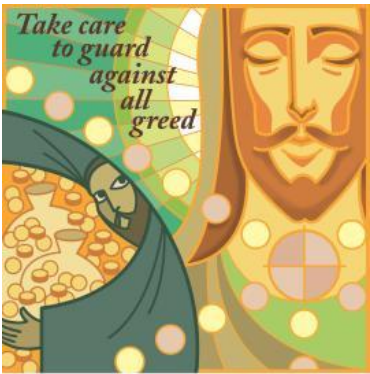


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August 3, 2025

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today’s Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

PSALM: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 90).

SECOND READING: Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

GOSPEL: Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (Luke 12:13-21).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: THE CENTER OF A MEANINGFUL LIFE

Today’s readings invite us to reflect upon some of life’s deepest questions, and to explore the meaning of faith. We hear of the universal human search for meaning in our lives in the book of Ecclesiastes. In Luke’s Gospel, we hear Jesus’ parable about one who foolishly seeks ultimate security through the accumulation of wealth. In Colossians, faith in the crucified and resurrected Christ is proclaimed as the path to a richly purposeful and meaningful life. The path of Christian faith places our work, our sufferings, and our limitations within the larger picture of God’s purposes for all of us. In Jesus, God is revealed as our companion in human suffering and limitation. God’s love is at the center of a meaningful life. We place our trust in this loving God, who created us to share in this love, and to share this love with others.

LIITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS

5:30PM	Saturday, August 9th	9:00 AM	Sunday, August 10th
Lector:	Ed Olshefski	Lector:	Kevin Houghton

Mass Intentions for the Week: (August 4th – August 10th)

MON	08/04	7:00AM. . . + Carl Pavlosky— (Family)
TUES	08/05	7:00AM. . . + Joseph & Thersa Dau Tran— (Thien & Ngoan Tran)
WED	08/06	7:00AM. . . + Martin & Matilda Simcic
THURS	08/07	7:00AM . . .+ For Deceased Members of the family of Cirilia Graicar
FRI	08/08	7:00AM. . . + (A) Anthony Beltz – (Wife, Eleanor & Family)
SAT	08/09	5:30PM. . . . Pro Populo
SUN	08/10	9:00AM. . . .Christian Mothers

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Stewardship Reflections:

Today’s readings come as a pat on the back from Heaven for all of us striving to live a stewardship way of life. They remind us why we live the way we do, make the choices we make, and leave other things aside. Let’s face it, if we truly embrace this way of life, there will be people who find our choices downright foolish.

To many people in our materialistic world, setting priorities that are not focused on earthly goals like wealth, status and power is foolish and naïve. But look at what Jesus has to say about priorities in today’s Gospel passage from Luke. He makes it clear that life is not about ‘stuff’. “Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.”

Don’t be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. You are wise in God’s eyes, Christian steward. And you will be rich in what matters most.

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTIONS
July 26th & July 27th, 2025

Weekly	\$ 1,470.00
Monthly	\$ 10.00
Poor Box	\$ 13.00

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!

The Knights of Columbus will hold their meeting **Tuesday, Aug 5th** at 7PM in the St. Therese Church Hall

Christian Mothers Mass & Meeting – will be held after the 9 AM Mass **next Sunday, Aug 10th**. Please plan to attend. All are welcome..



**2025 Catholic Ministries Drive
Follow Me.**

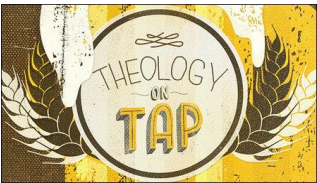
Thank you to the families who have pledged as of June 30th a total of **\$5,860 (66.6%)** towards our target amount of **\$8,800**. Through it, your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on Ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, 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. Anne’s Parish

Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2025 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, September 21 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or **Sunday, September 28 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral**. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 p.m. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Friday, September 12th.

A Family Perspective (Luke 12:13 - 21)
In today’s gospel Jesus teaches us: “One’s life does not consist of possessions.” We spend so much time working to obtain more stuff; we don’t have time for the people in our lives. What is enough? Are the words of Jesus, “You fool”, meant for us?

Community News & Events



Young Adult Group (18-39): Theology on Tap on August 8th is a Rosary and Bonfire at Greenhouse Park at 6pm, and August 9th at 9am is our 2nd annual Hike at Laurel Highlands Trail Route 56 Trailhead. All young adults (18-39) and young families with their children are invited to join us for faith and fellowship! For more information contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

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/fatima-lourdes-shrines-of-spain/>
We hope you can join us!