

### **Assurance of Prayers**

For the past 9 years Megan Krachanko has served our parish as a staff person in various capacities including Co-Director of our Faith Formation Program and a member of our Religious Education staff. With the start of a new fiscal year and the regionalization of our Faith Formation Program, the Co-Director position was eliminated. As a result, Megan is no longer a member of our parish staff. We are grateful to Megan for her ministry in our parish, for her love of the Church, as well as for her commitment and dedication to our parish community. We wish her the very best and we assure her of our prayers.

### **Communion Service this Wednesday**

As Pastor, Father Vincent has been celebrating daily Mass at both Our Lady, Queen of Peace and Saint James Parishes. Father Vincent has been celebrating daily Mass in Apollo on Mondays and Fridays, Father Euker has been celebrating Mass in Apollo on Wednesdays, and Father Mike has been celebrating Mass in Apollo on Tuesdays and Thursdays. As long as Father Mike and Father Euker are able to celebrate these Masses, this schedule will continue. This Wednesday, however, July 18, Father Euker will not be available to celebrate the 7:30 a.m. Mass at Saint James. As a result, we will have a Communion Service at 7:30 a.m. this Wednesday, July 18. Those who are interested in attending a morning Mass this Wednesday are welcome to attend the 12 noon Mass in Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church.

### **XL**

Adoration of Our Lord is Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at St. James the Greater. We have music from our worship band, an inspiring talk, a time for silent adoration, Benediction and Confession followed by snacks and a time of fellowship in the church basement. The speaker is Chris Baker; Youth Minister at St. James the Apostle Parish (in the Diocese of Pittsburgh) and Co-Host of the YouTube channel: Catholic Sports Guys. Bring a friend!

### **CHOIR MEMBERS**

If any choir member at either Our Lady, Queen of Peace or St. James is interested in accompanying the Worship Band at the Outdoor Mass for the joint Parish Picnic on August 5th at Kunkle Park, please contact Francene Tucker at 757-560-2937.

**The Catholic Daughters would like to announce that Katie Hill has won the award for their yearly essay contest. Katie was honored at their Appreciation/Award Dinner. Let us join them in congratulating Katie on this achievement.**

### **ATTENTION PARENTS AND YOUTH EXCITING NEW FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION**

We are pleased to announce that in addition to offering a regional Youth Ministry program we now offer a regional faith formation program for grades K-5 as well. The region is comprised of the parishes of Christ the King, Our Lady Queen of Peace, St. Gertrude's and St. James the Greater. Input from parents, teachers and priests aided in the discernment of this new direction. During the 2018-2019 school year, children in grades K-5<sup>th</sup> will meet twice a month on Sundays from 6:00-7:30 PM at St. James Parish Center (the former St. James school). LIFETEEN (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) and EDGE (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades) programs will meet concurrently with the K-5<sup>th</sup> grades with the exception that LIFETEEN and EDGE meet weekly. Occasionally, there will be Faith Formation events on an off Sunday or other day of the week. Our hope is that because faith formation from grades K-12 will be held under one roof on Sunday night will make things easier on busy parents. We also hope that this time slot will present the least amount of conflicts with other activities. Contact persons: Regional Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. Katie Tylinski, Regional Assistant to the Director of Faith Formation: Mr. James Peterman, Regional Assistant to the Director of Faith Formation: Mrs. Beth Kendle. We are very excited for the youth and families of this area to unite to grow in our Catholic faith together!