The Contraction	Parísh Schedule
	and Mass Intentions
December 3	<i>. . . .</i>
the N	Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I, Pope
	New Year's Eve
	we Day of the Nativity of the Lord:
Solem	nity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
4:00pm	Mass (Quinto Marchetti)
6:00pm	Mass (People of the Parish)
January 1, 2	2017 Sunday New Year's Day
Oct	ave Day of the Nativity of the Lord:
Sole	emnity of Mary Holy Mother of God
8:30am	Mass (Pietro DiLgee)
11:00am	Mass (Virginia Kunas)
January 2	Monday Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory
	Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church
8:30am	Mass (Deacon Donald W. Lobdell)
7:30pm	Bible Study (Church Hall)
January 3	Tuesday Christmas Weekday
8:30am	Mass (Lucy Guzman)
January 4	Wed. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
8:00pm	AA Meeting (Church Hall)
January 5	Thursday St. John Neumann, Bishop
8:30am	Mass (All Souls)
January 6	Friday Christmas Weekday
8:30am	Mass (James E. Ritty)
January 7	Saturday Christmas Weekday
4:00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00pm	Mass (People of the Parish)
January 8	Sunday The Epiphany of the Lord
8:30am	Mass (Lucy Hauck)

Family Perspectives

Mary, the Mother of God and our Blessed Mother is The Model Disciple for all of us. The Gospels portray her as having a heart always open to the Lord and His will. How can our hearts be open like hers? To take time to be mindful of God acting in the world and to prayerfully reflect on them in our hearts.

Scriptures for Week of January 1, 2017

Sunday	Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21	
Monday	1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28	
Tuesday	1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Jn 1:29-34	
Wednesday	1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42	
Thursday	1 Jn 3:11-21/Jn 1:43-51	
Friday	1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or	
	3:23, 31-34, 36, 38	
Saturday	1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 2:1-11	
Sunday	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12	



Read and pray the Scriptures daily!



From the

Pastor's Desk

New Year's Blessings! May Mother Mary, Mother of Our Savoir, pray for us as we mark this Eighth Day of Christmas. We honor the Mother of the Savior, and because of Her Son, we too can call God our Father since Mother Mary is *Theotokos, God-bearer. We 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 Holy Mother of God, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

In Your Charity

Please remember in your prayers, Deacon Donald W. Lobdell (retired) and Lucy Guzman, sister of Deacon Jose DeGracia. May Deacon Lobdell and all our beloved deceased live forever in the joy of the Resurrection and may their families and friends be consoled. Amen.

General Intercessions

That hearts open and trusting to God as Mary's was. Let us pray to the Lord.

Please Pray For...



Ann, Arthur, Monica Baird, Garth Bender, Violet Benich, Richard Bennett, Celia Bican, Bishop Prasad, Dennis Babb, Logan Boone, James Brigotti, Heidi Burmeister, Johannah Conner, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris Gibbs, James Ging,

Marilyn Griffith, Tayha Hostetler, Kathy James, Ellen Jansen, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Helen Kracker, Carol Leach, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Annalisa Menke, Audrey Menke, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, Marjorie Morgan, Molly, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, Nate, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward and Richard William Parker, Anika Patrick, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Jacqueline Polcen, Edna Raber, Rita, Bruno Ruppel, Rosanne Sanford, Bonita, Steve Sheets, Doris Shriver, Mallory Trecaso, Theresa "Tess" Slenn, Miriam Sommers, Stephen Sommer, Shirley Southard, Amy Stephen, Paul Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Clara Szydlowski, Patty Tesmer, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Paul Trecaso, Sylvia Trecaso, Minnie Wagner, Patricia Wiatrowski, all in need of prayer, all who wished to be remembered and those who are forgotten...



January 1, 2017 The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. Luke 2:18

"Joy of the Gospel"

Need a New Years Resolution? Come join us at Bible Study on Mondays from 7:30-9pm for Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis. The class begins Monday, January 2nd, with a special presentation by St. Mary Graduate School (1st year theologian) Alex Spenik. All are most welcome. For further information please contact Chris Czerski at 330-666-0408 or cjc@gmail.com.

Ozanam Center News

Mother of Sorrows turn at The Ozanam Center is Saturday, January 14th. Please come at least half-hour before opening. Also remember Ozanam Center will again be giving out winter coats to our clients. We are in desperate need of new or gently men's and children's coats. If you can help in this effort, it will be most appreciated. The Center is open on Saturdays from 9:30am-12pm and the volunteers will be happy to help unload them for you.

First Friday Club of Akron

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet Friday, January 6 at The Tangier, 532 W. Market St., Akron, 44303 and will feature a Woman Religious Panel speaking on "The Joys and Challenges of Consecrated Life in Today's World". The panel includes Sr. Ana Isabel Gonzalez, a novice with the Dominican Sisters of Peace; Sr. Catherine Arnold, O.P., a Dominican Sister of Peace who ministers with the new members as Coordinator of Formation; Sr. Amy McFrederick, O.P., Co-Director of Associates, Dominican lay women and men in mission with the Dominican Sisters; and Sr. Catherine Walsh C.S.A., sister of Charity of St. Augustine who lives and works at the Catholic Worker House in Akron. Luncheon program is \$20. Doors open at 11am; program is from **noon to 1pm.** For more information/reservations, please send a check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307, call 330-535-7668, or visit www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org, no later than the Monday prior to the event.

Reconciliation

The Love of Christ Compels Us (2 Corinthians 5:14-20) is the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18-25). Begun in 1908, these days have been set aside each year so that Christians the world over may share the prayer of Jesus: "that all may be one... that the world may believe" (John 17:21).

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Lectures

"Catholics and Pentecostal Protestants—Is there that much we share with each other as Christians?" Speaker will be Dr. Mary Healy, Professor of Sacred Scripture, Sacred Heart Seminary, Detroit, MI. Held Thursday, January 19 at 7pm at St. Basil Catholic Church (8600 Brecksville Rd. OH 44141) in the Family Life Center Meeting Room. Also on Friday, January 20 at 1:30pm at Aula, Center for Pastoral Leadership (28700 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe, OH 44092).

Opportunity for Service

Response 2017, the most comprehensive guide of faith-based service opportunities, is now available. Volunteers serve full-time for periods of one week to one year or more across the United States and in more than 100 countries worldwide. Summer and school break opportunities are also available. Our volunteers are from all walks of life. Contact Catholic Volunteer Network to receive your free copy/copies of Response 2017 at 800-543-5046 or info@catholicvolunteernetwork.org. You can also visit www.catholicvolunteernetwork.org.

Camp Christopher – Winter Family Camp

January can be a difficult month. The cold weather and the short days coupled with the post-holiday blues make for a long winter. But there is relief in sight: **Winter Family Camp, scheduled for January 13-16, is right around the corner and we are now taking reservations.** For those of you have never attended, Winter Family Camp is a fantastic family bonding time. We offer the same type of high quality programming throughout each day for every age group, with great all camp programs in the evenings. **Please visit <u>www.campchris.org</u> to register or for more information.**

2016 Donation Summaries

Requests for 2016 donation summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email, and envelope number. Thank you!

Weekend of December 25, 2016			
Christmas 2016	8922.80		
Sunday Offering	600.00		
Church Maintenance	35.00		
Special Donations	6,034.00		

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