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SUNDAY LITURGY

Cancelled until further
notice

DAILY MASS

Cancelled until further
notice

CONFESSION

Cancelled until further
notice

I am the way, the truth
and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father,
except through me.



Sunday 11:00 Mass Televised Live from St. John's

All other Masses/Liturgies to be said privately by the Priests

Sunday May 10 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 6:1-7 / 1 Peter 2:4-9 / John 14:1-1
Mothers & Grandmothers, Living & Deceased
All Masses

Monday May 11 Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 14:5-18 / John 14:21-26
St Anne Society
Frances Hasenstab (*Daughter, Dorothy*)

Tuesday May 12 SS Nereus & Achilleus, St Pancras Martyrs

Readings: Acts 14:19-28 / John 14:27-31a
John Kucenski Anniversay (*Wife, Mary Ann*)
Betty J. Antesberger Birthday Rmbr (*Family*)

Wednesday May 13 Our Lady of Fatima

Readings: Acts 15:1-6 / John 15:1-8
Living & Deceased Mmbrs of 1st Catholic Slovak Ladies
Robert F. Crookston (*Family*)

Thursday May 14 St Matthias, Apostle

Readings: Acts 1:15-17 / John 15:9-17
Butch Huffman (*Chuck & Pat Sura*)
Charlene Tarnowsky (*Vi Najjar*)

Friday May 15 USA, St Isidore

Readings: Acts 15:22-31 / John 15:12-17
Eugene Ritter (*John & Sally Hudak*)
Rose Varner (*Daughter, Barbara*)

Saturday May 16 Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 16:1-10 / John 15:18-21
Peter Yanko 4th Anniversary (*Wife, Irene & Children*)
Dante Todaro (*Wife, Marissa*)

Sunday May 17 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 8:5-8 / 1 Peter 3:15-18 / John 14:15-21
Joe & Ronnie Kmetz (*Kay Kmetz*)
Carmella Serafin Birthday Rmbr (*Jim & Michele*)
Helen Yuhás (*Cha Cha & John Bair*)

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“In my Father’s house, there are many dwelling places . . . I am going to prepare a place for you . . . Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do and will do greater ones than these.” John 14: 1-12

Mask sewing for the soul

She saw the stories on television about hospitals and clinics desperate for “PPE” — personal protection equipment. She had plenty of fabric and, recently retired, plenty of time — so she started tinkering. She found a design online and put together a mask. To make sure the wearer could breathe through it, she wore it for a walk around her neighborhood. She then improved the design, building a bridge out of pipe cleaners and inserting coffee filters for extra protection. After finishing a first batch of masks, she brought them to Children’s Hospital in Philadelphia, where medical personnel gratefully welcomed her work. She had a new vocation.

That vocation is being taken up by sewers — both professional crafters and hobbyists — around the country. They are scrounging fabric and repurposing everything from drapes to dresses to make masks for doctors and nurses caring for the victims of the coronavirus. No, the homemade masks are no substitute for professionally made masks, but “better than nothing” has become the mantra of the sewing community. Moreover, doctors, nurses, and support staff at overwhelmed medical facilities sincerely appreciate their efforts.

The mask sewers include individuals, organized sewing circles, sewing classes at temporarily closed fabric shops, and the elderly residents of assisted living facilities. Their season brought to a halt, costume designers for the Minnesota Opera Company are now making masks; a company that makes on-stage apparel for country music and rock stars is making masks for two Nashville hospitals.

The motivation is simple. “It is like wartime — how can I help?” one mask sewer says. “It is just good for the soul.”

[**The New York Times**, March 27, 2020.]

To take whatever you have (no matter how little), to give whatever time you can (no matter how limited), to put aside your own needs and challenges (no matter how great) — that is to do the work of Christ; such humble but complete giving, such simple offerings compelled by compassion, reveal the reality of the Kingdom of God in our midst — even and especially in the most challenging times. In taking on, with joy and resolve, the work of compassion and reconciliation, the Risen One entrusts to us; we build God’s dwelling in our midst — one hospital mask at a time.



Mary Sewing and Jesus Playing,
John of Tano Fei (1405) Benci Chapel

Pastoral Care Anointing of the Sick for those in grave danger, contact Fr. Jim, 934-9605. Individual confessions contact the rectory, 536-0117.

Gradual Opening of the Cathedral. When Bishop Mark announces the limited reopening of churches, the Saint Anne Shrine will open (Mon-Sat: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm; Sun 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm) for a maximum of ten persons at a time. The Shrine will be for private prayer. We will place chairs for seating at safe social distancing. Masks will always be required.

COLLECTIONS: 5/3/2020

Envelopes	\$ 2,665.46
Cash	130.00
Easter	277.00
Easter Flowers	5.00
Holy Thursday	20.00
Mother's Day	295.00
Rice Bowl	25.00
Catholic Home Missions	32.00
Good Friday	20.00
Maintenance	191.00
Ascension	35.00
Black & Indian	2.00
Catholic Relief Services	7.00
Cemetery	30.00
Communications	25.00
Food	20.00
Total	\$ 3,779.46

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Mass for Widows and Widowers

Remember your loved ones on **Sunday, May 31, 2020** with a televised Mass celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at **11:00 am on WATM ABC 23** and will be rebroadcast that night at 9:00 pm on Atlantic Broadband channel 9. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office by calling **814-317-2647** or **814-317-2643** or email familylife@dioceseaj.org to have your spouse acknowledged and remembered at Mass. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who passed away. Deadline to register is May 20, 2020.

Short Prayer for Strength for all Mother's

Lord, thank you that you are with us as we mother, for you know us, love us and care for us. May we learn to rest in your care, and to lean on you as we give out to our children. May we know your peace in the chaos, your truth in the challenge, and your hope in the hardship. Amen.

News from DMCA

Innovation, flexibility and creativity continue to be hallmarks of learning at DMCA during these challenging times. See how our students and teachers have quickly adapted to new technologies, how they're embracing the area's only e-sports program for elementary students, and news on our unique ACE program. Families who register for the new school year by May 15 are also eligible to win a **free semester of tuition** for one child. And this Mother's Day, we extend warm wishes to mothers everywhere as we welcome several new DMCA babies to the world.

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