



## St. Catherine Church

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### SATURDAY, March 1: VIGIL OF EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**5:00 p.m. MASS** – † Magdaline Szczerba by Lisa and Donald Matson

### SUNDAY, March 2: EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**9:00 a.m. MASS** – Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

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**Monday, March 3:** Saint Katherine Drexel, Virgin

**8:00 a.m.** – † Salvatore Magliere by Joe and Maria

**Tuesday, March 4:** Saint Casimir

**8:00 a.m.** – † Homer Hetrick by Sister Delores

**Wednesday, March 5:** Ash Wednesday

**8:00 a.m.** – † For Vocations

**5:00 p.m.** – † People of the Parish

**Thursday, March 6:** Thursday after Ash Wednesday

**8:00 a.m.** – † Richard Gergel Jerry Norris

**Friday, March 7:** Friday after Ash Wednesday

**8:00 a.m.** – † Richard Flagle by Ron and Judy

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### SATURDAY, March 8: VIGIL OF FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

**5:00 p.m. MASS** – † Margaret Cassatt by Dan and Suzanne Brown

### SUNDAY, March 9: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

**9:00 a.m. MASS** – Living and Deceased Members of Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

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**Padre Pio Meeting:** The Padre Pio Assembly will meet on Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in St. Catherine's Holy Family Hall All members are encouraged to attend.

**Our Lady of Lourdes-2716 Broad Ave., Altoona.** Elevator inside ramp door Fish Fry. Every Friday during Lent including Good Friday. Take out begins 3:30 and Eat in 4:30 until 7:00 PM or sold out. Cost \$14 Hand breaded fried or tasty baked haddock, homemade mac & cheese or hand cut fries, Homemade stewed tomatoes, coleslaw or applesauce (choice of 2) Dessert and drink. Once you try ours, you won't go elsewhere!

**St. Aloysius Church** is offering "The 2nd Greatest Story Ever Told" through the Divine Mercy Video Series. The videos will be presented on Tuesdays during Lent, beginning on March 11 and continue March 18 and 25, April 8 and 15, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Faith Education Center at St. Aloysius Church, Cresson. This program will end right before the Divine Mercy Novena. This is a great addition to your 2025 Lenten journey. Hope to see you there!

**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MARCH 2, 2025**

## Schedule of Liturgical Ministries for March 8/ 9, 2025

| MASS                         | Lectors         | Altar Servers                | Hospitality Ministers (Greeters) | Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Saturday<br><b>5:00 p.m.</b> | Maggie Stiffler | Volunteer                    | Volunteer                        | Maggie Stiffler<br>Ann Bonson             |
| Sunday<br><b>9:00 a.m.</b>   | Dennis Drake    | Maria Mellott<br>Bella Starr | Volunteer                        | Will Crouse<br>Marcia Slates              |

### Stewardship Reflections

**March 2, 2025 –**

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's readings exhort us Christian disciples to form ourselves – mind and heart – in imitation of Christ so we can better reflect His goodness in our daily lives.

Everything we have is a gift from God to be used for His honor and glory. This includes the gift of speech and, even more broadly, all forms of modern-day communication – email, text, Twitter, Facebook, etc. What comes forth from our mouths, and our phones and keyboards, reflects what is in our minds and hearts. Our ability to communicate with each other is itself a gift that we must steward well.

The more intentionally and frequently we look to Jesus as our mentor in these interactions, the more we will become like Him, our Teacher and our Lord. Then, all that we do and say (and Tweet and post) will bring others closer to Him. This is the life's work of the Christian steward. It is privileged work indeed.

### Pro Life

**March 2** -Abortion, fetal experimentation, infanticide and euthanasia are four walls of the same coffin. Pray to end these evils



**SANCTUARY CANDLE:**  
The Sanctuary Candle acknowledging The Real Presence of Christ in the tabernacle is burning this week for  
**Poor souls**



### COLLECTION COUNTING SCHEDULE for:

**Sunday, March 2, 2025:** Mary Secrest

**Sunday, March 9, 2025:** Maggie Stiffler



May Galla, Carmela Ciccaglione,  
Marcia Slates

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)**

Regularly scheduled classes will be held every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

**LIVE MASS** aired Every Sunday from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown on **WATM-TV ABC Channel 23** If you are homebound and not able to attend the Sunday Mass, please watch our Diocesan Program Proclaim at 10:30 a.m. and the live telecast of Sunday Liturgy at 11:00 a.m.

### ***Marian Devotions:***

Approximately 30 minutes before each Mass begins with the recitation of the Holy Rosary.

***Sacrament of Reconciliation:*** One half hour before Saturday evening Mass or anytime by appointment/request.

| <b>February/March 2025 Schedule for Liturgical Ministries at Saint Catherine</b> |                 |  |                                  |
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| <b>Date/Mass</b>   | <b>Readers</b>  | <b>Altar Servers</b>                           | <b>Ministers</b>                 |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday<br>February 22, 2025  | Ed McGarvey     | Guy Kumpf                                      | Mary Lyons<br>Volunteer          |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday<br>February 23, 2025  | Beth Lear       | Jax McCartney<br>Dane Varner<br>Nolan Starr    | Will Crouse<br>Marcia Slates     |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday<br>March 1, 2025  | Cathy Wilson    | Ann Bonson                                     | Maria Danish<br>Andrea Christoff |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday<br>March 2, 2025  | Suzanne Brown   | Kasen Gipe<br>Branson Gipe                     | Beth Lear<br>Volunteer           |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday<br>March 8, 2025  | Maggie Stiffler | Volunteer                                      | Maggie Stiffler<br>Ann Bonson    |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday<br>March 9, 2025  | Dennis Drake    | Maria Mellott<br>Bella Starr                   | Will Crouse<br>Marcia Slates     |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday<br>March 15, 2025   | Louise Ketner   | Maggie Stiffler                                | Louise Ketner<br>Kevin Muha      |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday<br>March 16, 2025   | Beth Lear       | Quinn Weirich<br>Abe Weirich<br>Julian Weirich | Volunteer<br>Will Crouse         |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday<br>March 22, 2025   | Dayton Shugarts | Volunteer                                      | Mary Lyons<br>Maria Danish       |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday<br>March 23, 2025   | Suzanne Brown   | Nolan Starr<br>Jax McCartney<br>Dane Varner    | Marcia Slates<br>Volunteer       |
| 5:00 p.m. Saturday<br>March 29, 2025   | Ed McGarvey     | Guy Kumpf                                      | Andrea Christoff<br>Volunteer    |
| 9:00 a.m. Sunday<br>March 30, 2025   | Louise Ketner   | Branson Gipe<br>Kasen Gipe                     | Louise Ketner<br>Beth Lear       |

***Sacrament of Baptism of Infants:***

By appointment, preferably celebrated within the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, families, regardless of religious affiliation, are encouraged to attend and participate in Baptismal Sacramental Preparation and Celebration. Sponsor certificate must be received at the Parish Office if the sponsors are not members of Saint Catherine of Siena Church.