



**HE WILL
BAPTIZE
YOU
WITH**

**THE
HOLY SPIRIT
AND FIRE**

Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church

Masses for the Week

Saturday, January 12, Vigil Mass

6:00 p.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, January 13, The Baptism of the Lord

11:00 a.m. Edward Minarcin by Mr. & Mrs. William Murdock

Wednesday, January 16, Weekday

12:00 p.m. Harry Bodnar by Floyd Family

Saturday, January 19, Vigil Mass

6:00 p.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, January 20, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m. Mark Maszgay by Wife, Debbie

Confessions — Saturdays at 12 noon

Our Deepest Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Virginia Goedicke, sister of our parishioner, Helen Goedicke. May Virginia, who was united with Christ in a death like His, also be one with Christ in His Resurrection.

Chairperson(s) Needed

Each year our parish relies on the income of our annual Lenten fish dinners to balance our operating budget. Last year the profit from the fish dinners was \$5,200. Without this income, our parish would have to draw funds from our savings in order to meet our operating expenses. Needless-to-say, the income from the fish dinners is crucial to the financial viability of the parish. At this time our parish is looking for an individual who is willing to chair the annual Lenten fish dinners. If you are interested in assisting the parish in this capacity, please call the parish office. If/when a chair is identified, an organizational and planning meeting for the upcoming fish dinners will be scheduled. Thank you for this consideration.

Baptism of the Lord

Today, Sunday, January 13, the Church celebrates the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This celebration, which also commemorates the institution of the Sacrament of Baptism, is the last feast of the Church's Christmas Season. Starting tomorrow, we begin Ordinary Time in the Church's liturgical calendar as we read the earlier public life and preaching of Jesus.

Baptism Preparation Class

Parents who are anticipating the birth of their first child are required to take a baptism preparation class prior to the baptism. For more information regarding the class, please call the parish office at (724) 478-4958.

Saint James the Greater Church

Masses for the Week

Saturday, January 12, Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m. Living & Deceased of Our Families by Bob & Mary Ann Skwirut

Sunday, January 13, The Baptism of the Lord

9:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

Monday, January 14, Weekday

7:30 a.m. Martin Zidek by Ann Ausk

Tuesday, January 15, St. Maur & St. Placid, Disciples of Benedict

7:30 a.m. Christina Homzuk by Julie Chierici & Family

Wednesday, January 16, Weekday

7:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, January 17, St. Anthony

7:30 a.m. Paul Metro by Mike & June Valco

Friday, January 18, Weekday

7:30 a.m. Herbert Barber by Tom & Cheryl Keller

Saturday, January 19, Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, January 20, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. Andrew & Mary Poydence by Randy & JoAnn Penrod

Confessions — Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.

Communion Service this Wednesday

We will have a Communion Service at 7:30 a.m. this Wednesday. Those who are interested in attending Mass on Wednesday are invited to the 12 p.m. Mass at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church.

The Former Saint James School

Many, many photo albums with pictures from the former Saint James School are available in the church basement. Those who were students in the school, or who had family members in the school, are welcome to rummage through the photos and help yourself to these pictures. The photos will be in the basement until the end of January.

Meadows Casino Trip

We received enough reservations to charter a bus to the Meadows Casino in Washington, PA on Saturday, January 26. Additional seats are still available. The motor coach will depart from the Saint James School parking lot and then from Our Lady, Queen of Peace parking lot. The cost is \$30 and includes \$15 in free play. Those who are interested in joining us are to contact the parish office.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church

Weekly Offering December 29th & 30th, 2018

Offering.....	\$1,246.00
Loose Collection.....	\$220.00
Children’s Collection.....	\$8.00
Monthly.....	\$350.00
Children & Family Services.....	341.00
Christmas Offering.....	\$850.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$5.00
Christmas Offering.....	\$1560.00
Loose.....	\$523.00
Children’s Collection.....	\$33.00
Children & Family Services.....	\$393.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$38.00

Sunday, January 13



Jackpot: 51#s
 Picture frame: 51#s
 Kicker number: B6
 Sponsored by: Parish 2

Please Remember the Church in Your Will

Please remember the Church in your estate. One of the interesting statistics regarding “wills” is that over half of the adults who die each year without a Will. Another interesting statistic is that very few parishioners remember their local parish with a charitable bequest at the time of their death. This could be a source of income for the future. The potential is great and please consider remembering Our Lady, Queen of Peace/St. James in your Will. Please consult your attorney while planning your estate.

