

Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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December 3, 2017
**First Sunday of
Advent**

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

December 4 8:00 AM	<i>Advent Weekday</i> Bob Ferguson, Birthday and 18 th Wedding Anniversary (Req. wife C-J) - Chapel
December 5	<i>Advent Weekday</i> NO MASS
December 6 8:00 AM	<i>Advent Weekday</i> Sam Pesto (Req. St. John's Schola) - Chapel
December 7 8:00 AM	<i>Saint Ambrose</i> Theresa Chulick (Req. Betty Pcola and family) - Chapel
December 8 NOON 7:00 PM	<i>Immaculate Conception - Holy Day of Obligation</i> For the Parish (Missa Populo) - Church Lewis Gregory and Marike van ven Heuvel (Req. daughter and grandchildren) - Chapel
December 9 4:00 PM	<i>Vigil Second Sunday of Advent</i> Darcel Fahy (Req. Donna Stefancic) - Church
December 10 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> Birthday Rem- infant son of Nancy/Joe Satkovich (Req. Joetta, Joe, & Janice) - Church For the Parish (Missa Populo) - Chapel

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY –Our parish invites any and all to join us in ringing in 2018 at evening of horse racing, epic food, good drinks, dancing, and other games of chance (all at church and for a good cause). Dinner, consisting of chicken cordon bleu, roast beef au jus, red skin potatoes, and more will be served at 6:00 PM. Following dinner all guests will have an opportunity to place bets on the horses featured in our Night at the Races event. After several hours of betting on 12 races the evening will conclude with dancing from 10:30 PM until 12:30 AM. To insure good luck, an additional meal of pork and sauerkraut will be served at 10:30 PM. Beer, mint juleps, champagne, and soft drinks will be available at an open bar throughout the duration of the event. All proceeds benefit the CCD fund that helps our parish students enjoy quality activities. Tickets are now on sale - the cost is \$50.00 per COUPLE. Additionally all couples

will be able to name their own horse (owners and names will be published in the evening's race guide). A horse owner whose horse wins will receive a \$50 prize. The crazier the name the better (a track style announcer will be present to call the horse names during the races). In addition to winning real money during the races, the calling of the ridiculous horse names (chosen by their owners) is an unforgettable experience. Any individual who wishes to attend is welcome to do so - individual tickets are \$30.00 each (individual tickets do not include a "horse"). If you haven't been to a Night at the Races, it isn't something you want to miss. The event will be held the activity center - doors open at 5:30 PM. The event is semi-formal (however you define semi-formal). In addition to the drinks provided, patrons are welcome to bring their own refreshments. Over 21 years old only. If you wish to buy a ticket please phone the rectory.

CCD MASS AND DONUTS THIS WEEKEND - There will be donuts and coffee/juice after the 8:00 AM Mass in the activity center this weekend. This is in honor of our CCD Mass this Sunday at 8:00 AM.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE -

December 9	Church	4:00 PM	E. & M. Rapsky, C. Mauger
December 10	Church	8:00 AM	A. Deneen, R. & C. Pongrac
December 10	Chapel	10:30 AM	J. Hammer, M. Moslak, C. & L. Galish

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, Fern Lasut, Agnes Palya, Trish Rullo, Mike Stefanik, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Tom Hudak, Quincy Ogline, Charles Field Sr., Ron Delasko, Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Sue Frank, Caroline Amato, 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, 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, Mary Ann Stavlo, Jeff Naugle, Debra Farley, Eugene Topka, Michael Bednar, Carla Ayres

THE WHOLE TRUTH - The probability of meeting someone you know increases dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.

HOLYDAY THIS WEEK - This Friday the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception - a holyday of obligation. This is the national feast day for the United States. The next holyday that is an obligation is Ascension Thursday May 10th. Masses will be here at Noon - Sacred Heart and 7:00 PM - St. John's. A vigil Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 PM December 7th (Thursday) at St. John's in New Baltimore and on December 8th at 8:00 AM. See you at Mass.

TICKETS ARE DUE - If you have the stubs for the Meat and Freezer raffle that goes off this week please turn them into the parish office no later than Wednesday. They go off on Friday at 7:00 PM (daily number).

A PRAYER FOR CHARLES MANSON - Almost 48 years ago, Sharon Tate was brutally murdered in her Los Angeles home by cult members acting under the instructions of Charles Manson. Convicted of murder for the death of Tate and six others, Manson died in prison of natural causes on Sunday. Debra Tate, upon hearing the news of Manson's death from a prison official, told *People* magazine, "I said a prayer for his soul." Tate, whose sister Sharon was 8 ½ months pregnant when "Manson Family" commune members murdered her, her unborn baby, along with three of her friends, said in 2009 that she has prayed for the souls of all of the convicted killers. "My cross in my bedroom still has the flowers that I slipped into Jesus's feet when [convicted killer] Susan died," she says. "I cried a tear and I asked for forgiveness on her soul. I'll do the same thing when Charlie dies." While Tate prays for the souls of her sister's killers, she does not believe that they should ever get out of prison. "These are sociopaths," she told *People*. "They're no less violent today than they were then." One of the convicted killers, Leslie Van Houten, was granted parole last year, but California's Gov. Jerry Brown, rejected her release. Her case is again before the parole board and her release could be once again blocked.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS -

- December 3 - CCD Mass - Sacred Heart - 8:00 AM
December 8 - Immaculate Conception - Holyday of Obligation - Masses, S.H. Noon, St. J. 7:00 PM
December 4 - Finance Council Meeting - St. John's - 7:00 PM
December 6 - Knights of Columbus Christmas Party - Rizzo's Restaurant - 6:00 PM
December 10 - Holy Name Society Corporate Communion and Meeting - Sacred Heart - 8:00 AM
December 10 - CCD Confessions 9:00 - 10:10 AM - Sacred Heart
December 13 - Society of Angels Christmas Party - Rizzo's Restaurant - 6:30 PM
December 17 - All You Can Eat Breakfast - St. John's - 9:00 AM - Noon
December 21 - Christmas CCD Social - St. John's, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
December 21 - Pierogi Sale - St. John's - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
December 22 - Visits to Homebound Parishioners
December 22 - Decorating Sacred Heart Site - 6:00 PM
December 24 - NO CCD
December 24 - Christmas Eve Mass - Sacred Heart - 4:00 PM
December 25 - Christmas Midnight Mass - St. John's - Midnight
December 25 - Christmas Day Mass - Sacred Heart 10:30 AM
December 27 - Knights of Columbus Meeting - St. John's - 7:00 PM
December 31 - NO CCCD
December 31 - New Year's Eve Party - Activity Center - 6:00 PM (Doors Open at 5:30) - 12:30 AM

A STORY THAT SHOULD CHALLENGE YOU - Because there are over 1 billion Catholics in the world today coupled with the fact that the Church is 2,000 years old, it's understandable that many remarkable stories go untold. In all honesty, the saintly men and women who have lived lives of holiness would never want recognition or attention. While they may not seek it, at times there are stories that can serve to inspire us - one follows below. I (Father Aron) am friends with Sr. Judith Krantz, the successor of Mother Antonia. Her stories about the foundress of her community are inspiring and challenging. Please take a minute to read and think about what a good and happy life looks like. - Mary Brenner was a twice-divorced mother of eight children when she began doing volunteer work for the poor in Mexico in the 1960s. She had been active in charity work in California while she was married, but her devotion intensified after a priest led her to La Mesa state penitentiary, which housed convicted murderers, gang leaders, rapists and other serious felons. Ms. Brenner began providing for inmates' basic needs, giving them aspirin, blankets, toiletries and prescription eyeglasses. She sang in worship services. She received a prison contract to sell soda to prisoners and used the proceeds to bail out low-level offenders. If a prisoner died, of illness or in a gang fight, she prepared him for burial. Inmates told how Mother Antonia once walked into the middle of a prison riot while bullets flew and tear gas filled the air. When the inmates saw her, fearless in her habit, the fighting stopped. She never seemed to stop smiling. She had taken private vows and sewn her own habit in her early years volunteering in Mexico. The bishops of Tijuana and San Diego later officially accepted her work as part of church ministry. "At age 50," according to a biography on the order's website, "she had become a sister." Around the same time, she **moved into** the women's section of the prison in a cell that was about 10 feet by 10 feet. She could come and go freely, but she devoted herself to the lives inside. Her mission constantly expanded, from the inmates and guards to their families. "It's different to live among people than it is to visit them," she told *The Washington Post* in 2002. "I have to be here with them in the middle of the night in case someone is stabbed, in case someone has an appendix [attack], in case someone dies." Mary Clarke was born on Dec. 1, 1926, in Los Angeles and grew up in Beverly Hills, Calif., the second of three children. Her mother, Kathleen, died while pregnant with her fourth child. Her father, Joseph, was a successful sales executive in the office supply industry, and the family had a second home overlooking the ocean. She married at 18, but it did not last long. A second marriage, to Carl Brenner, lasted 25 years, but it also ended in divorce. As she struggled in her second marriage, she became increasingly involved with serving the poor in Southern California and Mexico. She worked early on with a Los Angeles priest, Msgr. Anthony Brouwers. He died of cancer in 1964. More than a decade later, when she became a nun, she renamed herself in his memory. She had moved to San Diego by the 1970s, which made it easier to travel into Mexico while sharing custody of her children. Most of her children were grown but not all of them. When her youngest, Anthony, was a teenager, she gave custody of him to Mr. Brenner. She was a "basket case" at the time, she said in an interview for a 2005 book about her, *The Prison Angel*, by Mary Jordan and Kevin Sullivan. But she believed the decision was right. "When you know in your heart that something is right, that it's who you are, that God is calling you to do something," she said, "you make the sacrifices you have to make." She remained in regular contact with her children, and many of them visited her at La Mesa. She died in 2013 at the age of 86. Sister

Anne Marie, who is one of about two dozen nuns in the Eudist Servants of the 11th Hour, said that Mother Antonia started the order a little more than a decade ago at the urging of diocesan leaders in Tijuana and that it was sanctioned by Archbishop Rafael Romo Muñoz. "Pleasure depends on where you are, who you are with, what you are eating," Mother Antonia told *The Post*. "Happiness is different. Happiness does not depend on where you are. I live in prison. And I have not had a day of depression in 25 years. I have been upset, angry. I have been sad. But never depressed. I have a reason for my being."

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS - The Sanctuary Candle, at the Sacred Heart site, burns in loving memory of Jessie Haggerty, on the 20th anniversary of his death, by wife and family. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the St. John's site in loving memory of Mary Prachick by niece Mary Ann Rendar.

WEEKLY OFFERING November 25th and November 26th - Adult Envelopes - \$2,580.25; Loose - \$310; Fuel - \$10; Student Offering - \$33.25; All Saints - \$5; Misc. - \$140; Thanksgiving - \$75- Total - \$3,148.50- Thank You!