Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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October 1, 2017

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Sites

Church (Sacred Heart) 738 Sunshine Avenue

Chapel (St. John) 162 Wheeler Street

Confessions:

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

Holy Masses:

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

Mass Intentions

October 2	Holy Guardian Angels
8:00 AM	Tom J. Novak (Req. wife Jenny) - Church
October 3	Weekday in Ordinary Time NO MASS
October 4	Saint Francis of Assisi
8:00 AM	Francis Kovak (Req. Family) - Church
October 5	Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
8:00 AM	Robert Coleman, 30 Day Remembrance, Month's Mind (Req. John Eger Family)
October 6	Saint Bruno, Priest
8:00 AM	Margaret Hudak (Req. Family) - Church
October 7	Vigil of the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM	Tom Kabala (Req. Lloyd and Joyce Lane) - Church
October 8	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	John Fusina (Req. Nick Lane and Angie Lane) - Church
10:30 AM	For the Parish (Missa Populo) - Church

FORTY HOURS CHANGE - Due to scheduling issues the Forty Hours Devotions this year will be abbreviated to a one day Eucharistic Day this upcoming Sunday. Following the 10:30 AM Mass the Eucharist will be exposed at the St. John site following the 10:30 AM Mass and will conclude with evening devotions at 7:00 PM.

FATIMA NOVENA - The parish will be praying a novena to Our Lady of Fatima beginning this weekend (Saturday) and concluding **NEXT** Sunday (October 8th). The intention is for the healing and strength of Izzy Bihun. The novena prayers are found in s special bulletin insert this weekend. The novena prayers will be offered after all Masses this week and will conclude with a procession to our Fatima Shrine outside the St. John site during our Forty Hours devotions on Sunday October 8th at 7:00 PM. This week marks the 100th anniversary of the "Miracle of the Sun" at Fatima. While everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the closing devotions next Sunday evening, if you cannot be present please pray the novena at home.

MASS AND BENEFIT FOR IZZY BIHUN - The parish will offer a Mass on Saturday October 21st for the health and wellbeing of Izzy Bihun. All are welcome to come and pray for this special intention. Additionally the parish will be sponsoring a Cash Bash following the Mass (Saturday October 21st) with all proceeds going to Izzy. It is asked that you kindly plan on attending the event and invite a friend. Tickets are \$25.00 each and include food and drink. Doors open at 4:00 PM, dinner at 5:00 PM, and the drawings begin at 6:00 PM. If you are interested please phone or stop by the rectory; tickets will be available this week.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - Bishop Bartchak has asked all parishes in our diocese to take up a special collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico as well as the victims of the earthquake in Mexico. All monies collected will be given to Catholic Charities. There will be a special second collection for this most noble cause the weekend of October 7-8 at all Masses. Thank you for your generosity.

FALL CALENDAR FEST - St. Mary's Orthodox Church will sponsor their *new and improved* Fall Calendar Fest on Sunday October 8th at the Shade High School gynnasium. Doors open at 2:00 PM, with the drawing at 4:00 PM. The event includes basket raffles, bingo, and food. Tickets are \$10.00. For more information please call 754-5567 or 301-807-0713. Please mark your calendars and come and support this event.

NEW TICKET - The parish is now sponsoring a new ticket for a half a beef, half a hog, and a deep freezer. The ticket benefits the CCD program and goes off on December 8th. If you are interested in a tickets stop by the rectory. There are 1000 tickets with the winner determined by the PA daily number. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

HOLY NAME NOTES - The Holy Name Society will host a regional meeting of the Holy Name Society on Sunday October 8th in the Activity Center following their monthly Mass at 8:00 AM.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE -

October 7 Church 4:00 PM T. & M. Mabon
October 8 Church 8:00 AM A. Deneen, R. & C. Pongrac
October 8 Chapel 10:30 AM D. Zelinski, J. Hammer, M. Moslak, T. Tomlinson,
L. & L. Mincek, C. & L. Galish, A. Mauger

THOSE WISHING TO ENTER THE CHURCH - This week classes will begin for anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic (or for adult Catholics who have not been Confirmed or received First Communion). Anyone who interested in learning more about the Catholic faith is welcome to come and discern - no coercion. No matter where you are on the journey of faith all people are welcome. For more information contact Fr. Aron.

