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**Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church**

**Masses for the Week**

**Saturday, January 5, Vigil Mass**

6:00 p.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

**Sunday, January 6, Epiphany**

11:00 a.m. Deceased Family Members of Christian Mothers by OLQOP Christian Mothers

**Wednesday, January 9, Christmas Weekday**

12:00 p.m. Terry Bolcar by Adeline Palateella

**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

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**Confessions – Saturdays at 12 noon**

**Thanks are Extended**

Our parish is grateful to Dennis Bolcar and Katie Tedeski who have co-chaired the Lenten fish dinners at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish for the past 10 years. We recognized their commitment to this annual fundraiser and appreciate all of their efforts on behalf of the parish. Last week our parish received word that Dennis and Katie will be relinquishing their role in this capacity. We thank them for their faithful service to the parish and we assure them of our prayers and gratitude.

**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 \$5,200.00. Without this income, our parish would have to drawn 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.

**Our Deepest Sympathy**

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Lawrence Yamber. May Lawrence, who was united with Christ in a death like His, also be one with Christ in His Resurrection.

**Saint James the Greater Church**

**Masses for the Week**

**Saturday, January 5, Vigil Mass**

4:30 p.m. Rita Pencak by Don Pencak

**Sunday, January 6, Epiphany**

9:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

**Monday, January 7, Christmas Weekday**

7:30 a.m. Irene & Anthony Adamik by Children

**Tuesday, January 8, Christmas Weekday**

7:30 a.m. Joe Canzano by Terry Trinclisti

**Wednesday, January 9, Christmas Weekday**

7:30 a.m. Communion Service

**Thursday, January 10, Christmas Weekday**

7:30 a.m. All Souls

**Friday, January 11, Christmas Weekday**

7:30 a.m. John L. Coulter by Wife, Phyllis

**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

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**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.

**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.

**Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church**

**Saint James the Greater Church**

**Weekly Offering December 22nd & 23rd 2018**

Offering.....	\$1,387.00
Loose Collection.....	\$188.00
Children’s Collection.....	\$12.00
Monthly.....	\$150.00
Children & Family Services.....	\$23.00
Christmas Offering.....	\$225.00
Bell Restoration.....	\$224.00

**Weekly Offering December 22nd & 23rd, 2018**

Offering.....	\$3,542.00
Loose Collection.....	\$78.00
Children’s Collection.....	\$7.00
Accent.....	\$10.00



NO BINGO  
 JANUARY 6TH, 2019.  
 BINGO WILL  
 RESUME ON JANUARY 13TH, 2019

**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.

**Our Holy Father’s Monthly Intention  
 January 2019**

*Evangelization – Young People:* That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

**De-Trimming the Trees**

The Church’s Christmas Season will come to a close next 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 on 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.

**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 Vigil 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.

**Serving our Country**

Next month our partner parishes will be sending care packages to our parishioners, family members and friends who are serving our Country in the Armed Forces. If you would like to have a care package sent to a parishioner, family member or friend, please forward his or her full name and military address to the parish office via the collection basket or U.S. Mail by today, Sunday, January 6. Specific items for these care packages will be collected throughout the month of January and the care packages will be mailed in the beginning of February. Thank you for this consideration as we extend our gratitude to those who are serving our Country.



**FUSED 4 ~ January LIFETEEN/EDGE CALENDAR**

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

**January**

- 6<sup>th</sup>—No Session
- 13—Session
- 20—Session
- 27--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 2<sup>nd</sup>. 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 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**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](http://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/NCYC). This event is for current 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders. NCYC registrations will be accepted until January 20<sup>th</sup>, 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/francisfund.aspx>. We will be fundraising as well. No refunds.



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 20<sup>th</sup>. First come-first served.

**Faith Formation section**

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

- January 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>
- February 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>
- March 10<sup>th</sup>—Mardi Gras Pancake breakfast before Faith Formation (includes 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) & 17<sup>th</sup>
- April 7<sup>th</sup> & April 14<sup>th</sup>—Seder Dinner (includes 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)
- \*This does not include event dates
- \*\*Occurs on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays except for April

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

Be sure to check KDKATV for snow cancellations.

