



St. John the Evangelist Church

309 Lotz Ave Altoona, PA 16602

814-942-5503

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2015

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. -John 6:51

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Weekday Readings
 Mon. Aug. 10- 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
 Wed. Aug. 11- Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Thurs. Aug. 12- Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20
 Fri. Aug. 13- Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21-19:1
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APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. Aug. 15- 4:00PM- Rachel Resick, Julie Resick
 Sun. Aug. 16- 8:00AM- Nick Rasmussen, Nate Rudolph
 Sun. Aug. 16- 10:00AM- Cherie Langenbacher, Makayla Langenbacher

LECTORS:

Sat. Aug. 15- 4:00PM- David Andrews, Matt Michelone
 Sun. Aug. 16- 8:00AM- Ron Adams, Tom Robison
 Sun. Aug. 16- 10:00AM- Richard Karcher, Steve Wilson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. Aug. 15- 4:00PM- David Petrak, Mary Petrak
 Sun. Aug. 16- 8:00AM- Cora Bacon, Melissa McHugh
 Sun. Aug. 16- 10:00AM- Paul Dennis, Mary Dennis, Bill Foose, Norma Foose

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. Aug. 15- 4:00PM- Coleen Langguth, David Langguth, Peg Madden, Dorothy Yingling
 Sun. Aug. 16- 8:00AM- Darlene Scarpaci, Fran Semelsberger, Dan Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
 Sun. Aug. 16- 10:00AM- Dee Capriotti

Sacristan:

Sat. Aug. 15- 4:00PM- Mary King, Ray King
 Sun. Aug. 16- 8:00AM- Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. Aug. 16- 10:00AM- Barb Bundy

Office Hours: The office hours for the summer are 9:00am to 3:00pm.

PASTORAL STAFF:

- Msgr. Michael Becker- mbecker253@aol.com
- Deacon Gene Neral- gene@lifeinfocus.net
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- Mr. Bill & Mrs. Norma Foose- Stephen Ministry- norma.foose@yahoo.com
- Mrs. Heather Reimer- Business Manager- stjohchurch@atlanticbb.net
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- Mrs. Mary Haenig- Religious Education Dir- mshaenig@gmail.com
- Mr. Ken Dunmire, Maintenance

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Aug. 15th-16th- Mission Appeal

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A Few Words from the Pastor:

Surgery for Deacon Gene- Our deacon continues his recovery from surgery. Please keep him in your prayers. He would love to hear from you during his recuperation. His home address is 1101 Flamingo Drive, Apt. 7203, Altoona, 16602.

Give Us This Day- Those who would like to subscribe or renew a subscription to this monthly missal are to place your payment of \$20 in the envelope provided in the Gathering Space and drop it in the collection. **Give Us This Day** is a wonderful resource for personal prayer, as well as for your preparation for daily or Sunday Mass.

Mission Appeal Next Weekend-The weekend of AUGUST 15-16, 2015, Reverend Kenneth Oguzie, C.S.SP., will visit our parish to speak at the Masses about the missionary work of the Church and in particular that of the Fathers of the Holy Spirit ("the Spiritans"), earlier known as the Holy Ghost Fathers. To learn more about the Holy Spirit Fathers, visit their website at www.spiritans.org.

Feast of the Assumption- Next Saturday is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Though not a Holy Day of Obligation due to its proximity to Sunday, all are encouraged to participate in honor of our Blessed Mother. Mass on Saturday, August 15, will be at 9:00AM. Do plan on joining us! The 4:00 PM Vigil Mass will be for 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Our New Director of Religious Education- We are delighted to welcome Mary Haenig to our staff as the new director of our religious education program. Mary and her family have recently moved to the area, and have already found a spiritual home in our parish. Prior to coming to Altoona, Mary and her husband and two daughters resided in St. Richard's parish in the North Hills of Pittsburgh. She comes to us with lots of experience in the field of Religious Ed, having been director of the St. Richard's program for the past 8 years. This past spring she had over 120 children in her First Communion Class! Her love of the Catholic Faith and her experience in directing a very large and active program certainly qualify her to continue the fine program we have developed here at St. John's. Again, our sincerest welcome!

Conversations on Racism- The Allegheny Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is hosting the first of a series of conversations on racism on Thursday, August 20 at 6:30 p.m. at St. James Lutheran Church, 1407 8th Avenue, Altoona. Our facilitator is Dr. Tim Konhaus, who holds degrees in African American History, Appalachian Regional History, Multicultural Feminism and has specializations in race relations in America. He currently is a resident of Johnstown and brings a wealth of experience. The event is free and open to the public, but we do need a reservation as there will be refreshments following the presentation. For reservations, call [814-942-1042](tel:814-942-1042) or email office@alleghenysynod.com.

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August

Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

Volunteers

That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.

Outreach to the Marginalized

That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbors to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.

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Consider Liturgical Ministries!

