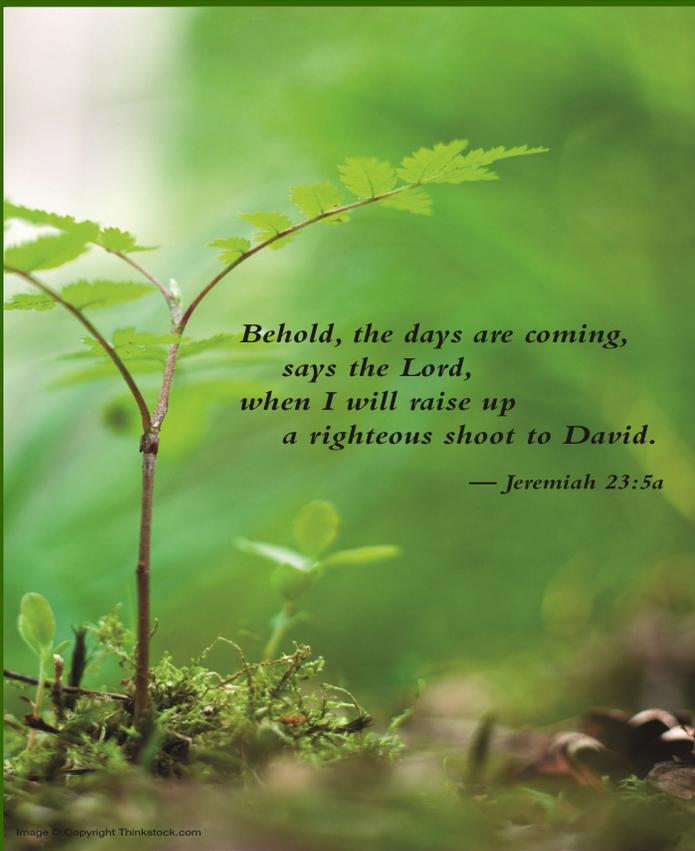


### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

July 25 - Office closed  
August 12 - Second Sunday Food Collection  
September 8/9 - Sign up weekend for Arise  
October 27 - Love Feast



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a righteous shoot to David.*

— Jeremiah 23:5a

# JULY 22, 2018 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### July Prayer Intention of Pope Francis PRIESTS AND THEIR PASTORAL MINISTRY

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

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

### APPOINTMENTS

#### ACOLYTES

Sat. July 28 - 4:00 PM - Alexandria & Alycia Auerbeck  
Sun. July 29 - 8:00 AM - Mai Linh Do, Nicholas Helsley  
Sun. July 29 - 10:00 AM - Savannah & Makayla Langenbacher

#### LECTORS

Sat. July 28 - 4:00 PM - Maria Spayd, Mark Sloan  
Sun. July 29 - 8:00 AM - Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky  
Sun. July 29 - 10:00 AM - Patrick Schurr, Barbara Bundy

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. July 28 - 4:00 PM - Joseph Klobuka, Pam Klobuka  
Sun. July 29 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci, Fran Semelsberger  
Sun. July 29 - 10:00 AM - Dolores Capriotti, Lou Ann Clark,  
Kenneth Gorman, Susanna Tomlinson

#### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. July 28 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, Coleen Langguth,  
David Langguth, NOT FILLED  
Sun. July 29 - 8:00 AM - Jane Becker, John Becker,  
Carolyn English, Ginny Reeder  
Sun. July 29 - 10:00 AM - Barb Aubrey, Marilyn Bevan,  
Walter Bloom, Wendy Campbell

#### SACRISTAN

Sat. July 28 - 4:00 PM - Mary & Ray King  
Sun. July 29 - 8:00 AM - Michele DeFrancisco  
Sun. July 29 - 10:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

#### SCRIP

Sat. July 28 - 4:00 PM - Charlene Lancy, Becky Merilli  
Sun. July 29 - 8:00 AM - Chris Palazzi, NOT FILLED  
Sun. July 29 - 10:00 AM - Peg Madden, Marge Rudolph

## A Few Words from the Pastor:

**Arise, Together In Christ** – Last weekend Deacon Gene gave a very inspiring and informative homily regarding the upcoming spiritual activities in the diocese and in the parish. “Arise” is an invitation to share your faith with others in a small group setting, as we develop friendships with one another and grow in our love for Christ. Adult Ed will focus on the “Scriptures and the Blessed Virgin Mary,” who is our patroness throughout the Arise program. Pray that you remain open to wherever the Spirit is leading you in this sacred time.

