Prince Of Peace

Roman Catholic Church & Chapel

811 Chestnut Avenue
N. Cambria, PA 15714

2410 Campbell Avenue
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August 2nd, 2026

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

This Week's Gospel: Matthew 14: 13-21

Parish Administration

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Monday-Thursday
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Weekend Masses
Saturday: 4:00pm (Church)
Sunday: 8:00am (Chapel)
Sunday: 10:30am (Church)

Weekday Masses
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:
8:00am (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration
First Fridays: 7:00am-8:00am (Church)

Confessions
Friday at 7:30 (during adoration), Saturday & Sunday 1/2 hour prior to Mass

ALTER SERVERS

Saturday, August 8th
4 PM -

Sunday, August 9th
8 AM - Tyler McCreery
10:30 AM - Ben Shutty

LECTORS

Saturday, August 8th
4 PM – Jeanette or Denny

Sunday, August 9th
8 AM -
10:30 AM - John Weiland, III

Beat the Heat, Cancel the Cold

WE REMEMBER IN A SPECIAL WAY IN OUR PRAYERS:

Blair & June Govel

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

May the Divine Physician send healing grace for those for whom we pray. Please remember in a special way the following who have requested your prayers:

Theresa Bauer, Mary Bolette, Phil Bolyn, Marjorie Boring *Dorothy Dercotch, Alexis Frank, *Judy Hilliard, Julia Kuzzia, A.M Litdin *John Lee, *William Lee, Zander Marshall, Robin Pike, James Scott, Hailey Seigh, *Yvonne Stivanelli, Frances Weakland, Sandra Weymer, and Jeff Widdson.

** Homebound or Parishioners living in an Assisted Living Facility*

Please Pray for the Men and Women Who Are Proudly Serving in our Armed Forces

Family members and friends of our parishioners who are currently in active service are as follows:

SGT Thomas Bowser
SSGT Gregory Chuhran
Master SGT Ryan Cox
PVT Kevin Everly
Robert Goody
LCDR Thomas D. Hunter
SSGT Matthew Kendall
SPEC Shawn Kent
MAJ John M. Kiraly
CH Nicholas S. Klamar
SGT Michael A. Kordish
SSGT Brittany McConnell
ARMY SPEC Bryan Nealen
PVT Josh Nelen
AMN Lauren C. Penksa
USN LCDR Nicole Peterson
USN, SSGT Todd Rito
PVT Jacob Schlereth
SSGT Jason Tyson
ENFR Ted Vermeulin
MAJ Christine Zimmerman
MAJ Robert Zimmerman

Mass Intentions

August 2026:

Saturday, 1st:
4:00pm (Church) † Don & Theresa Bernard, By: Family

Sunday, 2nd:
8:00am (Chapel) † Lois Marshall, By: Family

10:30am (Church) † Living & Deceased Members of Prince of Peace Parish, By: Fr. Mark

Monday, 3rd:
8:00am † Sally & Victor Chervenak, By: Patti Kollar & Family

Tuesday, 4th: No Mass

Wednesday, 5th:
8:00am † Mary Drahnak, By: Moncia Magulick

Thursday, 6th:
8:00am † Helen Wargo, By: Lisa & Mike Mays

Friday, 7th:
8:00am † Richard Kirsch, By: Family

Saturday, 8th:
4:00pm (Church) † Francis Coover, By: Wife Sally

Sunday, 9th:
8:00am (Chapel) † Living & Deceased Members of Prince of Peace Parish, By: Fr. Mark

10:30am (Church) † Mary Jo Branthoover, By: Diane & Larry Waksmunski & Family

The side door church entrance (next to the office) is open for PRIVATE PRAYER Monday thru Friday between 7am-2pm.

Memorial Candles August 9th:

Sanctuary Candles in Loving Memory of . . .

Church: 50th Wedding Anniversary of Paul & Julianna, By: Family

Chapel: Sophie Ferrari, By: Fr. Mark

Pieta Candle in Honor of . . .

Church: Moncia Gresko, By: Husband Ed & Family

Weekly Giving: Sunday, July 26th

Weekly: Envelopes: $2,526.00 - Online: $90.00;
Monthly: Envelopes: $75.00 – Online: $60.00;
Candles: $74.00;
Assumption: $10.00; **Loose Cash:** $125.00;
Maintenance: $345.00; **Mission Co-Op:** $517.00;
St. Vincent DePaul: $30.00…
Total $3,852.00

Roof Project Totals:

TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	$60,000.00
TOTAL DONATIONS TO DATE	($35,394.50)
OUTSTANDING BALANCE	**$24,605.50**

Weekly News & Announcements

Reminder

In contemporary Catholicism, it is considered respectful for gentlemen (including children) to remove their hats in church as a sign of reverence. However, if a man is wearing a hat for medical reasons, it is usually acceptable to keep it on. It is important to be mindful of the customs and traditions that are integral part of the worship experience. Gentlemen, please remove your hat when you are in church in the presence of the Lord.

