

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF July 26 2026
 Seventeenth Sunday Of Ordinary Time
 World Day For Grandparents And The Elderly

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.

<u>Monday 8:30AM:</u>	NO MASS	
<u>Tuesday 8:30 AM:</u>	Pete Rogers	By: Dick & Alzine Hoffman
<u>Wednesday 8:30 AM:</u>	Helen C. Kelly	By: Suzanne Heller
<u>Thursday 8:30 AM:</u>	Special Intention For Patty Ann Gardner	By: Annalee & Alzine
<u>Friday 8:30 AM:</u>	Ameilia Kelly	By: Suzanne Heller
<u>18th Sunday In Ordinary Time:</u>		
<u>Saturday 6:00 PM:</u>	Cyril Suhrie (Anniv)	By: The Family
<u>Sunday 8:00 AM:</u>	Don Lynch	By: Harold & M. Jane Smith
<u>Sunday 10:30 AM:</u>	Raymond McGreevey	By: The McGreevey Family
<u>Sanctuary Candle:</u>		By:

Mass Readings for the Week:

Monday:	Optional Memorial Bl. Mary Magdalen Martinengo, Capuchin Poor Clare Jeremiah 13:1-11/PS Psalm Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21 (R/.cf.18a)/Matthew 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Bl. Mary Teresa Kowalska, Capuchin Poor Clare Jeremiah 14:17-22/PS Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Matthew 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Memorial Of SS. Martha, Mary and Lazarus Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21/PS Psalm 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/ 1 John 4:7-16/PS Psalm 34:2 John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42
Thursday:	Optional Memorial Of St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop And Doctor Of The Church Optional Memorial Of Bl. Solanus Casey, Priest Jeremiah 18:1-6/PS Psalm 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Matthew 13:47-53 Ephesians 3:8-12/PS Psalm 119:12/Luke 6:43-45
Friday:	Memorial Of St. Ignatius Of Loyola, Priest Jeremiah 26:1-9/PS Psalm 69:5, 8-10, 14/Matthew 13:54-58/ 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Luke 14:25-33
Saturday:	Memorial Of St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop And Doctor Of The Church Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24/PS Psalm 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 (R/.14c)/Matthew 14:1-12 Romans 8:1-4/PS Psalm 119:12/Matthew 5:13-19
Sunday:	18th Sunday In Ordinary Time Isaiah 55:1-3/PS Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 (R/.cf.16)/Romans 8:35, 37-39 Matthew 14:13-21

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

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

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.



St. John’s News & Upcoming Events:
The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day For Grandparents And The Elderly

World Day For Grandparents and the Elderly:
Today (Sunday July 26th) is the sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly!
‘‘It is important for grandparents to meet their grandchildren and for grandchildren to meet their grandparents, because — as the prophet Joel says — grandparents, before their grandchildren, will dream, and have illusions [great desires], and young people, taking strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy.’’ – Pope Francis, January 31, 2021. We pray for all grandparents and elderly people today and remember their importance in our lives.

Blessing for Grandparents and the Elderly:
Grandparents and the Elderly are cherished memories of our family. They bring gifts of wisdom, experience, and love and share with us their life of faith. We Thank God for their examples and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health. Lord, God almighty, bless our grandparents and the elderly with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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 Monday morning at 9:00 AM in the Church Basement. For more information please contact Lindsay Hankinson at (814) 233-8786. We would love to have you join us.

Country Store Chairperson(s) Needed:
With much consideration, Christopher and Brittany Clark have informed the church of their decision to step down from overseeing The Country Store at future Fourth of July celebrations. Chris and Brittany are deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve alongside members of our congregation over the last nine years. As Chris and Brittany step down, a new chairperson will be needed ASAP to lead The Country Store so this cherished part of our celebration continues to thrive in the years ahead.

