



Parish Schedule and Mass Intentions

December 30 Sat 6 th Day in Octave of Nativity of the Lord
4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass (<i>McFadden Family</i>)
December 31 <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>
8:30am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
11:00am Mass (<i>Nancy Karmitski</i>)
January 1 Monday <i>The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God New Year's Day 2018</i>
8:30am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
11:00am Mass (<i>Quintino Marchetti</i>)
January 2 Tues Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
11:00am Mass of Christian Burial (<i>Matthew Douglas Dulzer</i>)
January 3 Wed Christmas Wkdy <i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>
8:00pm AA Meeting (<i>Church Hall</i>)
January 4 Thursday St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
8:30am Mass (<i>Elizabeth Needs</i>)
January 5 Friday St. John Neumann, Bishop
8:30am Mass (<i>Maria Manuela Maldonado</i>)
January 6 Saturday Christmas Weekday, <i>St. Andre Bessette</i>
4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass (<i>Msgr. William B. Gallagher</i>)
January 7 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>
8:30am Mass (<i>All Souls</i>)
11:00am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)

In Your Charity

Please pray for Maria Manuela Maldonado, mother of Deacon Luis Maldonado, Sacred Heart Chapel, Lorain, Ohio. May Maria and all who have died live forever in the joy of the Resurrection. May her family and friends be consoled. Amen.

Scriptures for Week of December 31, 2017

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Col 3:12-21/ Ps 128:1-5/ Lk 2:22-40

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother

Monday Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/ Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/ Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1-3, 6/ Jn 1:29-34

Thursday 1 Jn 3:7-10/ Ps 98:1, 7-9/ Jn 1:35-42

Friday 1 Jn 3:11-21/ Ps 100:1-5/ Jn 1:43-51

Saturday 1 Jn 5:5-13/ Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/ Mk 1:7-11
or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



Read and pray scriptures daily.



From the Pastor's Desk

On this weekend as we celebrate the Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, may we pray that as families journey in life through change and challenges, they will always look to the Lord Jesus, Mother Mary and St. Joseph each day for guidance and inspiration. Let us 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. We also are 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

Please Pray for...



Ann, Richard Bennett, Terry Balinski, Celia Bican, Dennis Babb, Logan Boone, Susan Bormet, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging, Richard J. Grabowski, Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes, Crystal Hatzimanolis, Tayha Hostetler, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Helen Kracker, Carol Leach, Ramona Lucas, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Annalisa Menke, Audrey Menke, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, Tom Morgan, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, Nate, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward and Richard William Parker, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Jacqueline Polcen, Rita, Bruno Ruppel, Father Paul Sciarrotta, 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, and all those who are in need of prayerful support. Amen. (To add or delete a name, call 330-657-2631 or email us at mospenoh@windstream.net)

December 31, 2017
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.

General Intercession

Living together as a holy family can be difficult; as we begin this new year may we reach out and ask for forgiveness from those we have hurt in any way.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Family Perspective

In today's gospel, the infant Jesus is the center of attention. Unfortunately, many children are less valued today. They often take second place to convenience, career, budget, activities and adult needs. The gospel reminds us that every child deserves the opportunity to "grow and become strong" and to realize that "the favor of God is upon them." As we enter a new year ask: "What opportunities do I have to bless a child?" Now act on those.

Pope's Intention for Evangelization:

Religious Minorities in Asia

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom. Amen.

Ozanam Center in Summit

Hi Everyone,

The monthly statistics for the Fr Hilbert Ozanam Center for the month of December, 2017 follow:

1. Food Pantry

Total number of people served was 936.

Total number of households served was 289.

Total number of children served was 329.

Total number of seniors served was 116.

2. Clothing Bank

Total number of families served was 175.

Articles of clothing given away: 1584

Winter coats given away: 135

A very busy month for the three Saturdays we were open. We averaged 96 families per Saturday for food. We also gave away 135 winter coats. Thank you for all of your help and support.

Jim and Cathie Perusek

DSWC

The Divorced, Separated and Widowed Catholics of Akron will be sponsoring a talk given by Jen Ricard, Pastoral Associate from IHM. Jen returns to share Part 2 of the Theology of the Body. This event will be held at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent Building, 1945 Portage Trail in Cuyahoga Falls, on Monday, January 8th at 7:30. This event is open at no cost to single people of all faiths. Refreshments will be at 7:15. Our speaker will start at 7:30. For information call Sue at 330-554-5626.

2017 Donation Summaries

Requests for 2017 Donation Summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email address and envelope number. Thank you

Weekend of December 24 and Christmas 2017

Sunday Offering	2011.00
Monthly Offering	950.00
Maintenance	10.00
Oplatki	42.00
Christmas (additional)	7754.06
Special Donations	3500.00
Latin America (additional)	50.00

Thank you for your generous support!