Families and the Gospel ~ Matthew 14:22-23
The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressed, He dismissed everyone, so he could be “by himself and pray.” When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feelings to the Lord using Peter’s prayer in today’s gospel: “Lord, save me.”

100th Anniversary of Fatima, Birth of Mary Celebration, Friday, September 8th at Saint Catherine of Siena Shrine, Old Rt. 22, Duncansville, PA
7:45 am Mass and 12:05 Mass, Celebrant: Monsignor Robert Saly
8:15 am – 11:30 Holy Rosary, commemorations in the church
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Rosary in the church and shrine.
5:30 pm, Celebrant/Homilist Most. Rev. Bishop Mark Bartchak,
Rosary procession, food available from 11 am to 5 pm.
Come see displays of Our Lady of Fatima Apparitions, Rosary Makers, and More. Bring a lawn chair.

Plenary Indulgence: Participation in this celebration are in keeping with the ways in which the faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence during the Centennial Fatima Observance as announced by Pope Francis. To obtain the plenary indulgence, the faithful must fulfill the ordinary conditions: Go to Confession and Communion, be interiorly detached from sin, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Fatima Devotions: Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions this Sunday, August 13th at 6:30 pm in the gardens of Mount Assisi (in case of inclement weather devotions will be at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of Saint Francis University).

Every Second Counts! Blair County Commissioners would like 911 Dispatchers and First Responders to know about your family. This helps in time of an emergency – items such as family members, disabilities, allergies, emergency contact information. There is NO COST for this service. Please sign up today at www.Smart911.com or call 814-940-5901.

Saint Matthew Religious Education 2017-18 is in need of CCD Teachers for 2nd, 4th, and 10th grades. If interested, please contact our DRE, Gia Patton, or Father Jozef.

Do Something For Yourself! Encounter the fullness of Christ with ongoing faith formation. The Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry has announced the following classes for the 2017 Fall Schedule: Heart of Faith, Old Testament, New Testament, Wisdom Literature and Psalms, The Writings of John and Ecclesiology. For a description of classes, locations, times, registration forms and to learn more about our programs visit www.diocesaniag.org/lay-ecclisial-ministry/or contact Marybeth at 814-361-2000. All are welcome!

Are you Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary? Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50, 55, and 60+ Wedding Anniversary to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, Sept. 10th in Altoona or Johnstown Sunday, Sept. 17th in Johnstown. Liturgies begin at 2 pm. Reservations must be made through the parish office for either celebration by Tuesday, August 22nd.

WALK LIKE THE MASTER

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"
Matthew 14: 31

THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE
"He said, “Come”. Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.

Matthew 14: 29

When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that He knows what He’s doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say “yes” to Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives.
Financial Report – August 6, 2017

Regular Weekly Collection

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Weekly Collection Goal $5,061

Collection for July 2017 Beginning and ending June 30, 2018

Year to date Sunday Collection Income $33,830

Year to date Sunday Collection Goal $35,766

Collection Goal for Sundays $31,000

Year to Date Bingo Net Income $3,431

Church School Income $4,260

Catholic School Tuition $665

Religious Education Income $120

Catholic Education $750

2017 Catholic Ministries Drive TARGET $32,145

Donations for as of 7/6/17, $35,066.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

You can choose to participate through the Diocese, online giving, or using your “yellow envelope.”

All donations received over our goal will be used for the upgrades on the parish hall and the garden.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND!


Gigi Graf,通过 in your communicants. The revised rite gives those present for the Sacrament of Matrimony to publicly give thanks to God for the marriage of this couple.

Stewardship Reflection 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Even the apostles doubted Jesus. Yet, he assuredly calmed their fears, as He calms yours today, “With courage, it is 1, do not be afraid.” We can stay on course and do not give up any of God’s gifts when we stay focused on God.

Gifts from the Holy Land – Christian families have worked over 2,000 years to protect the Holy sites in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, and to spread the word of Jesus. For about the last 1,000 years they used carvings to keep the Bible alive in dimensions. By your study of the Scriptural Gospel, you can see how the early Christians used their symbols to keep faith in their minds.

Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Parish Hall. St. Benedict 2018 Pilgrimage to Assisi and Holy Land. These gifts will be available the weekend of August 18th and 19th.

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