

Church of the Visitation

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 15, 2013

Rectory Office Hours: 8 AM - 4 PM Monday-Thursday

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY—ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00 A.M. Ann Pencola

(Req. by M/M James McCall)

TUESDAY—LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00 A.M. Ray Oschwald

(Req. by Jim & Suzie Catanese)

WEDNESDAY—LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00 A.M. Prayer/Communion Service

THURSDAY—LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00 A.M. Christopher & Jean New

(Req. by Bob New)

FRIDAY—LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00 A.M. Stephen & Elizabeth Mekis

(Req. by Jim & Steph Kilcoyne)

SATURDAY—ST. PETER CANISIUS

11:00 A.M. Valley Pike Manor

Claire Preast

(Req. by Margaret Lison)

4:00 P.M. John Sigg

(Req. by Family)

SUNDAY—FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 A.M. Intentions of Parish Family

10:30 A.M. Deacon John Sroka

(Req. by Pauline Molchany)

SANCTUARY CANDLE: In Memory of Natalie Guercia, Req. by M/M Thomas DiPietro

MASSES FOR SUNDAY: Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 8:00 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Sat. 3:30 P.M.

Sunday 7:30 A.M. and Sunday 10:00 A.M.

INFANT BAPTISM: Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

COMMON POLICY FOR BAPTISM: The parents must attend an instruction/preparation class on the Sacrament of Baptism. Arrangements are made through the Parish Office. Catholic Sponsors need a letter from their Pastor stating they are in full communion with the Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By appointment with the Pastor at least nine months prior to the date of marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Done after any Sunday Mass when requested.

MEMBERSHIP: Please contact the Rectory Office to register as a member.

SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK:

Mon 12/16: Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a/Matthew 21:23-27
Tue 12/17: Genesis 49:2, 8-10/Matthew 1:1-17
Wed 12/18: Jeremiah 23:5-8/Matthew 1:18-25
Thurs 12/19: Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a/Luke 1:5-25
Fri 12/20: Isaiah 7:10-14/Luke 1:26-38
Sat 12/21: Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a/Luke 1:39-45
Sun 12/22: Isaiah 7:10-14/Romans 1:1-7/Matthew 1:18-24

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All the men and women fighting for our country in the military services, all the elderly, homebound, sick and

hospitalized members of our parish family, especially the following: Kim Bailey, Shirley Barbato, Phyllis Brady, Jack Bulisok, Anna Marie Burnheimer, Flo Cabo, John Correll, Frank Daly, Ida Fallon, Gloria Fenik, Matthew Gaborek, Josephine Gallo, Joseph Guydo, Herbert Hess, Anna Hipp, Mary Ann Holtz, Karyssa Homyak, Jim Kirwan, Dorothy Kleinosky, Anne Kucera, Heather Majoris, Bob Mardis, James McCabe, James McCaffrey, Loretta Meyers, Sam Panarella, Kristen Panek, Josh Pavlosky, Anna Petro, Stephanie Poltrack, Melissa Pribozie, Mia Rastall, Eileen Rengh, Mildred Romano, Marion Saia, Sam Saia, Maria (Petro) Sanders, Helene Seth, John Slovikovski, Gerry Smith, John Sweeney, Joe Taresco, Ed Waddell

If any of the above has sufficiently recovered and can be removed from the list, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MON 6:00 PM Pageant Practice
WED 7:00 PM Choir Practice
THUR 7:30 PM Pageant Costume Fitting

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SERVERS: December 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM Jacob Corona & Noah Rastall
SUN 8:00 AM Savannah & Anthony Marano
 10:30 AM Jacob & Mackenzie Kozak

LECTORS: December 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM P. Balagusz
SUN 8:00 AM D. Krumenacker
 10:30 AM J. Luberto

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: December 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM (Plate) J. Correll, B. New, Ja. Bulisok
 (Cup) R. Sigg, P. Balagusz, N. Vavrek