**Our Parish Picnic** – Our thanks to all who have been preparing for our parish picnic, and to all the participants who share in this annual celebration. A reminder that there will be NO 10AM Mass on Picnic 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!

**A Virtual Visit to Biblical Lands** – Because we have had such a positive responses for our bus trip to Washington to visit the new **Museum of the Bible**, as well as the **National Geographic Museum**, we are considering planning a second bus trip on Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, with the same itinerary. Please call the office to make reservations. We will be departing at 7:00 AM from our parking lot, and returning by 11. The cost is \$90 per person, which includes travel in a luxury coach, admission to both museums, and dinner on the way home.

**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 \$44,438, toward which we have received \$39,838.57. Please be generous.

**Saints of the Week:** On Wednesday 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 dedicate 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 Thursday 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.

**The Oberammergau Passion Play: Day 5**—Arriving the previous evening in Oberammergau, we will spend the morning enjoying the sites of this quaint Bavarian village. In the afternoon we will be seated in the amphitheatre for the Passion Play, performed by the residents of the village every ten years. The play itself is five hours in duration. There is a break for dinner in the village, and we return in the evening for the concluding half of the play. If you wish to know more, there will be an informational meeting on Monday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at the Parish Center, at 7:00 PM.

**Summer Office Hours** – Until Labor Day, our parish office will be operating on modified hours. We will be CLOSED WEDNESDAYS. We will, of course, be checking our voice-mail through the day should there be any urgent messages. Thank you for your understanding.

**DIOCESAN MISSION COOPERATION APPEAL:** Next weekend, July 28-29, we will be honored to have Sister Marian Maden, SC with us to share the good news of the mission works of the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill in China, Korea and Ecuador. The Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill first missioned four sisters from Pennsylvania to Korea in 1960. At that time it took a month for the sisters to travel by freighter ship to Korea, now it takes only hours by airplane! As our world grows smaller, our hearts grow larger and we reach out to others. We are pleased to have this opportunity to learn about the missions and to help with our prayers and donations. As the sisters continue to bring the love of the Lord to the people they serve, they need our help—they cannot do it alone! Wherever we may live we are all missionaries and can help in different ways!

Please give from the heart on July 28-29 to help spread the Gospel throughout the world and assist the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill to share God’s love with those in need. Your prayers and donations will bring blessings of hope and healing! God Bless You for Your Generosity!

**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](mailto: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	June Miller
Cari Ann	Barbara Moore
Judy Baird	Mary Oricko
Millie Bilski	Ron Peschock
Frances Brown	Dave Petrak
Jen Buda	Bob & Mary Rajnish
Robert Cole	Allison Recker
Millie Grace Capon	Olga Romerowicz
Mary Lee DeStefano	Mike Rudolph
Michael DeStefano	Anne Showalter
Keith DeMastens	Dianne Stultz
Jim Duffy	Tim & Dina Temofonte
Helen Fornwalt	Patty Teufel
Leann Frazier	Lois Werfel
Dianna Green	Bonnie Williams
Brian Kopp	Noah Wills
Rev. Dennis M. Kurdziel	Prayer requests of those
Sherri Maffettone	served at the Love Feast
Bryson Miller	

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

**Mary Margaret Russell, cousin of Loretta Olson**  
*May she rest in the peace and joy of the Lord.*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We appreciate your help with watering the planters and pots in front of the church and rectory several times a week. The sign-up sheet is on the kiosk in the gathering space.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** How appropriate it is that the topic of today's summertime gospel is about the need for us to relax and renew ourselves. May we value our faith enough to make time daily to go "rest a while" to renew ourselves in the Lord.

