

Families and the Gospel

John 15:9-17

Today's gospel challenges us to "love one another as I have loved you." Jesus is our model and he asks us to "lay down our life" (our time, attention, opinions, and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

The CDA Family Activity Committee invites you to join us at Reservoir Park Pond and Playground for a **Family Fishing Event** and Picnic. This will be on **Saturday, May 11th at 5:30 pm**. We will picnic first at the pavilion. Picnic food will be provided. Bring a side dish if you want. Fishing gear and fishing assistance will be provided. There will also be games. Sign up by texting or calling Amy Brisbin 814-931-4702.

Carmelite Community of the Word Golf Tournament will be held on **Friday, June 7, 2024** at Scotch Valley Country Club beginning at 8:30 am. Registration begins at 7:00 am. Continental breakfast in the morning and a BBQ picnic lunch will be served followed by awards and an auction. Cost is \$450 for a foursome; \$150 for individual golfers. If you would like to attend the lunch and auction but not golf, that is \$20. Final deadline for registration is **May 29th**. To register, or for more information, please contact Kelli Murphy to register or to make a donation by the following: phone: 814-886-4098 email: communityofficeccw@gmail.com

Saint Joseph Parish Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Raffle will be held on **Sunday, May 19th from 11 am to 2 pm** dine in or take out. Meal includes: Spaghetti and meatballs, salad, Italian bread, and dessert. Tickets can be purchased by calling the St. Joseph Parish office 814-742-7075 or Sister Linda at 814-742-7894. If you would like to donate a basket for the raffle, please call the numbers above.

Join us for the Spring Fling at St Bernardine Monastery, **Saturday, May 18th from 10 am to 4 pm**. The event will feature craft vendors, food trucks, and children's activities, The Friar's Nook Gift Shop will be having a Spring Fling Sidewalk Sale that includes many spring and summer items! The blessing of the SSVDP Monastery Community Gardens will take place at 11 am, the Rosary will take place at 3:30 pm and Catholic Mass at 4 pm. Please bring a lawn chair. Parking and entry are free for the festival. Location is: 793 Monastery Rd., Hollidaysburg

Love is More than a Word



"You did not choose me; I chose you. This I command you: Love one another." John 15:27

THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." - John 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

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Saint Matthew Catholic School
"serving our community since 1869"
Principal: Pauline Wiley
School Phone: (814) 684-3510
School web-site: www.stmatthew-school.org

We welcome all visitors. If you live in the area, please call the Parish Office to register and become an active member of our parish family.

If you would like to have a MASS celebrated for the deceased members of your family, or friends, or for special intentions, please stop by or call the parish office.



May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday at 5:30 pm
Sunday at 7:30 am
Sunday at 10:30 am
Weekday Mass Schedule: Wed., Thurs. & Friday at 8:00 am
Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule: 9:00 am & TBD
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 12:30 pm
or anytime upon request.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

May 4, 2024 – May 12, 2024

- Sat. 5:30 pm Lois Cassady – Chris, Steve, & Michael Stoner
 - Sun. 7:30 am Carl Isenberg _ Rose & Bill Long
 - Sun. 10:30 am Paul Pollara – Scott & Sandy Hoover
 - Mon. 8:00 am St. Joseph - Bellwood
 - Tues. 6:00 pm St. Joseph - Bellwood
 - Wed. 6:00 pm Vigil for the Ascension – St. Joseph
7:00 pm Vigil for the Ascension – St. Matthew Nicholas Zane
 - Thurs. 9:00 am Ascension of our Lord – St. Mathew Michael & Chad Dionis – Rose & Bill Long
6:00 pm Ascension of our Lord – St. Joseph
7:00 pm Ascension of our Lord – St. Matthew For the People
 - Fri. 8:00 am William & Hulda Engelman - Estate
 - Fri. 8:30 – 9:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
 - Sat. 5:30 pm Kathy & Lori Ray - Family
 - Sun. 7:30 am Mother's Day Intentions
 - Sun 10:30 am For the People - Pastor
- Sanctuary Candle** for the week of May 5th is in memory of Nicholas Zane requested by Mom and Dad.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Weekdays S McNelis

