

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

WELCOME TO ST. MAX PARISH!

Welcome to the St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish community! If you would like to register in the parish, please pick up a packet in the gathering space and return the registration form. Once registered, you will receive our monthly newsletter and emails. Please know our staff and parish leaders are here to be of service to you. Additional information about our parish can be found on our website, www.saint-max.org.

Sunday, January 1**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD****No 8:00 AM Mass**

10:00 AM People of the Parish & † Anna Luu Nguyen
& † Nhon Nguyen

NOON † Jane & † Frank Brinkmann & † Anna Corkhill

Monday, January 2**Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops**

8:30 AM † Patricia & † Barb Romer & † Mike Liette
& Christopher Harman

6:00 PM *Mass at St. Susanna, Mason*

Tuesday, January 3

8:30 AM † Kristin Renneker

7:00 PM *Mass at St. John, West Chester*

Wednesday, January 4**Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**

8:30 AM † Joseph Long Duc Nguyen & † All Souls

Thursday, January 5**Saint John Neumann, Bishop**

8:30 AM † Father Huynh Nguyen

Friday, January 6

8:30 AM Special Intention & † Rose Giltner

Saturday, January 7

8:30 AM Mr. Vincent

4:30 PM † James Redden & † Thomas & † Edna Reagan

Sunday, January 8**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

8:00 AM † Long Nguyen, † Vincent Bao Nguyen &
† Maria Chi Dan

10:00 AM* *People of the Parish & † Maria Silvestri*

NOON* *† Faye DeJarnatt & † Anne Corkhill*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Numbers 6:22-27

Psalms 67:2-3, 5-6, 8

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:16-21

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

DEVOTIONS (all in chapel)

Perpetual Adoration - Our chapel is open continuously

Exposition - The Blessed Sacrament is exposed on Thursdays after Mass, a Holy Hour begins at 7:00 PM

Rosary - One half hour before all Masses

Divine Mercy Chaplet - After all Masses

*Our sympathy to the families of all those
who have died, especially:*

Robert J. Pearce, father of Marcia Chaffee

Alma Guerin, mother of Paul Guerin

Mary Harshbarger, mother of Rose Wiedenmann

Beverly Listermann, mother of Cindy Groh

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Your healing prayers are requested for Earl Abeln, Grace Basta, Lisa Bingaman, Bob Bruns, Brian Bruns, Eleanor Budek, Barb Burkett, Scott Burkett, Jennifer Calangi, Maya Collins, Marian Conrad, Cyril Daddieh, Angelique Debets, Henry DeNicola, Shannon Dowling-Schlachter, Jack Easter, Bill Ebben, Jackie Eckles, Cecilia Feltz, Levi Gasner, Robert Ferraro, Jack Finke, Timmy Fischer, Mary Fritz, Chris Giuliano, Karen Gross, Richard Gross, Sol Gross, James Gunselman, Gail Hamilton, Gary Hampton, Al Higgins, Jill Holt, Maureen Imfeld, Ralph Kitts, Jennifer Klenke, Don Klinkhammer, Hank Kluznick, Joey Lakeberg, Michael Lancaster, Pat Langdon, Pam Lawson, Barb Listermann, Tom Lutz, Char McCarthy, Lyla McGlinchey, Andrew Meister, Jacob Meister, Beryl Michael, Judy Michael, Daniel R. Miller, James Moores, Trevor Vincent Munafo, Gene Neltner, Victor Nguyen, George Palmer, Fr. John Porter, Stephanie Pulling, Annie Prather, Agnes Rahman, Kristof Rattermann, Quintin Richardson, Evelyn Robinson, Joseph Romer, James Santos, Kerry Santos, Rose Mary Schaefer, James Schaeper, Julie Schrock, Rose Seibert, Eric Stearman, Debbie Stoeckel, Richard Sunnenberg, Ernestine Tomblin, Tari Torbeck, Kenneth Trimbach, Joan Valentine, George Vesper, Gloria Vesper, Stanley Wadella, Vito Weeda, Kathy Wojciechowski, Charlie Wiedenmann, Christine Zampese, and Annemarie Cannon Zawada.

*Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick,
we turn to You in this time of illness. We place our sick under Your
care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Please pray for Scott Archuleta, Daniel Armstrong, Patrick Black, Ben Brink, Nicholas Calangi, Rich Borromeo, Philip DeNicola, Donald Gilbert, David Giuliano, Joseph Hamann, Michael Hazlebeck, Tyler Hollenkamp, Derrick Kamphaus, Stephen Kelczewski, Matthew Koop, Jon Laurin, Derek Morris, Ryan Nikzad, Don Mollis, Jr., Daniel Moore, Alexander J. Pater, Chad Richman, Christopher Richman, Kevin Stetson and Cedric Whitlock.

*Almighty God, we stand before You in supplication,
asking Your Divine mercy and protection to envelop with Your
invincible armor our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give
them courage and strength against all enemies,
both spiritual and physical, and hasten their safe journey
back to their homes and families.*

HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED AND NURSING HOMES

To make arrangements to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist, Anointing of the Sick, Penance and/or visits to the hospitalized or seriously ill parishioners, please call Holly Moran, 777-4322, ext. 116. Please note that if you are in the hospital, privacy regulations prohibit hospital personnel from contacting your parish. Therefore, you or your family members should let us know directly by calling the parish office.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could.”

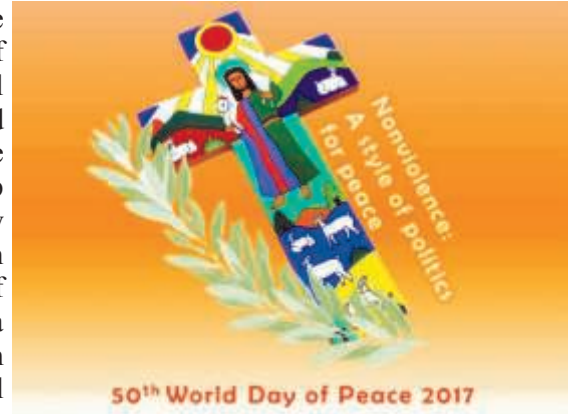
– St. Gregory Nazianzen (c.329-389/390 AD), bishop, doctor of the Church (feast day, January 2)

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

My dear brothers and sisters in our Lord Jesus Christ,

A continued blessed Christmastide and healthy and happy New Year of 2017 to everyone!

Today in his message, “Nonviolence: A style of politics for peace,” for the 50th World Day of Peace, celebrated each year on 1 January, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, urges people everywhere to “make active nonviolence our way of life” and notes that the “decisive and consistent practice of nonviolence has produced impressive results.” Primarily a call to political and religious leaders, heads of international organizations, and business and media executives, the pope encourages all to “apply the beatitudes in the exercise of their respective responsibilities. It is a challenge to build up society, communities and businesses by acting as peacemakers. It is to show mercy by refusing to discard people, harm the environment, or seek to win at any cost. To act in this way means to choose solidarity as a way of making history and building friendship in society. Active nonviolence is a way of showing that unity is truly more powerful and more fruitful than conflict.” These statements are most certainly true on the global, national and local levels but can also be apropos to the marketplace and in our workplaces and homes. Violence comes in many shapes, sizes and styles, some blatant and some very subtle. What can each of us do in our everyday lives to act with nonviolence?



Thanks to everyone for your inviting, greeting and hosting efforts towards our Christmas visitors and guests. Please remember, we have visitors and guests and new parishioners joining us each week. Being hospitable and welcoming are *everyone's constant responsibilities year-round* – inside and outside our parish facilities!

The blessing included in our First Reading from the Book of Numbers is most likely familiar to most of us. “*The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord let His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you...*” All blessings come from God, but we can’t conclude that blessings always mean happiness or security or prosperity. God knows what blessings we need, even if we do not! The key for us is to be grateful for whatever blessings we may have. That mind set is at the hub of authentic discipleship and purposeful stewardship – knowing all blessings come from the Lord, our need to be appreciative to the Lord for our blessings and our responsibility to generously and sacrificially share what blessings we have with others.

This week is both First Friday and First Saturday with our normal daily Mass at 8:30 AM. We are also back to our normal confession schedule, Thursday mornings after Mass, Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM, Saturday mornings after Mass and Saturday afternoon at 3:00 PM. Please, to the best of your ability, come for confessions at the time these are scheduled to start. When several people “walk in at the last minute” this could create a conflict for the priest-confessor who may have another appointment starting shortly after confessions are supposed to end.

