

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 17, 2026
Seventh Sunday of Easter



Parish Council

Karen Croft - President
 Carol Babinsack –Vice President and Finance Liaison
 Joe Fignar, Angela Roman, and Doris Nolte

Mass Times

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday at 12:00 p.m. (Noon)

Confession Times

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.
 Sunday: After Noon Mass or Anytime by Appointment

New Parishioners: Please fill out a blue card, on the table in the vestibule by the guest book.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16

Gospel Reading: John 17:1-11a

Readings can be found in the Blue Hymnal #842

Mass Intentions

Saturday 4:00 p.m. 5/2/26	+Living and Deceased Members of The Gartner Family req. by The Gartner Family
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 5/3/26	+George Hann req. by Joe & Janice Wolfe
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 5/9/26	+Lori Tauraso req. by Joe & Deb Chafardon
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 5/10/26	+Julia Canary req. by Eric & Donna Fisher
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. 5/13/26	For The People
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 5/16/26	+Rose Marie Fignar req. by Fignar Family
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 5/17/26	For The People
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 5/23/26	+Loa Babinsack req. by Jim & Carol Babinsack
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 5/24/26	Parish & Peace in the World req. by Arlene Babb & Family
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 5/30/26	+Amy Headley req. by Loren & Deb Leese
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 5/31/26	+Henry Flynn req. by Jeff & Karen Croft

Lector Schedule

5/16	Saturday	Cathy Snyder
5/17	Sunday	Kathy Lake
5/23	Saturday	Brent Pistner
5/24	Sunday	Joe Wolfe
5/30	Saturday	Cathy Snyder
5/31	Sunday	Kathy Lake

Counter Schedule

5/17	Carol Babinsack & Kathy Lake
5/24	Ed & Karen Leisinger
5/31	Carol Babinsack & Kathy Lake

Sunday Offering	5/10/26
Weekly Collection	
Energy	
Building Maintenance	
Altar Flowers	
Total:	Not Available

Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated!

Birthday Wishes

5/1 Charlene Gillen, 5/6 Jeff Croft ,
5/15 Carol Babinsack, 5/25 Lorraine O’Neil,
5/28 Sally Gresty, 5/31 Margie McGuire, and
5/31 Angela Roman



5/10 Jeff & Karen Croft

PRAYER LIST

Rick Chafardon, Kathy Kendall, Jeremiah Murphy, Dan Myers,
Robert Torsky, Kevin Joyce, Susan Cabbage, Dennis Cabbage Jr.,
Peggy Hoffman, Jerry Monninger, Maureen Willoughby,
Cynthia Souders, Jim Babinsack and Tom Haubrick

Please call to add or remove a name once the
person is recovered or no longer in need of special prayer.

If you are placing someone other than a family member on the
list, please be sure to have their
permission first.



Throughout the month of May, we invite
you to join us in praying the Rosary before
our Saturday and Sunday Masses. We look
forward to seeing you there as we share in
this beautiful devotion together.

Proclaim E News

Marian Series

Father Derek Fairman, Pastor of Saint John the Evangelist
Parish in Everett and Saint Stephen Parish in McConnellsburg,
will present his series of Marian reflections on *Proclaim!* TV
each Sunday throughout May, a month dedicated to the
Blessed Virgin Mary in the Catholic Church. Watch *Proclaim!*
Sundays at 10:30 a.m. on WATM ABC 23.

Second Collection—5/17/26

Catholic Communications Campaign
Envelopes are by the offering box at the back of the church

Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 20th at 6:00 p.m..



**Catholic Ministries Drive 2026
January 1, 2026 to April 30, 2026**

<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
\$2,740.00	\$2,740.00	\$5,800.00	(\$3,060.00)

2026 Northern Deanery Raffle

**Last weekend to purchase tickets is
May 23rd and 24th.**

Cost of Ticket is: \$20.00 each.

**125th Anniversary of the
Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown**

In celebration of the 125th anniversary of the Diocese of Altoona-
Johnstown, all the faithful are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving
celebrated by Bishop Mark on May 31 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral
of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. Priests, deacons, and men
and women religious will be in attendance. All parishioners of the
diocese are welcome and encouraged to attend the Mass. Anyone
interested in being part of the festival choir for the Mass may con-
tact Cathedral Music Director Robert Long by emailing him at
rlong@dioceseaj.org.

Stewardship Reflections

May 17, 2026—Seventh Sunday of Easter

This week, we celebrated the great feast of the
Ascension of our Lord, that glorious moment when Jesus, 40 days
after His resurrection, was lifted up - quite literally - into heaven,
as the apostles watched in stunned amazement. It must have been
an extraordinary thing to witness.

But the apostles were not permitted to simply bask in the moment
for very long. “While they were looking intently at the sky as he
was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood
beside them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why are you standing
there looking at the sky?’” In other words, ‘Don’t just stand there,
do something!’

Let us take a moment to ‘look up at the heavens’ and ponder all
the graces and blessings our loving God has given us. And then, let
us do something! Let’s put all those gifts to work as we serve as
grateful witnesses to this amazing God.

Mass for Widows and Widowers

MASS FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS: Remember your loved ones
on Sun., May 24 with a televised Mass celebrated by Bishop Mark
Bartchak at 11:00 AM on WATM - ABC23. To register contact the
Family Life Office, 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org
Please give your name, address, phone number and name of de-
ceased spouse. The last day to register is May 21. All names of
loved ones will be seen during Communion.



Have an announcement for the bulletin?
Please submit your announcement request to Donna Fisher at
dfisher@dioceseaj.org one week prior to publication to ensure
it is included in the upcoming bulletin.

Thank You!