Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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Rectory Office

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Baptism of The Lord

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

Mass Intentions

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January 14	Weekday in Ordinary Time
	NO MASS
January 15	Weekday
	NO MASS
January 16	Weekday
8:00 AM	Anthony Criscuolo 30 Day Rem Months Mind (Req. Carol & Godchild Annette)-Chapel
January 17	Saint Anthony
	NO MASS
January 18	Weekday
	NO MASS
January 19	Vigil - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM	Catherine Zelenski (Req. Bob & Donna Mulcahy) - Church
January 20	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Francis & Eleanor Kovak (Req. Family) - Church
10:30 AM	For the Parish (Missa Pro Populo) - Chapel

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS - The Sanctuary Candle burns at Sacred Heart site as a Birthday Remembrance for John and Kathryn Rendar by daughters Mary Ann and Caroline and family. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the St. John's site for the deceased enrollees of the Father Pilz Memorial Fund.

SOCIETY OF ANGELS - The Society of Angels will meet on January 14 at 6:30 PM in the Activity Center.

CCD CLASSES - Please note that CCD classes begin this weekend.

TAKING DOWN THE DECORATIONS - Anyone wishing to help Jenny Novak and the Holy Name Society take down decorations should be present at the Sacred Heart site today (Sunday) at 10:30 AM.

HOUSE BLESSINGS - If you wish to have your home blessed in the time after Epiphany (as is the Polish and Slovak custom) please phone the rectory to set up a time.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS - If you wish to have a copy of your Church contribution statement for 2018 please phone the rectory to obtain a copy. Thank you for your generosity.

SNOW TUBING FORMS - If your child will participate in the Snow Tubing event two weeks from today (Sunday January 27th) please note that the deadline for the permission slips and the liability forms is January 20th. Please make sure the form is returned promptly.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST - The monthly All You Can Eat Breakfast is next Sunday from 8:30 AM until 11:00 AM. Please mark your calendar and invite a friend.

SPORTSMEN RAFFLE - The tickets for the Sportsmen Raffle (to be held on 2/10/19) are now on sale to parishioners (before the general public); please don't complain if you don't get a ticket.

SERVER SCHEDULE -

January 19-4:00 PM C. Mauger, E. & M. Rapsky

January 20 – 8:00 AM K. Kolsezarik, T. Tomlinson, D. Zelinski

January 20 - 10:30 AM C. & L. Galish, J. Eger

MOST IMPORTANT DAY OF YOUR LIFE - Catholic writer George Weigel offers these thoughts about the importance of our day of baptism. - During talks around the country in recent years, I've been asking Catholic audiences how many of those present know the date of their baptism. The high-end response is a little under 10 percent. The average is about 2 to 3 percent. This, brethren, is a problem. You know your birthday. You know (or you'd better know, gentlemen) your wedding anniversary. You know your children's birthdays. So why don't you know the date when you became a friend and companion of the Lord Jesus Christ—the most important day of your life? I started thinking about this some thirty years ago, when I began working with evangelical Protestants on religious freedom and pro-life issues. ("Religious

freedom" in that innocent age meant prying "dissident" Christians and Jews out of the clutches of the KGB, not trying to keep the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from bullying the Little Sisters of the Poor.) And I discovered that these folks had an interesting way of introducing themselves at meetings. Throw a dozen Americans, unknown to each other, together, and the normal way of letting people know who you are is by saying what you do: "I'm Jane Smith and I'm a pediatrician." Or "I'm John Jones and I work for Microsoft." That's not how my new acquaintances identified themselves, however. They'd say, "I'm Jane Smith and I was born again on" such-and-such a date, usually a few years back, when Jane would obviously have been an adult. "I'm John Jones and I was born again on." And so forth and so on. When the introductions came around to me, I would say, "I'm George Weigel and I was born again on April 29, 1951—at which point I was precisely twelve days old." It was a shock to some, but it did get a few interesting conversations about sacramental theology going.

Then, when I was working on the first volume of my John Paul II biography, *Witness to Hope*, I had to describe the Pope's visit to his home town, Wadowice, during his first papal pilgrimage to Poland in June 1979. He of course went to the church he had known as a boy; but what did he do when he got there? He went straight to the baptismal font, knelt, and kissed it. Why? Because St. John Paul knew that the most important day of his life was the day of his baptism: not the day he was ordained a priest, or consecrated a bishop, or elected pope. The day of his baptism was, literally, the font from which everything else in his life flowed.

