

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 27, 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

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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
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

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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

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 AM

This Sunday, March 27, Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare/ Sunday)

BeBe Milliron (Becky Marshman)

Next Sunday, April 3, 2022, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jane Shea (Tom & Lisa Levine)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

March 27, Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

8:00 AM +Rose Fusco (Kathy & Greg Clemens)

10:00 AM +Vocations to the Religious Life (Rita Kibler)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

March 28, Monday, Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM +Bishop Joseph Adamec (Anonymous)

12:00 PM +Thomas P. Kilkoyn (Jim & Steph Kilkoyn)

March 29, Tuesday, Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM +David Baronner (Greg & Kathy Clemens)

12:00 PM +John Adams (Karen & Duane Woodward)

March 30, Wednesday, Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM +Louise Hallinan (Family)

12:00 PM +Todd C. Talasky, Anniv. (Mark Talasky)

March 31, Thursday, Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM +Jane Davidson (Lois & Ed Simanski)

12:00 AM +Alverda Nardella (Cathy Chirdon)

April 1, Friday, Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM +Dorothy Stephens (Robert Farabaugh)

12:00 PM +Mrs. Lumina Thibault, Birth. (Jeanne & David E. Thompson)

April 2, Saturday, Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM +Lori Keirn (Kevin & Cindy Boslet)

Noon PM +Maverick Baker (Friends)

Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM +Marti Stefanon (Husband)

April 3, Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM +Mary Alice Plummer (Bob & Joan Lozinak)

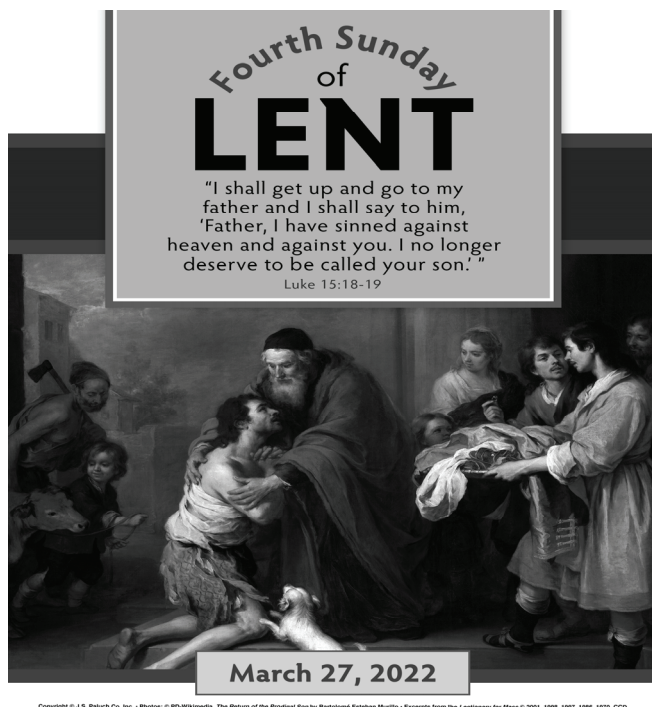
10:00 AM +Mike Kling (Geishauser Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For The People



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle for the month of month of March it is being donated in memory of Denise Keagy by Chris & Kelly Keagy and Family. Thank you.



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God's people enter the promised land, observe the Passover, and eat of the produce of the land (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) *or* 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) *or* Psalm 23.

Second Reading — We are now ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) *or* Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — We must rejoice when our brother who was dead in sin repents and comes back to life (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) *or* John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday:Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday:Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday:Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday:Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11.

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, March 20, were \$1,603.



TESTING THE BOUNDARIES

Some of the first words a two-year-old might say are “Do by self!” It is almost a rite of passage for teenagers to test their parents as much as they can. Every parent who ever lay awake in bed at night waiting to hear the sound of the child pulling the car into the garage or opening the door knows at least as much about praying vigils as any nun in a convent. This is a deep and earnest prayer, and the parents can barely breathe until their child comes home. Usually when we think of the story of the Prodigal Son, we think of the feeling of guilt the son had as he realized how much he had messed things up, or we feel the injustice that the older brother felt, because he wasn’t the rebel child leaving the home.

What we don’t often remember in the story of the Prodigal Son is that God is there welcoming, urging us on. A few years ago there was a funeral for a young man who died of a drug overdose within days of coming out of a treatment center. Many of his young friends came but expected fire and brimstone, and to be told what a bad child that boy was. Instead, the priest preached about God loving this child so much that perhaps the only way God could protect him was to bring him home. That gentle image of God welcoming him with open arms soothed the broken hearts and unspoken questions that were on many minds. Not every situation is that drastic, but God is calling us home this Lent no matter what mistakes we’ve made, or how many times we have made them.

Today’s Readings: Jos 5:9a, 10–12, Ps 34:2–3, 4–5, 6–7; 2 Cor 5:17–21; Lk 15:1–3, 11–32

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Bishop Mark will be leading the annual Lenten **Communal Penance Service** at the Cathedral on Wednesday, April 6, at 6:00 P.M. You are strongly encouraged to experience God’s mercy, love, and kindness in preparation for Easter.



Our sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide servant leadership development for clergy and laity. Our Lady of Fatima Parish’s target is \$8,641. Any contributions received above target will be returned to the parish.

BULLETIN

We have been informed by the J.S. Paluch Company that they can no longer produce printed bulletins for us due to increased productions costs and a reduction in sponsorship revenue.

You are able to receive an email copy of the bulletin on Saturday mornings by going to the J.S.Paluch website (jspaluch.com), go to the eServices link at the top of the page, scroll down and click Bulletin Subscriptions, fill in our state, city or zip, click the green arrow next to our parish’s name and then fill in your information.

We will have some printed copies of our bulletin in the back of the church.

We hope to have the bulletin available on our parish’s facebook page and website.

We might also consider another alternative.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

The **Cathedral’s Lenten Fish Lunches** will be served on the Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday) from 11:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. The drive-thru only meal is \$10.00 and includes battered fried fish, mac & cheese, haluski, cole slaw, and a sandwich roll.

