

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in O.T.
October 14, 2018
The word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword.
— Hebrews 4:12a

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.



Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2010 12th Avenue
www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org
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

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

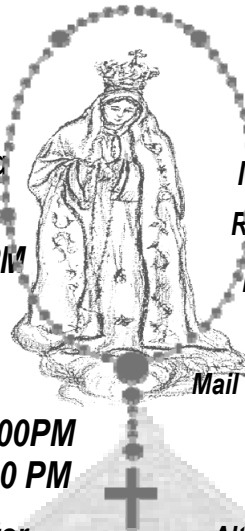
Our Lady of Fatima Church is open
Monday through Friday: 9AM - 6PM
for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

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

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
Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur, Rector

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Christian Initiation Team: 944-4603
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and Grieving - 944-4603

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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: 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

**Paul of the Cross (3 January 1694 – 18 October 1775)
was an Italian mystic, and founder of the Passionists.**

Biography

Saint Paul of the Cross, originally named Paolo Francesco Danei, was born on 3 January 1694, in the town of Ovada,^[2] Piedmont, between Turin and Genoa in the Duchy of Savoy in northern Italy.

His parents were Luca and Anna Maria Massari Danei. His father ran a small dry-goods store, and moved his family and store from town to town near Genoa trying to make ends meet.^[3] Paul was the second of sixteen children, six of whom survived infancy; and learned at an early age the reality of death and the uncertainty of life.^[4] Paul received his early education from a priest who kept a school for boys, in Cremolino, Lombardy. He made great progress and at the age of fifteen he left school and returned to his home at Castellazzo. In his early years he taught catechism in churches near his home.^[3]

Paul experienced a conversion to a life of prayer at the age of 19.^[4] Influenced by his reading of the "Treatise on the Love of God" by Saint Francis de Sales and the direction he received from priests of the Capuchin Order it became his lifelong conviction that God is most easily found in the Passion of Christ.

In 1715, Paul left his work helping his father to join a crusade against the Turks who were threatening the Venetian Republic, but soon realized that the life of a soldier was not his calling. He returned to help in the family business.^[3] On his way home he stopped at Novello, where he helped an aging, childless couple until the end of 1716. They offered to make him their heir, but he declined.^[4] His uncle, Father Christopher Danei, tried to arrange a marriage, but Paul had no plans to marry. When his uncle died, he kept for himself only the priest's Breviary.^[2]

When he was 26 years old, Paul had a series of prayer-experiences which made it clear to him that God was inviting him to form a community who would live an evangelical life and promote the love of God revealed in the Passion of Jesus. In a vision, he saw himself clothed in the habit he and his companions would wear: a long, black tunic on the front of which was a heart surmounted by a white cross, and in the heart was written "Passion of Jesus Christ". On seeing it, he heard these words spoken to him: "This is to show how pure the heart must be that bears the holy name of Jesus graven upon it". The first name Paul received for his community was "the Poor of Jesus"; later they came to be known as the Congregation of the Passion of Jesus Christ, or the Passionists.

With the encouragement of his bishop, who clothed him in the black habit of a hermit, Paul wrote the rule of his new community (of which he was, as yet, the only member)^[2] during a retreat of forty days at the end of 1720. The community was to live a penitential life, in solitude and poverty, teaching people in the easiest possible way how to meditate on the Passion of Jesus.

His first companion was his own brother, John Baptist. In the belief that it was necessary to reside in Rome in order to secure approval of the Rule, Paul and John Baptist accepted an invitation of Cardinal Corrandini to help establish a new hospital being founded by the Cardinal. The brothers devoted their energies to providing nursing care and ministered to the pastoral needs of both patients and staff.^[5]

After a short course in pastoral theology, the brothers were ordained to the priesthood by Pope Benedict XIII on 7 June 1727, in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome.^[5] After ordination they devoted themselves to preaching missions in parishes, particularly in remote country places where there were not a sufficient number of priests pastorally involved. Paul was known as one of the most popular preachers of his day, both for his words and for his generous acts of mercy.^[6] Their preaching apostolate and the retreats they gave in seminaries and religious houses brought their mission to the attention of others and gradually the community began to grow.

The first Retreat (the name Passionists traditionally gave to their monasteries) was opened in 1737 on Monte Argentario (Province of Grosseto);^[5] the community now had nine members. Paul called his monasteries "retreats" to underline the life of solitude and contemplation which he believed was necessary for someone who wished to preach the message of the Cross. In addition to the communal celebration of the divine office, members of his community were to devote at least three hours to contemplative prayer each day.