The Catholic Church invites the laity to be active in parish life! One area of service is at the Liturgy for the Lord's Day. In thought and prayer this summer, please give consideration to serving the parish as a Lector, Hospitality Minister, Eucharistic Minister, or perhaps in one of our choirs. There will be training sessions in September! Allow the Holy Spirit to move in your heart to step forward and offer your time and talent! The words of the Psalmist come to mind: "*What return can I make to the Lord for all that he has done for me?*" (Ps. 116)

NEEDED: Used (in good condition) or new dehumidifier to be used in a small storage area in the cafeteria. Any questions call the office or Ginny at 695-7671.

Haiti News:

Haiti Scarf Project: We have the hope of starting a sewing enterprise for women in Marmount. It will begin small with scarves because they are popular, light weight, and do not need to be sized. The materials with American style ideas will be delivered to Sts. Peter and Paul on our trip in January. Then we will teach the women to sew these scarves, have them returned to us, and sell them here.

Our materials are obtained in the cheapest ways possible: clearances, coupons, yard sales, Goodwill, donations, etc. We are recycling and upcycling (taking old and refashioning).

DURING AUGUST, we will have a display and preview sale of some scarves we have put together. This is to raise some money but more importantly to test the market for what is popular so we know where to go from here. Later, we will have a list requesting items we will need, especially from your "stash" .

For further information, you may contact Mary Lee Madigan-Davis at mlmdcreek@aol.com.

Please also remember the Common Sense Jug, Mass Intentions, and Cards for gift donations.

Second Sunday Food Collection: You should know that our generosity with food donations is **greatly appreciated** by our local food banks, where demand remains very high. Also, Mary Petrak has organized our religious ed. teens for delivery of the food as well as help in its distribution for 3 of the last 4 months. Their involvement enlightens them about the needs of the poor in our midst and opens the door to a worthwhile volunteer activity at the food bank. Please consider signing up next year to deliver food if you haven't already done so.

There will be a meeting of the social committee on Wednesday, August 12th after the 6PM Mass (about 6:45pm) in the cry room of the church. We will be recapping the picnic and developing a survey for the bulletin to get ideas for future events. Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring your ideas/suggestions or email MaryKay at oc901@hotmail.com.

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for August 2, 2015

Loose: \$589.00
Envelope: \$7,660.50
Catholic Register: \$472.00
Children's: \$6.00
Parish Development: \$100.00
Assumption of Mary: \$25.00
Total: \$8,852.50
Online Giving: \$2,318.00
TOTAL: \$11,170.50

Scrip Gift Card Program

Statement of Financial Position As of June 30, 2015

ASSETS:

Cash in Bank: \$2,864.34
Inventory: \$30,234.00
Total Assets: \$33,098.34

Liabilities & Net Assets:

Scrip Certificates Redeemable: \$1,745.00
Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$31,353.34
Total Liabilities & Net Assets: \$33,098.34

Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

Receipts:

Inventory Sales: \$712,333.50
Cost of Inventory Sold: (675,495.57)
Gross Profit: \$36,837.93

Other Income/Expenditures:

PrestoPay Profit: \$1,157.20
School Subsidy: (33,000.00)
Credit Card Fees: (1,551.44)
Other Misc Exp: \$0.00
Total Other Income/Expenditures: (33,394.24)

Net Surplus for the Fiscal Year: \$3,443.69

SCHOOL NEWS:

August 9th– Uniform Exchange after all masses in the Cafeteria

August 26th– 1st Day of School
(School starts at 7:50pm in the gym)

School Packets: The school packets are ready and can be picked up at the church in the gathering space.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE

Its hard to believe August is already here!! That means that September is right around the corner and the start of Religious Education Classes. If you have not registered your child please do so asap. Forms are in the church office or email me at mshae-nig@gmail.com and I will get you the forms you need

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Are You Interested in the

Catholic Faith? We will soon begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds. We will begin in early September. If you have any questions or want further information please call Mark Krepich at 932-2223 or email at mark.krepich@gmail.com.

Sunday, Aug. 9, 2015 SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. Aug. 9th- 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM- Mass for *Butch Litzinger* requested by Sr. Mark Plescher

10:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*
6:30PM - Lectionary Based Faith Sharing

Mon. Aug. 10th- Saint Lawrence

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Lamont* requested by Steve & Theresa Pellegrine

Tues. Aug. 11th- Saint Clare

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Peggy Harber* requested by Rich & Joyce Lowe

Wed. Aug. 12th- Weekday

5:00PM- Eucharistic Adoration

6:00PM- Mass for *Eileen Becker* requested by Mr. & Mrs. Jim Roccio

Thurs. Aug. 13th- Weekday

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Fr. Leroy Beyer* requested by Carol & John Bismark

Friday Aug. 14th- Saint Maximilian

7:30AM- Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM- Morning Prayer

8:30AM- Mass for *Mary Anne Lamont* requested by Her children

Sat. Aug. 15th- Vigil for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM– *Feast of the Assumption*

3:00PM- Confessions

4:00PM- Mass for *Joseph & Marion Langguth* requested by Family

Sun. Aug. 16th- 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:00AM–Mass for *Carlo & Rosa Risoldi* requested by Mary Ann & Bob Cole

6:30PM - Lectionary Based Faith Sharing