And again, THANKS to everyone for your wonderful and generous response to our annual stewardship renewal. Your willingness to spend time in prayer, to share talents through volunteering and to give treasure in financial support of the parish is awesome. If you have already not done so, please remember to return your commitment card as soon as soon as possible.

That’s all for now – God bless one and all!

Fr. Geoff

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2017
7:00-8:00 PM – Holy Hour for Peace

WORSHIP

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

The Church celebrates the paschal mystery on the first day of the week, known as the Lord's Day or Sunday. Thus Sunday must be ranked as the first holy day of all.

(General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar, *Sacred Congregation for Rites*, 1969)

Fresh-cut flowers – like our green plants and green vestments – remind us of the newness of life that is ours through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. To help us celebrate the 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time, the Art & Environment Team is inviting parish families to offer fresh-cut flowers to adorn our church. It's easy – the parish makes all the arrangements with the florist – you just contribute \$100 on one Sunday. As you make your donation, you can specify if the donation is in honor of, or in memory of someone or some liturgical occasion (e.g. wedding anniversary for you or parents, baptism of your baby, etc.) And the best part: after the noon Mass on a Sunday, you can take the flowers with you and let them adorn your home for the coming week!



Think about what Sunday you'd like to offer this gift to the parish, and contact Jeremy in the parish office, 513-777-4322 ext. 103, jhelmes@saint-max.org to get on the calendar for an upcoming Sunday.

Available upcoming Sundays: Jan 15, Jan 22, Jan 29, Feb 5, Feb 12, Feb 19, Feb 26

OUTREACH

ARE YOU EXPERIENCING A "WINTER" IN YOUR LIFE?

In addition to the cold weather outside, many people experience winters in their personal lives. A recent loss through death, divorce, or relocation may leave them feeling lonely. A hospitalization or ongoing medical problems may leave them feeling isolated. The loss of a job, the fear of layoffs, or a financial setback can devastate one's self-esteem. Family and personal struggles may leave them with nowhere to turn for support.

If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring God's warm love back into your life. They provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care. They will meet with you privately on a weekly basis to listen, to support and encourage you, to pray with and for you, and to walk with you for the duration of your crisis.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk with one of our Stephen leaders. Call the parish office at 513-777-4322, ext. 218 or email at: StephenMinistry@saint-max.org. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

**THE CATHOLIC'S DIVORCE SURVIVAL GUIDE**

This program covers topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, the courts, the kids, the ex-spouse, annulment, dating, sexuality, spirituality, remarriage or staying single, and much more! Whether you got divorced ten days ago or ten years ago, the program offers valuable insight for everyone. This group starts Wednesday, January 11 and will meet weekly until mid-April from 7:00-8:30 PM in rooms 9&11. For more information or to register, please call the parish office 777-4322, ext. 116, or email divorcesurvival@saint-max.org. For a sneak preview go to: www.CatholicsDivorce.com

TRANSITIONAL LIVING

Please take a tag from the Transitional Living Wreath in the gathering space after Mass next week, January 7 & 8. Transitional Living is located in Hamilton, and provides competent, caring rehabilitative services to adults with mental disabilities, helping them live independently. Thank you for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE - NATIONAL DAY OF PENANCE

Beginning the evening of January 22 through the evening of January 23, St. Max will be observing a particular day of penance on the anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion in our country. There will be a holy hour, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and adoration through the night. We will end with Benediction on Monday, the 23 at 8:00 PM. Please join us for this very important prayer event! We are looking for adorers to help with the 24 hour adoration. Please direct inquiries to Debbie Sander at sanfam@fuse.net.

EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

GOSPEL FOR ALL AGES

Luke 2:16-21

In today's gospel, we learn that Mary honored her commitment to God by naming her child *Jesus*, the name given to Him by the angel Gabriel. In Matthew's Gospel, Joseph is told to name the child *Jesus* because He will save the people. The name *Jesus* means "God saves." Even in His name, Jesus announces the mission He came to accomplish.