October 14, 2018
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30

***Today's Intention - Kelly Keagy, Birthday, 10/10**

Readings: Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

***Sun., October 21st, Ron & Zeralda Geis, W. Ann., (Fam)**

Cathedral Mass Intentions

October 15, Monday: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor

Readings: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32

6:45 AM Mike Zeak (Mr. & Mrs. Francis Dambeck)

8:00 AM John Bauer (Mr. & Mrs. Richard Tragon Jr.)

12:00 PM Barbara Byers (Trisha & Mark Whittaker)

October 16, Tuesday: St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Readings: Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

6:45 AM Souls in Purgatory

8:00 AM Joyce McNeal (Kathy Ryan)

12:00 PM Ronnie Geis (Geis Family)

October 17, Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

Readings: Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46

***6:45 AM BeBe Milliron (Theresa Heasley)**

8:00 AM Dave Baronner (McNelis All-Stars)

12:00 PM Bob McCabe (Kathleen & Jess Winter)

October 18, Thursday: Saint Luke, Evangelist

Readings: 2 Tm 4:10-17; Lk 10:1-9

6:45 AM Joseph A. Keirn (Mom and Dad)

8:00 AM Earnest & Catherine Raskanskas (Johnson Family)

12:00 PM Patrick Cooney (Cathedral Parish)

October 19, Friday: Sts. John & Isaac, Priests & Companions

Readings: Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

6:45 AM Roberta Lamont (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)

8:00 AM Eugene Duncan (Wife, Lois)

12:00 PM Janet Tomlinson (Frank & Betty Seymour)

October 20, Saturday: Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest

Readings: Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

8:00 AM Edward Hallinan (Family)

12:00 PM Marian Clemens, Anniversary (Daughter)

Vigil: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

5:00 PM Joseph Pagliaro, Anniversary (Family)

*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.*

October 14, 2018
Scripture Reflection

Some who spend their lives pursuing wealth find it very satisfying. The accumulation of goods can provide comfort, status, privilege and pleasure. People who amass fortunes by applying their talents can find their lives especially fulfilling; prosperity is their reward for the unique genius they share. No one the less, when death comes, everything they worked for is taken away.

To his credit, the young man in the Gospel did not explicitly equate his wealth with divine favor. Instead, he justified himself by pointing out his scrupulous adherence to God's commandments. The works of the law are a tricky path to holiness, however. If an encounter with divine wisdom and love remains one's steadfast goal, then the biblical law leads to God, as indeed it did for Jesus. Nevertheless, human vanity threatens this project at every turn. The temptation was ever present to follow God's law to gain the approval of others.

Looking into this man's heart, Jesus says in effect: "You consider that leading a good life entails not harming others. Instead, spend your resources in doing good for others." Unfortunately, the eager young man could not accept Jesus' challenge, and he walked away.

Eternal life requires more than just a pattern of good behavior; it requires a conscious commitment to God. This is the example Jesus gives. In every interaction, Jesus remains attentive to God's presence and action. He follows wherever God leads, and, in every interpersonal encounter, acts only according to the divine will.

A life of pursuing wealth ends at death. A life of pursuing good works for their own sake can do so as well. Only a life spent, like Jesus', pursuing the love of God regardless of the consequences, will leave something that survives the encounter with death. Our own resurrection is assured when we show God the same commitment to divine love that Jesus showed first.

- Is there some attachment that obscures your awareness of God?

ARISE

Groups are meeting each week, for six weeks, for one hour to discuss their relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ. This session, the second of five six-week sessions, is centering on Encountering Christ Today. If interested in joining any group during the week, please call the Parish Office and you will be given the varying schedules so you may choose the most convenient for you.

Parishioners are encouraged to become part of this spiritual renewal. Grounded in Scripture, these groups strengthen their faith in Christ, receive strength to go out and share their faith with others, and receive strength to reach out in service to others in Jesus. These weekly meetings ground one in our identity as Christians. Claimed for Christ in baptism, we renew our commitment and reach out to others in faith.

F.I.R.E. Classes are as follows:

Religious Education Students - Sunday October 14, 2018, 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM
(Feeding the needy in our community)

Holy Trinity Catholic School News

Join the school family to recite the rosary during the month of October; Middle School, October 15, 1:30 PM; Altoona Campus, October 16 and 30, 1:50 PM; Hollidaysburg Campus, October 22, and 29, 1:30 PM. All are welcome.

