

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF August 23 2026
Twenty-First Sunday Of 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.

<u>Monday 8:30AM:</u>	NO MASS	
<u>Tuesday 8:30 AM:</u>	Incarcerated Immigrants	By: Dick & Alzine Hoffman
<u>Wednesday 8:30 AM:</u>	Ronald Castillo	By: Dorothy Castillo
<u>Thursday 8:30 AM:</u>	Charles Hankinson (B’day)	By: The Restly Family Reunion
<u>Friday 8:30 AM:</u>	Patrick L. Smith (B’day)	By: Mary Jane Smith
<u>22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time:</u>		
<u>Saturday 6:00 PM:</u>	Robert Murphy	By: The Family
<u>Sunday 8:00 AM:</u>	Marie Hankinson (B’day)	By: The Family
<u>Sunday 10:30 AM:</u>	Irene McGreevey	By: The McGreevey Family
<u>Sanctuary Candle:</u>		By:

Mass Readings for the Week:

- Monday: Feast Of St. Bartholomew, Apostle**
Revelation 21:9b-14/PS Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/John 1:45-51
- Tuesday: Feast Of St. Louis IX of France, king and Secular Franciscan**
Optional Memorial Of St. Joseph Calasanx, Priest
2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17/PS Psalm 96:10, 11-12, 13/Matthew 23:23-26
Isaiah 58:6-11/PS Psalm 112:1/Matthew 22:54-40/ 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-15
PS Psalm 34:2/Matthew 18:1-5
- Wednesday:** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18/PS Psalm 128:1-2, 4-5/Matthew 23:27-32
- Thursday: Memorial Of St. Monica**
1 Corinthians 1:1-9/PS Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (R/.1)/Matthew 24:42-51
Sirach 26:1-4, 13-16/Luke 7:11-17
- Friday: Memorial Of St. Augustine, Bishop And Doctor Of The Church**
1 Corinthians 1:17-25/PS Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Matthew 25:1-13
1 John 4:7-16/PS Psalm 119:12/Matthew 23:8-12
- Saturday: Memorial Of The Passion Of St. John The Baptist**
1 Corinthians 1:26-31/PS Psalm 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mark 6:17-29
- Sunday: 22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time**
Jeremiah 20:7-9/PS Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Romans 12:1-2/Matthew 16:21-27

“You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church.”
-Matthew 16:18

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 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults):
If you are interested in becoming Catholic or already are a baptized Catholic but need to finish your initiation (1st Confession/Communion and/or Confirmation) into the Catholic Church or want to grow deeper in your faith, please plan to attend The first initial meeting for OCIA is on **Wednesday September 9th at 6:30 PM in the Sacristy (the room usually adjacent to the altar).** All are welcome to attend!

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. Please note that those who were confirmed early still need to attend religious education classes. The first day of Religious Education will be **Sunday September 20, 2026 from 9:10 AM to 10:10 AM.**

Religious Education Teachers Needed:
A Religious Education Teacher is needed for our **3rd Grade Class** and also the **Confirmation Class which consists of 9th, 10th, and 11th grade.** If interested in teaching please contact the office ASAP so you can get setup for Clearances and Virtus Training. The person teaching must have both Clearances and Virtus completed before the start of Religious Education on Sunday September 20th.

Religious Education Teachers:
Please contact the office **ASAP!** if you **DO NOT** plan on teaching this year so a replacement can be found. All teachers must have both Clearances and Virtus completed before the start of Religious Education on Sunday September 20th.

Rosary Group:
Our parish is starting a Rosary group the last Friday of each month. We will hold a pot luck dinner in the church hall at **6pm** followed by a Rosary reflection and fellowship. Please join us **Friday August 28th** for friendship, good conversation, and the Rosary.

Christian Mothers Update:
The Christian Mothers would like to congratulate our members who were inducted on 8/15/2026 at the 6pm Mass **Betty Bittner, Lindsay Hankinson and Lori Benning.**

The Origin Of Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers:
The Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers was founded in 1850 in Lille, France, when the mothers of the time felt that their children needed prayer and good works to grow up as Christian witnesses in difficult times. We are blessed to have a chapter in our parish to continue this ministry. **We would like to invite all the Catholic women of the parish to our meetings, which are typically held on the third Saturday of the month at 4 p.m. in the church basement.** Being a mother is not a requirement, only a desire to pray for the children of our parish and provide opportunities for them to grow in their faith.

Bake Sale:
The Christian Mothers will be sponsoring a Bake Sale after Mass on **9/5/26 and 9/6/2026.** The proceeds will benefit the children of the parish.

“The authority Christ gives is never for power, but always for service and healing.”

PRAYER LIST

John Andzelik, Abby Barnes, Lori Barnes, Fr. William Barron, Gene 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, Rick Earley, 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, 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, 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, Kayleigh Smith, Shaun Smith, Oscar Speicher, Linda Stiffler, Riley Grace Sweeney, Rosalie Swingle, Leo Suhrie, Sherry Suttmilller, 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, 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.

OFFERTORY

Sunday Loose: \$950.22	Sunday Adults: \$2399.00	Total Sunday: \$3349.22
Local Needs: \$10.00	Diocesan Vocations Appeal: \$20.00	Assumption: \$342.00
Heating Oil Fund: \$80.00		

We’re always collecting non- perishable food items for our local foodbanks. Please place items in the bins in the back of church.

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar:
Like Jesus in today’s gospel, we are seen by others in different ways. Perhaps the name our family gives us is closest to our true identity. They know us best. Who do they say you are?

