



*Our Lady of Fatima Parish*  
2010 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Altoona, Pa 16601  
[www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.com](http://www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.com)

*Rectory Office Hours:*  
Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Parish Office: 814-942-0371

*Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule*

*Sunday: 10:30 AM Holy Days: 6:00 PM*  
*Rosary: 9:40 AM Rosary: 5:40 PM*

*Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator*  
Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur

*Parish Secretary*  
Carol Z. Smith

*Secretaries Assistant*  
Ellen Kelly

*Eucharist for the home bound weekly*  
Patty Flanagan 942-0371

*Our Lady of Fatima Church is open*  
*Monday through Friday: 9AM - 6PM*  
*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. 944-4603*

*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.*

*The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament*  
*One Cathedral Square*  
*Altoona, Pa 16601*

*Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603*  
*Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak Bishop*  
*Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur, Rector*

*Reverend Father Dennis M. Kurdziel, Parochial Vicar*  
*Christian Initiation Team: 944-4603*  
*Catholics returning Home: 944-4603*

*Altoona Central Catholic School:*  
*Pre-K thru Grade 5 381-7011*

*Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School:*  
*Web: [www.bishopquifoyle.org](http://www.bishopquifoyle.org) – 944-4014*

*Directors of Religious Education:*

*Chris Laraia – Pre-K thru 8 - 946-3475*

*Jean Koury – 9 thru 12 – 949-2777*

*Religious Education Office: Sundays – 943-7424*

*Confessions @ 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*

<i>8:00 AM</i>	<i>8:00 AM</i>	<i>8:00 AM</i>
<i>10:00 AM</i>	<i>12:00 Noon</i>	<i>12:00 Noon</i>
<i>12:00 Noon</i>	<i>5:30 PM</i>	<i>Saturday: 8:00 AM</i>
<i>5:00 PM</i>		<i>12:00 Noon</i>

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2015**  
**10:30 AM**

*Intention: David Riley, Wife Carol and Family*



**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**  
**Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown**

Assessed = \$15,100 Amount Pledged to date = \$12,165  
Shortfall (at present) = \$2,935.  
An additional pledge was made by Geraldine Rose .

**Christian Initiation—Inquiry Sessions**

Are you interested in the Catholic Church? Do you know someone who might be interested in seeking information about our Catholic faith? Today, the Cathedral Christian Initiation Team will meet in the Seton Suite at 11:00 AM with all those seeking information on the Catholic Church. No commitments are made at this time. This is the first Inquiry Session to discuss aspects of our faith with anyone who might be thinking of joining the Catholic Church.

*Lord  
Jesus  
Christ  
Son  
Of  
God  
Have  
Mercy  
On  
Me  
A  
Sinner*

*Liturgical Reflection...*

**General  
Instruction  
of the  
Roman Missal**

The Church has specific directives for the altar on which bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. The altar clearly signifies Christ Jesus, the Living Stone. The altar should be built separate from the wall, in such a way that it is possible to walk around it easily and that Mass may be celebrated at it facing the people, which is desirable wherever possible. Also, the altar should occupy a place where it is truly the center toward which the attention of the faithful naturally turns. The altar in each church should be fixed (attached to the floor of the sanctuary) and dedicated according to the rite prescribed in the *Roman Pontifical*. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, Numbers 298, and 299.

2015, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 South Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania 16648.

Witness of Mercy of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney.

Bishop Mark Barchak and the Vocations Endowment Committee are hosting a special celebration for Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. Bishop Barchak will celebrate Mass at 2:00 PM, on October 11, 2015 at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel in Loretto. Following Mass there will be a dinner held in Our Lady of Loreto Community Hall. All Knights, along with their family members, friends and all parishioners are invited to this special celebration. **Cost of Dinner in Advance is \$15.00-Adults and \$7.50 for children 7 yrs old and under. Mail check and a list of individual names with a check to: William Stasko, CPA, 8 Entrance Drive, Johnstown, Pa 15905**  
**Deadline for reservations is September 30, 2015**

The Dorothy Day Outreach Center is holding their Bi-Annual TAG sale on September 26th, 2015 from 9AM-3PM. It will be held at the DDOC parking lot, rain location at the Stokes Auxilliary Gym on SFU campus. Please come and please be generous remember that the monies go toward helping the less fortunate. Any questions please call Mary at 472-2877.

