

Queen of Heaven Parish

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated following the 11:00 am Mass or as scheduled. Parents are required to attend a Baptismal Class prior to baptism. Call the Parish Office for more information.

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 9:00–10:00 am.

Saturday: 3:15–4:15 pm.; or by appointment.

MARRIAGE

In keeping with Diocesan requirements, arrangements must be made with a Priest/Deacon at least six months before the date selected to allow for the necessary preparation.

ANOINTING & CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office so that the sick can be visited and receive the Eucharist and be anointed.

FUNERALS

Please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible regarding arrangements.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:30pm

LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil.....4:30 pm
Sunday 8:15 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)
Daily (Monday through Saturday) 8:30 am
Holyday Vigil 7:00 pm; 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS

Formal Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel open 24/7 for prayer.

Rosary Recited 20 minutes before daily Mass Monday through Friday and Saturday 9:00 - 9:30 am with Exposition and Benediction.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Pre School–Grade 5 Sunday 9:30–10:40 am

Junior High Youth Ministry—After 5:00pm Mass

Grades 6–8 Sunday 6:00–8:00 pm
(6:00–6:30 pm Fellowship & Snack - Optional in Robert Hall)

High School Youth Ministry—After 5:00pm Mass

Grades 9–12 Sunday 6:00–8:00 pm

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For anyone interested in information about becoming a member of the Catholic Church, call the Parish Office.

MISSION STATEMENT

“Queen of Heaven Parish strives to be a prayerful, vibrant, and proactive community sharing Christ’s love through numerous ministries. We are dedicated to building up the Body of Christ through the sacraments, the scriptures, and the intercession of Mary.”

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 31

Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary

4:30 PM +For all the Deceased & Living Members of Queen of Heaven

Sunday, January 1, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:15 AM +For all the Deceased & Living Members of Queen of Heaven

11:00 AM +For all the Deceased & Living Members of Queen of Heaven

Monday, January 2, St. Basil the Great & Gregory

Nazianzen, bishops

8:30 AM +All Souls

Tuesday, January 3, The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:30 AM +Mary Stakleff (Dick & Shirley Lang)

Wednesday, January 4, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:30 AM +Martha Lampe (Tom & Marian Heinrich)

Thursday, January 5, St. John Neumann, bishop

8:30 AM +Elizabeth Scheetz
(Floyd & Linda Appleman)

Friday, January 6, St. Andre Bessette, First Friday

8:30 AM +Donald Frank (Floyd & Linda Appleman)

Saturday, January 7, St. Raymond of Penyafort, priest

8:30 AM +Anthony Diano (Wiethe Family)

Vigil of The Epiphany of the Lord

4:30 PM +Ursula Knebl (Knebl Family)

Sunday, January 8, Epiphany of the Lord

8:15 AM +Louise DiAntonio (Family)

11:00 AM Parish Family

5:00 PM +Linda Bouissey (Brother Garry)



Readings for the Week of January 1, 2012

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 3:23-38
 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 2:1-11
 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



NOTES FROM FATHER JOE...

Dear Friends,

On this Feast of Mary, the Mother of God, on this New Year's Day, we have so much to be thankful for this past year, so much to look forward to in the days to come.

We are thankful for the lives of those we love, watching them grow in faith, supporting them with our love. We are thankful for those we lost this past year, which might at first sound odd, but in fact, we are better persons for having known and loved them, and, even in our sorrow, we are thankful.

And so much to look forward to. Growing in wisdom and grace before God & man. Deepening our faith, bolstering our hope, living a life in Christ.

And so, from all of us and ours here at Queen of Heaven, to all of you and yours, a Blessed and Happy New Year,

Fr. Joe

Prayer for the New Year

Dear Lord, at the beginning of this New Year, I remember that you are a God of beginnings and endings.

You created the world, with all its eternal patterns.

Winter begins in frost, and ends in Spring's thaw.