Ascension – May 8th @ 7 pm

Lectors: B Lambert, S Gavazzi, D Strayer

Eucharist Ministers: K Raffetto, M Raffetto, C Golden

Altar Servers: TBD

Ascension – May 9th at 9 am

Lectors: SMS Students

Eucharist Ministers: D Zakrzwski, P DelBaggio, R Long

Altar Servers: SMS Students

Ascension – May 9th at 7 pm

Lectors: K Naylor, T Naylor, I Weber

Eucharist Ministers: J Terosky, M Morse, D Castagnola

Altar Servers: M Weber, C Weber

Lectors – May 11/12, 2024

Sat. 5:30 pm G miller, J Ieraci, J Rumberger

Sun. 7:30 am K Pearson, B Hiergeist

Sun. 10:30am DD Murray, M Raffetto, W Rimmer

Extraordinary Ministers Eucharist May 11/12, 2024

Sat. 8:00 pm † P DelBaggio, R Bunch, S Burkholder

Sun. 7:30 am † S Zakrzwski, D Zakrzwski, R Long

Sun. 10:30am † M Morse, L Wright, S Thomas

Altar Servers: May 11/12, 2024

Sat. 5:30 pm E Narehood, H Narehood

Sun. 7:30 am TBD

Sun. 10:30 am B Wright, E Hewitt

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND

Elizabeth Adler, Sandy Ashcroft, Margaret Baker, Clinton Bisenger, Matt Bland, Lauren Bochart, Carol Brantner, Larry Brisbin, Jaxon Brown, Michael Brown, Anna and Charles Cannistraci, Sue Chambers, Jordan Coffman, Nancy Damico, Sharon Dannaway, Ryan DelBaggio, Harrison DeVore, Sharon Dick, Ed Dionis, Nate Dorman, Sergio Echeverria, Dorothy Fleming, Jack Futrick, Catherine Garland, T.C. Gheer, Perry Glace, Bob Grimarml, Mike Gurekovich, Dan Hahn, Sharon Hahn, Dieter Hartsock, Dorothy Heaton, John Herist, Peggy Hickman, Bill Hunter, Peg Irvin, Kitty Johnston, Steve Johnson, Dennis Kasic, Brian Kelley, Alexis Kensinger, Michael Long, Jerry Lynn Jr., Bob Macie, Mel & Carter MacMillin, Shawn Marie, Suzan Martindale, Colette McCaffrey, Tucker McCloskey, Mike & Sue McKean, Erik McMulloch, Michael McNelis, Donald Miller, Frank & Pam Moore, Donna Miller, Sarah Miller, Tracy Miller, Helen Molnar, Robert Molnar, Ailani Myers, Alberta Naylor, Peggy Nelson, Patty Norris, Lawrence Papi, Adam Perry, LeeAnn Spangler Price, Halee Ridgeway, Shannon Riley, Gary Ritchey, Joel Rivera, Donna Romano, Lucille Romano, Suzanne Ross, Delores Schreffler, Sue Scordo, MaryJane Shank, John Scott, Harry Sickler, Dorothy Smyder, Evelyn Stever, Mike Stack, Chris Stoner, Mark Turiano, Dale VanHome, Ethan Vila, Patty Walsh, Mary Ward, Stephanie Wage, Frank White, Bob White, Sam Whitesill, Rachel Harshman Wiggins, Kimberly Hovis-Williams, Liam Wirtner, George Wolfe, Roberta Woome, Crystal Wright, Ann Yaniello, Esther Zane.

Congratulations to the newest members of our church: **Hiedi and Kenzie Rae Simondale** both were baptized last weekend. May God who has freed them from original sin bless and shower His grace upon them both!



