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Parish Mission Statement

Queen of Angels Parish represents a vibrant and inclusive community, dedicated to embodying the boundless love of God. Rooted in the rich traditions of the Catholic faith, we strive to serve as a radiant beacon of hope, illuminating the lives of all. Inspired by the teachings of Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to the mission of the Church, positively influencing our community and enriching the world.



SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 + THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PARABLE OF THE UNMERCIFUL SERVANT

*The kingdom of heaven is like a king
who wanted to settle accounts with his servants...*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

The Parish Office will be closed this Thursday, September 21st.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 23rd

4:00 P.M. - Lector- Livia Clark

Altar Server- Mary Kay Carpenter

Communion Minister-Patty Smith

September 24th

8:00 A.M. - Lector-Liz or Brandon Nagy

Altar Server-Paul Szymonski

Communion Minister-Stephen Butash

10:30 A.M. - Lector - Anthony Betti

Altar Server-Volunteer

Communion Ministers-Jim Wallace-Lynn Mitchell



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 16th

4:00 P.M. — Joseph Newell by Lynda Newell

Sunday, September 17th

8:00 A.M. — People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. — James Brunozi by Family

Monday, September 18th

8:00 A.M. — A.J. Giombetti by Grandmother Gerri

Tuesday, September 19th — No Mass Today

Wednesday, September 20th

5:30 P.M. - Judith Ghilardi by Daughter and Family

Thursday, September 21st

5:30 P.M.—Deceased of the Krisanda & Kromko Families
by Family

Friday, September 22nd-Novena Begins Today

5:30 P.M.—Bessie Smith by Family

Saturday, September 23rd

4:00 P.M. — Angelo & Beatrice Biagioli by Family

Sunday, September 24th

8:00 A.M. — People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. — Andrew Powanda by Family



SATURDAY CONFESSION TIMES

Fr. Gerard will be available to hear your confession from 3:00-3:30 P.M. on the following date: September 23rd and October 7th. He will be in his usual place near the sanctuary. As always, confessions are available by appointment, too.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Margaret Smiegal	J A Adams	Shannon Kennedy L.L.
Lois R.	Laurie Bransdorf	Jerry Fagnani Sarah Kolojeski
Gina Taylor	Robert Are	Kaidence O'Donnell
Mark B.	Mary Zitts Brunetti	P.P. & J.P. Leo Sebastianelli
Heather	Joe Garrick	McKenna Hunsinger G.R.S., Jr.
Eric K.	John P. Jones	Mary Ann Zigmont T.B.N.
Grace Grusha	Joey Berical	Debbie Coons & Daughter
Evie Dixon	Alicia Rinaldi	Greg & Laurie Robert Mazzone
Ivan W.	L.A. and R.A.	Eleanor Siniawa M.U. M.S.
Michael C.	Tiahna Grace Jackson	Donna Frisch Anthony Capasso
Michael D.	Mary Munley	Richard Williams Norm Sands
Maria W.	George Shaffer	Bill C. Tom Scandale
Joseph R.	Brendan Mellin	Elaine Theresa Ofcharsky
Molly Evans	Ava Biancarelli	Jacqueline Kosar Blazaskie
Rhonda Wassil	Tiffany Fagnani	Mary Pat Rudalavage C.M.C.
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David Passeri	Michael Passeri	Paul Cacciamani, Sr. K. Gault
Sue Wallace	Barbara Marcinko	Marie Homentosky J.B. S.J.
Deborah Ann R.	Christopher Mortensen	All Suffering from COVID-19

All Active Duty Service Men and Women + The People of Ukraine
All Lives Lost to Gun Violence in our Nation

**O Lord, Blessed Mother, and All the Saints,
hear our prayers for those on our Parish Prayer List.**



Sunday, September 17th-Catechetical Sunday
 Sunday, September 24th-Class in Session
 Safe Environment Lesson
 Sunday October 1st-Class in Session
 Sunday, October 8th-No Class-Steamtown Marathon
 Sunday, October 15th-Class in Session
Grades K-4 The Grunick Center Grades 5-8 LaSalle Academy



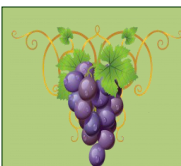
FAITH FORMATION-CATECHETICAL SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND

This year's theme reminds us of the invitation we receive from the Lord Jesus to follow Him and the promise that He doesn't want to add to our burdens; he wants to lighten them.