Spring begins in new, green life, ending in Summer's heat.

Summer begins in sunshine, and ends in Autumn's breezes.

And Autumn's color leads to the white of Winter again.

As another year ends and begins in our lives, help us to remember that you have made a world of cycles.

When fortune turns to trials, or hardship turns to joy, help me take delight in the life I've received from you.

Remind me that I will one day pass from this world and enter a new life like those who've gone before me.

Amen.

PARISH SUPPORT

Collection for Christmas will be in next weeks bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity!

IN LOVING MEMORY

We pray with the Church that the following may share in the peace and joy of the Risen Lord:

Anna Papp

Thelma Macaluso

(Grandmother of Mark Garbinsky)



Wedding Banns

*I Mitchell Houston Poolson
& Candice Marie Scofield*

*II Mitchell Houston Poolson
& Candice Marie Scofield*

*III Mitchell Houston Poolson
& Candice Marie Scofield*

The Parish Office will be closed for our staff to enjoy the Holiday with their families:

Monday, January 2nd

(open again on Tuesday, January 3rd @ 9am).

January 1, 2012

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

God desires to bless us. Mary is called the "Blessed Mother" because as she received God's blessing she became a blessing to all of us. Receive the blessing of God in the Eucharist and be a blessing to your family. Pray the blessing from today's first reading at home; "The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let His face shine upon you and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!"

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sunday, January 1

NO PreK-5th PSR Classes Christmas Break

NO Life Teen Mass & Life Night Christmas Break

NO Jr. High PSR Classes Christmas Break

Boy Scouts 5:00pm (PAC)

Monday, January 2

AA Meeting 7:00pm (PAC)

NO RCIA Classes Christmas Break

Tuesday, January 3

Rosary Makers 9:00am (BR)

Challenge Girls 6:30pm (CB)

K for J Girls 6:30pm (PAC)

Conquest Boys 6:30pm (PLC)

Confirmation Session 7:00pm (PLC)

Wednesday, January 4

Divine Mercy Cenacle 7:30pm (CH)

Holy Name Meeting 7:00pm (PLC)

Our Lady of Medjugorje Prayer Group 7:00pm (PLC)

Thursday, January 5

Homeless Outreach Ministry Program

4:00pm Preparation (PLC) 5:30pm Bethany Lutheran Church

Parish Adult Choir Practice 7:00pm (CH)

AA Meeting 7:00pm (PAC)

Friday, January 6

Divine Mercy Cenacle Day Group 9:15am (PLC)

Little Way Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00pm (BR)

Saturday, January 7

Cleaning of the Church

Virtus Training 9:00am (PLC)

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

You are invited to join the Divine Mercy Cenacle in singing the Chaplet of Divine Mercy during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every first Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm here at Queen of Heaven in the Church.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

THE NEXT BLOOD DRIVE IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 8TH FROM 12PM TO 4PM IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT.

SPONSORED BY LIFE TEEN MINISTRIES





Attention: All who work with children/teenagers at our Parish

The Diocese of Cleveland requires that all who work with children and/or teenagers at our parish fulfill several requirements related to the protection of children. One of these requirements is to receive VIRTUS training. Our parish is hosting this training on **Saturday, January 7th from 9am to noon in the PLC.** It is necessary for anyone who has not already completed this training to receive it. This includes those who volunteer in **PSR, Life Teen, Boy Scouts, CYO, Conquest/Challenge, and Kids for Christ.**

Please be in touch with me via email (dcbender@queenofheavenparish.org) or phone (330 896-2345) to confirm your attendance or if you have any questions about this. Thank you.

DEACON BOB

God Squad Fundraiser!!

Acme Community Cash Back Program. Save your receipts dated September 24, 2011 thru February 11, 2012. Drop receipts in the envelope on the God Squad bulletin board in the Gathering Space or at the West Entrance of the Church.

