

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
November 10, 2024
Mass Intentions**

November 10, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM Special Intention Philip Petrunak, Birth. (Family)
10:00AM+Thomas Byrne Sr., Birth. (Family)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30AM

November 11, Monday, Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
12:00PM+ All Deceased Veterans

November 12, Tuesday, Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
12:00PM+Annie Bauer (Daniel Baurer)

November 13, Wednesday, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
12:00PM+Barbara Karl (A.C.H.S. Classmates)

November 14, Thursday, Weekday
12:00PM+Lavelle Family (Phyllis Lavelle Sheetz)

November 15, Friday, Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
12:00PM+Karl Burgmeier (Daughter, Carol Talley)

November 16, Saturday, Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
12:00PM+Jean Fornwalt (Leonard & Mary Burns)
Vigil: Thirty- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM+Michael McCaulley (Family)

November 17, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM+Nancy Nagy, Birthday (Linda Kutz)
10:00AM+John Kirsch (Friends of the Family)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church 11:30AM

Parish Council Meeting

There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 19th, 2024, at 6:30PM.

Finance Council Meeting

There will be a Finance Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 19th, 2024, at 4:00 PM.

Stewardship Reflection

Today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings, as well as the Gospel passage from Mark, both center on the actions of two poor widows. The Gospel passage is often called the story of the "Widow's Mite." But taken together, perhaps a more fitting title of the stories of these two ladies would be, "The Mighty Widows."

In the First Reading the prophet Elijah encounters a widow and her son during a terrible famine. In the Gospel, Jesus observes a poor widow contributing all she had as an offering. Both women found themselves in desperate situations, yet each demonstrated strength and generosity that distinguished them from those around them.

These women saw themselves as stewards, not owners, of the resources God gave them, regardless of how much or how little they had. And acting as stewards made them gracious, generous and mighty indeed.

Sacrament Preparation

Please return November 23rd Confirmation retreat registrations as soon as possible.

Cleaning the Church

We will be cleaning the church on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, following breakfast at 8:30 AM in the rectory. If there is a funeral, we will have breakfast and clean on Thursday.



Our 10:00 A.M. Mass this Sunday, November 10, will honor military veterans and those who currently serve our country. Following Mass, there will be a luncheon reception in our hall. As a Church and country, we are grateful for the courage and commitment of our veterans.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, November 3, 2024, \$ 9,874.95

Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.

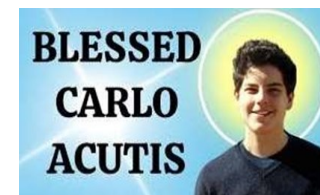
Basket Bingo Report

After having our final Basket Bingo committee meeting, we are pleased to announce that after all the bills were paid, the profit was \$17,208.83. We had 204 people in attendance. We also had 138 door prizes. Job well done by all that donated. We would like to thank our committee: Mary Ann Bell, Maryann Joyce Bistline, Paula Clemens, Paulette Farabaugh, Sherry Luke, Mary Lumadue, Paula Miller, Peggy McLucas, Lorie Eberwein, and Dallas Luke, Also, a BIG thank you to Lorraine Beck and Roberta Burns for their long hours they had put into this. We are looking forward to our next Basket Bingo, Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 28th, 2025.



Recruiting: Loving Hearts and Caring Hands

There are volunteer opportunities (being a Eucharistic Minister, providing companionship and visits, sharing your talents by singing or playing an instruments and other opportunities) at Garvey Manor & Our Lady of the Alleghenies Residence. Call Kathy LaVelle at 814-695-5571, ext. 4009 or klavelle@garveymanor.org



Our parish has the entire exhibit of Eucharistic miracles prepared by Blessed Carlo Acutis (1999-2006). Portions of the exhibit are displayed in the side chapels of the cathedral.

COURTESY ADS

Bishop Guilfoyle Academy

January is a good time to join the BG Academy family for PreK or students in any grade level. Visit their new website: bishopguilfoyle.org You can schedule a personal tour.

