

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in O.T.
October 7, 2018

Let the children come to me;
do not prevent them, for the
kingdom of God belongs to
such as these.

— Mark 10:14

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Our Lady of Fatima
Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary
before Sunday Mass and
privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.



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Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule

Sunday: 10:30 AM - Holy Days: 6:00PM
Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM

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Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator

Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur

Parish Secretary
Carol Z. Smith

E

Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

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Our Lady of Fatima Church is open
Monday through Friday: 9AM - 6PM
for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

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Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be held
at Our Lady of Fatima.

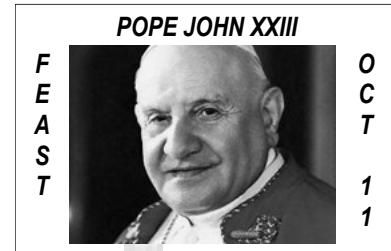
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Preparation for Baptism, and Weddings will be held at
the Cathedral. 944-4603

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Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of
healing may call the Cathedral Parish Office to
make arrangements. 944-4603

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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

10:00 AM

12:00 Noon

5:00 PM

8:00 AM

12:00 Noon

5:30 PM

Saturday : 8:00 AM

12:00 Noon

Saint John XXIII
Saint of the Day for October 11
(November 25, 1881 – June 3, 1963)

Although few people had as great an impact on the 20th century as Pope John XXIII, he avoided the limelight as much as possible. Indeed, one writer has noted that his “ordinariness” seems one of his most remarkable qualities.

The firstborn son of a farming family in Sotto il Monte, near Bergamo in northern Italy, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was always proud of his down-to-earth roots. In Bergamo’s diocesan seminary, he joined the Secular Franciscan Order.

After his ordination in 1904, Fr. Roncalli returned to Rome for canon law studies. He soon worked as his bishop’s secretary, Church history teacher in the seminary, and as publisher of the diocesan paper.

His service as a stretcher-bearer for the Italian army during World War I gave him a firsthand knowledge of war. In 1921, Fr. Roncalli was made national director in Italy of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. He also found time to teach patristics at a seminary in the Eternal City.

In 1925, he became a papal diplomat, serving first in Bulgaria, then in Turkey, and finally in France. During World War II, he became well acquainted with Orthodox Church leaders. With the help of Germany’s ambassador to Turkey, Archbishop Roncalli helped save an estimated 24,000 Jewish people.

Named a cardinal and appointed patriarch of Venice in 1953, he was finally a residential bishop. A month short of entering his 78th year, Cardinal Roncalli was elected pope, taking the name John after his father and the two patrons of Rome’s cathedral, St. John Lateran. Pope John took his work very seriously but not himself. His wit soon became proverbial, and he began meeting with political and religious leaders from around the world. In 1962, he was deeply involved in efforts to resolve the Cuban missile crisis.

*His most famous encyclicals were *Mother and Teacher* (1961) and *Peace on Earth* (1963). Pope John XXIII enlarged the membership in the College of Cardinals and made it more international. At his address at the opening of the Second Vatican Council, he criticized the “prophets of doom” who “in these modern times see nothing but prevarication and ruin.” Pope John XXIII set a tone for the Council when he said, “The Church has always opposed... errors. Nowadays, however, the Spouse of Christ prefers to make use of the medicine of mercy rather than that of severity.”*

On his deathbed, Pope John said: “It is not that the gospel has changed; it is that we have begun to understand it better. Those who have lived as long as I have...were enabled to compare different cultures and traditions, and know that the moment has come to discern the signs of the times, to seize the opportunity and to look far ahead.”

“Good Pope John” died on June 3, 1963. Saint John Paul II beatified him in 2000, and Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

Reflection

Throughout his life, Angelo Roncalli cooperated with God’s grace, believing that the job at hand was worthy of his best efforts. His sense of God’s providence made him the ideal person to promote a new dialogue with Protestant and Orthodox Christians, as well as with Jews and Muslims. In the sometimes noisy crypt of St. Peter’s Basilica, many people become silent on seeing the simple tomb of Pope John XXIII, grateful for the gift of his life and holiness. After his beatification, his tomb was moved into the basilica itself.

October 7, 2018
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11 Mk 10:2-16
*Today's Intention - Catherine Burr

Readings: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30
*Sun., October 14th, Kelly Keagy, Birthday, 10/10

Cathedral Mass Intentions

October 8, Monday: Weekday Columbus Day

Readings: Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37
6:45 AM Prayer and Thanksgiving (Grove Family)
8:00 AM Betty Capouellez, Birthday (Family)
12:00 PM John Hupert (Family)

October 9, Tuesday: St. Denis, Bishop, Companions, Martyrs

Readings: Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42
6:45 AM Poor Souls
8:00 AM Joe Wiedemer (Murphy & Patty Montler)
*12:00 PM Tom Byrne, Wedding Ann. (Wife & Family)

October 10, Wednesday: Weekday

Readings: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4
6:45 AM Wilma Weimert (M/M Francis Dambeck)
8:00 AM John Bauer (Rosemarie Fedeli)
12:00 PM Nancy Genesi (Janet Getzcy Hart)

