

*Sixth Sunday of  
Easter*

*May 9, 2021*



**We thank you,  
heroic mothers,  
for your  
invincible love!**

*The Gospel of Life, 86*

*St. Stephen's Catholic Church*

*303 Lincoln Way East*

*McConnellsburg, PA 17233*

*717-485-3723*

*Pastor: Father Derek Fairman*

*Mass Times:*

*Saturday at 4:00 p.m.*

*Sunday at 12:00 Noon*

*Confession Times:*

*Saturday before Mass*

*Sunday after Mass*



*Week of May 9, 2021*  
*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*1st Reading:*  
*Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48*

*2nd Reading:*  
*1 Jn 4:7-10*

*Gospel Reading:*  
*Jn 15:9-17*



*Ministry Contacts*

*St. Stephen Church*

*717-485-3723*

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*[ssmcb@dioceseaj.org](mailto:ssmcb@dioceseaj.org)*

*Pastor - Father Derek Fairman*

*In case of an emergency and you  
need to  
contact*

*Father Fairman, please call the  
Everett Parish Office at  
814-652-5854*

*[dfairman@dioceseaj.org](mailto:dfairman@dioceseaj.org)*

*Fulton County Catholic Mission*

*Carmelite Community of the Word  
Sr. Martha Burbulla, 717-485-5917*

*If you see or suspect child abuse...  
Call PA Childline at 1-800-932-0313*

*or*

*Visit <http://keepkidssafe.pa.gov>*



**PARISH  
COUNCIL**

**MEMBERS**

*Susan Cabbage*

*Marlene Joyce*

*Deb Leese*

*Alex Serrano*

*Russ Trembl*

*Janice Wolfe*

*Collection*

*May 2, 2021*

<i>Regular/Weekly</i>	<i>\$1,234.00</i>
<i>Maintenance</i>	<i>\$120.00</i>
<i>Energy</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>
<i>Catholic Home Missions</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>



# May 2021

## Mass Intentions

We are in need of Mass Intentions for the Months of June, July, and August

If you would like to have a mass intention for your loved ones living and /or deceased, please use the Mass Intention Envelope.

You may put your Mass Intention in the offering box located in the back of the Church.



## Flowers are in Memory of

*Rose Marie Fignar  
Joan Young*

*The Garret Jones Family*

*Dennis Cabbage Sr.  
Earl Jansen  
Violet & Frank Chafardon*

*The Charlie Jansen Family*

*Dennis Cabbage Sr.  
Violet & Frank Chafardon*

*The Bronx Serrano Family*



## Communion Services

Every Tuesday and Thursday  
at 8:30 a.m.



Holy Day of Ascension Thursday  
there will be a vigil mass on  
Wednesday, May 12th, at 6:30 p.m.  
at Stephen Church



Thank You to the Gardening  
Committee for the progress on  
the Rose Garden and Flower  
Planting.



## Parish Council Meeting

There will be a Parish Council Meeting  
On Tuesday, May 11, 2021  
At 6:30 p.m. in the Church Social Hall

## First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Charlie Jansen,  
Garrett Jones, and Bronx Serrano  
on their First Holy Communion



## Marianna Hoagie Fundraiser

Orders are due by 5/30/21

And Pick up will be 6/10/21 at 4:00 p.m.

Please make checks payable to  
St. Stephen Church



Our Parish Council will have vacancies soon and so we are looking for Parishioners who would be willing to serve on the Parish Council.

The commitment involves a monthly meeting, usually on the second Tuesday of the month in the evening.

If you are interested, please put your name in the box located in the Gathering Space of the Church.

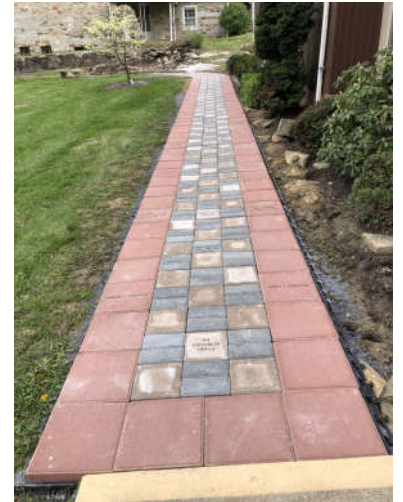
## Sister Margie Memorial Walkway Underway

*A memorial Rose Garden is also being planned for Sister Margie to the left of the Grotto.*

*If you would like to donate towards it put money in an envelope with your name. Label the envelope "Rose Garden".*

