## Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi – Pastor

Rectory Office

738 Sunshine Avenue Central City, PA 15926 814-754-5224 September 24, 2017
Twenty-Fifth Sunday

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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:

Daily

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

September 25 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Pfc. Clinton E. Springer, Carol Terry & Joanne Mello (Req. C.J. Ferguson & fam.)

September 26 Saints Cosmas and Damian

NO MASS

September 27 Saint Vincent de Paul

8:00 AM Joseph Satkovich Sr. (Req. Loving Family) - Church

September 28 Saint Wencelaus and Saint Lawrence Ruiz

8:00 AM Pauline Hamady (Req. Joe & Nettie Pizar) - Church
 September 29 Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
 8:00 AM Sam Pesto (Req. St. John's Schola) - Church
 September 30 Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Joseph Bohach (Req. wife Ann and Family) - Church October 1 *Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time* 8:00 AM Eleanor Kovak (Req. Family)) - Church

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**BENEFIT FOR IZZY BIHUN** - The parish will be sponsoring a CASH BASH on Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup> with all proceeds going to our parishioner Izzy Bihun. 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.

**FALL CALENDAR FEST** - St. Mary's Orthodox Church will sponsor their *new and improved* Fall Calendar Fest on Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Shade High School gymnasium. Doors open at 2:00 PM with the drawing of prizes 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.

**SOCIETY OF ANGELS** - The Society of Angels will meet on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Activity Center. Please note the change in meeting date.

**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  $8^{th}$ . If you are interested in a ticket or are interested in selling a few please stop by the rectory. There are 1000 tickets with the winner determined by the PA daily number. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

**K OF C EVENT** - All K of C members and families are invited for an afternoon BBQ and potluck on Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 PM at the home of Joe and Elaine Eiginger (380 S. Shore Trl, Indian Lake). Please bring a side dish, meat and drinks provided. RSVP or questions call Ken Skone 814 525-0216 or Joe Eiginger 703 477-5424.

**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. All Holy Namers are encouraged to attend.

**FATHER ARON AWAY** - The Benedictine Fathers of St. Vincent Archabbey will be covering for Fr. Aron who is away this weekend (Saturday only) and next weekend (all Masses) at his other parish in New Baltimore. Please offer them a warm welcome.

VISITING CHOIR - On Sunday October 8th The Schola Cantorum Franciscana, will sing at the 10:30 AM Mass. This Mass will serve as the opening Mass for our parish Forty Horus Devotions. Under the direction of Professor Nicholas Will, the schola is an elite 20-voice liturgical choir comprised of Franciscan University of Steubenville students. As an integral part of the university's Sacred Music Program, the Schola performs the best of the Church's musical patrimony primarily within its intended liturgical context. While the group's repertoire spans the breadth of the Catholic musical tradition, its specialization lies in music of the sixteenth, seventeenth, and twentieth centuries. The Schola has collaborated with Chatham Baroque, the Academy Chamber Orchestra, and the St. Vincent Camerata and sung for Solemn Pontifical High Masses celebrated by Raymond Cardinal Burke and Bishop Athanasius Schneider at St. Peter Church, Steubenville. This semester the Schola will sing for Pontifical Masses celebrated by Bishop Schneider and Donald Cardinal Wuerl, in addition to a liturgical performance of the Requiem by Camille Saint-Saëns in November. The Schola recently made a recording of five-voice Renaissance polyphony with hopes of publication in the near future.

**FLOWER MEMORIALS** - This weekend the flowers at the Sacred Heart site are dedicated in honor of Pfc. Clinton E. Springer, Carol Terry, and Joanne Mello by C-J Ferguson. The flowers at the St. John's site are dedicated in remembrance of the birthday of Ann Knapp by Theresa Pollock.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS** - The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Church in loving memory of Alex Yatta by family. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Chapel as a Birthday Remembrance for Ann Knapp by Theresa and Marie Pollock.

## **ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE -**

September 30 Church 4:00 PM D. Zelinski, C. & L. Galish,
October 1 Church 8:00 AM A. Deneen, R. & C. Pongrac
October 1 Chapel 10:30 AM A. Knapp, C. Coleman, E. Spinelli

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

October 8 - Opening of Forty Hours Devotion - 10:30 AM, St. John site

October 13 - 100th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima, Mass 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

**WEKLY OFFERING** September 16<sup>th</sup> and September 17<sup>th</sup> - Adult Envelopes - \$2,320.25 Loose - \$367; Fuel - \$20; Student Offering - \$38.25; Initial offering - \$10; Misc. Donations - \$35 Total - \$2,790.50 - Thank You!

**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, Stephen A. Haydu, Paul Dooley

**POLISH FESTIVAL** - There will be a Polish festival on November 12<sup>th</sup> at the University of Pittsburgh's Cathedral of Learning from 2:00 PM until 5:00 PM. The event will feature musical performances as well as cultural displays and lectures. The theme of the event is "Celebrate Medieval Poland." For more information call Larry Kozlowski at 814-969-5940. Free Admission.

**SLOVAK FESTIVAL** -There will be a Slovak festival on November 5<sup>th</sup> at the University of Pittsburgh's Cathedral of Learning from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM. The event will feature musical performances by folk dancing groups and singers as well as cultural displays and lectures. The event also includes a wide offering of traditional Slovak food, which will be available for sale, as well as a variety of items from Slovak vendors. Free Admission.

