

Our Lady Queen Of the Americas Church

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January 1, 2017



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Mass:
(Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & 1st Sat) 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: 8:00 a.m.
Vigil: 6:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4PM, or anytime by appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Please call the Parish Office

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
CLOSED FRIDAY

BULLETIN DEADLINE

By 3:00 p.m. Monday

COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Parish Office

SACRAMENTS OF MARRIAGE & BAPTISM

The couple must meet with the Pastor *before* setting a date *and* at least 6 months in advance of an anticipated wedding in order to complete the preparation process.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Call the Parish office (form on back of bulletin)

SISTER PARISH

St. Anthony of Padua, *Tekit, Yucatan, Mexico*
St. Isidore, *Ochil*
Our Lady of the Assumption, *Mama*
St. John the Baptist, *Sabacche*

SAT, DEC 31 5:00 PM	7TH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD Ralph Carapellotti (Bill & Paula Greco)
SUN, JAN 1 9:00 AM	SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD Mary Lucas (Irene & Bernie Frey)
MON, JAN 2 8:00 AM	ST BASIL THE GREAT; GREGORY NAZIANZEN Raymond & Laura Fera (Fera Family)
TUE, JAN 3 8:00 AM	THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS John West (David Jacobs Family)
THU, JAN 5 8:00 AM	ST. JOHN NEUMAN, BISHOP Wanda Kessler (Beverly Berty)
FRI, JAN 6 8:00 AM	FIRST FRIDAY, ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE Eloise Frey-Elter (Irene & Bernie Frey)
SAT, JAN 7 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	FIRST SATURDAY, ST. RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT John Valleriano (Bill & Paula Greco) Robert Adams (Don & Bobbie Schroll)
SUN, JAN 8 8:00 AM 10:30 AM.	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD The Parishioners Barb Saulsbery (Valentine Family)





American Red Cross

Together, we can save a life

MONDAY, JANUARY 09, 2017
 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM
BLOOD DRIVE
 St. Philip Parish Center Gym
 401 S. Mercer St
 Linesville, PA 16424
 Sponsored by K of C
 See Posters



Stewardship UPDATE

OFFERTORY 12/18/17 = \$3,917.00
 Average donation = \$28.63



CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Diocesan Goal: \$39,861.00
 Pledged to date: \$70,801.00
Amount Received to Date: \$59,299.00

Mass Intentions for the Week

SUN, JAN 1	New Year's Day, Mass 9:00 AM
MON, JAN 2	Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; 8:30 AM—11:30 AM
FRI, JAN 6	First Friday Communion Calls
SAT, JAN 7	First Saturday Mass 8AM



TIM PRINCE was the lucky winner of week #18 of our "300 Club" for \$100, # 166. Congratulations!

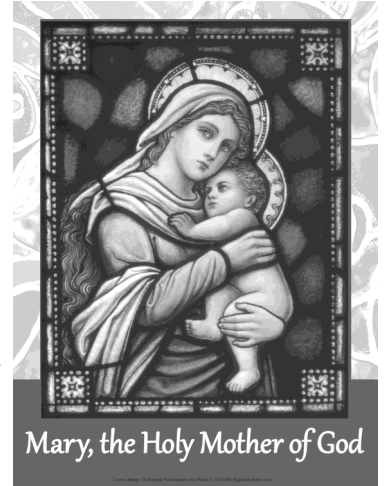
MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

JANUARY 1, 2017

The LORD bless you and keep you!

The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!
 (Nm 6:24-26)



Mary, the Holy Mother of God

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS THIS WEEK TO:

Jan 1: Lisa Ferenchak

Jan 3: Joel Agnew, Shannon Elaine Brancato

Jan 4: Barbara Greil, Karen Ittel, Tina Zeits

Jan 5: David Baer, David Conroy **Jan 6:** Noelle Baker, Adele Smith

Jan 7: Joseph Brancato, William Deem, Lisa Gregoire, Robert Prenatt

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS THIS WEEK TO:

Jan 1: Victor & Bonnie Morini **Jan 3:** William & Arlene Milon

Jan 4: William & Paula Greco



The Samaritan Gifts for Kids

program was another success, despite the weather challenges we experienced this past week.

There were 330 angels this year, 118 of whom were provided gifts by OLQA parishioners!

Nearly 50 volunteers made this Christmas project a truly wonderful experience for many.

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ATTENTION

If you would like to receive a copy of your donations to OLQA for tax purposes, please call the parish office, 814-382-7252 between 9AM and 3PM, Monday through Thursday. Thank You

31 Club—Please pray for vocations...

2nd: F Marsh
 3rd: P Humes
 4th: P Saeger
 5th: B Smith


6th: H Biemer; H Pieszak
 7th: R & BJ Starn
 8th: P Taylor



If you would like to join the 31 Club, call Terry Conlin @ 814-720-6041.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT						
JANUARY		ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	USHERS	GREETERS
SAT	5:00 PM	H Wetzel T Bazylak	M B Jacobs J Verno	J Lauffer T Lauffer J Mushrush	B Bazylak P Greco B Greco B Slevin	Mc Morian
SUN	8:00 AM	Saige Karastury Skye Karastury Payten Karastury Paris Karastury	H Biemer A Darke	D Conroy B Hilton P Hilton	G English S Miller K Novosel Extra	T English
SUN	10:30 AM	J Burchard Sam Burchard S Burchard	J Ellis P Simonetta	T Bost K Jacobs P Jacobs	J Arnett E Gross V Leap D Perfett	P Taylor
OFFERING COUNTERS		Jan 2 M Staahl L Helch J Smock	Jan 8 P Hilton R Jezak	Jan 15 K Little J Elwell	Jan 22 L Helch P Gilfoyle	Jan 29 M Staahl R Bullock

Confirmation Retreat—January 8



Beginning at the 10:30 AM mass until 3:30 PM.