*Also include*

*In Memory of or In Honor of if you would like.*



## INVITATION FOR YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH PILGRIMS

**May 9, 2021**

### **Saint Joseph, Husband of the Mother of God, pray for us.**

**“After Mary, the Mother of God, no saint is mentioned more frequently in the papal magisterium than Joseph, her spouse. My predecessors reflected on the message contained in the limited information handed down by the gospels in order to appreciate more fully his central role in the history of salvation.” [2]**

Saint John Paul II declared St. Joseph as “Guardian of the Redeemer” [4] God revealed his saving plan to Joseph by using dreams, Pope Francis tell us in his Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde*. In the first dream an angel speaks to Joseph. “Do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.” (Mt 1:20-21) So Joseph defended her virtue and kept her from public disgrace and possibly death. May all husbands choose to be Josephs for their wives, and the mother of their children. *Patris Corde*, December 8, 2020, 2. 4. 2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, *Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center*, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601.

### **YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH CELEBRATIONS**

#### **Saint Joseph Mission Church, Hart’s Sleeping Place, Carrolltown**

**This historic Church, blessed by Servant of God, Demetrius Gallitzin himself on October 10, 1830,** will be opening once a month for visitation and self-guided tours beginning after May 1, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. **Schedule:** The Church will be open from Noon – 3:00 PM on Saturday, May 1, then on Sundays: May 2, June 6<sup>th</sup>, July 4 and September 5.

**A Special outdoor Mass with Bishop Mark as Main Celebrant, will be held on Sunday August 1 at 4:00 PM. The Church will be open from Noon - 3:30 PM, with Confessions from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

**Curator:** Marian Farabaugh: [stjosephmissionchurch1830@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephmissionchurch1830@gmail.com), *A website will be coming soon.*

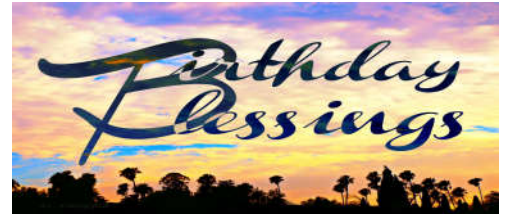
Mass for Widows and Widowers to be Televised Remember your loved ones on Sunday, May 30, 2020 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will be rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Atlantic Broadband channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email [familylife@dioceseaj.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseaj.org). When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. Deadline to register is May 24, 2021. Sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office.



# MASS Intentions

## For May

## May Birthday Blessings



- Saturday - 5/8/2021 +Walter Rapsinski req. by Loren & Deb Leese*
- Sunday - 5/9/2021 +John Houppert req. by Jim Houppert*
- Saturday - 5/15/2021 +Ray Tremel req. by Millie Tremel*
- Sunday - 5/16/2021 +Dennis Cabbage req. by Family*
- Saturday - 5/22/2021 +Frank and Violet Chafardon req. by Family*
- Sunday - 5/23/2021 +Leonard Forte req. by Marlene Joyce*
- Saturday - 5/29/2021 For The People*
- Sunday - 5/30/2021 +Sharon Houppert req. by James Houppert*

- 5/2 Chase Keiper
- 5/15 Carol Babinsack
- 5/16 Lauren Dukehart
- 5/18 Sarah Hollinshead
- 5/19 Wes Bafile
- 5/26 Andrew Hawkins
- 5/27 Russ Tremel
- 5/28 Sally Gresty
- 5/29 Brad Dukehart
- 5/31 Ana Grissinger
- 5/31 Margie McGuire
- 5/31 Angela Roman

## Collection Counters Schedule for May

- 5/9/2021 Ed & Karen Leisinger*
- 5/16/2021 Carol Babinsack & Kathy Lake*
- 5/23/2021 Marlene Joyce & Naomi Marcus*
- 5/30/2021 Ed & Karen Leisinger*



- 5/4 Bob and Joni Peck
- 5/10 Jeff and Karen Croft
- 5/26 Todd and Carleen Grissinger

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, Heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
You take away the sin of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;  
you alone are the Lord.  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God, the Father.  
Amen

#### PROFESSION ON FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
*and by the Holy Spirit (please bow) was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day,  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.  
I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

## Reading 1

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done wondrous deeds;  
His right hand has won victory for him,  
his holy arm.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

The LORD has made his salvation known:  
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.  
He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness  
toward the house of Israel.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation by our God.  
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
break into song; sing praise.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

## Reading 2

Beloved, let us love one another,  
because love is of God;  
everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.  
Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love.  
In this way the love of God was revealed to us:  
God sent his only Son into the world  
so that we might have life through him.  
In this is love:  
not that we have loved God, but that he loved us  
and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,  
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.  
Remain in my love.  
If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.  
"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete.  
This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.  
You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."