

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 15, 2016

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*Our Lady of Fatima
Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary
before Sunday Mass and
privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.*

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

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator
Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur

Parish Secretary
Carol Z. Smith
Secretaries Assistant
Ellen Kelly

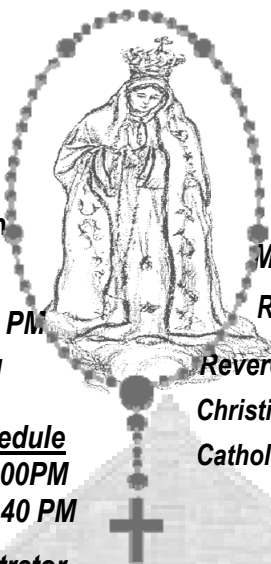
Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 to make arrangements.

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open
Monday through Friday: 9AM - 6PM
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



Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603
One Cathedral Square
Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak Bishop
Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur, Rector

Reverend Father Dennis M. Kurdziel, Parochial Vicar
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Chris Laraia – Pre-K thru 8 - 946-3475
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Religious Education Office: Sundays – 943-7424
Confessions @ 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: 6:45 AM
8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM
10:00 AM	12:00 Noon	12:00 Noon
12:00 Noon	5:30 PM	Saturday: 8:00 AM
5:00 PM		12:00 Noon



**2016 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
DIOCESE OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN**

OLF GOAL FOR 2016 = \$13,948.00

PLEDGED THRU May 9 = \$7,910.00 *no names*

NEEDED TO REACH GOAL = \$6038.00

OF PLEDGES = 41 out of 155

(We Passed the half mark! Thank You! Let's keep up the momentum, please)

Connie Andros	Mrs. Colleen A. Douglass	Mrs. Carol Riggelman
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Mrs. Frieda Conrad	Joseph Merritt	Mrs. Patricia Wall
Mrs. Karen Conrad	Mrs. Genevieve Musto	
M/M John Corle	M/M John G. Noonan, Jr.	4 Anonymous

Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

05/18 Doc Farabaugh, Pat Wall
05/19 Jim McKnight
05/21 Jonathan Carper, Rylie Keagy
Connie Kowalski

05/18 Paul and Sue Masic
05/21 Jenn and Justin Adams

MONEY MATTERS

Seventh Sunday of Easter, (May 8, 2016)

120 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ 1,489.00 of which \$131.00 accounted for non-envelope contributions.

Envelopes In Circulation 176 # Used 56 # Unused 120

Collection One Year Ago = \$ 1,691.75

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13; Jn 20: 19-23

Today's Intention = Lois J. Riley

May 22, Sunday: Most Holy Trinity

Readings: Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

***10:30 AM Beverly Fabian (Fr. Ronald Skupien)**

Cathedral Mass Intentions

May 16, Monday: Weekday

Readings: Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29

6:45 AM EleanorToth,Anniv. (Husband, George & Fam.)

8:00 AM Esther&Lawrence Dorazio, Wed. Ann. (Fam.)

12:00 PM John Vogel, Wed. Anniv. (Madeline & Fam.)

May 17, Tuesday: Weekday

Readings: Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37

6:45 AM Lavelle Family (Phyllis Lavelle Sheetz)

8:00 AM Peter Moran (McNelis All-Stars)

12:00 PM John Marlett (Mary Marlett)

May 18, Wednesday: Saint John I, Pope, Martyr

Readings: Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40

6:45 AM M/M Andy Lesko (M/M Francis Dambeck)

8:00 AM Moose Plutko (Patty & Bear McCloskey)

***12:00 PM Joe Milliron (Gerri Rose)**

May 19, Thursday: Weekday

Readings: Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50

6:45 AM Deceased Members of McGreal Family

***8:00 AM Joan Hirt (Jim and Stephanie Kilcoyne)**

12:00 PM Eleanor Hupert, Anniversary (Family)

May 20, Friday: Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Readings: Jas 5: 9-12; Mk 10:1-12

6:45 AM Joe Tomlinson (Tom and Patricia Forr)

***8:00 AM Jerry Smith (Mary Kowalski)**

12:00 PM Betty McCabe (John and Alice Joyce)

May 21, Saturday: Saint Christopher Magallanes & Comp.

Readings: Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16

8:00 AM John Hallinan (Family)

12:00 PM Patty Geis (Jim and Connie Snow)

Vigil: Most Holy Trinity

Readings: Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

5:00 PM Frances Pagliaro, Birthday Inten. (Family)

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Scripture Reflection

Easter Time ends with the celebration of Pentecost. For fifty days the Church has been immersed in the mystery of new life with the risen Lord, a mystery that draws us into the relationship of Jesus and the Father. In the Resurrection, Jesus breaks the bonds of human limitations and promises that we too will be raised. In the Ascension, the Father receives the beloved Son into the divine realm, and with the sending of the Spirit, we become a dwelling place of the Advocate, who reminds us of all the Lord has told us.

The Spirit of Pentecost is not confined by language, place of origin, gender, or social status; it is a universal gift that reminds us to put flesh, bones, hands, and feet on the teaching of Christ. It calls us to the mighty works of God, speaking them ourselves and seeing them in others. The gift of the Spirit is our source of life, not only for fifty days, but every day.

The Spirit works in different ways, sometimes moving us out of our comfortable places into a world of uncertainty and danger. Sometimes the Spirit fires our minds and hearts to say and do things we never would have thought possible. And sometimes the Spirit works in quiet ways through gifts given to each of us for the good of the community. The power of one is ultimately the power of our one God, whom we acknowledge as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is one in many, unity in diversity. And we are to mirror that unity in diversity by allowing the power of the Spirit to work in us as a community.

