


MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 08: Intentions of Mother’s Day Envelopes
Sunday, May 15: † Edith Beckes-Casper by sons; John, George, & Gene
Sunday, May 22: † Maggie Clemente by Mom & Dad



 **May 1-15 MEMORIAL CANDLES:** *In Loving Memory of...*
Church Sanctuary: **Kurutz Family** by Fedeles
Chapel Sanctuary: **Kelly Casper** by Lisa & Jack Houser
Blessed Mother: **Louise & Joey Barratta** by Jay & Vicki Morocko / *Special Intention*
Saint Joseph: **Tom & Carol Fox** by Jay & Vicki Morocko / *Special Intention*

LECTOR SCHEDULE		ALTAR SERVERS	
Sunday, May 15	C. DeMarte	T. Tarantella	C. Dorman
Sunday, May 22	A. Lavelle	G. DeMarte	J. Zuback
Wed., May 25	J. Kowalski	S. Heiser	D. Ross

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jennifer Sauter, Sandy Francis, John “Tink” Green, Juliann Thorson, Ronnie Lullo, John Laubscher, Kay Hirlinger, Connie Shope, Deanna Dare, Donald Felty, Bill O’Neill, Karen Tomko Strobel, Susan Nelson, Thomas Packer, Bill Leary Jr., Melinda O’Neill-Lewis, Bart Pickering, Katherine Huggler, Gayle Jenkins, Elaine Charcalla, John Kapp, Ron J. Long, Rose Turnowchyk, Ruth Donnell, Vera Hough, Jeane Bressler, Grace DeSanto, Angeline Adams, Grace “Susie” Kisko, Paul Maxwell, Joanie Francis, Liz Kalafut, Arnie Burrows, Martha Crouse, Brenda DeJoice, Caleb Leone, Joey Herridge, Cathy Lovett, Kathy Jo Kalafut, Drew Gentzyel, Adam Smith, Joyce Winkleman O’Brien, Chad Willard, Connie O’Toole Conrad, Gino Serafini, Terry O’Laughlin

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Collection Counters: Margie & Ann

MONDAY, 5/09		
TUESDAY, 5/10	Communion Service • 8:30 am (Mike)	
WEDNESDAY, 5/11	Liturgy Committee • 5:00 pm	Festival Meeting • 6:00 pm
THURSDAY, 5/12		
FRIDAY, 5/13	Communion Service • 6:00 pm (Terry)	
SATURDAY, 5/14		
SUNDAY, 5/15	Mass • 12 noon	

A GARDENER’S CREED



One is nearer to God’s heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth.

—Anonymous



May 08, 2022: Fourth Sunday of Easter



CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

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MASS TIME
Sunday: 12 noon

COMMUNION SERVICE
Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. (Chapel)
Friday: 6:00 p.m. (Chapel)

PARISH STAFF
Rev. Joseph Orr.....*Pastor*
Alison Heiser.....*Secretary/DRE*
Daniel Heiser.....*Parish Council*
Terry O’Laughlin.....*Finance Council*

SICK CALL
Please notify the office when a member of the parish is in the hospital, or is unable to attend Church and wishes to receive Holy Communion at home.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ST. JOSEPH’S FAITH COMMUNITY
We the family of God, work to spread the good news and reach out to the lapsed Catholics and bring them back into the fold. We focus on being good examples of the Catholic Faith to the youth of our Parish. We will use prayer, education, hospitality, outreach and stewardship to welcome all into our faith community.

OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Friday by appt only

CONFESSIONS
Sunday at 11:40 a.m.
Wednesday by appt.

MARRIAGES & BAPTISMS
Call the church office to schedule an appointment. Nine-month advance notice is required for marriage.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION
If you would like to join the parish, please contact the parish office. Please remember to notify us if you move or will be moving out of the parish. Registration, the practice of stewardship and regular participation in the Sacraments indicate a person is an active member of the parish and is eligible to act as a godparent or sponsor. As a Church community seeking to be faith-filled disciples and good stewards, the sacrifice of our time, talent, and treasure is essential for the common good.



Congratulations to
Kayla “Teresa of Avila” Probert & Michael “Jude” Heiser
who were confirmed by Bishop Mark on April 27th at St. John's in
Bellefonte. May the power of the Holy Spirit guide them as they
become strong Disciples of Christ.

PRAYER LIST

We are asking that you take time to look at our prayer list on the back of the bulletin. We try to keep the list updated, but sometimes don't get notifications if a person's name should be removed.

PARISH FESTIVAL MEETING

Please mark your calendars and make plans to volunteer and attend our Parish Festival this June! The festival will be held on **June 23, 24, and 25** this year. There will be a Festival Meeting **Wednesday, May 11th at 6:00 pm**. All are welcome and encouraged to attend to help with the planning of our festival.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a Liturgy Committee Meeting this Wednesday at 5:00 pm in the Administration Center. All members are to attend. We encourage ALL parishioners to join in this meeting, especially those interested in learning about the design changes being made to the church.

YOUR PRAYERS AND PRESENCE ARE REQUESTED

With praise and thanksgiving to God, our Almighty Father, and relying upon the help of Jesus Christ, our Lord, the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown joyfully announces the ordination of

Daniel Horace Heiser

to the Sacred Order of Deacons in Christ's one holy
catholic and apostolic Church.

Through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by The Most Reverend Mark L. Barchak, J.C.D. Bishop of Altoona-Johnstown



Please celebrate with us on this Glorious Day! Ordination will begin at ten o'clock in the morning on Saturday, the Fourth of June in the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two. At the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, One Cathedral Square, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Your presence is requested at the lunch reception immediately following at the Cathedral



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

C.D. of A.'s monthly meeting will be held on May 17th at 6:30 pm. Committee for the meeting is Erica Dorman and Mary George Rhone. Please plan to attend.

