

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. July 29 - 4:00 PM - Claire Nackley, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 30 - 8:00 AM - Nicholas Helsley, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 30- 10:00 AM - Nate Rudolph, NOT FILLED

LECTORS:

Sat. July 29 - 4:00 PM - Heather Nackley, Maria Spayd
 Sun. July 30 - 8:00 AM - Tim Rea, Ronan Adams
 Sun. July 30- 10:00 AM - Gary Johnson, Paul Dennis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. July 29 - 4:00 PM - Joseph Klobuka, Pam Klobuka
 Sun. July 30 - 8:00 AM - Danielle Miller, Mary Truesdale
 Sun. July 30- 10:00 AM - Lou Ann Clark, Bill Foose,
 Norma Foose, NOT FILLED

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. July 29 - 4:00 PM - Lori Ginter, Coleen Langguth,
 David Langguth, Hedy Zumsteg
 Sun. July 30 - 8:00 AM - Carolyn English, Helen Miller,
 Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
 Sun. July 30- 10:00 AM - Barb Aubrey, Marilyn Bevan,
 Wendy Campbell, Dolores Capriotti

SACRISTAN:

Sat. July 29 - 4:00 PM - Mary & Ray King
 Sun. July 30 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. July 30- 10:00 AM - Dolores Capriotti

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

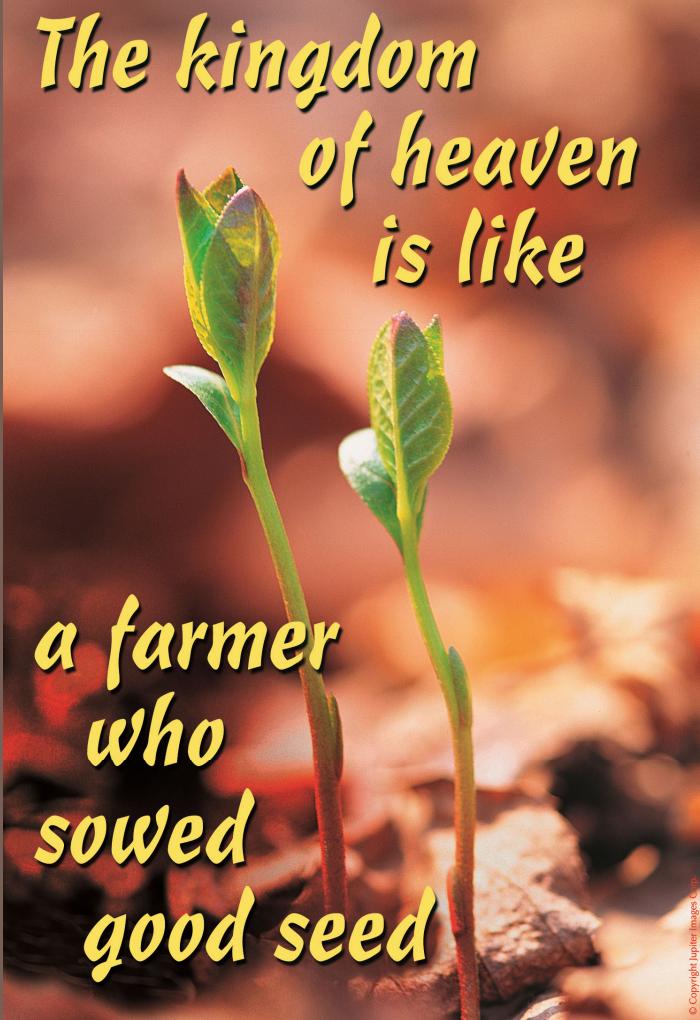
August 13 - Second Sunday Food Collection
August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Masses: *Monday, August 14, at 6:30 PM and
 Tuesday, August 15, at 8:30 AM and 6:30 PM*
August 15 - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

PASTORAL STAFF:

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- Mr. Ken Dunmire** *Maintenance*

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

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



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A Few Words from the Pastor:

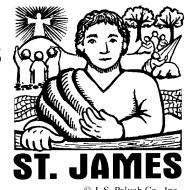
Thank you, Father Dennis! – Father Dennis Mullin arrived on Wednesday, July 12, and will be staying for about 2 weeks. He is most gracious in covering the parish while I and a brother priest go on vacation. I know how very much he feels at home here at St. John's.

