

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

May 8, 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

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
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, May 8, 2022, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Kate Starr (Husband, Children, & Grandchildren)

Next Sunday, May 15, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Adaline Cassarly (Laurie & Mike Beckel)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

May 8, Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM +John Duffy (Mike & Sherry Byrne)

10:00 AM +Vera Hauck (Children)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

May 9, Monday, Easter Weekday

6:45 AM +Jim Davidson (Judy Diebold)

11:00 AM +David A. Baronner (Jay & Amy Labriola)

May 10, Tuesday, St. Damien deVeuster, Priest

6:45 AM +Lori & Joe Keirn (Ricke & Donna Kelly)

12:00 PM +Alice Winkler (Val Moschella)

May 11, Wednesday, Easter Weekday

6:45 AM +Msgr. Roy Kline (Leo & Mary Ann Holtz)

12:00 PM +Robert Simanski (John & Deb Milliron)

May 12, Thursday, Easter Weekday

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

12:00 PM +Walter Beckel, Jr., Birth. (Gary & Janet Roesch)

May 13, Friday, Our Lady of Fatima

6:45 AM +Rita Beck (Tom & Patricia Forr)

10:00 AM HTCS All School Mass with May Crowning

12:00 PM +Patricia Koeck (Jerry & Josie Intihar)

May 14, Saturday, St. Matthias, Apostle

8:00 AM +Carrie Kibler Detwiler (Mom & Dad)

12:00 PM +Geraldine Kines, Anniv. (Sharon Yanchik)

5:00 PM +Ann Rhodes (Gary & Lou Craig)

May 15, Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM +Michael "Mike" Wagner (Doug & Jerry Moore)

10:00 AM Debi Peck (Eileen Hmel & Family)

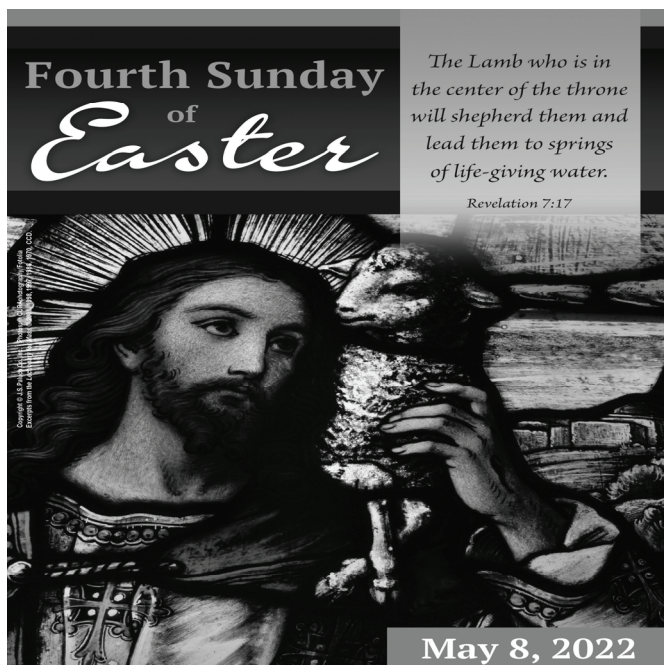
5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

11:30 AM Our Lady of Fatima Church

+Adaline Cassarly (Laurie & Mike Beckel)

SANCTUARY CANDLE

For the month of May, the Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Kathy Starr and has been requested by Bryan & Eileen Starr. Thank you.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Jews angrily reject Paul and Barnabas' preaching. They then turn their energies to the Gentiles (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

Psalm — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

Second Reading — John envisions a great white-robed multitude standing before the throne and before the Lamb. (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

Gospel — My sheep hear my voice; they follow me. I give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

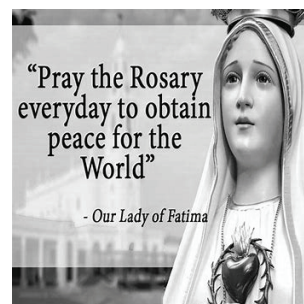
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, May 1, were \$1,169.00.



LIGHT TO THE GENTILES

Today's passage from the Acts of the Apostles is one of several turning points in the self-understanding of the early Church. Paul evokes the image of "A light to the Gentiles." Some thought that Gentiles, non-Jews, were somehow marginal in God's eyes. The Gentiles in Paul's audience rejoice, because they now see that they are not "second class" members of God's family, but fully part of God's beloved people. The story continues by noting the resistance from those who enjoy "first class" status in the community, as inclusion of the Gentiles was perceived as a threat to their self-image and privilege.

The book of Acts continues to challenge today's societies, churches, and organizations. Luke's vision of God's family, united as equal heirs to the Kingdom of God, confronts our many barriers of wealth, race, gender, and much more. We are invited to give witness to this vision in our life together as the Church.

Our reading from the Book of Revelation presents the image of God's people before God's throne, wearing robes that are washed white in the blood of the Lamb. A robe, especially when worn in God's presence, is meant to express the real truth about the person. A white robe indicates their purity. The washing in the blood of the Lamb (Jesus) suggests that the people have met much suffering, and in some manner, have participated in the suffering of Jesus.

These passages were written to a people experiencing great tribulations in living their faith. But the author of Revelation does not suggest that anyone should seek out suffering for its own sake. He does not make suffering somehow a necessary entry pass for salvation. Our sufferings come from many sources, and suffering is a profound mystery. The image of washing in blood suggests that God is present within our suffering. God accompanies our suffering, leads us toward refreshment, and will wipe every tear from our eyes.

Today's Readings: Acts 13:14, 43–52; Ps 100:1–2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b–17; Jn 10:27–30

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The annual Precious Life Baby Bottle Campaign is upon us. The campaign, "Time For A Change," runs from Mother's Day, May 8, to Father's Day, June 19. Our donations help to provide life-affirming services.

FORWARD IN FAITH 2022

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. As of March 31, \$550.00 has been pledged from five donors.

This Sunday, May 8, 2022 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday," is the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

College Junior & Senior Scholarships Available

Students registered at Blair County Parishes who will be college juniors or seniors this fall may apply to receive one of four \$500 grants from the Adelaide Welge Scholarship Endowment. Please visit the "Grants & Scholarships" page of the Independent Catholic Foundation website (www.icfoundation.us) to download an application. The application deadline is 8.

Our Lady of Fatima parishioners collected \$645.92. Thank you for your kind generosity.



