

Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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March 3, 2019
**Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Worship Sites
Church (Sacred Heart)
738 Sunshine Avenue
Chapel (St. John)
162 Wheeler Street

Holy Masses:

Daily
Chapel (St. John) 8:00AM
Saturday Vigil
Church (Sacred Heart) 4:00PM
Sunday Morning
Church (Sacred Heart) 8:00 AM
Chapel (St. John) 10:30 AM

Confessions

Church (Sacred Heart)
Saturday 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM
Chapel (St. John)
Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM
Anytime upon Request

Mass Intentions

March 4 *Saint Casimir*
8:00 AM Ray McGreehan (Req. Gerald & Mary Grace Neugebauer) – Chapel
March 5 *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
NO MASS
March 6 *Ash Wednesday*
NOON Stanley, Rose & Pierre Pasierb (Req. Family) – Church
7:00 PM Kay Yatta (Req. Vaughn, Jacki, Cory & Josh Bloom) – Chapel
March 7 *Saints Perpetua & Felicity*
NO MASS
March 8 *Saint John of God*
8:00 AM Andrew Milavec (Req. Pat & Mary Ann Zubek) – Chapel
March 9 *Vigil – First Sunday of Lent*
4:00 PM Mrs. Helen Elko (Req. Cindy & Hans Breitenlohner) – Church
March 10 *First Sunday of Lent*
8:00 AM Michael Chipchosky (Req. Joanne & Family) – Church
10:30 AM For the Parish (Missa Pro Populo) – Chapel

DAY AND OVERNIGHT PROGRAM AT ST. VINCENT COLLEGE – Saint Vincent College in Latrobe has been hosting the Challenge Program since 1982. Operated by the Saint Vincent College Education Department, the Challenge Program is a summer event for students to participate in fun, enriched classes and elective activities. The day program is for students entering grades Pre-k and K as well as 1st through 4th in the fall of 2019. The overnight program has challenging classes and fun evening activities for students entering grades 5 through 12 in the fall of 2019. Registration has begun and is expected to fill quickly. Students who attend will have the opportunity to participate in academically and creatively theme-based immersion experiences, led by qualified teachers. These hands-on, interactive courses will happen throughout the week, offering a deeper learning experience than ever before. Students can select any two (2) immersion experiences in which they can investigate and participate fully. These range from horsemanship to history, aviation to chemistry, comic books to mock trials. Each immersion leads to a final project that can be self-designed and directly related to the experience. The course instructor will encourage full participation, collaboration, authentic learning, and offer project-based experiences to encourage students to deepen understanding. All immersions will be held Monday through Friday followed by night activities and social events. Students are supervised by an SVC education major counselor at all times while staying on the Saint Vincent College Campus. For more information on this excellent program please visit www.stvincentchallenge.org.

CLASS ON LENTEN AND EASTER CUSTOMS OF EASTERN EUROPE – Larry Kozlowski will return to Central City on Tuesday March 26th and April 2nd for two-part class on Lenten and Easter customs of Eastern Europe. Due to the exceptional popularity of the class last spring Larry has kindly agreed to return for another class, this time going beyond his field of expertise (Polish folk culture) and expanding the class to cover beloved Easter and Lenten customs from not only Polish, but also touch on customs from among the Slovak, Slovene, and Hungarian people as well (at the request of Father Aron). The class will be from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM and will include history, culture, and folk craft making (as well as lots of stories from Larry). The classes are free and open to everyone, all that is asked is that participants sign up and promise to attend both sessions. To register please phone the rectory by March 20th.

BUS TRIP – On Sunday May 19th our parish will be sponsoring a bus trip to visit historic churches and eat delicious food in the city of Cleveland. While the trip had originally been planned for Pittsburgh there was an unexpected scheduling change at one of the parishes and the decision was made to visit Cleveland instead. Departing via Bollman motor coach (5:00 AM) the day in Cleveland will begin with Latin High Mass at St. Stephen's Church, an old German ethnic parish, on Cleveland's West Side. Following Mass, we will head to the historic West Side Market. Home to meat, spice, and produce vendors, the market also has a variety of lunch counters available for lunch (on your own). Following lunch, the group will visit the Irish St. Colman Parish, followed by the Polish St. Stanislaus Parish, an incredible church built in the "Polish Cathedral" style. Our last stop before dinner will be at St. Vitus Church, the largest Slovenian ethnic parish in the United States. Dinner will be at Guarino's Restaurant, Cleveland's oldest Italian restaurant. Dinner includes locally baked bread, house salad with Guarino's homemade Italian dressing, nonalcoholic beverage, and a choice of chicken parmesan, spaghetti with meatballs, eggplant roll ups, or homemade lasagna (cash bar available). We should arrive back in Central City at 10:30 PM. The trip is open to anyone – first come, first served. The cost is \$80.00 per person and includes dinner. To register please phone the rectory by May 1st.

WEEKLY OFFERING February 23rd and February 24th Adult Envelopes - \$2,316.50; Loose - \$233; Fuel - \$.5; Student Offering - \$34.50; Total - \$2,589.00. – Thank You!

DYNGUS DAY TICKETS GO ON SALE THIS WEEK – This week tickets to our parish's exceptionally popular Dyngus Day Party go on sale. The tickets are \$25.00 each and entitle the bearer to hours of ethnic foods, drink, live music, and games of chance. This annual celebration of our heritage is exceptionally popular – get your tickets early. To obtain tickets please call the rectory.

PRAYER LIST – Jennie Sielczak, Constance Gruca, Marie Metsker, Sandy Wechtenhiser, Ethan Rohlf, Rachel Moslak, Ann Guyer, Alice Zelenski, Shirley Taylor, Kay Hintosh, Charlie Field Jr., David P. Bonus, Andrew Straka, Fern Lasut, Agnes Palya, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Quincy Oglie, Charles Field Sr., Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Caroline Amato, Shirley Roman, Mary Ethel Sanzo, Larry Krestar, Andrea Sesack, Ricky Gerena, Lionel Berkebile, Mary-Ann Sgavoo, John Harchick Jr., Izzy Bihun, Jeff Yanosky, Mary Clark, Rhonda Bittner, Lauren Barnes, Dave Andolina, Mary Ann Stavlo, Jeff Naugle, Debra Farley, Eugene Topka, Zoe Taylor, Rodney Shaffer, Casey Duffield, Mike Stefanik, Georgianne Matava, Michelle Moore, William Sunderhaus, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, Danielle Christopher, Nancy McClellan, Tony Beltz, Betty Zubek, Catherine Mihelic, Elizabeth Blackburn, Helen Elko, Vince Skimski, Jennifer Jarvis, Betty Lou Miller, Catherine Kosnosky, Lavonne Ross, Patty Foltz, Butchie Navalaney, Amy Zimmerman, Dave Kurtz, Ian Rosenbaum, Easton Pritts, Joyce Reitz, Stanley Tomaszewski, Cindy Hillegass, Tom Hudak, Mike George, Chris Chappell

THE CHURCH'S STORY IS SERVICE, NOT ABUSE – A recent article stated that as the focus of the world turns to the Catholic sex abuse summit, it is important to remember the true witness of Catholics in the world. If not for the counter-witness of the dreadful sex abuse scandal, the Catholic Church might be seen for what it is: The dominant force for good in the world today. Consider the contributions of the Church with regard to the chief issues of our time. Catholics were pioneers in civil rights. The Church's teaching against slavery goes back to St. Thomas Aquinas and papal decrees from the 1400s to the 1800s. There were always plenty of Catholics that violated the Church's teaching, but Catholics were also pioneers of civil rights. Catholics helped unleash a worldwide revolution of respect for human dignity. "To defraud anyone of wages that are his due is a great crime which cries to the avenging anger of heaven." That startling statement from Pope Leo XIII's 1891 encyclical *Rerum Novarum* launched a worldwide movement that sought fair treatment for workers, not in socialism or unbridled capitalism but in a middle way that stressed the role of the Church. Catholics developed the rules about how others should be treated in war. Ever since St. Augustine formulated the principles of just war, the Church has taught the principles of *jus in bellum* (just war) and *jus in bello* (behavior in the conduct of war) that are used in international law to this day. The Church will be remembered centuries from now as the great defender of the unborn. As state legislatures embrace the unthinkable – killing