Our Parish Picnic! When Father Dennis and I began planning for his visit and my vacation, it just did not occur to me that the time he was coming and the time that I would be away would occur on the Sunday of our parish picnic at Legion Park! When I realized my mistake in scheduling, it was too late to change our travel plans. Knowing Father Dennis, however, and how much he enjoys celebrations, he will delight in representing me at our parish family picnic. I know you will give him a warm St. John's welcome, and will enjoy his company as he presides over our annual parish picnic.

A \$20,000 Matching Grant! We are most grateful to all who have already contributed toward our matching grant! To date we have received \$14,635. It is hoped that this "Match" can be met by the end of July. These funds will go to meet the financial challenges which we face with regard to the Diocesan Medical Retirement Plan for Priests, as well as for our parish support of Holy Trinity School. The generosity of St. John's parishioners is always an indication of the faith which is alive in our hearts. Envelopes for your contribution are available in the Gathering Space and there is also a fund option available for those who use Online Giving.

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 \$45,713, toward which we have received \$32,155 (*as of July 10*). Please be generous.

Saint James - This Tuesday, July 25, we celebrate the feast day of James, son of Zebedee, who was one of Jesus' first disciples. James was fishing with his father and brother, John, when Jesus came to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and called for the brothers to follow him. Later, James was one of only three called by Jesus to witness his Transfiguration. He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is recorded in the New Testament. Because of this, he is traditionally believed to be the first of the twelve apostles martyred for his faith.



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Saints Joachim and Anne - We honor Mary's parents, Joachim and Anne, as saints and celebrate their joint feast day on July 26. While we don't know many details about their lives because they are never mentioned in the New Testament, we believe that they were respected members of the Jewish community and that they wanted to become parents so much that Joachim went into the desert to fast and pray that God would hear their prayer. Both received the vision of an angel who told them that they would soon have a child. Tradition tells us that when Mary was three years old, Anne and Joachim took her to the temple in Jerusalem to consecrate her for special service to the Lord. Joachim and Anne's love for one another and for Mary is an example to us of how God calls us to live. They also remind us to honor our own grandparents and to thank them for the blessings they have passed down to us in love.



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July Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

LAPSED CHRISTIANS

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.





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Come hear our own St. John's Adult Choir perform ½ hour of music at the Hollidaysburg

Church of the Brethren during their Rockin' The Lot Festival on Saturday, July 29. The choir will perform from 5:45 to 6:15 in the parking lot of the church. Join us for a fun evening of food, music, fun and fellowship. This year's proceeds will benefit American Rescue Workers.

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!

**Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held
at EVERY 11:00 AM Mass.
Children grades 5 and under are welcome.**

How does it work?



After the initial prayers and before the first reading, a Presider (leader) invites children grades 5 and under to gather at the foot of the altar. Monsignor blesses them and sends them from the church with their leaders. The children will then go to the day chapel to hear the Word of God on a level they can understand and have a homily focused on their age.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: When each of us shares our time, our talents, and treasure through the parish, the faith community thrives as our example inspires others to become good stewards. May your good stewardship of free will cause you to bear much fruit as a disciple of our Risen Lord.

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for July 16, 2017

Envelopes:	\$ 3,258.00
Loose:	\$ 939.00
Children's:	\$ 66.00
Catholic Register	\$ 10.00
Subtotal:	\$ 4,273.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,973.00
TOTAL:	\$ 6,246.00



Giving is easy while you are away this summer. Download the Online Giving app on your mobile device, search for our parish and begin giving. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish. Go to OLGapp.com and click on the app store for your device.

ST JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy to pray for the sick. If you know of someone in the parish who is ill or has passed away and in need of prayers, please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at ginny.reeder@gmail.com to add their name to 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 • Millie Bilski • Vicky Buda
Yolanda Bumann • Vincent Cannizzaro • Robert Cole
Michelle Fasline • Carol Field • JoAnne Gerardine
Judy Hurm • Brian Kopp • Robert Leidy • Bill Loth
Jim McLaren • June Miller • Anne-Marie Norris
Ron Peschock • Dave Petrak • Bob & Mary Rajnish
Olga Romerowicz • Justine Wareham Smith
Patty Teufel Noah Wills • Our Lady Of Lourdes Parish
Lapsed Christians

