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MASS SCHEDULE

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

June Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

For the Abolition of Torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



NEXT WEEK'S APPOINTMENTS

LECTORS

Sat. July 1 - 4:00 PM - Iris Tatar, Maria Spayd Sun. July 2-8:00 AM - Amber Yasolsky, Susan Podoletz Sun. July 2-10:00 AM - Dave Auerbeck, Donna Moyer

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. July 1-4:00 PM - Sadie Swope, Lexi Tatar Sun. July 2-8:00 AM - Emily Miller, Nicholas Helsley Sun. July 2-10:00 AM - Aidan Schurr, Colin Schurr

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. July 1 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED

Sun. July 2 - 8:00 AM - Lou Ann Clark, Darlene Scarpaci,
Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky

Sun. July 2-10:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan, Cecelia Bloom, Walter Bloom, Dolores Capriotti, Kenneth Gorman, Barbara Bundy, Susanna Tomlinson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. July 1 - 4:00 PM - Dennis Moughemer, Karen Moughemer, Betsy Lloyd, NOT FILLED,

Sun. July 2-8:00 AM - Ray Kennedy, Larry VanSickel, Paula VanSickel, NOT FILLED

Sun. July 2- 10:00 AM - Peg Madden, Mary Grace Horton, Patrick Podoletz, NOT FILLED

SACRISTAN

Sat. July 1- 4:00 PM - Jane Byrne Sun. July 2- 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci Sun. July 2- 10:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

SCRIP

Sat. July 1- 4:00 PM - Julie Beiswenger, Becky Merilli Sat. July 2 - 8:00 AM - Amber Yasolsky, Heather Yasolsky Sun. July 2 - 10:00 AM - Peg Madden, Marge Rudolph

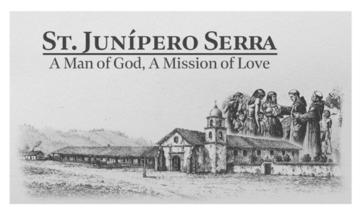
A Few Words from the Pastor:

RENEWING PARISH LIFE – Father Norris and I, along with other priests and parishioners of the diocese, attended a workshop this week focused on revitalizing parish life. Based upon a program entitled "Divine Renovation," the direction suggested for parishes was that we move from "maintenance to mission." In a word, it means that we consider not just how to "survive," but how to "THRIVE!" Sessions included discussions on how to renew parish councils, with a vision of how our parishes can move forward with vision and confidence! More information in the weeks ahead!

SUMMER IS FOR LEISURE - The Bible tells us that on the seventh day God rested. We are to do the same. Genuine, God-given leisure is an attitude of mind, a condition of the soul. It is an attitude of non-activity, an inward calm, of silence. It means not being busy, but letting things happen. It brings with it a certain serenity. It involves our sitting quietly and being content to let things take their course. It is the attitude of those who are open to everything; not of those who grab and grab hold, but those who leave the reins lose and are free and easy themselves. May God bless us with a leisurely summer, a summer blessed with leisure!

FAREWELL AND WELCOME! As has been announced by the bishop, Father Norris has been assigned to St. Therese of the Child Jesus parish, and our newly ordained priest, Father Justin Treon, will be coming to St. John's and St. Rose. These assignments are to take effect on July 3rd. A farewell/welcome gathering in each parish will soon be scheduled.

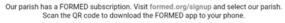
PREACHING CONFERENCE AT NOTRE DAME - I will be attending a preaching symposium at Notre Dame this week, the topic being "Visions of the Reign of God: Preaching and Catholic Social Teaching." This program is an essential part of a priests' ongoing education. Your prayers are appreciated!





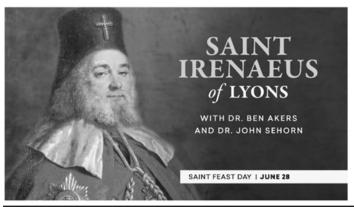
St. Junípero Serra: A Man of God, A Mission of Love

In this documentary, learn about Father Serra's heroic missionary activity to Indigenous peoples in 18th-century North America.





An offering from the Augustine Institute and Augustine press





Saint Irenaeus of Lyons | Catholic Saints

In this episode of FORMED Now, Dr. John Sehorn and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this second-century Church Father, explaining his importance to the history of Christianity and his title, the "Doctor of Unity."

