

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE
MONDAY & TUESDAY - 8:30AM MASS
WEDNESDAY - 6:00 PM MASS
THURSDAY & FRIDAY - 8:30AM COMMUNION SERVICE
SATURDAY - 4:00PM • SUNDAY - 8:00AM & 11:00AM

APPOINTMENTS

ACOLYTES

Sat. May. 19 - 4:00 PM - Alexandria & Alycia Auerbeck
 Sun. May. 20 - 8:00 AM - Sarah Geishauer, Amber Yasolsky
 Sun. May. 21 - 11:00 AM - Bob Olson, NOT FILLED

LECTORS

Sat. May. 19 - 4:00 PM - David Langguth, Matt Michelone
 Sun. May. 20 - 8:00 AM - Tim Rea, Joyce Cunningham
 Sun. May. 21 - 11:00 AM - Jim Campbell, Gary Johnson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. May. 19 - 4:00 PM - Jenna Jenkins, Dorothy Yingling
 Sun. May. 20 - 8:00 AM - Fran Semelsberger, NOT FILLED
 Sun. May. 21 - 11:00 AM - Lou Ann Clark, Mary Dennis,
 Paul Dennis, Bill Foose, Norma Foose, Kenneth Gorman

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. May. 19 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, Dennis Moughemer,
 Karen Moughemer, Barb Aubrey
 Sun. May. 20 - 8:00 AM - Charlie Moore, Mike O'Neill,
 Ginny Reeder, Ed Stoltz
 Sun. May. 21 - 11:00 AM - Wendy Campbell, Dolores Capriotti,
 Marilyn Bevan, Paula Adams

SACRISTAN

Sat. May. 19 - 4:00 PM - Billy Sweet
 Sun. May. 20 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. May. 21 - 11:00 AM - Barbara Bundy

SCRIP

Sat. May. 19 - 4:00 PM - Chris Palazzi, Mary Haenig
 Sun. May. 20 - 8:00 AM - Heather & Erika Yasolsky
 Sun. May. 21 - 11:00 AM - Bill & Patty Teufel

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Holy Mary, protect all mothers



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OF EASTER

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

- May 27 - Second Mass on Sunday begins at 10:00AM**
- June 3 - Graduate Mass/Reception - 10:00 AM
- June 9 - Love Feast at Simpson Temple
- June 10 - Second Sunday Food Collection
- June 10 - Big Chicken Barbecue
- June 10 - Choir Concert - 7:00 PM
- July 22 - Parish Picnic

A Few Words from the Pastor:

Parish Council Nominations – As we draw near to the end of the Easter season, it is that time of year when we solicit names of those to be considered for Parish Council. If you discern that you would like to serve in this capacity, please submit your name to the parish office. Perhaps you know someone you would like to nominate. Please do the same for that person and give their name at the parish office. Parish council meetings are normally held on the second Monday of the month, with the exception of the months of December and July.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – Our journey begins on May 16th as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus. We ask your prayers for safe travels and a truly prayerful experience! In my absence, there will still be a Wednesday evening mass held at 6:00PM, but Morning Prayer and a Communion Service will be held at 8:30AM on the other weekdays.

Our Summer Mass Schedule. Just a heads up that our summer mass schedule will begin on Sunday, May 27, which is Memorial Day weekend. At that time our second mass on Sunday will be offered at 10 o'clock and not 11.

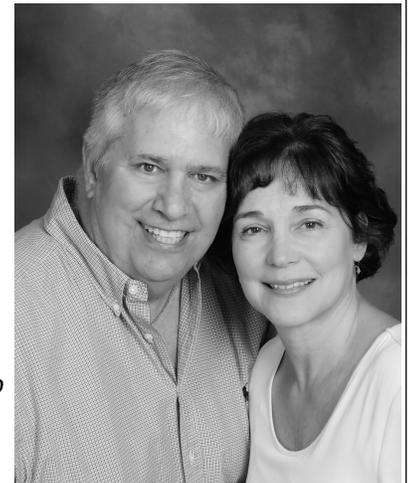
Altar Server Training: We are in need of more students to volunteer to be altar servers for the parish. Servers not only help their parish, but also deepen their relationship with Jesus, and gain a better understanding of our worship. Youth in fourth grade and above are eligible to serve. Deacon Gene will be holding a special training session for new altar servers on Sunday, May 20, at 9:15AM. These newly trained servers will be assigned with experienced servers during the summer, so we'd like to get them registered and trained before the new ministry schedule is published.

