

Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 2, 2022

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
Christian Initiation Team: 944-4603
Catholics returning Home: 944-4603
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
Middle School Campus (Grades 5 thru 8) - 942-7835

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: 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

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

11:30 A.M.

This Sunday, October 2, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Duane Eichenlaub (Bryan & Eileen Starr)

Next Sunday, October 9, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tom & Patricia Byrne, Wed. Anniv. (Patricia Byrne)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

October 2, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Walter Beckel, Jr. (Emily Beiswenger)

10:00 AM +Dennis J. Behe, Birth. (sister, Peg)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

October 3, Monday, Weekday

6:45 AM +Carol Ann Kepner (Barbara Johanson)

12:00 PM +Jim Davidson (Jim & Steph Kilkoyne)

October 4, Tuesday, St. Francis of Assisi

6:45 AM +John Adams, Sr. (Family)

12:00 PM +Deb & Bill Capotosti (Marie & Sharon Yanchik)

October 5, Wednesday, St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin

6:45 AM +Lt. Col. William Bussman, USAF (Tom Bussman)

12:00 PM +Delphina Rutolo, Anniv. (Family)

October 6, Thursday, St. Bruno

6:45 AM +Msgr. Roy Kline (Jim & Steph Kilkoyne)

12:00 PM +Susan Burkey (Family)

October 7, Friday, Our Lady of the Rosary

6:45 AM Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
(Anonymous)

12:00 PM Marc R. Thibault, Birth. (Jeanne & David E. Thompson)

October 8, Saturday, Weekday

8:00 AM +Marti Stefanon (Lois & Ed Simanski)

12:00 PM +Libby Ann Shea Allen (William Plank)

Vigil: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM +Joseph Pagliaro, Anniv. (Family)

October 2, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM +Todd Talasky (Mark Talasky)

10:00 AM +Timothy Allen Beck (Roadie)

5:00 PM +Pro Popolo/For the People

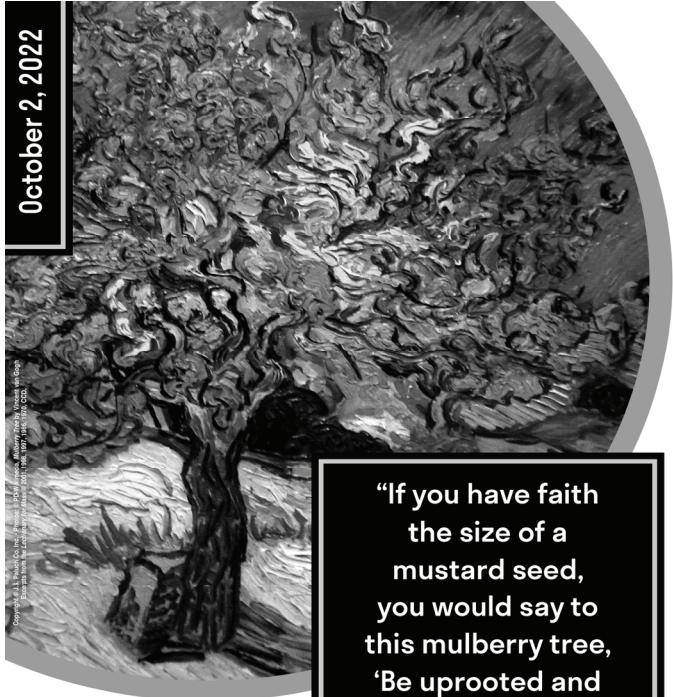
There is Mass at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Fatima Parish.



SANCTUARY CANDLE

For the month of October, the sanctuary candle in front of the tabernacle is lit in memory of Duane Eichenlaub by Bryan & Eileen Starr.

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TWENTY-SEVENTH
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**"If you have faith
the size of a
mustard seed,
you would say to
this mulberry tree,
'Be uprooted and
planted in the sea,'
and it would obey you."**

Luke 17:6

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — In spite of violence, destruction, and ruin, the just person, because of faith, will live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

Gospel — Lord, increase our faith! (Luke 17:5-10).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, September 25, were \$1,838.



LESS IS MORE

The last few weeks, we have seen Jesus speaking in parables that were long and complex, and sometimes it was difficult to find the point of his message. But today he speaks simply to the Apostles and gives them a graphic image that is very easy to grasp. Think of how many pictures you have seen with an open hand holding mustard seeds, or the image of the seeds and the grown tree. The thing is, those photos are worth a thousand words. One could call it the “elevator pitch” on faith. Jesus provides his followers with a touchstone to hold onto, a spiritual roadmap as it were. But along with that beloved parable is a more difficult message.

At some point, Jesus must just get exasperated with these folks. The Apostles and disciples have been following him for how long now? And they still don’t understand. The kingdom of God is not about how great you are on earth, or how much faith you have. There is much work to be done. He reminds them that they are still the folks who are going to be cooking dinner when they come home in the evening. They are the servants. Their work continues until the kitchen is clean! Similarly, it is not enough for us to simply show up to church on Sunday morning. We must be servants in our daily lives. On my computer screen is a yellow sticky note that says “If serving is below you, then leadership is above you.” Right now, “Servant Leadership” is a big buzzword phrase bordering on overuse, but there is a lot of truth to it. Some of the ways we may lead our families, our workgroups, our faith groups include: listening to others, showing empathy, healing yourself through work-life balance, developing your self-awareness, and being a good steward. Wrap it any way you want, it is all about being a good Christian. Have faith. Serve others. Watch it grow!

Today's Readings: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

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LIFE CHAIN

October 2, 2022 2:00 to 3:00 PM

Downtown Altoona

17th St at 9th Ave at Station Mall Medical Center

National LIFE CHAIN Sunday is a time for prayer and repentance. Stand with hundreds of thousands of pro-lifers throughout America, in memory of over 60 million babies who have lost their lives to abortion since 1973. Participants will silently stand in peaceful, prayerful witness to their commitment to love and protect the unborn and their mothers. This silent, peaceful, and prayerful event provides a visual statement of pro-life unity to passersby. Bring your whole family! Rain or shine! Water, lawn chairs, umbrellas and strollers are welcome. Signs will be provided for those who wish to hold one.

OCTOBER COUNT

The Diocese has asked that parishes conduct a count of those attending Mass during the month of October. This information will aid the Bishop and diocesan advisory bodies in pastoral planning.

Our parish is once again participating in Boscov's **Friends Helping Friends** fundraiser. The event is on Wednesday, October 19, from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. A \$5.00 shopping pass entitles you to 25% off your purchases in-store and cannot be used in conjunction with other discounts and promotions. The parish receives the \$5.00. Passes are available after Mass and in our office, during regular office hours.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Using beads for prayer and meditation is an ancient custom, found in many cultures and religions. The Christian rosary dates from the twelfth century, when it provided a way for ordinary Christians to learn about the lives of Jesus and Mary. Alan de la Roche, a fifteenth-century Dominican, preferred “Psalter of Our Lady” to “rosary.” This fitting name recalls an explanation of the devotion’s origin. Unable to read the one hundred fifty psalms that formed the Church’s “official” daily prayer, medieval Christians substituted first one hundred fifty Our Fathers, and later one hundred fifty Hail Marys. By meditating on the various mysteries of the rosary while repeating these simple prayers, the faithful could immerse themselves in the whole mystery of the Incarnation and the Resurrection. The dedication of October to the Blessed Virgin Mary is an appropriate reminder of this venerable form of prayer. Faithful Christians everywhere continue to meditate on the mysteries of the rosary, praying in groups or alone. Why not take advantage of this season to renew your acquaintance with the rosary?

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