HOME WITH THE LORD: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of:

Mark Kopp - son of Louise Kopp
William J. Neff - father of Ed Neff (Barbara)
Matthew Geishauser - son of Bob & Mary Jo

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP: We plan to continue discussion of the book Catholic Women Confront Their Church this Monday, July 24 at 6:30 PM in the parish center. You are welcome to attend even if you didn't read the book. We would like to continue to have discussions of our faith & spirituality on the fourth Monday of every month in the parish center. We are open to ideas for topics or books and will prepare materials in advance. *The meeting in August will be August 28.* If you have any questions, call Joyce Cunningham at 695-5346 or email at jmsc1863@gmail.com

HOLY TRINITY GOLF TOURNAMENT: is scheduled for Saturday, August 12, at King Valley Golf Course. If you are interested in putting a 4 member team in or would like to be a either a Fairway Sponsor or Hole Sponsor, please call the school office for more information at (814) 942-7835. You can also visit the school website at www.holytrinitycatholic.school for sponsor information or golfer registration forms.



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"SERMON ON THE MOUNT": The St. Mary's Parish Life Committee is proud to host Emmy nominated Television and film Star Frank Runyeon who will perform a dramatic presentation of "Sermon on the Mount" followed by "Hollywood vs. Faith". Frank Runyeon portrayed Steve Andropoulos on As the World Turns opposite Meg Ryan and has appeared on numerous other television shows. This presentation will be held on Sunday, October 15, 2017, and will begin at 1:00 PM at St. Mary's Memorial Hall, 1420 Fourth Avenue in Altoona. Seating is limited to 300, so please make your reservation early. Reserved "VIP Angel Seats" will be the front 4 rows and are available for only \$20.00 each with no need to arrive early to find a good seat. General Admission tickets are only \$5.00 each. An Outdoor Rosary will follow the presentation at approximately 2:45 PM.

OUTDOOR MASS HONORING MARRIED COUPLES WITH BISHOP MARK will be held on Sunday evening, July 23, at 7:00 PM at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. Bring a lawn chair. The mass will be celebrated indoors if it rains. Bishop Mark is the celebrant and homilist. This is a wonderful way to celebrate, encourage and support married couples!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED: There is a signup sheet on the kiosk for anyone wishing to volunteer to serve as a lector, Eucharistic minister, hospitality minister or sacristan. Please add your name and phone number and we will contact you with training information.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION We are also looking for families to volunteer to bring up the gifts in the offertory procession. You can sign up on the kiosk in the gathering space for the mass you usually attend and our Ministers of Hospitality will select volunteers from this list to bring up the gifts at each mass. This provides a good opportunity for families to minister together at mass and is something even our youngest parishioners can do with their parents.

HOLY TRINITY PRE-K3 REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018: It all starts here in the Early Childhood! The Stronger the Start. The Better the Finish! Our Pre-K program is designed to meet the developmental needs of the whole child, promoting spiritual, social, physical and emotional growth. With hands on approach to learning, the child learns how to learn. Teamwork and accepting others is nurtured through cooperative activities. Children learn to respect themselves and one another. Pre-K 3 and 4 is a full day five days a week program. Please call the Holy Trinity Catholic Elementary Campus school offices for more information. Altoona campus (814)381-7011 Hollidaysburg campus (814)695-6112

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday July 23 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *Clara Martens* requested by the Wieland Family
10:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

Monday July 24 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Leonard & Joan Farrell*

Tuesday July 25 - St. James, Apostle

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *John E. Dunn*

Wednesday July 26 - Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00AM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions
6:00PM-Mass for *Eileen Becker* requested by Clarence Becker

Thursday July 27 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Bud Bloom* requested by Ron & Eileen Itell

Friday July 28 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Jeane McDowell* requested by Tom & Nancy Weimer

Saturday July 29 - Vigil of the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00PM-Confessions
4:00PM-Mass for *Francis Bean* requested by Dave & Mary Petrak

Sunday July 30 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *Pat Madden* requested by Bob & Ginny Reeder
10:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23

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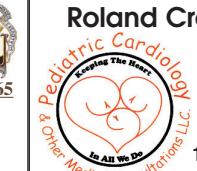
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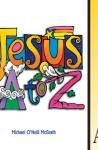
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