

The First Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025

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

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: ltayer@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.

March 9, The First Sunday of Lent

Denise Keagy, Birth. (Family)

March 16, The Second Sunday of Lent

Adaline and Paul Cassarly (Anonymous)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

March 9, The First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM +Shawn Kennedy (Friends)

10:00 AM +Wayne Madden (Choir)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

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

March 10, Monday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Alfred Rutolo, Anniv. (Family)

March 11, Tuesday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Special Intention for Matt (Mom & Dad)

March 12, Wednesday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Joe Wiedemer, Anniv. (Family)

March 13, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Karl Burgmeier, Anniv. (Daughter, Carol Talley)

March 14, Friday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +John Bettwy (Tim & JoAnn Bettwy)

March 15, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Dino Persio (Ed & Lois Simanski)

Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM +John P. Koeck, Jr. (Maryann Hofer)

March 16, Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM +Jim Weaver (Ed Stoltz)

10:00 AM +Patricia Vargo, Birth. (Family)

5:00 PM +Pro Popolo/For the People

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



The Sanctuary Candle during the month of March is lit in memory of Denise Keagy by the Keagy Family. Thank you.



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me."
Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written:
You shall worship the Lord, your God,
and him alone shall you serve."
- Lk 4:6a, 7-8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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Readings for the week of March 9, 2025

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

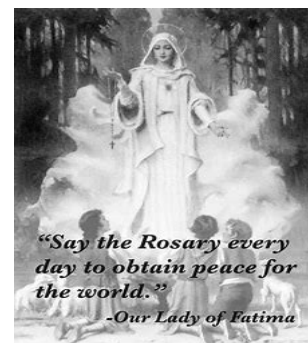
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

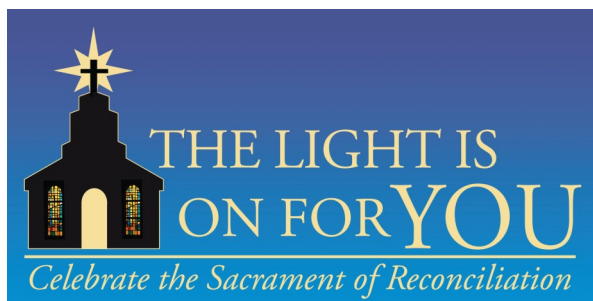
Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for February 23, were \$1,573.00. On March 2, \$1,752.00 was received. Thank you.



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

-Our Lady of Fatima



Please Update Information

Parishioners are asked to please update their contact information with the parish office. If you have had a change of address, discontinued a land line phone number, or have a new cell phone number, inform the office or put a note in your envelope.

Contribution Statements

Parishioners who would like a financial statement of their contributions to the parish during 2024 are asked to call the office.

A NOTE FROM MONSIGNOR CARSON

There have been a few inquiries and some interest in the purchase of our rectory. As required, I've been asked to consult our Finance Council. After having the rectory and adjacent property appraised, our Finance Council has recommended that we make the rectory and property available for sale. However, prior to advertising to the public, parishioners will have thirty days to have the opportunity to submit an offer.

A number of other details will need to be worked out over the next few months.

Proceeds from the sale would remain in the parish.

It is my understanding that this matter was also a topic of discussion prior to my arrival.

FOR SALE

Our Lady of Fatima Rectory
2010 12th Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601
Former Rectory + Adjoining Lot
4 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 Baths
Inquire at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Office
Listing: \$175,000
Accepting Only Parishioner Offers
through March 15.

In addition to the regularly scheduled weekly opportunities and the Lenten Communal Reconciliation Services, during this Jubilee Year parishes have scheduled Confessions at various times during the week of March 16th.

Sunday, March 16, at Our Lady of Fatima Church from 12:30-1:00 P.M.

Monday, March 17, at Mt. Carmel Church from 5:00- 6:30 P.M. and at St. Rose Church from 5:00-7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, March 18, at Holy Rosary Church from 6:00 -8:00 P.M. and at St. Therese Church from 8:00- 10:00 P.M.

Wednesday, March 19, at St. John the Evangelist Church from 5:30-6:00 P.M., at St. Mary Church, Hollidaysburg from 5:30-6:00 P.M., at St. Catherine Church from 6:30-8:00 P.M., and at the Cathedral from 7:00-8:00 P.M.

Thursday, March 20, at St. Mary Church, Hollidaysburg from 12:00-1:30 P.M., at Sacred Heart Church from 4:00-6:00 P.M., and at St. Mark Church from 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Friday, March 21, at St. John the Evangelist Church from 5:00-6:00 P.M. and at St. Michael Church in Hollidaysburg from 7:00-9:00 P.M.

ADDITIONALLY

That week, Msgr. Carson will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation following the noon Mass on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and from 8:00-9:00 A.M. on Tuesday and Thursday.

Eucharistic Revival Spring Priest Presentations

The last of the Eucharistic Revival Year presentations will on Saturday, March 29th, at St. Francis University, JFK Center in Loretto. From 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. You may register online at [dioceseaj.org/spring, priest, presentations](http://dioceseaj.org/spring_priest_presentations) or by mail. Forms are available at our entrances. The speakers are : Father Jozef Kovacik, Father George Jakopac, and Father Brian Saylor.



Men's Conference; Strength in Christ!

Sunday, March 30, from 11:30 AM to 5:30 PM at Mount Aloysius College, Cresson. The day includes lunch, talks from local priests, personal testimonies, a panel discussion, and Sunday Mass. There is no cost to attend. Visit www.dioceseaj.org to register online. Paper registration forms are also available at our entrances. The deadline to register is March 21st.



Stations of the Cross will be prayed at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament on the Fridays of Lent at 5:30 P.M.

The Cathedral Communal Penance Service is on Wednesday, April 8, at 6:00 P.M.

The Cathedral's Fish Fry Lunch includes a Fish Sandwich, Mac & Cheese, and Coleslaw is available from 10:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. \$10.00 and Drive Thru Only, every Friday, except Good Friday.

Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction will take place on Sundays during Lent at 6:30 P.M.

Day of Fasting and Abstinence Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. Abstinence refers to not eating meat at all on those days. Persons 14 years of age and older are to abstain. Fasting refers to one full meal, with two small meals, no eating between meals. People who have reached their 18th birthday and up to their 59th birthday are obligated to fast. In addition to these obligations, additional forms of fast and abstinence may be observed.