

**14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
July 9, 2023**

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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

July Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



NEXT WEEK'S APPOINTMENTS

LECTORS

Sat. July 15 - 4:00 PM - David Langguth, John Majcher
 Sun. July 16 - 8:00 AM - Norma Foose, Bill Foose
 Sun. July 16 - 10:00 AM - Camille Krug, James Krug

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. July 15 - 4:00 PM - Iris Tatar, Lexi Tatar
 Sun. July 16 - 8:00 AM - Emily Miller, Nicholas Helsley
 Sun. July 16 - 10:00 AM - Evie Koch, Estella Koch

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. July 15 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 16 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci, Daniel Turcovsky, Diane Turcovsky, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 16 - 10:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan, Cecelia Bloom, Walter Bloom, Barbara Bundy, Dee Capriotti, Bob Olson

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. July 15 - 4:00 PM - Larry VanSickel, NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 16 - 8:00 AM - Carolyn English, Mike O'Neill, Ed Stoltz, Mary Truesdale
 Sun. July 16 - 10:00 AM - Peg Madden, Wendy Campbell, Mary Grace Horton, Patrick Podoletz

SACRISTAN

Sat. July 15 - 4:00 PM - Jane Byrne
 Sun. July 16 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
 Sun. July 16 - 10:00 AM - Barbara Bundy

SCRIP

Sat. July 15 - 4:00 PM - Julie Beiswenger, Marge Rudolph
 Sat. July 16 - 8:00 AM - Chris Palazzi, NOT FILLED
 Sun. July 16 - 10:00 AM - NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED

A Few Words from the Pastor:

A SAINT FOR OUR YOUNG: St. Maria Goretti is unique in that she is the youngest canonized saint in the Church. She died tragically on July 6, 1902, at the age of eleven as she was stabbed to death by a neighbor who forced himself upon her and was seeking to rape her. She is not only a model of purity and obedience but is noted for her generous forgiveness of the young man who assaulted her. In our own age, when everything is so sexualized and there is the ever-present risk of sexual predators on social media, we must hold up our saint Maria Goretti as a model of virtue and prudence for the young women who face such dangers and temptations.

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!

SUGGESTED SUMMER READING: *Life Lessons from St. Therese of Lisieux*, by Joseph Schmidt. Brother Schmidt provides practical teachings on how to live a life of grace and gratitude derived directly from the wisdom of St. Thérèse. Open your heart to be led by this beloved saint and receive insights she gained in her own life that you can apply to the challenges you face. Explore the qualities and lessons that Thérèse learned to rely upon and discover a helpful guide to living a more meaningful, loving, and peaceful life. Each chapter contains material directly from the writings and life experience of Thérèse, as well as mentoring messages that connect her wisdom with daily life today! It's like having St. Thérèse as your spiritual director. And what could be better than that?

PARISH PICNIC: Planning is underway for our Annual Parish Picnic scheduled for Sunday, July 30th! Please sign up on the kiosk if you are planning on attending as well as what dish you would like to share. We are also looking for themed basket donations to be raffled off during the picnic. Sign up on the kiosk if you are able to donate along with the basket theme. All proceeds will benefit parish upgrades. Hope you will join us as we welcome Fr. Justin Treon and say farewell to Fr. Brian Norris!

LAST CHANCE FOR TICKETS-ST. JOHN'S BIG CHICKEN BBQ

Sunday, July 16, 2023 \$12.00

DRIVE THROUGH ONLY

Meal includes Chicken, Baked Beans, Applesauce, Roll

Pick up at Knights of Columbus, 324 Bedford Street, Hollidaysburg

Tickets will be available after all masses this weekend.

Proceeds will benefit St. John's Social Committee.



MISSION APPEAL: On **August 5 & 6, 2023**, Fr. Binoj Mathew, O.S.S.T. (Order of the Most Holy Trinity and of the Captives) will be in our parish for a mission appeal. Fr. Binoj Mathew serves as the Novice Master for the Immaculate Heart of Mary Province, USA. At each Mass Father will ask for our prayers and financial assistance as his Order works to expand its ministry of Catholic education in Kamrup (Assam) India. Most of the Christians in this secluded part of the country belong to tribal communities and are often persecuted for their faith by non-Christian tribes. In this part of the county children do not have access to a proper education due to extreme poverty and persecution. The Trinitarians in India hope to expand their ministry of Catholic education through their newly opened DeMatha Elementary School. This expansion will allow the school to add additional grade levels, dormitories for boarding students, a Monastery for the religious, a playground for the younger children, and an auditorium. The Trinitarians are hopeful that your generosity during this Mission Appeal will help them to more effectively live their school's motto, "Educate to Liberate." Please consider supporting the work of the Trinitarians in India as they continue to spread God's mercy and redemption in this remote part of the world. Checks and donations can be made out to our parish. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Schedule for the Week of July 9

Sunday, July 9 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:00 AM - Mass for *People of the Parish*

