

# QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH

at SAINT MICHAEL'S CHURCH  
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Vicki Nagy

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## Pastor

Rev. Gerard M. McGlone

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**Pastor Emeritus**

+ Rev. William B. Blake +

+

**Deacon**

Deacon Gerard L. Carpenter

+

**Sacristan**

Enzo Angeloni

## 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.



OCTOBER 1, 2023 + THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Complete my joy

by being like-minded

having the same love  
**BEING IN FULL ACCORD**  
of one mind

Philippians 2:2

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, September 30th**

4:00 P.M. — Artemio Martin by The Emilio Cruciani Family

**Sunday, October 1st**

8:00 A.M. — People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. — Margaret, Joseph & Joseph P. Carey by Family

**Monday, October 2nd—No Mass Today**

**Tuesday, October 3rd — No Mass Today**

**Wednesday, October 4th — No Mass Today**

**Thursday, October 5th — No Mass Today**

**Friday, October 6th — No Mass Today**

**Saturday, October 7th**

4:00 P.M. — Joseph Junikka by Carolyn Nardelli & Family

**Sunday, October 8th**

8:00 A.M. — People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. — Penelope Nardelli by Lois Rinaldi

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**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

For all on our Parish Prayer List

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**October 7th**

4:00 P.M. — Lector— Vicki Nagy

Altar Server— Mary Kay Carpenter

Communion Minister-Margaret Conway

**October 8th**

8:00 A.M. - Lector-Nancy Wasilchak

Altar Server-Paul Szymonski

Communion Minister-Stephen Butash

10:30 A.M. - Lector - Lynn Mitchell

Altar Server-Volunteer

Communion Ministers-Ron & Rhonda Wassil



**Remember your mercies, O Lord.**

Psalm 25

## SATURDAY CONFESSION TIMES

Fr. Gerard will be available to hear your confession from 3:00-3:30 P.M. on the following date: October 7th and 21st 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 Mazzoni
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.
Brian Zebrowski	James Baker	Bigi Bob A. Fr. Michael Kirwin
Paul Washko	Deacon Jerry	Beverly Lepri Michael Mathesz
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, October-1st-Class in Session-Kindergarten Meets Today**  
**7th Grade Parents Meeting in Church-9:00-10:00 A.M.**  
 8th-No Class Today-**Steamtown Marathon**  
 15th-Class in Session  
 22nd-Class in Session  
**Living Rosary in Church-9:00 A.M...All Grades**  
 Parents and Family Members are welcome.  
**Grade 8-Ministries at Mass-10:30 A.M.**  
 29th-Class in Session  
 K-4 in Saints or Angels costumes only  
 at 10:30 A.M. Mass



**Grades K-4 The Grunick Center    Grades 5-8 LaSalle Academy**  
 +  
**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.

### NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Because of the Steamtown Marathon, there will be no Faith Formation classes next Sunday. Classes will resume at 8:45 A.M. the following Sunday, October 15th.

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY TO MEET

Tuesday, October 10th at 6:00 P.M. in the Parish Pastoral Center. Please use the side ramp entrance. New members always welcome.

### RAFFLE DONATION-THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!

Thanks to Bev and Mike Carnevale for the donation of an 8 foot, outdoor inflatable snowman to raffle off at our Rigatoni and Meatball Dinner.

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



It can be a challenge to recognize God at work in ours and other's lives. In our first reading, Ezekiel pleads with Israel to recognize that it was not God but they who caused the invasion and social collapse they faced. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds Israel's priests and elders that, although they know how to draw near to God, they failed to recognize the desire of sinners to do the same. + First-century Jews believed tax collectors and prostitutes benefited from Israel's national humiliation. Tax collectors enriched themselves by plundering Jews on Rome's behalf. Prostitutes earned much of their living from the Roman soldiers who occupied Israel. Both groups symbolized Israel's oppression, and faithful Jews resented them thoroughly. + Such attitudes kept the faithful from noticing that many tax collectors and prostitutes had a real desire for change. Many responded with eagerness to the mercy that John the Baptist and Jesus showed them. The Gospels contain many stories of the sudden and total conversion of tax collectors and prostitutes. Their desire for change was real, and as they transformed their lives, they gave evidence that God was at work among them. + Resentments robbed many people of the humility that would have allowed them to see and join God's work. Pride obscured the need for grace, and persecution led them to believe they earned God's love through suffering. Such entitlement kept Israel's chief priests and elders from recognizing their need fore divine mercy. They were thus unable to identify the effects of divine mercy among sinners and they failed to join God's effort. + Such problems remain today. God's kingdom includes all parts of a polarized world. Christ's disciples must be able to recognize God's work wherever they find it and be willing to join in the task. This is how we, as St. Paul exhorts, can have in us the same attitude that is in Christ.