Liturgical Ministry Scheduling

It is time to begin scheduling for June – September 2nd. This is “summer vacation” and our Sunday 11:00 AM Mass moves to 10:00 AM during these months. **We are asking that you give us the dates for which you are NOT available for June through September 2nd.** If you have internet access please update your profile in **Ministry Scheduler Pro.** There is a link from our parish website (<https://stjohnsaltoona.org>) and a link in the email reminder you will receive soon. There are cards available in the gathering space for those who do not have access to the internet. **Please update your profile online by midnight, Sunday, May 13th or fill out a card and leave it in the basket in the gathering space.** Family members can fill out one card front and back. **Again, please tell us when you are NOT available in June through September 2nd.** 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 FAMILY... Larry & Linda McAleer have been married for 42 years, and members here at St John's for 38 years. They both grew up in Altoona, and met while students at Keith Jr High. I'm not sure if we all should believe this, but Larry said that he had the better grades! Larry is the current owner of his family's plumbing, heating, and air conditioning business. And Linda has recently retired after a 42 year career in nursing. They have three adult children and four grandchildren. Their son Larry is a physician with UPMC Mainline Medical, and lives in the area with his wife and two children. Brian is also married with two children, and works in the family business. Their daughter Rachel lives in Alexandria VA, where she teaches and plays the violin. They usually attend the 11:00 Mass, but said that they enjoy all the Masses. Larry & Linda formerly served as leaders of our Youth Ministry, and led many of our young parishioners through the Confirmation process. Linda is currently a member of our bell choir, and Larry proudly admits to being a “bell ringer groupie”. And they are both longtime members of the parish bowling league, and would like to encourage others to join them. They had many good things to say about our parish and what it means to them -- Larry said they enjoy the entire choir and that “every Mass is like a concert”, he “really admires” Allen Capriotti's painting of Lazarus, Linda looks forward to participating in Bob Olson's Lenten study group, and they both “love our pastor” and would like to thank him for all he does. Larry & Linda feel that St John's is “home” and said that most of all, they enjoy their fellow parishioners.

Whether you are a new or longtime parishioner, we'd love to feature you in a future bulletin. We'll only include information that you provide and only what you want us to share. If you're willing, please contact: Cecelia Bloom, at 695-2806 or ceceb13@verizon.net



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: Religious Education is over until September. You can register for the fall anytime. Registration forms can be found on our website at www.stjohnsaltoona.org.

CHOIR CONCERT: On Sunday, June 10, at 7:00 PM the adult choir will present a concert of some of their favorite songs. The concert will be recorded and cds will be available for purchase in the fall. All proceeds from the concert and sales of the cd will benefit Sts. Peter and Paul Parish in Marmont, Haiti. You don't want to miss this special event!



2018 WELGE SCHOLARSHIP: The Independent Catholic Foundation seek applicants for the 2018 Welge Scholarship which provides financial assistance to worthy parishioners who are entering their junior or senior year of college and are a member in good standing here at St. John's. Applications are available in the parish office or can be downloaded from the "Grants" page of the Foundation website, www.icfdaj.org. Completed applications, including the pastor's signature, are due no later than 4:00PM, Friday, June 15.

HEALING MASS: will be held this Monday, May 14 at 7:00 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. For more information, please call 814-941-3832.

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 gabby.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 • Julie Beiswenger • Millie Bilski • Jen Buda
Robert Cole • Millie Grace Capon • Mary Lee DeStefano
Michael DeStefano • Keith DeMastens • Carol Field
JoAnne Gerardine • Dianna Green • Brian Kopp
Sherri Maffettone • Bryson Miller • June Miller
Karan Pasquariello • Ron Peschock
Dave Petrak • Bob & Mary Rajnish • Allison Recker
Olga Romerowicz • Dianne Stultz
Tim & Dina Temofonte • Patty Teufel • Lois Werfel
Bonnie Williams • Noah Wills**

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

**Kathy Matthews
Maureen Smithe**

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

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP: We have modified our plans for the next several months. For our May 28 meeting we will discuss the whole of Teresa of Avila's theology of reforming a closed, broken Church. On June 25 we will discuss Therese of Lisieux's theology of suffering and the cross. Then, our meetings on July 23 and August 27 will be open to anyone who has an idea and is willing to share a few talking points to get discussion going. Meetings are at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center.

