

Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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January 1, 2017
Solemnity of Mary
The Holy Mother of God

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

Holy Masses:

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

Confessions:

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

Mass Intentions

January 2	<i>Sts. Basils the Great and Gregory Nazianzen</i> NO MASS
January 3	<i>Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>
8:00 AM	Margaret Matey (Req. Estate of Margaret Matey) - Church
January 4	<i>Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton</i>
8:00 AM	Margaret Hudak (Req. Family) - Church
January 5	<i>Saint John Neumann</i>
8:00 AM	Stanley, Rose & Pierre Pasierb (Req. Family) - Church
January 6	<i>St. Andre Bessette</i>
8:00 AM	Andrew Medva (Req. The Keri Family) - Church
January 7	<i>Vigil – Epiphany of the Lord</i>
4:00 PM	Pauline Bodnar (Req. C. J. Ferguson and family) - Church
January 8	<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>
8:00 AM	George Napora (Req. Bob & Donna Mulcahy)
10:30 AM	For the Parish (Missa Pro Populo) – Chapel

HOUSE BLESSING - In keeping with the venerable Eastern European custom, Father Aron is happy to come and bless homes around the Feast of the Epiphany. Even if you had your home blessed last year, Father Aron is still happy to come and bless it this year. Don't worry about cleaning your house, remember this is particular way of asking for Divine assistance, and is not about *Better Homes and Gardens*. If you wish to have your home blessed please phone the rectory to schedule a time.

A BETTER RESOLUTION THAN WHAT YOU HAD PLANNED - As the New Year approaches many of us will look forward with hope, convincing ourselves that "next year will be better." The past year may not have gone exactly as we had wanted and our original "New Year's Resolutions" may have only

endured to the middle of January. Whatever may be the case, we look forward to the future and have a glimmer of hope that our current situation will improve. While looking forward to what “could be” can keep our spirits up for the moment, a much deeper exercise that provides more nourishment to the soul consists of reviewing the entire year and being thankful for the many blessings (and crosses) that God has given us. This process allows a person to understand where they are and where God’s actions may be leading them. In other words, it is only in looking back that one can move forward. One way to reflect on the past year is to make a “Yearly Examen.” This practice is simply an extension of the “Daily Examen” that is a central part of Ignatian Spirituality. The Daily Examen is practice where an individual stops two times during the day (at midday and at the close of the day) to examine God’s activity and to recognize any faults or sins committed. St. Ignatius divided the Daily Examen into five parts and is often [described in this way...](#) Place yourself in God’s presence. Give thanks for God’s great love for you. Pray for the grace to understand how God is acting in your life. Review your day – recall specific moments and your feelings at the time. Reflect on what you did, said, or thought in those instances. Were you drawing closer to God, or further away? Look toward tomorrow – think of how you might collaborate more effectively with God’s plan. Be specific, and conclude with the “Our Father.” This is a beautiful exercise to practice daily and helps you understand how God is working in your life, while also being honest with your own mistakes and failures. It is also a positive way of recognizing your faults while being aware of the love and mercy of God. Besides making a Daily Examen, one can also look bigger and make a “Yearly Examen” that looks at the major events of the past year, looking forward to what you need to change in the New Year. Here is how it might look: After placing yourself in God’s presence, first give thanks to God for all the many blessings received during the past year. Pass through each month, remembering the blessings that occurred. Pray for the grace to understand God’s divine providence. Next, review each month again and take notice of any feelings or movements that occur in your heart while doing this activity. Whatever you may feel (whether it was a good feeling or bad feeling), ask God to help you understand why an event happened. Fourth, ask pardon for any sins you committed, trusting fully in God’s mercy. Last of all look forward to the New Year think of ways that you can collaborate more with God’s loving plan for your life. If we want to progress in 2017 in any way, we must not forget the past, but learn from it and accept everything that happened in light of God’s divine providence. By doing this, we can better move forward and do so in a spirit of collaboration, realizing that God is the one who is in control. In the end, if we are to remember one thing let us recall the words God said to the prophet Jeremiah: *“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart, I will be found by you, says the Lord.” (Jeremiah 29:11-14)*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 4 - St. Vincent DePaul Meeting - 7:00 PM Activity Center
January 6 - First Friday Adoration and Devotions - Sacred Heart - 6:00 PM
January 8 - Holy Name Corporate Communion (8:00 AM Mass) Meeting to follow - Activity Center
January 8 - Coffee and Doughnuts after 10:30 AM Mass - St. John Hall
January 8 - Social Committee Meeting - St. John Hall - 1:00 PM
January 9 - Society of Angels Meeting
January 10 - Finance Council Meeting - St. John Hall - 6:00 PM
January 15 - CCD Classes Resume
January 17 - Slovak Class - St. John Hall - 6:30 PM (Classes every Tuesday for 7 weeks)
January 25 - Knights of Columbus Meeting
January 29 - Painting Party - Activity Center - 2:00 PM
January 30 - Parish Council Meeting - St. John Hall - 6:30 PM
February 18-20 - CCD Trip to New York City
February 25 - Mardi Gras Party - Activity Center
March 1 - Ash Wednesday - Masses - Sacred Heart 8:00 AM, St. John 7:00 PM

MARDI GRAS PARTY - The parish will sponsor a Mardi Gras party on Saturday February 25th. While Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) is a celebration with Catholic roots, our celebration is way to say “THANK

YOU” to the dedicated parishioners of our parish. The evening will include festive food, drink, and dancing. Music will be provided by Krazy Kat Daddies, an oldies band that plays music from the 50s through the 80s. The event is free and open to parishioners and their guests. It is asked that all in attendance bring a covered dish. Childcare will be available downstairs. The meal begins at 6:00 PM with dancing from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM. If you would like to attend please call the rectory.

