

# 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish**  
2010 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
[www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org](http://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: Sunday: 11:30 AM**

**Holy Days: 5:30 PM**

Holy Communion 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**

**Paula Clemens, Secretary**

**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](http://www.holytrinitycatholic.school)**

**Holy Trinity Eldorado (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-381-7011**

**Holy Trinity Fairview (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-942-7835**

**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: [ltthayer@dioceseaj.org](mailto:ltthayer@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: 12:00 PM**

**8:00 AM**

**8:00 AM**

**Saturday: 12:00 PM**

**10:00 AM**

**12:00 Noon**

**5:00 PM**

## THE FATIMA TOWERS

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS**

**11:30 A.M.**

**Today, October 22, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Tia Colaante (Keagy Family)

**Next Sunday, October 29, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Kathy Starr (1965 Class of B.G.)

**Cathedral Mass Intentions**

**October 22, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM +Placede & Victor Little (Kwolek Grandchildren)

10:00 AM +Tom DePue

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

**October 23, Monday, St. John of Capistrano, Priest**

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

**October 24, Tuesday, St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop**

12:00 PM +Deborah Consiglio (Anonymous)

**October 25, Wednesday, Weekday**

12:00 PM +Nancy Moffa Jenaway (Estate)

**October 26, Thursday, Weekday**

12:00 PM +Souls in Purgatory (Anonymous)

**October 27, Friday, Weekday**

12:00 PM +Lori Crilley, Anniv. (Sisters, Pam & Vicki)

**October 28, Saturday, Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles**

12:00 PM +Joseph Moran (Kathy & Terry Tomassetti)

**Vigil: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM +Catherine Beech Frederick, Birth (Family)

**October 29, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM +Mary Fenello (Kathleen Foster)

10:00 AM +David C. Hooper, Birth (Family)

5:00 PM +Pro Popolo/For the People

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

**TABERNACLE  
CANDLE**

For the month of October, the sanctuary candle in front of the tabernacle is being lit in memory of the deceased members of the Kirsch, Duman, Tsikalas and Hall Families requested by Paula Hall.

Thank you.



**29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." - Mt 22:21

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**Readings for the week of October 22, 2023**

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 (7b)/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

**Thank You Very Much**

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated.

The contributions for Sunday, October 15, were \$848. Thank you.





Sister Miriam Richard Soisson, who once served as principal at St. Leo School, is celebrating 75 years of religious life. If you would like to send her a greeting, her address is: DePaul Center/ Caritas Christi, 144 DePaul Center Road, Greensburg, PA 15601-1253

### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

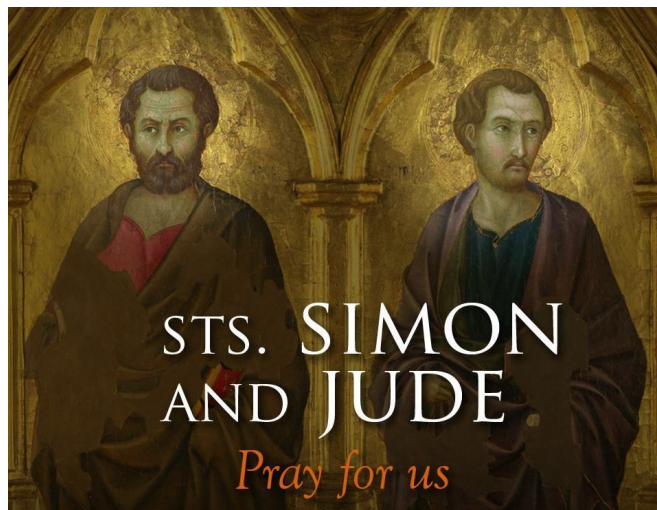
Chosen

It is getting close to Election Day and I suppose most of us have an idea of how we will cast our vote. We have tried to discern where candidates stand on important issues and what type of leader they might be if elected. However, there is a good chance that when we go into a voting booth, we will cast at least one vote for a person who we never heard of and to do a job we do not understand. We know the more notable people in the more notable contests, but some of those on the ballot as we get further into it? Who knew that was going to be on there?

In life we will at times be asked to make a choice about something or someone we know little about. Our choices will not always be as informed as we would like. Then, when we do know some information needed to make a choice, we still don't know everything. We may support a candidate and not really know him or her personally.

When God chose you and me, He had all the information needed to make the choice. The crazy thing is He chose us anyway! He knew we would sin, turn our backs on Him, and sometimes not be very good ambassadors for Him. However, He still chose us because He loves us. We are a chosen people. We are His own. I don't know about you, but if given the chance I am not sure I would have chosen myself. I rejoice that God sees in me something that at times seems hidden to me.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



The 2023 Catholic Ministries Drive target for **Our Lady of Fatima Parish** was \$9,224. The target is calculated as 10% of our regular offertory averaged over the previous three years (2020-2022). The CMD supports programs and services beyond the resources of any single parish.

