

# Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi – Pastor

## Rectory Office

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November 4, 2018

Thirty-First Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

## 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) 8:00 AM

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

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## Mass Intentions

November 5	<i>Weekday</i> <b>NO MASS</b>
November 6	<i>Weekday</i> <b>NO MASS</b>
November 7	<i>Weekday</i> <b>NO MASS</b>
November 8	<i>Weekday</i> 8:00 AM Ed Ference (Uncle) (Req. Lisa and John Wroblewski) - Church
November 9	<i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i> 8:00 AM Margaret Matey (Req. Estate of Margaret Matey)- Church
November 10	<i>Vigil of the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 4:00 PM Andrew Mauger (Req. Wife Madelain & Family) - Church
November 11	<i>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 AM David G. Bonus (Req. daughter Joni) - Church 10:30 AM For the Parish (Missa Pro Populo) - Chapel

**FROM ST. IGNATIUS – DISCERNMENT AND CONSOLATION** – TV game shows require contestants to make quick decisions that have “significant” consequences—get it right and win a million dollars; get it wrong and go home empty-handed. In real life, few of our decisions carry that same kind of drama; however, many of them are indeed very significant. Luckily, we usually have more than a few seconds to make most of our significant decisions in life. One of the things we can do with the time we have before making a decision is to practice discernment. In the Ignatian tradition (coming from the writings of St. Ignatius Loyola), discernment involves two key words: *consolation* and *desolation*. In her book, *The Inner Compass*, Margaret Silf provides an excellent description of the role these two words play in our process of discernment. What do we mean when we talk of consolation and desolation? We are really only talking about our orientation, and the bottom line is this: which direction is our life taking us—toward God [consolation] or away from him [desolation]?

Desolation

- turns us in on ourselves
- drives us down the spiral ever deeper into our own negative feelings

- cuts us off from community
- makes us want to give up on things that used to be important to us
- takes over our whole consciousness and crowds out our distant vision
- covers up all our landmarks
- drains us of energy

#### Consolation

- directs our focus outside and beyond ourselves
- lifts our hearts so that we can see the joys and sorrows of other people
- bonds us more closely to our human community
- generates new inspiration and ideas
- restores balance and refreshes our inner vision
- shows us where God is active in our lives and where he is leading us
- releases new energy in us

#### What to do...

##### *In Desolation:*

- Tell God how you feel and ask for help.
- Seek out companionship.
- Don't go back on decisions you made in consolation.
- Stand still and remember your inner map.
- Recall a time of consolation, and go back to it in imagination.
- Look for someone who needs your help, and turn your attention toward them.
- Go back to 1.

##### *In Consolation:*

- Tell God how you feel and thank him.
- Store this moment in your memory to return to when things get tough.
- Add this experience to your life map.
- Use the energy you feel to further your deepest desires.
- Let the surplus energy fuel the things you don't like doing, and do them.
- Go back to 1.

**MY CHILDREN LEFT THE CHURCH - WHAT CAN I REALLY DO ABOUT IT?** - Catholic writer Anthony Destafano offers some thoughts about how to deal with a disconcerting development in the American religious landscape, the growth of the “nones” or religiously unaffiliated. This group makes up a very large proportion of younger people, people who are our children, grandchildren, and even Godchildren. His words follow - The “religiously unaffiliated” - also known as the “nones” - is now the second largest “religious group” in the U.S, making up almost a quarter of the population. Here are three ways Catholics can fight against the phenomenon of increasing “nones.”

#### **1 • Be a REAL Catholic**

In the final analysis, the only reason atheism is thriving in the U.S. and Europe today is because “believers” allow it. Not the true believers— not the ones whose belief is reflected in their behavior—but rather, the ones for whom God has little or no relevance in life. These are the “Cafeteria Catholics,” who pick and choose the tenets of faith that are easiest to follow; and the ones who end up promoting values just as secular as those of the culture. These folks are essentially “functional atheists,” and it is partly because of them that “nones” have flourished in recent decades. They’ve given atheists so much breathing space and nourishment that it’s been possible for them to increase their ranks and spread like a plague to every segment of western society.

#### **2 • Be a knowledgeable Catholic**

Atheism is a bankrupt belief system—and Catholics need to understand and articulate why. What “nones” don’t seem to know is that the greatest contributions to civilization have been made by *believers*. Aristotle, Bacon, Da Vinci, and Newton all believed in God. So did the fathers of chemistry, brain surgery, and rocket science. Even the Big Bang Theory was proposed by Fr. George Lemaitre, an astronomer and Catholic priest! And the father of genetics—which provides the basis for the whole theory of evolution—was Gregor Mendel, an Augustinian monk! Atheists all fall into the same logical fallacy known as “scientism” - the belief that all knowledge must be scientific in nature. They think that everything in life has a *purely material* basis; that all thoughts, dreams, emotions, philosophies, and arts are purely the result of the movement of molecules. That’s not science—it’s superstition. Ironically, atheists make a whole slew of assumptions that can’t be proven scientifically. For instance, they believe that the incredibly complex universe—a universe of unparalleled beauty, harmony, and order—came about all by itself, out of nothing; that organization came out of chaos, life came out of lifelessness, consciousness came out of non-consciousness. None of these beliefs can be shown empirically. None of them make sense! Atheists must be called out on this.

### **3 • Be a confident Catholic**

All people are attracted to certitude. It's time Catholics started acting like they were sure of their faith, instead of behaving as if they were ashamed of it. We are the religion of scholarship, artistic achievement, and true science. We are the religion of peace. Atheism, on the contrary, has been responsible for more death, carnage, and persecution than any system of beliefs the world has ever known. In the last 100 years alone, atheist regimes – including those of Stalin, Mao, Hitler, and Pol Pot – have killed over 150 million people. Moreover, atheists are driving this frightening culture of death—a culture in which up to 50 million abortions take place annually, and euthanasia and assisted suicide are becoming routine worldwide.

**IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY** - In the event of an emergency where you need a priest please contact Fr. Karl at Holy Family Rectory in Hooversville (798-2933) the rectory at St. Anthony's in Windber (467-7292), or the Capuchin Friary in New Baltimore (733-2210). In the event of a funeral please know that Fr. Brian Warchola has kindly agreed to cover all funerals at our parish. You can reach him at 495-9640.

**ALL SAINTS PARISH ANNUAL ELECTION DAY**, Spaghetti Lunch/Dinner, Tuesday, November 6. Lunch - 11 am - 1 pm; dinner 4-7 pm. Take-outs available. \$8 for adults & \$4 for children (10 & under). All Saints Parish Hall - Center St., Boswell. Also included - raffles for chances to win: 50/50, Filled Baskets, Silent Auction.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS** - The Sanctuary Candle burns at the Sacred Heart site in loving memory of Fr. Dan Kubala by friends and classmates.

**YOUR DREAMS CAME TRUE** - Fr. Aron will be away for several weeks in Europe visiting a number of different locations. You are more than welcome to friend him on Facebook in the event that you are bored and want to keep up on his travels. If you wish to contact him please email him at [maganudo@yahoo.com](mailto:maganudo@yahoo.com) or phone the Rectory and leave your number.

**WELCOME FRANCISCAN FATHERS** - Many thanks are extended our substitute priest who is a Franciscan Friar (Third Order Regular) from Loretto and is substituting for Fr. Aron this weekend. Please offer Father Terry Adams a warm welcome this weekend.

**BON VOYAGE** - This week we bid farewell to our pilgrims who are headed to the "Eternal City," Rome. Please keep them in your prayers that they return refreshed and with a faith that seeks greater understanding.

**PRAYER LIST** - Jennie Sielczak, Constance Gruca, 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, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Tom Hudak, Quincy Oglie, Charles Field Sr., Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Sue Frank, Caroline Amato, Shirley Roman, Mary Ethel Sanzo, Larry Krestar, Andrew Muha, Andrea Sesack, Ricky Gerena, Shelly Delasko, Lionel Berkebile, Mary-Ann Sgavoo, Mary Ann Naret, Barry Stuft, John Harchick Jr., Izzy Bihum, Jeff Yanosky, Mary Clark, Rhonda Bittner, Dave Andolina, Mary Ann Stavlo, Jeff Naugle, Debra Farley, Eugene Topka, Carla Ayres, Zoe Taylor, Rodney Shaffer, Casey Duffield, Mike Stefanik, Georgianne Matava, Rose Maga, Michelle Moore, William Sunderhaus, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, Amanda Berkey, Danielle Christopher, Jessica Stockdill, Catherine Haggerty, Nancy McClellan, Tony Beltz, Mary Dooley, Betty Zubek, Catherine Mihelic, Elizabeth Blackburn, Rose Sprock, Helen Elko, Vince Skimski, Jennifer Jarvis, Betty Lou Miller, Catherine Kosnosky

**WEEKLY OFFERING** - October 27<sup>th</sup> & October 28<sup>th</sup> - Adults - \$2226.50; Loose - \$98; Student - \$36.50; Fuel - \$25; All Souls Day - \$170; Miscellaneous - \$225; All Saints - \$15; Immaculate Conception - \$5; Christmas - \$25; Thanksgiving - \$25; Students All Saints - \$5.00 - \$2,856 Thank You!

#### **SERVER SCHEDULE**

November 10- 4:00 PM - E. & M. Rapsky

November 11 - 8:00 AM - K. Koleszarik, D. Zelenski, T. Tomlinson

November 11- 10:30 AM - C. & L. Galish

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED** - There will be a free Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings at the Central City borough building on November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Sign up at the borough office or call 754-8290. If you wish to donate for this community event please make your check payable to Amy Yock AND Bobbie Lafferty and send it to 314 Central Avenue, Suite 201, Central City. Mark your envelope Thanksgiving Dinner.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS -**

November 7 - St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - 7:00 PM - Activity Center

**DAILY MASS** - Weekday Masses will be celebrated on Thursday and Friday of each week at the Sacred Heart Site by Fr. Sylvester Bendzella. Mass begins at 8:00 AM

**BASKET BONANZA** - The Ladies Auxiliary of Resurrection Parish in Johnstown will be sponsoring a basket party on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> at Christ the Savior Hall (307 Garfield Street - West End Johnstown) with the doors

opening at 12:30 PM. The cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch and 25 chances. For tickets please call the parish office at 539-5788, ext 3 and ask for Joann.

**THANKSGIVING TURKEY VOUCHERS** - Our parish St. Vincent DePaul conference is in need of funds to help with Thanksgiving turkey vouchers for the needed in our community. Funds from their monthly second collection will be used for their annual turkey voucher distribution - please be generous.

**FLOWER MEMORIALS** - This weekend there will be flowers placed at the Sacred Heart site in honor of the Kovak and Fusina families by Family. There will also be flowers at Sacred Heart site in honor of Fr. Dan Kubala by friends and classmates.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HER** - Our parish family offers our deepest sympathy and prayerful condolences to the family of our parishioner Lillian Koleszarik who died and was buried from our parish this past week. She was a member of the former Sacred Heart of Jesus Choir, Rosary Society and Ladies Guild. Lil was deeply devoted to our Blessed Mother. Please keep Lillian, as well as her family, in your prayers. May she rest in peace.