

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF August 17 2025
Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Please note that all daily masses will be held in the chapel unless otherwise noted. In the event of a funeral mass there will be no (8:30 AM) daily mass.

Monday 8:30AM :	NO MASS	
Tuesday 8:30 AM:	Claudine Plush	By: The Plush Family
Wednesday 8:30 AM:	Teresa Fochtman	By: Philip & Kathy Suhrie
Thursday 8:30 AM:	Beth Engle (Anniv)	By: Irma and Dayna
Friday 8:30 AM:	Teresa Beyer	By: Cletus Robb
Twenty-First Sunday Of Ordinary Time:		
Saturday 6:00 PM:	Olive Smith (B’day)	By: Pauline Will
Sunday 8:00 AM:	Don Lynch	By: Stanley Smith
Sunday 10:30 AM:	For The People	
Sanctuary Candle:	Peace	
St. Peregrine Candle:		

Mass Readings for the Week:

Monday:	Saint Louis of Toulouse Optional Memorial Of Bl. John Lois Loir, and Companions, Priest, Martyr Judges 2:11-19/PS Psalm 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 (R/.4a)/Matthew 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Optional Memorial Of St. John Eudes, Priest Judges 6:11-24a/PS Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 (R/.cf.9b)/Matthew 19:23-30 Ephesians 3:14-19/Matthew 11:25-30
Wednesday:	Memorial Of St. Bernard, Abbot And Doctor Of The Church Judges 9:6-15/PS Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Matthew 20:1-16 Sirach 15:1-6/PS Psalm 119:12/John 17:20-26
Thursday:	Memorial Of St. Pius X, Pope Judges 11:29-39a/PS Psalm 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Matthew 22:1-14 2 Thessalonians 2:2b-8/PS Psalm 89:2/John 21:15-17
Friday:	Memorial Of The Queenship Of The Blessed Virgin Mary Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/PS Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 (R/.1b)/Matthew 22:34-40 Isaiah 9:1-6/Luke 1:26-38
Saturday:	Optional Memorial Of St. Rose Of Lima, Virgin Optional Memorial Of The Blessed Virgin Mary Optional Memorial Of Bl. Bernard of Offida, Capuchin Brother Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/PS Psalm 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Matthew 23:1-12 2 Corinthians 10:17-11:2; cf. PS Psalm 148:12a and 13a
Sunday:	Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time Isaiah 66:18-21/PS Psalm117:1, 2 (R/.Mark 16:15)/Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13/Luke 13:22-30

St John The Baptist Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule:

Mon: No Mass Tues: 8:30 AM Wed - Fri: 8:30 AM Sat: 6:00 PM (Vigil) Sun: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Secretary Office Hours:

Mon :8:00 AM-3:00PM Wed :8:00 AM-3:00PM Thurs :8:00 AM-3:00 PM Fri :8:00AM –3:00 PM

Baptism: Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

Confessions: Saturday 5:00 – 5:45 PM

Holy Communion:

Low Gluten hosts will be available for anyone with a low gluten tolerance. If you have a low gluten tolerance, please tell the priest before mass so a low gluten host can be placed in a pyx for you.

Matrimony: Arrange nine months in advance. Couples expected to participate in pre-marriage preparation program

Rosary: Saturday Evenings beginning at 5:25 PM

Parish Mission Statement

St. John the Baptist Parish is a Catholic Christian Community centered in rural New Baltimore, Pennsylvania. As members of the Body of Christ, we seek to live as entrusted stewards using God’s gifts responsibly, intelligently, prudently, and gratefully to bring about His kingdom. As stewards of our time, talents, possessions, and faith, we are called to put our lives in proper focus and to live in accord with one another giving love and caring support, to accept Christ’s challenge as related in the Gospels- to serve one another.



“My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.”

St. John’s News & Upcoming Events:

20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Religious Education News:

Religious Education Registration:

Currently asking ALL students in grades K-11 to please register by calling the office at (814) 733-2210 or sending an email so materials can be ordered. The first day of Religious Education will be Sunday September 21 2025 from 9:10 AM to 10:10 AM.

Religious Education Teachers:

Please contact the office ASAP! if you DO NOT plan on teaching this year so a replacement can be found.

Also a teacher is needed for Seventh and Eighth Grade, and Ninth through Eleventh Grade so please call the office if interested ASAP so preparations can be made to obtain child abuse clearances and the Virtus Training. All teachers must have both Clearances and Virtus completed before the start of Religious Education on Sunday September 21st



Oops Did you miss it? The first rehearsal for St. John’s choir was on Wednesday, August 13, but never fear! You can still join and have plenty of time to learn the music before we sing in front of people. Choir rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Please join us!