With the start of a new calendar year, what can your family do to begin anew in the practice of your faith? Enter into our new calendar year with Mary's grace and quiet attitude of pondering. Take time to go through your 2016 calendar together as a family before throwing it away. Thank the Lord for the gift of time and of friends and family with which you spend it. Cherish the entire Christmas season... It isn't over yet! With next week being the Solemnity of the Epiphany, keep your Christmas crèche up, moving the Magi closer and closer to the Holy Family. Pray for Mary's help by praying together the Hail Mary.

EARLY CHILDHOOD NEWS

There will be no early childhood classes over Christmas break. We will resume regular classes in the new year on Sunday, January 8th.

RFY GRADES 1 - 8 NEWS

No classes this week! We will resume classes in the new year, the week of January 8/9.

MIGHTY MAX



Our Mighty Max early childhood (ages 18 months-preK, with caregiver) weekday program is accepting new registrations for our winter session for all classes, beginning. The winter session will run the weeks of January 9th, 2017 to March 17th, 2017. The cost for the session is \$50.00. Class options include Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and **NEW THIS SESSION—FRIDAY** mornings! Check out the Mighty Max page on the parish website for forms and program information or contact Charlotte Flanagan with any questions, at cflanagan@saint-max.org or 777-4322 ext. 129.

NURSERY NEWS

The nursery was closed today, January 1, 2017 so that our volunteers may enjoy the holidays with their families. We will reopen on January 8, 2017 for the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. Thank you and have a blessed holiday season!

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY EVENTS

There are no high school youth group meetings Sunday January 1st due to the holiday.

The next **FRESH** large group meeting is Sunday, January 8 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM in the lounge and gym. All are welcome!

HomeLife small groups start up again on Sunday, January 15th 7:00 - 9:00 PM. Check with your leader for details. Have a happy New Year!

STEUBENVILLE TRIP: Please submit registration and deposit of \$50 as soon as possible. Our fundraiser is coming up and will only benefit you if you are registered. Check the parish website for registration form. Please contact Ally Wheeler awheeler@saint-max.org or 513 777 4322 ext. 128 for more information.

For any questions regarding HS Youth Ministry contact Zack Hinger, highschool@saint-max.org or 513-777-4322 ext. 107

Save the Date!
High School Youth Ministry
Summer Conference Fundraiser
FLOWER SALE
After Mass on January 28/29 and February 4/5

Merry Christmas from St. Max



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WEST CHESTER CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

Adoration & Applebee's - January 5: Join us for the last hour of adoration (holy hour). Location: St. Max chapel @ 7:00 PM. Afterwards meet up at Applebee's at Union Center for some food & socializing – 1st Thursday of each month.

Christmas Party - January 14: Did you know that Christmas Day is only the beginning of the Christmas season? WCCYA will be celebrating this joyful time with an evening of fun, food, and friends at Dinglehouse Pub in West Chester. The official party starts at 5:30 PM and will last until 7:30 PM, but you are welcome to stop in for as long or short as you want. We will provide appetizers and your first drink. ***There will be no white elephant gift exchange this year. ***



For any questions regarding young adult events, contact Zack Hinger, zhinger@saint-max.org or 513-777-4322 ext. 107

COLLEGE SOCIAL AT THE RECTORY

Fr. Geoff would like to try to catch up with everyone over their Christmas break. To make this happen we are inviting you to join us on Saturday, January 7 at 6:00 PM for food and appetizers at the rectory. We look forward to seeing you all.

FAITH LESSONS FOR MOMS

Attention moms of St. Max: Do you have Wednesday mornings free? Faith Lessons is starting our winter/spring session and now is a great time to join. We are a ministry focused on the unique needs of stay-at-home and part-time working moms, striving to rejuvenate the body, mind and spirit. Our meetings incorporate fellowship, book study, trainer-led exercise, and sharing in the joys and perils of motherhood! The session begins Wednesday, January 11 from 9:30 - 11:30 AM in the gym and nearby rooms. Childcare is provided at minimal cost (registration required). Children are divided for age appropriate lessons and activities led by consistent and nurturing caregivers. Make time for yourself and meet new friends in the process! To register or for more information, please contact Monica Hartman, affmoms@saint-max.org. To register for childcare please contact Charlotte Flanagan, clfanagan@saint-max.org.