Get Well Card Outreach
Please help us send encouragement to Patty Ann Gardner a member of our community who could use some extra care this week.. Your kind words, prayers, and support will mean so much during this time. Please send cards to the address below:
Patty Ann Gardner
c/o Jennifer Nouse
315 E. Watson Street
Bedford, PA 15522

THANK YOU
Patty Ann Gardner would like to Thank! Everyone for their prayers, cards, and masses. Your kind words and support are greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU
Money Tree and Children’s Games Thank You:
MANY THANKS! to Dave and Kathy Vietmeier, Kelly and Scott Winegardener, along with Joey, Sammy, and Ronnie, Dana Hankinson, along with Owen and Gavin, and last, but certainly not least, Patti and Lindsay Hankinson for all their help and dedication to making the children's games, face painting and Money Tree Raffle such a HUGE success. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.

PRAYER LIST
John Andzelik, Abby Barnes, Lori Barnes, Fr. William Barron, Debbie Brady, Delmas Brick Jr., Cindy (Miller) Bearer, Jane Beyer, Theresa Beyer, Tom Bezila, Tonya Brown, Mark Bruck, Tim Bruck, Macy Burke, Doug Burkett, Max Bulger, Sara Cairo, Larry Clarr, Randy Clites, Denis Crum, Lee Crum, Andrew Davenport, Sara Davenport, Michael Davis, Velma Davis, Larry DeArmitt, Alice Deitz, Donna Dennison, Kathy Diamond, Peg Diehl, Tracy Dickey, Dorothy Dittmer, Joyce Dively, Tara Dively, Lisa Easter, Chris Edes, George Faidley III, Connie Fake, Tim Felten, Debbie Fisher, Tabitha Flick, Bradley Fochtman, Harry Fochtman, Mike Fochtman, Mark Frankenfield, Myrna Fries, Becky Foor, Carol Ann Gallagher, Brian Gardill, Patty Ann Gardner, Jarrett Gowatty, Paisley Goetzl, Helen Greenway, Kelsey Grove, Grayson Gumbert, Larry Habinyak, Sam Hall, Ron Hagens, Nellie Hall, Eugene Hankinson, Phyllis Harris, Mary Jo Harrington, Aaron Hay, Paisley Hay, Bob Jenkins, Elizabeth Heider, Nickole Herdman, Sandra Herzing, Ida Mae Hillegass, Lisa Hillegass, Missy Hillegass, Tara Hillegass, Amy Jo Hoffman, Phyllis Hoppert, Jeff Horn, Tina Hoover, Pete Innis, Mary Janachovski, Martha (Lewis) Kalbach, Matt Karns, Bob Kemerer, Jason Kinzer, David Krieie, Fr. Robert Kaylor, Katie Koontz, Todd Kline, Eric Knott, Virginia Lambert, John Lancaster, Bill Lankey, Eli Lankey, Kelly Legarski, Ralph Leister, Bruce Leonard, Carol Leppert, Gordon Leppert, Brenda Leister, Chase Lester, Kaitlyn Lewis, Barry Leydig, John Lynch, Norma Jean 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, Abe Mills, Mike Montreal, Reed Morgan, Tracey Mowry, Carol Murphy, Kai Musselman, John Myers, Ashley Nail, Dr. Cyril Nathaniel, Eugene Nickelow, Elissa Nunamaker, Tina Maddy Ostravich, Donna Otto, Rick Otto, Michael Price, Sabina Restly, Karissa Riberdy, Tara Ritchey, Cindy Robb, Katherine Rosenbaum, Debbie Rowan, Teri Schreiber, Nancy Schrock, Barb Sarver, Shirley Sechler, Greg Seeley, Jordon Seville, Lorraine Shadduck, Sandra Shaffer, Terry Shaffer, Harold Shannon, Tom Shippy, Daniel Smith, Eddie Smith, Edith Smith, Shaun Smith, Oscar Speicher, Linda Stiffler, Riley Grace Sweeney, Rosalie Swingle, Leo Suhrie, Sherry Suttmiller, Carol Taylor, Janet Valentine, Michael Valentine, Julianne Viselli, Gail Wade, Tom Warren, Jr., Staci Weaver, Aaron Weiss, Dee Werline, John & Doris Werner, Christina Whetstone, Logan Weyand, Alyssa Will, Charlotte Will, George Will, Jan Will, Pat Will, Tracy Williams, Lucy Wright, Angie Wolfhope, Dorothy Wolfhope, Ron Wolfhope, Steve Wolfhope, 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.