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Schedule for the Week of June 25

Sunday, June 25 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Mass for People of the Parish

10:00 AM - Mass for *Frank Hoover* requested by Karen Mazzarella

Monday, June 26 - Weekday

8:30 AM - Mass for *George & Genie Semko* requested by Karen Mazzarella

Tuesday, June 27- Weekday

8:30 AM - Mass for People of the Parish

Wednesday, June 28 - St. Irenaeus

6:00 PM - Mass for *Ida Prosperi* requested by John Prosperi

Thursday, June 29 - Sts. Peter & Paul

8:30 AM - Mass for *Sam Neal* requested by Julie & Bernie Beiswenger

Friday, June 30 - Weekday

8:30 AM - 8:30 AM - Mass for *Robert E. Reeder* requested by Bob & Ginny Reeder

Saturday, July 1 - Vigil of 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Mass for *Ron Peschock* requested by Betty Peschock

Sunday, July 2 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Mass for *People of the Parish* 10:00 AM - Mass for *Janet A. Seibert* requested by Pat & Sue Podoletz

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please email any upcoming bulletin announcements to Diane Ryan at stjohnsecretary@atlanticbb.net or call the Parish Center at 814-942-5503. Bulletin announcements need to be submitted by Wednesday to be included in the following weekend bulletin.

FAITH DAY JUNE 25, 2023: The Family Life Office of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to join us for the return of Faith Day at Delgrosso's Amusement Park on Sunday, June 25. While admission to the park is always free, for those attending Faith Day, Ride-and-Slide passes are reduced to \$20! The day will culminate with Mass with Bishop Mark at the large pavilion at 4:30pm. Following Mass, we will share a meal. If you would prefer to purchase through the park food vendors or restaurants, or to bring your own dinner, you are welcome to do so. We are looking forward to celebrating with you again!!

REACHING OUT TO OUR SHUT-INS: Dorothy Yingling is a temporary resident at the Allegheny Lutheran Home, 911 Hickory Street Room 223B Hollidaysburg, PA 16648. She would like to hear from her fellow parishioners. Her cell phone is 814-330-0763. You may call her, send cards and she would also welcome visitors.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Jesus makes clear the connection between discipleship with him and service and leadership to those who are lost and in need. Whenever the stewards of the Church become more attentive to their own well-being than to their mission to be Christ's body in the world, they will become lost.

How are you planning to give your time, talent and treasure to the lost sheep in today's world? The Christian heart cannot be indifferent. Let your heart be moved to an act of stewardship or assistance for one of them. In your time and place, how can you respond to the call to be a laborer for the harvest? (2023, At Home With the Word, LTP)

June 10/11

Total Offertory	\$ 7,446.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,599.00
Second Sunday	\$ 530.00
Catholic Education	\$ 5.00
Parish Development	\$ 200.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 896.00
Envelopes	\$ 3,216.00

2023 Catholic Ministries Drive Goal - \$41,761 January 1, 2023 to May 31, 2023 Gifts/Pledges \$32,475 Pledge Balance (Not yet received) \$425 Total Gifts/Pledges (Received) \$32,050



GOING ON VACATION? Please use Online Giving to catch-up on offertory. Go to **www.stjohnsaltoona.org** and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick

and easy. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! We invite you to shower with cards Tim Temofonte, who turns 97 on July 9th. We want to wish him the happiest of birthdays. May God bless him with good health and happiness.

Tim Temofonte 437 Givler Drive Homewood, Room 407 Martinsburg, PA 16662

ST. JOHN BIG CHICKEN BBQ Sunday, July 16, 2023 \$12.00

11:00 AM until 1:00pm
DRIVE THROUGH ONLY
Chicken, Baked Beans,
Applesauce, Roll
Pick up at Knights of Columbus
324 Bedford Street,



Hollidaysburg

Tickets will be available after all the weekend Masses and in the Parish Office on weekdays.

ST JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

Please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at ginny.reeder@gmail.com to add or remove someone from 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:

All Garvey Manor Residents • Anne Showalter
Idy Caporuscio • Mary Lee DeStefano • Nancy Fogel
Sherryl Hartman • Patricia Olson • Ryan Raybuck
Carol Rodgers • Reed Stellabotte • Tim Temofonte
Dorothy Yingling

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

Michael DeStefano, brother of Loretta Olson Joseph Lauer, brother of Brenda Donoughe

SCHOLARSHIP: Students from our parish who will be college juniors or seniors this fall may apply to receive one of four \$500 grants from the Adelaide Heverly Welge Scholarship Endowment. Applications are available in the parish office. They may also be downloaded from the "Grants & Scholarships" page at www.icfoundation.us or through the Independent Catholic Foundation's Facebook page. The application deadline is Wednesday, July 5th. The four successful applicants will be notified shortly thereafter.

SCRIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are currently looking for several more volunteers to fill orders at the scrip table during Mass. If you look at our Ministry Schedule, you will see many positions that are open. Scrip volunteers are scheduled through our Ministry Scheduler Pro just like the other ministries. You can specify the mass times and weekends you are willing to serve in this capacity. With enough volunteers signed up, no one should have to serve every weekend. Please call the office at 814-942-5503 if you are willing to volunteer.

