Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

Reverend Father Aron M. Maghsoudi - Pastor

Rectory Office

738 Sunshine Avenue Central City, PA 15926 814-754-5224 May 13, 2018 Seventh Sunday of Easter **Mother's Day**

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

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

Mass Intentions

May 14	<i>Saint Mathias Apostle</i>	
8:00 AM	Verna Chappell, 30 Day Remembrance, Month's Mind (Req. Henry & Marion) - Chapel	
May 15	Saint Isidore NO MASS	
May 16	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	
8:00 AM	Mary Bonfanti (Req. Susan and Tania) - Chapel	
May 17	<i>Easter Weekday</i>	
8:00 AM	George Napora (Joe Sanzo & Family) – Chapel	
May 18	Easter Weekday NO MASS	
May 19	<i>Vigil of Pentecost</i>	
4:00 PM	Ray & Tillie Pasierb (Req. Pysnik Family) - Church	
May 20	<i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	
8:00 AM	Evelyn Saylor, 30 Day Rem., Month's Mind (Req. Cecilia & Stanley) - Church	
10:30 AM	For the Parish (Missa Populo) – Chapel	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS -

May 13 - May Crowning - 8:00 AM Mass - Sacred Heart

May 13 - Holy Name Corporate Communion - 8:00 AM Mass - Sacred Heart

May 13 - Mother's Day Breakfast - 9:00 AM - Noon - St. John Site

May 14 – Society of Angels Meeting – 6:30 PM – Activity Center

May 19-20 - Fr. Aron at New Baltimore, Benedictine Priest to Cover Masses

May 20 - Religious Education Committee Meeting - 5:30 PM - Activity Center

May 20 - Parish Council 6:30 PM - Activity Center

May 23 - K of C Meeting - 7:00 PM - St. John's

PARISH BUS TRIP - A GREAT EVENING GET AWAY - Our parish will be sponsoring an evening at the theater with dinner and Mass on Saturday July 14th. Traveling via Bollman motor coach we will travel to St. Vincent College for their Summer Theater's performance of Nunsense, a musical comedy that is the second-longest-running Off-Broadway show in history. Now in their 50th season, St. Vincent Summer Theater is composed of an all-star cast of some of New York and Pittsburgh's greatest professional stage performers. Departing at 3:15 PM from St. John's parking lot, the motor coach will first stop at the newly restored Holy Family Church in Latrobe for their 4:30 PM Mass (fulfills obligation). The historic church was lovingly restored last year to its former glory after a dramatic renovation in the 1960s removed much of its art. Following Mass will be treated to dinner at Rizzo's Malabar Inn in the tiny town of Crabtree. Rizzo's is regarded by many as one of the finest authentic Italian restaurants in Western Pennsylvania. Dinner includes salad, pizza, chicken parmesan, sausage and meatballs, meat ravioli, homemade spaghetti, tiramisu, coffee and tea. Following dinner and a brief tour of St. Vincent Basilica, the group will attend St. Vincent Summer Theater's performance of Nunsense. The play has been described as a little vacation from the chaos of life - an invitation to a few hours of silly, sentimental and sublime entertainment. Following the show there will be a chance to relax a bit at the theater's Cabaret. Unique to Saint Vincent Summer Theatre, the Cabaret provides an opportunity for patrons to enjoy a summer evening after taking in a performance. Held directly after the show, Cabaret serves food and drinks to theatergoers and allows them to sit at tables inside and outside of the theater area, all while enjoying live music. The bus will arrive back in Central City about 11:00 PM. The cost is \$69.00 per person and includes transportation, the show, and dinner. If you are looking for a great evening out with some friends, family, spouse, or significant other, phone the rectory to sign up.

SERVER SCHEDULE

May 19 -	4:00 PM -	J. Bihun, T. & M. Mabon
May 20 -	8:00 AM -	A. Deneen, R. & C. Pongrac
May 20 -	10:30 AM -	C. Coleman, E. Spinelli, A. Dabbs

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HER – Prayerful sympathies are extended to the family of our parishioner Ann Bohach who died this past week. Please keep Ann, her children, and grandchildren in your prayers. May she rest in peace!