Saint Maurus Blessing for Healing

January 15, is the memorial of Saint Maurus, a disciple of Saint Benedict. Saint Maurus has been called the miracle-worker since he has miraculously freed many persons from their bodily afflictions through the Sign of the Cross and the relic of the True Cross of Christ. This Tuesday, January 15, our partner parishes will offer the traditional Blessing of Saint Maurus over the sick with a relic of the True Cross immediately following the 7:30 a.m. Mass at Saint James Church. The Blessing will last approximately 45 minutes. Everyone is welcome to receive the Blessing.



Please keep the following in your prayers:

Mary Ann Amorino, Rose Ashbaugh, Marge Bernat, Richard Bopp, Margaret Chemelli, Mary Ann Cieslinski, Steve Dilick, Barbara Ferrari, Michael Fraser, Bill Frey, Lorraine Gallo, Judy Grzybek, John Jackson, Myrtle Kaplin, Buddy Koffman, Kimberly McHenry, Mary Ann McIlwain, Fred Morabito, Carol Schneider, Mary Shook, Charlene Spelock, Marcella Trinclisti, Tyler Whaley, and all the sick who need our prayers.

Saint James the Greater Church

Weekly Offering December 29th & 30th, 2018

Offering.....	\$4,009.00
Loose Collection.....	\$125.00
Children’s Collection.....	\$6.00
Accent.....	\$15.00
Christmas.....	\$4,695.00
Kids Activities.....	\$25.00
Children & Family Services Appeal.....	\$760.00

Fundraising Committee to Meet

One indication of a financially viable parish community is its ability to pay its bills without dipping into its savings. As a means of stabilizing the parish financially, we have established a Fundraising Committee. It is the hope of our parish that this Committee will work on generating additional fundraising income for the parish. If you are interested in being a member of the Fundraising Committee, we invite you to attend our next meeting in the activities center on Wednesday, January 23, at 7 p.m. The group will review our recent ‘Night at the Races,’ and discuss future fund raising possibilities. Thank you for this consideration as we work together to secure the financial viability of Saint James Parish

Memorial Opportunities

In Advent of 2011, the *Third Addition of the Roman Missal* was promulgated in the Dioceses of the United States. Numerous changes were introduced to the Faithful at that time including some of the wording in the Confiteor [*I confess to almighty God...*], the Creed, the Eucharistic Prayers, etc. Within the General Instruction of the Roman Missal [4.117], the option was also given at that time to reintroduce the custom lighting six candles on the Altar, especially for Sunday Mass, Holy Days of Obligation, etc. At the recommendation of our Liturgy Committee, Saint James Parish will reintroduce this custom. These High Altar candlesticks were purchased for the church when it was dedicated in 1954, but over the years the candlesticks have worn because of age and usage. The parish would like to restore these candlesticks to their original beauty. We are also hoping to restore the original candelabra that were used for Eucharistic Adoration, as well as the original candlesticks that were used on the side altars and those that were carried by the Altar Servers in the Opening, Offertory and Closing Processions. Those who are interested in financing the restoration of a candlestick or candelabra *In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received* or *In Loving Memory* of a family member or friend, may contact the parish office. The cost to restore a 22 inch candlestick [*High Altar*] is \$125; a 14 inch candlestick [*Side Altars, Processions, etc.*] is \$75; and a candelabra is \$200. Thank you for this consideration.



FUSED 4 ~ January LIFETEEN/EDGE CALENDAR

(EDGE: Grades 6th-8th/LIFETEEN: grades 9th 12th ~ St. James Parish Underground/Upper Rooms ~ 6:00-7:30 PM)

January

13th—Session ~ 20th—Session ~ 27th--Youth Mass
You were e-mailed a calendar with upcoming dates for the next semester.