ORDINATION BUS TRIP

As of now, we do not have enough people for the bus trip we had planned for Dan's Ordination. Father Orr is hopeful that we can get the 25 people needed to have a bus from St. Joseph's to Altoona. We have around 10 people so far. This trip is free for ALL parishioners or anyone in Renovo or Lock Haven that is interested in attending this momentous event. Please call the parish office if you are interested.

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY NOTICE

The Knights of Columbus are planning their spring clean-up at St. Joseph Cemetery in Hyner on **May 17th**. If you have any personal items that you wish to keep, or any OLD flowers/arrangements, please remove them, so they do not get discarded. Any NEW arrangements will not be touched. We again ask that you follow the cemetery regulations, which are now posted on our website. We recently had a company go through our old books and cemetery maps to create an online web page for anyone to view our cemetery information/lots/map under Hyner Cemetery.



THE POWER OF HOLY WATER

Holy water has its great power and efficacy from prayers of the Church, which its Divine Founder always accepts. These prayers ascend to heaven each time you take holy water and sprinkle a drop either for yourself or for another. Listed here are the four main spiritual aids of this sacramental: **Remits Venial Sins:** Because holy water is one of the Church's sacramentals, it remits venial sin. Keep your soul pure in God's sight by making the Sign of the Cross carefully while saying, "By this holy water and by your Precious Blood wash away all my sins, O Lord." **Dispels the Devil:** The devil hates holy water because of its power over him. He cannot remain long in a place or near a person that is often sprinkled with this blessed water. **Bless those at a distance:** Holy water, sprinkled with faith and piety, can move the Sacred Heart of Jesus to bless your loved ones and protect them from all harm of soul and body. When worry and fear take possession of your heart, hasten to your holy water font, and give your loved ones the benefit of the Church's prayers. **Assist the Holy Souls in Purgatory:** Only in Purgatory can one understand how ardently a poor soul longs for holy water. If we desire to assist them in their preparation for Heaven by our prayers and good works, let us not forget them at the holy water font. The poor souls nearest to Heaven may need the sprinkling of only one drop to assist them in their final purification.

WELCOME

Welcome to all, especially visitors and guests, who have come to worship in our Church today. No matter how long you're planning to be in the neighborhood, please consider St. Joseph's your parish home. Call the parish office, 570-923-0172, to schedule an appointment with Father Orr to register.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

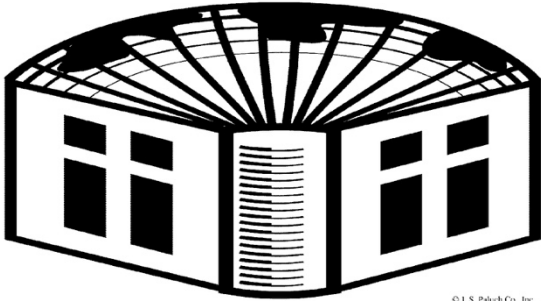
Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



A FORETASTE OF PARADISE

Throughout Easter Time, the Church rejoices with Jesus, risen from the dead. Our readings on this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrate our instinct to come together in joy, worshiping in church. While private prayer nourishes our individual relationship with the Lord, community prayer is a foretaste of paradise. The book of Revelation depicts a “great multitude” worshipping God “day and night in his temple.” Our churches on Easter Sunday often reflect this happy multitude, filling the pews to bursting. Four Sundays into the festive season, we are encouraged to keep praising God together. In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas demonstrate their instinct to worship with their faith community each Sabbath, dutifully taking their seats in the synagogue. In the Gospel, Jesus calls us his sheep and reminds us why coming together as a flock is so important: uniting in community, we imitate the unity of God.

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Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 8, 2022

*“I have made you a light to the Gentiles,
that you may be an instrument of salvation
to the ends of the earth.”*

— Acts 13:47b

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Reflection question:

How can I listen more closely to the voice of the Good Shepherd?

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† Our Gifts to God †
Sunday Offering: May 1, 2022

Regular Collection	\$1,685.00	ENVELOPES	Adults
Monthly	625.00	Used	90
Children	3.00	Families:	205
	\$2,313.00		

- Easter \$25.00
- Votive: \$62.00

Diocesan Collections

- Home Missions: \$30.00

Thank you for being good stewards.

CLEANING THE CHURCH

We are in desperate need of volunteers for cleaning our church. We need volunteers for May, October, November, and December. If you are able and willing to help us, we would appreciate it so very much. There is a sign-up on Flocknote: stjosephrenofo.flocknote.com or you may call the parish office. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers. God bless you!

CHURCH PEWS

If you, or anyone you know, has one of our church pews and no longer has use for it, please call or email the parish office. We would gladly take it off your hands. Thank you.

PRAYERS TO MARY AND JOSEPH

You may now request to have a candle burning on the side altars under the Blessed Mother or Saint Joseph, our patron saint, in honor or in memory of your loved ones. The cost is \$10 for two weeks, call or stop in the parish office to reserve a date

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

Saint Joseph received the following donations:

- \$760 donation from Fr. Don Dusza to the Window Restoration Fund.
- † In Loving Memory of **Louise Hillyer** by Theresa & Clair Goodling (\$25 Improvement Fund)



Any perspective that argues that all women should consider treating their unborn children as their mortal enemies rather than as the most important gift they will ever receive is perverse and evil. The whole purpose of being a good adult is to protect children. Turning the preborn into enemies so as to preserve adult "life aspirations" is the height of moral turpitude. – Ben Shapiro