FAITH LESSONS FOR WOMEN

We're starting a great adventure in January, *The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation* by Jeff Cavins, Tim Gray, and Sarah Christmyer! This is the foundational study in The Great Adventure Bible Study Series that has helped hundreds of thousands of Catholics learn to read the bible. *The Bible Timeline* is a fascinating study that takes participants on a journey through the entire bible. We will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, we will learn the major people, places, and events of the bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. *The Bible Timeline* has been granted the imprimatur. Please join us on Wednesday mornings in the large conference room as we journey through the bible. If you have questions or to let us know you are interested in attending an evening session, please email us at AffWomen@saint-max.org.

A Marriage Moment

Traditionally people make resolutions to improve themselves at the beginning of the year. In marriage, since you are united in love, what improves one spouse also improves the other. What marriage building practice do you want to start or continue during 2017? For ideas visit www.susanvogt.net/EnrichmentEx

By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

COUPLE'S PRAYER

"Lord, teach us how to pray!" Join a 3 week couple's prayer workshop held in the home of a mentor couple that you are assigned to. Enjoy an evening out together and share snacks and beverages with 3-4 married couples. You mentor couple will present ideas and offer support on praying together as a couple. Workshops are held on 3 consecutive weeks and last about 90 minutes each. The workshop is free or a \$20 donation will be accepted to cover materials. If you have questions or to inquire about a group, please send an email to marriageenrichment@saint-max.org.

SHOW 'N TELL MASS: EXPANDED VERSION FOR ADULTS

Monday, January 9, 7:00 – 8:30 PM at St. John, West Chester in the chapel

Deacon Jerry Barney will explore the various parts of the Mass, and the meaning of the symbols and rituals used. He will also look at the history of the Mass, and the teachings of our church on the Eucharist such as: The Mass as a sacrifice, and the real presence.

EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

MONSIGNOR WHALEN LIBRARY NEWS

Join our team! This ministry serves so many! We sometimes fill a whole sign out sheet in a weekend. Join us on Wednesday, January 4 from 7:00-8:30 PM for our quarterly library committee meeting. No experience needed. We will begin our meeting in the library. Question? Ask us at library@saint-max.org.

- We have a new book shelf! Now, we can expand our collection and include the many wonderful donations! Thank you!
- We have Matthew Kelly's new book *Resisting Happiness*

DYNAMIC CATHOLIC - PASSION & PURPOSE FOR MARRIAGE

Come to St. John Neumann for a great morning of listening, learning, scripture, and prayer led by renowned speaker and author Dr. Allen Hunt on Saturday, February 4 from 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM. This is an opportunity to learn and grow as a person of faith who strives to love in all their relationships. As a bonus, you will receive a great swag bag to take home! For rickets (\$25/person) call 859-980-7900 or go online: www.dynamiccatholic.com/Cincinnati

**MAN UP! LENTEN RETREAT**

All men are welcome to a Lenten retreat sponsored by Knights of Columbus from February 10-12 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center. Fr. Tony Stephens of the Fathers of Mercy challenges men to grow in holiness and be true men of God. Retreat conferences include: The Martyrdom of the Daily Grind; Boys to Men; We're Not made of Wood; Courageous Hope, The witness of Fr. Emil Kapaun, U.S Army captain. Registration and \$155 payment deadline is Monday, February 6. Call Larry Tracy 513-321-4879 or Steve Lutz 513-503-9562 or register online www.2017-lenten-retreat.eventbrite.com

THE ATHENAEUM OF OHIO ANNOUNCES LAY TUITION REDUCTION FOR SPRING 2017

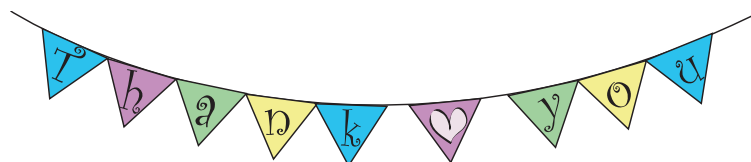
The Athenaeum, the archdiocesan seminary and school of theology, announces a 50% lay tuition reduction as part of our *One Faith, One Hope, One Love* capital campaign commitment. We offer daytime, evening and Saturday classes, graduate and non-degree options and a supportive environment with campuses in Mt. Washington and Montfort Heights. Earn a Master of Arts Degree in Pastoral Ministry, Theology or Biblical Studies or a certificate in Pastoral Ministry as you discern God's call, prepare for new opportunities, and learn about your faith in a dynamic and enriching environment. There will never be a better time to discover how lay Catholic studies through the Athenaeum can transform your life. Call 513-231-1200 for more information.