BENEDICTINE PRIEST NEXT WEEKEND – A Benedictine priest from St. Vincent Archabbey will be here next weekend to cover for Fr. Aron who will be the parish in New Baltimore. Please offer our visiting priest a warm welcome.

FLOWER MEMORIALS – This weekend the flowers at the Sacred Heart site are dedicated in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary by Pat and Mary Ann Zubek. The flowers this weekend, at the St. John's site, are dedicated to the memory of Anna Petryszak and Frona Wojcik by Sandy and Walt Wojcik.

ON HUMAN DIGNITY - "Only with the heart do we see rightly," said Saint-Exupéry in *The Little Prince.* Nine-year-old Sophia Weaver's parents, Mark and Natalie, from North Carolina, know the meaning of this line with all their soul. Their first daughter, Sophia, was born with deformities to her face, legs and arms – and was later diagnosed with Rett Syndrome, a degenerative illness that affects language and motor functions. One child in every 10,000 to 15,000 births is diagnosed with the condition, according to the National Institutes of Health. As her brain and body developed, Sophia suffered convulsions and choking, which required 22 surgeries. She has a younger brother and sister, who constantly show her how much they love her, and how little they care about her teeth, her mouth, her eyes. Natalie melts at the natural way they love their sister, so of course she likes to post some of those family moments on her social media accounts from time to time. She also used the photos as an opportunity to talk about medical resources and issues concerning Medicaid funding in her home state, which she says is helping to keep her daughter alive. Their Twitter followers grew and got to know (and love) Sophia's day-to-day life with her family. That was when Natalie began receiving terrible messages on Twitter. People started recommending that she end Sophia's life to "save her the shame of continuing to live" with such deformity. But one troll in particular was extraordinarily cruel and heartless: she used an image of Sophia along with a message to promote abortion, according to CNN. The post went on to suggest that parents who do not choose to abort a fetus found with abnormalities should pay for "all bills accrued after that." That was the last straw. Natalie Weaver decided to act. She blocked the user with cruel comment and reported it to Twitter. But she couldn't stop the tweet from spreading over the internet. On January 21, Natalie wrote: "Please help me and report this tweet. This person keeps using the image of my daughter to promote abortion because she is handicapped. Is there any lawyer who can help me take legal action? PS: You don't pay for my daughter. She has private insurance and we pay the costs." Twitter started to burn. After Natalie and her followers continued to insist that the troll's account be shut down, Twitter finally responded by closing it and apologizing. A Twitter spokesman commented on CNN: "[Twitter users are] not allowed to promote violence or directly attack other people on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, religious affiliation, age, disability, or illness." The spokesman said all those ideas are taken into account when Twitter revises a complaint for hate speech on its platform. Today, the Weavers continue to spread awareness, and have recently announced a foundation called Sophia's Voice to help other families and individuals dealing with disabilities and chronic illnesses with medical needs, equipment, and expenses.

MEN'S RETREAT – St. John the Baptist Retreat Center in New Baltimore, Pennsylvania will be offering a retreat for men June 22-23 at their historic retreat house located in Somerset County. The retreat director will be Father Larry Richards, a priest of the Diocese of Erie. Known as a gifted and captivating speaker, preacher, retreat master, and author, Father Larry speaks from experience as a pastor of an inner city parish, a high school chaplain, a counselor, and an evangelist. Fr. Larry has directed hundreds of retreats, parish missions, and conferences for young and old alike. His retreat in New Baltimore should help to inspire men to become the true heroes they long to be – men of courage, compassion, and integrity. The retreat will begin at 6:00 PM on Friday June 22rd and will conclude the afternoon of Saturday June 23rd. Open to all men of **ANY** background, the cost for the retreat is \$80 for a single room, \$75 for double occupancy, and \$45 for those who wish to attend the meals and conferences but do not desire overnight accommodations. The retreat includes three talks, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and opportunities for Confession as well as quiet time and fraternal camaraderie. To register, or for questions, please phone the retreat center at 814 – 733-2210 or email Fr. Aron at <u>amaghsoudi@dioceseaj.org</u>.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY – Our parish family offers prayerful best wishes to our Mothers this weekend as we celebrate Mother's Day. My God's choicest blessings come upon these all too often forgotten heroines.

