

# ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



## This Week in Our Parish

A BIG thank you to all who stayed after the 10:30 AM Mass last week to help decorate the church!

**SYMBOLON** "The Catholic Faith Explained" series, church library, Sundays, 9:15 – 10:15 AM.

No Religious Education classes Sunday, December 30; and Wednesday, January 2. Happy New Year!

**Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Tuesday, January 1, 8:00 AM and 5:15 PM – Holy Day of Obligation**

The Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, D.C., sponsored by the Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, runs **Jan. 16-20, 2019**. Visit [www.diolc.org/yya](http://www.diolc.org/yya) and click on "Pilgrimage for Life" for more information. Anyone 13 and older may participate and will travel as a group. The "Early Bird Price" (forms and full payment in diocese office by **January 2<sup>nd</sup>**) is \$330.00 per person/\$300.00 per chaperone. After January 2<sup>nd</sup>, "Regular Price" is \$350.00 per person/\$320.00 per chaperone. **Sponsors: Anyone who would like to be a part of supporting life from conception to natural death but would not be up to the bus trip to Washington DC may be interested in sponsoring youth going on the Pilgrimage For Life please contact the parish office.**

We are currently sending 3 youth--Patrick Corr, Ian Corr and Caspian Stevenson--to join the ranks of hundreds of thousands of other pro-lifers to stand up for Life in Washington, D.C. We ask that you keep these kids in your thoughts and prayers as they travel (January 16-20th) and march to put an end to abortion. If you are interested in joining them as a chaperone, please contact Tony Shay (DRE) 608.606.2459.

**Sunday Meals for Fortney Hotel Residents** – Sunday, **January 6<sup>th</sup>**, is the next date we will be providing the meal. Food should be delivered to the kitchen in Marian Hall on Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> by 12 PM Noon. Pans, with instructions, will be out in the Atrium this weekend. Take a pan home, make a hot dish, salad or desert and return next weekend. Join in feeding the hungry!

## December 30, 2018

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

*today's readings are in the hymnal, page 1009*

**Sunday Mass**

**Saturday**

5:15 PM

**Sunday**

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**Daily Mass**

Tuesday

5:15 PM

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday  
8:00 AM

**Youth Mass** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 10:30 AM  
Mass, November to May

**Liturgy of the Hours**

This ancient communal prayer of the Church is prayed after all weekday Masses

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before all Weekend and 20 minutes before all Weekday Masses

**Rosary**

The Holy Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before all Masses

**Bethel Home**

Mass and Rosary held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at  
10:15 AM

**Norseland**

Mass and rosary held on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month at 9:30 AM

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

First Friday of each month after 8:00 AM Mass until Noon

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# December 30, 2018

Parish Council will meet **Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Marian Hall.**

**Polish Priest Prepares Pierogis for Pro- Life:** Come to learn how to make pierogis (Polish dumplings). Everyone is invited to join Father Janusz and our youth with this fundraiser on **Saturday, January 12th at 9:00 AM** in Marian Hall. The pierogis will be sold after all the Masses on January 12/13<sup>th</sup> - 5 for \$3.00, 10 for \$5.00

**Jan. 22 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe: Joseph M. Scheidler, founder of the Pro-Life Action League,** will speak in the lower level of the church at 10:00 am. A Mass for Life celebrated by the Friars will follow at 11:00 am, after which there will be a pizza buffet on the lower level of the church (\$5 per person with pre-order required by Jan. 2). For group reservations, call 608-782-5440, ext. 240.