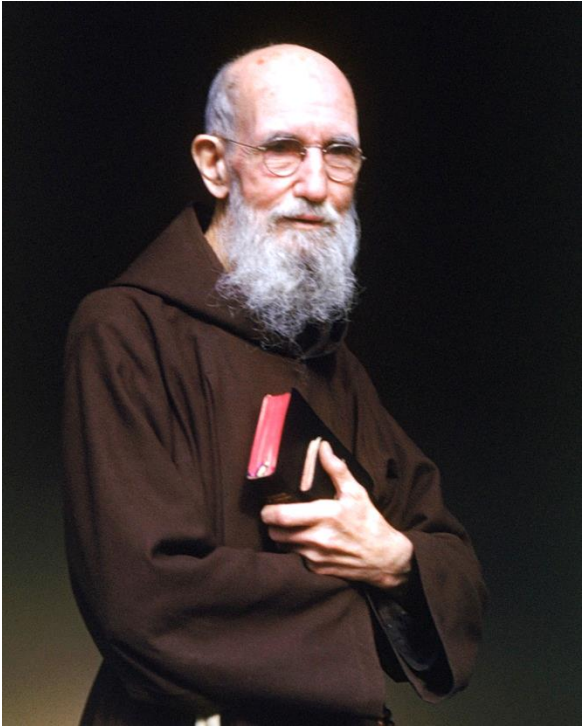
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17th Sunday In Ordinary Time A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:
The man in today’s gospel ‘‘sold all he had’’ for the treasure he found. Family relationships are ‘‘treasures’’ and demand our total personal investment. Invest yourself in the ‘‘treasure’’ of your family.

The Pope’s Prayer Intention For July:
For respect for human life
Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

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Saint of the Week:
Blessed Solanus Casey
Feast Day: July 30th



Father Solanus Casey, a Capuchin Franciscan friar, was born on November 25, 1870 on a farm in western Wisconsin bordering the Mississippi River. His Irish immigrant parents named him Bernard. He was the sixth child in a family of ten boys and six girls. After he left the farm, he worked in Wisconsin and Minnesota as a logger, a hospital orderly, a prison guard and a street car operator. When he was 21 working on a street car he saw someone who was drunk assaulting a woman on the street car's tracks. This created in him a sense of wanting to do something to make the world better. This led him to enter St. Francis High School Seminary in Milwaukee to study for the diocesan priesthood. Since he was an English-speaking Irishman studying in a German-speaking school, he had difficulty with his studies. It was recommended that he leave that seminary to enter a religious order. He was invested in the Capuchin Order at Detroit in 1897 and received his religious name of Solanus.

Unfortunately for Solanus the Capuchins also were German-speaking; this led him to have more difficulties with his priestly studies. His superiors decided, with his acceptance, that he would be ordained but not allowed to hear confessions nor preach dogmatic sermons. Ordained in 1904, Father Solanus spent 20 years in the New York City area: Yonkers, the Lower East Side and then Harlem. In 1924 he was transferred to St. Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit where he worked for 20 years. In 1945, he returned to New York for one year at St. Michael's in Brooklyn. Then he was assigned to Huntington, Indiana from 1946 to 1956. When he was in the last year of his life, he was reassigned to St. Bonaventure in 1956.

Father Solanus spent his life in the service of people. At the monastery door, he met thousands of people from every age and walk of life. In time of trouble and sorrow, they sought his prayers and advice. Many people believed he had the gifts of healing and prophecy; they attributed favors to his prayers. He constantly showed his love of God by loving all of God's people. However, like his models, Jesus and Francis, he would often say: "I have two loves: the sick and the poor." He was always ready and willing to listen to anyone any time of the day or night. In return he asked people to develop their own spiritual lives by growing in love and God and neighbor, especially by their support for the missions. During his final illness, he remarked: "I'm offering my suffering that all might be one. If only I could see the conversion of the whole world." His last conscious act was to sit up in bed and exclaim, "I give my soul to Jesus Christ." He died in Detroit at the age of 86 on July 31, 1957 and is buried at St. Bonaventure Monastery. Solanus Casey was declared Venerable in 1995, and beatified on November 18, 2017. **Blessed Solanus Casey- Pray For Us!**

Blessed Solanus Casey Quotes:

“We should ever be grateful for and love the vocation to which God has called us. This applies to every vocation because, after all, what a privilege it is to serve God, even in the least capacity!”

