

Queen of Angels

All Saints Parish

Pastor - Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi - Administrator

Rectory Office -814-754-5224

738 Sunshine Avenue
Central City, PA 15926

Mon & Thurs 12-6; Tue & Fri 9-2

Worship Sites

Church (Sacred Heart)

738 Sunshine Avenue

Chapel (St. John)

162 Wheeler Street

January 3, 2021

Feast of the Epiphany

Confessions

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Mass Intentions

January 4 – Monday

OLQA Chapel Central City
All Saints Boswell

Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Noon STEVE & MIKE SVACH (Req. Jim Yelowich)

8:05 AM Rosary / **8:30AM** *Rite of Distribution of Communion Outside Mass*

January 5 – Tuesday

All Saints Boswell

Memorial of St. John Nepomucene Neumann – NO MASS

8:05 AM Rosary / **8:30AM** *Rite of Distribution of Communion Outside Mass*

January 6 – Wednesday

All Saints Boswell

Memorial of St. Andre Besette

5:30-6:30 PM -- Pro-Life Holy Hour /

6:30PM HELEN & MIKE PELESKY (Req. Family)

January 7 – Thursday

All Saints Boswell
St. Anne's Davidsville

Thursday after Epiphany

8:05 AM Rosary / **8:30AM** *Rite of Distribution of Communion Outside Mass*

Noon

January 8 – Friday

All Saints Boswell
OLQA Chapel Central City

Friday after Epiphany

8:05 AM Rosary / **8:30AM** *Rite of Distribution of Communion Outside Mass*

8:00AM MARY FERKO (Req. Barbara & Michael Warmus)

January 9 – Saturday

OLQA Church Central City
St. Anne's Davidsville
All Saints Boswell

VIGIL OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

4:00PM AGNES PALYA (Req. Society of Angels)

4:00PM DON & MARY BLOUGH (Req. Children & Grandchildren)

6:00PM PAROCHIAL INTENTION MISSA PRO POPULO

January 10 – Sunday

OLQA Church Central City
St. Anne's Davidsville
OLQA Chapel Central City
All Saints Boswell

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8:00AM ROSE KOVAK (Req. Family)

8:30AM EDMOND PETE PALKO (Req. Andrew & Christine Kentula)

10:30AM PAT CARVER FLEEGLE (Req. Deanna Will)

10:30AM MARY PUGH (Req. Larry & Jackie Orlandi)

CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER - Schedule for private prayer:

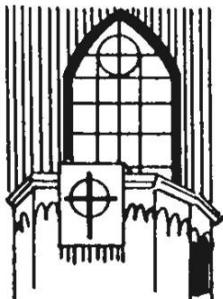
Our Lady Queen of Angels: Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM - Church

All Saint's Boswell: Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM until NOON

CONFESSION

Our Lady Queen of Angels: Sunday 1:00 PM - Chapel

All Saint's Boswell: Sunday 4:00 PM



From Father Aron

Why did the Magi set off from afar to go to Bethlehem? The answer has to do with the mystery of the "star" which they saw "in the East", and which they recognized as the star of the "King of the Jews", that is to say the sign of the birth of the Messiah (Mt. 2:2). So their journey was inspired by a powerful hope, strengthened and guided by the star, which led them toward the King of the Jews, toward the kingship of God himself. The Magi set out because of a deep desire which prompted them to leave everything and begin a journey. It was as though they had always been waiting for that star. It was as if the journey had always been a part of their destiny, and was finally about to begin. This is the mystery of God's call, the mystery of vocation. It is part of the life of every Christian... When the Magi came to Bethlehem, "going into the house they saw the child with Mary his Mother, and they fell down and worshipped him" (Mt 2:11). Here at last was the long awaited moment - their encounter with Jesus. "Going into the house": this house in some sense represents the Church. In order to find the Savior, one has to enter the house, which is the Church... "They fell down and worshipped him... and offered him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh" (Mt 2:11-12). Here is the culmination of the whole journey: encounter becomes adoration; it blossoms into an act of faith and love which acknowledges in Jesus, born of Mary, the Son of God and man... The secret of holiness is friendship with Christ and faithful obedience to His will. -Pope Benedict XVI

In giving the infant Jesus gold and frankincense, the Magi evoke Isaiah 60:3, 6 in which Gentile nations bring these gifts to the God of Israel (see also Tobit 13:11, Psalms 72:10-15). In addition, myrrh is an oil that was used to consecrate levitical priests and the wilderness tabernacle, the forerunner to the temple in Jerusalem (Ex. 30:23-33). Myrrh was also used as a burial ointment.