**Thank you for helping our parish go over this year's target by \$926.** Thank you! \$10,150 has been pledged or donated.



### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

Meetings/sessions will be held for parents with children preparing for their First Reconciliation on Tuesdays, October 3 and November 7, from 6:30-8:00 P.M. in the Cathedral basement. A parent must accompany your child to the meetings. A copy of your child's baptism certificate is required. First Reconciliation will take place on Wednesday, December 20, at 6 P.M. Please contact Chris Laraia (814-312-7317 or claraia@dioceseaj.org) if you are unable to attend so that make up work can be assigned.



## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### The Tax of Caesar

Too often, I confuse this world with the next.

Every day has its set of problems that need dealing with. Some are very easily discernible as problems of this world: I am tired, and I need a nap and a latte. Some are very obviously problems of eternity: I need to ask for forgiveness, but I'm not ready to admit it.

Most problems are a subtle, maddening mix of the two: my body feels tired, obscuring how tired my soul also feels, while making me very cranky, which is keeping me from asking for the forgiveness I need.

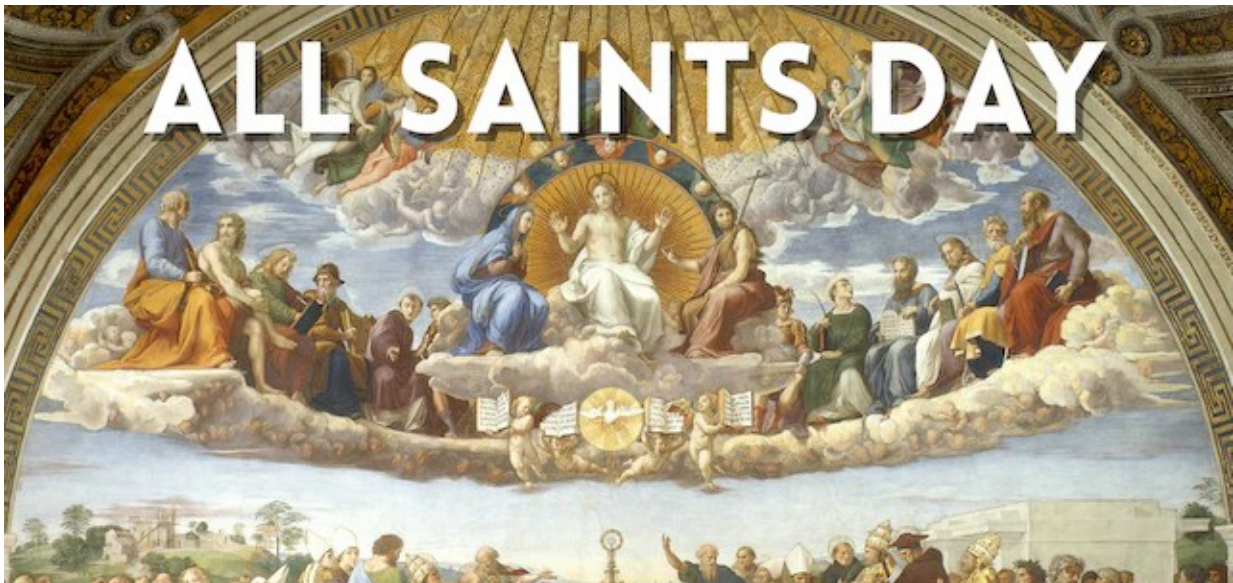
It's not that the nap and the latte aren't solutions. Heaven forbid! I would never propose such a thing. Sleep and coffee, I am confident, can fix almost any problem in this world. This world.

Too often, I slap a one-size-fits-all earthly band-aid on all my problems and rush on to the next thing. But if the problem is an issue of my soul, I may as well pay for a parking ticket in Monopoly money.

I render unto Caesar, and I forget about what is owed to God. I apply solutions meant for the here and now to problems that have eternal consequences. The spiritual problems are dismissed, shoved to the back of my mind. For when I have time, I tell myself. For when I am ready.

But the only time we have is now. God is no king of this earth, and he does not ask for a tax offering. He asks for our heart. He doesn't want us for minions but for children.

"I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not." — Isaiah 45:4 ©LPi



For the Solemnity of All Saints, which is a holy day of obligation,  
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church will on Wednesday, evening November 1, at 5:30.

**Copies of our parish's 2022-2023 Financial Report are available on the table in the back of the church.**