“Worry is a weakness from which very few of us are entirely free. We must be on guard against this most insidious enemy of our peace of soul. Instead, let us foster confidence in God, and thank Him ahead of time for whatever He chooses to send us.”

Diocesan News & Upcoming Events:

***Proclaim!* Night with the Altoona Curve**
In celebration of the 125th anniversary of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, *Proclaim!* is sponsoring a night with the Altoona Curve on **August 14 at PNG Field in Altoona. The game starts at 6:00 p.m.,**



U P D A T E
The picnic is SOLD OUT
Tickets for the game in the *Proclaim!* seating area are still available.
Call today to reserve yours!

Game tickets are \$9 for adults; **\$7 dollars for children ages 3-12.** To purchase tickets, contact Cory Homan at the Altoona Curve at 814-283-3128 or choman@altoonacurve.com. As part of the celebration, the Very Rev. Frank Sconaienchi, TOR, the Very Reverend Matthew Baum, and Father Michael Pleva will throw out the ceremonial first pitch.

Stewardship Reflection July 26th- The 17th Sunday Of Ordinary Time
The stewardship way of life could be described as a daily pursuit of the kingdom of heaven. Today's readings show us the critical importance of recognizing the kingdom of heaven in our midst and prioritizing our lives in order to obtain it. When we pursue Godly – rather than worldly – priorities, we can do so with great peace because, as St Paul reminds us in the Second Reading from Romans, “all things work for good for those who love God and are called according to his purpose.” All things – not just the major, life-altering decisions, but the countless tiny ones we make on a daily basis as we strive to serve the Lord and advance the kingdom of heaven. Let us pray for the wisdom to recognize the kingdom of heaven in our midst and intensify our efforts to pursue it starting right now. There is no time to lose, and we will obtain the immeasurable joy that only comes when we live as disciples of Jesus.

Journey Through Loss:
Journey Through Loss will be offered at Holy Family Parish, Portage from **6:30 PM-8:00 PM on Wednesdays, beginning on Wednesday, July 29.** *Journey Through Loss* is a 9-week Christian based Bereavement Support Program for adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. Friends and family members from other parishes and denominations are most welcome. We will meet in the Parish Hall, the space below the Church. For more information or to register contact **Mary Petrak, 814 502-6076, mfpetrak@hotmail.com.**

Outdoor Mass for Students Entering or Returning to College:
Bishop Mark will celebrate the annual outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college and their families on **August 2nd at 7:00 pm** at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto. Recent high school graduates entering the military or workforce are also invited. During the Mass, the Bishop will offer a special blessing to the young adults and present them with a small gift. Please bring your own lawn chairs. If it rains, the Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel, next to the Shrine.

2026 Speaker Open Registration:
All are invited to register to hear Marisa Guerin, PhD, co-author of “Life Lessons from St. Therese of Lisieux” on **Monday, August 3 at 7 PM (eastern time) via Zoom** on "Love My Enemies? Really?: Real-World Mentoring from St. Therese of Lisieux". Through reflection, prayer, patience, and the grace of God, Therese gradually came to see others with the compassionate eyes of Jesus. The event is free and sponsored by the Association of Pittsburgh Priests. To register, go to www.associationofpittsburghpriests.com

Fishers of Men Vocations Appeal Announcement Weekend:

Next Sunday is our diocese’s Fishers of Men Vocation Appeal. Bishop Bartchack is asking for your support to fund the formation of our new seminarians and to strengthen the work of our Vocation Office. Thanks be to God, the number of our seminarians is growing—which also means the cost of formation is increasing. We also have dozens of men actively discerning a call to the priesthood, which is a great blessing! Your financial support is essential for supporting our future priests! Learn more and make a gift by visiting ajvocations.org/give. Thanks for your generosity.



