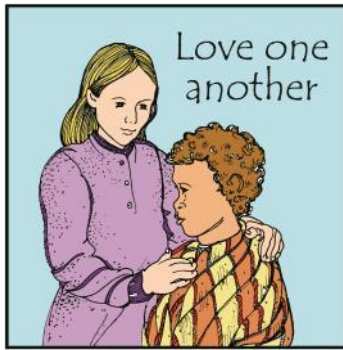


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Fifth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022

FIRST READING: Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches (Acts 14:21-27).

PSALM: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

SECOND READING: John's vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

GOSPEL: As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION- MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

Although we are five full weeks into the celebration of Easter, today's readings focus on newness. Our Easter food leftovers may be long gone, but the readings insist on every moment's freshness in the risen Jesus. The Acts of the Apostles depicts Paul and Barnabas reflecting on all the innovative work that God has done with them. They have traveled hundreds of miles, introducing faith in Jesus Christ to all who listen, even Gentiles. For the dutiful Jewish scholar Paul, preaching to Gentiles is a completely unique development. Jesus calls Paul, and us, not to be afraid of new challenges: as John the Evangelist reports in Revelation, Jesus promises to "make all things new." In the Gospel reading, Jesus even gives us a new commandment. The Hebrew Scriptures overflow with commandments, but Jesus knows we need one more, perfect mission: "love one another."

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WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	5/15	10:30AM Holy Name Mass
MON	5/16	
TUES	5/17	
WED	5/18	
THURS	5/19	
FRI	5/20	
SAT	5/21	3:00PM Confession
SUN	5/22	10:30AM First Holy Communion

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (May 16th – May 22nd)

MON	5/16 7:50AM.Diane Brewer (Good Health) – (Brother, Michael)
TUES	5/17 7:50AM.	+ Michael & Velma Peskuric – (Son, Michael)
WED	5/18 7:50AM.	+ Ted Ciba – (Casey & Julie Skala)
THUR	5/19 7:50AM	+ John Jedrzejek – (Vietnam Veterans Chapter 364 Johnstown)
FRI	5/20 7:50AM	+ Intention Dantis
SAT	5/21 4:00PM.	+ (A) Carol David (4yrs) – (Sister, Dolores, Bill & Billy)
SUN	5/22 7:30AM.	+ Chuck Dzendzel – (Wife, Helen)
 10:30AM.	+ (B) Bill Delich – (Marilyn, Jeanne, Mike & Families)

Sunday May 15, 2022

Stewardship Reflections Today's readings contain inspiring but challenging messages for us Christian Stewards. What a succinct description of a stewardship way of life. It sounds so simple, but does not mean easy. How exactly is Jesus calling us to love? As He, Himself, loved. That is a tall order. Living a life of service and self-sacrifice is not easy because it requires us to continuously fight against our selfish inclinations. And in the midst of living these inevitable challenging moments this way of life entails, we can be assured that the Lord who loves us so much that He died for us established the Eucharist to be our strength and nourishment.

As we face the hardships that come with living as Christian stewards, we can rejoice in the wonder of the Resurrection this Easter Season. "This is how you will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). How can you respond to Jesus this week by giving of your time, talent, and treasure?

(Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2022/04/18)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

(May 7th & May 8th 2022)

Weekly	\$ 4,362.00
Building Fund	\$ 190.00

Thank you and May God Bless you for your continued support of St. Therese Church.

Sincere Condolences - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Jason Mulvehill**, who was called to his eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Jason** and peace and consolation to his family.



Sincere Condolences - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Loretta Wolfe**, who was called to her eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Loretta** and peace and consolation to her family.

Sincere Condolences - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Ron Fatula**, who was called to his eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Ron** and peace and consolation to his family.



Congratulations to **Kathy Antal**, the winner of the St Therese Christian Mothers ticket on Sunday, May 8th evening daily Number **#724**. And a big thank you to all who purchased a ticket.

REGINA CAELI - The Regina Caeli is said beginning Easter Sunday until Pentecost. It is said standing:

- V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
R. For He whom you merited to bear, Alleluia
V. Has risen, as He said, Alleluia
R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
R. For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.

Let us Pray: O God, who through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, did vouchsafe to give joy to this world; grant, we beseech you, that through His Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen

Our Catholic Ministries Drive -Forward In Faith-

Your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries! As of March 31st, we have collected **\$5,575.00** of our **\$20,392.00** Goal. Please consider making a pledge to the Ministries Drive. You have until Dec 31st 2022 to pay your pledge in full.

Congratulations to the winners of the St Anne's Christian Mothers ticket!!

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| #724 | Deborah Seeley | |
| #725 | Eber Verhovsek | (#below) |
| #723 | Jeremy Louche | (#above) |

Thank you to all who supported us by purchasing a ticket!

Families and the Gospel..... (John 10: 27-30)

Today's gospel reminds us to be shepherds for our children who depend on us to be their guides and role models. Where are we leading them? When they "hear our voice" what message do they hear?

Community News & Events

Oblates of Saint Benedict

On May 16th, Deacon Michael will facilitate the rite of renewal for Benedictine Oblates beginning at 6:30PM at St Benedict Church with Vespers (evening prayer), Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and the formal renewal rite. All are welcome. Come join us for this celebration and learn how you can become a Benedictine Oblate and enrich your spiritual life.

Church of the Transfiguration is hosting a Swiss Steak Dinner

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Dine-in or take out

From 10AM -2PM

Cost is \$12.00 a meal.

MAY DAYS

The Basilica of St. Michael - May 28th and 29th
 at Our Lady of Loretto Hall -
 Live entertainment, basket auction, flea market
 Cinch Tournament (Call Mag 674-2631 to join),
 silent auction, food, and beverages.
Saturday, 4pm-8pm and Sunday, 11am-3pm.
 Everyone is welcome!

Mass for Widows and Widowers to be Televised
 Remember your loved ones on **Sunday, May 29, 2022** with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Atlantic Broadband channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. **The last day to register is Tuesday, May 24, 2022.** The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the Catholic Ministries Drive.

Out Door Mass

All the faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to our outdoor Masses every **Sunday evening at 7 PM** at the beautiful **Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies**. The first Mass of the season will be celebrated May 29th. Outdoor Masses will continue through Labor Day weekend-September 4, 2022. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

Babies are bits of stardust, blown down from the hand of God"



ABORTION: At eight weeks, the baby is capable of feeling pain; all body systems are present; sucks thumbs, wakes and sleeps. This is the time when most abortions are performed. "The greatest gift of God, I would think, is the gift of life. The greatest sin of humans, it would seem, would be to return the gift ungratefully and unopened."
 -John Powell, S.J.

SUMMER BASH & BASKETS

We are asking for and would appreciate the following donations:

Theme Basket (at least \$25.00 in value) for the basket raffle. If Basket making isn't your specialty you can make a monetary donation, we will make it for you! If you have a large family and would like to go together and donate a large prize, or if your company would be interested in donating a large prize, they would be much appreciated

Cases of soda: (coke, or Pepsi products etc.) **and water.**

Next Meeting is scheduled on Monday, May 6th at 6PM

We are going to be in need of volunteers: For the Kitchen, Chuck o Luck, especially Friday night July 8th , to help set up the tents and tables and chairs.

All 2022 Graduates - (Pre-School, Kindergarten, Elementary School, 8th Grade, High School, Home School, Cyber School, College or Trade School).

Please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket by May 29th.

We would like to acknowledge our young people for reaching these milestones in the June 5th bulletin.

NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____

LEVEL COMPLETED: _____

PARENTS NAME: _____