BREAKFAST THIS MONTH - The All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast sponsored by the parish each 3rd Sunday of the month will be held on October 15rd at the St. John site from 9:00 AM until Noon. The meal includes pancakes, sausage, bacon, French toast, sausage gravy and biscuits, donuts, hash browns, eggs, coffee, and juice. All proceeds benefit the CCD activities, including the trip to Rome. \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children, under age 4 are free. Honestly, where can you get a breakfast like that for under \$10.00 anywhere near Central City? **Bring a friend!**

A LITTLE ABOUT YOUR SUBSTITUTE PRIEST - Fr. John Mary Tompkins, O.S.B., a Benedictine Father of St. Vincent Archabbey, will be covering for Fr. Aron who is away this weekend at his other parish in New Baltimore. Born in Troy, NY, Father John-Mary grew up in Willingboro, NJ, and graduated from John F. Kennedy High School in 1978. He received an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY, and graduated from the academy in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He served in the military from 1982 until his entrance into the monastery in 1987, with assignments in Germany and northern Virginia, Father John-Mary entered Saint Vincent Archabbey on July 1, 1987, and entered the novitiate on July 10, 1987. He professed his solemn profession of vows on July 11, 1991, before Archabbot Douglas Nowicki, O.S.B., at the Basilica. Father John-Mary entered Saint Vincent Seminary in the fall of 1988. He earned a Master of Divinity degree in May 1992, a Master of Arts degree in systematic theology in May 1993, and was ordained a priest on May 29, 1993, before the late Bishop Anthony G. Bosco, at St. Vincent Basilica. Since his ordination as a priest, Father John-Mary has served as a parochial vicar in Saint Peter Parish in the North Side of Pittsburgh, in Saint Vincent Parish in Latrobe, and in Saint Gregory the Great Parish in Virginia, Beach, VA. He has served as pastor in Queen of the World Church in Saint Marys, PA. From 2006 until 2009 he served as the Catholic chaplain in Latrobe Area Hospital. In 2009, Father John-Mary was appointed Director of Postulants in the Archabbey formation program and is presently the Vice-Rector of St. Vincent Seminary. Please offer him a warm welcome.

FLOWER MEMORIALS - This weekend the flowers at the Sacred Heart site are dedicated in honor of Donna Chipchosky (6th Anniversary of her Death) by loving family. The flowers at the St. John's site are dedicated in honor of the Wedding Anniversary, on September 30, of Mike and Kathy Mauger by family.

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS - The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Church in loving memory of all deceased members of the John Kotus Family by the Estate of John Kotus. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Chapel in loving memory of Robert and Rita Betz by Mike and Kathy Mauger and family.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 30 - October 1 - Fr. Aron in New Baltimore

October 1 - CCD Hike

October 2 - Society of Angels Meeting - 6:30 PM, Activity Center

October 3 - St. Vincent DePaul Meeting - 7:00 PM, Activity Center

October 6 - First Friday Devotions - 6:00 PM. Sacred Heart site

October 8 - Holy Name Corporate Communion 8:00 AM Mass, Regional Meeting/Breakfast to Follow

October 8 - Closing of Forty Hours Devotion - 7:00 PM, St. John site

October 15 - All-You-Can -Eat Breakfast - 9:00 - Noon, St. John Site

October 21 - Cash Bash - Activity Center

October 22 - Blessing of Animals - 10:00 AM, Sacred Heart site

PRAYER LIST - Jennie Sielczak, Frank Murawski, Constance Gruca, Lillian Koleszarik, Marie Metsker, Sandy Wechtenhiser, Ethan Rohlf, Rachel Moslak, Ann Guyer, Alice Zelenski, Shirley Taylor, Carol Hancharik, Kay Hintosh, Charlie Field Jr., David P. Bonus, Lauren Barnes, Andrew Straka, Joe Zeigler, Fern Lasut, Agnes Palya, Trish Rullo, Mike Stefanik, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Ron Rayman, Tom Hudak, Quincy Ogline, Charles Field Sr., Ron Delasko, Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Sue Frank, Caroline Amato, Rchard Birely, Joseph Shelko, Shirley Roman, Mary Ethel Sanzo, Leon Bonus, Joyce Delasko, Larry Krestar, Harriet Konitsky, Andrew Muha, Andrea Sesack, Ricky Gerena, Shelly Delasko, Lionel Berkebile, Jeremy Christopher, Mary-Ann Sgavoo, Mary Ann Naret, Barry Stuft, Mary Ann Lasut, John Harchick Jr., Vincent Bestvina, Izzy Bihun, Jeff Yanosky, Mary Clark, Brie Purdy, Rhonda Bittner, Lydia Wechtenhiser, Kara Palumbo, Dave Andolina, Paul Dooley, Mary Ann Stavlo, Jeff Naugle, Debra Farley, Eugene Topka

WEKLY OFFERING September 23rd and September 24th - Adult Envelopes - \$2,995.25 Loose - \$367; Fuel - \$66; Student Offering - \$44.25; Assumption - \$10; Misc. Donations - \$200 Total - \$3,642.50 - Thank You!