We will be going snow tubing at Hidden Valley on Saturday, February 2nd. We will meet at St. James at 4:00 PM and return around 10:30 PM. Cost is \$25 for snow tubing (includes dinner). If you volunteered with the Golden Agers dinner, then your cost is only \$15. Money, permission slips and snow tubing release and waiver agreement (found in back of church) are due no later than Wednesday, January 23rd.

WINTER RETREAT

All youth of the Diocese in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for the Diocesan High School Winter Retreat, *Fully Known*, sponsored by the Diocese of Greensburg. Come pray, share, learn, and take time to be with God. Join us March 1-3, 2019 at Laurelville Retreat Center in Mt. Pleasant. Register now at the FUSED 4 Youth Ministry Office. The cost of the retreat is \$120. If you did not apply for Francis Funds, then your cost is \$90 after FUSED 4 Youth Ministry subsidizes the cost by \$30. If you did apply for Francis Funds then the cost is only \$30 The cost includes all lodging, meals and supplies for the weekend. In order to register for the retreat, you must turn in your check payable to St. James. Please register for the retreat by Sunday, January 20th. No refunds.

Attention 6th-12th graders: Winter Jam (Christian music's largest annual tour) at PPG Paints Arena will take place on Friday, February 15th. Cost is only \$10 (we will pay for the remaining \$5).

Please let us know that you are coming and permission slips and cash are due by Sunday, February 10th. We will meet at St. James Church parking lot at 5:00 PM and will carpool. Chaperones with clearances needed.

You can earn money towards Youth Ministry events by volunteering at BINGO at Our Lady Queen of Peace on a Youth Ministry Sunday. The next BINGO Youth Ministry Sunday is January 20th. First come-first served.



NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is the largest Catholic youth gathering in the U.S., with over 20,000 young people, clergy and religious, and adult chaperones attending from all over the country. A pilgrimage of faith, NCYC is an exciting, biennial three-day experience of prayer, community and empowerment for Catholic teenagers addressing a wide variety of topics including Catholic spirituality and prayer, social justice issues, sexuality and leadership. NCYC features a huge interactive village where hundreds of exhibitors, musicians, games, hot meals and learning centers of all types will be available throughout the conference. NCYC 2019, will take place in Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 21 through Nov. 23, 2019. Information is available here:

www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/NCYC. This event is for current 8th-11th graders. NCYC registrations will be accepted until January 20th, 2019. In order to register for the NCYC you must turn in your check payable to St. James in the amount of \$100. Cost is \$785 but you are eligible to apply for Francis Funds in the amount of \$235. If you don't apply for the Francis Funds you will be responsible for the entire amount. The application for Francis Fund must be submitted by **June 15, 2019**. For more info about Francis Funds visit: <https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/formation/Pages/franciscfund.aspx>. We will be fundraising as well. No refunds.

Faith Formation

Calendar of Faith Formation Session for Spring 2019 (6:00-7:30 PM)

January 13th & 20th

February 10th & 17th

March 10th—Mardi Gras Pancake breakfast before Faith Formation (includes 6th-12th) & 17th
April 7th & April 14th—Seder Dinner (includes 6th-12th)

*This does not include event dates

**Occurs on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays except for April

You were e-mailed a calendar with these upcoming dates for the next semester.

Be sure to check KDKA-TV for snow cancellations.

Collecting Care Package Items

Our partner parishes will be sending care packages to our parishioners, family members and friends who are serving our Country in the Armed Forces. We are collecting books, magazines, crosswords, puzzles, travel size toiletries [shaving cream, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, razors, wipes, eye drops, tooth paste, dental floss, hand sanitizer, lip balm, toothbrush], cough drops, travel size sunscreen, icy hot, Vicks, travel size and individually wrapped food/snacks [graham crackers, regular crackers, cookies, gum, non-chocolate candy, nuts, trail mix, dried fruit, energy bars, granola bars, tuna fish, beef jerky, Slim Jim sticks, canned chicken, Spam], cool-ties, bandanas, and phone cards. Boxes are provided in the vestibule of the churches to accept your donations. Contributions must be made by Monday morning, January 28. Those who are interested in assembling the packages are asked to call the parish office. Thank you for this consideration as we extend our gratitude to those who are serving our Country.

