

The Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 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 16, The Second Sunday of Lent

Adaline and Paul Cassarly (Anonymous)

March 23, The Third Sunday of Lent

Bernie Faust (Sherry & Mike Byrne)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

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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.

March 17, Monday, St. Patrick, Bishop

12:00 PM +Patrick Duffy, Birth. (Toots & Family)

March 18, Tuesday, St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bp. & Dr.

12:00 PM +Kirk Kling (Mother & Sisters)

March 19, Wednesday, St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary

12:00 PM +Beth Kilcoyne (McNelis All Stars & Friends)

March 20, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Henry & Charlotte Shields (Greg & Karen Querry)

March 21, Friday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Special Intentions of Mary Hanley, Birth. (Family)

March 22, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

12:00 PM +Souls in Purgatory (Anonymous)

Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM +Marti Stefanon (Husband)

March 23, Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM +Gerri Rose, Anniv. (Kathleen Davies)

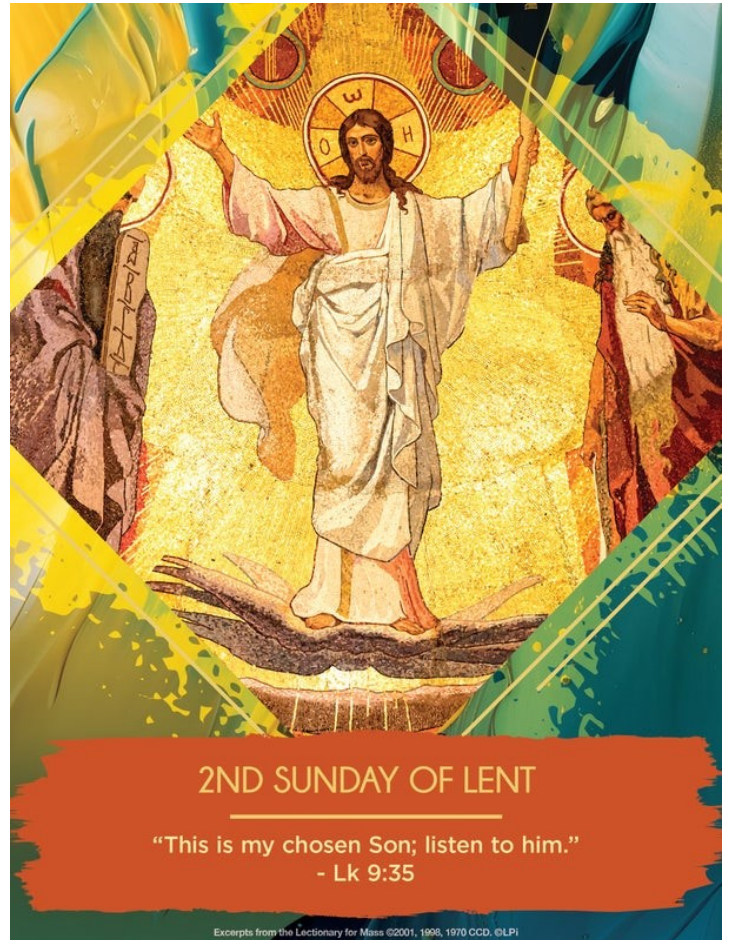
10:00 AM +Susan Bauer (Regina Damiano)

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.



Readings for the week of March 16, 2025

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

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

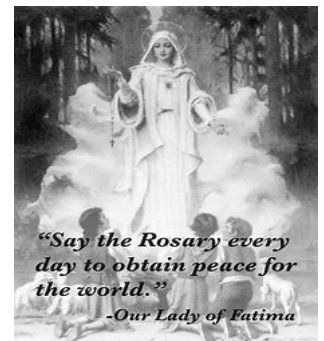
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

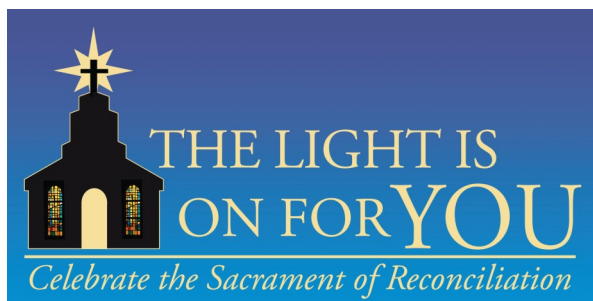
Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Thank You Very Much

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

The contributions for March 9, were \$1,980.80. Thank you.





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

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

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

This 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.



St. Cyril of Jerusalem

"Your accumulated offences do not surpass the multitude of God's mercies; your wounds do not surpass the great Physician's skill."



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.