Flowers to celebrate the May crowning were donated anonymously in honor of the Blessed Mother for prayers answered.

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on **Monday, May 13th, 2024 at 6:30 pm** at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. David Dodd, T.O.R.

Please note that for security purposes the Original Church door by the intersection of 11th Street and Cameron Avenue will remain locked. You may exit from this door but not enter.

Stewardship Reflection *Our readings today call us to love as Christ loves. This request from our Lord is no small endeavor. It is something we must work at every day in every moment. When we put it at the forefront of our minds and hearts, and strive to live it out each day, it will transform our lives and impact other too.*

As St. John tells us in our Second Reading, it is “not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.” Recall that God loved us first, not because of what we do for him, but because He created us out of love. His love for us is pure and radical. In our Gospel, Jesus says, “Love one another as I have loved you.” The ways Jesus has loved us and continues to love us are endless.

Look at each moment and think, “How can I better love Jesus right now?” or “How can I lay down my life in this moment?” for it is in loving Christ that we will better love others, and it is in loving others that we love Christ Himself.

HEALING MASS: Holy Spirit Ministry will hold a special Healing Mass on **Tuesday, May 7th, 2024, at 7 pm, at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg.** This powerful night of hope and healing is for all who are suffering physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Praise and worship will precede the Mass at 6:30 pm and prayer ministry will follow the Mass. Come and experience the healing power of Jesus and be set free! All are welcome!

Monica’s Tears: Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona, hosts an hour of adoration with the recitation of the rosary **every Thursday night from 6 pm to 7 pm** to pray for our loved ones who have left the practice of the Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome, please join us.

Save the Date: SUMMER BIBLE CAMP will be held at St. Joseph Parish on June 17 - 21, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the Saint Joseph Social Hall. Registration forms are in the gathering space. Please consider registering early so that the proper supplies can be purchased. TEEN

HELPERS are needed for Summer Bible Camp. Please contact Sister Linda at (814) 742-7075

May is Mary’s Month For the month of May anyone wishing to remember all the *Mothers* in their lives can donate towards flowers that will be placed on the altar for the Month of May. There is a collection box in the **gathering space** or you may place an envelope in the collection basket. You may place your loved ones name on a heart (available in the gathering space) that will be placed on the altar.

The Independent Catholic Foundation will host a Catholic Investing Summit on Tuesday, May 14, at The Blairmont Club in Hollidaysburg starting with a continental breakfast at 8:00 AM. In this half-day event, participants will learn about capital market assumptions and Catholic investing guidelines. You will also learn how the Foundation stewards 280 endowments for the benefit of local Catholic organizations. The Summit is suitable for professional advisors and anyone interested in learning more about Catholic responsible investing and philanthropy. This is a free event, but participants must register online by May 7 at www.ICFoundation.US through the Donate/Register button.

Remember your loved ones on Sunday, May 26, 2024 with a televised mass celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11 am on WATM ABC 23 and which will be rebroadcast that night at 9 pm n the Breezeline Channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email: familylife@dioceseaj.org When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. The last day to register is Wednesday, May22nd. The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the Catholic Ministries Drive.

<u>Financial Report – April 28, 2024</u>	
Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection	\$4,551 \$26(children)
Weekly (Sunday) Collection Goal	\$5,700
<u>Beginning July 1, 2023 and Ending June 30, 2024</u>	
Year to date Sunday Collection Income	\$ 231,744
Year to date Sunday Collection Goal	\$ 251,800
Yearly Collection Goal for Sundays	\$ 296,400
2024 Year to date Bingo Net Income	\$ 13,737
Second Collection	\$ 0
SMS Catholic School Envelopes	\$ 40
Religious Education Envelopes	\$ 0
Good Samaritan	\$ 10
2024 Catholic Ministries Drive TARGET	\$ 29,219
CMD Donations for 2024	\$ 23,060