

Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish

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January 14, 2018

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Worship Sites

Church (Sacred Heart)

738 Sunshine Avenue

Chapel (St. John)

162 Wheeler Street

Church (Sacred Heart)

Saturday 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM

Chapel (St. John)

Sunday 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Anytime upon Request

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

Mass Intentions

January 15	<i>Weekday</i>
8:00 AM	Lydia Wechtenhiser, 30 Day, Month's Mind (Req: Marianne & Barbara) Chapel
January 16	<i>Weekday</i>
	NO MASS
January 17	<i>Saint Anthony</i>
	NO MASS
January 18	<i>Weekday</i>
8:00 AM	Bob Ferguson, 4 th Anniversary (Req. C.J. Ferguson) - Chapel
January 19	<i>Weekday</i>
8:00 AM	Walter Adomnik, 30 Day Rem., Month's Mind (Req. Ken/Linda Topka) - Chapel
January 20	<i>Vigil - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
4:00 PM	Tom Kabala (Req. Ron & Diane Halkovich) - Church
January 21	<i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
8:00 AM	Stan & Cil Tomaszewski, 68 th Wedding Anniversary (Req. Family) - Church
10:30 AM	For the Parish (Missa Populo) - Chapel

FIVE WITNESSES TO CHARITY FROM 2017 -To counteract the negativity of the media and the narcissism of our culture, here are five stories about heroic charity that you didn't hear about from 2017.

1. Ignacio Ecchevaría - The world remembers him as the "skateboard hero," since Ignacio Ecchevaría, a 39-year-old bank employee, did not hesitate to confront one of the terrorists of the June 3, 2017 London Bridge attack, using one of the passions of his athletic life: a skateboard. He could have continued on his way on his bicycle and fled like so many other people, but he got off to confront the killer, saving the lives of several people who managed to escape. He was mortally wounded when two other terrorists stabbed him in the back. Ignacio, who had a law degree, was a member of Catholic Action and a great athlete (in addition to skateboarding, he loved surfing, golf, and squash). He had left his native Spain to work as an analyst at HSBC, where he worked to prevent money laundering. Some people have asked the Church to look into the possibility of his beatification.

2. Father Gaetano Nicosia - Father Gaetano Nicosia, a Salesian missionary, reached Macao in 1963 to care for about 100 lepers who had taken refuge on the island of Coloane. Abandoned to their fate, they were in dire straits, afflicted with terrible hygiene, violence, and suicides. Father Nicosia, born in Italy in 1915, already spoke Chinese, since had begun his missionary work among Chinese communities in 1935, in Hong Kong, Macao, and in the Chinese province of Guangdong until the Communists expelled him from mainland China in 1950. When the bishop of Macau asked the Salesians for help to care for the lepers of Coloane, Father Nicosia went to live with them, as St. Damian of Molokai had done. From 1963 to 2011, for 48 years, he shared his life with the lepers, transforming that place. He brought nurses and doctors to the island, helped bring in healthy and varied food, restored houses by bringing electricity and potable water, created a farm and offered professional training so that each leper could have a job, and he built a school and a church. In 2011, when he was already very old and he left the mission, there were no more people on the island with Hansen's disease. The priest's witness of life led most of the members of his community to embrace the Christian faith. Father Nicosia died in Hong Kong on November 6th of this past year at the age of 102.

3. Sister Rafaela Wlodarczak - What could a young Polish woman do for the Palestinian orphans of the Six-Day War between Israel and the Arab countries? Sister Rafaela Wlodarczak, a religious sister from the Congregation of Saint Elizabeth, did not hide behind her fragility: she rolled up the sleeves of her habit and in 1968 built, with her own hands and with the help of other religious sisters, the "House of Peace" on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem. The house was soon too small for all of the needs, and then another "House of Peace" was created for needy children in the city of Bethlehem. This past December 8th, the "House of Peace" has celebrated the 50 years of life in which the religious sisters' work has not only given shelter and help to the neediest children in Palestine, but above all, what they will need for their future: education in respect for others, in peace. For this reason, last June, Pope Francis gave the Polish Sister Rafaela Wlodarczak the "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice" cross.

4. Sister Rosemary Nyirumbe - CNN called her the "Hero of the Year" in the past, since she gave a future to more than 2,000 women, victims of abuse and violence of the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) in Uganda. Everything started 16 years ago. Rosemary Nyirumbe, a religious with the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, realized that in the school she directed in Gulu, there were some of the girls who had been enslaved by the LRA, one of the most dangerous terrorist groups in the world. Some told her that their abusers had forced them to kill members of their own family. Victims of the worst atrocities, their lives seemed destroyed forever. Sister Rosemary did not ask them any more questions. She opened the doors of her convent to them. Soon other women began to knock at the door: some were pregnant after having been raped, others were girl soldiers who were looking for a way to flee from the horror.

Along with shelter, Sister Rosemary gave them a lot of love and a future: professional formation with cooking and sewing classes. Today, many are teachers or seamstresses, among the most highly respected in the country. These women are world renowned for the bags they make, incredibly bright and colorful, since they are made out of soda cans. Some Hollywood stars have bought them as a gesture of beneficence, paying as much as \$5,000 for them.