FLOWER PROJECT - Beginning this upcoming year the parish will begin a new project that will help to beautify our churches and at the same honor our deceased loved ones. Near the entrance at both churches there is a “Flower Chart” with Sunday dates listed from throughout the year (with the exception of Sundays that fall during penitential seasons and certain feasts). If you sign up for a particular date flowers will be delivered to the church where you signed the sheet for the specified weekend Masses and placed near the altar in honor of your designated loved ones. Once the weekend Mass/Masses are celebrated they can be removed and taken home (or left at the altar). The name of the loved one(s) will be listed in the bulletin. If you wish to sign up for flowers at the Sacred Heart site you will need to sign the sheet found at the entrance of the church. If you wish to sign up for flowers for the St. John site you will need to sign the sheet at the entrance of St. John’s. The cost of the flowers is \$30 for two arrangements and need to be paid for two weeks in advance. If you have any questions please contact the parish office.

COFFEE AND DONUTS -Next weekend there will be coffee and donuts available after the 10:30 AM Mass in the newly refreshed hall located in the St. John site undercroft. Please come by and see the improvements. Note: The hall will be available for events beginning January 15th.

CALENDARS - Church calendars for 2017 can be found in the rear vestibule of either worship site.

WELCOME FR. WHEN - Please offer a warm welcome to Father Tim Wehn, the celebrant for the 4:00 PM Vigil Mass this weekend while Fr. Aron is away celebrating two weddings. Many thanks to Fr. Wehn for his help!

CHURCH ENVELOPES - The offertory envelopes for 2017 can be found in the vestibule of either worship site. If you do not notice your name it may be at the other church - if the office made a mistake and missed your name please call and the situation will be happily rectified. Please note that the envelope inventory has been greatly simplified for 2017, thank you for your continued generosity.

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS - The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Church in loving memory of Patsy Magnone by wife Sue, children and grandchildren. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Chapel in loving memory of Knapp, Galish, and Pollock families by Thesera, and Marie.

WEEKLY OFFERING: December 24th and December 25th - Adult Envelopes - \$2,730.50. - Students \$32. ; Loose Change \$1,015 - Parish Expense \$780. - Building Fund - \$10 - Fuel - \$100. Immaculate Conception - \$5; Christmas - \$5,566; Student Christmas - \$50. Total \$10,288.50. Thank You!

PRAYER LIST - Jennie Sielczak, Frank Murawski, Constance Gruca, Lillian Koleszarik, Marie Metsker, Chris Burella, Sandy Wechtenhiser, Ethan Rohlf, Rachel Moslak, Ann Guyer, Lydia Wechtenhiser, Alice Zelenski, Shirley Taylor, Carol Hancharik, Kay Hintosh, Charlie Field Jr., David P. Bonus, Lauren Barnes, Andrew Straka, Joe Zeigler, Fern Lasut, Debra Farley, Agnes Palya, Roger Black, Trish Rullo, Mike Stefanik, William Kulback, Madeline Stanzione, Ann Krishak, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Margie Kulback, Ron Rayman, Tom Hudak, Quincy Oglie, Charles Field Sr., Ron Delasko, Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Mary Jeschonek, Patty Barnes, Madelain Mauger, Sue Frank, Caroline Amato, Richard Birely, Joseph Shelko, John Sprock, Shirley Roman, Catherine Zelenski, Mary Ethel Sanzo, Leon Bonus, Joyce Delasko, Michael Edward Knapp, Nick Wallace, Howard Baldwin, Steve Fedorko, Larry Krestar

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE -

January 6 Church	4:00 PM	C., T., & M. Mabon
January 7 Church	8:00 AM	K. Koleszarik, D. Zelenski, J. Bihun
January 7 Chapel	10:30 AM	C. Galish, M. Moslak, J. Hammer

SLOVAK CLASSES - The parish will be sponsoring a seven week class on Slovak culture and language every Tuesday night beginning January 17. The classes are free and open to anyone who is interested in all things Slovak (and is serious about sticking with the class until finished). Topics include basic language, history, culture, food (including a class on making real potato haluski/kapustove - as opposed to the noodles which aren't actually haluski), and Slovak emigration/American Slovaks. The classes will be taught by Dennis Ragan, an expert on Slovak

culture. If you are a Slovak, or are sincerely interested in Slovak culture, please call Fr. Aron to sign up by January 5th.

PAINT AND SIP - The social committee will be hosting a “Paint and Sip” event for anyone who is interested on Sunday January 29th. Artist Natalie Cheek will assist those present paint a picture while all present enjoy wine and conversation. No experience needed! The cost is \$30 per person and includes materials, paint, wine, and food. The event begins at 2:00 PM and is a great way to spend an afternoon in the midst of the winter doldrums.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS - First Friday adoration and devotions will be at 6:00 PM Friday at the Sacred Heart site. All are welcome to attend the devotions that include a holy hour and Benediction.
