



Parish Schedule and Mass Intentions

December 29 Saturday: *The Fifth Day With The Octave Of The Nativity Of The Lord;*

St. Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr

4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass (*Patrick McKinney*)

December 30 *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

8:30am Mass (*John "Jack" R. Hanlon, d. 11/17/2018*)

11:00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)

December 31 Monday: *Seventh Day Within The Octave Of The Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I, Pope*

5:00pm Mass (*The Reverend Sylvester W. Fridrich*)

January 1 Tuesday: *Octave of the Nativity of the Lord Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*

New Year's Day 2019

8:30am Mass (*People of the Parish*)

11:00am Mass (*Quinto Marchetti*)

January 2 Wed: *Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church*

8:00pm *AA Meeting (Church Hall)*

Jan 3 Thur: *Christmas Wkdy The Most Holy Name of Jesus*

8:30am Mass (*The Reverend Peter J. Lenahan*)

January 4 Friday: *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*

8:30am Mass (*Elizabeth A. Needs*)

January 5 Saturday: *St. John Neumann, Bishop*

4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass (*McFadden Family*)

January 6 Sunday: *The Epiphany of the Lord*

8:30am Mass (*Augustus and Eleanor Stuhldreher*)

11:00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)

Pope's Intention for January

Young People and the example of Mary

That young people, especially in South America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

General Intercession

That each family may believe in and feel God's presence in their daily lives and know that this is what makes them a holy family. Let us pray to the Lord.

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 and also perceptive parents, ones who will help them discover and follow God's path in their life so that they may grow "in wisdom and age and favor."



From the Pastor's Desk

On this weekend as we celebrate the Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, let us pray that as families journey through life's changes and challenges ... may they always look to the Lord Jesus, Mother Mary and St. Joseph daily for guidance and inspiration. Now we pray...

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 and Joseph, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

We gather to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, January 1, New Year 2018. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses are Monday, December 31st at 5:00pm and Tuesday, January 1st at 8:30am and 11:00am. We also come together to pray for all the people of the world on this *Special Day of Prayer for World Justice and Peace*. Let us pray...

O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of her, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, 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, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

Scripture Readings for the Sunday and Daily Masses for the Week of December 30, 2018 can be found in the bulletin in the "Take Five For Faith" insert.

When joining together at table for Sunday dinner this weekend ... and again on New Year's at the Christmas tree or manger scene consider using the prayer to the Holy Family found in today's bulletin.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Prayer to the Holy Family

Let us pray...

O Jesus, look graciously upon our family as we come before you. Once more we consecrate ourselves before you...our trials and joys...that our home may ever be the shrine of peace, purity, love and faith. Protect and bless all of us, both absent and present, and be merciful to those departed.

O Mary, loving Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, pray to Jesus for our family, for all families of the world, to guard the cradle of the newborn, the schools of the young and their vocations.

O Joseph, holy Guardian of Jesus and Mary, assist us by your prayers and all the necessities of life. Be present at the pillow of the sick and dying so that we may all be united to Jesus and Mary and you for all eternity. Amen.

What Would You Ask Our Bishop?

What would you ask Bishop Perez if he was sitting at your kitchen table?

To be part of *Table Talk*

with Bishop Nelson Perez, submit your questions to tabletalk@am1260therock.com by January 1st. The next episode of *Table Talk* on AM 1260 The Rock will air January 17th at 5pm and will be re-broadcast January 19th at 1pm and January 20th at noon. For audio archive of previous episodes, visit www.am1260therock.com.



Donation Summaries 2018

Requests for 2018 Donation Summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email address and envelope number. Thank you



Please pray for...

Ann, Richard Bennett, Terry Balinski, Celia Bican, Dennis Babb, Logan Boone, Susan Bormet, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook, Gary Crowe, Scott Ensign, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging, Richard J. Grabowski, Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes, Jack Harley, Crystal Hatzimanolis, Eileen Herrman, Tayha Hostetler, Ralph Jerome, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Douglas Klubnik, Kenneth Klubnik, Helen Kracker, Carol Leach, Johnny Levanduski Ramona Lucas, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Annalisa Menke, Audrey Menke, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, Connie Morehouse, Tom Morgan, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, Nate, Collin Nemet, Noa, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward Parker, Bridget Perez, , Michael Phillips, Jacqueline Polcen, Rita, Helen Rhuling, Lynn Riley, Bruno Ruppel, Steve Sheets, Stefanie, Stephen Sommer, Shirley Southard, Amy Stephen, Paul Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Patty Tesmer, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Mallory Trecaso, Paul Trecaso, Patricia Wiatrowski, Darlene Zacoj and all need of prayerful support. Amen. (Requests or changes call 330-657-2631 or email us at mospenoh@windstream.net

Planned Giving

Year-End Giving and Future Planning

In this season of giving, consider making a year-end gift to our parish in gratitude for all the blessings you have received in life. Making a gift of appreciated stock may help you avoid capital gains tax and help our parish at the same time. If you are 70 ½ or older, you may be able to reduce your taxable income this year and help us in our ministry with a gift made directly from your IRA to our parish. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that a gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Lastly, should this year-end find you creating or updating your estate plan, please consider helping us grow our parish ministry for future generations by including our parish as a beneficiary of your will, trust, retirement plan or life insurance policy. Questions? Contact Stan in our parish office at (330-657-2631 or via email at mospenoh@windstream.net. You are also welcome to contact Mary Lou Ozimek of the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-696-6525 x4070 or via email at mozimek@catholiccommunity.org.

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap Akron is excited to announce that it will be at Panini's Bar & Grille in Stow, OH, on Wednesday, January 9th at 7pm! Theology on Tap welcomes all young adults to come listen to Sr. Agnes Therese Davis, T.O.R., Ministry Coordinator at Our Lady of Sorrows Monastery, talk on "The Privilege of Being Poor: St. Francis and the Freedom of Poverty." Admission is \$5 and includes appetizers. The bar will be open for those who would like to purchase beverages. Come experience faith, fellowship, and food with other young adults in their 20's and 30's at Theology on Tap Akron! Panini's Bar & Grille is located right off the Route 8 Steels Corner Rd Exit at 4200 Steels Pointe, Stow, OH, 44224.