October 11, Thursday: Saint John XXIII, Pope

Readings: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13
6:45 AM Kryder & Elizabeth Miller (Irwin Family)
8:00 AM Anna Mercer (Gary & Lori Moschagat)
12:00 PM Mary Kantoski, Anniversary (Family)

October 12, Friday: Weekday

Readings: Gal 3:7-14 ; Lk 11:15-26
6:45 AM Tim Nagle (Mike & Nancy Nagle)
8:00 AM Anna Matthew
12:00 PM Myra Mangiacarne (Penny Lafferty)

October 13, Saturday: Weekday BVM

Readings: Gal 3:22-29 ; Lk 11:27-28
8:00 AM Herbert Kutruff (Cindy & Larry Nevling)
12:00 PM Loretta Batkiewicz (Peg Horrell) Scouting Mass

Vigil: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30
5:00 PM Edgar Anna (Jim Kelly)

*Jesus, Son of the Living Father,
Have Mercy on Me a Sinner.*

*Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially for
those who have illnesses great and small and our
seniors who are lonely and need comfort and care.*

October 7, 2018 Scripture Reflection

Marriage was part of God's plan from the very beginning of creation. Today's First Reading from the Book of Genesis opens with a religious reflection on the creation of woman. The context for her creation is the simple proclamation that "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him." Through the specific body imagery of this story, a clear message emerges that man and woman complement each other. Through the bond that joins them together they "become one body." In the Gospel, some scholars of the Jewish Law pose a question to Jesus about divorce. In the Book of Deuteronomy 24:1, Moses allowed a man to divorce his wife if "he is later displeased with her and finds in her something indecent."

We know little about the practice of divorce in Jesus' day. The Dead Sea Scrolls rarely mention it and generally forbid it. The culture of the day was patriarchal, and the Torah was vague about grounds for divorce. Although some Jewish scholars insisted that a man could divorce his wife only if she were sexually unfaithful, others argued that he could do so for any reason. The one Jewish divorce contract that survives from this period speaks only of the division of assets and the freedom of both parties to remarry. With such thin evidence, it is not clear how divorce functioned in Jewish society in Jesus' time.

Jesus returns to God's original intent in creating man and woman by quoting the passage in the First Reading. God intends "the two to become one flesh." In effect Jesus says that from the creation of the world marriage is meant to establish absolute permanency and deep unity. This bond is never to be broken. In doing so Jesus makes a commitment to the equality of man and woman. While his own Jewish tradition allowed a man to divorce his wife, by returning to God's original plan for man and woman to become "one flesh," Jesus rejects divorce and raises the status of the woman, who is an equal partner to the man.

- How does staying true to others help you stay true to God?

ARISE

Our Lady of Fatima's "ARISE Together in Christ" will begin this week, for 6 weeks, held at the Fatima rectory. We have three group leaders to guide us.

- Tuesday October 9th 6:30 PM with Group Leader Helen Carper.
- Wednesday, October 10th at 6:00 PM with Group Leader John Kasun.
- Thursday October 11th at 10:00 AM with Monsignor Mazur.

Sign up after Mass in the vestibule to join one of the groups.

F.I.R.E. Classes are as follows:

Religious Education Students - Sunday October 7, 2018, 2 -4 PM --- Sunday October 14, 2018, 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM
(Feeding the needy in our community)

First Reconciliation Meeting

There will be a First Reconciliation meeting at the Cathedral on Wednesday, October 10, from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM in the Seton Suite.

Baptismal Retreat

Ninth grade students will attend a Baptismal Retreat in the Cathedral Church Hall on October 13th, from 1:30 until 6:00 PM.

LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 7th ♦ 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

17th St. and 9th Ave., Altoona
(at Station Mall Medical Center)



Never give in. Never give in. Never, never, never, never. Never yield to force.
Never yield to the apparently overwhelming might of the enemy.

~ Winston Churchill ~



♦ Stand with thousands of pro-lifers throughout the USA, in memory of over 60 million babies who have lost their lives to abortion since 1973. ♦ Bring your whole family! Rain or shine! ♦ Water, lawn chairs, umbrellas and strollers are welcome! ♦ Signs provided proclaim "Abortion Kills Children," "Adoption the Loving Option," "Jesus Forgives & Heals," "Lord, Forgive Us and Our Nation," "Abortion Hurts Women," "Life-The First Inalienable Right," "Pray to End Abortion." ♦ Pray for those in crisis situations and for our nation.

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See page 10 for additional regional Life Chain locations.

Patriotic Rosary

The annual Patriotic Rosary, sponsored by the Diocesan Courts of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas throughout the diocese, will be Saturday, October 20th at 2:00 P.M. in the Cathedral. Bishop Bartchak will preside and give a reflection on the scripture. The rosary will be prayed followed by Benediction. All are welcome to attend.

2018 Catholic Ministries Drive.. Our goal of \$9602 has been met! Thank You to everyone who have participated! All gifts will now come back to Our Lady of Fatima!

Healing Mass..

