

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 24, 2020

"They have kept your word."

— John 17:6b

*Our Lady of Fatima
Pleaded that we pray the Holy
Rosary*

*privately from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday thru Saturday*



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Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2010 12th Avenue
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Rectory Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 11 AM - 2PM

Parish Office: 814-942-0371

Our Lady of Fatima Church

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.**

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

**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**

**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.**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA IS NOW OPEN FOR PERSONAL
PRAYER**

Beginning May 16. (see pg 4 for restrictions)

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**

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**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: 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

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

MAY 24, 2020
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
10:30 AM

SCRIPTURE
MAY 24, 2020

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Will be prayed privately @ Cathedral-see Cathedral schedule below.

Today's Intention - Allison Purdy-Ritchey

Readings: Acts 1:12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11

May 31, 2020-Pentecost Sunday

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

Geraldine Rose, Colleen Sheehan

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him.

Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ.

I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do.

Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began.

"I revealed your name to those whom you gave me out of the world.

They belonged to you, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you gave me is from you, because the words you gave to me I have given to them, and they accepted them and truly understood that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I pray for them.

I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to you."

Cathedral Mass Intention

May 25, Monday: Sts. Bede, Gregory, and Mary Magdalene

Readings: Acts 19:1-8; Jn:16:29-33

+ Poor Souls

+ John Capouellez Sr., Birthday (Family)

May 26, Tuesday: Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Readings: Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11

+ Allison Purdy Ritchey (Becki Grace)

+ Susan Bauer (Children)

May 27, Wednesday: St. Augustine of Canterbury

Readings: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19

+ Geraldine Rose (Colleen Sheehan)

+ Spirit Welfare of Bishop Mark (Dana Miller)

May 28, Thursday: Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

+ Irene Schlecht (Jim & Elaine Weaver)

+ Kevin Sheetz (Patty & Joe Pufka)

May 29, Friday: Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19

+ Danyll Rougeux Anniversary (Mom & Dad)

+ Bev Woodring Anniversary, (Tom Byrne)

May 30, Saturday: Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

+ Carrie Detwiler (Mom & Dad)

+ Nicholas Hockenberry, Birthday (Gloria & Family)

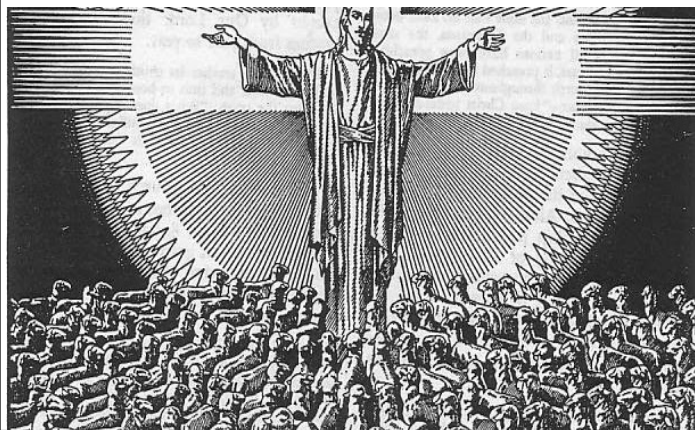
Vigil: PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

+ Alice Winkler (Friends at Forever Media)

*Jesus, Son of the Living Father,
Have Mercy on Me a Sinner.*

Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially for those who have illnesses great and small and our seniors who are lonely and need comfort and care.



Foundation Seeks College Junior & Seniors Scholarship Applicants

2020 Welge (WELL-ghee) Scholarship Applications are now available for registered parishioners who are entering their junior or senior year at an accredited college or university. Blair County Please visit the "Grants" page of the Independent Catholic Foundation website, www.icfdaj.org to download, complete and sign the application, which should be emailed to grants@icfdaj.org no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday June 12. The Welge Scholarship Endowment has grown sufficiently for the Foundation to issue three \$500 awards this July.

OLOF WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

*(Note the times of Confession at the Cathedral.)

