

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES:

Sat. Aug. 5 - 4:00 PM - Alexandria & Alycia Auerbeck
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 8:00 AM - Emily & Ethan Miller
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 10:00 AM - Nate Rudolph, NOT FILLED

LECTORS:

Sat. Aug. 5 - 4:00 PM - John Lloyd, Jenna Jenkins
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 8:00 AM - NOT FILLED
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 10:00 AM - Bill Foose, Norma Foose

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. Aug. 5 - 4:00 PM - Joseph Klobuka, Pam Klobuka
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 8:00 AM - Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 10:00 AM - Donna Moyer, Francene Boland,
 Marilyn Bevan, Bob Olson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

Sat. Aug. 5 - 4:00 PM - Wally Wargo, Billy Sweet,
 Christine Stachmus, Denny Stachmus
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 8:00 AM - Paula VanSickel, Larry VanSickel,
 Ginny Reeder, Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 10:00 AM - Walter Bloom, Mary Grace Horton,
 Dolores Capriotti, Peg Madden

SACRISTAN:

Sat. Aug. 5 - 4:00 PM - Joyce Cunningham
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 8:00 AM - Michele DeFrancisco
 Sun. Aug. 6 - 10:00 AM - Barbara Bundy

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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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

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



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH PICNIC **FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & FUN**



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A Few Words from the Pastor:

Thank you, Father Dennis - I am very grateful that Fr. Dennis was able to come visit us and also cover the parish for me while I was on vacation. I was sorry to miss our annual parish picnic last Sunday, but I know that Fr. Dennis thoroughly enjoyed the time he was able to spend with you.

Our Parish Picnic - Many, many thanks to all who helped with our parish picnic last Sunday. It was certainly HOT, but all enjoyed the fellowship which we share as a parish family. May this spirit continue throughout the year! A special thanks to Deacon Gene for coordinating the mass at the picnic, to our musicians and choir members for providing music, and a very big thank you to the Social Committee, who did so much to prepare for the day.

A \$20,000 Matching Grant - We are most grateful to all who have already contributed toward our matching grant! To date we have received \$14,659. 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 \$33,295 (as of July 17). Please be generous.

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. Sign up sheets are on the kiosk. Allow the Holy Spirit to move in your heart to step forward and offer your time and talent!

St. Ignatius of Loyola - On Monday, we honor the founder of the Jesuits, St. Ignatius of Loyola, who is remembered as a talented spiritual director. He recorded his method in a celebrated treatise called the *Spiritual Exercises*, a simple set of meditations, prayers, and other mental exercises, first published in 1548.

St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori - Tuesday is the feast day of St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori, who was born of a noble family in Italy in 1696. He received an exceptional education in philosophy, literature, and the arts. At the age of 18 he joined the Confraternity of Our Lady of Mercy with whom he cared for the sick at the hospital for "incurables." He was ordained to the priesthood in 1726. Caring for the poor wherever his journey took him was the hallmark of his calling. He sought others who were called as he was, to care for the least of God's people, and adopted a style of ministry to "mission among the people." And so began the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, commonly known as the Redemptorists.

St. John Vianney - The patron of parish priests is honored on August 4. As the Curé of Ars, he spent countless hours in the confessional and hundreds of thousands of people would come to the little French village of Ars annually to hear him preach and go to him for confession.

Nocturnal Adoration - Adoration for the First Friday of the Month will be celebrated at St. Therese this Friday, August 4, from 8 PM until 11 PM. The hour for St. John's is from 8:00 until 9:00. Please join in this time of prayer.



OUR PARISH FAMILY: We hope to resume the brief profiles of parishioners in the "Our Parish Family" section soon. So far, over 45 of these profiles have appeared in our bulletin, but there are many more of you out there that we'd like to hear from. Whether you're a long-time or new member, single person, couple, or family, please consider being featured in this section. And if you were photographed for the recent parish directory, we can use that same photograph – you don't even have to give us a copy. We can also use a photograph that you provide, or we can snap one after Mass.

We'll just ask you a few questions, usually over the phone, and then we'll write a brief profile with the information that you give us. If you would be willing to be a part of this feature, please contact: Cecelia Bloom at 695-2806 or by email at ceceb13@verizon.net.

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!

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

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.

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP: 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 on Monday, August 28.* If you have any questions, call Joyce Cunningham at 695-5346 or email at jmsc1863@gmail.com

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULING: It is time to begin scheduling for September - December. This is the "Fall semester". Our second Mass on Sunday returns to 11:00 AM and the choir again enhances the music of our liturgy. **And so, we are asking that you give us the dates for which you are NOT available for September – December.**

If you have internet access please update your profile in **Ministry Scheduler Pro**. There is a link from our parish website (www.stjohnsaltoona.org) and a link in the email reminder you will receive this week. There are cards available in the gathering space for those who do not have access to the internet. **Please update your profile online or fill out a card and return it by Sunday, August 13th.**

Family members can fill out one card front and back. Again, please tell us when you are NOT available in September – December. Thank for your help in working with this change and – as always – thank you for your service to our faith community throughout the year.

OUR PARISH PICNIC - FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & FUN : It was a beautiful day for all those who attended. Thanks to the Social Committee for a well organized affair. Thanks to the choir for their beautiful music that really set the tone. Thanks to Father Dennis & Deacon Gene for the lovely & inspirational service. We are all grateful for the many talents of this parish and the many ways they are manifested. P. S. Father Dennis' humor and kindness are greatly appreciated. "You are always welcome here at St. John's!"

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 ginnen.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
Mary Lee DeStefano • Michael DeStefano
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

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STEWARSHIP CORNER: Good stewards treasure the kingdom of heaven regardless the cost to themselves.

Stewardship at St. John's OFFERTORY for July 23, 2017

Envelopes:	\$ 2,980.00
Loose:	\$ 633.00
Children's:	\$ 25.00
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Online Giving:	\$ 1,488.00
TOTAL:	\$ 5,126.00

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Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.



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.

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held at Iron Masters Golf Club on Saturday, October 7, 2017. Please contact the school for details at 695-3819.

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Registrations are still being accepted for Grades K-8 at Saint Patrick's School. There are a few spots open in the Pre-K classroom as well. Please contact the school (695-3819) for additional information.

HOLY TRINITY SPORTS: Any students in grades 1-6 who will be participating in a fall sport (Football - flag or tackle, cheering, basketball) must complete the RAP form which can be found on the APL website or Holy Trinity web page. Be watching for more information about flag football. If you have any questions, please contact the Holy Trinity School office at (814)-942-7835.

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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SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

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*

Monday July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Cece Wilson* requested by Barb Bundy

Tuesday August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Leroy Musselman* requested by Anna Musselman

Wednesday August 2 - Weekday

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions
6:00PM-Mass for *Jean Riccitelli* requested by Family

Thursday August 3 - Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Matt Geishauser* requested by Paul & Kathy Vincent

Friday August 4 - St. John Vianney, Priest

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration
8:10AM-Morning Prayer
8:30AM-Mass for *Mark Kopp* requested by Ed Stoltz

Saturday August 5 - Vigil of the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00PM-Confessions
4:00PM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

Sunday August 6 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM-Mass for *Teresa Geishauser* requested by Michael & Lois Mignogna
10:00AM-Mass for *Serena Stevens* requested by Gary & Janet Raesch

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58

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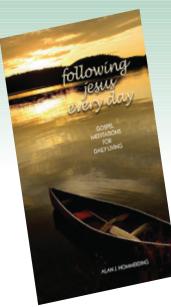


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