



**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 22, 2022**

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St. Aloysius Parish, St. Francis Xavier Parish  
& All Saints Catholic School**

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## From the Desk of Fr. Leo Welcome Aboard Fr. Matt Baum!

As rector of Johnstown's St. John Gualbert Cathedral, and of the televised weekend Masses shown on "Proclaim!", Fr. Baum asked if I would offer the 11:00am televised Mass in honor of Armed Forces Day, (which is actually observed on Saturday, May 21). To do that, he would have to

come here to cover my 11:00am Mass at FX on Sunday, May 22. I'm sure you will welcome him with your attentiveness and generous hospitality and as always, I thank you for that!

**SA & FX Pastoral Council Nominations** will be taken up this weekend. You may nominate yourself or a fellow parishioner whom you think might serve well in this capacity. We will contact them to see if they would be willing to accept their nomination. From these nominations we will select names on June 5, Pentecost Sunday at our respective parishes.

**Ascension Thursday Mass Schedule:** On May 26 I will offer Masses at 9:00am at FX to accommodate our School and again at 7:00pm at SA. I remind all that this is a Holy Day of Obligation – all Baptized Catholics are obliged to attend Mass in honor of our Lord's Ascension. Parents, please be sure your children make it to Mass as well.



## Congratulations Graduates!

**All Saints Catholic School:** Abby Eberhart, Alexander Evens, Emma Gailey, Ben Kirsch, Emma Maxwell, Jace McIntosh, Annie Mullen, Kylee Newfield, Joey Phillips, Liam Shawley, Kiaya Smith, Hayden Stohan.

**St. Francis Xavier Parish:** Dylan Boreck, Zachary Cocho, Brandon Fitzsimmons, Bailey O'Donnell, Katie Rabish, Kyle Reese, Ethan Shilling.



**St. Aloysius Parish:** Sadie Davison, Zachary Eckenrode, Connor Heiss, Camron Latterner, Mason McCarthy, Trenten Murphy, Marah Saleme, Allison Slebodnik, Brock Sral.

Be assured of our prayerful best wishes as you complete this mile-stone in your lives. As you prepare to take the next important step within God's Kingdom here on earth, we ask God to bless your journey with good health and happiness!

**Preparing for our Festival:** It is not too early to start making plans for this year's festival. Our festival is set for Saturday and Sunday, September 10 and 11. I ask you to begin by considering what of your home crafts you might donate to our Fancy Booth. We will start accepting donations for our Rummage Sale beginning in August. Don't forget items for our Barrel of Cheer.

I will plan for a festival committee meeting in the near future. Until then, please plan to be available to volunteer to make this another successful event. Thanks!



## ECCLESIA IN AMERICA Pope Saint John Paul II CH 5 - THE PATH TO SOLIDARITY The ultimate foundation of human rights

57. It is appropriate to recall that the foundation on which all human rights rest is the dignity of the person. "God's masterpiece, man, is made in the divine image and likeness. Jesus took on our human nature, except for sin; he advanced and defended the dignity of every human person, without exception; he died that all might be free. The Gospel shows us how Christ insisted on the centrality of the human person in the natural order and in the social and religious orders, even against the claims of the Law: defending men, women and even children, who in his time and culture occupied an inferior place in society. The human being's dignity as a child of God is the source of human rights and of corresponding duties. For this reason, every offense against the dignity of man is an offense against God himself, in whose image man is made." This dignity is common to all, without exception, since all have been created in the image of God. Jesus' answer to the question "Who is my neighbor?" demands of each individual an attitude of respect for the dignity of others and of real concern for them, even if they are strangers or enemies. In all parts of America, the awareness that human rights must be respected has increased in recent times, yet much still remains to be done, if we consider the violations of the rights of persons and groups still taking place on the continent.

**Reflection:** The dignity of humanity has its origin in our being created in the image and likeness of God, and for that reason humanity, collectively and individually, can never lose that dignity. Even the worst of all sinners and capital criminals never lose their human dignity because they cannot cease being created in the divine image. Acknowledging and respecting the dignity of the human person created in the Divine Image is what guides all Morality – from conception to natural death.



**God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them (Gen. 1:27).**

At the dawn of creation, while God was giving life to Adam, Michelangelo painted Eve under God's left arm showing that she was, even then, already a thought in His mind. May our collective and individual morality toward our fellow human beings – from the womb to the tomb – reflect the glory and dignity of God Himself in whose image we are all created!



## ST ALOYSIUS PARISH

Catholic	Parish Target	\$20,955.00	
Ministries	Total Pledges	\$14,396.00	69%
Drive	No of Gifts	72/306	20%
2022	Actual Rec'd	\$14,010.00	67%
M/M B Bettwy	L Eger	J Klemstine	P Lee
M/M G Jacobs	M/M E Ratay	R Rightnour	
ME Sheridan	D Stasik	T Zentack	

**Collection 5/15/2022:** Adults \$3300.80; children \$37; loose \$52; holy days \$16; candles \$78; Easter \$50; utilities \$156; angel fund \$25; holy land \$5; Peter's Pence \$11; Holy Thursday \$5; Mandeville \$5 **Total Deposit \$3740.80** cemetery \$90; Christmas Club \$66; Development \$57:

**SA Office Closed:** The St. Aloysius Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, May 26, for the Feast of the Ascension.

**Pastoral Council Nominations:** Nominations for the Pastoral Councils for St. Aloysius and St. Francis Xavier Churches will be taken at the Masses on May 21-22. As a reminder, to be eligible for nomination a person must be: 1) a baptized and confirm Latin Rite Catholic; 2) properly registered in the parish for a period of not less than 6 months; 3) supporting the parish life by attending Mass, receiving the sacraments with us regularly, showing a commitment to the parish's growth and development. Term of office is 3 years. Employees of the parish are not eligible for nomination.



