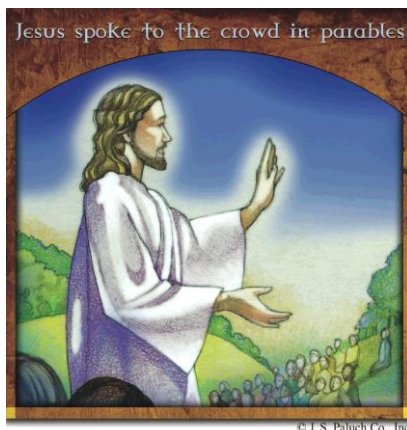


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July 23, 2023

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind
(Wisdom 12:13, 16-19).

PSALM: Lord, you are good and forgiving (Psalm 86).

SECOND READING: The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness (Romans 8:26-27).

GOSPEL: Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God
(Matthew 13:24-43 or [24-30]).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: GOOD SEEDS

Today Jesus continues to speak to his followers using parables. What a rich treasure we are given today in three parables about the kingdom of heaven! The kingdom is likened to a man sowing good seed in his field, a mustard seed, and yeast mixed with flour. As they did last week, today the disciples press Jesus for an interpretation of one of the parables—the parable of the man sowing good seed. Lest we think that these parables are simply amusing little anecdotes, Jesus' interpretation should be seen for what it is—a warning. Wailing and grinding of teeth in a fiery furnace await those who are children of the evil one. This parable points to the struggle for today's believer. Sometimes, through sin, we sow weeds and prevent the love of Christ from blossoming. Let today's Gospel help put us back on track. Let us recommit ourselves to preparing for the last days, the harvest, by blossoming as the good seeds we were created in love to be.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

5:30PM	Saturday, July 29th	9:00 AM	Sunday, July 30th
Lector:	Ed Olshefski	Lector:	Kevin Houghton

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (July 24th – July 30th)

MON	7/17	NO Mass
TUES	7/18	7:00AM. . . .+	(WA) Archie & Ruth Labarko – (Son, Mike & Trish)
WED	7/19	NO Mass
THURS	7/20	NO Mass
FRI	7/21	NO Mass
SAT	7/22	5:30PM. . . .+	Louise Mattis – (Formica Family)
SUN	7/23	9:00AM. . . .+	Holy Souls of Purgatory – (Bob Kuhns)



July 23, 2023

Stewardship Reflections:

The day will come when we will have to give an account for what we have done with the gifts of time, talent and treasure that He entrusted to us. We will be judged by God for the part we played, or did not play, in the building of His kingdom.

We must turn to the Holy Spirit continuously to guide us in our daily lives as Christian stewards. God sees and treasures and “grows” our offerings of time, talent and treasure in ways we cannot begin to imagine. Faithful stewards of the gifts entrusted to us, “will shine like the sun in the kingdom of [the] Father.” (www.CatholicSteward.com, 6/11/2020)

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS
July 15th & 16th, 2023**

Collection:

Weekly	\$ 1,135.00
Monthly	\$ 15.00
Assumption	\$ 5.00

*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!*

NEW DAILY MASS SCHEDULE – Daily mass during the month of July will only be offered on Tuesdays. There will not be a mass on Friday.

2023 Catholic Ministries Drive – Thank you to the families who have pledged to through **June 30th** a total of **\$2,130** towards our target amount of **\$7,682**. 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.



The KOC is sponsoring a Blood Drive in honor of **Dan Hutchison on August 11th from 11:30AM – 5PM in the St. Therese Church Hall**. More information will follow in the weeks ahead. Please call Joe Hochstein at 814-536-0455 for more details.

Looking for help with college?



St. Therese’s Knights of Columbus council #10409 are here to help by offering again this year a \$500 Fr Bernard Karmanocky Essay Scholarships to the members of St Therese and St. Anne’s Parishes (only). You must be either a senior in High School, or planning to attend or attending a 2-4 years program, or trade school.

The essay must consist of 500 words and the topic for this year’s scholarship is:

“What does it mean to be a Christian Today”

If you have any questions, please contact Dennis @814-535-6833. **All entries must be postmarked by August 18th** Please submit your essay to:

Dennis Pingatore
115 Stans Lane
Johnstown, Pa 15909

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.**

If your child is entering second grade at Divine Mercy or is home schooled, they are required to participate in the 2nd Grade religious education program to make their First Confession & Holy Eucharist.

Registration forms are 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.