Monday, July 10 - Weekday

8:30 AM - Mass for *Ron Peschock* requested by Betty Peschock

Tuesday, July 11 - St. Benedict

9:00 AM - Mass for *Tiff Mickens* requested by Linda Weyandt

Wednesday, July 12 - Weekday

6:00 PM - Mass for *Barbara Neral* requested by Vicki Faretta & children Crystal & Michael

Thursday, July 13 - Weekday

8:30 AM - Mass for *Carol Mangnan* requested by Marian Monios

Friday, July 14 - St. Kateri Tekawitha

8:30 AM - 8:30 AM - Mass for *Phyllis Dunkle* requested by Marian Monios

Saturday, July 15 - Vigil of 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Mass for *Oscar & Mary Perrin* requested by Ron & Joyce Cunningham

Sunday, July 16 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:00 AM - Mass for *Colonel & Mrs. John Ward, parents of Linda Weyandt* requested by Linda Weyandt

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.

OUTDOOR MASS CELEBRATING MARRIED COUPLES: The Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Family is invited to participate in and to pray for those living the Sacrament of Marriage at an Outdoor Mass honoring Married Couples on Sunday evening, July 16 at 7:00 pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto. Bring a lawn chair. Indoors if rain. Bishop Mark is the celebrant and homilist. This is a wonderful way to celebrate, encourage and support married couples!

PARISH FESTIVAL: Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish in Lilly is hosting it's first Parish Festival on Sunday, July 23, 2023 from 11:00am to 6:00pm. Food Vendors, Craft Vendors, Kid's Games, Bouncy Houses for kids, other Games, and Beer will all be offered. Also offered from 11:00am to 2:00pm is a Spaghetti Dinner at the cost of \$10.00. (Take-outs available!) Please come and support our Parish and enjoy fellowship and fun!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Christ has given us a clear model of humility which is key to the stewardship way of life, and to a peaceful and fulfilling life. This kind of humility goes against the "me first" mentality. We can acknowledge we are the "little ones."

Because of our Baptism and Confirmation, we have a "super power" within us, the Holy Spirit. We must ask the Holy Spirit for an increase in the virtues within us, especially humility. Jesus offers these warm and encouraging words to entice us to embrace it. "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves." (www.CatholicSteward.com, 6/11/2020)

June 24/25

Envelopes	\$ 5,640.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 413.00
Children's Offerings	\$ 5.00
Parish Development	\$ 65.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,576.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,699.00

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

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.

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

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating Fatima Devotions on Thursday July 13th, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Gardens (In case of inclement weather we will be at the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel). The presider will be Very Rev. Fr. John Byrnes from the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel. We are really looking forward to seeing you.

ST JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

Please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at giny.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 • Michelle Cooney • 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:

Billy Sweet

***Joseph Lauer, brother of Brenda Donoughe
May he rest in the peace and joy of the Lord.***

GRIEVING IS LONELY. Consider joining other adults who have experienced loss for Sharing the Journey. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, July 18th in the St. John's Parish Center. These are informal gatherings intended to provide the opportunity to share and to listen. There is no need to pre-register. You are welcome to come as often as you would like. If you have questions call Mary Petrak, 814-502-6076.

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.



**Download our RaiseRight
mobile app**



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.*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Bishop Guilfoyle will be holding a Vacation Bible School this August for any interested area children in grades K through 4. The VBS will take place daily from 9 a.m. to noon each morning, Monday-Friday, August 7th-11th. The program is designed and run by our BG students, with Mr. Bob Sutton (BG campus minister) supervising. The cost is \$15 per student for the whole week. To register, please contact Bob Sutton at rsutton@bguilfoyle.org by Wednesday, August 2nd!

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION: A Mass will be celebrated on July 9 at 5:00 p.m. at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral. A Eucharistic procession from the Cathedral to Central Park in downtown Johnstown will follow the Mass. The Cathedral invites the local faithful to join in this solemn and public witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, alive and truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. First Communicants are invited to come dressed in their First Holy Communion attire. They will be invited to join in the procession. Refreshments will follow at the Saint John Gualbert Activity Center on Railroad Street.



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

July 9, 2023 Fourteenth Sunday on Ordinary Time
The Church directs a sign of reverence be shown before receiving Communion standing. The bishops of the United States have determined that the sign of reverence is a bow. This gesture expresses our reverence and honor to Christ who comes to us in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The consecrated Host may be received on the tongue or on the hand at the discretion of the communicant. The sign of reverence, a bow, is also made before receiving the precious Blood. This liturgical reverence speaks of our devotion and love of the Body and Blood of Christ which we are about to receive. The bow is also a sign of gratitude for such a sacred gift. C.f. **Introduction to the Order of Mass**, 2011, Number 160.

Saint Junipero Serra

Saint Junipero Serra grew up in Spain, then became a missionary and traveled to the United States. He built missions and taught people about farming, cattle ranching, and Jesus. He was canonized as a saint in 2015.