There will be a Healing Mass on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM, at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Bill Kiel, from the Diocese of Greensburg, will be the main celebrant. All are welcome, especially those in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual healing, and those who support and care for them as well. Music for the Mass will be led by the Cathedral Prayer Group Music Ministry. For more information, please call 814-941-3832.

**ORDER OF
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FUNERALS**

Liturgical Reflection...

The cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum. The practice of scattering cremated remains or keeping the cremated remains in the home of a relative or friend are not the reverent disposition the Church requires. Whenever possible, appropriate means for recording with dignity the memory of the deceased should be adopted, such as a plaque or stone which records the name of the deceased Christian. Order of Christian Funerals, Cremation, 1998, Number 417.

2018, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 S. Logan Blvd., Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648

October 7

Mk 10:2-16

In today's gospel Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rule book. Rules are for those with "hardened hearts." Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love... a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.

10/10	Frances Good
10/10	Kelly Keagy
10/12	Dickie Bradford
10/12	Barbara Brannan
B	Happy Anniversary 10/10/1987
A	10/10/1987
R	10/10/1987
B	10/10/1987

OCT. COLLECTIONS 2018

Sept. 30, 2018	Env used	51/137
Weekly		1196.20
Christmas Club		5.00
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Children's		5.00
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Music		0
Ret. Prst. Med/R		167.00
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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 7)

Today's readings remind us that God is the Origin of life itself. Thank Him throughout your life by serving others with your time, talent, and treasure.

Prayer for Priests

Gracious and Loving God, we thank you for the gift of your priests. Through them we experience Your presence in the Sacraments. Help them to be strong in their vocation. Set their hearts on fire for love for your people. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen!

POPE JOHN XXIII PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace,

who are yourself our peace and reconciliation,

who so often said, "Peace to you,"

grant us peace.

*Make all men and women witnesses of truth,
justice, and brotherly love.*

Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace.

*Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee
and defend the great gift of peace.*

May all peoples of the earth become as brothers and sisters.

*May longed-for peace blossom forth
and reign always over us all.*

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH SIX (6) HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13TH .. 9AM - 3PM..

The **SIXTH** and **FINAL** Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima for 2018, is being commemorated by our parish with a **SIX (6) hour Exposition, Adoration and Benediction**. While Exposed, the Blessed Sacrament may never be alone. Call 942-0371 if there should be a problem. It can be a "silent adoration" with the praying of the Rosary for vocations to the priesthood, peace in the world and The Divine Mercy Chaplet for the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

Those who sign up as **LEADERS** may also lead the prayers aloud if they wish. The remainder of the hour will be in personal silent prayer.

Parishioner's and Non-Parishioner's are all welcome!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA TRAVELING STATUE...

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HE EMBRACED THEM AND BLESSED THEM

Today Jesus stresses how children embody the reign of God. They are trusting and loving and have hearts that are open to love. They are joyful when they are made aware of God's love for them, and are eager to return that love. This is the model Jesus holds out to us if we want to welcome the reign of God. We need to have open, loving hearts. We must drop our defenses, however we came by them, and welcome Christ's love for us with joy. This is impossible for us on our own. Only the grace of God will enable us to do this, but that grace is freely and generously given. We have only to accept it.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of our great treasures is the way the Church has frequently flourished under unfavorable conditions, like the grape ivy on the mantel that refuses to die no matter how infrequently you water it or open the drapes. Like the apartheid laws in South Africa in the last century, the penal laws of Ireland were aimed at depriving the majority population of basic human rights. The Protestant parliament of Ireland enacted laws limiting the practice of Catholicism. The goal was to force conversion from "popery" to the Church of Ireland, and additional laws took aim at Jews, non-Anglicans, and Quakers.

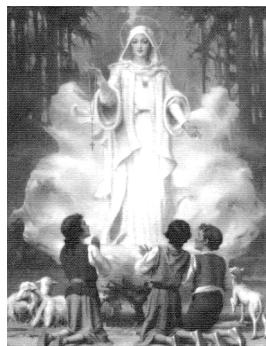
There were laws against intermarriage, laws against Catholics being lawyers (there was a one-hundred-pound fine), a law granting lifelong income to priests who became Protestant, and a ban on weapons. In fact, until 1793, a Catholic man had to recruit and pay a Protestant man to serve in the local militia in his place! As if family life is not complicated enough in any age, the sons of a deceased father could divide his land equally, unless one became Protestant. In that case all would go to him! When allowed, new Catholic churches had to be built of wood, not stone, be off a main road or city square, have no steeple or bell, and be called a "chapel." Catholic "Emancipation" was largely secured by 1829, but even up to the founding of the Irish State in the 1920s, some effects of the laws endured. No wonder that poor Irish immigrants to the United States frequently built gloriously beautiful churches as their first act on free soil!

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When I dig others out of trouble, I find a place to bury my own.

—Anonymous



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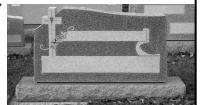
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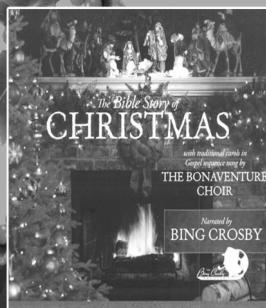
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