Confirmation Preparation

Eleventh Grade Confirmation Candidates/ Parents/Sponsors. Our first session we will meet on Sunday, October 21, in the Cathedral Hall following the Sunday 5:00 PM Mass. Please bring your paper about your sponsor. **SHYCON:** Sunday, October 28, 2018. Registrations need to be in by October 13. We will be taking a bus which will leave Bishop Guilfoyle parking lot at 10:00 AM, returning by 6:15 PM..

Patriotic Rosary

The annual Patriotic Rosary, sponsored by the Diocesan Courts of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas throughout the diocese, will be Saturday, October 20th at 2:00 P.M. in the Cathedral. Bishop Bartchak will preside and give a reflection on the scripture. The rosary will be prayed followed by Benediction. All are welcome to attend.

2018 Catholic Ministries Drive.. Our goal of \$9602 has been met! Thank You to everyone who have participated! All gifts will now come back to Our Lady of Fatima!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA TRAVELING STATUE...

Is waiting to be invited to some ones home who will honor and praise her for a week or two. Please do not hesitate to call Carol at the rectory if you wish make a reservation. Call 942-0371.

Good news!! This years SaveAround Coupon book has many new coupons all worth over \$5,000. AND You may get more savings with the SaveAround App! It's easy and FREE!

- Download the App to a mobile device.
- Register using the Savings Pass Code on the front of the book you just purchased.
- Start saving around town, in the USA and Canada.

Our Lady of Fatima's unique Group URL is: SupportOurGroups.com/GN/158108.

We get the credit for all sales purchased through this URL and you get an additional \$1000. worth of coupons for purchasing the out-of town books. Great for students, Vacation times. Etc. Please check out the Website above.

This Tuesday is Boscov's Day. Please buy your Boscov's Pass from Our Lady of Fatima Parish! The \$5.00 for the pass stays in the parish and you still get good deals at the store for your shopping and enter the contest for more prizes! Paul is selling them in back of the church. You may also call the rectory.

October 14

Mk 10:17-30

Having possessions is an illusion. In today's gospel Jesus told the young man to give up his need to control and put his trust in God. He couldn't let go! In families our need to control destroys relationships. We can lead, teach and encourage, but we can't control anyone but ourselves.

**ORDER OF
CHRISTIAN
FUNERALS**

Liturgical Reflection...

When the choice has been made to cremate a body, the Church recommends that the cremation take place after the Vigil for the Deceased, the Funeral Mass, and Rite of Final Commendation and Farewell. When cremation takes place, the cremated remains of the body of the deceased person are reverently taken to the cemetery for burial and the Rite of Committal. The official prayers of the Church are prayed as the cremated remains of the Christian are then formally buried. It is usually a matter of a few days between the Funeral Mass and the availability of the cremated remains for the Rite of Committal. The Rite of Committal is celebrated as soon as possible following the Funeral Liturgy. Order of Christian Funerals, Cremation, 1998, Number 418-420.

2018, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 14)

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man to give away all that he has in order to have treasure in heaven. But he is unable to free himself from his possessions, and so he goes sadly away. Does what I own keep me from following Jesus?



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| 10/19 | Stan Krish |
| 10/20 | Jim Hosgood |
| 10/23 | John Waksmonski |

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, October 21, 2018...

A second collection for World Mission Sunday will be taken up next Sunday. Please be extra generous with your resources and especially your prayers. Use the envelope in today's bulletin.

Prayer to Saint Paul of the Cross seeking his holy intercession

O' glorious Saint Paul of the Cross, you were chosen by God to profess to all of humanity the bitter sufferings of His only-begotten Son, and to spread devotion to the Passion of Jesus throughout the world.

By your preaching and holy example Jesus converted thousands of sinners through you by bringing them to the foot of the Cross to repent of their sins, thereby obtaining for them His infinite forgiveness and mercy! May Jesus be blessed for His extraordinary grace that was so often made present in your life, and for the many miracles He worked through you for the conversion of souls!

O' blessed St Paul of the Cross, turning towards you now I ask that from your place with Jesus and Mary in heaven that you may look mercifully upon my poor soul and hear my prayers, and with all of your love humbly present them to Jesus for me (mention petitions).

Obtain for me also a great love of Jesus suffering, that by frequent meditation on His Passion I may take up my own cross and accept with holy resignation the sufferings that God has permitted in my life. Help me to suffer and to sacrifice in union with Jesus for the conversion of my poor soul, the souls of my loved ones, and for all of humanity. Help me to love Jesus and Mary with all of my heart, and intercede for me that I may, by the grace of God, die a holy death, and come at last to enjoy with you the blessed Presence of Jesus and Mary in Heaven for all of eternity.

One Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...

I ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, AMEN +

-May the Passion of Christ be ever in our hearts! St Paul of the Cross, pray for us!