- **What is the Holy Spirit teaching you today?**
- **What do you see the Holy Spirit teaching the Church today?**

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OUR LADY OF FATIMA NOTES.....

ACA 2016.... The ACA pledges have increased to \$\$7,910. We still need \$6,310 to reach goal.
The bulletin had to be processed before I could get the new figures.

Our Lady of Fatima Grotto was planted and flowers were donated by David Stein. Please give him a thank you, if you like the plantings by the grotto and the entrance to the Church.

David would like to get a volunteer team together in order to keep the Church and Rectory Grounds looking like we care. David works well with others and takes suggestions well. Please call the rectory to make arrangements to be on the team. The more hands in the dirt the sooner we get finished. We would work on Saturday's or evenings whenever the weather is good to us. Call the rectory @ 942-0371 or e-mail olfoff10@hotmail.com to signup.

OUT AND ABOUT.....

HOLY FAMILY PARISH FIRST ANNUAL WINE TASTING EVENT

Saturday, June 4, 2016 from 7 - 10 PM

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ST. MARK'S, ALTOONA, SCHOOL REUNION - As part of our 125th Anniversary Celebration, we will be having a Special School Reunion Mass on Saturday, June 18, 2016 at 4:30 PM. All former alumni and teachers are invited to attend the Mass which will be followed by a light reception in the church hall. If you plan to attend and would like to bring photos and mementos (please mark appropriately), you may do so. To make a reservation, or if you have questions, you may call any of the following: Sally Hancock (932-5188), Michele Kennedy (944-0276), or Janice Manning (934-8797). In order that we may make proper arrangements, please call by June 12.

Carmelite Community of the Word Golf Tournament...

The Carmelite Community of the Word sisters will hold our 12th Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, June 6 at Scotch Valley Country Club. This event has proven to be a fun day for all, and includes a Shotgun start at **8:00 a.m.**, Golf, Breakfast, Course Refreshments, Dinner, Prizes and a Live Auction. Dinner is served at 1:00 p.m.



Take advantage of our **Early "Birdie" Special!** If you register **before May 24**, the cost is \$125 per golfer; \$450 per foursome. After May 24, the cost is \$150 per golfer; \$600 per foursome. Final deadline for Registration is June 1. For those who may want to attend the dinner only, the cost is \$25.

To register, or for more information, contact Sr. Jane Miller at 814-886-4098 or email at: jmseashell@msn.com.

Each year the Church celebrates 50 days of Easter, culminating at the feast of Pentecost. Pentecost marks the occasion of God's sending the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' disciples after his resurrection. Before Pentecost, the disciples were unsure of what they were to do next, and spent most of their time in hiding. After Pentecost, and the gift of the Holy Spirit, they understood their mission to spread the Good News of Jesus, and they had the courage to come out of hiding and speak openly about who Jesus was, and what he had accomplished by his dying and rising.

Because Pentecost brought the disciples this clarity of mission, it is regarded as the founding feast of the Christian Church. Before Pentecost, the disciples of Jesus are tentative and disorganized. After Pentecost, they are a people with a mission, who perceive themselves as spiritually and sacramentally connected to the risen Christ. You can read the story of the Church's first days in the Acts of the Apostles.

Today, celebrations of Pentecost still center on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and the power of those gifts to both draw people together, and to send them forth to spread the word. For those of you who are fond of making lists, those gifts of the Holy Spirit are: Wisdom, Knowledge, Understanding, Fortitude, Good Counsel, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.

Of course, one of the remarkable elements of the story of the first Pentecost was the miracle of understanding, in which everyone in the diverse crowd in Jerusalem hears the disciples speaking in the listeners' own language. This unique event is sometimes commemorated at masses for Pentecost Sunday by having people read sections of the story in a variety of different languages represented in the congregation. It's a reminder that although we've heard the story before, we have inherited the mission of those first disciples.

Hope as a Response to Death in the Family

June 18, 2015

At his Wednesday general audience on June 17, 2015, Pope Francis spoke about the experience of death in the family. He called death a reality that "concerns all families" and described it as a "black hole" in the life of the family. He noted that the experience of death is particularly painful and lonely when a parent loses a child, or vice versa. The result of this extreme sorrow is often anger directed toward God. In addition, sins such as "hatred, envy, pride, [and] avarice" often accompany physical death, making families' suffering more intense.

Pope Francis proclaimed that with Jesus' grace, families can face the difficult reality of death by showing love in their actions. "Love is stronger than death," he said; it has the power to remove the "sting" from death. In addition, Jesus' supreme act of love on the Cross has already destroyed death. Because of this, families who experience the pain of death should live in hope, knowing that there will be a time when "death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more" (Rev 21:4). Families who respond to death with faith rather than with despair can be strengthened by the experience of death and can develop a deeper compassion for others who undergo similar situations.

Pope Francis then commented on a Gospel reading (Luke 7:11-15), highlighting that at the end of the healing story, Jesus "gave him [the sick man] to his mother." The Holy Father said that this is what will happen in Heaven – Jesus will give lost loved ones back into the care of their families. Having faith in the reunion in the afterlife prevents families from succumbing to either a nihilist philosophy of death or superstitions regarding death.

Lastly, Pope Francis expressed his desire for Christians to know more widely the role of faith in mourning. He believes that "the right to weep should not be denied," noting that Jesus too wept at the grave of Lazarus. He concluded his message by reminding the crowd that "the work of the love of God is stronger than the work of death" and that "Jesus will restore all families."

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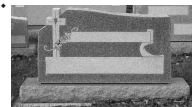
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