***Attitude of Gratitude!!***

“Thank you for your generous donation of new clothes (including tons of coats, hats and gloves) for tots thru teens! The Glenmary Sisters offered the parents in rural KY the opportunity to select a toy and some clothes for each child to present to them on Christmas. St Max also provided an abundant supply of blankets and throws for families and the elderly. Thanks to your generosity, you brought Christ to rural KY with your cozy donations!”

- West Liberty KY Outreach

“Thanks to all our liturgical ministers – lectors, EMHCs, music ministers, sound technicians, servers, sacristans, ushers, greeters, linen launders – who helped to make our celebrations of Christmas Eve and Day so wonderful!”





The flowers in the church were donated in loving honor/memory of:

The Abrams and Degenova
Family Members
Ernest and Ruth Adams
Jim Adams
Frank Agricola
Valentin Alicea, Uncle of Patricia Ramos
Paul and Pat Allen
William and Ann Allen
The Allshouse Family
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Donald Armor
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Angela Beerman
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John and Mary Boyle
Kazimserz Budek
Marjorie Bufler
Paul and Mary Bulger
Ann Bulger
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Joseph Burrows
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Herman Busse
Jerry Butler
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Sean and Jacob Castillo
Ruben C. Castillo, Sr.
Clara and Frank Chubbuck
All Chubbuck Siblings
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Dailey Family
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Sparky Dennis
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Peggy Groves
Robert and Christina Gruber
Geraldine Hahn
The Preest-Hardy Family
Butch and Jean Hesselbrock
Al Heuman
Austin Hill
Mary Hinger
Bill Hinger
Ben Hinger
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Jordan Hoak
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Mary Holler
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Joan and Bill Hunt
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Josephine Klepec
Joseph and Henrietta Knopp
Sandy Knopp
Robert Kollmar
Tula Bea Kollmar
Robert Kornau
Florence and Stanley Koss
Ken Kraft
Jerome H. Krekeler
Herman and Rose Krekeler
Laurel Krekeler
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The O'Malley Family
Thomas B. Oxier
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Michael Ryan
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Charles and Virginia Schray
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Matt Schroeder
Marion Shaw
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Beatrice and Ralph Spears
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Grace and Harry Taylor
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Christine Wadella

Jacob Wojdyla Wadella
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Lillian Wake
Deceased family members of
Kevin and Gerri Walsh
Walter Wantola
Thelma Wantola
Ann Waskiewicz
Debra Weary
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Harold Zabel
The Erlis and Zacher Family Members
Olga Zeleniak
Don and Kathleen Zink
All Souls in Purgatory
The babies of Sandy Hook
The Homeless





FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1. Sunday & Holy Day Offerings	Sundays	Holy Days
December 4	26,140.68	290.00
December 11	36,226.06	3,072.00
December 12-Faith Direct EFT	56,423.84	5,092.00
December 18	25,530.05	1,845.00
December 25		
Total December to Date	144,320.63	10,299.00
December budget	152,000.00	60,000.00
2. Sunday & Holy Day Year-to-Date		
Actual	938,768.25	15,442.00
Budget	930,000.00	7,500.00
Difference	8,768.25	7,942.00
Special December Offerings		
Campaign for Human Development	201.00	
Catholic Tuition Assistance	1,637.00	
Charitable Impact	1,553.00	
Drive Down the Debt	11,079.00	
Fund for Religious Retirement	8,411.00	
St. Vincent de Paul	2,078.00	

Due to an early bulletin deadline the Christmas collection numbers will be in the January 8 bulletin.

STEWARDSHIP POINT

“Giving is more than a responsibility—it is a privilege; more than an act of obedience—it is evidence of our faith.”

- William Arthur Ward

YOUNG AT HEART

Friday, January 6 - Pizza night at Milano's on Tylersville and Cox at 5:00 PM.

