

Families and the Gospel John 6:24-35
 In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Do not work for what perishes." Give your life to what endures such as the family history you are creating, the love and mutual respect which bonds you together, the memories you share and the forgiveness generously given. These are the true treasures that are worth working and dying for.



Saint Matthew School Giving Tree

It is hard to believe the beginning of the school year will be here in a few weeks. The Saint Matthew School is once again asking for your help with supplies for the students and teachers. We have placed a giving tree in the gathering space for those who are able to donate items from the tree. Please pick an apple or leaf from the tree and return the item noted. There will be a box for supplies and a smaller box for any gift cards. Thank you for your kind and generous support of our school. *Saint Matthew Staff and Students*

Registration for **Saint Matthew School** for PreSchool and Kindergarten to Grade 5 is open. Please contact the school office at 814-684-3510 or contact Pauline Wiley at pwiley@stmatthew-school.org

Cutting Board Raffle Handcrafted cutting boards are on display in the gathering space and could be yours! Chances are 7 tickets for \$5.00. All proceeds will go to St. Matthew School. The drawing will occur **Sunday, August 4th** after the 10:30 am Mass.

Saint Vincent DePaul Food Pantry – Our parish donated 100 cereal items to the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry. *Thank you for your generosity.*

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 2024 (and their families) to attend the ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY LITURGY. Couples may attend Sunday, September 8th in Altoona at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday,

September 15th in Johnstown Saint John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 PM. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Reservation forms must be completed and set to the Diocese by **Tuesday, August 27th**. Registration forms are available in the church office.

The Diocese of Altoona- Johnstown has an immediate opening for a Human Resources Director to manage the overall function of the HR office. For a complete listing of responsibilities and qualifications, please go to General Employment Opportunities-Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Human Resources (dioceseaj.org). Resumes may be sent to Lmcevoy@dioceseaj.org.

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BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY



"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry." John 6:24

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THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." Exodus 16: 4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

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 Financial & Administrative Assistant: Deborah Zakrzwski

Office Hours:
Monday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Director of Religious Education: Lauren Wright
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Elementary to High School Classes: (Grades K-11):
Sunday mornings 9:00 am to 10:15 am (weekly during the school year)

OCIA: Susan Burkholder (814) 684-0352

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 Finance Council - Dennis Rozick (814) 684-5511
 Cemetery Committee - Shirley Hall (814) 931-0657

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.



August 4, 2024
The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.
Saint Joseph Church in Bellwood: Saturday at 4:00 pm or Sunday at 9:00 am and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday at 3:30 pm.

Mass Schedule & Intentions
August 3, 2024 – August 11, 2024

- Sat. 5:30 pm** Thomas & Sharon Miller – Dave & Denise Fusco
- Sun. 7:30 am** William & Hulda Engelman- Estate
- Sun. 10:30 am** For the People - Pastor
- Mon. 8:00 am** St. Joseph - Bellwood
- Tues. 6:00 pm** St. Joseph - Bellwood
- Wed. 8:00 am** Nicholas Zane – Mom and Dad
- Thurs. 8:00 am** Joe Narehood – Mom and Dad
- Fri. 8:00 am** Joe Kern – Fred Bennett
- Fri. 8:30 – 9:30 am** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction
- Sat. 5:30 pm** Guy & Phyllis Burkholder – Jerry & Sue Burkholder
- Sun. 7:30 am** Robert & Monica Zakrzwski – Zakrzwski Family
- Sun 10:30 am** Primo & Phil Lusardi – Chris, Steve & Michael



Sanctuary Candle for the week of August 4th is in memory of Nicholas Zane requested by Cindy and Jack Zane.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Weekdays D Cunningham

Lectors – August 10/11, 2024

Sat. 5:30 pm D Strayer, B Lambert, J Rumberger
Sun. 7:30 am B Hiergeist, R Long
Sun. 10:30 am H Quinn, DD Murray, K Auman-Gooding

Extraordinary Ministers Eucharist August 10/11, 2024

Sat. 5:30 pm † K Raffetto, M Raffetto, S Burkholder
Sun. 7:30 am † M Rozick, B Rozick, L Grove
Sun. 10:30 am † L Wright, M Morse, S Thomas

Altar Servers: August 10/11, 2024

Sat. 5:30 pm E Narehood, H Narehood
Sun. 7:30 am TBD
Sun. 10:30 am G Brasher, D Brasher

Financial Report – July 28, 2024	
Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection	\$4,779 \$16(children)
Beginning July 1, 2024 and Ending June 30, 2025	
Year to date Sunday Collection Income	\$ 24,225
2024 Year to date Bingo Net Income	\$ 22,444
Second Collection	\$ 228
SMS Catholic School Envelopes	\$ 171
Religious Education Envelopes	\$ 5
Good Samaritan	\$ 330
2024 Catholic Ministries Drive TARGET	\$ 29,219
CMD Donations for 2024	\$ 69,781

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND (June 1 to Dec. 1, 2024) Charlie and Anna Cannistraci, Bonnie Carper, James Franchio, Jack Futrick, Cindy Hampton, Vicky Hayes, Dieter Hartsock, Tina Kilmartin, Lila Jo Laughlin, Ailani Myers, Shannon Riley, Mike Ronan, Harry Sickler, Dorothy Smyder, Patie Walsh, Lee Wertz, Rachel Harshman Wiggins, Esther Zane



Altar flowers this weekend are in memory of Nicholas Zane requested by Mom and Dad.