**Happy Birthday:**

09/23 Bill Bravin, Jill Watters

**Wedding Anniversaries :**

09/23 Marci and Dickie Bradford

**MONEY MATTERS**

(Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 13, 2015)

135 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ 1,540.00 of which \$ 82.00 accounted for non-envelope contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation	176	# Used	54	# Unused	122
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Collection One Year Ago = \$ 1,769.50



**SEPTEMBER 20, 2015**  
**MASS INTENTIONS**

Wis 2:12, 17-20, Jas 3:16-43, Mk 9:30-137

September 21, Monday: Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evang.

*Readings: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13*

6:45 AM Jim Roland (Cathedral R.C.I.A.)

8:00 AM Bernie McLucas (Family)

12:00 PM Danyll Rougeux (Cathedral Ushers)

September 22, Tuesday: Weekday

*Readings: Ezr 6:7-8, 12, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21*

6:45 AM Shirley Hencherick (M/M Philip Hencherick)

8:00 AM Deacon John Rys (Cindy Geiner)

12:00 PM Kitty Sullivan (Donnie Rabine)

September 23, Wednesday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina

*Readings: Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6*

6:45 AM Msgr. Thomas Madden (Estate)

8:00 AM Henriette Thibault (M/M Paul Watkins, Jr.)

12:00 PM Tom Byrne (Janice Jorkasky Family)

September 24, Thursday: Weekday

*Readings: Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9*

6:45 AM Nozzie, Jennie and Sandy Calabrese (Family)

8:00 AM Ventura Mincin, Birthday (Susan Galant)

12:00 PM Lois Riley (Helen Force)

September 25, Friday: Weekday

*Readings: Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22*

6:45 AM Rob Beiswenger (Patty and Tom Forr)

8:00 AM Beverly Fabian, (M/M Paul Kowalski)

12:00 PM Mildred Burchfield (Greg and Kathy Clemens)

September 26, Saturday: Saints Cosmas and Damian

*Readings: 1 Tm 6: 13-16; Lk 8:4-15*

8:00 AM Betty Capouellez, Birthday (Family)

12:00 PM Alfred Rutolo, Birthday (Family)

Vigil: Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

*Readings: Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

5:00 PM Rita Greiner, Anniversary (Family)

***Our Lady of Fatima Mass Intention***

September 27, Sunday: Twenty Seventh Sunday in O.T.

*Readings: NM 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

10:30 AM Mike and Ann Billy, *Ann. (Ron, Bernice and Sons)*

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2015**

***Scripture Reflection***

This Sunday tells of the second Passion prediction in Mark's Gospel Account. Although the disciples had already heard Jesus' prediction once, still "they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him". After traveling to Capernaum they are inside the "house" (a symbol of both the church and Jesus' inner circle). At this point, Jesus questions *them* about their conversation on the journey. One would expect that they were discussing the Passion prediction. But no, they were discussing which one of them was the greatest, which seems to prove the point that they did not understand Jesus' words. Jesus then sits down (the position of a teacher) and explains that in God's eyes being first is not about glory and honor but about humility and wise living.

So what is the problem with arguing, "I am not just one of the twelve, I am the greatest apostle?" Jesus presents to his apostles a spiritual world in which true greatness is measured not by human striving or boundless ambition but by servanthood. This is a gift and an ability that does not rely on pre-eminence or superiority but on presence for those in need. It is in caring for the little one, Jesus says, that his apostles live up to the call of the gospel. The treatment of the child becomes a measure of greatness because it demands the humility and service. Loving a child does not offer prestige, honor or wealth, especially when in antiquity children were generally in the care of mothers, nurses or slaves. This was not the work of a man, certainly not the hand-picked viceroys of the Messiah.

We are all children of God, dependent at all points in our lives on the service of others, in varying and different ways. Spiritual humility is not the manifestation of a lack of self-esteem or a sense that we are unloved and unlovable but the acknowledgment that we are dependent upon God and others. Our boast must be that we are children of the Lord and that God is our Father.

To recognize that we are called as disciples of Jesus is to be at the service of others, especially children and all others who are vulnerable, marginalized and otherwise forgotten. Servanthood orients our relationships with others, for when our desires are out of order, as James writes, our relationships become disordered: "Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you?"

We all yearn to belong and to be loved, but sometimes this can devolve into unbridled ambition, desire for human greatness and even fear that we are unlovable. How can we understand greatness in the context of the kingdom of God and God's love for us?