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MISSION STATEMENT: St. Anthony Parish is a community of diverse cultures. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and responding to the call of Jesus, we strive to proclaim the Good News, build a community of love, celebrate the Liturgy, and serve each other.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 24, 2023



Please contact the parish office or Fr. Maria Joseph Kodiganti to become a member or for any of the following:

Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, Marriage, Confession and Anointing of the Sick.

Homebound: For anyone going to the hospital, wishing to receive communion, or home visits.

Religious Education: Classes begin at the pre-k level and go through High School and Confirmation.

Marriage: Six months advance notice is required.

RCIA: Classes are available for those who wish to become Catholic or adult Catholics who have not yet received First Communion or Confirmation.

Funerals:

Mass Schedules for the Cluster

Our Lady Queen of Peace—5610 S. Hwy 51, P.O. Box 325, Manitowish Waters 54545—Phone 715-543-8428

St. Isaac Jogues & Companions—5214 N Lakeview Ave, P.O. Box 373, Mercer 54547—Phone 715-476-2697

Reconciliation

St. Isaac Jogues –Tuesday 9 – 9:30 am

Our Lady Queen of Peace – Wednesday 4 – 4:30 pm

St. Anthony – Saturday 3 – 3:30 pm

Weekday Masses

St. Isaac Jogues – Tuesday 8:30 am

St. Anthony – Wednesday 8am

Our Lady Queen of Peace – Wednesday 4:30 pm

Our Lady Queen of Peace – Thursday 8:30 am

St. Anthony – Friday 8 am

Saturday Mass

St. Anthony – 4 pm

Our Lady Queen of Peace – 5:30 pm

Sunday Mass

Our Lady Queen of Peace – 8 am

St. Anthony – 9:30 am

St. Isaac Jogues – 11 am

1st Friday Mass & Adoration

St. Anthony – 8 am Mass followed by Adoration

No First Friday until March



Please pray for: John & Marcia Bardos, Barb Borroughs, Gene Baumgartner, Gloria Benedict, Jackie Benson, Jesse Bouldin, Billie Brever, Kay Brossmer, Sue Budjac, Collyn Burgess, Russell David, James Titus David, Robert Deitrich, Jan Jensen Deizell, Dorothy Dowling, Gary Elskamp, Michael Firkus, Tracey Forquer, A. Gammon, Larry Gisiakowski, Andrea Hinkle, Trevor Horne, Diane Korinek, Marty Kramer, Bernie Kramer, Terry Mantor, J. Roche, David Hitzaler, Phillip Hemling, Sherry Hitzaler, Ann Hollrith, Paul Hollrith, Pat

Horter, Sandy Kusay, Dan Leonardi, Tom Meurett, Janet Peters, Ann Peterson, Debra Ramsey, Chris Stayer, Josh Stone, John Smigaj, L. Fischer, Geri Schwind, Easton Senovaske, Sr. Pat Sevcik, David & Julie Sharp, Michael Sharp, Eugene Vogel, Casey Wies, M. Wilson, Gary Zavada.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday at 10 am

PARISH STAFF

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Office Hours: This Week: Tues. & Wed 9:00-1:30

Thurs & Fri 9:00-1:00

Debra Ramsey, Coordinator of Religious Education

Phone: (715) 588-3148

Darlene Machel, Organist

Ryan Lefeber, Janitor

MASS SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS

Wednesday, Dec 27th:

8:00am Mass for +Joe & il Ogradnik by Joe & Betty Ogradnik

Friday, Dec 29th:

8:00am Mass for +Hank & Mary Clare Doran by Frank & Deberah (Doran) Keogh

Saturday, Dec 30th:

4:00pm Mass for +Tom Miklautsch by Mimi Miklautsch & Family

Sunday Dec 31st:

9:30am Mass for In Thanksgiving by Francis & Anna Marie Chartier

Many dates are still available next year for Masses to be offered for a particular intention. Mass intentions are allocated on a first come basis. If you require a particular date, submit a request as early as possible. Please contact the office to make arrangements. Thank you.