Happy Anniversary

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| 10/17 | Helen & Butch Carper |
| 10/19 | Bert and Bill Bravin |
| 10/20 | Robyn and Steve Kasun |

OCT. COLLECTIONS 2018

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| October 7, 2018 | Env used | 58/137 |
| Weekly | | 1114.25 |
| Christmas Club | | 43.00 |
| Votives | | 96.00 |
| Children's | | 6.00 |
| Shrine | | 10.00 |
| Music | | 5.00 |
| Ret. Prst. Med/R | | 35.00 |
| Fuel | | 165.00 |
| All Souls | | 10.00 |
| All Saints | | 10.00 |
| Dep. For Week | | 1494.25 |

7th PATRIOTIC ROSARY

COME AND PRAY WITH US SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018 at 2:00 PM

THE CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ALTOONA, PA

TO SEEK DIVINE GUIDANCE

IN OUR CHOICES at the

POLLS ON ELECTION DAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

PLEASE JOIN

MOST REVEREND BISHOP MARK L. BARTCHAK, PRESIDER

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

12 DIOCESAN COURTS

**13 DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC OFFICIALS FOR
THE 7TH PATRIOTIC ROSARY CEREMONY**

WITH BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018, 2 P.M.

**CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
In ALTOONA, PA**

REFRESHMENTS FOLLOW--CATHEDRAL'S MAIN ENTRANCE



St. Paul of the Cross

The austerity of life practised by the first Passionists did not encourage large numbers, but Paul preferred a slow, at times painful, growth to something more spectacular.

More than two thousand of his letters, most of them letters of spiritual direction, have been preserved.

He died on 18 October 1775,^[6] at the Retreat of Saints John and Paul (SS. Giovanni e Paolo). By the time of his death, the congregation founded by Saint Paul of the Cross had one hundred and eighty fathers and brothers, living in twelve Retreats, mostly in the Papal States. There was also a monastery of contemplative sisters in Corneto (today known as Tarquinia), founded by Paul a few years before his death to promote the memory of the Passion of Jesus by their life of prayer and penance.

Saint Paul of the Cross was beatified on 1 October 1852, and canonized on 29 June 1867^[6] by Blessed Pius IX. Two years later, his feast day was inserted in the Roman calendar, for celebration on 28 April as a Double. In 1962 it was reclassified as a Third-Class feast,^[7] and in 1969 it became an optional Memorial and was placed on 19 October, the day after the day of his death, 18 October, which is the feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist.^[1]

WORDS OF WISDOM

The spirit of wisdom, as we discover in today's first reading, comes to those who pray for her. Wisdom, like the word of God, carries a message of consolation as well as of great challenge. The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that the word of God, infused with the wisdom of God, is "sharper than any two-edged sword." We cannot shrink from the wisdom of God, or from the word that has the power to penetrate our hearts and minds. Jesus, the living word of God, the embodiment of wisdom, has strong, deeply penetrating words for the rich young man who comes to him seeking answers to his most profound questions. Just when the young man thought he had done enough to fulfill God's commands, more was asked of him. This is no less true for us.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

They say that it is not so much that Columbus discovered America, but rather that after he arrived, the new world "stayed discovered." The sponsorship of Ferdinand and Isabella assured that the news would flash around Europe with an air of authority that other "discoverers" lacked. One of the oft-mentioned early visitors is Saint Brendan the Navigator, a sixth-century Irish monk who had trouble staying at home. He is said to have sailed to "the Isle of the Blessed" in a leather-bound boat, and to have been away from his monastery for seven years. Upon his return, the stories of adventures to a new land attracted pilgrims to his monastery in the Blasket Islands, off the west coast of Ireland. Columbus is said to have referred to The Voyage of Saint Brendan, a very popular adventure in those days. Only after his American journey is Brendan said to have gone to tamer lands to the east, England and Scotland.

In 1976, Tim Severin set out on a two-year voyage to America from Ireland in a leather-bound boat, traveling in summer and hopscotching from the Faroes to Iceland to Newfoundland, and encountering along the way exactly what Saint Brendan describes: icebergs, whales, and porpoises. Scholars warn not to dismiss this too quickly: just as the ancient Egyptian monks sought to live in the desert, for the Celtic monks exile in a boat was the Irish equivalent. Five centuries after Brendan, other Irish monks may have visited here as a refuge from Viking terror.

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THE PATH

People find their way to paradise more by a path of footprints than by a pack of road maps.

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OUR LADY URGES US TO PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY FOR

PEACE AND OFFER

SACRIFICES BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!