**JOURNEY TO PEACE
BEREAVEMENT CLASSES**

The 6 week classes will begin Monday, January 9th at 7pm. The classes will be held in the Gathering Space. (Classes will be cancelled for BAD WEATHER if Akron/Green schools are closed.) Call Sue Lyons for more information or to register @ 330 499-3937 or email @ mamachewl@aol.com.

Attention Parishioners...



Looking for volunteers to drive parishioners to Mass. All Mass times requested, especially the Saturday, 4:30pm Mass. Call Sue Ciccolini if you can help @ 330 896-2842.

Bible Study is back on a New Day !

The Little Rock Bible Study will begin **Wednesday, January 4, 2012** at 7pm and continue until February 29th in rooms 3-5 of the PLC. We will be studying in the New Testament: **"The Catholic Letters"**. We will learn why they are given that name and how what they wrote 1900 years ago still can help us today. See what it meant to be a Christian in the first century and what it means in the twenty-first. No previous knowledge is required. We do use a study guide/commentary which costs \$13. Email: SSDQ123@aol.com or call 330 961-7125, or contact the Parish Office @ 330 896-2345 if you are interested.



If you know Catholics who have been away from the Church, please share this invitation with them!

No matter how long someone has been away or for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Our faith community misses you and is incomplete without you.

Join us for informal sessions and an update of the Catholic faith. The six session series will be conducted in a group format:

Catholics Returning Home
Thursdays 7:15 - 8:45pm
Jan. 12 - Feb. 16, 2012 at
St. Francis de Sales Parish Upper Room
4019 Manchester Road, Akron 44319
(330 644-2225)

- January 12 Sharing our Stories
- January 19 Sharing Stories of Faith
- January 26 The Catholic Church Today
- February 2 All About the Mass
- February 8 (Wed.) Reconciliation... Why Bother
- February 16 The Creed: What Catholics Really Believe

Come for all or part of the Thursday evening series.
 Explore the way home!
 There is an open door and a warm "Welcome!"

**COME ONE!!! COME ALL!!!!
MARCH FOR LIFE DEADLINE EXTENDED!**

New Deadline is **Wednesday, January 4, 2012**

Pick up a registration sheet from the display
in the Gathering Space.

Questions? Please call Debby @ 330 705-3942.

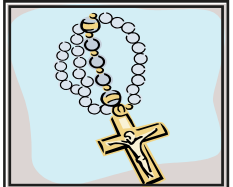
ST. PAUL PARISH WOMEN'S GATHERING

After the busy holiday season we need to take a deep breath and give ourselves the opportunity to reflect on our relationship with our God and with each other. We are very fortunate to again welcome Sr. Cheryl Rose for a gathering of the women of our area for a 2-day retreat. Beginning Friday, January 13th at 6:30pm with a covered dish dinner and Saturday, January 14th at 8:30am with coffee and donuts. This will be the only retreat Sr. Cheryl is directing this year as her schedule is becoming increasingly demanding. Our focus will be on "Open the Door" based on a book by Joyce Rupp.

**ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED
AND PLEASE BRING A FRIEND!**

Please come join us as we again search to make our faith alive for our families and each other. For more information, please call Judy Richard @ 330 644-4514 or Terry Nesline @ 330 724-1263.

**A Blessed
New Year**



**Traveling Rosary for World Peace
2:30pm, Sunday, January 8, 2012
Mulberry Gardens
Assistant Living
395 S. Main Street, Munroe Falls**

"Come and See"

On Tuesday, January 3rd, Sister Mary Ann Wiesemann-Mills, OP will reflect on *"In God's image: created as radical events of God"* at 7:00 p.m. at Blessed Trinity Church (formerly St. Martha) in Akron. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity for small group discussion, including time for individual conversations with Sister Mary Ann. Everyone is welcome!



