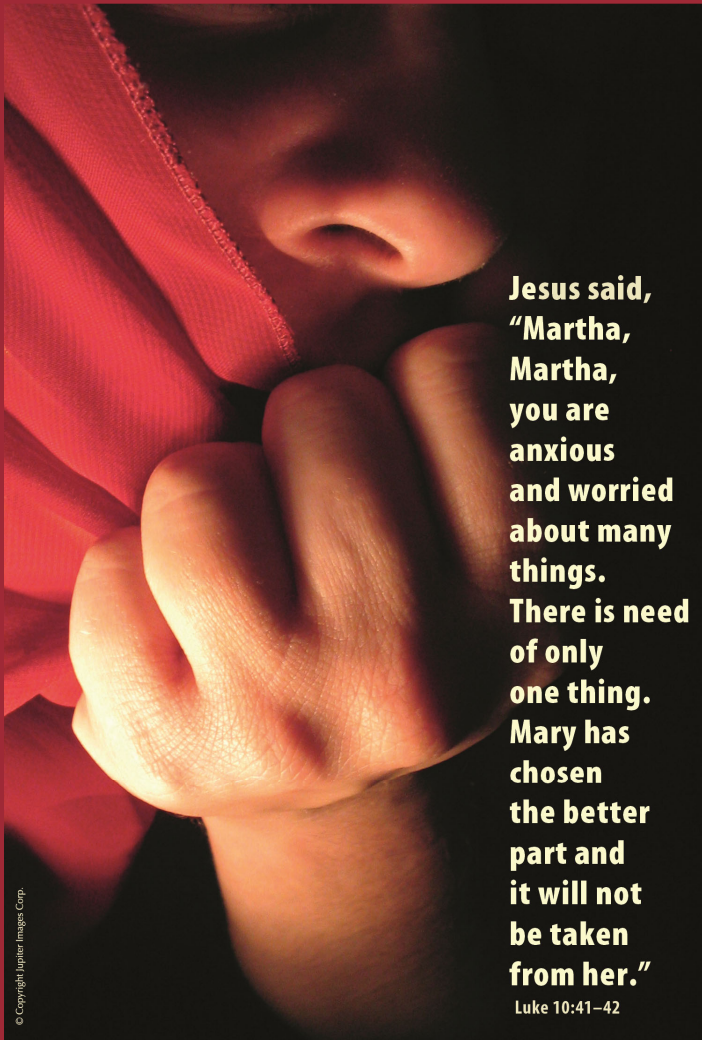


MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY • TUESDAY • THURSDAY • FRIDAY - 8:30AM
WEDNESDAY - 6:00PM
SATURDAY: 4:00PM • SUNDAY: 8:00AM 10:00AM



**Jesus said,
"Martha,
Martha,
you are
anxious
and worried
about many
things.
There is need
of only
one thing.
Mary has
chosen
the better
part and
it will not
be taken
from her."**

Luke 10:41-42

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Summer Office hours:

Monday • Wednesday • Friday 9:00-3:00
Tuesday • Thursday - Office Closed

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES

Sat. July 27 - 4:00 PM - Claire Nackley, Brody Partner-Gore
Sun. July 28 - 8:00 AM - Mai Linh Do, Nicholas Helsley
Sun. July 28 - 11:00 AM - Savannah & Makayla Langenbacher

LECTORS

Sat. July 27 - 4:00 PM - Mark Sloan, Heather Nackley
Sun. July 28 - 8:00 AM - Ronan Adams, Fran Semelsberger
Sun. July 28 - 11:00 AM - Richard Consiglio, Susanna Tomlinson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. July 27 - 4:00 PM - Mary Haenig, Dorothy Yingling
Sun. July 28 - 8:00 AM - Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
Sun. July 28 - 11:00 AM - Barbara Bundy, Norma Foose, Bill Foose, Donna Moyer

