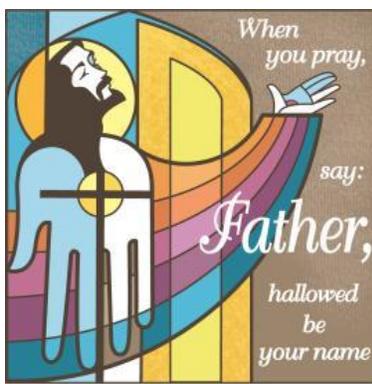


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July 24, 2022

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32)

PSALM: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).

SECOND READING: Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).

GOSPEL: Jesus speaks of God's sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: CONVERSATION WITH GOD

Prayer is our focus this weekend. In the Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples, and us, the Lord's Prayer, which we have cherished through the centuries. The first two words encompass much about our faith—unity among all Christians (Our), and a sense that we are in a deeply bonded relationship with God (Father).

In Genesis, we see Abraham in conversational prayer, in his creaturely humility before his Creator, seeking mercy and compassion for the innocent. The psalm is a lyrical prayer of thanksgiving and praise for the God who answered the sincere prayers of a people who had called out for help, showing them mercy. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples want to pray like Jesus, with the same intimacy—to experience God as Abba in the depths of their being.

Do we try to talk to God? Do we listen for answers? This relationship is always a work in progress.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

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| 5:30PM | Saturday, July 30th | 9:00 AM | Sunday, July 31st |
| Lector: | Ed Olshefski | Lector: | Denise Lakatos |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (July 25th – July 31st)

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| MON | 07/25 | 7:00AM | Sr Miriam Elise |
| TUES | 07/26 | 7:00AM . . . | +Deceased Members of the Gorchesky Family- (Family) |
| WED | 07/27 | 7:00AM. . . . | + Catherine Schultz – (Sally Drager) |
| THURS | 07/28 | | NO MASS |
| FRI | 07/29 | 7:00AM . . . | +Intention Dantis |
| SAT | 07/30 | 5:30PM . . . | + Pro Populo |
| SUN | 07/31 | 9:00AM | Holy Souls in Purgatory – (Bob Kuhns) |

July 24, 2022

Community News & Events

Stewardship Reflections: The *Our Father* is truly a steward's prayer. We call upon God intimately, as Father. We ask that His will be done (not ours!) and that His kingdom come (not ours!). We remember that everything is His, and our focus in life should be His priorities. Then we ask Him to supply our needs, forgive our sins, and protect us from evil. We proclaim that we trust completely in His provision for us and mercy towards us and we commit to extending mercy to others who have wounded us.

As we pray the words of the *Our Father*, we recognize this basic truth about ourselves and God: God is our Father and we are beloved infinitely blessed to be His children. This is the stewardship way of life.

(Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/7/26)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

July 9th & 10th, 2022

Collection:

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| Weekly | \$ 1,768.00 |
| Monthly | \$ 23.00 |
| Building Fund | \$ 310.00 |

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

July 16th & 17th, 2022

Collection:

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| Weekly | \$ 1153.50 |
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Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish! Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!



2022 Catholic Ministries Drive –

Thank you to the families who have pledged to date a total of **\$3,775.00**

(49%) of our target amount of \$7,698 as of **June 30th**. Through it, 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. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge according to your means so we will be able to reach that target.

Religious Ed Registration News

Children entering grade 1 will need a registration form completed and must provide a copy of their baptismal certificate.

Any other students entering our program will also need to complete a registration form and provide a copy of their baptismal certificate.

In the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown the sacrament of Confirmation is a three year program in preparation for receiving the sacrament. This will include **ALL students in the ninth grade – those in our Religious Education Program, students enrolled in Bishop McCort High School, and home schooled children. Bishop McCort students and home schooled children will need to complete a registration form.**

Registration forms are located in the back of the church. They can be put into the collection basket or returned to the rectory by the end of August.

Any student leaving our Religious Education Program is asked to notify the Rectory.

St Anne Triduum – The St. Anne Triduum will be held again this year on **July 24, 25, & 26th** at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. The Devotion will begin Sunday the 24th with the 5PM Mass. Continue with Mass on Monday the 25th at 6PM and conclude on Tuesday the 26th with 6PM Vespers and Holy Hour followed by a reception at the St. John Activity Center.

Outdoor Masses – Outdoor Masses every **Sunday evening at 7 PM** at the beautiful **Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies**. The 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.



Food for Veterans Distribution

A Food distribution will be held in the Johnstown area for all Veterans and Military families in need at Hiram G Andrews. Dates are as follow: **July 25th**, August 26th, Sept 26th, Nov 28th, and Dec 29th from 1-3PM. For more information, please call 1-844-VLP VETS

The Church of the Transfiguration

201 Third St, Conemaugh

Spaghetti Drive-By

Sunday, July 31, 2022

10am - 1:30pm

Cost: \$8.00 Includes Spaghetti & meatballs, salad, roll and dessert

Women's Conference--A dynamic and inspiring Catholic speaker will headline the upcoming Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown women's conference "Women Find Strength in Christ" on **September 10**, at Holy Name Parish in Ebensburg. Kelly Walquist, founder of WINE: Women in the New Evangelization, will be the keynote speaker. Also presenting will be Deanne Miller and Colleen Scariano, co-founders of SoulCore, a movement that nurtures a body and soul through prayer and core strengthening exercises. The conference includes Eucharistic Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and lunch. The cost is only \$10 per person. Please register online at dioceseaj.org or pick up a hard copy registration form at any parish and mail the form and a check to the diocese. The deadline for reservations is Aug 31.

Families and the Gospel

(Luke 11: 1-13)

Today's gospel guarantees if we "ask" we will "receive," perhaps not what we wanted but what our Heavenly Father knows is best for us, His children. All the love we have for our children, God has for us and more. As our children trust us, we must trust "Our Father."

Abortion: "Intercessions for Life:"

For those longing for children of their own; that through the intercession of Abraham and Sarah, God might hear their cry:

"We Pray To The Lord"