A STORY WORTH KNOWING - Asia Bibi, the Pakistani woman who is perhaps the best known figure embroiled in a controversial law that punishes religious blasphemy, has been nominated for the European Parliament's Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought. The prize is awarded to individuals who have made an exceptional contribution to the fight for human rights across the globe, drawing attention to human rights violations as well as supporting the laureates and their cause. Bibi, her husband and their five children were the only Christians in their village in Punjab, about 30 miles from Lahore. Working as a farmhand, she had been repeatedly urged by her fellow workers to convert to Islam. In 2009, she was involved in an argument with a group of Muslim women with whom she had been harvesting berries. The other women grew angry with her for drinking water from the same cup as them, saving that as a Christian, she was "unclean." According to Bibi, when they made derogatory statements about Christianity, she responded, "I believe in my religion and in Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for the sins of mankind. What did your Prophet Muhammad ever do to save mankind?" She was subsequently accused of insulting Muhammad, a charge she denies, and was arrested and imprisoned. In 2010, she was convicted of blasphemy by a Pakistani court and received a sentence of death by hanging. She became the first woman condemned to death in Pakistan on blasphemy charges. Pakistan is one of many countries that have so-called "blasphemy laws" on the books. Offenses could range from insulting Islam's founder to desecrating its holy book, the Quran. Pakistan's Supreme Court has suspended her death sentence for the duration of her appeals process, but that process is in limbo. Peter Van Dalen, a member of the European Conservatives and Reformists Group in the European Parliament, nominated Bibi for the prize. "Asia Bibi's case is of symbolic importance for others who have endured simply for expressing freedom of religion," he said. "In her we see the situation of the whole Christian community," Kaleem Dean, a Pakistani analyst, told Fides news agency. Her case is tragically indicative of the insecurity faced by all minorities when it comes to their fundamental human rights." Dean charged that in failing to address the abuses that come about as a result of the laws, the government of Pakistan is "burying its head in the sand in order not to hear the anguished cries of minority communities." Charges of blasphemy are "an instrument of what has become state oppression against minorities. Governors should have the courage and vision to reform the blasphemy law," Dean said. The Sakharov Prize, begun in 1988, is named in honor of Russian physicist Andrei Dmitrievich Sakharov (1921-1989), who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1975. He first came to prominence as the father of the hydrogen bomb in the USSR. Concerned at the implications his work had for the future of mankind, he sought to raise awareness of the dangers of the nuclear arms race. In the USSR, he was seen as a subversive dissident. In 1970, he founded a committee to defend human rights and victims of political trials. Despite increasing pressure from the government, Sakharov not only sought the release of dissidents in his country but became

one of the regime's most courageous critics, embodying the crusade against the denial of fundamental rights. To limit his contacts with foreigners, Sakharov was exiled to the city of Gorky, which was closed to foreigners to safeguard the security of Soviet military research and production facilities. Last year's Sakharov Prize went to Nadia Murad Basee Taha and Lamiya Aji Bashar, who are survivors of sexual enslavement by Islamic State of Iraq and Syria. The two have become spokespersons for women afflicted by ISIS's campaign of sexual violence. They are public advocates for the Yazidi community in Iraq, a religious minority that has been the subject of a genocidal campaign by IS militants. In 2013, the Sakharov Prize went to Malala Yousafzai, who was shot in the face by the Taliban in Pakistan's Swat Valley in 2012. The Taliban wanted to stop her and other girls from getting an education. She won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014. Along with Bibi, this year's nominees include Aura Lolita Chavez Ixcaquic, a Guatemalan human rights campaigner, Selahattin Demirtas and Figen Yuksekdag, co-presidents of the Kurdish Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) in Turkey; groups and individuals representing the democratic opposition in Venezuela; Dawit Isaak, a Swedish-Eritrean playwright, arrested in 2001 by the Eritrean authorities, and Pierre Claver Mbonospa, a Burundian human rights activist. The winner is usually announced in October, and the award ceremony takes place in December in Strasbourg, France.