

Church of the Visitation

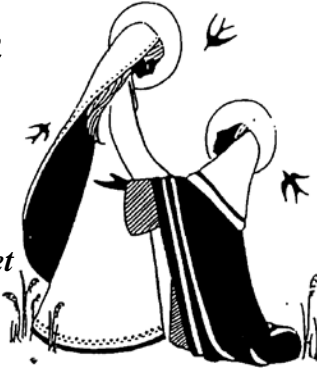
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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 5, 2015

Rectory Office Hours: 8 AM - 3 PM Monday-Thursday

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY— Weekday

8:00 A.M. Christopher New
(Req. by Flo Cabo.)

TUESDAY— Weekday

8:00 A.M. Patrick J. McCall Family
(Req. by Margaret McGrath)

WEDNESDAY— Weekday

8:00 A.M. Prayer/Communion Service

THURSDAY— Weekday

8:00 A.M. Mary Margaret Bellotti
(Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Gino Guerrieri)

FRIDAY— Weekday

8:00 A.M. Vera O'Donnell
(Req. by Family)

SATURDAY—Weekday

11:00 A.M. Valley Pike Manor
No Mass

4:00 P.M. Bernard Harteis

(Req. by Wife, Velma & Daughter, Sharon)

SUNDAY— Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. Charles & Kathryn Krumenacker
(Req. by Dick & Gaile Krumenacker)

10:30 A.M. Intentions of the Parish Family

SANCTUARY CANDLE: Tony Assia

Req. by Sister-in-law, Barbara Vedock

MASSES FOR SUNDAY: Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 8:00 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Sat. 3:30 P.M.

Sunday 7:30 A.M. and Sunday 10:00 A.M.

INFANT BAPTISM: Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

COMMON POLICY FOR BAPTISM: The parents must attend an instruction/preparation class on the Sacrament of Baptism. Arrangements are made through the Parish Office. Catholic Sponsors need a letter from their Pastor stating they are in full communion with the Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By appointment with the Pastor at least nine months prior to the date of marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Done after any Sunday Mass when requested.

MEMBERSHIP: Please contact the Rectory Office to register as a member.

SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK:

Mon 7/6: Gen 28:10-22a/ Mt 9:18-26
Tue 7/7: Gen 32:23-33/ Mt 9:32-38
Wed 7/8: Gen 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/
Mt 10:1-7
Thu 7/9: Gen 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/
Mt 10:7-15
Fri 7/10: Gen 46:1-7, 28-30/ Mt 10:16-23
Sat 7/11: Gen 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/
Mt 10:24-33
Sun 7/12: Am 7:12-15/ Eph 1:13-14/
Mk 6:7-13



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All the Men and women fighting for our country in the military services, all the elderly, homebound, sick and hospitalized members of our parish family, especially the following: Shirley Barbato, Pat Barnhart, Patrick Brady, Phyllis Brady, Jack Bulisok, Margaret Case, Louise Connelly, John Correll, Kevin Cyburt, Frank Daly, Tom Fabina, Ida Fallon, Gloria Fenik, John Frieko, Josephine Gallo, Joseph Guydo, Eugene & Anna Hipp, Deborah Hockey, Mary Ann Holtz, Carol Houghton, Mary Kenny, Rosemary Kiser, Dorothy Kleinosky, Kathy Kohan, Madeleine Krueger, Anne Kucera, Rose Leone, Ron & Robert Luden, David Magro, Martha Majoris, Bob Mardis, James McCabe, Loretta Meyers, Anna Miller, Ethel Pavlik, Eileen Rengh, Anna Petro, Stephanie Poltrack, Atlas Rea, Charlotte Rollins, James Rovon, Marion Saia, Maria (Petro) Sanders, Joseph Serafin, John Slovikovski, John Sweeney, Joe Taresco, Edward Waddell.

If any of the above has sufficiently recovered and can be removed from the list, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

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SERVERS: July 11-12

SAT 4:00 PM
SUN 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

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LECTORS: July 11-12

SAT 4:00 PM P. Balagusz
SUN 8:00 AM M. Flynn
10:30 AM O. Standley

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: July 11-12

SAT 4:00 PM (Plate) C. Fuska, J. Bulisok, H. Balagusz
(Cup) N. Vavrek, B. New, J. DiBuono,
SUN 8:00 AM (Plate) D. Kozak, A. Reynolds, C. Hobbs
(Cup) D. Krumenacker, K. Carney, J. Kuswara
10:30 AM (Plate) C. Pribozie, A. Kozak, P. Ambrosini
(Cup) O. Standley, J. Aspey, D. Decker

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GREETERS: July 11-12

SAT 4:00 PM (ST) D. & V. Hummel
(VP) W. & M. Werzyn
SUN 8:00 AM (ST) R. & A. Albert
(VP) G. Krumenacker
10:30 AM (ST) Johns Family
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\$\$\$ INCOME \$\$\$

June 28, 2015

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,246.00
Loose	798.96
Energy	9.00
ACA Donations	100.00
Catholic Education	16.00
Holy Father	146.00
Votives	32.00
Perquisites	200.00
Bequest	10,000.00
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK JULY 5-11

Shirley Colbert, Richard Glosky, Donna Straczek, Judith Hewitt, Todd Rosa, George Cyburt, Ronald Fox, Emma Hobbs

For your information:

Most Rev. Mark L. Bartchak, JCD
927 S. Logan Blvd.
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

ALMSGIVING: Please continue to support the Poor Box located in the vestibule of the Church. Monies from the Poor Box go to helping needy families through the Visitation Conference of St. Vincent DePaul. *May the humility, simplicity and love of Pope Francis inspire us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ as a light for the poor and the marginalized. All donations are greatly appreciated.*



Go to: www.masstimes.org for information on churches and mass times in your vacation area. The website also features prayers, daily readings, and more.