Discarded Live Christmas Trees

Saint Blaise was a 4th century bishop in Armenia. Legend has it that a mother came to him with her child who had a bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise’s command, the child was able to cough-up the bone. As a result, Saint Blaise has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. For decades U.S. Catholics have sought the traditional Blessing of Throats on his Feast Day.

This February each of our partner parishes will have a “Saint Blaise Blaze” (bonfire) to coincide with this Feast Day [Saint James Church — after the February 2 4:30 p.m. Mass; and Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church — after the February 3 11 a.m. Mass]. With the assistance of our local fire departments, discarded live Christmas trees will be lit. Once the fire is underway, cookies and hot chocolate will be provided, and the Blessing of Throats will be given. More details will follow.

If you are interested in contributing your discarded live tree to the bonfire, please drop it off at either these locations: (1) the grass lot next to the social hall of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church; or (2) the grass lot behind the volleyball court at the upper level of the former Saint James School building.

De-Trimming the Trees

The Church’s Christmas Season comes to a close today, Sunday, January 13, as we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. As the Christmas Season ends, plans are in place to de-trim the trees in our church buildings. The trees themselves will be utilized in our Saint Blaise blaze [bonfires], yet they will need to be hauled out of the church and placed at the bonfire sites. We will we save the ornaments and lights that adorned the trees and store them for future use, should the parishes decide to have live trees in 2019. Many hands will be needed to help de-trim the trees and take them out of the church buildings. If you are interested in helping with the de-trimming and/or hauling, the work will occur at Saint James Church tomorrow, Monday, January 14, beginning at 6 p.m.; and the work will occur at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church on Tuesday, January 15, at 6 p.m. Thank you for this consideration.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace Christmas Flowers

In Memory...

...Joseph, Lena, Charles Sr., Charles Jr & Vincent Bernat, William & Betty Snyder, & Andrew Paczgnski by Alice Bernat

...Jack Meade, John, Sophie, & Gene Waitkus, Bill, Lena, & Lloyd Jack by Marlene Jack
 ...Ted & Mary Kocon & Grandparents by Joyce Kocon
 ...Ted & Mary Kocon & Grandparents by Patricia Kocon
 ...Maria & Stefan Grupac & John Kuruc by Mary Kuruc
 ...Steve & Sophie & Andy & Sophie by Mr. & Mrs. Fred Mamos
 ...Ted & Mary Kocon, Alex Gaydeski, Aleksandra Bialousewix by Rosemary Moglia
 ...George & Genevieve Pencak by Lisa Pencak
 ...Julie A. Nassif & Allen Urban by Sandra Pencak
 ...Ray Salego by Beverly Salego
 ...Mary & Stanley Poleski, Anthony Cecchini, Arthur Stemplinski, Andrew & Victoria Skwirut Family, & Valenty & Mary Poleski & Family by Lorraine Poleski
 ...Stephen F., Mary, John, & Stephen T. Zahumensky, Louis & Joan Tatar, Arthur & Frances Andring, Theresa Andring Spang,& Eleanor Mackuciak by Mr. & Mrs. Mark Zahumensky

Our Lady, Queen of Peace — Fiscal Year 2018-2019			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
2nd Quarter	\$101,934.33	\$92,682.00	+\$9,252.33

Saint James — Fiscal Year 2018-2019			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
2nd Quarter	\$187,138.67	\$206,047.64	-\$18,908.97

Adjusted Weekend and Weekday Mass Schedule for Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish

Weekend Mass
Sunday — 11 a.m.
Effective Sunday, February 3, 2019

Weekday Mass
Wednesday — 12 noon
Effective Wednesday, January 2, 2019

[The days and times were selected by the members of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish]

Adjusted Weekend and Weekday Mass Schedule for Saint James Parish

Weekend Masses
Saturday — 4:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9 a.m.
Effective Sunday, February 3, 2019

Weekday Masses
Monday — 7:30 a.m.
Tuesday — 7:30 a.m.
Thursday — 7:30 a.m.
Friday — 7:30 a.m.
Effective Monday, February 4, 2019

[The days and times were selected by the members of Saint James Parish]

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MESSAGES:

January 13, 2019

(Sorry I was sick with stomach bug the last 2 days)