There are also the spiritual senses of Scripture (see the *Catechism* 115-19). In the allegorical or christological sense, St. Irenaeus says that the gifts signify the mystery of the Incarnate Word (God who has become man): gold, a symbol of royalty, represents his kingship; frankincense, used in worship, points to his divinity; and myrrh represents his humanity, particularly in his passion and death (*Against Heresies*, 3, 9, 2).

One could also argue that the myrrh signifies that Jesus is also a priest, in fact the definitive high priest who fulfills the Old Covenant levitical priesthood with his superior Melchizedekian New Covenant (see Heb. 5-7); it also indicates that he is the new Temple (see John 2:18-22).

In the moral sense, i.e., how we are to live, Pope St. Gregory the Great says in his *Homilies on the Gospels* (10) that the three items represent gifts that we are to present to God in our daily lives: gold is Christ's wisdom, which is to shine in our lives; frankincense is the prayer and adoration we are to give him (see Rev. 8:3-4); and myrrh is our daily self-sacrifices to the Lord (see Matt. 39; Rom. 12:1).

BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST: If you've struggled to read the Bible, you may want to consider a new podcast from Fr. Mike Schmitz. Produced by Ascension Press, the Bible in a Year Podcast guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2021. Each 20-25 minute episode includes two or three scripture readings, a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz, and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his holy Word. Unlike any other Bible podcast, the Bible in a Year Podcast for Catholics follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure Bible Timeline learning system, a groundbreaking approach to understanding Salvation. Tune in and live your daily life through the lens of God's word! To sign up please google **BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST AT ASCENSION PRESS**.

FAITH lit a candle in the night and set it for my soul to see, HOPE whispered courage to my heart and shod my feet and girded me; but it was LOVE that showed the way that held my hand and walked with me. M.M.C (Poor Clare Colletine)

SOUP AND LESSONS - Resumes after the Noon Mass at St John's on JANUARY 11th.

Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

K of C BLOOD DRIVE - The Central City Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive with the American Red Cross. The drive will be held at the St. John's chapel on Wednesday, January 6th from 12:30 PM until 6:00 PM. Your support is welcome and critical to providing a stable and sufficient blood supply for your community! You can schedule now at www.redcross.org.

NEW RAFFLE TICKET - Since current restrictions prevent us from having our annual spring Sportsmen Raffle the parish will be sponsoring another ticket that will go off from February 1st through February 16th (Fat Tuesday). The ticket has a wide array of great prizes - high end firearms (some of which are worth over \$2,000), four half hogs cut to your specifications all with a deep freezer included, \$1,000 cash prize, and much more. The tickets go a long way to help supplement the parish offertory which has been affected due to the pandemic. The tickets are \$25.00 each with the numbers based on the Pennsylvania Daily Number (evening drawing). Please consider offering these tickets to interested parties among your family and friends. Parishioners will be given a first chance on the tickets (you may take as many as you wish to sell) starting this weekend, January 4th. To order tickets or for more details please phone the rectory 754-5224. For every twenty-five tickets sold a seller will get a chance to win the 000 ticket. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

CARE & COMFORT DONATIONS - The Care and Comfort Ministry of Our Lady Queen of Angels is asking all parishioners for monetary donations to help purchase yarn for blankets for special occasions (confirmation (all 3 parishes), graduation, baptism, etc.). Donations can be put in an envelope marked C & C and put in the donation box at Mass. Donations of yarn are also accepted. Please contact the rectory office if you have any questions. 841-754-5224. Thank you so much for your generosity!