Community News & Events

Car Cruise/Block Party – On Sunday July 30th Queen of Angels Parish in Central City will be sponsoring a Classic and Antique Car Cruise from 1 PM until 5 PM at their St. John site (164 Wheeler Street – Central City). Live oldies music will be provided by Americana from 2 PM until 5 PM. The parish will be preparing and serving burgers, hot sausage, beer, soft drinks, and other refreshments. All who have a classic or antique car, or those who simply take pleasure in music and an evening out are welcome to come and enjoy a day of cars, food, and camaraderie. **All proceeds benefit a local child who recently received a heart transplant.** Any questions can be directed to the parish office at 814-754-5224.

2023 Outdoor Masses: 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.** Outdoor Masses will continue through Labor Day weekend-September 3, 2023. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel

Save the Date -- for the Women's Day of Reflection scheduled for September 30th at St. Benedict Church.
More Information to follow later.

Parish Festival –at Saint Benedict Church in Carrolltown, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 28, 29, and 30. Chicken Dinner with homemade chicken noodle soup, Sunday July 30, 11 AM to 2 PM.

Entertainment everyday - with live bands, beer tent, bingo, large basket auction, games, bake sale, ethnic foods, refreshments, petting zoo, and fireworks. \$10,000 in cash prizes to be awarded July 31 thru August 4.

FIRE Rally - A Summer Catholic Revival! will be held on the first 3 Tuesdays in August at St. Michael Church Hollidaysburg, beginning at 7pm each evening. Four dynamic speakers include Bob & Marci Sutton (Aug 1st), Fr. Mark Begly (Aug. 8th) and Fr. Alan Thomas (Aug 15th & includes the Holy Day Mass). Music will be led by Holy Spirit Ministry. The event is co-sponsored by the Altoona-Johnstown Cursillo Movement, the Alpha Movement, and Holy Spirit Ministry. A Ministry Fair representing more than 15 local diocesan groups with evangelistic outreaches will be held at 6 PM prior to the Rally each evening. Refreshments and fellowship will be provided and all are welcome. No registration is required and is free of charge. "Were not our hearts burning within us..." Luke 24:33



Is God Calling You to Become a Deacon?

Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown? If so, you and your wife (if married) are invited to join Bishop Mark and Deacon Michael Russo at the "Bishop's Night of Vocations" on Wednesday, October 4th at 7 p.m. at the US Hotel Tavern, Hollidaysburg. Reservations for this event are required and can be made by contacting Jessica at (814) 361-2000. The deadline for reservations is **Aug. 4th**. For more information on the Permanent Diaconate please visit us online at www.dioceseaj.org/Diaconate/ or by contacting Deacon Michael Russo, Director at (814) 288-3036. All are welcome!



Bishop Mark's Blessing for Young People -- All young people entering or returning to college, as well as those entering the military, along with their families, are invited to a special Mass with Bishop Mark at 7PM at the Shrine of our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto on **Sunday, August 6th**. Bishop Mark will offer a special blessing and gift for each of these students.



Families and the Gospel (Matthew 13:24-33)
Parents plant values in their children anticipating the tiny seeds of honesty, respect, commitment and fidelity will grow with their child and one day become "a safe haven" to many.



Basket Party – The Trojan Rec Cheer is holding a **Basket Party on Aug 6th** at the St. Therese Social Hall from 1-4PM. Doors open at Noon and drawing begins at 2.35PM. Donation is \$10 and includes a light lunch. For tickets or info call Georgia at 814-242-2083.

ABORTION: : "The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who look on and do nothing."



"Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever."

Catholic Daughters of the Americas & The Altoona-Johnstown Diocesan Committee
are hosting

A Night Under the Stars
Dinner-Dance Scholarship Fundraiser

Who: Open to all.

Where: Mount Aloysius College.

When: Saturday, August 12, 2023.

What: Mass at 4:00 PM with Bishop Mark L Bartchak as celebrant and homilist.

Hall doors open at 5:00 PM with dinner at 6:00 PM

Price: \$30 per person.

Must register in advance – postmarked by July 10.

Find the invitation/registration form and more information at <https://cdapa.com/ajdc-fundraiser.pdf>

St Therese Church

Summer Basket

&

Burger Bash



July 22nd & July 23rd
4-9PM 11AM-4PM

Live Entertainment

Saturday 5-8PM-Cajun Norm

Sunday 12-3PM - Bo Moore

Themed Basket Drawing held on
Sunday @ 4PM



Menu

Burgers - Fresh cut French Fries -
Funnel cake

Pizza - Pulled Pork

Water - Soda - Beer

Available for purchase