Monday, January 9 - Regular meeting - the speaker will be dermatologist, Dr. Patil .

Sunday, January 22 - Lunch at Stone Creek Dining Co. - Muhlhauser Road at 1:30 PM.

Young at Heart is a social group for parishioners ages 50 and over. Anyone is welcome, single or couples, widow or widower. Contact Tari Torbeck, 513-678-1247 or youngatheart@saint-max.org if you are interested in attending a meeting or joining.



VOLUNTEER DRIVER WANTED

We are looking for someone to take occasional bulk mailings to the Fairfield Post Office. You would receive about 1 week’s notice. This person would come to St Max and pick up the mail trays. Sometimes there are 10 or more trays and they can be heavy. Post office hours for dropping off bulk mail are: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. If you are able to help, please contact Cindy Groh in the parish office at 777-4322 x101 or cgroh@saint-max.org

Blood Drive

Friday, January 6

12:30 - 2:45 PM & 4:00 - 6:30 PM

drive will be held in the large conference room



To schedule an appointment, email:

blooddrive@saint-max.org

OR call 513-443-4755

One blood donation can save 3 lives!

All Types Welcome.



EVENTS OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017

ALL DAY	Complex	FAMILY PROMISE
12:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	Include Me! Mass
1:30 PM	Church	Rite of Baptism

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2017

ALL DAY	Complex	FAMILY PROMISE
6:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	Ancora

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017

1:00 PM	Rms 2 & 3	Young at Heart Board Meeting
5:15 PM	Church	Children's Choir Rehearsal
6:30 PM	Rms 2 & 3	KOC Monthly Social & Officer's Meeting
6:30 PM	Church	Penance Prep Parent Meeting
7:00 PM	Hospitality Rm	Hope and Healing after the Death of Suicide
7:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	Ladies Fellowship Network

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2017

ALL DAY	Complex	FAMILY PROMISE
9:30 AM	Lg Conf Rm	Faith Lessons for Women
5:15 PM	Church	Cherub Choir Rehearsal
6:45 PM	Church	Music Ministry Rehearsal
7:00 PM	Hospitality Rm	Bereaved Parents
7:00 PM	Rms 2 & 3	Pastoral Council Meeting
7:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	RCIA Mystagogia

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2017

ALL DAY	Complex	FAMILY PROMISE
9:15 AM	Nursery	Mother's Rosary
9:15 AM	Church	Sacrament of Penance
9:30 AM	Chapel	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00 PM	Church	Sacrament of Penance
7:00 PM	Church	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM	Chapel	Holy Hour/Vespers
7:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	St. Vincent de Paul
7:00 PM	Rms 2 & 3	Welcome Ministry Meeting

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2017

ALL DAY	Complex	FAMILY PROMISE
1:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	KOC Hoxworth Blood Drive

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2017

ALL DAY	Complex	FAMILY PROMISE
7:00 AM	Hosp Rm	Answer the Call Men's Faith Sharing
9:15 AM	Church	Sacrament of Penance
9:30 AM	Hospitality Rm	St. Benedict Bible Study
10:30 AM	Lg Conf Rm	Catholic Grade School Parent's Meeting
3:00 PM	Church	Sacrament of Penance
6:00 PM	Rectory	College Christmas Social

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017

8:00 AM	Lg Conf Rm	Children's Liturgy of the Word
8:00 AM	Complex	Early Childhood Classes during the 8:00 and 10:00 Masses
11:00 AM	Youth Room	RCIA
12:00 PM	Lg Conf Rm	Include Me! Mass
1:00 PM	Gym	St. Max Boosters Games
1:30 PM	Youth Room	Catholic Grade School Parent's Meeting
1:30 PM	Church	Rite of Baptism
5:00 PM	Lounge	High School Peer Minister Meeting
6:00 PM	Complex	Religious Formation of Youth Grades 4-8
6:00 PM	Church	RFY Prayer Service
6:00 PM	Hosp Rm	Stephen Ministry - Supervision Team #1
7:00 PM	Gym	FRESH - High School Youth Ministry
8:00 PM	Youth Room	Men's Spiritual Workout
9:00 PM	Gym	Men's Basketball



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