Catholic Ministries Drive:

The Catholic Ministries Drive is more than a fundraiser—it’s a call to live out our faith through action. Every gift supports vital ministries that bring Christ’s love to our neighbors in need. From nurturing vocations and strengthening Catholic education to feeding the hungry and comforting the sick, your generosity fuels the mission of the Church in our diocese. This year, we invite you to be part of something bigger than yourself. Your donation helps ensure that our parishes, schools, and outreach programs continue to thrive and serve with compassion. Whether it’s a child discovering Christ in a classroom, a future seminarian answering God’s vocation call to the priesthood, or a family receiving hope during hardship—you make that possible. Please prayerfully consider making a gift to the Catholic Ministries Drive. Every dollar stays within our diocese and directly supports the ministries that touch lives every day. Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant Church rooted in faith, hope, and love.

Catholic Ministries Drive Update:

Thank you to all who have participated in our Catholic Ministries Drive. To date we have received \$4450.00 towards our goal of \$22,000.00. It is not too late for those thinking about giving as you have until the end of December to do so. Thank you for your generosity

Volunteer to take up the Offertory At Mass: During Mass, there’s a little moment that often goes unnoticed. After the collection baskets are passed, there is a very meaningful part of the Mass: members of our parish carry the gifts of bread, wine and the offertory to the priest. The entire congregation is represented by those who bear the gifts. Through this act, we return to God a small part of the many blessings that He has given to us. What a wonderful way to express thanks and joy to God by bearing these gifts! There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church for the month August for families to sign up to carry the offertory gifts up at mass.

PRAYER LIST

John Andzelik, Abby Barnes, Lori Barnes, Fr. William Barron, Debbie Brady, Cindy (Miller) Bearer, Jane Beyer, Theresa Beyer, Lisa Bischof, Tonya Brown, Mark Bruck, Carol Burcaw, Macy Burke, Doug Burkett, Max Bulger, Tim Bruck, Larry Clarr, Randy Clites, Denis Crum, Lee Crum, Andrew Davenport, Sara Davenport, Michael Davis, Velma Davis, Larry DeArmitt, Alice Deitz, Donna Dennison, Tracy Dickey, Dorothy Dittmer, Joyce Dively, Tara Dively, Lisa Easter, Chris Edes, Ray Engleka, George Faidley III, Tabitha Flick, Bradley Fochtman, Harry Fochtman, Mike Fochtman, Mark Frankenfield, Myrna Fries, Becky Foor, Carol Ann Gallagher, Brian Gardill, Jarrett Gowatty, Paisley Goetzl, Helen Greenway, Kelsey Grove, Grayson Gumbert, Sam Hall, Ron Hagens, Nellie Hall, Eugene Hankinson, Phyllis Harris, Mary Jo Harrington, Aaron Hay, Paisley Hay, Bob Jenkins, Elizabeth, Ken & Kennaley Heider, Sandra Herzing, Dale Hickey, Ida Mae Hillegass, Lisa Hillegass, Missy Hillegass, Tara Hillegass, Todd Hillegass, Amy Jo Hoffman, Phyllis Hoppert, Tina Hoover, Ernest Imgrund, Pete Innis, Mary Janachovski, Martha (Lewis) Kalbach, Matt Karns, Jason Kinzer, David Krieie, Fr. Robert Kaylor, Todd Kline, Eric Knott, Virginia Lambert, John Lancaster, Eli Lankey, Kelly Legarski, Bruce Leonard, Carol Leppert, Gordon Leppert, Brenda Leister, Chase Lester, Kaitlyn Lewis, Barry Leydig, John Lynch, Toots Maddy, Ron Makarun, Martha Marker, Susan Martin, Tim Martin, George Maser, Angie Matey, Joseph Matey, Brooks May, Janet Michael, Tony and Janet Miele, Linda McCahan, Shirley McVicker, Betty Meslovich, Terry Metevier, Erica Miller, Ray & June Miller, Tara Miller, Mike Montreal, Reed Morgan, Tracey Mowry, Carol Murphy, Kai Musselman, John Myers, Ashley Nail, Dr. Cyril Nathaniel, Eugene Nickelow, Elissa Nunamaker, Donna Otto, Rick Otto, Michael Price, Sabina Restly, Tara Ritchey, Cindy Robb, Katherine Rosenbaum, Teri Schreiber, Nancy Schrock, Barb Sarver, Shirley Sechler, Greg Seeley, Richard Seese Jr. , Jordon Seville, Lorraine Shadduck, Sandra Shaffer, Terry Shaffer, Harold Shannon, Clyde Shippy, Tom Shippy, Daniel Smith, Eddie Smith, Edith Smith, Marie Smith, Shaun Smith, Oscar Speicher, Linda Stiffler, Rosalie Swingle, Carol Taylor, Mary Jane Thomas, Leroy Turner, Janet Valentine, Michael Valentine, Gail Wade, Anna Lee Wambaugh, Tom Warren, Jr., Staci Weaver, Aaron Weiss, Bonnie Welsh, Dee Werline, John & Doris Werner, Christina Whetstone, Logan Weyand, Alyssa Will, Charlotte Will, Jan Will, Pat Will, Tracy Williams, Larry & Alice Winegardner, Lucy Wright, Angie Wolfhope, Dorothy Wolfhope, Ron Wolfhope, Steve Wolfhope, Tim Wyles, Shirley Varchetti, Roger Yarnell