**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 20<sup>th</sup>. No refunds.

**Catholic Charities offers counseling for individuals, couples and families**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg offers faith-based assistance with anxiety, depression, grief and loss, interpersonal conflicts, recovery support, parenting and family issues, anger management and other personal and family issues. Counseling is provided by licensed, professional and experienced therapists. Fees are low, and many insurances accepted. Offices are located in Greensburg, Indiana, Uniontown, Kittanning and New Kensington. For more information or an appointment, call 724-837-1840 or email [counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

**ChristLife sessions at St. Vincent**

St. Vincent Basilica Parish will host "Discovering Christ," a seven-week series in the ChristLife program that begins Jan. 29 and includes a retreat on March 3. The sessions, held in the parish center, include a free meal, teaching and small-group discussions. For information and to register, call Kristina Davies at 724-539-8629, ext. 19, or email [kristina.davies@stvincent.edu](mailto:kristina.davies@stvincent.edu).



**Weekend and Weekday Mass Preference for Saint James Church**

As pastor of Our Lady, Queen of Peace and Saint James Parishes, Father Vincent is permitted to celebrate a total of 3 Masses each weekend. Currently, there are 4 weekend Masses between our partner parishes, plus a fifth youth Mass once a month. As a result, beginning on **Sunday, February 3, 2019**, the **weekend** Mass schedule for our parishes will be adjusted.

Currently, the population of our parishes is: Our Lady, Queen of Peace 584 members; and Saint James 1,504 members. Because of this proportion, beginning **Sunday, February 3, 2019** one weekend Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church and 2 weekend Masses will be celebrated in Saint James Church.

Recently the members of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish selected Sunday 11 a.m. as the preferred day and time for the one weekend Mass to be celebrated in East Vandergrift. The next phase of this process is to determine time the members of Saint James Parish would prefer the Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday morning Mass to be celebrated. A two-hour window is necessary between the Sunday Mass times in Apollo and East Vandergrift.

In addition, Father Vincent is permitted to typically celebrate one Mass each weekday [except for a funeral, wedding, Holy Day of Obligation, etc.]. Currently, there are two weekday Masses between our partner parishes. As a result, beginning **Monday, February 4, 2019**, the weekday Mass schedule for our parishes will also be adjusted. Because of the proportion of our parish memberships, one weekday Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church and four weekday Masses will be celebrated in Saint James Church.

Recently the members of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish selected Wednesday 12 noon as the preferred day and time for the one weekday Mass to be celebrated in East Vandergrift. The next phase of this process is to determine the time the members of Saint James Parish would prefer the Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Masses to be celebrated.

As we work on adjusting the Mass schedule for our parishes, all registered members of Saint James Parish are invited to complete the form below and return it to the parish office via the collection basket or U.S. Mail by Sunday, January 6, 2019.

**For registered members of Saint James Parish only:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one **Saturday** Mass time preference:

- 4:00 p.m.                      5:30 p.m.
- 4:30 p.m.                      6:00 p.m.
- 5:00 p.m.                      6:30 p.m.

Circle one **Sunday** Mass time preference:

- 7:30 a.m.                      8:30 a.m.
- 8:00 a.m.                      9:00 a.m.

Circle one **Weekday** Mass time preference:

- 7:30 a.m.                      10:00 a.m.
- 8:00 a.m.                      10:30 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m.                      11:00 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m.                      11:30 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m.                      12:00 p.m.

[return to the parish office by Sunday, January 6, 2019]

**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]*

**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. On 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.

**Epiphany of the Lord**

An epiphany is a manifestation of the mystery of God. Scripture is full of many epiphanies. Today the Church celebrates The Epiphany. The Word became flesh and dwells among us. The Son of God came for all peoples. The three wise men symbolize the nations who gather to praise God for the gift of His Incarnate Son. Redemption and the forgiveness of sins are gifts for all peoples of every nation, and Christ is shone as the Light for all nations. Go out and share the Good News of Jesus Christ to all.

**Our Church is a Holy Place**

Please help to maintain a reverent and prayerful atmosphere by leaving your pew the way or better than you found it: return the kneeler quietly to the "up" position, return the missalettes to the holder, and do not leave Kleenex, gum, candy wrappers, bulletins, etc. in the space you occupied. All will benefit from this simple courtesy.



**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.*

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January 6, 2019