PARISH MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Women's Club: Tues, April 2, 2024 @ 1:00pm

Men's Club: To Be Announced

Knights of Columbus: Wed, Jan 10, 2024 @ 7:00pm

Parish Council: Thurs, March 14, 2024 @ 6:30pm

Finance Council: Tues, April 23, 2024 @ 6:30pm

Liturgy Committee: To Be Announced

Prayer Shawl: Thurs, Jan 11, 2024 @ 1:00pm

KNOW YOUR COUNCILS

Trustees: Steve Jelinski and Kim Strasburg

FINANCE COUNCIL

Paul Kosin (Chair)

Kathleen Wieck

Sue Forbes, Barb Draeger

Mark Mehling

PARISH COUNCIL

Nancy Labecki (Chair)

Terry Lonnborg, Pam Smylie

Jim Strasburg, Ryan Lefeber

Sharon Mehling, Owen Phelps

COLLECTIONS: Weeks of Dec 16 & Dec 17

Adults Envelopes	\$ 7,102.00
Loose	162.00
Candles	55.75
Christmas Flowers & Offering	390.00
Immaculate Concept & Utility	10,515.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$18,224.75

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING GENEROSITY

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2023-2024

Our Parish Goal	\$22,083.00
Received to Date	9,355.00
Sent Direct To Diocese	
Left to Raise	\$12,728.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

DEC 13, 2023 **DEC 16, 2023** **DEC 17, 2023**

27

42

45

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Please use the sign-up sheets in the back of church to mark all times you are available in January & February

WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS

	Sat, December 30	Sun, December 31
Eucharist Minister	Carolyn Magan	
Reader	DJ Lindsay	
Server	Jack Stayer	Jim Strasburg
Money Counters (Tues. Dec. 26)	Kathy Teska, Nancy Labecki, Carol K.	

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Bernard & Leann Szydlo **12/12/82**

Owen & Jane Phelps **12/26/66**

Dick & Sally Fitzpatrick **12/27/70**

CSA

The 2023/2024 Catholic Services Appeal is now in progress. Our goal this year is \$22,083.00. Today we have received \$9,355.00 leaving a balance of \$12,727.00. The appeal is an opportunity for us, as a faith family, to join together to do the work of the Lord. We ask for your continued generosity as we kick off our 2023/2024 campaign. Let's meet our goal again this year.

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SAY "YES" TO GOD LIKE THE HOLY FAMILY

The Incarnation is a wonderful mystery in which we remember and celebrate when the word of God became flesh. First, it happened in the lowly virgin named Mary. This Incarnation took place through the Holy Spirit when she said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." In that moment, when the angel departed from her, the presence of God now physically began His reign on Earth. Joseph in his own way, saying yes to the Angel's word in his dream, allowed Jesus to become the son of his love. The wise men would pay Him homage and lay their best treasures before him. In doing so, they too gave witness that Jesus is the true light of the world. As Christians and followers of Jesus, we are called this Christmas to hear the Good News and say "Yes" to God in the life of humble obedience, like the Holy Family. And like the wise men, when we lay our best before Jesus, we give witness that He is the true light of the world. Our world is broken and needs more holy families; the world is dark and in need of Christians to give witness to the true light. This is my prayer for you and your families this Christmas: Father, help us to say "Yes" to you, like Mary, like Joseph, and allow your Son to find a home within our hearts. May your word be welcomed within our hearts, helping us to become Holy, as you are Holy. May we too be wise and give our best to you, revealing your presence in this world, first and foremost to our families and to those around us. Amen. **I WISH YOU ALL MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

FR. MARIA JOSEPH KODIGANTI

VOLUNTEERS

We are in need of volunteers to help with preparation & maintenance for the Sacristy before and after mass, and other small tasks. There is a list of duties & a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board on the back wall of the sacristy. We are looking for one person to cover for a full month at a time. If we could get 12 people to volunteer that would only mean one month out of a year. Any questions please call Kathy Teska: 715-356-3294

PARISHIONERS – SAVE-THE-DATE

Starting Tuesday, January 2, 2024; St. Anthony's is beginning a new program – a Senior Luncheon. Once a month, on the first Tuesday; you can enjoy a light luncheon, beginning at 12 noon, in the Parish Dining Hall. Please come to enjoy a meal and fellowship with other parishioners. Any questions, call Ron Magan at 715-892-3925.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This Monday there will be a second collection for our Christmas Offering. This is a very joyous time of the year and we appreciate all you do in and for our church community.

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

CHRISTMAS EVE

12/24/23 Sunday, St. Anthony, LDF, 4:00pm

12/24/23 Sunday, OLQP, Manitowish Waters, 5:30pm

12/24/23 Sunday, St. Isaac Jogues, Mercer, 7:00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

12/25/23 Monday, OLQP Manitowish Waters, 8:00am

12/25/23 Monday, St. Anthony, LDF, 9:30am

12/25/23 Monday, St. Isaac Jogues, Mercer, 11:00am

FR. MARIA JOSEPH'S VACATION

Fr. Maria Joseph will be heading home to visit his family on January 2nd and returning for Mass on February 10th. There will be **NO** daily Masses during this time. Fr. Bob Koszarek will be returning again this year to celebrate mass in Fr. Maria's absence.



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