This summer you can make going to Mass something the whole family can look forward to by planning a family activity afterward.



13th Annual Catholic Grade School Reunion of St. John, St. Joseph, and Central Catholic on Sunday, September 6th at "This Is It" located At 1300 Frankstown

Road. Social at 6:00 PM, Dinner at 6:30 PM. Music by the Party Piratz at 7:30 PM. The cost is \$20/person. Mass at 5:00 PM at St. John Gualbert. RSVP by August 20 to Romaine Baldwin @ 288-4437 or Darlene Kessler @ 255-2060.

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Windber Annual Parish Festival: *Friday, July 10-BINGO ONLY.* Doors open at 5pm, early bird at 6:15 pm-Free meal served. *Saturday, July 11, 5-11pm.*



Rosie & the Jammers- 6:30-10. Sunday, July 12, 4-10 pm - Ribbon Grass- 5:30-8:30pm.

- *Ethnic Food * Baskets * Bake Sale
- *Games * \$1500 Cash Drawing

St. Clement Church

will hold their Annual Parish Festival & Car Cruise on Sunday, July 19th from 11:30 AM-6:00 PM on the parish grounds. A Polka Mass with Rosie & the Jammers will be held at 10:30 AM. Registration for the Car Cruise will begin at 10:00 AM. Entry for each car or motorcycle will be \$5 with a free t-shirt given to the first 100 entries. Delicious Roast Beef Dinner, International Grill, Bingo, Adult & Children Games, Music by Cruzin' from 1:00-4:00 PM, Colossal Karaoke from 4:00-6:00 PM, Kettle Corn and much more! Everyone welcome!





I IN SYMPATHY:

Visitation Parish extends deepest sympathy to the family of Shirley Barbato whose funeral was celebrated this past week. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Faith overcomes fear

Illness strikes us all with the realization of our own fragility, our powerlessness to change things. The Gospel of Mark tells the story of a father who desperately asks Jesus to help his daughter who is on the threshold of death. He is an example of both profound trust in Jesus and of how fear can challenge our faith. Your role, like that father, is to bring the sick to Jesus and Jesus to the sick. Consider becoming a minister of the Eucharist to the sick in your parish, or visit fellow parishioners who are homebound—a simple, profound act of compassion that can overcome fear. *“Do not be afraid; just have faith.”*



Dear Lord,
In the bible it says that your joy is our strength. Teach us Lord, to choose joy everyday of our lives, so our faith may remain strong through the triumphs and trials of life. Help us to be joyful servants to You, so others may be drawn to You the true source of everlasting, never failing, always present joy. Amen.

The Diocesan Office of Vocations will be sponsoring a Mass praying for an increase in Diocesan Priest Vocations within our Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. This Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Mark Barchak at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto, PA on Sunday, July 19, beginning at 7:00 pm. Please bring your own lawn chair. In case of inclement weather this Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel in Loretto. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend!



St. Anne Triduum-

A Triduum devotion in honor of St Anne will be held July 24-26 at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Mass and veneration of the St.



Anne relic, will be held at 7pm Friday July 24, with Bishop Mark Barchak as principal celebrant, 5pm Saturday July 25 and 5pm Sunday July 26.

Families and the Gospel

Today's gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The hometown folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary routines of our family. "The Lord be with You" is a statement of fact. Believe it. Live it.

Keeping the Connection

Scenario: Carson and Genevieve stopped going to church during graduate school.

They finished college, married and agreed that religion had no part in their lives. They told Carson's parents, "We're spiritual; we're just not religious."

Carson's parents still struggle with what they consider their failure in passing on the faith.

A Response: As adult children walk away from Church participation, parents often feel guilt and regret. Parents must step back and admit that they did the best they could and that these feelings aren't helpful.

What was neglected in their children's faith formation? Why the sudden alienation from organized religion? Is it possible to repair the damage? These questions haunt the parents of inactive adult Catholics.

The answers are not easy or clear-cut.

What is helpful is when parents remain a source of faith in the lives of adult children. Continue to celebrate religious holidays as family events. Make sure to include a simple table prayer. Invite them and their children to join you at church. If you get a "no," gently try again.

Offer spiritual comments in conversations about death, hardships or news events.

These little connections may spark a recognition that God has a place in human lives. Give the Holy Spirit the lead in these faith moments. Trust God to put spiritual opportunities in your path.

An important aspect of loving an inactive Catholic is prayer. Never underestimate what God can do with your heartfelt intercessions. St. Monica prayed her son into sainthood. St. Augustine is proof that God hears parents' pleas. Before family gatherings,

pray that each event offers some moment of grace that will strengthen the family's faith.

A crisis often rekindles faith. Death, loss of employment, divorce or illness can shock the apathetic into searching for God. When hard times come we must have the courage to offer our faith as a comfort and guide. Hospital elevators, funeral homes, and even the local bars can be places of evangelization.

It was just such a moment that brought Genevieve and Carson back to Church. Their daughter, Betsy, was in a car accident. Long hours at her bedside gave Carson a second chance at faith. Years later they join with the grandparents every Sunday at Mass. Thankful for many things, Carson's parents realize that the healing they prayed for went far beyond Betsy. God softened a few hard hearts through that dark night of the soul.

Freedom— A Summons to Personal Responsibility

Freedom is not only a gift, but also a summons to personal responsibility. Americans know this from experience—almost every town in this country has its monuments honoring those who sacrificed their lives in defense of freedom, both at home and abroad. The preservation of freedom calls for the cultivation of virtue, self-discipline, sacrifice for the common good and a sense of responsibility towards the less fortunate. It also demands the courage to engage in civic life and to bring one's deepest beliefs and values to reasoned public debate.

—Pope Benedict XVI

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