The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2024

Our Lady of Fatima Parish 2010 12th Avenue www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org Rectory Office Hours:

Tuesdays and Thursdays 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Parish Office: 814-942-0371

or call the Cathedral Office at 944-4603.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator

> Parish Secretary Paula Hall

Director of Music Ministry Cathy McFee

Eucharist: Sunday: 11:30 AM Holy Days: 5:30 PM

Holy Communion for the home bound - weekly:

Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open Sunday through Saturday: 7:30 AM - 5PM for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

<u>Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be</u> <u>held at Our Lady of Fatima</u>.

<u>Preparation</u> for Baptism, and Weddings will be held at the Cathedral. 944-4603

<u>Sacrament of the Anointing of the</u> <u>Sick</u>

Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of healing may call the Cathedral Parish Office to make arrangements. 814-944-4603 Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603 One Cathedral Square Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop

Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator Paula Clemens, Secretary PH: 814-944-4603

Christian Initiation Team: 944-4603 Catholics returning Home: 944-4603 Mail Ministry to Elderly, Homebound, Seriously Sick and Grieving - 944-4603

Director of Religious Education: Chris Laraia – Pre-K thru 8 - 312-7317

Religious Education Office: Sundays – 943-7424 Director of Music Ministry Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO Music Ministry Office - 944-2044 E-Mail: Ithayer@dioceseaj.org

Reconciliation @ Cathedral: 7:00 PM Wednesday 12:30 PM Saturday

Religious Education @ Cathedral: Pre-K through 11 Sacramental Formation @ Cathedral: First Reconciliation First Communion Confirmation

Sacramental Formation @ the Cathedral: Baptismal Prep Marriage Prep Christian Initiation

Hospital Visitation: Call the Cathedral: 944-4603 Cathedral Eucharist: Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil) Weekdays: 12:00 PM 8:00 AM 8:00 AM Saturday: 12:00 PM 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon

5:00 PM

THE FATIMA TOWERS

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS <u>11:30 A.M.</u> Today, November 17, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Tom Byme, Sr. Birth. (Family) <u>Next Sunday, November 24, 2024</u> <u>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</u> John Kasun, Jr. (Waterval Family)

Cathedral Mass Intentions

November 17, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM +Nancy Nagy, Birth. (Linda Kutz) 10:00 AM +John Kirsch (Friends of the Family) 5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People There is Mass at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

November 18, Monday, Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles 12:00 PM +Souls in Purgatory (Anonymous)

November 19, Tuesday, Weekday 12:00 PM +John E. Bauer (Family)

November 20, Wednesday, Weekday 12:00 PM +Bob Eger (McNelis All Stars & Friends)

November 21, Thursday, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 12:00 PM +Bernadine Farrell, Birth. (Family)

November 22, Friday, St. Cecilia, V. & M. 12:00 PM +President Kenedy (Daniel Bauer)

November 23, Saturday, St. Clement I, Pope

12:00 PM +Lisa Koch Family (O'Connor & McLucas Families)

Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

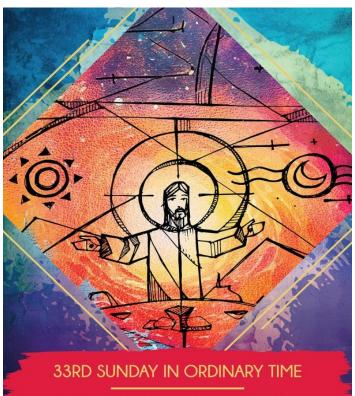
5:00 PM +Terrance Ferry, Anniv. (Michele Luciano & Family)

November 24, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 AM +Anthony Alianiello, Birth. (Family) 10:00 AM +John & Patricia Vargo (Family) 5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

There is Mass at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Fatima

The <u>Sanctuary Candle</u> for the month of November is lit in honor of the Eckenrode Family. Thank you.



"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." - Mk 13:31

Readings for the week of November 17, 2024

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37.

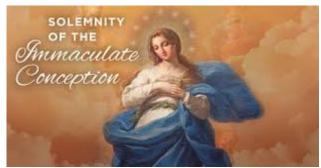
Thank You Very Much

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, November 10, were \$1,736. Thank you.