SUN 8:00 AM (Plate) G. Krumenacker, M. Clark, J. Kuswara
 (Cup) M. Majoris, C. Hobbs, K. Carney

10:30 AM (Plate) P. Molchany, B. Williams, C. Pribozie

(Cup) D. Decker, W. Dolges, C. Williams

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GREETERS: December 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM (ST) Corona Family
 (VP) S. Birch

SUN 8:00 AM (ST) R. & A. Albert
 (VP) K. Carney

10:30 AM (ST) M. Wissinger
 (VP) Johns Family

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INCOME

DECEMBER 2-8, 2013

Sunday Envelopes	\$4,598.00
Loose	203.05
Energy/Fuel	125.00
All Saints	15.00
Thanksgiving	55.00
Immaculate Conception	472.00
Christmas Offering	330.00
Christmas Flowers	145.00
Catholic Education	20.00
Catholic Charities	15.00
Initial Offering	5.00
Parking Lot Rent	100.00
Total	\$6,083.05

2013 Christmas Club YTD Total: \$2,800

YOUR OFFERTORY TRUST

“Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all you produce” (Prov 3:9).—This is a reminder that our giving is more than paying the expenses of the Church. It is a way of honoring our Lord. It is truly an act of worship.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

December 16-22: Irene Chovanec, John Correll, Patrick Formica, James Golias, Jackie Kuswara, Lauren Ozog, Drew Zucco, Robert Bambino, Jacob Corona, Victoria Kelly, Toby Kordell, Andrew Nosko, Sara Johns, Aaron Skovensky, Marion Sroka

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: The Catholic Charities office is located at 321 Main Street, Suite 5G in the Seifert Professional Building, Johnstown. The staff is trained to assist individuals and families with a variety of problems, challenges and decisions, and some temporal needs in a confidential manner. Call 535-6538 for an appointment.

SILENT PRAYER GROUP: Our parish has a group of people who will earnestly pray for any needs you might have. This is a telephone prayer chain. If you have a special need about which you need prayer, call Pat @ 539-7928 or the Rectory Office @ 536-6110. State first name of person in need and the intention or need. We will gladly pray for them. **If you would like to join this special ministry, please call the Rectory Office.** Thank you!



ALMSGIVING: Please continue to support the Poor Box located in the vestibule of the Church. Monies from the Poor Box go to helping needy families through the Visitation Conference of St. Vincent DePaul. *May the humility, simplicity and love of Pope Francis inspire us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ as a light for the poor and the marginalized.* All donations are greatly appreciated.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—



DECEMBER SCHEDULE:

December 15—Class
December 22—No Class; Merry Christmas!
December 29—No Class; Blessed New Year!

11th Grade Confirmation Class is held on Sunday evenings at 6:00.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: Pageant practices will take place in the Church. The schedule for practices is as follows:

- Monday, December 16th – 6:00 PM
- Monday, December 23rd – 6:00 PM

Costume fitting will take place **THIS Thursday, December 19th** at 7:30 PM at the school.

ANGEL TREE: Thank you to



everyone who bought gifts for our Angel Tree participants. Gifts are to be wrapped with the

tag on the outside and returned **by THIS Sunday, December 15th.**

STEELER BASKET: Congratulations to Jim Muir, winner of the Steeler Basket! A profit of **\$326** was made. Thanks, again, to all who supported this fundraiser for Visitation Parish.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY: The Children's Christmas Party will be held on **Sunday, December 22nd** beginning at 5:00 PM. Please sign up in the vestibule of the Church if you plan to attend.

2014 VISITATION SWEEPSTAKES TICKET—MAKES A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT! If you are looking for a gift for that "hard-to-buy-for" person or that "has everything" person, why not give them a gift that keeps on giving—**A 2014 VISITATION SWEEPSTAKES TICKET!** Tickets are available at the Rectory Office. Please call Suzie @ 536-6110, Ext. 0 if interested in purchasing a ticket as a Christmas gift.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please call Maureen Clark @ 255-4531 to register for the RCIA program.