

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 30, 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, June 30, 13h Sunday in Ordinary Time

Robert Simanski (Bob & Chip Klisiewicz)

Next Sunday, July 6, 14th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Poor Souls (Anonymous)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

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8:00 AM +Audrey Krause (Phyllis Lavelle Sheetz)

10:00 AM +Elaine Smithmyer (Anonymous)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

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

July 1, Monday, St. Junipero Serra, Priest

12:00 PM +Mark Gianinni (The Bauer Family)

July 2, Tuesday, Weekday

12:00 PM +Jim Weaver, Wed. Anniv. (Wife, Elaine)

July 3, Wednesday, St. Thomas, Apostle

12:00 PM +Philip Arnone (Anonymous)

July 4, Thursday, Independence Day

9:00 AM For Our Country

July 5, Friday, St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

12:00 PM +Joe & Patty Wiedemer, Birth. (Family)

July 6, Saturday, St. Maria Goretti, V. & M.

12:00 PM +Mary & John McGraw (McGraw Family)

Vigil: The 14h Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM +John & Ella Butchko (Family)

July 7, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Barry Krug (Tammy & Bob Datris)

10:00 AM +Carol Kepner, Anniv. (Cheryl Kepner)

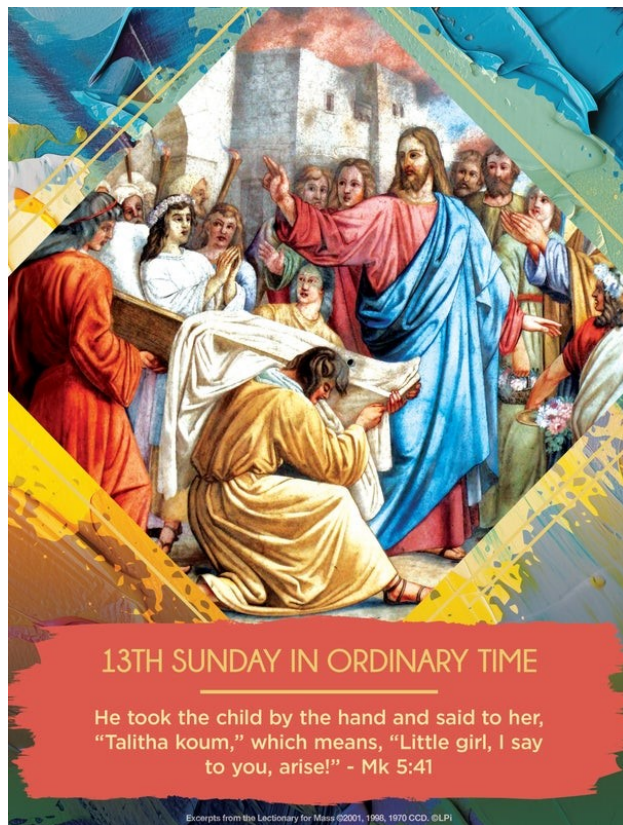
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

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.



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" - Mk 5:41

Excerpts from the Lictionary for Mass (2001, 1998, 1970 CCD, GLPI)

Readings for the week of June 30, 2024

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 (2a)/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/

Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17

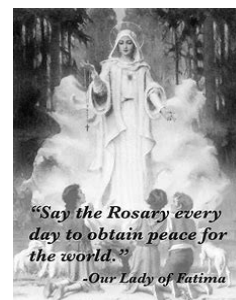
Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Thank You Very Much

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

The contributions for Sunday, June 23, were \$1.380.

Thank you.



"Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world."

-Our Lady of Fatima

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Touch of Christ

For a long time, I didn't understand why the virtual Masses of the pandemic were so wearisome to me. Theoretically, shouldn't it be a tired mother's dream, fulfilling her Sunday obligation from the couch, not having to worry how much noise the kids are making?

But it wasn't. Seeing Mass without experiencing it left me hungry. It left me starving.

Then a wise priest explained it to me. "Watching virtual Mass is like taking a virtual shower," he said.

Grace might not be something we can see with our eyes, but it is very much something that is transmitted physically. Jesus has a human body for a reason. He needs to touch people.