*Note: The parish office will be open only Monday, December 31; and Thursday, January 3, during the week of New Year's.*

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

- |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| 1. When in sorrow                       | call John 14          |
| 2. When you have sinned                 | call Psalm 51         |
| 3. When you worry                       | call Matthew 6:19-34  |
| 4. When you are in danger               | call Psalm 91         |
| 5. When your faith needs stirring       | call Hebrews 11       |
| 6. When you feel down and out           | call Romans 8:31      |
| 7. When you want peace and rest         | call Matthew 11:25-30 |
| 8. When the world seems bigger than God | call Psalm 90         |
| 9. If your pockets are empty            | call Psalm 37         |
| 10. When you are lonely and fearful     | call Psalm 23         |
| 11. When you grow bitter and critical   | call 1 Corinthians 13 |
| 12. For how to get along with other men | call Romans 12        |
| 13. If you are depressed                | call Psalm 27         |
| 14. If people seem unkind               | call John 15          |



# December 30 , 2018

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend December 22, 2018

Adults: \$3,232.10

Offertory: \$327.92

Youth: \$2.00

Christmas: \$45.00

Christmas Flowers: \$5.00

Total: \$3,612.02

Needed Weekly: \$5,000.00

## 2018-2019

## DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Target: \$32,405.00

Pledged: \$21,726.00

Cash to date: \$17,149.21

THANK YOU!

### *Saints of the Week*

\**SS. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen*

\**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

\**St. John Neumann*

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Saturday** 29 December, 5:15 PM +**Parish Council of Catholic**

**Women**

(PCCW)

**Sunday**, 30 December, 8:00 AM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**

(Helen Pedretti)

**Sunday**, 30 December, 10:30 AM +**People of the Annunciation of the**

**Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

**Monday**, 31 December, +**No Mass**

**Tuesday**, 1 January, 8:00 AM + **People of the Annunciation of the**

**Blessed Virgin Mary Parish**

**Tuesday**, 1 January, 5:15 PM +**Ann Klos**

(Pat & Ed Klos)

**Wednesday**, 2 January, 8:00 AM + **Parish Council of Catholic**

**Women**

(PCCW)

**Thursday**, 3 January, 8:00 AM +**Rev. Joseph N. Tylenda, S.J.**

(Peg O'Rourke)

**Friday**, 4 January, 8:00 AM +**Pat Finley**

(Jim & Ann Graham)

**Saturday**, 5 January, 5:15 PM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**

(Paul Penchi Family)

**Sunday**, 6 January, 8:00 AM +**Paul Penchi, Sr.**

(Paul Penchi Family)

**Sunday**, 6 January, 10:30 AM + **People of the Annunciation of the**

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**Begin the New Year with Emotionally Mature Children** - Do your children test your resolve with their emotional immaturity? Do you need some suggestions on how to moderate the drama in your family? Then plan to attend the Raise Them Well Webinar on emotional maturity, **January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM**. You can be part of this webinar from the comfort of your own home. Just register and watch the entire presentation on your computer or smartphone. Cost \$5. Register at [diolc.org/marriage/webinars/](http://diolc.org/marriage/webinars/)

Engaging Adults in the Theology of the Body – Tomah – **January 12, 9 AM – 3:45 PM, \$10/person – Queen of the Apostles Parish:** understand the basics of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. To register, visit [diolc.org/yya/burninghearts](http://diolc.org/yya/burninghearts) or contact 608/791-2652, [pboyle@diolc.org](mailto:pboyle@diolc.org).

**Diocesan Lay Formation Institute classes begins in fall of 2019** - Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners! Registration is now underway for the next two-year cycle. Brochures and application forms can be downloaded at [www.diolc.org/lay-formation](http://www.diolc.org/lay-formation). You can also watch a 3-minute slideshow shot at St. Anthony's Retreat Center. If you are interested, discuss this with your pastor. For more information, contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at [ministries@diolc.org](mailto:ministries@diolc.org) or call (608) 791-2667.

This week we highlight **Leum Technologies** as the bulletin sponsor of the week.

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## Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish's Mission Statement

*As a community of faith, St. Mary Parish celebrates the love of Jesus through sacred worship and religious education; we cherish the dignity of each person, and we aspire to minister to all. We revere our history, embrace God's presence among us each day, and walk hopefully into the future.*

*Please note:*


Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Book Club will meet regularly the third Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM in the church library. Everyone is welcome to attend and share and discuss your current reading selection – biographies, historical, religious, human interest.

Youth Masses will be celebrated the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 10:30 Mass, November to May.

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