If you added a person’s name to the prayer list and they have since recovered, please call to remove their name from our prayer list.

OFFERTORY

Sunday Loose: \$461.00	Sunday Adults: \$2500.00	Total Sunday: \$2961.00
Local Needs: \$10.00	Heating Fund: \$70.00	Assumption: \$30.00
Peter Pence: \$10.00		

We’re always collecting non- perishable food items for our local foodbanks. Items can be placed in the bins in the back of church.

20th Sunday Of Ordinary Time - A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:

Today Jesus warns us his Word will create conflict between parents and children. In a permissive society which advocates individualism and consumerism, parents must continue to teach and live the gospel values of respect, service to others, forgiveness, generosity and compassion. A Christian family is a countercultural family.

The Pope’s Prayer Intention For August:

For mutual coexistence
Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



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Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown 2025 Women's Conference

*Strength in Christ
Joy in the Mess*

Join us for our 4th Annual DAJ Women's
Conference hosted at Mount Aloysius College
at the Bertschi Center on September 20th, 2025
9:00am-4:00pm

We encourage the women of our diocese to take time for some faith-filled nourishment this fall by coming to enjoy Mass with Bishop Mark Bartchak, Confessions with our local priests, and talks by our featured speaker with a guided prayer session. As well as light refreshments and lunch served. Fill up your spiritual cup with time for reflection, prayer, and fellowship with the women of our diocese.

We're so excited to have with us as this year's speaker, Megan Hjelmstad. She is an author, speaker, mentor, wife, mom, and veteran. She is coming to us from Denver, CO and has family here in PA. Come and enjoy as Megan speaks on the joy found in mess of life.

Check-in Begins at 7:30am
Mass with Bishop Mark at 9:00am
more information to follow

To register please scan the QR code or go to
ajdiocese.org/giving or check with your local
parish for a registration form

For questions please call Brittany Boland at the
office of Stewardship & Development - 814-695-5579



Diocesan News & Upcoming Events:

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE BUS TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC:

The Diocese of Altoona Johnstown is having bus trip for a Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on **Friday, October 17, 2025**. Trip will include a tour of the Shrine, confessions and Mass with the Bishop. You can purchase lunch at the Shrine Cafeteria or bring a lunch. There will be a rest stop on the way to Washington and a stop on the way back to Somerset for dinner on your own. **To make reservations beginning August 4th, please call Linda Gattian at 814-443-6574 or email: lgattian@dioceseaj.org. The cost of the trip is \$50.00/person, which includes the gratuity for the driver. The bus will leave at 6:30 am from Saint Peter, Somerset. The deadline to reserve a seat (s) and make the payment is September 20th**



Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgies:

Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2025 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend **Sunday, September 21 in ALTOONA** at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or **Sunday, September 28 in JOHNSTOWN** at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at **2:00 p.m.** Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. **Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Friday, September 12th.**

Popular EWTN Personality to Preach at Lilly Parish:

In celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025, Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish in Lilly will welcome a special guest as part of the faith community's annual 40 Hours Devotion. **It is happening September 7-9 with Solemn Vespers each evening at 7:00 p.m.** EWTN personality Father Leo Patalinghug will be the guest homilist. Father Patalinghug is an award-winning chef, radio and TV host, speaker, and author. He is perhaps best known for his popular TV cooking segments, in which he also highlights the Catholic faith. Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish is a designated Holy Site in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown during this Jubilee Year. Guests who visit the parish may have their pilgrim's passport stamped.