**Stewardship at St. John's**

*OFFERTORY for July 15, 2018*

Envelopes	\$ 3,847.00
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Online Giving	\$ 1,693.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 6,225.00</b>

**Catholic Ministries Drive - \$39,838.57**

**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO A LIFE OF SERVICE AS A DEACON?** All those interested in learning about the Formation, Ministry and Life of the Permanent Diaconate, are invited to join Deacon Michael Russo at a special get together on Saturday, August 18th at the Carmelite Community of the Word Incarnation Center, Gallitzin from 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Married men are expected to attend with their wives. Space is limited. Reservations are required. To make reservations please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at (814) 693-9870 or email: [jnoonan@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jnoonan@dioceseaj.org).

**HAITI:** More information on our Haiti mission will be coming soon. Please watch the bulletin for details on financial support, student sponsorship, and the next trip in late autumn.

**SCRIP TIP!** Although summer normally means taking a well-deserved break from school, it's never too early for families to think about back to school shopping, especially families with college freshmen looking for dorm essentials. You can also send your college students back to school with reloadable gift cards!

**JULY 23 WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP:** This month's theme will follow Pope Francis' interpretation of how to live out Jesus' preferential option for the poor. We will begin at 6:30 PM. Please come and share your thoughts. Some discussion materials will be on the kiosk in the gathering space.



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**PARISH PRAYER FOR ARISE TOGETHER IN CHRIST!**

Pull out your cell phones and set a reminder alarm every day for 3 PM. Every day at 3 PM when our alarms sound, we will all pray the Diocesan Arise Prayer. How fantastic will it be that the whole parish is praying together at 3 PM?



**ARISE PRAYER:** *Holy Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church, you have given the world its true light, Jesus, your Son – the Son of God. You abandoned yourself completely to God’s call and thus became a wellspring of the goodness which flows forth from Him. Show us Jesus. Lead us to Him. Teach us to know Jesus and to love Him. Help us to open the door of Christ’s love by sharing our faith and living our faith with each other and with all who are searching for the way, the truth, and the hope and promise of eternal life. As patroness of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown be with us on our journey to ARISE Together in Christ.. Pray for us, Mother of the Church, Pray for us!*



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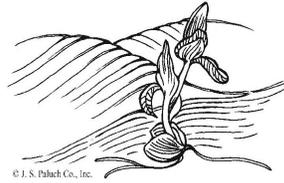


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**Liturgical Reflection...** .By burying the bodies of the faithful, the Church confirms her faith in the resurrection of the body, and intends to show the great dignity of the human body. The Book of Genesis tells that we are each made in the image of God, in body and soul. The body of the deceased Catholic is the body once washed in the waters of Baptism. This body was anointed with the oil of salvation. This body ate and drank the very Body and Blood of Christ, the Bread of Life. It is the same body that reached out in service to the needs of others. Instruction Ad resurgendum cum Christo, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 2016, Number 3.



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 22, 2018

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David.

—Jeremiah 23:5a

**SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday July 22 - 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time**

8:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*  
11:00AM-Mass for *Maureen Smithe* requested by Kathleen & Jim Solberg

**Monday July 23 - Weekday**

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration  
8:10AM-Morning Prayer  
8:30AM-*Joe Robeson*

**Tuesday July 24 - Weekday**

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

**Wednesday July 25 - St. James, Apostle**

5:00PM-Eucharistic Adoration/Confession  
6:00PM-Mass for *John E. Dunn* requested by Rich & Joyce Lowe  
7:00PM-Rosary

**Thursday July 26 - Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration  
8:10AM-Morning Prayer  
8:30AM-Mass for *Clarence & Eileen Becker* requested by Tom & Fran Semelsberger

**Friday July 27 - Weekday**

7:30AM-Eucharistic Adoration  
8:10AM-Morning Prayer  
8:30AM-Mass for *Jimmy Nguyen Family*

**Saturday July 28 - Vigil of the 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time**

3:00PM-Confessions  
4:00PM-Mass for *Jean Ann Franco* requested by Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Klobuka

**Sunday July 29 - 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time**

8:00AM-Mass for *Joan Brua* requested by Mary Margaret Myers  
10:00AM-Mass for *People of the Parish*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42  
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50  
Wednesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28  
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17  
Friday: Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23



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