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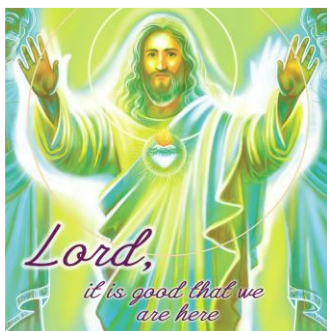
THE CHURCH OF THE FRANCISCANS
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August 6, 2023

FIRST READING: — I saw one like a Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven
(Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14).

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

SECOND READING — Be attentive to the prophetic message, as to a lamp shining in a dark place
(2 Peter 1:16-19).

GOSPEL -- : Jesus was transfigured, and his clothes became white as light (Matthew 17:1-9).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: Going up to a high mountain to meet the divine is not something new to the Transfiguration story. In the Old Testament, God met Moses on Mount Sinai and Elijah on Mount Horeb. According to tradition, the Transfiguration event happened on Mount Tabor. Prayer is the key to understanding the Transfiguration event. We encounter God in prayer and there is no proper place to pray except in a place where there is silence, a place away from the crowd. Praying is not always asking God for something but more importantly, being with Him. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

TODAY	8/06		
MON	8/07		
TUES	8/08		
WED	8/09		
THURS	8/10		
FRI	8/11		
SAT	8/12	3:00PM Confession
NEXT SUN	8/13		

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Aug 7th – Aug13th)

MON	8/07	7:50AM	+ Joe Girgos – (Shank Family)
TUES	8/08	7:50AM	+ James Marshall – (Linda & Ron Maurer)
WED	8/09	7:50AM	+ Nancy Schultz – (Alyson Schultz & Family)
THUR	8/10	7:50AM	+ Frank Krupa – (Ed & Jean Krupa)
FRI	8/11	7:50AM	+ Jean Nikonow – (Son, Paul & Marie)
SAT	8/12	4:00PM	+ Jason Mulvehill – (Clair Mulvehill)
SUN	8/13	7:30AM	+ Thomas Friedman – (Brother, Mark)
		10:30AM	+ Holy Name



Holy Name Mass next Sunday, August 13th
Mass, No Meeting.

Sunday August 6, 2023

Stewardship Reflections Matthew gives a full vision of Jesus' complete change of form, structure, and substance at the Transfiguration. When the three apostles became aware of the full divinity of Jesus, it is reported that "They fell prostrate and were very much afraid." Is that how we react when we are aware of the presence of God? Knowing God, appreciating God, and embracing God should give us confidence as Christian Stewards of God's gifts. God's grace is amazing, and the Transfiguration is a reminder to us of the hope we have in the saving grace of the Lord.
(CatholicSteward.com 7/3/2023)

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (July 29th July 30th 2023)

Weekly \$ 3,454.00
Building Fund \$ 180.00

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



KOC is sponsoring a Blood Drive in honor of **Dan Hutchison on August 11, 2023 from 11:30Am - 5PM in the church Hall.** For an Appointment, Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter **StThereseor** call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



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 @535-6833. **All entries must be postmarked by August 18th** Please submit your essay to:

Dennis Pingatore
115 Stans Lane
Johnstown, Pa 15909

SUMMER BASH & BASKETS

The bills have been paid and our total profit for the Summer Basket & Burgers Bash was **\$18,142.20**. I would like once again thank everyone who helped make this project such a success.

Upcoming events

Faculty Meeting August 29th
Piroghi Project Sept 21st
Novena Sept 21st - Oct 1st
Oktoberfest Oct 7th & 8th

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.

There will be faculty meeting in the Church Hall on **Tuesday, August 29th at 6PM** for all grades. Please be present so we can discuss the upcoming year.

Families and the Gospel - (MT 17: 1-9)

At the Transfiguration the disciples saw a different side of Jesus. All of us have 'another side' which we reveal only to those we trust. A family is the sacred place where we can be transfigured to be our truest self.

**Our Catholic Ministries Drive -
Together We Serve-**

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 June 30th, we have collected **\$8,895.00 of our \$21,083.00 Goal**. Please consider making a pledge to the Ministries Drive. You have until Dec 31st 2023 to pay your pledge in full.

Electronic Devices- Just a friendly reminder, to please refrain from using all electronic devices during liturgical celebrations. Thank-you

Community News & Events

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



BASKET PARTY - The Trojan Rec Cheer is holding a Basket Party on TODAY August 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.



St. John Gualbert Cathedral Activities Center Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, September 10, 2023

110 Adams St. Johnstown, PA - at the corner of Adams and Railroad Streets.

Doors open 11AM - serving till 3PM.

Adult - \$10.00 Children 4 - 12 \$7.00 Ages 3 and under free, take-outs available.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or at the St. John Gualbert Rectory prior to the event.

Basket Party and 50/50 tickets will be available for an additional charge at the dinner, and you do not need to be present to win.

Hope to see you there!

To Give of Yourself...

- **Give time.** Visit an aged neighbor; read a story to a child; volunteer at a soup kitchen or emergency shelter.
 - **Give of your own gifts.** If you are a good cook, prepare a meal for a shut-in; if you have a green thumb, make cuttings of your favorite plants to brighten a co-worker's desk; if you are skilled with a camera, make a family scrapbook for a relative.
 - **Give commitment.** Keep promises to friends and relatives; make an effort to be punctual; seek a cause beyond yourself (the homeless, the needy, a literacy program) and volunteer on a long-term basis.
 - **Give energy.** Take a group of youngsters to a museum; surprise a parent by washing the car unexpectedly; mow the lawn of an elderly neighbor; do the shopping for a new mother.
 - **Give support.** Volunteer for a crisis hotline; assist in a teen counseling program at a local school; help a friend through a difficult time.
 - **Give prayer.** Pray for those closest to you, for those in ministry, for those who are suffering; form a prayer group and welcome newcomers; give thanks often to God, the Giver of all gifts, for each and every blessing.
 - **Give love.** Forgive someone who has wronged you; treat others as you would like to be treated.
- The Christophers



ABORTION: The child is a human being, made in the image and likeness of God. We will be judged on how we have treated the least powerful among us, and on how we have loved the least. It all belongs to Him and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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



PUBLIC ROSARY

Thursday, August 10th 6:30PM

St Clement Church

Saturday, August 12th

12:00 Noon Central Park, Downtown Johnstown