \$9,374 has been received in pledges/gifts from 32 donors. 96% of Target. Thank you.**