Cell Phones

Reminder: Please leave your cell phone at home or in the car. If you must have your phone in Church, please turn it off or put it on airplane mode.

Marriage Preparation

For a Sacramental Marriage, you must be a registered parishioner and be free to marry. If you or your fiancé are divorced a decree of annulment in most cases will be necessary.

Contact the priest or deacon who will witness your marriage **as soon as you become engaged**, or **at least nine months before your *proposed* wedding date.** You will be meeting with your priest/deacon several times. You **should not** set a date, plan the wedding and contact the church last.

Attendance at Marriage Preparation programs in the Diocese can be done 8 to 12 months before your wedding. You will learn about communication skills, finances, sexuality, Natural Family Planning, spirituality, becoming a "domestic church", and many other helpful and important topics. You will also receive information on planning the wedding ceremony.

The diocesan marriage directives require a premarital inventory of all couples before marriage. FOCCUS is one particular inventory that is used the most in our diocese, and across the country. This inventory is not a test – it is a discussion tool to help you communicate about the areas of your relationship that are strong and those that need work. A priest, deacon, or someone assigned by either gives instruction on taking this inventory online and schedules a follow-up session.

It is recommended that the FOCCUS inventory and follow-up session be done before you attend a Marriage Preparation Series.

Request for Information to be included in the Parish Bulletin Guidelines

1. The bulletin is a tool used by the parish to assist parishioners in their journey of faith and to help them be aware of parish activities
2. The bulletin is not a free advertising publication.
3. Information must be relevant to parishioners' journey in faith.
4. Information from neighboring Catholic Churches will be given priority as space allows.
5. Information must be submitted in writing (via letter or email) by Tuesday of the requested week of publication.
6. Information will NOT be taken over the phone.
7. The office reserves the right to approve or reject requests for all information submissions.

Pastoral Council

Pastoral Council will meet on **Wednesday, August 5th at 6:30 PM** in the office. All council members are urged to attend.

Religious Education

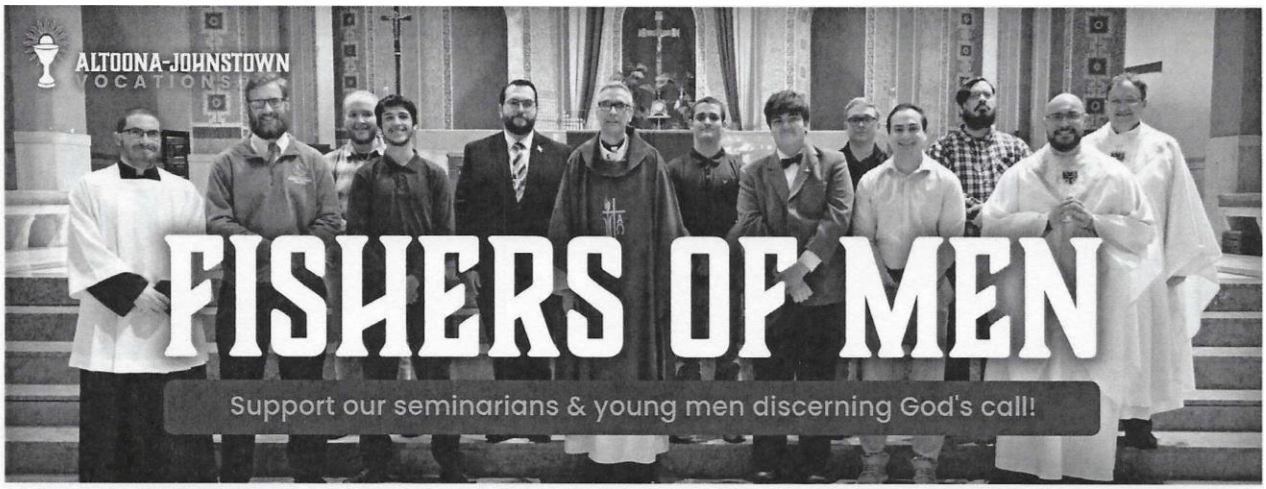
Just a reminder that registration for Religious Education for the **26-27 Academic Year will begin on August 1st. The last day to register will be Friday, August 28th.** Forms will be available in the back of the Church and Chapel and may be picked up after Mass. Forms will not be mailed or on the website. **Any registration received after this date will incur an increased registration fee**. The parish does NOT set the registration fees. We receive a bulk registration rate. The parish does NOT assess a late fee. Please get your registrations completed and on time.