These monthly gatherings, sponsored by the Catholic parishes of the Summit District of the Diocese of Cleveland, are intended for those who have questions or concerns about the Catholic faith or for anyone who simply wants to grow in faith and be able to discuss Catholicism with others in a knowledgeable way. There is no cost and reservations are not required. A Tribunal Representative is present each month to answer annulment and re-marriage questions. For more information, please contact Linda Herold at 330 376-5144 or LindaAHart@aol.com, or visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/summit.

Coming February 7th: "The Life You Change Could be Your Own" presented by Father Andrew Turner, Parochial Vicar, St. John Neumann in Strongsville.

The Power of Prayer

Prayer calls down the mercy of God, prayer heals, prayer transforms, prayer changes hearts. Please continue to pray rosaries for a son of our parish family, Matthew Warmus, as he serves his prison term. Our prayers are a great gift to him. January's calendar is up in the Gathering Space...please sign up for one day (or more) to pray a rosary for Matthew.

If you would like to send a note to Matthew,
here is his address:

Matthew Warmus 593174
TCI P.O. Box 901
Leavittsburg, Ohio 44430

**God Squad
Calendar & Social Activities**

Start your New Year out right and attend this fabulous Retreat planned just for you!!

WHO ~ 6, 7, and 8th Graders

WHEN ~ Saturday, January 21st from 8:30am to 5:30pm (includes 4:30pm Mass. Parents welcome to attend the Mass!)

WHERE ~ Parish Life Center

January 1st ~ NO Class

New Year's Day

January 7th ~ God Squad Board Luncheon

January 8th ~ Class

January 15th ~ NO Class ~ Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

January 21st ~ Retreat for 6th, 7th & 8th graders

January 22nd ~ Special Night for God Squad Youth, Friends and Parents. Our guest speaker is an NFL Football player. He played for the New York Jets and the Pittsburg Steelers. Sports and God!!!

January 29th ~ Class

God Bless,
Mr. B.

**TIME TO THINK ABOUT GOING TO
STEUBENVILLE FOR
THE SUMMER CONFERENCE**

Fundraising is available.
See Paul Dillick for more details.

SAVE THE DATE! Our Life Teen Spring Retreat, **"IN REVERSE"**, is coming up soon...**February 18th & 19th!** Registration forms will soon be available online on the Parish website or in the Gathering Space on the Life Teen bulletin board. Parent volunteers are desperately needed to help in the kitchen. Please contact Paul Dillick if you can assist.



PAUL DILLICK, OUR LIFE TEEN
COORDINATOR,
CAN BE REACHED AT: 330 603-5449

LIFE TEEN/CORE CALENDAR...

- January 1st ~ New Year's Day ~ NO Class
- January 3rd ~ Confirmation Meeting
- January 8th ~ Blood Drive ~ 12pm to 4pm
- January 8th ~ Life Night ~ Alpha Omega
- January 12th ~ Sports Ministry
- January 14th ~ Ozanam Center
- January 15th & 16th ~ Overnight Lock-In
- January 17th ~ Confirmation Meeting
- January 18th ~ X-treme 4 Jesus Bible Study
- January 22nd ~ Life Night ~ Rise & Walk
- January 26th ~ Sports Ministry
- January 28th ~ 28th Club

ATTENTION ALL TEENS:

Join us for a special Life Teen event- an overnight "Lock-In" on Sunday, January 15th in the PLC! *****Please note that this event replaces our usual Life Night for the evening.***** The night will begin with the Life Teen Mass at 5pm as usual. Afterward, we will have open gym...volleyball, basketball and dodge ball, as well as video games, karaoke, dancing, card games, board games, murder mysteries, ninja, mad scientist and more - along with great food and fellowship. We'll be up all night, having fun and the night will end with the daily Mass on Monday morning. (No school - Martin Luther King Jr.). Dress comfortably for activities. Be sure to download the generic permission slip from the parish website or pick one up in the Gathering Space or at our next Life Night. There is no cost!! Hope to see you there for part or all of the night!!