ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

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July 13, 2025

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: Heed the voice of the LORD. It is something very near to you, already in your

hearts you only need to carry it out (Deuteronomy 30:10-14).

<u>PSALM:</u> Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69) or Psalm 19.

SECOND READING: All things were created through and for Christ Jesus (Colossians 1:15-20).

GOSPEL: To be a neighbor, show love by treating others with mercy, as did the Good Samaritan

(Luke 10:25-37).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: RIGHT RELATIONSHIPS

Our God is about relationships. In the first reading, Moses reminds the Israelites that the laws, which are already in their hearts, keep them in right relationship with the God who loves them so much that they always find forgiveness. Centuries later, along comes Jesus, whom Paul describes to the Colossians as "the image of the invisible God," the very embodiment of this God of love. In his parable about the good Samaritan, Jesus explains how the law of love overrules the letter of the law. Instead of answering the question "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus demonstrates that it is not about who is worthy of being loved, but rather loving as God loves—about being neighbor, about being the good Samaritan. Jesus wants us to continue his work as images of this God of love by loving all people, even those who seem to be our enemies.

LIITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS

<u>5:30PM</u>	Saturday, July 19 th	9:00 AM	Sunday, July 20th
Lector:	Ed Olshefski	Lector:	Elaine Angus

Mass Intentions for the Week: (July 14th – July 20th)

MON 07/14 7:00AM... + Agnes Ceslovnik— (Pattie Horner)
TUES 07/15 7:00AM... + Hoa Pham— (M/M Michael Beblar)

WED 07/16 7:00AM.....For Living & Deceased Members of the Kamnikar/Gardill Family

THURS 07/17 7:00AM . . . + Matilda & Martin Simcic

FRI 07/18 7:00AM... + Rosalie Verhovsek— Ester & Hank Hughes)

SAT 07/19 5:30PM.....For Living & Deceased Members of the Ferg/Swaney Family – (Barb Voci)

SUN 07/20 9:00AM... + Holy Souls in Purgatory— (Bob Kuhns)

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Stewardship Reflections:

Today's readings show us that to live as good stewards means to follow God's commands and to live our lives as a gift in service to others. In today's Gospel passage, from Luke, we read the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan. Here, Jesus Himself teaches us in rich detail what stewardship in action looks like. The hospitality and generosity in serving others, shown through this parable, are essential to a stewardship way of life.

Do we have this same hospitable openness to others around us? What can we do to become more aware of the needs of others, and more open to setting aside our own plans to care for those in need?

That is how we live out God's commandments. That is true hospitality and service. That is how a good steward springs into action when he comes upon a neighbor in need. And Jesus says to each of us personally, just as He did in today's Gospel, "Go and do likewise."

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS July 5th & July 6th, 2025

Weekly	\$ 1,624.00
Monthly	\$ 188.00
Building Fund	\$ 58.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 7.00
Mission Appeal	\$ 477.00

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!

<u>Sincere Condolences</u> – The St. Anne Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of

Lawrence Lugar who was called to his eternal reward. May God grant His eternal rest to Lawrence and peace and consolation to his family.



KOC is sponsoring a Blood Drive in memory of **Dan Hutchison on August 8, 2025 from11:30 - 5PM**. For an Appointment, Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter StTherese or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



<u>Coffee and Cake</u>...will be served in the Church Hall after both Masses <u>next weekend</u>, July 19th & 20th for all

those parishioners who are celebrating their birthday this month! Everyone is welcome to stop down for a delicious treat and to enjoy friendly conversation and fellowship.

Hope to see you there



2025 Catholic Ministries Drive Follow Me.

Thank you to the families who have pledged as of June 30th a total of \$5,860 (66.6%) towards our target amount of \$8,800. 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.

All funds over our target will be returned to St.

<u>Anne's Parish</u>

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 homeschooled 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

Novena in Honor of St. Ann --- The Sisters of St. Ann announce the Annual nine days Novena in honor of St. Ann to be held at Mt. St Ann, 1120 N. Center St, Ebensburg, beginning Friday, 7/18 and ending Saturday, 7/26, the Feast of Sts. Joachim and Ann. The Eucharistic celebration & devotion will be held every evening at 7PM at the outside shrine. The Most Rev. Mark. Bartchak, Bishop of Altoona Johnstown will be the main celebrant for the closing of the Novena. The public is invited to attend the Novena and to welcome our Bishop Mark.