Bishop Carroll High School (Ebensburg):
Cafeteria Help: Bishop Carroll is seeking part time help in the cafeteria on weekdays 9am-2pm. Flexibility is provided – you can choose 1 day per week or up to 5 days per week. Come join our team and earn some additional income. Competitive hourly rate. Please call the school at (814) 472-7500 or email Lynn Weber at weber.lynn@bishopcarroll.org

Catholic Daughters of Americas, Court #722 (Hastings):
We are looking for new members from your parish! Catholic Daughters of Americas, Court #722, Our Lady of Victory needs you! We need you because God Needs You! We both need you and YOU need the CDA! Catholic Daughters of the Americas is a national Catholic organization dedicated to prayer, good works, and the helping of others less fortunate. You will make new and dear friends and have fun while enriching your life and others. Regular meetings are held once a month in the Hastings Professional building across from Miner's Hospital. First Thursday of the month with Rosary at 5:30 and meeting to follow at 6:30 PM. Contact Mary Patterson at 814-312-8773 for more information.

A Night with the Altoona Curve:
In celebration of the 125th anniversary of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, on **August 14th at PNG Field, Altoona.** The game starts at 6PM, before the game, *Proclaim!* Is hosting a picnic supper at 5PM. Game tickets are $9 for adults; $7 for ages 3-12. The picnic supper is free with the purchase of a game ticket. To purchase tickets, contact Cory Homan at the Altoona Curve at 814-283-3128. Very Rev. Frank Sconaienchi, TOR, Very Reverend Matthew Baum, and Father Michael Pleva will throw the first pitch.

Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies (Loretto):
Bishop Mark will celebrate the annual outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college and their families on **August 2 at 7:00 PM at** Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto. Recent high school graduates entering the military or workforce are also invited. During the Mass, the Bishop will offer a special blessing to the young adults and present them with a small gift. Please bring your own lawn chairs. If it rains, the Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel, next to the Shrine.



FISHERS OF MEN

Support our seminarians & young men discerning God's call!

HELPING MEN HEAR GOD'S CALL

VOCATIONS ON THE RISE

Dear Friends,

BISHOP MARK BARTCHAK

It is with deep joy and gratitude that I share some truly encouraging news: **we will have four seminarians this fall!**

Thanks to your response to our Called by Name campaign, **we have invited more than 350 young men in our diocese to discern the priesthood.** Many of them have joined discernment groups and attended events. In particular, dozens of men have attended "Loggia Nights" at the cathedral in Altoona, which is a time of prayer, camaraderie, and exploration of the priesthood.

If you have been inspired by the renewed energy of our Vocation Office, **please consider making a gift this summer.** With your help, and by God's grace, we will continue to form holy priests to serve the people of God in our diocese.

Yours in Christ,

+ Mark J. Bartchak

Bishop of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

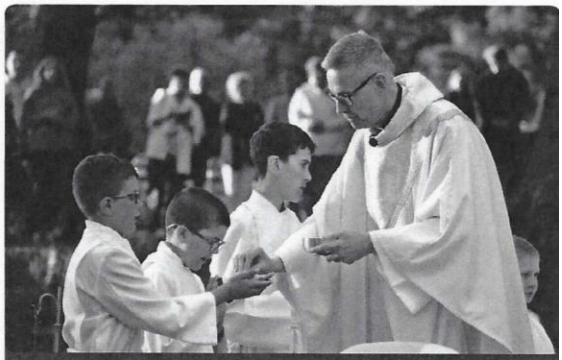
OUR 2026-2027 SEMINARIANS

LIAM CLYMA

JONATHAN EGER

ANDREW FOSTER

OWEN MCCARVILLE



GOOD NEWS FOR OUR DIOCESE

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **A very active Vocation Team** with six priests in different regions of the diocese.
- **More than 350 men identified through our Called by Name campaign**, one of the best campaigns in the country!
- **Three Discernment Groups** with several teens and young adults participating.
- **A trip to the seminary** to help young men see what seminary life is like.

Thanks be to God

PLEASE GIVE TO FUND FUTURE PRIESTS

Your gift directly funds our seminarians and inspires more young men to consider the priesthood. Thank you!

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