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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

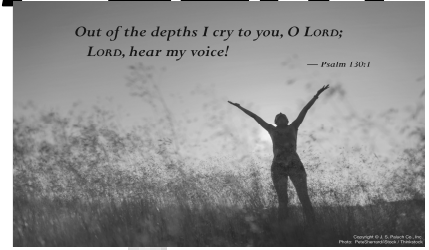
Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 29, 2020

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice!
— Psalm 130:1

Our Lady of Fatima

Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary before Sunday Mass and privately from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Sunday thru Friday.
Saturday 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM

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Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2010 12th Avenue

www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org

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

(Masses Temporarily Suspended due to Covid-19)

Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator

Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson

Parish Secretary

Carol Z. Smith

Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:

Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

***(TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUED-due to Covid-19 virus.)**

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open

***Sunday through Friday: 8:30 AM - 5PM,**

Saturday 7:30 - 5 PM

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. 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

Masses discontinued because of covid-19 virus

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One ancient Roman custom that was approved by the church was the veiling of the bride. When a single woman pledged her life to Christ, in a way of life not dissimilar to today's religious women, the outward sign of this commitment was a veiling. In ancient Rome, a woman with uncovered head was unmarried, and a veiled woman was "off limits to suitors." It was one small step to decide that a bride should receive a veil from the hands of the church as a sign of her new state in life. The prayer that accompanied the veiling was beautiful, and sung, a kind of consecratory prayer that was very similar to the prayer of ordination, or the prayers for blessing holy water or chrism. The "nuptial blessing" originally mentioned only the woman, although we know that the veil was often extended to cover the husband's shoulders also. The blessing was located before the kiss of peace, which the priest gave to the husband, and the husband to his new bride. Remember that this is in the early centuries, long before the kiss of peace virtually disappeared from liturgy.

The veiling and blessing was required when priests or deacons married, was recommended to laypersons, but forbidden for certain public sinners and second marriages. The veiling of the couple was preserved in England until the Reformation, and is returning to practice among Swedish Lutherans after having fallen into disuse about seventy-five years ago.

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LIFE

A well-spent life is the only passport to heaven.

—Pope Leo XIII

PRAYER

The more you devote yourself in prayer the more you will do well in your work.

—St. John Baptist de la Salle

WITH GOD

With God, go over the sea. Without God, don't even go over the threshold.

—Russian proverb



**OUR LADY URGES US TO PRAY THE
HOLY
ROSARY
FOR
PEACE AND OFFER
SACRIFICES BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!**

To our valued advertisers,

(Our Lady of Fatima Parish)

As you all know, COVID-19, also known as the Coronavirus, is spreading across our nation, and various government agencies are daily recommending that citizens curtail their pursuits more and more. Dioceses and churches are canceling Masses and activities, and many other events are being curtailed. Every business is having to adjust to this new reality, with the hope that it will be only temporary.

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- While parishes overall may be receiving fewer printed bulletins over the next couple of weeks, we are still providing bulletins to every parish to accommodate Masses and services that are still going on in many dioceses. Even parishes that have cancelled services will have bulletins available in their churches for visitors and those who come for private prayer.

We continue to monitor the situation as events unfold in each area of the country and are doing our best to manage an unpredictable situation. We will provide you with updates as they become available. And we are working to develop a plan to assist advertisers once the Coronavirus situation has become more stable.

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We are grateful for your trust, and we will keep you in our prayers as we rely on your prayers for us as well.

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