And that's not just true of saints. It ought to be true of each of us. Because on the day we were baptized—as infants or teenagers or adults—we became friends of the Lord Jesus Christ *and* we received a missionary commission: we were commissioned to "Go . . . and make disciples of all nations . . . teaching them all that I have commanded you." That instruction in Matthew 28.19-20

was not just addressed to a ragtag band of eleven men from the cultural and political fringes of the Roman Empire. It was addressed to you, and to me, and to everyone else in the Church, on the day of our baptism. So after my little quiz, I suggest to my audiences that they go home that night, dig out the file where they keep the "Catholic paper," look up the date of their baptism, memorize it—and then celebrate it every year. Having done this for years, I now find out that there are special graces to be obtained from partying on the date of your baptism: a plenary indulgence may be obtained on the anniversary of baptism by renewing your baptismal promises "according to the approved formula." Which every Catholic ought to know from the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday Mass, when we renew our baptismal promises as a community. Owning your baptism is the precondition to being a member of that "Church permanently in mission" which Pope Francis calls us to be. So own it, celebrate it—and then put that renewal of grace to use in inviting others to become friends of the Lord Jesus Christ.

SCHEDULE CHANGES - Please note that daily Mass will only be celebrated on Wednesday of this week. After this week Masses will be offered on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:00 AM. Fr. Aron was asked to work a twelve hour day at the prison on Thursday in order to address a contract concern. Thank you for understanding the change.

MARCH FOR LIFE - Please prayerfully consider attending the March for Life this Friday (January 18th). There is a bus leaving from Windber that will go to Washington and return on the same day. It is exceptionally important that we offer a strong Pro-Life witness in these times. Anyone from the parish may attend for free. Please contact Fr. Aron with any questions.

PRAYER LIST - Jennie Sielczak, Constance Gruca, Marie Metsker, Sandy Wechtenhiser, Ethan Rohlf, Rachel Moslak, Ann Guyer, Alice Zelenski, Shirley Taylor, Kay Hintosh, Charlie Field Jr., David P. Bonus, Andrew Straka, Fern Lasut, Agnes Palya, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Quincy Ogline, Charles Field Sr., Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Caroline Amato, Shirley Roman, Mary Ethel Sanzo, Larry Krestar, Andrea Sesack, Ricky Gerena, Lionel Berkebile, Mary-Ann Sgavoo, John Harchick Jr., Izzy Bihun, Jeff Yanosky, Mary Clark, Rhonda Bittner, Lauren Barnes, Dave Andolina, Mary Ann Stavlo, Jeff Naugle, Debra Farley, Eugene Topka, Carla Ayres, Zoe Taylor, Rodney Shaffer, Casey Duffield, Mike Stefanik, Georgianne Matava, Michelle Moore, William Sunderhaus, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, Danielle Christopher, Nancy McClellan, Tony Beltz, Betty Zubek, Catherine Mihelic, Elizabeth Blackburn, Helen Elko, Vince Skimski, Jennifer Jarvis, Betty Lou Miller, Catherine Kosnosky,, Deborah Knapp, Lavonne Ross, Patty Foltz, Butchie Navalaney, Amy Zimmerman, Dave Kurtz, Ian Rosenbaum, Easton Pritts, Joyce Reitz, Stanley Tomaszewski, Cindy Hillegass, Tom Hudak, Mike George, John Vatavuk, Jr.

WEEKLY OFFERING January 5th and January 6th - Adults - \$3,121.50; Loose - \$210 - Student - \$25.50; Fuel - \$236; Christmas - \$30; Immaculate Conception - \$5; Initial Payment; - \$198 Solemnity of Mary - \$169; Miscellaneous - \$250.00; Thanksgiving - \$10 Total - \$4,255 Thank You!

A NIGHT AT THE RACES - Tickets are on sale for our Night at the Races event on January 19th. If you have never been to a Night at the Races you don't know what you are missing. Patrons will be treated to a catered dinner of Chicken Cordon-Bleu and Roast Beef. Following dinner (soft drinks and beer included) the excitement commences as the horse race portion of the evening begins. Each ticket entitles the bearer to name their horse. A video horse race is played where a race track announcer reads the name of the horses as they run the track. If your horse wins, you win money. If the horse you bet on wins, you win money. It can be a very profitable evening and a celebration of food, drink and gaming. The event begins at the activity center with dinner at 6:00 PM with the races starting at 7:00 PM. Tickets are on sale now at the rectory and are \$50 for a 2 person ticket (straightforward, this means the ticket is good for 2

people, you and a friend), or \$30 for a single ticket. Each ticket gets to name a thoroughbred and win cash if the horse bests his opponents.

PORKETTES FOR THE SUPERBOWL - In keeping with their Italian heritage, St. Anthony parish in Windber is selling porkettes on Saturday February 2nd from 9:00 AM until Noon in their church hall. The porkettes are \$4.00 each and must be ordered by January 25th. To order call 467-7292.