### QUESTIONS TO PONDER

When has the work of grace surprised you? + How can you make Christ's humility your own? If Jesus preached this parable today, who would our "tax collectors and prostitutes" be?

### THE PRACTICE OF CHARITY

This week, guard against small acts of cruelty or indifference. Stand up for someone who is being treated unkindly. Be on the lookout for opportunities where you may choose humility over self-aggrandizement. + October 3rd is Child Health Day. More that 11 million children in the United States are food insecure, and many more globally suffer from malnutrition and hunger. How can you respond to this need? + Think globally. Act locally.

### 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.

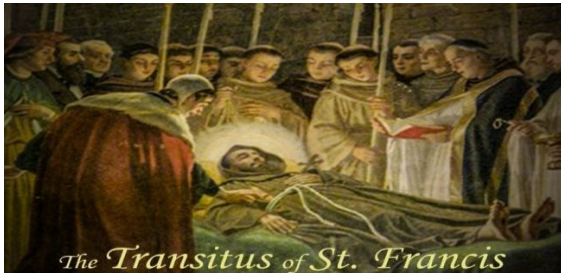
**MONTHLY CEMETERY OFFERING**

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



**PET BLESSING THIS WEEKEND-SUNDAY-12:00 NOON**

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, parishioners can bring their pets to be blessed by Deacon Jerry in the St. Michael's parking lot.



**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI "TRANSITUS"**

On the eve of the Feast of St. Francis, the church in NYC-St. Francis of Assisi on 31st Street, hosts a beautiful prayer service called the Transitus. It commemorates the passage of St. Francis from this world to the next. It includes music, scripture readings, the blessing of bread and a candlelight procession with the Friars. Tune in on your phone or laptop at

[www.stfrancisnyc.org](http://www.stfrancisnyc.org)



**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. Please make your ticket returns soon so that we can plan and purchase. Thank you.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

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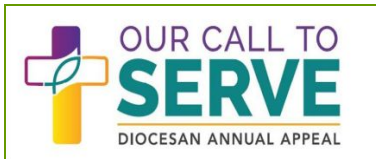
**QUEEN OF ANGELS ROSARY GROUP**

The Parish Rosary Group meets every Wednesday evening at 6:00 P.M. in the Grunick Center Eucharistic Chapel. It is cool in the Summer and warm in the winter. Bring a friend. Why not come to 5:30 P.M. Mass and then go to the Rosary next door for 6:00 P.M.! Make it your new routine...kind of like your weekly spiritual exercise. All are welcome.



**VISION 2030 AND FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY**

In early September of this year every parish in the diocese of Scranton received information regarding their financial stability. Queen of Angels Parish Annual Financial Report and Proposed Budget was submitted before September 15th. The Diocesan Finance Office has created a five-year trend analysis of our finances based upon our reporting. It will be published in an up-coming bulletin. Please take the time to read and digest it. In 2022-2023 we found ourselves struggling to make our assessments in a timely manner. This will be evident when you read the report. Our assessments and expenses exceed our income and fundraisers. Please be mindful of this as you make your weekly donations to the parish and participate in our fundraisers. A healthy weekly deposit should be closer to \$5,000 to meet our diocesan assessments, payroll, utilities and other expenses related to ministries and maintenance. Information such as this will determine the viability of a parish and decisions going forward.



Gifts to the Appeal provide necessary support that fulfills basic needs and builds the future of our church. God calls us to share our gifts with others

to build up the Kingdom of God. Your gift touches countless lives in our communities. No gift is too small to make a difference. Materials have been sent to you in the mail before this weekend. Watch CTV, read the Catholic Light, and this bulletin for more information about the Appeal.



**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 or speak to Fr. Gerard or Deacon Jerry with your questions.

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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