SCRIP TIP: Don't leave for vacation without your scrip! You can purchase scrip online for flights, cruises, and hotels. Go to https://www.raiseright.com/to get started. If you're more into road trips, equip your wallet with scrip for fast food and gas stations! Shop gift cards from more than 750 top brands to earn on your daily purchases with the mobile app RaiseRight. Anytime you want, anywhere you go. Get the app: https://www.raiseright.com/
Call the office for the enrollment code to link your account to St. John the Evangelist Church.



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FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration is now open for the 2023-2024 school year.

If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Diane Ryan at 814-942-5503 or email stjohnsecretary@atlanticbb.net.

LAKEMONT FIRE CO. CHIX BBQ SUNDAY, JUNE 25: Please support our neighbors & friends at the Fire Company with their fundraiser. 1/2 Chicken, Homemade Baked Beans, Applesauce, Roll & Butter - \$12.00 CASH - DRIVE THRU ONLY, 11:00 am until sold out. Any questions call Stan Neal @ 814-312-8056.

CCW PRAYERS FOR HAITI: The Sisters of the Carmelite Community of the Word invite you to join us in three days of prayer June 25, 26 & 27 in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help for the needs of the people of Haiti. The situation in Haiti is tragic and there is little intervention by the world community to alleviate the suffering of the people. In the midst of the turmoil that exists in Haiti at the present time we ask your help in praying for a resolution to the violence, starvation and isolation that plagues the people of Haiti. A recent article details what life is like in Haiti right now. It highlights the very urgent need for our prayers.

https://reliefweb.int/report/haiti/not-country-where-you-can-dream-shattered-hopes-haitian-people.



SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY, JULY 30 AFTER THE 10:00 MASS

June 25, 2023 Twelfth Sunday on Ordinary Time

The Second Vatican Council gave renewed consideration to Communion under both kinds. Aware of the doctrinal principles on the complete efficacy of Eucharistic Communion under the species of bread alone, the Council gave permission for Communion under both kinds. This is a clearer form of the Sacrament, offering a particular opportunity of deepening the understanding of the mystery in which the faithful take part. On the night before He died, the Lord took bread and said, "Eat," then He took the chalice and said, "Drink." The faithful are encouraged to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ under both species of bread and wine. C.f. **General Instruction of the Roman Missal**, 2011, Number 14.

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga was sick as a child and had to stay in bed most of the time. Does that sound boring? He wasn't bored, he was excited to be stuck in bed! He spent the whole time praying and reading about the saints.



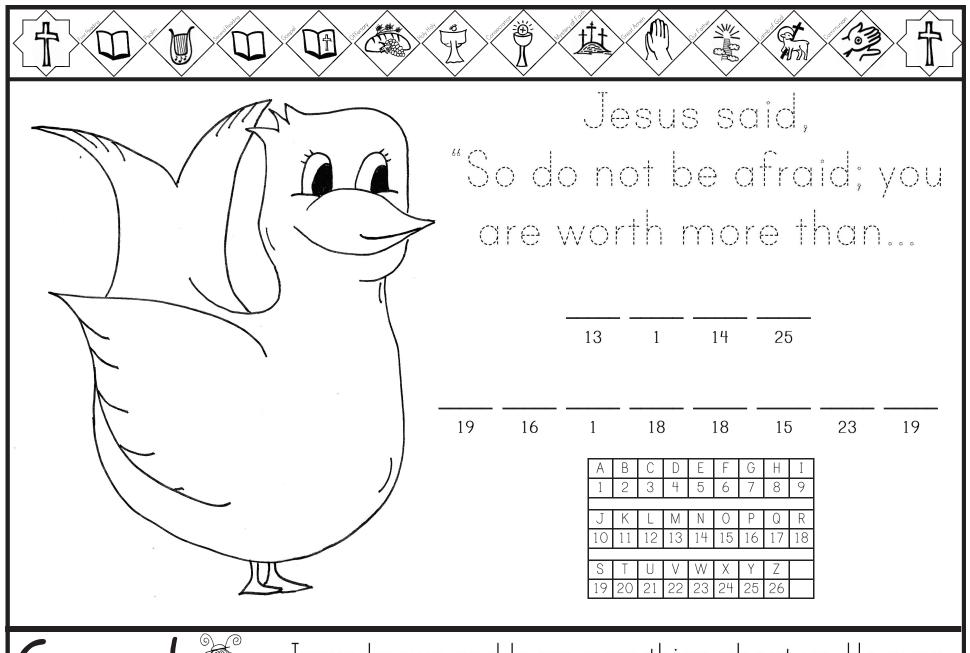


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Before Mass, dip your fingers in holy water and pray the Sign of the Cross. The holy water reminds us of our Baptism.





Jesus knows and loves everything about us. He even knows how many hairs are on your head!