We are pleased to announce that beginning Saturday, May 16, the OLOF will be open for private prayer, for 25 people or less, from 7:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Facial masks are to be worn, social distancing is to be observed, and persons are asked to self-sanitize their seating area before and after their visit. A schedule for the availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will probably be announced early next week. *This week, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at the Cathedral at these special times: Wednesday, May 27, at 6:30 P.M., Saturday, May 30 at Noon, and Monday to Friday at 7:15 A.M and Noon.

Everlasting Easter

The Easter season is almost over. This season is always a tougher one for us Catholics. We get Advent and Lent: preparation. We are on board with Christmas, mainly because we like to keep up our decorations until someone tells us the exact day we must take them down. But Easter as a season is a bit more difficult to observe. The rest of the world has moved on. There are no Easter eggs left in store windows and all those religious movies on television have given way to reruns or season-ending episodes. It just feels like Easter anywhere ... except in the Church.

The truth is that it should feel like Easter all year round in the Church. Every Sunday, we celebrate a mini-Easter. Our Lord is ALIVE! He is risen and alive, and we need to celebrate. We also need to be about the work of the Lord. We are an Easter people who bear witness to his resurrection through our stewardship. If he had never risen, then we would be called to nothing by no one. But he lives! As this Easter season is drawing to a close, it is prudent to reflect on what his death and resurrection mean for each of us. How has it changed us? How does it motivate us? It doesn't look like Easter in most corners of the world, so it is up to us to bring a little Easter to every place we go and to everyone we meet.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©

Radio Mass

Our parish's live radio Mass will be on Sunday, at 10:00 A.M. on WFBG 1290AM. We are pleased to be able to provide this service again and we are grateful to our sponsors.

A NOTE FROM MSGR. STAN CARSON : THE CHURCH'S FIRST NOVENA

The nine days between the Feast of our Lord's Ascension into heaven and the Feast of Pentecost is sometimes referred to as the Church's first novena, nine days of prayer.

The Acts of the Apostles tell us that the apostles and several other disciples, including women and men, along with Mary the mother of Jesus, were engaged in "continuous prayer" as they awaited the descent of the Holy Spirit. The time between the Ascension and Pentecost was a time of waiting and transition.

We are also going through a time of waiting and transition. We are gradually moving into a fuller participation in the life of the Church and learning how to live in society while adjusting to what is being called a "new normal." We have been patiently waiting for the "green light" that will allow us to go into our cherished routines.

While keeping our distances, we have been engaged in "continuous prayer" too. There is consolation in knowing that we are praying for one another and that we are accompanied by Mary and the saints. The Holy Spirit will continue to be the Church's source of guidance and strength.

Contributions

Even during a pandemic, the financial support of parishioners is very important to a parish. However, due to their own financial challenges during a time like this, families might not be able to sustain their current level of giving. As a parish we will need to curtail spending and make adjustments.



Novena to end Coronavirus Pandemic

To be prayed for 9 consecutive days

O Mary, full of grace, patroness of this nation and Mother of the Church, in this time of worldwide illness we ask your intercession for the human family before your Son's throne of grace and mercy. We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness, and comfort in sorrow. We pray for all who have lost jobs or security in this time. May our son watch over all who are sick and their caretaker, bring to heaven all who have died, and give wisdom to all who are seeking a cure to the Coronavirus. (Mention your own intentions.)

St. Damien of Molokai, Minister to lepers, pray for us.

St. Anthony the Great, who healed infectious diseases, pray for us,

St. Edmund, patron of victims of pandemics, pray for us.

St. Frances Cabrini, foudress of hospitals, pray for us.

St. Agatha, patron of nurses, pray for us.

St. Luke, patron of doctors, pray for us.

St. Joseph, patron of the dying, pray for us.

All you holy angels and saints, pray for us.

Help us, O Blessed Mother, to be filled with confidence in the tender compassion of our God. Calm our fears and help us to trust in the Divine Physician. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen,



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