

Fatima Mirror

A weekly publication for the education and edification of parishioners and friends of Our Lady of Fatima Parish of the Catholic Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown in Altoona, Pennsylvania. Most Reverend Joseph V. Adamec, D.D. is the diocesan bishop. Father J.D. Zatalava, M.Div. is the pastor. Parishioners worship in the church building named after Saint Leo the Great, 2000 12th Ave. 16601. 814-942-0371.

Make plans and arrange schedules to attend ...

You are invited to join Bishop Joseph with his priests in the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Lent is the Church's season to remind the faithful of our need to turn from sin and seek God's mercy. We seek reconciliation with God and our neighbor. Gather with all who identify themselves as sinners joyfully proclaiming the love and forgiveness of God. A Communal Penance Service will be celebrated on *Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament*, One Cathedral Square, Altoona, at 6:30 PM. This public gathering of believers is a great preparation for the celebration of the Easter mysteries. Plan to gather for this hour of prayer celebrating God's mercy in liturgy.

An Examination for Confession

The First Commandment is Broken

First, by Sins against Faith.

1. To be ignorant of the principal mysteries of Christianity, of the Creed, of the Commandments of God and his Church, or of the Sacraments.
2. To give God's honor to any created being or thing whatsoever; to pay divine worship, or to ascribe God's exclusive powers or attributes, to any being except God himself.
3. Willfully to doubt, or obstinately to err, in any point of faith, out of human respect, interest, fear, etc.
4. To favor heretics or wicked men, in supporting or approving their opinions or actions.
5. To endanger our faith by reading their books with pleasure.
6. To examine divine mysteries with curiosity, and secrets of Providence by pure human reason.
7. To condemn or deride holy things.
8. To abuse the words of the holy scripture, by perverting them to a wicked or profane sense, making them subservient to jests, or other ill purposes.
9. To desire to know things to come, which belong to God alone, or things past or present, which are hidden from us, and for this end to employ unlawful means, as fortune tellers, or other superstitious inventions.
10. To give credit to dreams, or make superstitious observations; to employ prayers or sacred names to ill uses; to use charms, etc.

Secondly, by Sins against Hope.

1. By distrusting the mercies of God, and despairing of the pardon of our sins.
2. By presuming on God's goodness, without the least concern of amendment.
3. By deferring our conversion or repentance until the end of life.
4. By exposing ourselves to the danger of offending God either by company, reading, or otherwise, which is called tempting God.

5. By exposing ourselves, without necessity, to some corporal danger; as sickness, wounds or death.
6. By neglecting the remedies which God has appointed in these dangers, as medicine for the body, or prayer and the sacraments for the soul.

Thirdly, by Sins against Charity.

1. By not loving God above all things, but rather choosing willfully to offend Him, than suffer any loss of honor, riches, etc.
2. By preferring the love of man before the love of God; or offending Him through fear of being jeered or slighted.
3. By omitting our duty through shame, or human respect.
4. By thinking seldom of God, or being ashamed to speak of Him; or by not hearkening to His inspirations, by forgetting His benefits, or neglecting to give Him thanks.

Fourthly, by Sin against Religion.

1. By not adoring God, or praying to Him but seldom.
2. By praying without attention, and with willful distractions.
3. By a want of respect to God in time of prayer; or by talking or being present in holy places without a becoming modesty and gravity in our looks, words and actions.

Fifthly, by Sins against the Care we ought to have of our Salvation.

1. By a love of idleness.
2. By being too solicitous in temporal concerns, and neglecting the means of salvation.
3. By deferring amendment of life, or immediately desisting, after having begun it.
4. By neglecting means of salvation; as the sacraments, prayer, good works, or performing them without devotion.

The Second Commandment is Broken.