We see that nowhere more clearly than in this Gospel. The crowds are pressing on him, everyone trying to get close, everyone trying to share his space. The hemorrhaging woman claws her way through, desperate to make physical contact with him, any part of him, even his cloak. The synagogue official begs Jesus to come and "lay hands" on his daughter, knowing that this is the only way for her to survive. He doesn't ask for Jesus' good thoughts or approving gaze. He knows that isn't what he needs.

In the Gospels, Jesus saves people chiefly through his own touch because he wants to show us — you and me, sitting in the pews — something very important about how we are saved.

But where do you and I find the touch of Jesus Christ? Where do you and I find salvation?

It's in the water flowing over the infant's forehead. It's in the Host dissolving on our tongues. It's in the oil that is pressed to the skin of the confirmand, the dying man, and the brand-new priest. It's in the embrace of the newly married couple. It's in the extended hand of the priest as he says, "Your sins are forgiven."

It's still here, two thousand years later. It's still waiting for us to reach out and grasp it.

"If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." — Mark 5:28

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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Sin isn't given its due these days. Downplaying sin is dangerous. But there is also another spiritual misstep in which we make way too big a deal out of sin. It happens, for example, when we persistently wonder if our confessed sins are "really" forgiven, or suspiciously ponder what God "really" thinks about us, behind His merciful face. Or when someone returns to Church, and we question whether his or her conversion was genuine. Or when we commit some sin and put on a sad face for days, thinking, "Maybe my sins are too great for God to deal with." God save us from that attitude!

Well, he does just that, this week, in the raising of Jairus' daughter. The dead twelve-year-old's house is filled with a spirit of excessive moaning and groaning, tumultuous weeping and wailing. They even laugh at Jesus in a mocking tone. It's shocking how easy it is for him to raise the dead child. It is equivalent to gently waking a kid from a light nap. And then he sends her off to get some lunch. No big whoop. The overactive drama is actually part of the problem, and removing it is a key part of the miracle.

Friends, sin can and does kill, but Jesus is always ready and able to raise us back to life, often without much hullabaloo. His ease of forgiving should never be a pretext for presumption, minimizing sin, or taking lightly the cost he pays for our sins on the cross. But for God's sake, we often need Jesus to put out the weepers and wailers. He's the Lord. And remember, the girl is not dead, she's just sleeping. — Father John Muir ©LPi



This year's Boscov'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.



Catholic Ministries Drive

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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.

During Lent, and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties—and one of those holy duties is to support the Church. This year, our campaign's theme is *Encountering Christ*. During this time of Eucharistic Revival, *Encountering Christ* is an invitation to grow in our living relationship with Christ in the Eucharist, to open our hearts to serving our brothers and sisters, and to fulfill our holy duty of supporting the Church by gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

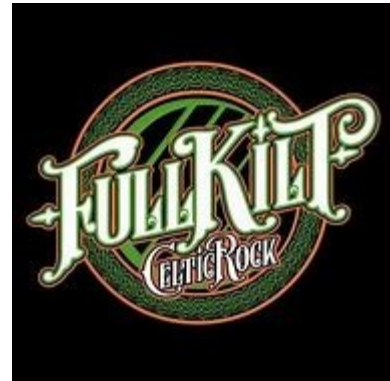
Please prayerfully consider making a donation this coming week or in the near future. Our diocese's ministries need our support. **Our parish's target is \$9,813. So far, \$7,649 has been received in pledges/gifts from 30 donors. 78% of Target. Thank you.**



Our parish is having an indoor picnic at the St. Stan's Club on Sunday, August 25, beginning at 1:00 P.M.

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



Visitation Parish in Johnstown is sponsoring **An Irish Evening with Full Kilt** on Saturday, July 13, from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM in the Visitation Parish Hall at 1127 McKinley Avenue, Johnstown. Tickets are being sold for \$20.00 and will include admission, a full meal, beer, soda, and water. Tickets may be purchased by calling Kristyn Amendola at 814-248-2942 or by email at kamendola528@gmail.com. All proceeds will benefit the Visitation Ongoing Maintenance Fund, which is earmarked for the replacement of the church roof.