"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened."

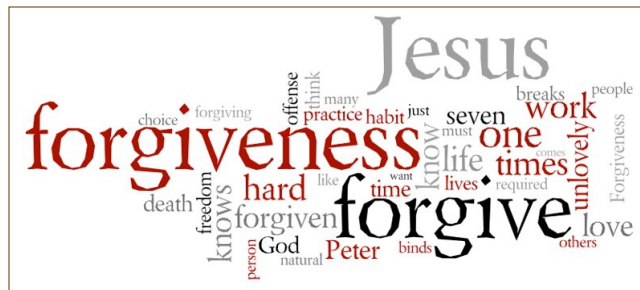
Matthew 11:28

With these words from the Gospel (Matthew 11:28), the Lord Jesus offers an invitation to follow Him and the promise that He doesn't want to add to our burdens; he wants to lighten them. This theme reminds us that the object of all catechesis is Jesus himself. The role of the Catechist is, first of all, to be a disciple - one who draws close and rests in Jesus - and then to be a witness to others and a companion as they too come to know Jesus.



**The Lord is kind and merciful,
slow to anger,
and rich in compassion.**

Psalm 103



Scripture Reflection

God forgives, and so must we. This is the message of this Sunday's readings. Sometimes forgiveness is easy. Friends and family know how to brush off each other's small transgressions. As the Book of Proverbs states, "Love covers all offenses" an insight that was repeated in the New Testament (see 1 Corinthians 13:7; James 5:20 and 1 Peter 4:8).

+ Sometimes forgiveness is difficult. Some sick people enjoy hurting others. Many more sin against each other out of ego or fear, inflicting thoughtless damage out of insecurity. Still others live with destructive tendencies such as addictions, mental illness, or trauma. Although these are out of their control, such inclinations make relationships difficult. Finding ways to forgive in circumstances like these can feel like a hopeless task. + Jesus did not agree. "Not seven times, but seventy-seven times," said Jesus, responding to Peter's question with an absurdly large number. The Old Testament already had a long tradition of teaching forgiveness. God forgave Israel again and again for its transgressions against the covenant, and prophets and teachers reminded individual Israelites to do the same. As this Sunday's first reading proclaims, God's tireless compassion should be the pattern for ours. + "Moved with compassion, the master of the servant let him go and forgave him the loan." In this parable, forgiveness means starting over from zero. Whatever happened in the past was gone, and a new relationship takes its place. God finds new reasons for compassion every time we request forgiveness. This is the example of freedom Christ calls us to follow. Forgiveness costs God nothing but instead deepens opportunities for divine love. Just so, Christ calls his followers to the same freedom. No one can take anything from us that God cannot replace tenfold. This realization can inspire our sense of compassion and free us to forgive, no matter the amount of mercy required.

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Questions to Ponder

What have you learned from being forgiven? How can Christ teach you to forgive? + What does the king know that makes him so free to forgive his debtors? How can a similar knowledge guide our acts of forgiveness?

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Practice of Hope

Examine your conscience and ask yourself: What sin of mine, or what sin against me, am I hugging tight? Can I let that sin go? Do I truly believe in God's forgiveness? Can I offer that forgiveness to someone who has hurt me? + Go to confession. + Reconcile, if you can, with someone or some situation in your life that you are at odds with.

2024 MASS BOOK AND INTENTIONS

The 2024 Mass Intention Book is now open. Please be mindful that all requested dates may not be available. There will be times when Masses will have to be adjusted because of Fr. Gerard's retreat or vacation or in time of illness. Please specify if the Mass Intention is for the Living or the Deceased. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



MONTHLY CEMETERY OFFERING

Your help is needed with the ongoing maintenance and care of our parish cemeteries (St. Michael's here in Jessup and St. Mary's in Scott Township). Your monthly donation assists with grass-cutting, the repair of old grave stones, landscaping, and more. At St. Mary's Cemetery and Mausoleum in Scott Township we have an electricity expense, mausoleum cleaning, along with grass-cutting, weeding, garbage disposal, and maintenance of the pond. Thank you for your ongoing generosity in support of our cemeteries.



**QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH
ANNUAL RIGATONI AND MEATBALL DINNER**



This year's dinner will take place on Sunday, October 29th from 11:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. Like last year the cost of the dinner is \$12.00-Adult and \$5.00-Child under 12. It is drive-thru only. Once again, we are happy to have our sauce made by the St. George Restaurant. Dinner includes Rigatoni, Meatballs and sauce, salad, roll and dessert. Letters and tickets will go out the week of September 12th. Volunteers are needed for baking, set up and clean up. \$25.00 Raffle tickets are welcome for our annual raffle. Individual donors for Pasta-\$100; Meatballs-\$100; Salad-\$100; Paper products-\$100; and the bulk mailing-\$100 are welcome. Confirmation students are needed on that day for dinner deliveries to the cars. Watch the bulletin for updates as we closer to the dinner date. Mark your calendar today!



PARENT MEETING-7TH GRADE STUDENTS

Fr. Gerard will be meeting with the parents of the 7th Grade students on Sunday, October 1st at 9:00 A.M. in church. He will share with them the first year preparation activities for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Attendance is very important as there are several items for the students to accomplish this year.



SEPTEMBER INSURANCE ENVELOPE

You will find the Insurance Envelope in your September packet. Everyone, please try to contribute to this expense. Recently, the diocese raised this expense up 8% for this fiscal year. Remember, this covers all of our parish buildings. Your generosity is appreciated.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTIONS AND MORE</u>	
Collection for Sunyani-	\$1,050.00
Collection for Maui-	\$1,036.00
August-Care & Education of Priests-	\$293.25
September 3, 2023-	\$3,700.00
September 10, 2023-	\$3,857.00



**ANNUAL NOVENA IN HONOR
OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX**

Our Annual Novena in Honor of St. Therese begins this week (September 22nd) and concludes on Sunday, October 1st. Novena prayer cards can be found in the back of the church. All weekday Masses are at 5:30 P.M. like last year. The novena prayers, a blessing with her relic will be offered at all weekend Masses, too. Some religious articles are for sale. Check the sacristy for these.



2023 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

The weekend of September 23 and 24 is Diocesan Annual Appeal Celebration Weekend, which will once again combine Kick-Off Weekend and In-Pew Weekend. Materials will be sent to you in the mail after that weekend and bulletin items will help this year's Annual Appeal get started. Watch CTV, read the Catholic Light, and this bulletin for more information about the Appeal.



**AMERICAN LEGION POST 411 at 508 CHURCH ST.-JESSUP
ANNUAL RIGATONI & MEATBALL DINNER**

Saturday, October 7th-Take outs only from 3:00-5:00 P.M. Eat in from 5:30-8:00 P.M. Cost of dinner is \$12.00. Presale tickets call Andy Piasecki at 570-954-1144 or Joe Fioretti ay 570-877-7291.



**POPE CALLS FOR NEW MARIAN DEVOTION AT FATIMA
"Our Lady in a Hurry"**

"There are many Marian invocations," Pope Francis told the crowd at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima on August 5th, but one that is not common and should be, comes from the biblical account of the visitation when Mary sets off to see her cousin who also is pregnant. "It's a loose translation, but where the Gospel says she set out 'in haste,' we would say she went out running," he said; "she went out running with that eagerness to be present." + " 'Our Lady in a Hurry,' do you like that?" Pope Francis asked his fellow pilgrims. "Let's all say it together: 'Our Lady in a Hurry.' She hurries to be close to us. She hurries because she is a mother."



SANCTUARY CANDLE

In Memory of Mary & Armand Garofoli by Bob & Livia Clark



NEW FAMILIES ALWAYS WELCOME

Queen of Angels Parish is always welcoming new families and members. Please contact the Parish Office and we will make sure that you get registered. Welcome to our weekday and weekend liturgies and all of our parish events. Do not hesitate to approach Fr. Gerard or Deacon Jerry and introduce yourselves. All are welcome!

_____ Yes, I would like to be a member of the Queen of Angels Family. Please contact me at

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