babies at every stage of pregnancy, up to and just after birth – the Catholic Church has been the most powerful voice demanding that the barbarism stop. And the Church hasn't just moralized about abortion, but Catholics have led the way in establishing help for mothers in difficult situations, serving them before and after babies are born. While the pro-choice movement often leaves women with no choice but to abort, the pro-life movement helps give women more options, facilitating adoptions and providing assistance. The Church's service to the poor is another hallmark of our times. Los Angeles auxiliary Bishop Robert Barron says that the best way to engage with a non-believer would be to show them the work of Catholics dedicated to Jesus Christ in the poor. "I would take them to Calcutta, and show them Mother Teresa's nuns working," Barron says. "I'd bring them there and say, 'Look, I'm not going to tell you what to think or how to behave. Just look at them. Just watch them for a while.' In itself, that would probably be enough." It is a measure of just how horrific the sex abuse scandals are that they wiped out the record of Catholics in the 20th and 21st century that stands as a testament to the beauty of the faith. A bold witness to the goodness of Catholicism is needed more than ever. As Pope Francis recently pointed out, "It's not so much about speaking, but rather speaking with our whole lives: living consistently, the very consistency of our lives! This consistency means living Christianity as an encounter with Jesus that brings me to others, not just as a social label. ... Witness is what counts!"

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HER O LORD - Our parish offers deepest sympathies and prayerful condolences to the family of Helen Elko who died and was buried from our parish this past week. Please remember Helen and her family in your prayers. May she rest in peace!

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS - The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Sacred Heart site for the donors and contributors Our Lady's Memorial Fund. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the St. John's site in loving memory of Tom Delasko by Loving Family.

SERVER SCHEDULE

March 9 - 4:00 PM - T. & M. Mabon, J. Bihun
March 10 - 8:00 AM - A. Deneen, R & C Pongrac
March 10 - 10:30 AM - M. Moslak, A. Mauger, J. Hammer

NEW BALTIMORE BUCKWHEAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST - Our neighbors in New Baltimore are having their annual buckwheat pancake breakfasts the next three weekends (March 24th, 31st, and April 7th). The menu is ALL YOU CAN EAT and includes buckwheat pancakes, regular pancakes, whole hog sausage, pure maple syrup (made by a parishioner), apple sauce, and beverage. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, 12 and under \$4.00, and under 4 free. The neighbors from New Baltimore have been VERY good about supporting our breakfast each month (they put theirs during weeks we don't have ours out of respect), please support their breakfasts, served from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

NEW BALTIMORE FISH FRY - Why would one forego a buffet for a mere fish dinner? This is America, a land of liberty and prosperity. With the lofty concepts of choosing your own fish entrees and with the ability to eat as many as you wish (without succumbing to gluttony) I am officially endorsing the All You Can Eat Fish Buffet at St. John the Baptist Church in New Baltimore and am declaring it the best value going on a Friday during Lent. Beginning on Friday, March 8th, and continuing every Friday of Lent (March 15th, 22nd, 29th, April 5th & 12th) an all you can eat bonanza of baked & fried fish, fried shrimp, fried clams, soup, baked potato, vegetables, salad & dessert bar and beverage is available in the parish hall from 3:30 PM until 6:30 PM. At \$14.00 for adults, \$4.00 for ages 5-11, and free for under 5 years, it's a good deal and a great way to help our neighbor parish pay their bills. Fr. Aron has officially endorsed this fish fry as the greatest in America or perhaps even the world.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 6 - St. Vincent DePaul Meeting - 7:00 PM - St. John
March 10 - Holy Name Corporate Communion - 8:00 AM Sacred Heart - Meeting Follows Mass
March 11 - Society of Angels Meeting - 6:30 PM - Activities Center
March 17 - All You Can Eat Monthly Breakfast - 8:30 AM - St. John
March 26 - Class on Eastern European Lenten Customs - Activities Center 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM
March 28 - Knights of Columbus - 7:00 PM - St. John
April 2 - Class on Eastern European Easter Customs - Activities Center 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM
April 7 - Senior Citizen Luncheon
April 21 - Easter
May 4 - Dyngus Day Party