



*Parish Schedule &
Mass Intentions*



*From the
Pastor's Desk*

December 26	Saturday	St. Stephen, First Martyr 5:00pm Mass (<i>George Michael Yanock</i>)
December 27	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	
8:30am	Mass (<i>People or the Parish</i>)	
11:00am	Mass (<i>August Francis Stuhldreher</i>)	
December 28	Monday	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 8:30am Mass (<i>Reverend William M. Bichl, S.J.</i>)
December 29	Tuesday	5 th Day within the Octave of the Nativity; St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr 8:30am Mass (<i>All Souls</i>)
December 30	Wednesday	6 th Day within the Octave of the Nativity 6:45pm Avilas Prayer Group for Vocations (Church) 8:00pm AA Meeting (Church Hall)
December 31	Thursday	7 th Day within the Octave of the Nativity; St. Sylvester I, Pope Vigil of Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God 4:00pm Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) 6:00pm Mass (<i>Norma Jean Kushner</i>)
January 1	Friday	Octave Day of the Nativity; Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God New Year's Day 8:30am Mass (<i>Augustus and Eleanor Stuhldreher</i>) 11:00am Mass (<i>Helen Basa</i>)
January 2	Saturday	Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church 4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass (<i>Bernice Stevens</i>)
January 3	Sunday	The Epiphany of the Lord 8:30am Mass (<i>Special Intention</i>) 11:00am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)

On this Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph may God's special blessings be granted to all our parish families and households. May each follow and learn from the example of the Holy Family.

O God, Who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of Your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

*Collect, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Roman Missal, 3rd Edition*

New Year's Day, Friday, January 1st, this year it is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be at 4pm and 6pm on New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31st. Masses on New Year's Day, Friday are at 8:30am and 11am.

In Your Charity

Please pray for Reverend William M. Bichl, S.J. For forty-five years he served in many capacities at John Carroll University, including teaching philosophy and serving as Assistant Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and faculty advisor of Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society at Jesuit universities. May Father William and all who died live forever in the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.



Please Pray For...



Ann, Arthur, Emma Aguilar, Susan Allanson, Monica Baird, Garth Bender, Richard Bennett, Louis Bianco, Celia Bican, Logan Boone, Heidi Burmeister, Johannah Conner, Joshua Conner, Kevin Fetty, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris Gibbs, James Ging, Marilyn Griffith, Eric Haymaker, Tayha Hostetler, Bob and Kathy James, Ellen Jansen, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Carol Leach, Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Audrey Menke, Bill Misencik, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, George Novak, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward and Richard William Parker, Anika Patrick, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Rita, Bruno Ruppel, Rosanne Sanford, Theresa "Tess" Slenn, Paul Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Clara Szydowski, Patty Tesmer, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Paul Trecaso, Sylvia Trecaso, Karen Vincent, Minnie Wagner, Patricia Wiatrowski, and all those in need...

Scriptures for Week of December 27, 2015

Sunday	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28 Col 3:12-21 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 Lk 2:41-52
Monday	1 Jn 1:5—2:2 Mt 2:13-18
Tuesday	1 Jn 2:3-11 Lk 2:22-35
Wednesday	1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40
Thursday	1 Jn 2:18-21 Jn 1:1-18
The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God	
Friday	Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21
Saturday	1 Jn 2:22-28 Jn 1:19-28
Sunday	Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12



Daily read and pray the Scriptures!



*December 27, 2015
The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary and Joseph
And Jesus advanced in
wisdom and age and favor
before God and man.*

Luke 2:52

Family Perspectives

Jesus caused Mary and Joseph great anxiety when he went missing at the age twelve. Upon finding him, his mother said, "Son, why have you done this to us?" What mother of a teen has not found herself in a similar situation asking this same question! And, upon hearing the son's answer also found like Mary and Joseph that, "they did not understand what he said to them." Anxiety is normal in families- especially between parents and teens. Teens need protective parents but also perceptive ones who will help them discover and follow God's path in their life in order to grow "in wisdom and age and favor."

General Intercessions

That parents and their children may develop warm bonds and respect for discipline and authority.
Let us pray to the Lord.

DSWC

A "Caring and Sharing" session for those struggling with divorce, separation or widowhood will be held Monday, December 28 from 7:30-9pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Convent Building, 1945 Portage Trail, Cuyahoga Falls. Marlene Maruna, a Licensed Independent Social Worker, will facilitate this session. Open at no charge to people of all faiths. **For more information, call Marlene at 330-607-6284.**

First Friday Club of Akron

The **First Friday Club of Akron** will meet on **Friday, January 8, 2016** at its **new location, Tangier, 532 W. Market St., Akron, 44303** and will feature a Clergy Panel speaking on the topic **The Joys and Challenges of the Modern Priesthood**. The panel includes newly ordained **Rev. Jeremy Merzweiler**, parochial vicar at St. Gabriel Parish in New Concord; **Rev. Michael McCandless**, Director of Priesthood Vocations for the Diocese; **Rev. Steven Brunovsky**, Pastor at St. Hilary Parish; **Rev. Norm Douglas**, Director of Heart to Heart Communications and campus minister at the University of Akron. Luncheon program is \$20. **Doors open at 11am; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1pm.** Reservations can be made by sending a **check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307**, by calling **330-535-7668**, or at www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org, no later than the **Monday, January 4, 2016**. See the website for information on subscriptions for the 2016 luncheon series.

Apostolic Prayers for January 2016

Universal Intention: Interreligious Dialogue

That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

Intention for Evangelization: Christian Unity

That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.

Kindergarten Crusader

Seton Catholic School invites you to be a **Kindergarten Crusader, Thursday, January 7, 2016 at 9-10:30am at Seton Catholic School (6923 Stow Rd., Hudson, OH 44236)**! For children and parents considering Kindergarten for 2016-17 (*Children must be 5 years old before September 30, 2016*). Children will enjoy a morning of fun and crafts while experiencing the adventure of being in a Kindergarten Classroom. Our Kindergarten teachers are looking forward to meeting the future students of the *Class of 2025!* **There are limited spots available so RSVP early!** Parents will tour the campus and have the opportunity to speak with our Principal, Mrs. Alestock, and parents of our current Kindergarten students. We look forward to answering questions and sharing the Seton experience! Complimentary refreshments will be served. **To Register/RSVP for this event, please contact Mrs. Pat Fritz, Director of Admissions at 330-342-4200 x226 or fritzp@setoncatholicschool.org. You can also visit www.setoncatholicschool.org for more information.**

Keeping Warm

The Ozanam Center, run by the St. Vincent DePaul Society, is still in need of coats for the needy. **If you, or someone you know, has a coat they would like to donate (especially men's and children's), please bring it to Mother of Sorrows Parish and your donation will be dropped off at the Ozanam Center.** If you have more than one we would be happy to help you bring them in. **Thank you in advance for your generosity.**

Weekend of December 20, 2015

<i>Sunday Offering</i>	<i>2,838.00</i>
<i>Church Maintenance</i>	<i>2,000.00</i>
<i>Special Offering</i>	<i>1,000.00</i>
<i>Christmas (additional)</i>	<i>205.00</i>
<i>Retirement Fund for Religious (additional)</i>	<i>50.00</i>
<i>Poinsettias (additional)</i>	<i>20.00</i>
<i>Immaculate Conception (additional)</i>	<i>10.00</i>

Thank you for your generosity!