Blessed Junipero Serra was a Franciscan Monk. His haircut is called a **tonsure**. The top of his head is shaved.



Catholic Kids

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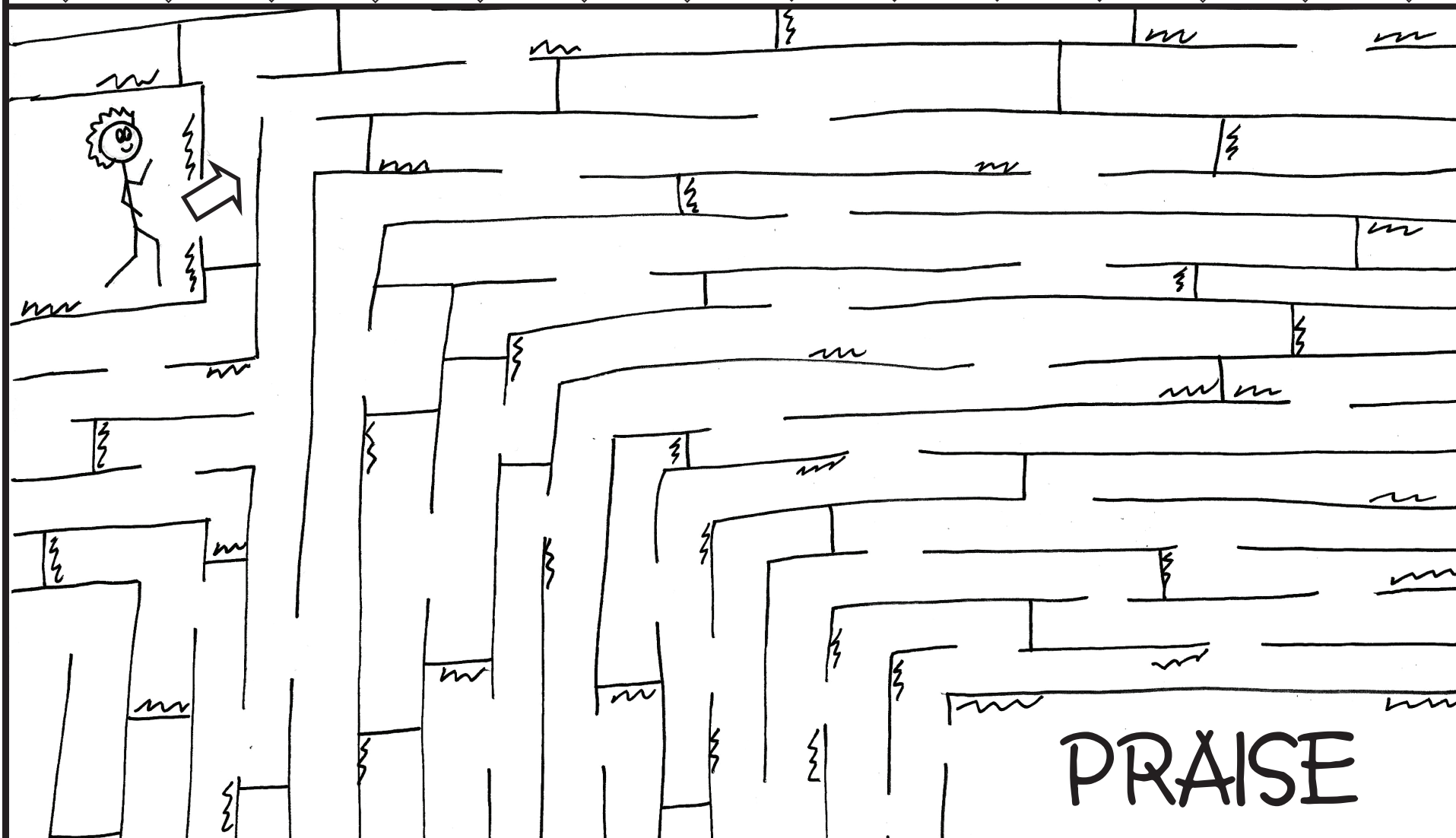
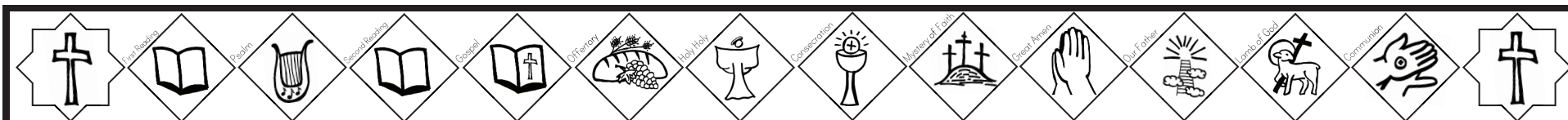
I will praise
your name
forever, my king
and my God.

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During Mass, how many times do you say, "And with your spirit?"
Try to say it in Latin:
"Et cum spiritu tuo."



"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones."