

# Queen of Angels

# All Saints Parish

Pastor - Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi - Administrator

## Rectory Office

738 Sunshine Avenue  
Central City, PA 15926

Mon & Thurs 12-6; Tue & Fri 9-2  
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## Worship Sites

### Church (Sacred Heart)

738 Sunshine Avenue

### Chapel (St. John)

162 Wheeler Street

**November 1, 2020**

## Solemnity of All Saints

### Confessions

Anytime upon Request  
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## Worship Site

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## Mass Intentions

### November 2 - Monday

9:00 AM - St. Anne Cemetery  
10:30 AM - Holy Cross Cemetery  
NOON - OLQA Church  
12:45 PM - Sacred Heart Cemetery  
1:00 PM - St. John Cemetery  
4:30 PM - St. Joseph Cemetery  
5:00 PM - Mt. Carmel Cemetery  
5:30 PM - St. Stanislaus  
6:00PM Mass (All Saints)

### *The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)*

*Mass and devotions for the Deceased of St. Anne Parish - Hollsopple*  
*Devotions for the Faithfully Departed - Jerome*  
*Mass for the Deceased of Queen of Angels Parish - Central City*  
*Devotions for the Faithfully Departed - Central City*  
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*Devotions for the Faithfully Departed - Ralphton*  
*Devotions for the Faithfully Departed - Jenner Crossroads*  
*Devotions for the Faithfully Departed - Boswell*  
*Mass for the Deceased of All Saints Parish*

### November 3 - Tuesday

9:00 AM (All Saints)

### Weekday in Ordinary Time

Private Intention

### November 4 - Wednesday

6:30 PM (All Saints)

### *St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop*

Communion Service

### November 5 - Thursday

NOON (St. Anne's)

### Weekday in Ordinary Time

NO MASS

### November 6 - Friday

8:00 AM (OLQA Church)  
8:30 AM (All Saints)

### Weekday in Ordinary Time

NO MASS

Communion Service

### November 7 - Saturday

4:00 PM (OLQA Church)  
6:00 PM (All Saints)

### *Vigil of the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Andrew Mauger (Req by Wife and Children)  
Mary Baca, Boswell

### November 8 - Sunday

8:00 AM (OLQA Church)  
10:30 AM (OLQA Chapel)  
10:30 AM (All Saints)

### Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Libby Civvone (Req. Beth& Darrell Humphrey) Central City  
For the Parish (Missa Pro Populo) Central City  
Teresa Fritz Boswell

# Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 9 6:00 PM Society of the Angels Meeting Activities Center

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Friday November 6<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart from 9:00 AM until 7:00 PM with First Friday Devotions starting at 6:00 PM.

**SPORTSMAN RAFFLE TICKET:** If you took tickets to sell please return them this week. If they are unsold there are a significant number of requests for tickets in the office and any remaining tickets can be used for this purpose. Please return your tickets this week. Thanks again for your hard work!

**SOUP AND STUDY** - Because of the schedule for All Souls Day there will be **NO** "Soup and Study" this week following Mass at Noon.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - The flowers at Sacred Heart are in memory of Mary Ann Klonike by Family.

**PRAYER LIST** - Please call the rectory with any changes or additions. Kay Hintosh, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, David Stockdill, Tina Udet, Patty Foltz, Connie Gruca, Amy Thomas Georg, Betsy Paolucci, Areile Adomnik, Charles Field, Todd Diorio, Denne Osman, Addison Zearfaus, Pam Kacmarski, Tom Schall, Howard Rose, David P. Bonus, Henry Sprock, Connie Criscuolo, Hunter Slater, Nancy Deneen, Stephen A. Haydu, Andrea Sesack, Lyle Spearo, Lauren Barnes, Gerald "Curly" Mains, Tom Hudak, Mary Jane O'Brien, Rose Maga, Geneviene Berezonsky, Paula Spontak, Sophia Vincent, Mickey Kacmarski, Victor Foltz, Susan Custer, Gary Norris, Kyler Wilson.

## All Saints Parish

**TODAY IS OUR PATRONAL FEAST DAY! HAPPY ALL SAINTS DAY!**

### STATUE HOSTS FOR THE WEEK

PILGRIM MADONNA - S.,K., & D., Kowalczyk INFANT JESUS - Mr. Jeff Mayak; ST. ANTHONY - Mrs. Sarah Jarosick

### CANDLE INTENTIONS

ST. JOSEPH - Special Intention (no donor); SACRED HEART - Charles Saponsky, Sr. - from Goddaughter Donna

**PRAYER LIST** - Please call the rectory (754-5224) with any changes or additions. Dave; (Special Intention) LSH; Karen Ryan; Taylon Cook; Kathleen Lisbon; Trisha Barron; Andrew Straka; Patricia (Lepley) Hanes; Areia Paruch; Fr. James Dugan; Jeanette Taylor; Donna Updyke; Janice Tasin; Carmen Perigo; Ernie & Gloria Stern; Patty Tedjeske; Joseph Caldron, Sr.; Mrs. Patricia Turillo; Mary Ann Stern; Becky Lepley; Theresa Reckner; Peggy Baer; Brian Borosky; Barbara Farris; Kristy Ewing; Kathy Wojnarowski, Jerry Stern, Toni Kiss; Jennifer; Karla Enzweiler; Sharon Harper; Pam Reckner; Aaron Whigham; Kyle Coddington; Michele Good; Kathy Libson; Evelyn Sullivan; Lorraine Oakman; Patty Jarosick; Patty Tedjeske; Cathy Tedjesek; Robert Tedjeske; Erma Mayak; Matthew Bailey; Greg Pacifico, Ric Smith.

**IN CASE YOU FORGOT** - All Saints Parish in Boswell will host their Annual Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner on Election Day, **Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and again from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** at their Parish Hall, 502 Center St., Boswell. The dinner is **TAKE OUT ONLY**. The meal includes spaghetti, homemade meatballs, sauce, two slices of Italian bread, tossed salad, dressing and sheet cake. The price is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. Curbside service is available for all pre-sold orders. For more information, please call 629-5551.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** – All day adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Friday November 6<sup>th</sup> at All Saints following the Communion Service. Please stop by to pray and rest.

**PLEASE NOTE** – There will be **NO** Communion Service on Monday morning (November 2<sup>nd</sup>) at All Saints, but instead Mass will be celebrated Monday evening at 6:00 PM Monday for All Souls Day. There will be Mass on Tuesday morning at 9:00 AM, and a Communion Service at 6:30 PM on Wednesday.

**ALL DAY ADORATION** – As noted in the previous entry, Father Aron will celebrate Mass at All Saints Church on Tuesday (November 3<sup>rd</sup>) at 9:00 AM – **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE**. Following Mass there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 PM. **Please stop by and pray before voting – this is a most serious act and as such deserves serious and prayerful consideration.**

### **PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR CATHOLIC CONSCIENCE ON ELECTION DAY!**

**CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER** - Schedule for private prayer:

Our Lady Queen of Angels: Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM - Church

All Saint's Boswell: Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM until NOON

#### **CONFESSION**

Our Lady Queen of Angels: Sunday 1:00 PM – Chapel

All Saints Boswell: Sunday **FOLLOWING MASS – NO 4:00 PM Confessions this week**

**ELECTION PRAYER BY FR. JOHN A. HARDON, SJ.** - Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people [in] America. May we choose a President of the United States, and other government officials, according to Your Divine Will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family, and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You, what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.

**FATHER ARON AWAY** – Father Aron will be away this week from Wednesday to Saturday this week, however Father will be available for funerals and anointing of the sick if needed. If you are in particular need Father Aron can be reached at his cell phone at 724-953-5347.

**SO, HALLOWEEN IS CATHOLIC – NOT PAGAN?** – Father Steve Grunow, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, offers the following thoughts on this matter – The origin and traditional customs associated with Halloween require no other explanation than that they are examples of the kinds of festivity that served as a means of celebrating the various holy days of the Catholic Liturgical Year. This includes everything from masquerades, feasting, and the associations of a given day of the year with supernatural or spiritual truths. I would draw a distinction between the violent, macabre imagery that characterizes the modern appropriation of Halloween as a kind of secular celebration and the more traditional customs that are characteristic of a Catholic cultural ethos. The descent of Halloween into the madness of an annual fright fest is a relatively recent development, but the true substance of Halloween belongs to the Church. Halloween (or “All Hallows Eve”) is the festive precursor to the celebration of the Church’s public commemoration of All Saints Day. There has been an appropriation of the festivities of Halloween by modern pagans, but please understand that modern paganism is precisely modern and should be distinguished from the cults of ancient religions. The origins and practices of the modern paganism do not extend farther back than the late nineteenth century. Also, remember, the term “pagan” is a slippery one. What does it mean? The worship of the gods and goddesses from long ago? Those cults have long since passed away with the cultural matrix that once supported the world views that were the conditions for their possibility. You can’t just reinvent those cults without the culture that supported them. The paganism that exists today is a romantic and very selective

attempt at a re-appropriation of an ancient religious ethos, but it isn't and cannot be the same thing that paganism was in its original cultural expressions. I think that the practitioners need to justify their beliefs by insisting on an association with what they are doing and ancient forms and styles of worship. This gives the impression that the modern pagan élan has more gravitas (especially in relation to Christianity), but it doesn't make it the same thing as the ancient cults. The association that modern paganism makes between itself and the forms and styles of ancient culture is more about desire than it is about reality. I think that the association of Halloween with paganism has much more to do with the Protestant Reformation than anything else. The Protestant reformers were concerned about the practices of medieval Christianity that to them seemed contrary to what they believed the Church should be. They knew that these practices had clear precedents in the history of the Church, but insisted that they represented a corruption of the original form of Christianity that had become degraded over time. The degradation was explained as a regression into cultural forms that the Protestants described as pagan. I realize popular religiosity is a complex phenomenon and the Church in Europe did intentionally assimilate many cultural practices that were more ancient than its own practices, but it did so selectively and with a keen sense of discernment. The end result was not simply that a veneer of Christianity was placed on top of an ancient pagan ethos, but that a new cultural matrix was created, one that was Christian to its core. It is a gross mischaracterization and oversimplification to assert that you can just scratch the surface of medieval Christianity and what rises up is paganism. And yet this perception endures in contemporary culture. You see it, for example, in works of fiction like Marion Zimmer Bradley's *The Mists of Avalon*, which appropriates ideas from a lot of spurious, pseudo-scholarship that permeated British intellectual culture throughout the nineteenth and early twentieth century. Unfortunately, this has become a standard and widely accepted narrative of how Europe became Christian. It is a modern myth born of the prejudices and propaganda of the Protestant reformation that mutated into the secular critique of Catholicism. As an ideological construct it represents the simultaneous fascination and aversion to medieval culture in general and Catholicism in particular. The reality is far more complex and interesting. Protestantism was and is proposing what its adherents believe to be an alternative to Catholicism. This means that Protestantism will distinguish itself from the forms and styles of religious life that preceded their own culture and that this culture will be presented as a purified form of Christian faith and practice. One argument that is advanced to justify Protestant distinctiveness is that the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church are pagan. Placing all this in an American cultural context, the United States set its cultural roots in forms of Protestantism that were keenly aware of the distinction between themselves and a Catholic Europe that they had rejected and whose influence they had hoped to leave behind. Remember, the Puritans left Protestant England for the New World because England wasn't Protestant enough! The Puritans detested the residual forms of Catholicism that they believed remained in the state church of England. The arrival of Catholic immigrants to the shores of Protestant America was a source of great cultural consternation. The public festivals of the Catholic faith were characterized as a corrupting and dangerous form of paganism. Halloween with all its carousing and shenanigans was especially problematic, as it represented the incursion of a specifically Catholic cultural form into a public life that was supposed to be Protestant. Everything associated with these Catholic festivities was caricatured as pagan and the association stuck with even the Catholics internalizing the critique and believing that their own customs were holdovers from paganism. As a result, the distinctly Catholic nature of Halloween became more and more muted and it was Catholics pulling back from their own festival that gave rise to the contemporary version of Halloween. The goulsh version of the festival that we have today is in many respects a result of Catholic accommodation to a Protestant culture. And in another strange twist in the history of Halloween, most everything that the devout Protestant detests about Halloween has become all the more pronounced as a result of their protests.