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. July 27 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, Carolyn English, Betsy Lloyd, Billy Sweet
Sun. July 28 - 8:00 AM - Ray Kennedy, Mike O'Neill, Darlene Scarpaci, Mary Truesdale
Sun. July 28 - 11:00 AM - Barb Aubrey, Walter Bloom, Dolores Capriotti, Mary Grace Horton

SACRISTAN

Sat. July 27 - 4:00 PM - Joyce Cunningham
Sun. July 28 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
Sun. July 28 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

SCRIP

Sat. July 27 - 4:00 PM - Carolyn English, NOT FILLED
Sun. July 28 - 8:00 AM - Christopher Palazzi, Heather Yasolsky
Sun. July 28 - 11:00 AM - Peg Madden, Marge Rudolph

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

July 21 - No 10:00 Mass in the church
July 21 - Parish Picnic at Legion Park - 11:00 Mass at Legion Park.
August 11- Second Sunday Food Collection
November 9 - Love Feast

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A Few Words from the Pastor:

OUR PARISH PICNIC – Our thanks to all who have been preparing for our parish picnic this weekend, and to all the participants who share in this annual celebration. A reminder that there will be NO 10AM Mass this Sunday. Mass will be celebrated at Legion Park at 11:00, with dinner served at 12:30. Even if you have not signed up, bring a covered dish and join us! There is always plenty!

PRAY FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS – Not only in this diocese, but in many dioceses across the country, there is a critical shortage of priests. The last thing that our bishop wants to do is close parishes due to this crisis, for he honors the strength and vibrancy of parish families. Please pray that God will raise up more young men to answer the call to priestly service.

FORMING WORSHIPING CATHOLICS - Long after our young receive the sacrament of Confirmation and complete their formal instructions in the faith, what endures is a love for and participation in the Mass. The Lord's Day is an essential part of their faith throughout their lives. Thus, as we focus on faith formation with our young people during this coming year, we will make "participation in the liturgy" an essential part of their formation. They will be invited and trained to join the choir, serve at Mass, participate as lectors, assist in the ministry of hospitality, and be part of our Sunday offertory procession. To grow in love for the Mass will keep them worshipping on the Lord's Day, not only during their youth, but throughout their lives.

OUR CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE – We are most appreciative of your support of our Catholic Ministries Drive. Caring for the Poor and Strengthening Families, Nurturing our Youth, and Forming Clergy and Laity, are the needs which your contributions sustain. Our parish goal is \$43,116, toward which we have received \$23,200. Please be generous.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK: On Monday the church remembers Mary Magdalene, who is known as the apostle to the apostles, and who ran from the tomb on Easter morning to declare to the apostles that the Lord had indeed been risen. This Thursday, July 25, we celebrate the feast of the Apostle James. Tradition tells us that he was responsible for bringing the faith to Spain. He is buried in the city of Compostela, where there is a magnificent basilica dedicated to Santiago (the Spanish name for James). Since the middle ages, this basilica has been a popular pilgrimage destination. The Way of St. James extends across northern Spain, and this pilgrimage route is called *El Camino de Santiago de Compostela*. On Friday, we celebrate the parents of Mary, the grandparents of Jesus – Saints Joachim and Anne. There is a long tradition of celebrating a novena to St. Anne, which is observed by the Sisters of St. Anne in Ebensburg, and by the parish of St. John Gualbert in Johnstown, where there is a beautiful chapel dedicated to St Anne.

HANDICAPPED PARKING! Just a reminder that there are a limited number of handicapped parking spaces. Please keep them reserved for those who genuinely need them. Your kindness is appreciated!

BISHOP TO CELEBRATE OUTDOOR MASS FOR COLLEGE-

BOUND & NEWLY GRADUATED: The annual outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college will be celebrated on August 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto. Bishop Mark L. Bartchak will be the celebrant and homilist. All college students, as well as 2019 high school graduates who are entering the military or workforce, are invited with their family. The Bishop will offer a special blessing to the students, words of wisdom, and a small gift. Bring your own lawn chair. If it rains, the Liturgy will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel next to the Shrine.

July Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.



ONLINE GIVING: Please use Online Giving to catch-up on offertory, especially while you're on vacation. Go to www.stjohnsaltoona.org and click on the Online Giving link. It's quick and easy. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL: Lk 10:38-42

In today's gospel Mary planned to visit with Jesus after her work was done. If Jesus were to visit your home today, what would he say distracts you from giving more attention to family and friends?

COMMITTEE CHAIRS MEETING: Parish Council would like to create a calendar of all parish-sponsored activities for the year ahead. All committee chairs are asked to attend a special meeting immediately following the 6:00 PM Holy Day vigil mass on Wednesday, August 14 in the Parish Center. Please bring a list of events with date, time, location and any anticipated volunteer services. For more information, or if you are unable to attend, please contact Chris Ringkamp at 814-330-4074 or chris@icfdaj.org.

FUN NIGHT AT THE HEIDELBERG: Please join the parish for food and drinks on Tuesday, July 30, beginning at 6:00 PM at the Heidelberg County Club in Lakemont. Social Committee is planning a night out - no set up, no serving, no clean up - for all parishioners. We've all worked hard to ensure a successful BBQ and picnic; and, we would like to relax and and enjoy a night out. Please come - sign up on the kiosk! This event includes ALL parishioners - self pay.

ALLEGHENY CLUB OF HOLLIDAYSBURG is looking for new members. This non-profit social organization is hoping to round out its membership with parishioners attending St. John's, St. Catherine's, St. Patrick's, St. Mary's & St. Michael's. If you are interested, please contact Charlie Elder (695-8763) or Dan Turcovsky (695-6878).

TAG SALE: The Dorothy Day Outreach Center will hold it bi-annual TAG Sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, 2019 at the DDOC parking lot @ our new address of 115 St. Mary's Street, Loretto (former Franciscan Mission Store).

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Martha was too busy to recognize the importance of Jesus' presence. Mary was a good steward of her time, choosing to pause and listen to Him. Without spiritual nourishment our lives become unbalanced. May we learn from Mary the gift of listening and then share with a Martha the message of how to grow in faith and the love of Jesus.

Stewardship at St. John's

Offertory for July 14

Envelopes	\$ 4,360.00
Loose	\$ 656.00
SubTotal	\$ 10,385.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,498.00
Total Offertory	\$ 6,514.00

Second Sunday Food Collection - \$363.00

ST JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

Please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at gabby.reeder@gmail.com to add or remove someone from the prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING and their caregivers and give thanks for those who have recovered.

Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these and all people in need:

**Baby Adam • Baby Aiden • Cari Ann • James Aubrey
Judy Baird • Robert Cole • Millie Grace Capon
Betty Dennis • Michael DeStefano • Jim Duffy
Charlie Elder • Helen Fornwalt • Leann Frazier
Dianna Green • Ken Hartman • Karen Horton
Elain Houseknecht • Boni Javier • Brian Kopp • Lisa
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Anne Showalter • Tim & Dina Temofonte • Patty Teufel
Lois Werfel • William Wieland • Noah Wills
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HOME WITH THE LORD: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of:

Thomas A. Benton, brother of Jeanne Free

May he rest in the peace and joy of the Lord.

FALL CLASSES: The Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry has announced classes for 2019-2020 which begin this fall. For class information and registration forms please visit us online at www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry/ or contact us directly at (814) 361-2000 or by email at mheinze@dioceseaj.org.

SCRIP TIP: Amidst the vacations and excursions to the beach, the summer months also mean wedding season is here. Families can continue to use scrip for all their summer activities, including giving scrip gift cards as presents to happy newlyweds!

