

ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

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Seventh Sunday of Easter May 29, 2022

FIRST READING: Because Stephen professes his faith in the Son of Man, he is stoned to death (Acts 7:55-60).

PSALM: The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).

SECOND READING: I, the Alpha and the Omega, am coming soon (Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20).

GOSPEL: Father, I pray that they may all be one, as you and I are one, that they may be brought to perfection (John 17:20-26).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION- NEVER A DULL MOMENT

Today's readings take us through a wide range of powerful feelings; they seem to promise that the life of a believer will never be dull. In the Acts of the Apostles, we see Stephen become the first martyr among Jesus' followers. His attackers harbor such rage toward him and his words about Jesus that they cover their ears as they run toward him. Before he dies, Stephen asks the Lord to forgive his murderers. The reading from Revelation uses the word come six times, assuring us that the Lord hears the prayers of witnesses like Stephen. God, who is Alpha and Omega, invites faithful followers to enter into the eternal city. As John's Gospel assures us, we glimpse heaven even now, in daily life, when we tend to our loving relationship with God. Rage, forgiveness, violence, paradise, intimacy—today's readings help us understand the demands and ecstasies of discipleship.

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WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	5/29	
MON	5/30	Memorial Day Office Closed
TUES	5/31	
WED	6/01	
THURS	6/02	11:30AM Christian Mothers Rosary, Mass & Meeting
FRI	6/03	
SAT	6/04	3:00PM Confession
SUN	6/05	



Memorial Day
Office Closure

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (May 30th – June 5th)

MON	5/30 7:50AM	+ Elsa Williams – (John & Doris Gritzer)
TUES	5/31 7:50AM	Sr Miriam Elise
WED	6/01 7:50AM	+ Rebecca Alwine – (Florence Jedrezjek)
THUR	6/02 7:50AM	+ Agnes Labuda Mash – (Mark Friedman & Family)
 12:00PM	+ Christian Mothers
FRI	6/03 7:50AM	+ Anna Kris – (Karen & John Czerak)
SAT	6/04 4:00PM	+ (A) Alfred Turjan – (Wife, Janet & Family)
SUN	6/05 7:30AM	+ Pro Populo
 10:30AM	+ Betty Gorentz – (Daughter, Gloria & Family)

Sunday May 29, 2022

Stewardship Reflections On the Feast of the Ascension, we celebrate Christ's triumphant return to the Father after perfectly accomplishing His mission on earth. We can also view this Feast as a celebration of the "launch day" of our commissioning as Christ's disciples. Embracing a stewardship way of life with its emphasis on the use of time, talent, and treasure, helps us to live in such a way that our lives speak as a witness of the Good News of the Gospel. While we take the necessary time to reflect and renew our commitments in these three areas as a parish, it is of great benefit to take some time individually throughout the year to take stock of the commitments we have made within our strengths, and in areas that are in need of improvement and growth. On this Feast of "our launch day," take some time to celebrate your victories as Christ's disciples and renew your commitment to remain faithful to Him and the unique mission He has entrusted to you!

(Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2022/05/03)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (May 21st & May 22nd 2022)

Weekly	\$ 4,197.50
Building Fund	\$ 105.00

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

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.

Families and the Gospel..... (John 17:20-26)
Jesus tells us today, "you are my witnesses" and guarantees the "promise of the Father" to "clothe us with the power to accomplish this mission. It is not worldly power which dominates and manipulates. It is the power of the Kingdom of God to live in peace, forgiveness, compassion, service to others, love of enemies and care for the poor and defenseless.

The Office will be closed on Monday, May 30th to observe the Memorial Day Holiday.



Weather permitting, Fr Karmanocky will have Sunday Mass at 10:30 outside in the breezeway starting May 29th. Please bring your lawn chair

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

Christian Mothers will hold their Monthly Rosary, Mass & Meeting on Thursday June 2nd starting at 11:30AM.

Community News & Events

Basket Party
St. John Vianney Church Hall
Mundy's Corner
Sunday, June 5, 2022
Doors open at Noon
Drawings held at 2:00 P.M.
Admission \$10.00 Extra tickets \$5.00
(includes 26 basket chances and luncheon)

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.

Faith Day JUNE 25, 2022

The Family Life Office of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to join us for the return of Faith Day at Delgrosso's Amusement Park! This year, Faith Day will be held on Saturday, June 25 in conjunction with the World Meeting of Families in Rome. While admission to the Park is always free (opens @ 8am), for those attending Faith Day, Ride-and-Slide passes are reduced to \$20! Normally, \$31.95! The day will culminate with Mass with Bishop Mark at the large pavilion at 4:30pm. Following Mass, we will share a meal. You must purchase a meal ticket in advance for \$10/person, which includes rotisserie chicken, penne pasta, salad, pickle, a roll, an ice cream cup and a beverage. You can purchase a smaller children's portion for \$8, or a vegetarian meal for \$9, which includes everything but the chicken. This discounted dinner price must be purchased in advance by Friday, June 17, by using the order form in your parish bulletin or going to our online ticketing page

<https://ajdiocese.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/FaithDay2022atDelGrossosAmusementParkTipton>



"Sometimes the Smallest things take up the most room in your hearts"

ABORTION: "All human beings, from their mother's womb, belong to God who searches them and knows them, who forms them and knits them together with his own hands, who gazes on them when they are tiny shapeless embryos and already see in them the adults of tomorrow whose days are numbered and whose vocation is even now written in the "Book of Life."

--John Paul II



Please Note on the calendar for June:
Vacation Bible study is on JULY 18-22,
not June

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, that would be greatly appreciated.

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

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. This is your chance to **GET INVOLVED!!**

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 TODAY 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: _____