St. Therese of the Child Jesus Parish

Join the parish of St. Therese of the Child Jesus at Father Kelly Hall for an all-you-can-eat pancake lunch and raffle on Sunday, November 17, from 11:00 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. \$5.00 for children 10 and younger, \$8.00 for 11 and older. Benefits St. Vincent DePaul Conference. Ticket price includes pancakes, sausage (not all you can eat) and beverage.

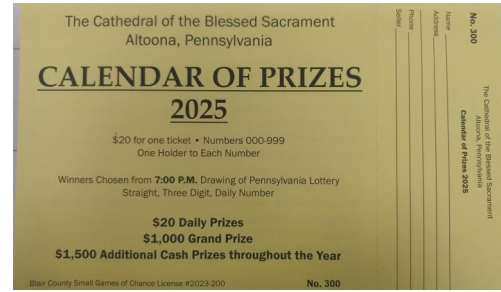


Msgr. Stan Carson and representatives from our Parish Council will be available in the Seton Suite on Saturday, November 16, at 2:00 P.M. and on Monday, November 18, at 6:30 P.M. to listen to parishioners who have suggestions on how we can improve the life of our parish. Those who bring suggestions are expected to help discern the potential for implementing the suggestions. We will also pray about the suggestions and eventually present them to our parish's advisory councils. May God's Holy Spirit help us to "see visions" and "dream dreams" (Acts 2:17).

SEVENTH GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The 7th Grade Religious Education Class and their parents are assisting two families from Our Lady of Fatima Parish with two children with extraordinary medical needs: Gwendolyn Gabriel and Sophia Riggelman. Gwen, born with half a heart and 8 years old, is waiting for her second heart transplant and has been in Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh since February 2024. Sophia was born with the most severe form of Spina Bifida. She has had numerous surgeries, and her family also makes many trips to Children's Hospital. Both girls and families have continuously kept the faith and live lives with joyful hope.

The students are asking for our help to raise some funds especially for gas gift cards and grocery gift cards to help defray their costs of family living at home and at the Ronald McDonald house and transportation. **The students will be selling Dum –Dum Lollipops for a small donation again after Masses this weekend.** They will have donation boxes for household items that are also needed (Purina ONE sensitive skin & stomach cat food, Fresh Step cat litter, Clorox or Lysol wipes, Myers clean day multipurpose cleaner, Everspring (Target brand) toilet paper, Swifter Power Mop refills, Swifter duster refills, Tide hygienic clean laundry pods, Cascade complete dishwasher pods, Size 4 diapers, Beechnut baby foods, Huggies baby wipes, Paper towels). The 7th grade students will appreciate our help and generosity. Gift cards and any voluntary monetary donations should be placed in envelopes in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office marked: 7th Grade Religious Education Service Project c/o Mrs. Jeanne Thompson



Our Calendar of Prizes is currently on sale. The cost is \$20.00 per ticket for a year's worth of opportunities to win cash prizes. Please be supportive. The tickets are available after weekend Masses and in the parish office.



November 3-9 was Vocation Awareness Week

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.

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CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

The process of formation for those seeking God through membership in the Catholic Christian community.

INFANT BAPTISM:

Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

CONFIRMATION:

Ninth, tenth and eleventh grade students are invited to participate in the Confirmation Preparation Process.

RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday: 7:00 PM, Saturday: 12:30 PM.
By appointment, by texting or calling 814-937 8240 Communal Penance Services: Advent and Lent.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Upon Request and Communal celebration

MARRIAGE:

Arrange nine months in advance. Couples expected to participate in pre-marriage preparation program.

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration - Normally, the First Wednesday 12:30 PM - 6:45 PM
Eucharistic Day - Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Sponsored by the Christian Mothers on Thursdays after the noon Mass.

Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, J.C.D., Bishop

Reverend Monsignor Stanley Carson, Administrator

Paula Clemens, Parish Secretary

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CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME - 814-944-4603

MAIL MINISTRY TO ELDERLY, HOMEBOUND, SERIOUSLY SICK, AND GRIEVING - 814-944-4603

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

September through April: Pre-Kindergarten thru 12.
Sunday morning 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM Pre-Kindergarten thru 8. Grades 9-11 Sunday Evening at 6:15.

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Mass Times

Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Weekday: 12:00 Noon	Saturday: 12:00 Noon
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