Is God Calling You to Become a Deacon?

Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown? If so, you and your wife (if married) are invited to join Bishop Mark and Deacon Michael Russo at the "Bishop's Night of Vocations" on **October 8 at 7:00 p.m.** at the U.S. Hotel Tavern in Hollidaysburg. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Jessica at (814) 361-2000. **The deadline for reservations is September 2.**

Stewardship Reflection August 17 2025: – 20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Today's readings set a high bar for us Christian stewards, reminding us that a stewardship way of life is meant to be a challenging way of life. The stewardship way of life helps us to stay in good racing shape. By putting God first in all areas of our lives, we rid ourselves of the burden and sinfulness of over-attachment to ourselves and our things. We get lean and fit and strong for the long race to Heaven. We begin to look and act more like Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. The stewardship way of life sets a high bar indeed. But deeply embraced, this way of life focused on God and others will make us the saints we are called to be.

The Jubilee 2025 Pilgrim's Passport used by many persons and families during this Jubilee year **need to be returned, or postmarked by September 8 and sent, to the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Pastoral Center, 2713 West Chestnut Avenue, Altoona PA 16601** to be eligible for prizes that were listed on the inside cover of the Passport: An overnight stay in Washington DC the weekend of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Pilgrimage, October 17, an overnight stay in Pittsburgh, or the monetary amounts, and various gift cards. You still have some weeks to travel and visit Holy Sites in our five deaneries!

There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!

OMOS To Host Fall Workshop:

Our Mother of Sorrows is hosting a workshop featuring author Dr. Michel Therrien on **Saturday, September 13, 2025 from 8:00AM-4:00PM**. His current book "Wounded Witness" offers a compelling analysis of the current state of the Church and the obstacles that have hindered its evangelizing mission. This workshop will offer an opportunity for insight regarding our fellow Catholics and a pathway towards understanding and deeper fellowship. We hope to reach many people with this important message, and with your help, we can accomplish this goal.

Ministering to the Poor Workshops Offered:

Pope Francis started this Jubilee 2025 as the ‘Year of Hope.’ It is to be a sacred time for us to rest, rejuvenate, restore relationships, and to spread hope to all. Pope Leo continues this Jubilee year and asks us how we can be Ambassadors of Hope in our parish communities. Please consider attending a workshop on ‘**Ministering to the Poor.**’ Topics include: the causes of poverty; what poverty looks like in your parish community; boundaries and learning about programs that are available to assist those struggling financially. This opportunity will provide tips and tools for parishes to create or enhance existing ministries and social justice efforts. For more information, contact Cindy O’Connor, coconnor@dioceseaj.org or by calling (814) 317-2621.

In-Person Workshops

Tuesday, 8/26/2025	(Cambria) Catholic Charities office 110 Maple Avenue, Johnstown, PA 15901	9:00 am – Noon
Tuesday, 8/26/2025	(Cambria) Catholic Charities office 110 Maple Avenue, Johnstown, PA 15901	1:30 am – 4:30 pm
Thursday, 8/28/2025	Diocese Pastoral Center (Blair) 2713 W Chestnut Ave, Altoona, PA 16601	9:00 am – Noon
Thursday, 8/28/2025	Diocese Pastoral Center (Blair) 2713 W Chestnut Ave, Altoona, PA 16601	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Thursday, 9/18/2025	Good Shepherd Parish (Centre) 867 Grays Woods Blvd, Port Matilda, PA 16870	9:00 am – Noon

On-line Workshops

Tuesday, 9/09/2025	Link will be provided	9:00 am – Noon
Tuesday, 9/23/2025	Link will be provided	2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

To register online, please use this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/UkPK2GJw0d>



Everett Parish to Host Annual Marian Observances:

From the day of the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15th**, to the day of the **Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 22nd**, St. John the Evangelist parish spends eight days celebrating her Assumption and Coronation, and praying for her intercession beginning on Friday, **August 15**: Assumption of the Virgin Mary (a Holy Day of Obligation this year): Mass @ 8:30 am, followed by the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet; Mass @ 12:10 pm; Holy Hour @ 3:00 pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet @ 6:30 pm, Mass @ 7:00 pm. Saturday, **August 16**: Confession @ 12:00 noon, Mass @ 5:30 pm; Sunday, **August 17**: Mass @ 9:00 with Pinata afterward; Monday, **August 18**: Mass @ 8:30 am: BVM, Mother of the Lord; Tuesday, **August 19**: Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet @ 6:30 pm, Mass @ 7:00 pm: BVM, Fountain of Salvation, with several priests and light refreshments following; Wednesday, **August 20**: Mass @ 8:30 am, St. Bernard of Clairvaux; Thursday, **August 21**: Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet @ 6:30 pm, Mass @ 7:00 pm: Holy Mary, the New Eve, after Mass, blessing with the Pope St. Pius X relic, several priests and reception following; Friday, **August 22**: Mass @ 8:30 am, Queenship of the BVM; Holy Hour @ 3:00 pm

Workshop on Christian Nationalism:

All are invited to register to hear Dr. Anna Floerke Scheid speak on “Discipleship or Duplicity: Resisting Christian Nationalism” on **Wed., Sept. 3, 2025 at 7 PM in-person at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat House, 148 Monastery Avenue on Pittsburgh South Side Slopes and virtually via Zoom**. Anna Floerke Scheid is an associate theology professor at Duquesne University and author of “Just Revolution: A Christian Ethic of Political Resistance and Social Transformation”. Her presentation will provide an overview of Christian nationalism, the danger it poses, and how to resist it. The event is sponsored by the Association of Pittsburgh Priests. To register, go to www.associationofpittsburghpriests.com



Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

This **Friday August 22nd** is the Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Eight days after we celebrate her assumption, we honor Mary as Queen of Heaven. Mary’s life mirrors that of her son, whose temple she was as the Christ bearer. **“O Immaculata, Queen of Heaven and Earth, refuge of sinners and our most loving Mother . . . Hear our prayers.”**

Women At The Well:

There is a Women At The Well group forming here at St. John’s. Come and learn how to pray Lectio Divina – praying with that Sunday’s Gospel. We meet after Monday morning 8:00 AM mass in the Chapel. For more information please contact Lindsay Hankinson at (814) 233-8786. We would love to have you join us.



Congratulations! to Warren Paul Maxwell who was baptized here at St. John’s on August 17th. Warren is the son of Natalie and Wiatt Maxwell.

With Deepest Sympathy:

We extend our sympathy to the Martin Family at the death of James Martin on **Tuesday August 12th**. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace



James E. Martin, 71, of New Baltimore PA, departed this life on Tuesday, August 12th, 2025 at UPMC Presbyterian Hospital, Pittsburgh, with Allyson Horner at his side. He was the son for the late Cyril L Martin and Pearle G (Speicher) Martin. He is survived by brothers: Mark E. Speicher, of Somerset; David L. Martin husband of Karen (Winegardner), of Berlin; Paul J. Martin and sister Agnes L. wife of Thomas Ratliff Sr., of Martinsburg, WV. He loved his many nieces, nephews and grand nieces and nephews. The last 10 years Jim has shared his life with Allyson Mullen Horner. James was best known as Jim or Po Joe. He was born at Bedford Hospital, May 24, 1954. He lived most of his life in the New Baltimore area. He graduated from Berlin Brothersvalley High School in 1973. He held may jobs over the years, the most important job he had was helping out with his parents in their final years. He will be joining his mother Pearle, father Cyril, sister-in-law Ruthann (Shaver) Speicher, nephew Michael Gerhardt and niece Kristin (Schardt) Martin. Jim always has a smile on his face that made you wonder what he was up. He had a love for life and enjoyed traveling around the area with Allyson. He loved his antique farm equipment, especially his John Deere tractor and hit and miss engines. His favorite people were his 3 great nephews, Austin, Weston and Levy. He enjoyed to cruise with Austin where he was his honorary grandpap. You could see him cheering Weston and Levy as they practiced for the peddle pull events. He enjoyed making apple butter with family and friends in the fall of the year. Jim was a member for St. John’s the Baptist Catholic Church, New Baltimore, where in his younger years he served as an altar boy. A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, August 23, 2025, at 10 AM, at St. Johns the Baptist Catholic Church, New Baltimore, with Father Mark Pattock- Celebrant. A Committal Service will be at St. John's Catholic Cemetery, New Baltimore, PA. Online condolences may be expressed at <http://www.geiselfuneral.com/>. Arrangements entrusted to Geisel-Styer Funeral Homes, Schellsburg, Pennsylvania.