PRAYER LIST - Jennie Sielczak, , 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, Stanley Carl Tomaszewski, Patrick Munro, Tom Hudak, Quincy Ogline, Charles Field Sr., Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Sue Frank, Caroline Amato, Shirley Roman, Mary Ethel Sanzo, Leon Bonus, Joyce Delasko, Larry Krestar, Andrew Muha, Andrea Sesack, Ricky Gerena, Shelly Delasko, Lionel Berkebile, Mary-Ann Sgavoo, Mary Ann Naret, Barry Stuft, John Harchick Jr., Vincent Bestvina, Izzy Bihun, Jeff Yanosky, Mary Clark, Rhonda Bittner, Kara Palumbo, Dave Andolina, Mary Ann Stavlo, Jeff Naugle, Debra Farley, Eugene Topka, Carla Ayres, Zoe Taylor, Rodney Shaffer, Adrian Popig, Casey Duffield, Mike Stefanik, Georgianne Matava, Rose Maga, Michelle Moore, William Sunderhaus, Dale Berkey Jr., Allen S. Berkey, Bill Conlin, Amanda Berkey, Savannah Tranovich, Danielle Christopher, Jessica Stockdill, Catherine Haggerty, Nancy McClellan, Tony Beltz

WEKLY OFFERING – May 5th & May 6th Adult Envelopes - \$3,362.50; Loose - \$257; Fuel - \$217; Student Offering -\$34.50; Miscellaneous - \$20; Ascension - \$30; Student Ascension - \$5 Total -\$3,926. – Thank You!

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS – The Sanctuary Candle, at the Sacred Heart site and the St. John's site, burns in loving memory of John Kotus and Family, by the Estate of John Kotus.

BETTER THAN A CHAIN GANG – Leandro and Manuel, prisoners serving time at the San Nicolas Prison in Argentina, work together in a prison factory every morning from 8:00 AM unitl noon. Using water, flour, and some machines donated by European convents, Leandro and Manuel are engaged in a most atypical prison industry – each week they are able to produce about 20,000 communion hosts. The hostos are not only distributed in the Argentine diocese of San Nicolás de los Arroyos, but are also taken to the Vatican, which thrills their manufacturers. "With this project, we are showing that good things can come from the darkness of the prison. The hosts are made by people who made mistakes. Yet, when they are consecrated by a priest, God transforms them," explained Father Damián Vidano. Leandro and Manuel felt deeply moved when they received a thank you note from the Holy See for the hosts they periodically mail

there, or send with a priest who travels there. "I cannot explain what I felt at that moment. It was something unforgettable. I never thought something like this could happen to me," said Leandro, 27, when he recalled the moment he received the letter sent by Pope Francis. Although these initiatives do not eradicate some of the most severe structural problems in prisons – overpopulation, violence, and drug trafficking, among others – they do give reasons to hope that today's prisoners can one day be reinserted successfully in society.

LOOKING BEYOND THIS MONTH -

June 3 - First Holy Communion - 10:30 AM Mass - St. John's June 8 - CCD Trip Knobel's Park June 16 - K of C Chicken BBQ June 16-17 - Fr. Aron at New Baltimore, Benedictine Priest to Cover Masses July 14 - St. Vincent Summer Theater Bus Trip July 29 - Block Party/Car Cruise - Noon - 5:00 PM - St. John's September 23 - Sportsmen Raffle - Activity Center