This is a **requirement** for all students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring of this year.

If you are unable to attend,
you **MUST** contact
Amanda or Denise
in the Religious Education Office



Religious Education helps to build a strong foundation

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

For more information, contact **Amanda Darke & Denise Thomas**
olqaeducation@zoominternet.net or 814-382-7252
Office Hours: Wednesday 1– 6PM, or by Appointment

Sun, Jan 1	NO CLASS—Happy New Year
Sun, Jan 8	NO CLASS for K-10, or 12th grades 10:30—3:30 PM Confirmation retreat for 11th grade students <u>only</u> beginning with mass in church
Sun, Jan 15	NO CLASS—enjoy your weekend
Sun, Jan 22	Classes K-12 9—10:30 AM Reconciliation Parent Meeting, Anderson Hall
Sun, Jan 29	Class K-12 Coffee and donuts, Anderson Hall

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all!

There will be NO classes or education activities at the parish on New Year's Day, have a safe and blessed Holiday Season from Denise and Amanda

Dear OLQA Parishioners,

Another successful Gifts for Kids program has come and gone but a lot of happy memories for many children in the Conneaut School District area will remain. There were 330 bags of gifts for individual children along with 44 additional children whose parents came to pick through the many still great items we had left after Thursday's distribution. Thanks to the lovely winter weather we had during the week, we added additional days and hours for parents to come to pick up the gifts and donated items. We had tables and tables of donated toys (brand new and gently used), books, blankets, hats, socks, gloves, mittens and pajamas.

This year Titusville RSVP donated 182 hand-made wooden toys thanks to Pat & Gene Saeger who made the initial contact and helped distribute them on the day of the give-away. Throughout the year Sis Lane collects new socks for this program and this year nearly 1,500 were collected and bundled up according to size. Over 300 of these pairs of socks were from our Altar Rosary Society and the Family and Community Christian Association in Meadville (formerly the Y WCA). The Conneaut Valley Elementary School and Middle School collected new toys and blankets. Conneaut Lake Elementary School collected new pajamas and books. Conneaut Lake Middle School provided gifts for 4 children this year. The youth group from the Hartstown Presbyterian Church purchased many toys for older children. A couple from Conneautville provided 13 Christmas bags with new twin blankets and a teddy bear in each. Dr. Tom Kellogg once again donated 300 toothbrushes for various children's ages.

So many individuals were responsible for providing gifts to a child. They came from Fallowfield UM Church; North Shenango Presbyterian Church; staff at the PA DEP; High Street Community Church; staff at the MMC; Fat Boys' Saloon customers; Trinity UM Church; Church of Christ in Conneautville; Conneautville American Legion Auxiliary; and 119 angels were generously taken by the parishioners of OLQA. In addition, Conneaut Lake Presbyterian Church worked with 6 families and their 19 children to provide clothes, toys, bedding and food vouchers for them.

Beginning Sunday, December 11th, even more volunteers began working tirelessly setting up and arranging tables and chairs; sorting and arranging the bags of gifts; sorting and arranging all of the donated items that filled our church hall. Work was done Sunday afternoon, Monday morning and afternoon, Tuesday morning, Thursday morning and afternoon, Friday morning and Saturday morning. Volunteers who helped out in any capacity are: Monica and Larry Addison, Carolyn Agnew, Bernadette Black, Aaron Brown, Roberta Bullock, Carole Chulko, Fred & Joanne Cunningham, Barb Daube, Brian Delmar, Mike & Sue Drexler, JoAnn Elwell, Pat Gilfoyle, Marty, Cindy & A.J. Hoesch, Pam Humes, Sarah Kiser, Ann Koscelek, Bob & Sis Lane, Carolyn Melby, Jeremy Morian, Bonnie Morini, Claudia Predis, Charlene Prince, Gene & Pat Saeger, John & Jan Skendall, Judy Styborski, Jolene Tubbs, Linda Wasson, Ruth Watson, Dolly Werner, Cheryl Wielobob and Annie Wurlock. A special thank you goes out to Father Jeff for giving a very prayerful blessing and for being so supportive in all that we were doing; to my husband Tim for being so patient and supportive; for Margaret Staahl for being my right-hand person in all of our Samaritan projects; and for the Novosel family- Ken, Theresa, Rebecca, Nicholas, Adam, Jacob and even Theresa's dad, Jim – who came whenever there was a need. I heartily thank each and every one of you.

May you all have a blessed Christmas and New Year.
Pat Kaider



Readings for the Week

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/books-of-the-bible>