

# Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi – Pastor

## Rectory Office

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Mon • Wed • Fri (9-12 • 1-6)

February 16, 2020

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Worship Sites

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

## Holy Masses:

### Daily

Chapel (St. John) See Below

### 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)

Anytime upon Request

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## Mass Intentions

February 17 (Mon)

Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order  
**NO MASS**

February 18 (Tue)

Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**NO MASS**

February 19 (Wed)  
8:00 AM

Weekday in Ordinary Time  
Lillian Koleszarik (Req. Joe & Janice Stahl) - Chapel

February 20 (Thu)

Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**NO MASS**

February 21 (Fri)  
8:00 AM

St. Peter Damian  
Robert & Elizabeth Mulcahy (Req. Family) – Chapel

February 22 (Sat)  
4:00 PM

*Vigil - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Anthony Crisciolo (Req. Jim Yelovich) - Church

February 23 (Sun)  
8:00 AM  
10:30 AM

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Francis & Eleanor Kovak (Req. Family)- Church  
For the Parish (Missa Pro Populo) -Chapel

**WEEKLY OFFERING** February 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> - Loose - \$169.05; Adult Envelopes - \$2,887.75; Initial Offering - \$10; Fuel - \$131; Solemnity of Mary - \$5; All Saints - \$10; Student Offering - \$17.20; Ash Wednesday - \$ 25; Candles - \$105.01; Catholic Register - \$30; Misc - \$1,211.69; Sportsman Raffle - \$175; Total - \$4,776.70 - Thank You!

**ALTAR FLOWER INTENTIONS** - The flowers at the St. John site are donated for the birthday remembrance of Joseph Satkovich by Family.

### **SERVER SCHEDULE**

February 22 - 4:00 PM - M. Mabon

February 23 - 8:00 AM - R. & C. Pongrac, A. Deneen

February 24 - 10:30 AM - C. & L. Galish

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

February 10 - Society of Angels Meeting - 6:00 PM (Time Changed) - Activities Center

February 16 - NO CCD Class

February 19 - Comfort & Care Meeting - 1:00 PM - Rectory Office

February 24 - Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:00 PM - St. John

March 8 - Holy Name Corporate Communion - 8 AM - Sacred Heart; Meeting to follow - Activities Center

March 4 - St. Vincent DePaul Meeting - 7 PM - St. John

March 19 - K of C Blood Drive - 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM - St. John

March 29 - Senior Citizen Luncheon

April 12 - Easter

April 18 - Dyngus Day

**PRAYER LIST** - Please call the rectory with any changes or additions. Kay Hintosh, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, David Stockdill, Tina Udet, Rick Flickner, Patty Foltz, Connie Gruca, Judy Kostick, Lisa Schrifft, Amy Thomas Georg, , Cayleigh Wilson, Betsy Paolucci, Areile Adonnik, Charles Field, Todd Diorio, Jerry Otto, Denne Osman, Addison Zearfaus, Pam Kacmarski, Tom Schall, Howard Rose, Karen Hickey, David P. Bonus, Henry Sprock, Connie Criscoulo, Hunter Slater, Nancy Deneen, Stephen A. Haydu; Andrea Sesack; Jerry Otto; Lyle Spearo; Lauren Barnes.

### **CCD NEWS:**

- **NO CCD CLASS** - February 16
- **CCD RETREAT** - February 15-17 - Thank you to everyone who donated and helped fundraise for our CCD students retreat in Philadelphia this weekend. Our students and their parents will enjoy touring churches and other sites and of course, epic food.
- **SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON** - Invitations will be going out soon.

**MISSION APPEAL THIS WEEK** - As part of the Diocesan Missionary Cooperation Plan, Reverend Lazarus Langbiir, CSSp, is visiting our parish this weekend, while Father Aron is on retreat with our CCD Students, to speak about the missionary work of the Church and in particular that of the Spiritans (Congregation of the Holy Spirit, previously known as the Holy Ghost Fathers). To learn more about the Spiritans, please visit their website at <http://spiritans.org>.

This visit is part of a national program in which annually a representative of one of the missionary groups visits parishes of the Diocese to invite the parish to share in the mission work of the universal Church. The Spiritans are an international community engaged in a wide range of missionary activity in over 60 countries throughout the world. Fr. Lazarus himself is a missionary priest from Ghana, who is currently completing his doctoral studies at the Spiritans' Duquesne University.

When Jesus said: "You shall witness to me in Jerusalem and in Samaria and to the ends of the earth", He made the spread of the Gospel an essential part of our Catholic life. We urge you to respond generously to Father Langbiir's appeal.

**Envelopes are in this week's bulletin. The second collection will be next weekend, however any donations in the mission appeal envelopes will go toward the mission, regardless of the collection week.**

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE** - Our Catholic Ministries Drive - Ignite Your Faith for Christ's Mission launches today throughout our Diocese. During Lent and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties—and one of those holy duties is to support the Church. This drive focuses on a select group of ministries with emphasis on the poor, families, youth, seminarians and leadership development of clergy and laity. Please reflect on Bishop Mark's invitation when it arrives this week and return your pledge card in next weekend's offertory. There will also be a pledge card in the Diocese's new magazine, **PROCLAIM** Christ in your Life. All contributions received beyond our parish target will be returned the parish. Thank you for supporting these vital ministries with sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure. 100% of your gift goes directly to these ministries!

**DYNGUS DAY TICKETS GO ON SALE FEBRUARY 26<sup>th</sup>** - Tickets to our parish's exceptionally popular Dyngus Day Party will go on sale Ash Wednesday. The event will take place on April 18<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**FEBRUARY NOVENA** - We will be praying The Novena to St. Peregrine from February 18<sup>th</sup> - February 26<sup>th</sup>. Even if you are not able to make it to Daily Mass, you are more than welcome to take the booklet at the back of the church and pray the Novena at home! (Booklet is also available online in the Bulletin section.)

**NO SOUP FOR YOU** - There will be no Mass this Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> and no lesson and therefore no soup.

**K of C BLOOD DRIVE** - The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a blood drive with the American Red Cross. The drive will be held at the St. John's chapel on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM until 6:00 PM. Your support is welcome and critical to providing a stable and sufficient blood supply for your community!

**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, February 28<sup>th</sup>, and continuing every Friday of Lent (March 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, & April 3<sup>rd</sup>) 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.

**SORT OF INTERESTING** - Within the gold foil wrapping of a Ferrero Rocher candy is multi-layered confection that is unique and delicious - a single roasted hazelnut, encased in a wafer shell filled with hazelnut chocolate, which is itself topped with chocolate studded with chopped hazelnuts. When the Italian chocolatier Michele Ferrero introduced the treats in 1982, he named them "Rocher" after the craggy rock grotto, called the Rocher de Massabielle, that marks the place where the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, France. The chocolates' hazelnut-pocked surface bears more than a passing resemblance to the rock formation at Lourdes, a place that had a special meaning for Ferrero, who died on Valentine's Day in 2015 at the age of 89. A devout Catholic, Ferrero was known for his strong devotion to Our Lady. At the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of his company, he said: "The success of Ferrero we owe to Our Lady of Lourdes; without her we can do little." As the third largest chocolate producer in the world, Ferrero had a lot to be thankful for. The Ferrero Rocher candies, along with Nutella, Kinder treats and Tic Tacs, brought in over \$10 billion Euros in 2016. Ferrero was said to have made an annual pilgrimage to Lourdes, taking his top manager. He also organized a visit to the shrine for his employees, and had a statue of the Virgin Mary placed in each of his company's 14 production facilities around the world.

**WINE & FOOD PAIRING EVENT** - Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown is having a wine tasting event at the Holiday Inn, Downtown Johnstown on Thursday, February 27. Doors open at 5:30 PM and tasting begins at 6:00 PM. The event will focus on a different part of the world's wines and pair each wine with a "small plate" of food. Tickets are \$50 and are available at [catholiccharitiesaj.org](http://catholiccharitiesaj.org). All proceeds directly benefit neighbors in need with emergency financial assistance. Your support changes lives in our communities.

**A REMINDER ABOUT EVIL** - Twenty-four hundred eleven aborted babies, victims of abortionist Ulrich Kloper who were found on his property, were finally laid to rest this past week in a state-sponsored funeral service. Indiana attorney general Curtis Hill spoke at a funeral service at South Bend's Southlawn Cemetery and Palmer Funeral Home for the 2,411 children whose bodies or body parts were preserved and stored by Kloper in his garage and the trunk of a car. Kloper himself died on September 6, 2019 at the age of 79. His relatives discovered the majority of the human remains in 79 boxes while they were sorting through Kloper's belongings at his Crete, Illinois home. Later, more bodies were discovered in a car kept in Chicago. According to the Daily Caller, Attorney General Hill said the infants could not be buried in the home states of their mothers because of their disintegrating condition. He also said that by giving them a burial, "we fulfill our obligation as a state pursuant to law and conscience to the unborn babies whose lives were terminated in clinics in Fort Wayne, Gary, and South Bend." Hill called the discovery of the fetal remains "horrifying to anyone with normal sensibilities." He also suggested that there is evidence that some of the unborn children were killed when they were in their third trimester. It is not known why the abortionist kept the bodies of his victims. According to the Daily Caller, Kloper ran three different abortuaries in Indiana and performed over 30,000 abortions since he began his career in 1974. His medical license was suspended in 2016. As pro-life group Operation Rescue has extensively documented, Kloper had a history of abuses, including failing to report the statutory rapes of two girls. He sent an eleven-year-old victim home with her parents, who knew their daughter had been raped by her uncle but didn't want him prosecuted, without reporting the crime to police. After the bodies were found, the president and CEO of Indiana Right to Life stated that his own organization was "horrified." "We are horrified by the reports of over 2,000 fetal remains being found on the property of Dr. Ulrich Kloper, a man who operated abortion facilities in Gary, South Bend, and Fort Wayne," said Mike Fichter. "These sickening reports underscore why the abortion industry must be held to the highest scrutiny. We are calling on Indiana authorities to join in the investigation to determine if these fetal remains have any connection to abortion operations, or personnel, in Indiana."

**ROSES ARE RED, VIOLETS ARE ODIOUS - WONT YOU BE MY CYRIL & METHODIUS?** - Fr. Leo E. Patalinghug Ivdei offers some reflections on the connection between Valentine's Day and St. Cyril and Methodius Day (since the calendar revisions of Pope Paul VI St. Valentine was removed from the Universal Calendar and February 14th was given to Saints Cyril and Methodius). His words follow - It's ironic that the most romantic day of the year occurs in one of the least romantic months. I remember as a parish priest, there were few weddings but many funerals during February. And, the church calendar reserves February 14th to commemorate Sts. Cyril and Methodius - brothers, missionaries and theologians who created the Cyrillic alphabet for the Slavic nations. Hardly romantic! Yet, good evangelists see this day as a great opportunity - perhaps even greater than the "Santa-fied" version of Christmas - to promote the true meaning of love! On Valentine's Day, we ought to make a connection between Sts. Valentine, Cyril and Methodius as they offer an example and image of true love. Missionary brothers Cyril and Methodius created a language. St. Valentine shows us love by his actions of self-sacrifice in defense of Christian marriage. Isn't that what couples should be doing for each other - vowing fidelity even in bad, sick and austere times of their marriage? In these saints we see an image of what true love involves - toil, struggle and perseverance. That's why love looks like a heart violently pierced with an arrow. Love requires passion! But passion is misunderstood. The word comes from the Latin root *pati*, a verb that means "to suffer!" Valentine suffered. Cyril and Methodius, by leaving their homeland, suffered. Trying to learn and create another language didn't come easily. Put simply, if love doesn't involve personal sacrifice or suffering, it probably isn't genuine Christian love. This isn't to depress anyone, but to encourage people to take up their cross as the greatest act of love. The faithful must be assured that when things are tough, God provides an opportunity to strengthen one's understanding of love by offering mercy, compassion, and humility to listen. In my book, *Spicing Up Married Life*, I encourage couples to get rid of anniversaries. Why wait one year to celebrate love! With 12 chapters in the book, a couple can celebrate "month-aversaries" - monthly dinner dates. This regularity encourages consistent communication through spending time together, feeding each other's hungers, and learning to listen to what God is saying to you through your spouse. Good communication is in itself a form of "passion." In this book of bite-sized theological chapters about a theology of marriage, question conversation starters, and 12 thematic recipes for two, I share how a regular delicious dinner can help a couple to love each other by listening to each other. In this unromantic time of the year, we have at least three saints to teach us what love looks like. Talk about this on your next dinner date! It may be a chore to set aside one each month, but the "sacrifice" can help you find what you're seeking - true love, which requires nurturing all year long.