ARISE Together In Christ: The *ARISE Together in Christ* process begins with a period of formation for the *ARISE* Parish Team, a group of 8-10 parishioners who will lead the parish through this process of spiritual renewal. We are still looking for a few more people to help with this program. If you would like to be a part of this team and the early planning, please call *Debbie Johnson in the parish office at 942-5503 or email dj219@msn.com*. Our planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15 at 7:00 in the Parish Center.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD GOLF TOURNAMENT: The Carmelite Community of the Word sisters will hold our 14th Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, June 8, at Scotch Valley Country Club. This event has proven to be a fun day for all, and includes a Shotgun start at 12:00 noon, Golf, Lunch, Course Refreshments, Dinner, Prizes and a Live Auction. Dinner is served at 5:00 p.m. *Take advantage of our Early "Birdie" Special! If you register before May 20, the cost is \$115 per golfer; \$425 per foursome. After May 20, the cost is \$125 per golfer; \$475 per foursome. Cost to attend dinner only is \$25 per person. Final deadline for Registration is May 31.* To register, or for more information, contact Sr. Jane Miller at 814-886-4098 or email at jmseashell@msn.com.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: The stewardship of disciples is not reducible only to one task or another. It involves embracing, cultivating, enjoying, sharing – and sometimes also giving up – the goods of human life. [*Stewardship: A Disciple's Response – 10th Anniv. Ed., USCCB 2002*]

Stewardship at St. John's

OFFERTORY for May 6, 2018

Envelopes	\$ 6,868.00
Loose	\$ 553.00
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Parish Development	\$ 100.00
Catholic Education	\$ 81.00
Ascension	\$ 5.00
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Total Offertory	\$ 11,028.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

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LOVE FEAST: On the kiosk in the gathering space, you will find sign-up sheets to prepare food, serve, or buy needed items for our next Love Feast on Saturday, June 9, at Simpson Temple. Your generosity responds to Jesus' command: "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)

SPAGHETTI DINNER: On Sunday, May 20, the Knights of Columbus will hold a spaghetti dinner fundraiser at Our Lady of Lourdes from 11:30 till 2:30 in the church hall. All dinners will be take-out only. Tickets (\$7.00) can be purchased from the office by calling 943-6185 or at the door.

HOLY TRINITY NEWS: Football Extravaganza tickets are priced at \$20.00 each and contain 3 unique combinations of NFL teams for each week of the 17-week regular NFL season (Thursday – Monday). You can purchase these tickets from Holy Trinity Catholic families. **May Crowning Mass:** Join our HTCS school community on Friday, May 18th at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament as we celebrate the Mother of Jesus with a special May Crowning Mass at 9:30 A.M. **HTCS Yard Sale:** We will be holding our second annual Holy Trinity Yard Sale on Saturday, June 2nd. We have already started collecting those unwanted treasures. For more information on these events, please call 814-942-7835

OUTDOOR SUMMER MASSES: Father John D. Byrnes, Rector, and the Parish Family of Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica, Loretto, invite the faithful to join us each Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. for the outdoor Sunday Mass at the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. The first Mass of the season will be celebrated on Sunday, May 27, 2018, and will continue through Labor Day Weekend, September 2, 2018. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN (CCC) COLLECTION: This weekend, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message, and support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

BABY ITEM COLLECTION: The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Prince Gallitzin Court #2625, Altoona, is collecting baby items for Catholic Charities and other agencies that work with children. There will be a box in the gathering space throughout the month of May for donations. Thank you for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday May 13 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00AM-Mass for *Ida Prosperi* requested by John Prosperi

11:00AM-Mass for *Barbara Byers* requested by her family

Monday May 14 - St. Matthias, Apostle

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM-Rosary

8:30AM-Mass for *Angeline Capriotti* requested by Mike & Bonnie Long

Tuesday May 15 - Easter Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM-Rosary

8:30AM-Mass for *Joe Robeson*

Wednesday May 16 - Easter Weekday

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions

6:00PM-Mass for *Shirley Millin* requested by The Spayd Family

7:00PM-Rosary

Thursday May 17 - Easter Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM-Rosary

8:30AM-Morning Prayer & Communion Service

Friday May 18 - Easter Weekday

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration

8:10AM-Rosary

8:30AM-Morning Prayer & Communion Service

Saturday May 19 - Vigil of Pentecost

3:00PM-Confessions

4:00PM-Mass for *Clarence & Eileen Becker* requested by Dr. & Mrs. Robert Budd

Sunday May 20 - Pentecost

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

11:00AM-Mass for *Matthew Geishauser* requested by Cate & Roy Leister

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19



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