2025 Outdoor Mass

The faithful of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown are invited to outdoor Masses at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto every Sunday evening at 7 PM beginning on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend (May 25) and concluding on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend (August 31). Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel

Outdoor Mass for Married Couples

Mark your calendar for one of the most popular liturgical celebrations of the summer. Bishop Mark will preside at the annual outdoor Mass for married couples on **July 20 at 7:00 p.m.** at the beautiful Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine. During the liturgy, husbands and wives will have the opportunity to renew their sacramental commitment to each other

St. Benedict Parish in Johnstown under the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown has an opening for a full-time Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry. (Please note that this is a full-time position for the DRE & Youth Ministry role combined, but please inquire if interested in a part time role of either the DRE or Youth Minister). Responsibilities to include developing and overseeing the parish religious education program for grades K-8, organizing retreats and service opportunities, etc. For a full job description, please check out our website: https://humanresources.dioceseaj.org/general-employment-opportunities/.

Candidates can also submit resumes to mporada@dioceseaj.org or araymond@dioceseaj.org.
Alternatively, submit resumes to 2713 West Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.

BASKET RAFFLE: Saint Bartholomew Parish in Wilmore will host a basket raffle on Sunday, July 27 from 12-2 PM with 200+ baskets, small games of chance, and homemade hot concessions. The parish hall will be open to purchase and drop tickets after weekend Masses starting July 12. Call 814-495-9298 to visit during the week. 185 Church Hill Road, Wilmore.

<u>Abortion</u>: We are by no means blind to the sufferings of mothers and the problems confronting some families, but Abortion and Infanticide are not the solution. We shall always support every effort to alleviate human suffering and to solve personal and family problems, but we insist that a solution MUST respect the life of the innocent, defenseless, unborn child



EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Sunday, July 13th St.
John Gualbert Mass - 5:00 PM
followed by Eucharistic Procession
to Central Park.

FAITH & FITNESS

Redemption Fitness
442 Main St Floor 3 Johnstown

Enhance your physical and spiritual health All ages and fitness levels welcome!
Every Sunday at 6PM

45 minutes of: Spin, Stretching, Prayer,
Praise & Worship. Please contact
Redemptionfitstudio@gmail.com or
call 814-961-3717

Join Us on a Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and the Shrines of Spain!

Deacon Nelson and Shelley Lowes, from Resurrection and St. Clare of Assisi parishes, warmly invite you to join them on a spiritual journey through some of Europe's most sacred sites. This unforgettable pilgrimage will take place May 7–19, 2026, and includes visits to:

Lisbon • Fátima • Santiago de Compostela • Lourdes • Montserrat • Barcelona

The total cost is approximately **\$4,600 per person**, which includes the base trip price, round-trip airfare, transfer fees, and taxes. Most meals are included.

We currently have **44 spots available**, and **29 have already signed on** — we only need 30 to make the trip official!

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to deepen your faith, experience rich history, and enjoy the beauty of Spain, Portugal, and France.

Learn more and register at:

https://www.epicjourneystours.com/tours/fatimalourdes-shrines-of-spain/ We hope you can join us!

A Family Perspective (Luke 10:25 - 37)
Children learn by watching us. Do they see you helping others like the Good Samaritan, or do they see you avoiding others like the Levite in today's gospel. Worry more about what your children see in YOUR LIFE than what they see on TV.

St Therese Church Summer Basket



Bash

July 19th & July 20th 4-8PM 11*A*M-3PM

Live Entertainment Saturday 5-8PM The Desperados

Themed Basket Drawing held Sunday @ 3PM

Kids Games - Instant Bingo Chuck-A-Luck
Cash Raffle Drawing

Menu

Craft/Bistro Style Burgers
Pulled Pork Sandwiches
French Fries

Pizza - Funnel Cakes

Water - Soda - Beer

Available for purchase