5. Father Henri Burin des Roziers - A lawyer for the "landless" in Brazil. That is how people described the French Dominican priest Henri Burin des Roziers, who passed away on November 26th of this past year in Paris. After intense work assisting students and North African immigrants in France, he arrived in Brazil in 1978 to put himself at the service of the Pastoral Commission of the Land, created two years previously by Brazilian Episcopal Conference to help the many land workers who suffered injustices. Along with other Dominicans, "Frei Henri," as he was known in Brazil, became a lawyer for field workers who were unjustly imprisoned or even tortured, as well as for the families of murdered field workers. In 2000, his action at the Pastoral Commission of the Land led for the first time to the sentencing in the state of Para of a "fazendeiro" (landowner) for the murder of a union leader. Some *fazendeiros* reacted by putting a price on the priest's head.

PRAYER LIST - Jennie Sielczak, Frank Murawski, 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., Ron Delasko, Mike Dixon, Mya Polito, Madelain Mauger, Sue Frank, Caroline Amato, Joseph Shelko, 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, Mary Ann Lasut, 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

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS - The Sanctuary Candle, at the Sacred Heart site, burns in loving memory of John & Kathryn Rendar as a birthday remembrance by Mary Ann Rendar. The Sanctuary Candle burns at the St. John's site in loving memory Helen Nussrallah, in remembrance of her birthday on January 2.

FLOWER MEMORIALS - This weekend the flowers at the Sacred Heart site are dedicated in honor of Bob Ferguson, on the 4th Anniversary of his Death, by wife C-J.

WEEKLY OFFERING January 6th and January 7th Adult Envelopes - \$1,975; Loose - \$101; Fuel - \$217; Student Offering - \$4; Christmas - \$55; Miscellaneous - \$560; Initial - \$192; Immaculate Conception - \$5; Solemnity of Mary - \$251 Total - 3,351.50- Thank You!

SERVER SCHEDULE

January 20 - 4:00 PM - E. & M. Rapsky, C. Mauger

January 21- 8:00 AM - L. L. & L. Mincek

January 21- 10:30 AM - A. Dabbs, C. Coleman, E. Spinelli

2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS - Please call the rectory if you wish to have a copy of your church contribution statement for the calendar year 2017. Please inform the office if you desire a copy.

WELCOME FATHER ONDECK - Fr. Aron's good friend Father Douglas Ondeck is visiting him this weekend and will take some of the weekend Masses. Father Ondeck is a priest of the Wheeling-Charleston Diocese, a diocese that covers the entire state of West Virginia. A native of Moundsville, West Virginia, he is currently pastor of Our Lady of Peace Parish in Wheeling. Please offer him a warm welcome.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST - Please note the monthly breakfast will be held next weekend, Sunday January 21st. With all of this weather people need a hearty breakfast - why cook?

CCD MEETING - There will be a meeting of CCD parents TODAY (Sunday January 14th) from 9:40 AM until 10:15 AM. This is an important meeting, please mark your calendars.

MANDATORY MEETING - There will be a mandatory meeting for all CCD teachers, employees, volunteers who work near children, Scout leaders, and **ALL** adults going to Rome on Monday February 5th at 6:30 PM at St. John's. The meeting is to complete the child clearance training required by the diocese. The information that comes from this meeting helps to create greater awareness and remind us of the need to provide a safe environment for children in our parish.

MARDI GRAS PARTY - The parish will sponsor a Mardi Gras party on Saturday February 10th. The evening will include festive food, drink, and dancing. Music will be provided by Krazy Kat Daddies, an oldies band. The event is free and open to parishioners and their guests. It is asked that all in attendance bring a covered dish (By LAST NAME please bring the following - A-G Dips/Appetizers, H-M - Deserts, N-S - Salads, T-Z - warm sides). The meal begins at 6:30 PM with dancing from 7:30 PM until 10:30 PM.

UP-COMING EVENTS - Please mark your calendar

January 14 - CCD Parent Meeting - Activity Center - 9:40 AM

January 21 - All You Can Eat Breakfast

January 22 - Day of Prayer and Penance for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

January 28 - CCD Trip to Baltimore - Fr. Aron away 8:00 & 10:30 Masses - Fr. Wehn covers

February 4 - CCD Snow Tubing Event - 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM

February 5 - Child Clearance Training 6:00 PM - St. John's

February 10 - Mardi Gras Party - Activity Center - Doors Open at 6:00 PM

February 12 - First Polish Culture Class

February 14 - Ash Wednesday - Masses - Noon Sacred Heart, 7:00 PM St. John

FLOWER MEMORIALS - There are flower memorial sign-up sheets at the entrance of both sites. If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers during 2018 please sign your name next to the date you select. Like this past year, at the conclusion of weekend Masses (8:00 AM Sunday at Sacred Heart and 10:30 AM Sunday at St. John) the flowers can be left at the altar or taken home.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - The offertory envelopes for 2018 can be found at the entrance of both sites. As a united parish with two sites (Father Aron) did his best to remember who typically worships where - translation, your envelopes may be at the other site. If for some reason a clerical error was made and you do not have a set of envelopes please phone the rectory and your wish will be granted!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, NAME OR PHONE NUMBER - If you moved, changed your name, address or phone number since the beginning of 2017 please contact the rectory so that the parish records may be updated.