PRAYER LIST - Please call the rectory with any changes or additions. Kay Hintosh, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, David Stockdill, Tina Udet, Patty Foltz, Connie Gruca, Amy Thomas Georg, Betsy Paolucci, Areile Adomnik, Charles Field, Todd Diorio, Denne Osman, Addison Zearfaus, Pam Kacmarski, Tom Schall, Howard Rose, David P. Bonus, Henry Sprock, Connie Criscuolo, Hunter Slater, Nancy Deneen, Stephen A. Haydu, Andrea Sesack, Lyle Spearo, Gerald "Curly" Mains, Tom Hudak, Mary Jane O'Brien, Rose Maga, Geneviene Berezonsky, Paula Spontak, Sophia Vincent, Mickey Kacmarski, Victor Foltz, Susan Custer, Gary Norris, Kyler Wilson, Daniel Gowaty, Jeanne Cuppett, Chris Paul, Daniel Gowaty, Jeanne Cuppett, Annette Grosshans, Amy Jones, Shirley Roman, Margaret Mauger.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES - Offertory envelopes are available for families registered at the parish and can be found on the back tables at each site. If you cannot find your envelope box or did not receive one please phone the rectory so that we can take care of getting a box for you.

Flower intentions: Sacred Heart - Francis & Eleanor Kovak by Family

St. John's Sanctuary Candle - Steve & Agnes Palya by Steve & Amy Palya & Jerry & Bernadette Miller.

All Saints Parish

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on Friday, January 8. Deacon Jay will also make First Friday calls on Friday, January 8.

Thank you to Nancy Pyle and her decorating team who volunteered their time and "decorating expertise" to decorate our Church for Christmas. A beautiful job well done!!

We are asking for volunteers to join us on Sunday, January 10, after the 10:30 am Mass, to remove the Christmas decorations. If you are able to help us, we would appreciate any amount of time you can spend with us!

Candles Week of January 3:

Sacred Heart Candle - In Memory of Glenn Lintz from Cecelia & Garuy Lintz

Blessed Mother Candle - In Memory of Teresa Fritz from Walt Ryniak

Divine Mercy Candle - In Memory of Stanley and Thelma Kowalczyk from Nieces

Infant Jesus Candle - In Memory of all the unborn lost to abortion this week.

St. Stanislaus Candle - Special Intention to End Cruelties and Injustices to Human Life Worldwide.

Statue Hosts for Month of January:

Pilgrim Madonna Hosts: Jan 3-10 - M/M Robert Brown; Jan 10-17 - Mrs. Victoria Baraniak; Jan 17-24 - Mr. Michael Kerch; Jan 24-31 - Mrs. Anita Krupa; Jan 31 - Feb 7 - M/M John Nichols

Infant Jesus Hosts: Jan 3-10 - Mrs. Caroline Baird; Jan 10-17 - Mrs. Mary Pelesky; Jan 17-24 - M/M Christopher Maurer; Jan 24-31 - Mrs. Josephine Gibson; Jan 31 - Feb 7 - M/M Florian Tomkowski

St. Anthony Hosts: Jan 3-10 - M/M Christopher Maurer; Jan 10-17 - Mrs. Gloria Dedik; Jan 17-24 - Ms. Patricia Jarosick; Jan 24-31 - Mrs. Judy Scrimager; Jan 31 - Feb 7 - Mrs. Sherry Dzerski

PRAYER LIST - Please call the rectory (814-754-5224) with any changes or additions. After one month names will be removed unless otherwise requested. Dave; (Special Intention) LSH; Karen Ryan; Taylon Cook; Kathleen Lisbon; Trisha Barron; Andrew Straka; Patricia (Lepley) Hanes; Areia Paruch; Fr. James Dugan; Jeanette Taylor; Donna Updyke; Janice Tasin; Carmen Perigo; Ernie & Gloria Stern; Patty Tedjeske; Joseph Caldron, Sr.; Mrs. Patricia Turillo; Mary Ann Stern; Becky Lepley; Theresa Reckner; Peggy Baer; Brian Borosky; Barbara Farris; Kristy Ewing; Kathy Wojnarowski, Jerry Stern, Toni Kiss; Jennifer; Karla Enzweiler; Sharon Harper; Pam Reckner; Aaron Whigham; Kyle Coddington; Michele Good; Kathy Libson; Evelyn Sullivan; Lorraine Oakman; Patty Jarosick; Patty Tedjeske; Cathy Tedjesek; Erma Mayak; Matthew Bailey; Greg Pacifico, Ric Smith, Rosanna Weil.