The Pope’s Prayer Intention For August:
For evangelization in the city
Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



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In today's Gospel (Matthew 16:13–20), Jesus asks His disciples a deeply personal question: ***"But who do you say that I am?"*** Peter steps forward and declares, ***"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."*** This moment changes everything. Jesus changes Simon's name to Peter (meaning "Rock") and promises to build His Church upon this foundation. He gives Peter the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven. This authority ties directly back to our First Reading (Isaiah 22:19–23), where Eliakim is given the key to the House of David. Jesus asks each of us the exact same question today. He does not ask what your parents, your friends, or the culture says about Him. He asks *you*. Your answer shapes how you live, how you treat others, and how you prioritize your life.



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 2026** (and their families) to attend the **Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy**. Couples may attend Sunday, **September 13** in **ALTOONA** at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, **September 20** 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 11th.**

Parishioners of SS Philip and James Catholic Church at 247 High Street in Meyersdale invite you to their Labor Day Festival on **Monday, Sept. 7th**. A ham and turkey buffet will be served from 11:30 to 2:00, with take-out meals available. Dinner tickets sold at the door are **\$15**; Children (5-10) **\$7**; Under 5 are **Free**. Outdoor activities from 11:00 to 3:30 include music entertainment by guitarist/singer Ray Christiansen. There will be games, basket raffle, funnel cakes and refreshments. Drawings for the baskets will be at 3:30. Participants do not need to be present to win.

Saint Andrew Catholic Church in Johnstown is organizing a pilgrimage on the feast day of Saint Padre Pio to the National Centre for Padre Pio in Barto, PA on **Wednesday September 23rd**. We will plan to leave Saint Andrew Church parking lot by **6am** and depart Barto at **3pm**. Seats on the bus are **\$55 and children are free**. We will participate in Mass celebrated with an auxiliary bishop of Philadelphia, Fr Crowe, and other priests present, outdoor procession with a statue of Padre Pio accompanied by the Italian Festival band, Confessions will also be available. We will be able to view many of Padre Pio's relics and learn more about his life. The Padre Pio Museum and Cultural center will be open for visits. A food truck will be available for lunch. We will stop for dinner on the way back home. The ticket price does not include food. Please sign up with the sign-up sheet located at the St Andrew adoration chapel foyer. Signups are first come, first served, so sign up today! **Payment is due by September 7th**. This allows us to properly plan and pay for everything. If you would like to go but the cost of the ticket might be prohibitive, please do not let this stop you. Financial assistance may be available to help cover the cost of the ticket. Please contact Eileen Bohensky for more details or if you would like to sign up. Phone number: 814-893-5702. Email: ebohensky@comcast.net.

OLQA Monthly Bingo - Please join us at the Activities Center for Bingo on **Sunday, September 13, 2026**. Doors open at 11:30am and games start at 1:00pm. Entrance is \$25. Games of chance and food/snacks will be available for purchase. **Wear something Tie-Dye to be eligible to win a Bingo gift certificate.**

Precious Life of Bedford County Invites you to take part in their **25th Annual Walk For Life on Saturday September 19th at 10:00 AM. Registration begins at 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM. The walk will start at Bedford Methodist Church/Burkett's Watch Me Grow Early Learning Center located at 132 E. John Street Bedford PA 15522.** They will be walking the sidewalks of Bedford Borough to show our support for the unborn by raising awareness and donations that will make a difference in the lives of countless women and children in our community. **Please put this date on your calendar and consider coming out to lead your team on this short (just 2 miles) but significant Walk for Life.** Your support means so much! If you have any questions, please contact Amy Giovanelli by calling or texting @ (814) 494-0069 or email@ amy@plinc.org. Last year Precious Life raised over \$8,000, thanks to the kindness and generosity of our attendees. Registration Forms for the walk can be picked up on the back table of the Church.

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.

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.

Our readings today reveal beautiful truths about our God, and they challenge us to look at the truth about ourselves as well. Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, leads us to take a serious look at whether our lives give God the glory He deserves. It comes in the form of a question that Jesus poses to the disciples. He leads up to it gently enough: “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they offer varying responses. Then, Jesus gets personal with them, “But who do you say I am?” Peter gets the answer right, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus is getting personal with us today. He poses the same question to each one of us who call ourselves His stewards and modern-day disciples. Surely, we would not hesitate to answer just as Peter did, that Jesus is the Christ, Son of the living God. But do our lives truly reflect this answer? The gifts and blessings that God has given us – our time, our talents, our material possessions – are meant to be used in a manner that says “Christ is my Savior and I am His disciple.” The most eloquent praise we can offer Him is a life lived in grateful response to His unfathomable love. This is the beauty and power of a stewardship way of life.

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45th Birth of Mary Celebration

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Saint Catherine of Siena Church and
Fatima Shrine
308 Old Route 22
Duncansville, PA 16635

Mass Times:

7:00 A.M. Reverend Jeremy J. Mohler, celebrant

12:05 P.M. Reverend Joseph Nale, celebrant

5:30 P.M. Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, J.C.D., Bishop, celebrant
Bishop of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Evening Mass and Rosary Procession at the Shrine

→ Please bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather the outdoor Mass will be celebrated in the church.

Theme: Mother Mary Pray For Us

- Rosary 7:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 4:30 p.m.
- Food, exhibits, religious raffle, rosary makers, and crafts in the church hall
- Following morning Mass – coffee and donuts in church hall
- Conclude the day with birthday cake and beverages for everyone in the church hall.



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. **You may register online at: dioceseaj.org or copies of the registration booklet are available on the back table of the church.**

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.)