LADIES RETREAT: August 9 to 11 at Mt. St. Ann Retreat Center, 1120 N. Center St., Ebensburg, with Spiritual Director Rev. Andrew Mazich, O.S.B. from the St. Vincent Archabbey in Latrobe. The retreat is open to commuters. To reserve a place, please call the Sisters of St. Ann at 814-472-9354 or email: sistersann35@gmail.com.

HOME CARE WORKER FOR FEMALE PARISHIONER

NEEDED: General light household chores and light food prep along with food shopping and errands. Must be 18 years or older and have own car. Hours are flexible - \$11.20 per hour. Call after 11:00 AM - 941-8279.



2019 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

BE A GOOD SHEPHERD.
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The Catholic Ministries Drive solely exists to provide funds to support 14 ministries that Nurture Our Youth, Form Clergy and Laity, and Care for the Poor/Strengthen Families. You can be assured that 100% of all CMD gifts are restricted to these ministries.

Our 2019 Catholic Ministries Drive Goal is \$43,116

Youth Ministry needs your support! 100% of your gift will make a difference!

Youth Ministry helps the younger generation engage with their Catholic faith through hands on and fun filled programs such as summer camps (Camp Zacchaeus for students in grades 4-9 and Camp Timothy for students in grades 10-12 and newly graduated seniors), Senior High Youth Conference (SHYCON), and Faith Day. The summer camps include fun activities such as zip lining, canoeing, challenge courses, etc., all while still learning about the importance of their faith. SHYCON provides students with a day full of fun events and experience in helping those in need. *The youth are the future of our church and this ministry prepares them for it in a unique way!*

In 2017-2018, \$160,832 was allocated to support 1,967 youth to live as today's disciples through programs, service projects, and retreats.

How does Youth Ministry give help, build hope, and change lives?

Give Help- Each year, SHYCON shows our youth the importance of helping others through working with the **Rise Against Hunger** organization. At the 2018 SHYCON, 850 teens packaged 30,000 meals for people in this country and around the world and learned the importance of helping those in need.

Build Hope- One camper who attended Camp Timothy in 2018 stated, "Sometimes when you're surrounded by all the negativity in the world, it's great to come together with teens your own age who think the same as you about your faith." Being able to lean on your faith when life gets tough, helps you build hope for the future.

Change Lives- The 135 students that attended Camp Zacchaeus and the 29 students that attended Camp Timothy got the opportunity to meet fellow Catholics that live by their faith and learned how relying on your faith changes your life for the better. Seeing the difference their faith has on people, will encourage them to grow their relationship with Jesus Christ and follow him.

"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—oracle of the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope." - Jeremiah 29:11

Be A Good Shepherd: Your gift can be mailed to the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, 2713 West Chestnut Avenue Altoona, PA 16601-1720 ; placed in your parish offertory; or made online at www.dioceseaj.org



Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
July 21, 2019

It is [Christ] whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

—Colossians 1:28b

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday July 21 – 16th Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00AM- Mass for *People of the Parish*

11:00AM- Mass for *Roberta & Sidney Garrett and Donald Watkins* requested by Rich & Joyce Lowe

Monday July 22 – St. Mary Magdalene

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Colonel John & Pat Ward* requested by Linda Weyandt

Tuesday July 23 – Weekday

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Leonard & Joan Farrell*

Wednesday July 24 – Weekday

5:00PM- Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions

6:00PM- Mass for *Gary Bevan* requested by Marilyn Bevan

6:45PM- Rosary

Thursday July 25 – St. James, Apostle

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM - Mass for *John E. Dunn*

Friday July 26 – Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Joe Robeson*

Saturday July 27 – Vigil of the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00 PM- Confessions

4:00PM- Mass for *Daniel J. Sclafani* requested by Bob & Ginny Reeder

Sunday July 28 – 17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00AM- Mass for *People of the Parish*

10:00AM- Mass for *Mary Catherine Majestic* requested by Janice Grzesinski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17;
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday: Ex 14:21 -- 15:1; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23



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