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Dear Friends,

As you may know, our vocation office has increased efforts over the past year to reach young men and invite them to consider the priesthood. Our Called by Name initiative resulted in 422 nominations. Thanks be to God, we now have three new seminary applicants for Fall 2026, which would bring our total to four seminarians for our diocese.

As we continue to increase the number of seminarians for our diocese, the cost of their formation also grows. While this is a wonderful blessing and a "good problem to have," we need additional support to fund their education and care. It costs approximately \$65,000 per year for each seminarian, which covers their tuition, room and board, and health insurance.

With that in mind, I am humbly asking for your prayers and financial support for the upcoming **Fishers of Men Vocation Appeal**, which will take place in all parishes on the weekend of **August 1–2**.

The funds raised through this appeal will directly support our men in formation and ensure we can continue actively accompanying those discerning a priestly vocation here in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown.

Many of you will be receiving information in the mail about this appeal, and everyone will hear more about it next weekend at Mass.

Thank you for your steadfast faith, your generosity, and your enduring commitment to building a culture of vocations across our diocese. Please continue to pray for our seminarians and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Mark J. Bartchack

Diocese Family Conference in the Fall

In celebration of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown's 125th anniversary, the diocese will host a Diocesan Family Conference on **September 19, 2026, at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School in Ebensburg**. The gathering, which will replace the usual men's, women's and youth conferences this year, will present an opportunity for local Catholics of all ages to gather as one family of faith. The theme of the conference is “*We Are the Body of Christ, The Church of Altoona-Johnstown*” in celebration of the family of believers that has shaped the 125-year legacy of faith in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. This family conference offers opportunities for men, women, married couples, single individuals, young adults, teens and youth. There will be a keynote address for all and breakout sessions for the groups mentioned above. Bishop Mark will celebrate Mass as part of the day, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation and an Eucharistic Adoration Chapel will be available. Renowned Catholic speaker and musician Steve Angrisano will serve as the keynote speaker for the Diocesan Family Conference. Angrisano will share his music and thoughts and reflections on what it means to be the “Body of Christ” in the Church of Altoona-Johnstown. Led by experienced presenters, breakout sessions will be offered to conference attendees and will be rooted in a variety of topics. Held in a smaller group setting, these sessions offer attendees the opportunity to enrich their Catholic faith. Topics include, but are not limited to, parenting, marriage, men’s and women’s spirituality, young adult issues, mental health, vocations, missions, respect life, Catholic Social Teaching, and diocesan history. Registrants will have the opportunity to select the breakout sessions they wish to participate in when they complete their conference registration, whether it is completed online or by mail.

Conference Schedule

- 7:45 – 8:55 AM | Registration & Hospitality
- 9:00 AM | Welcome & Opening Prayer
- 9:30 – 10:15 AM | Keynote Session (All Ages) – Steve Angrisano
- 10:15 AM | Youth commute to their area and adults to breakouts
- 10:45 AM – 11:45 AM | Breakout Session Block #1
- 12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM | Lunch & Community Time
- 1:00 – 1:15 PM | Youth commute to their area and adults to breakouts
- 1:15 – 2:15 PM | Breakout Session Block #2
- 2:15 – 2:25 PM | Students return to the main area to gather with adults
- 2:30 – 3:30 PM | Family Activity Session (All Ages Together)
Service Projects, Living Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 3:30 – 4:00 PM | Final Keynote (All Ages) – Steve Angrisano
If participants are unable to join us for Mass, this is the time to depart.
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM | Closing Liturgy with Bishop Mark (fulfills the Sunday obligation)
 - *The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered throughout the day and times posted on the day of the conference.

The **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** is Tuesday September 4th and Registration can be completed online or by mail. Lunch is included with the registration fee. *Bishop Carroll Catholic High School is a handicap accessible facility* .
Please direct all questions to Francine Swope at fswope@dioceseaj.org or 814-695-5579

Registration Type	Early (before Aug 30)	After Aug 30
Adult	\$10	\$15
Under age 4	Free	Free
K-4	\$5	\$5
Middle School/Teens	\$10	\$10
Family over 4 people	\$50	\$65
(*Note: this fee includes lunch and materials for the day.)		