Prince Of Peace

Roman Catholic Church & Chapel

811 Chestnut Avenue
N. Cambria, PA 15714

2410 Campbell Avenue
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August 9th, 2026

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

This Week's Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

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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 15th
4 PM -

Sunday, August 16th
8 AM - Tyler McCreery
10:30 AM - Ben Shutty

LECTORS

Saturday, August 15th
4 PM – Jeanette or Denny

Sunday, August 16th
8 AM - David Kudlawiec
10:30 AM - Michelle McCall

Beat the Heat, Cancel the Cold

WE REMEMBER IN A SPECIAL WAY IN OUR PRAYERS:

Blair & June Govel
Joseph Kollar

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
USN Garrett Dixon
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, 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

Monday, 10th:
8:00am † Regina Vodzak, By: Daniel & Beth Vodzak

Tuesday, 11th: No Mass

Wednesday, 12th:
8:00am † Doris Eget, By: Tom & Margie Anderson

Thursday, 13th:
8:00am † Patti Gill, By: Deacon Gary

Friday, 14th:
8:00am † Andrew & Mary Rushin, By: Donald & Maryann Strong

Saturday, 15th:
4:00pm (Church) † 50th Wedding Anniversary of Paul & Julianna Ondecko, By: Family

Sunday, 16th:
8:00am (Chapel) † George Samuel Chuhran, By: Family

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

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

Memorial Candles August 16th:

Sanctuary Candles in Loving Memory of . . .

Church: Margaret Elias, By: Grandchildren

Chapel Earl Lantzy, By: Loving Family:

Pieta Candle in Honor of . . .

Church: Ed Kapeluch, By: Wife Shirley & Family

Weekly Giving: Sunday, August 2nd

Weekly: Envelopes: $2,860.00 - Online: $114.00;
Monthly: Envelopes: $945.00;
Candles: $69.00;
Assumption: $40.00; **Loose Cash:** $135.00;
Maintenance: $475.00; **Mission Co-Op:** $385.00;
St. Vincent DePaul: $5.00; **Vocations:** $362.00…
Total $5,390.00

Roof Project Totals:

TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	$60,000.00
TOTAL DONATIONS TO DATE	($35,527.50)
OUTSTANDING BALANCE	**$24,472.60**

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.

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.

Diocesan Family Conference

The diocesan family conference will be held on **Saturday, September 19th at Bishop Carroll High School, Ebensburg.** This conference has been designed for every generation, from young children and teens to parents, grandparents, clergy and parish leaders. This day includes the annual Men's and Women's Conferences, Shycon (**also a discipleship event for Senior High Confirmation candidates**) and Junior High Youth Day.

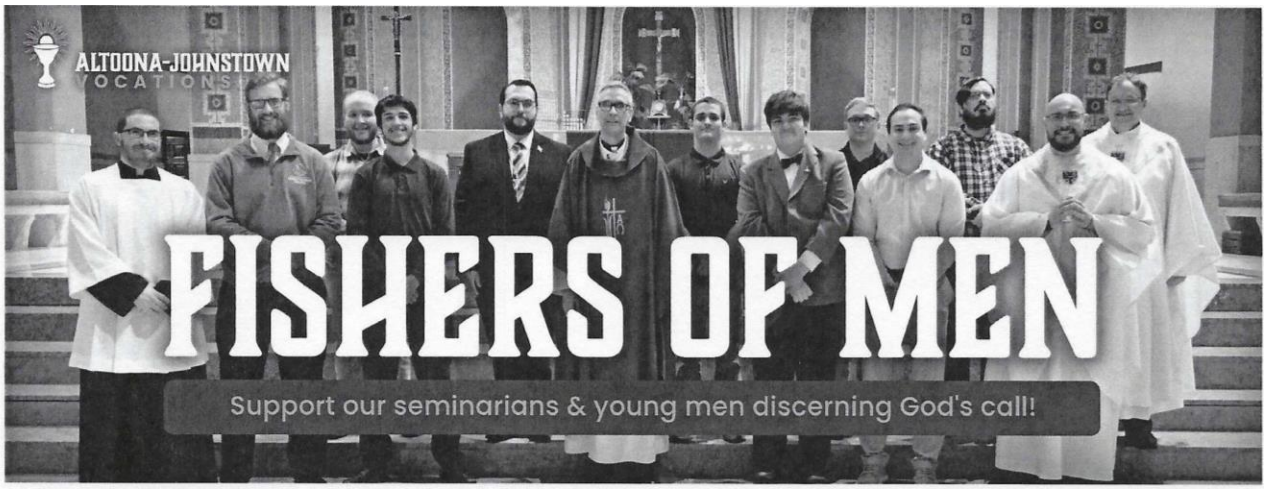
The day-long event will offer inspiring keynote presentations, engaging break-out sessions, opportunities for prayer and fellowship, food and the Vigil Mass for Sunday. You may register online at: dioceseaj.org or copies of the registration booklet are available or by contacting the parish office. Please also prayerfully consider being a Sponsor for this day. Information on the day and to be a sponsor are in the registration booklet. For additional information contact Francine Swope at fswope@dioceseaj.org OR (814) 317-2646.

Fishers of Men Vocations Appeal

As our number of seminarians increases, the cost of their formation also rises. This is a good problem to have! But we need your support to fund their formation, which costs approximately $65,000 per year for tuition, room and board, and health insurance. We've also added excellent new programs to reach young men, so we expect our number of seminarians to increase even further! To support our seminarians and these increased efforts, please give using the envelopes in your pews or at ajvocations.org/give.

2026 Anniversary Masses:

Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couple celebrating **1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2026** (and their families) to attend the **Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy.** Couples may attend **Sunday, September 13** in **Altoona** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or **Sunday, September 20** in **Johnstown** at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at **2:00PM**. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/ snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. **Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Friday, September 11th.**



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

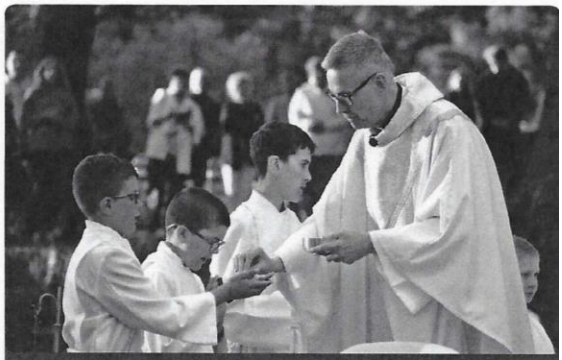
OUR 2026-2027 SEMINARIANS

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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