Stewardship Reflection Often, we live our lives striving for temporary happiness. But today, Jesus reminds us to “not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life.”

Last week we heard about Jesus multiplying the loaves of bread and fish for a large crowd. All who were there ate and were satisfied. The multiplication of the loaves prefigures Jesus at the Last Supper and every Eucharistic meal we celebrate at Mass. Our Eucharistic meal is the Spiritual Food that we consume – Jesus Himself, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. It will satisfy us as Jesus says, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in the me will never thirst.”

As you go about your day-to-day lives this week, try to recognize the times you are “working for food that perishes” by seeking things of the work to satisfy your heart. In those moments, recall that everything we have is a gift from God. Instead of misusing that gift, offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all He has given to you. Then respond to Jesus’ invitation to “come to Him” by speaking with Him throughout your day.

The faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to outdoor *Masses every Sunday evening at 7 pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies and concluding on Sunday, September 1.* Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel.

Special Masses this Summer in Loretto:

August 4th – Mass for Young People – Return to College, Work, Military

The historic Prince Gallitzin Chapel House, in Loretto, PA next to the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine, will be open on the following Sunday afternoons from 3:00 – 6:00 pm for self-guided tours, pilgrimages and visits: **August 4 and 18**

Is God Calling you to become a Deacon? You are invited to join Bishop mark and Deacon Michael Russo at the Bishop’s Night of Vocations? On Wednesday, **October 2nd** at 7 pm at the US Hotel Tavern, Hollidaysburg. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Jessica at 814-361-

2000. Deadline is September 2nd. For more information on the permanent Diaconate please visit online at www.dioceseaj.org/Diaconate/ by call Deacon Michael at 814-288-3036.



Religious Ed. Registration

forms for 2024-25 are available in the gathering space and on the parish website. You may also register your child after all weekend Masses up to

July 21st for Kindergarten to 11th grade. Early Registration up to July 21st cost is \$30 per child, \$50- two or more children, and \$60- three or more children. Please consider registering your child to assist in planning and the purchase of materials. Questions please contact Lauren Wright at 814-312-0969 or lwright@dioceseaj.org

Fatima Devotions:

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Tuesday, **August 13, 2024**, at 6:30 pm in the Sunken Gardens at Saint Francis Friary. (In case of inclement weather, they will be at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University.) The presider will be Bob Sutton from St. Aloysius Parish in Cresson.

Upcoming Festivals and Events:

St. Augustine Catholic Church in Dysart, PA will hold an Annual Picnic on **Sunday, August 4th** featuring a Bar-b-que chicken dinner with homemade noodles from 11 am and cost is \$14.00. There will be a basket auction, bingo, food concession, and games.

St. Patrick Festival in the Shade, 731 Patrick Lane, Newry, PA on Friday, **August 9th** and Saturday, **August 10th** from 5 pm to 10 pm. Sunday, **August 11th** from 3 pm to 7 pm. Free entertainment, games, baked goods, food, raffles, quilt & craft booth (in school basement), flea market.

New Testament Zoom class taught by Fr. Brian Norris beginning **August 7th** from 6-9 pm for 8 weeks. Cost of the class is \$35.00. Two books are required and will be identified at time of registration.

Heart of Faith: Foundations of Catholicism taught by Fr. Timothy, TOR at St. John Vianney in Johnstown, PA starting on August 20th on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 9 pm for 6 weeks. Cost is \$35.00

Ecclesiology taught by Father Brian Saylor at St. Rose of Lima, Altoona. Tuesdays from 6:30 – 9 pm. The class will run for 6 weeks beginning August 13th. This class will be an in-person class and will be open to all.

To register for these classes: Call Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at 814-361-2000 or www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry

St. Matthew Parish Picnic Sunday, August 11th, at 11:30. Be sure to sign-up for the picnic in the gathering space. Lunch will be served at noon in the Hall followed by games for all ages. Bring your favorite dessert for the Delicious Dessert voting table. Set-up and decorating will be held on Saturday, August 10th, at 9:00 in the Hall if you are able to come and help. Call or text Steve Stoner at 814-931-7964 with questions.

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Women’s Conference “Jesus Approaches: What Contemporary Women Can Learn about Healing, Freedom & Joy from the Women of the New Testament”, this event will be held on **Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 8:30 am to 4 pm**, at Saint Benedict Parish in Johnstown. Winning author, Liz Kelly, will be the main speaker. This event is free and open to all but RSVP is required for lunch count. A love offering will be taken. Please email michael.russo@atlanticbb.net to register or call St. Benedict Rectory at 814-266-9178.