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**Thank you,
Msgr. Stan Carson**

First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021

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 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

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
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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
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Reconciliation @ Cathedral: 7:00 PM Wednesday
12:30 PM Saturday

Religious Education @ Cathedral: Pre-K through 11
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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

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

THE FATIMA TOWERS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

This Sunday, November 28, First Sunday of Advent

Leo Wozniak (Stan and Susan Galant)

Next Sunday, December 5, Second Sunday of Advent

Catherine "Kate" Starr (Doug & Jan Stoehr)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

November 28, First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM +C-W04 Todd C. Talasky (Mark Talasky)
10:00 AM +Pro Popolo/For the People
Noon PM +Patricia Koeck (Mary Ann Hofer)
5:00 PM +Richard & Rita Beck, Wed. Anniv. (Michael & Carolyn Lombardo)

November 29, Monday, Weekday

8:00 AM +Kate Klisiewicz (Chip & Bob)
12:00 PM +Adrian Thomas (Anonymous)

November 30, Tuesday, St. Andrew, Apostle

6:45 AM +John Capouellez, Sr. Anniv. (Family)
12:00 PM +Deb Capotosti, Birth. (Mother & Children)

December 1, Wednesday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Jane Davidson (Donna & Ken Wojcik)
12:00 PM +Eleanor Fischer (Helen Tomassetti)

December 2, Thursday, Weekday

6:45 AM +M. Virginia Jones (Jan Stoehr)
12:00 AM +John Duffy (Mitch & Gina Cooper)

December 3, Friday, St. Francis Xavier, Priest

6:45 AM +Bobby Homan (Mary Conrad)
12:00 PM +Dick Nelson, Anniv. (Gibson Family)

December 4, Saturday, St. John Damascene, Priest

8:00 AM +Dave Berger, Sr. (William Berger)
Noon PM +Jeldo Evangelisto (Joe & Laurie Hogan)

Vigil: Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM +Betsy Cote (Kirk Dodson)

December 5, Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM +Walter Beckel, Jr. (Donna Lechner & Barry McLeary)
10:00 AM +Genevieve Kibler (Ed & Lois Simanski)
12:00 PM +Rita Beck (HTCS-Altoona Campus Faculty & Staff)
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For The People

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle for the month of December has been donated by Regina Noonan and Family in memory of John Noonan. Months are available in 2022.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

Psalms — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

Gospel — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Thank You

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, November 21, were \$1,146.



Our Lady Of Fatima

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

IMAGES OF THE END-TIMES

How forcefully today's scriptures challenge us to attend to the ominous nature of the Kingdom's definitive in-breaking! The call echoes through Jeremiah's prophecy: "In those days, in that time" and in Paul's letter: "at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen." The theme intensifies toward a crescendo in Luke: "there will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth . . . dismay and perplexity." People will be scared to death—literally—"in anticipation of what is coming upon the world," as "seas and waves roar" and "the powers of heaven will be shaken." And all of this will be just a prelude to "the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." In the face of this "awful" (that is, filled-with-awe) ending, Jesus warns his disciples to guard against two equally debilitating extremes, both of which seem to be trademarks of our contemporary culture: deadening diversion on one hand, and frantic anxiety on the other.

In light of these predictions of frightening end-times, Jesus advises us to embrace his three-fold "Preparation for the End Program": (1) "Beware!" that is, be aware of what really matters, life's true priorities. (2) "Be vigilant at all times," that is, watchful for Christ's coming not only at the end but in the meantime, in family and neighbor, friend and stranger. (3) Above all, "pray." Prayer, communion with God, will help us to remember that for faithful disciples, The End of this world—or our own lives, whichever comes first—will be The Beginning of a joy no one can take from us, fullness of life that will never end. How lovely if this Advent's renewal prepared us to look forward to the moment of Jesus' coming—in his glory or our death—not as a cataclysmic disaster, but as a reason for which to "stand erect and raise (our) heads (in joyful expectation) because (our) redemption is at hand."

Today's Readings: Jer 33:14–16; Ps 25:4–5, 8–9, 10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25–28, 34–36

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THE THREE COMINGS OF ADVENT

There are three distinct comings of the Lord of which I know, His coming to humankind, His coming into humankind, and His coming against humankind.

—St. Bernard: *Third Sermon for Advent*



Our Lady of Fatima Parish will be participating in a Giving Tuesday event called #iGIVECATHOLIC this Tuesday, November 30th. Parishioners will have the opportunity to either give online or by using an envelope to support a parish need or project. We anticipate giving attention to the following items: our parking lots, rectory flues, and a new door and frame for the church. The total cost being approximately \$8,000. Go to <https://aj.igivecatholic.org> and scroll to Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Altoona

SaveAround Coupon Booklets are on sale for \$20.00. The parish makes a \$10.00 profit on each booklet sold.



WATCHFUL CONFIDENCE

We the Church enter into Advent and the new liturgical year with a call for a watchful confidence. Our readings were originally addressed to communities undergoing great loss and confusion. Jeremiah speaks confidently of God fulfilling the ancient promises to Israel, even during a time of foreign invasion. Paul speaks of God leading the Church into holiness, while the community longs for the coming of Jesus. In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus speaks of powerful signs and of great confusion to come, but emphasizes that we may look forward knowing that God brings not cause for despair, but hope. We celebrate Advent to remind each other of God's faithfulness. We are to be watchful, to see how God is stirring up our world. God disturbs both our pride and our complacency, and brings us healing and justice. We prepare ourselves to welcome Jesus, confident that God indeed fulfills all these divine promises.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Religious Education PK/8—Students will be collecting hats, scarves, mittens, toys, and personal care items during Advent for Family Services of Blair County Abuse Shelters.