**CCD NOTES** - If your child will be attending the CCD hike on October 1<sup>st</sup> please make sure their form is turned in this weekend. If your child will be attending the Rome trip please turn in their Mandatory Liability Form (mailed to each home) this weekend.

**PRESENTATION ON THE SHROUD OF TURIN** - A talk on the Shroud of Turin will be held at St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown on October 29th at 3:00 PM. All are invited to see a full size replica of the Shroud of Turin and hear a presentation on the Shroud. For more information, contact Michael Russo at (814) 288-3036 or email: michael.russo@atlanticbb.net. All are welcome!

**FATIMA NOVENA** - As we prepare for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima we will begin a Novena next Saturday night. The special intention of the parish for the novena will be the healing of Izzy Bihun.

**THE NUN BEHIND AA** - In a 1951 article titled A Catholic Looks at Alcoholics Anonymous, author Katherine Neuhaus Haffner wrote: What is Alcoholics Anonymous? It is a society, operating in groups, that is founded upon spiritual principles, and these principles closely parallel Catholic teaching. In its reliance on grace, moral inventory taking, its confessional aspect and its emphasis on outreach, Haffner argued, "A Catholic member of AA should be a better Catholic as the result of his affiliation with this society and vice versa." Still, many are unaware of the role Catholics played in AA's early years, or that one of the key figures was a nun from Ohio named Sister Ignatia Gavin, S.C. (1889-1966). At St. Thomas Hospital in Akron, she helped Dr. Robert H. Smith, AA's co-founder, to dispel the notion that alcoholism was a moral defect, rather than a spiritual, mental and physical disease. Bridget Della Mary Gavin was one of three children born to a farmer in County Mayo, Ireland. In 1896, the Gavins emigrated to Cleveland, Ohio. In an industrial city with a large working-class population, alcoholism was a big problem Parish priests started abstinence societies and young men took a "pledge" not to drink. Bridget graduated from Catholic schools, studied music, and taught music. Although she considered becoming a nun, her mother was opposed to it. She dated and was even briefly engaged, but the call to religious life prevailed. In 1914, she joined the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, a community that ran schools and hospitals statewide. At 25, she was considered a "late vocation," and given the name Ignatia. For many years, Sister Ignatia taught music in Cleveland schools until she suffered a physical breakdown. When she recovered, she transferred to hospital ministry. As her community opened St. Thomas Hospital in Akron in 1928, she was appointed the admitting officer. There she got to know Dr. Robert Holbrook Smith, who, after a bout with alcoholism, had been removed from the rosters of Akron's more prestigious hospitals. Beginning in 1934, Sister Ignatia began privately ministering to alcoholics with the help of a young intern, Dr. Thomas Scuderi. She tried to treat alcoholics from both a medical and pastoral standpoint, then an unchartered field. Scuderi recalled: "She was a great influence on my life as a physician. She taught me about loving people." However, other doctors were less than supportive. Sister Ignatia later wrote: I recalled very distinctly coming to the chapel for prayer shortly after five one morning, only to be met by the night supervisor who told me in unmistakable terms that the next time I admitted a D.T. [Delirium Tremens] to the hospital, I had better stay up all night and run around the corridors after him. At a time when chronic alcoholics were routinely sent to mental asylums, Sister Ignatia realized that they needed a healing beyond what medicine could provide. At the same time, she noted, hospitals had "little enthusiasm about admitting people who were imbibing too freely." On August 16, 1939, Dr. Smith persuaded her to officially admit an alcoholic patient to St. Thomas. Back in 1935, Smith and Bill Wilson, a New York stockbroker, had founded Alcoholics Anonymous as a program of moral and spiritual regeneration. Working with them, Ignatia began the first hospital treatment center for alcoholics, which one historian calls "a model for many chemical treatment programs in the United States." Although slight and frail in appearance, her biographer Mary

Darrah notes, "A knowing intensity of expression all at once overcame her otherwise fragile features." Darrah further adds: Put briefly, AA's angel was a strong, empathetic woman who extracted goodness from every situation and resolved to leave the world a little better than she found it. Ignatia had all the charisma of an Irish *anamchara*, or soul friend, so she easily folded the troubled into her heart. One patient recalled: "She saved my life. I found God and sobriety through her. She loved me when there was nothing about me to love. She was AA's angel." But hers was a "tough love" that required total abstinence from alcohol and drugs, acknowledgement of one's dependence on a higher power, commitment to the AA program, and outreach to those still suffering. Ignatia had a great devotion to the spiritual teachings of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, particularly his notion of "love through action." She found a strong parallel between the saint's writings and AA's Twelve Steps. She routinely carried around with her a compendium of Ignatius's thoughts, along with the 14th-century classic *The Imitation of Christ.* She gave copies of both to patients in the program's early days. In 1952, Ignatia opened Rosary Hill Solarium in Cleveland, where she worked for 14 years. During her lifetime, an estimated 15,000 alcoholics came under her care. As a result of her ministry, one author notes, "the alcoholics' world changed." At the time of her death in 1966, one commentator said: "If the Catholic Church doesn't canonize her, the Protestants will make her a saint." The Sisters poured more than 6,000 cups of coffee at her wake.