1. By taking the name of God in vain.
2. By swearing to what one knows or doubts to be false.
3. By swearing to what is unjust, or prejudicial to others.
4. By swearing without necessity, though the thing itself be true and just.
5. By blaspheming God or holy things.
6. By cursing one's self or others, or taking pleasure in hearing others swear or curse; or by provoking them to it.
7. By not reprehending them when one could and ought.
8. By making a vow to do what is impossible to fulfill; or to do what is evil and displeasing to God; or to do what one never intends to perform.
9. By breaking lawful vows, or deferring to fulfill them without just cause.

The Third Commandment is Broken.

1. By doing servile works on Sunday, or causing others to do the like without necessity.
2. By employing a considerable part of Sundays or holidays in temporal affairs, as is often the case with merchants.
3. By omitting to hear Mass, or not hearing it with due attention and reverence.
4. By spending Sundays and holidays in idleness, gaming, dancing, feasting, and other recreations.
5. By not dedicating a considerable part of those days to reading and praying, and by not taking care that those under your charge to the like.

The Fourth Commandment is Broken.

I. By children:

1. Not paying due respect to their parents, or by despising them either in their hearts or actions.
2. By not loving them, but wishing their death, or some misfortune; or by forsaking them in their necessities.
3. By not cheerfully obeying them; or by obeying them in things unlawful.
4. By slighting their representations, and resisting their corrections.
5. By putting them into a passion, and not taking care to pacify them.
6. By not executing their last will and testament, or by delaying to do so.

STEWARDSHIP of Time, Talent, and TREASURE

MONEY MATTERS Fourth Sunday of Lent (March 2)

250 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. Contributing \$ 2,561.86 of which
\$ 212.36 accounted for "loose" cash \ checks (no envelope)

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II. By parents not discharging their duty towards their children.

1. In not loving them, and supplying their corporal necessities.
2. In not being careful of their salvation.
3. In not correcting them when it is necessary; in flattering their passions, or indulging their evil inclinations.
4. In treating them with too much severity.
5. In not setting them good example.
6. In forcing them in the choice of their state in life.

The Fifth Commandment is Broken.

1. By anger, quarreling, or threatening, or by injurious or reproachful words, or actions against our neighbors.
2. By revenge, or deliberate thoughts or desires of revenge.
3. By provoking, striking, challenging, wounding, or being the cause of another's death.
4. By bearing malice, refusing to salute or speak to any neighbor out of hatred or aversion, or refusing to be reconciled to him.

(Last week's MIRROR carried a detailed examination of conscience concerning commandments 6 and 9, and 7 and 10)

The Eighth Commandment is Broken.

1. By witnessing what is false, or defending a false accusation, as in lawyers and solicitors; or condemning the innocent, or discharging the guilty, as judges and arbitrators.
2. By detraction, either in laying something false to another's charge, or reporting for truth what is merely doubtful; or in revealing something as yet secret and unknown, though true, to the prejudice of some third person; with a declaration, whether it be done out of levity and indiscretion, or out of malice or ill-will; whether in the presence of many, or in a matter of importance.
3. By lying, or speaking what we judge to be otherwise than we say; whether out of custom, or to the considerable prejudice of others.
4. By hypocrisy, which is a lie in action.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR March 10-16 2008

Monday	03/10	08:00 AM	Mary Wozniak, M/M Peter Markiewicz	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>
Tuesday	03/11	08:00 AM	Wally Jorkasky, St. Stan's	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>
Wednesday	03/12	08:00 AM	Marcella Boslet, Sue Lawruk	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>
Thursday	03/13	08:00 AM	Sally Colledge, Husband Pete	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>
Friday	03/14	08:00 AM	Vocations to Dioc. Priesthood, C. Sheehan	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>
Saturday	03/15	04:30 PM	Janet Faust, M/M Mike O'Connor	<i>Palm Sun.-the Lord's Passion</i>
Sunday	03/16	09:00 AM	Walter Bieniek, M/M John Robine	<i>Palm Sun.-the Lord's Passion</i>
Sunday	03/16	11:00 AM	Liv/Dec of Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners	<i>Palm Sun.-the Lord's Passion</i>