St. Nicholas will be visiting after the 11:30 A.M. on Sunday, December 8.



This year, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (our national patronal feast day) is transferred from Sunday, December 8, to Monday, December 9, and <u>is a holy day</u> <u>of obligation.</u>

Since all Masses on Sunday, December 8, must be of the Second Sunday of Advent, there can be no Vigil Mass for the Solemnity.

On Monday, December 9, we will have Masses at the Cathedral at 8:00 A.M. and Noon. There will be a 5:30 P.M. Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

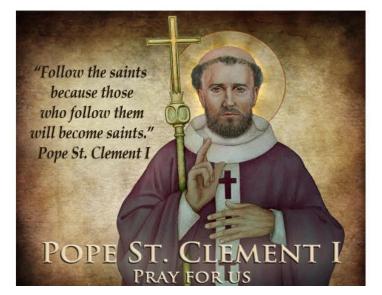
GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEP-ER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 17, 2024

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

I recently moved into a new neighborhood. On my first evening I went grocery shopping and could not find my usual favorite Greek yogurt. Strangely, my heart started to race. All the losses of my previous life hit me. So many of my old friends, habits, comforts, and predictable experiences had fallen away. There I stood, a grown man, crying like a little boy whose world was falling apart in the dairy aisle.

This week, Jesus describes what to do when one world ends, and another begins. Does it apply to the end of time? Yes. Does it apply to the end of our individual lives? Yes. It also applies to every "world" we inhabit throughout our lives, in school, family, friendships, work, play and so on. First, the sun, moon, and stars fall. The old, familiar ways of running things suddenly stop working. Light fades. Things fall apart. It's awful. But, second, Christ comes "in the clouds." Jesus, the Son of Man, replaces those old powers with himself as the prime governing principle. Third, he sends out his angels to "gather his elect from the four winds." He reintegrates the fragments into a new integrated whole. "Summer is near," he concludes. A new world begins.



Is your world crumbling? Are your sun, moon, and stars falling from the sky? Learn to discern the pattern of the Cross and Resurrection at work in it. This is the power we touch in the Mass. Jesus is coming precisely in this transition from the old to the new world. It doesn't make our losses easy. But it does make it possible to glimpse the dawning of a summer, a new beginning, the life of the world to come.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



Please pray that young people in today's culture will hear and respond to God's call. It is crucial that when God moves the heart of a young man to explore the priesthood, parents should be supportive. We all need to do our part to encourage young people to consider the priesthood or consecrated life.

Eileen and Bryan Starr will help promote vocations at Our Lady of Fatima Parish. Eileen recently attended a diocesan sponsored workshop about a parish-based effort to encourage vocations.



Thirty-six pledges have been made to this year's Catholic Ministries Drive. Our parish's target is \$9,813.00. Since \$9,989 has been given or pledged, we are \$176 over goal. \$400 remains in unpaid pledges. Thank you for participating.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The End of the World

"It's not the end of the world."

If I had a brick for every time my mother said this to me growing up, I could have built a castle. One that comes complete with a moat whose bridge I could dramatically pull up so I could sulk, in the window of the highest turret, sighing loudly so every passerby would know how I suffered.

Because sometimes we act like it's the end of the world — whether we are a little kid angered by a playground snub, a teenage girl flipping out over an assignment for English class or a college student distraught that she got scheduled for four opening shifts in a row at the coffee house where she works (yes, these are all examples taken straight from my life, why do you ask?).

And sometimes, it really does seem like the end of the world. We lose someone we love to cancer. We miscarry a child before we even get to see his tiny face. The rent is due, and the bank account is overdrawn (also all examples taken straight from my life).

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that when the sun is darkened and the moon no longer gives light, we must look for him, because his time is near.

He's talking about The End of the World. The big one, the apocalypse. But why do I think he's also talking about the end of the world — those sufferings large and small, real and imagined, that make us feel like the sky is caving in?

In both instances, he draws near to us. So let us look for him.

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