**Golf Tournament:** The annual golf outing to benefit St. Aloysius Parish and All Saints Catholic School will be held Friday, June 3, 2022 at the Summit Country Club in Cresson starting

at 10:00 am. Individual golfers \$100; Corporate Sponsor \$450.00 – ( 4 Golfers & Tee Sign). For more information contact Wendy Capelli (814 937-0345) or email [wendy.capelli@biterelectric.com](mailto:wendy.capelli@biterelectric.com)

**MAY DAYS** at the Basilica of St. Michael - May 28th and 29th at Our Lady of Loretto Hall – Live entertainment, Cinch Tournament (Call Mag 674-2631 to join) basket auction, flea market, silent auction, food, and beverages. Saturday, 4pm-8pm and Sunday, 11am-3pm. Everyone is welcome!

**One Faith Youth Group:** Sunday, May 22, 5:30-7:30, St. Aloysius Parish. Join One Faith Youth Group for Fire & Bible Study night for a night of faith, fun, friends, and s'mores!! All are welcome grades 8-12!

**June Golden Raffle Tickets** were mailed to all SA Parishioners. Additional tickets are available at the office and after the weekend Masses. Please help us to make this a successful fundraiser by buying and selling more of these.

**Save the Date:** Our annual SA Parish Picnic is set for Sunday, June 17. Plan for you and your families to attend. Keep posted for more information on all that will be needed to make this an enjoyable event once again.

## ST FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

Catholic	Parish Target	\$18,308.00	
Ministries	Total Pledges	\$16,263.00	89%
Drive	No of Gifts	72/294	24 %
2022	Actual Rec'd	\$13,773.00	75%
J Boes	V Boes	M/M P Dillon	
M Petrarca	S Petrarca	M/M J Roberts	

**Collection 05/15/2022:** Adults \$3392.00; Loose \$54; youth \$45.50; Ascension Thurs \$1; Energy \$17; Development \$7; Angel Fund \$45; candles \$6; Mother's Day \$75; Father's Day \$10; **Total Deposit \$3652.50:** Church Improvement \$62; Cemetery \$41;

**FX Office Closed:** The St. Francis Xavier Parish office will be closed on Thursday May 26, for Feast of Ascension.

**St. Francis Xavier** July tickets are available in the parish office. The ticket give away is from July 2nd to July 11th with \$250.00 given per day.

## Meditations on Our Lady of Fatima



THE TWENTIETH CENTURY stands out in the history of Marian piety because of our Lady's apparitions at Fatima. In 1917 much of the world was engulfed in the sufferings caused by the ongoing war. While various countries confronted one another and refused to back down, trying to solve their problems with the force of violence, in Portugal our Lady revealed to some children the path to true peace. The prayer the Church sets forth for the Memorial Mass of Our Lady of Fatima sums up the message of Fatima: "O God, who chose the Mother of your Son to be our Mother also, grant us that, persevering in penance and prayer for the salvation of the world, we may further more effectively each day the reign of Christ." Our Lady conveyed to the three young shepherds the need for a life of prayer and penance in order to welcome the peace of her Son.

The message of Fatima is an echo of those words of Jesus at the beginning of his preaching: *The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel* (Mk 1:15).

## MONDAY NIGHT BINGO

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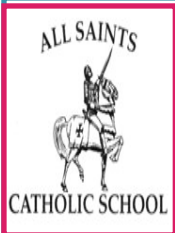
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**Bingo needs volunteers:** we are seeking workers in the kitchen during the evening. Please contact Mike McGough for more information. (814) 934-5924



## All Saints Catholic School

We are filled with appreciation for all who donated to our Race for All Saints and the volunteers who worked to make the actual Race Day such a fun event, including the Keystone Regional Fire Co. and the Cresson Borough and Township Police! Thank you everyone!

**Our eighth-grade students** were honored at a graduation Mass on Friday, May 20. Our 2021/22 graduates are: Abby Eberhart, Alexander Evans, Emma Gailey, Benjamin Kirsch, Jace McIntosh, Emma Maxwell, Ann Mullen, Kylee Newfield, Joseph Phillips, Liam Shawley, Kiaya Smith, and Hayden Stohon. We congratulate you and wish you the best in your futures.

**Field trips** continued last week as our K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade students enjoyed "Seussical" at the Cresson Lake Playhouse. Our students in grades 4-6 participated in Quantum Fest at Saint Francis University learning about space, planets, and a 3D movie.

**Congratulations** to our second-grade students who received their First Holy Communion at their parishes this month. They led our May Crowning at Mass on May 13. The class includes Scarlett Benzie, Isaac Clapper, Kaiden Cummings, Peter Golden, Trace McConnell, Orion McIntosh, John Mullen, Addilyn Skebeck, and Colin Strayer.

**Are you interested** in an education for your child that includes the Catholic faith and values? Call for more information and to register PreK-4-year-old through 8th grade. Visit [www.allsaintscresson.org](http://www.allsaintscresson.org) or call 814-886-7942.

## ***A PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATE***

*Father,  
I have knowledge, so will You show me now,  
How to use it wisely and find a way somehow  
To make the world I live in a little better  
place,  
And make life with its problems a little bit  
easier to face.  
Grant me faith and courage and put purpose  
in my days,  
And show me how to serve You in effective  
ways.  
So my education, my knowledge and my skill  
May find their true fulfillment as I learn to do  
Your will.  
And may I always be aware in everything I  
do,  
That knowledge comes  
from learning, and wis-  
dom comes from You.  
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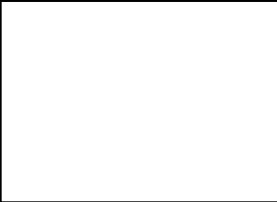
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