



St. Joseph Parish

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Mission: Together in faith, we celebrate Christ through prayer and service.



JANUARY 14, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

AS JOHN THE BAPTIST
WATCHED JESUS
WALK BY,
HE SAID,
"BEHOLD, THE
LAMB OF GOD."

JOHN 1:36

ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY 14-21

Sunday, January 14, St. Anne's Chili-To-Go
Pre-Order after Mass

Monday, January 15
7:00 p.m.—Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, January 16
4:30 p.m.—Communications Meeting
6:30 p.m.—RCIA

Wednesday, January 17
4:15 p.m.—CCD
6:00 p.m.—Confirmation @ St. Peter's
6:30 p.m.—CCD
6:30 p.m.—TYME

Thursday, January 18
12:00 p.m.—1/28/18 Bulletin Deadline
12:00 p.m.—PCS Finance
6:00 p.m.—Pastoral Council Meeting

Saturday, January 20
8:00 a.m.—Men's Prayer Group
9:00 a.m.—Diocesan Bible Study
St. Anne's Chili-To-Go Pre Order after
Mass

Sunday, January 21, St. Anne's Chili-To-Go
Pre Order after Mass
Baptism Class after Mass
Parish Family Life Meeting after Mass

SACRAMENTAL LIFE IN THE PARISH

BAPTISM

Maxwell James, son of
Eric & Alicia (Werner) Skrenes
10:30 a.m. Mass, January 14, 2018

St. Anne's PCCW "Chili-To-Go" Sale—Preorders will be taken after the weekend Masses January 13/14 and January 20/21 in the Gathering Space or by calling 715-344-7150. Cost is \$5.00 per quart and will be ready for pick-up after Masses the weekend of January 27/28. All orders need to be in by Monday, January 22. Please help support this event.

January Men's Prayer Group Meeting—The next men's prayer breakfast is Saturday, January 20, at 8:00 a.m. Start the New Year off by breaking bread with the men of St. Joe's and St. Steve's. Please join us as we explore our faith as Catholic men! Invite a friend and don't forget your "Discover Jesus" books. We will have copies for new attendees. Questions? Call Patrick Wenzl at 715-231-1104 or email p_wenzl@charter.net.

Monday Morning 8:00 a.m. Mass will continue at St Joseph Parish through Monday March 26, 2018.

Special Collections 12/31/17 & 01/07/18

Milk Can Fund	\$54.00
Building Fund	\$1,040.00
Keeping Our Father's House	\$0.00
Crib Donations	\$91.00

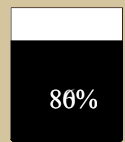
Envelopes/Basket Summary—12/31/17

Weekly Giving	\$9,684
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$7,096
Giving to Date	\$190,776
Budgeted to Date	\$184,496

Envelopes/Basket Summary—01/07/18

Weekly Giving	\$14,313
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$7,096
Giving to Date	\$205,089
Budgeted to Date	\$198,688

DAA 2017/2018 GOAL	\$50,565
Weekly Pledges Received	\$3,027
Total Pledges Received	\$43,707
Total Payments Received	\$38,968
Food for Poor Housing Goal	\$3,600
Total Received	\$2,200



Mass Schedule and Intentions

MONDAY, January 15,
8:00 a.m. †Margaret Myhra

TUESDAY, January 16
8:15 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

WEDNESDAY, January 17, St. Anthony
8:00 a.m. †Don Miskowski

THURSDAY, January 18
8:00 a.m. *Mass at Stephen Parish*

FRIDAY, January 19
8:00 a.m. †Ted, Dora & Terry Nolan
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, January 20, St. Fabian, St. Sebastian
4:00 p.m. †Correne Gaboda

SUNDAY, January 21
10:30 a.m. The Living & Deceased Members
of St. Joseph & St. Stephen Parishes

Liturgical Ministers for January 20-21**4:00 p.m. — Saturday**

Mass Preparation: Kris Hansen
Altar Servers: Jeannette Friess & Don Showalter
Hospitality Ministers:
Mike Bablitch Val Omernick Virginia Zakoski (w)
Steve Brazzale Maurice Stoltz
Reader: Mary Davidson
Eucharistic Ministers:
Kim Boden Jan Boursier Dolly McKay
Rich Boden Charisse Fogarty Rich Mrozinski
Gift Card Sellers: Mary Stroik

10:30 a.m. — Sunday

Mass Preparation: Kris Hansen
Altar Servers: Jacob Cornell Cheyenne Cornell
Luke Sekerka
Hospitality Ministers:
Rosalie Chojnacki Kathy Hansel Luke Wachowiak
Don Dehlinger Jeanette Koziczkowski(w) Chris Sekerka
Readers: Mike Daniels & Terry Miller
Eucharistic Ministers:
Paul Banz Sally Dehlinger
Mike or Michelle Cornell Kevin Shibilski
Mary Pat Dean Brian Zimmerman
Gift Card Sellers: Terri Kroening

PARISH

To the family of Delores Mansavage, who passed away on January 4. May the Lord hold you in his loving arms during this time of sorrow. Be assured the family of St. Joseph Parish will continue to pray for you.

Parish Pastoral Council News—Welcome to new member Mike Hess who has agreed to serve a three year term on the council. At its December meeting, Pastoral Council chose Laurie Schroeder as it's new president. Laurie is in her second term as a member of the pastoral council. Dave Kunze remains as the council's vice-president and Mary Stroik as secretary. We thank them for stepping forward and serving St. Joseph Parish in this capacity.

Operation Bootstrap—The parish will collect cans of soup for Operation Bootstrap during the month of January. Anything you wish to donate will be gratefully accepted.

Fr. Jerzy will be away the month of January. Please pray for his safe travel and that his time away will be spiritually uplifting. While Fr. Jerzy is away, please contact Fr. Todd Mlsna, 715-252-8157, for emergencies only. Thank you!

School Building Update—Altmann Construction is on site, the building is down and the removal of debris and clean up continues. The courtyard doors will remain closed during this process. The estimated time to complete the project is still the end of January. Please use caution around all of the fenced-in areas. Thank you.

Adult Education Opportunity—RCIA will continue the discussion of Catholic morality on January 16 and 23. All are welcome to join. Sessions start at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Family Center. Please call Kris Hansen at 715-341-1617 x112 if you have any questions.

Thank you—We can't thank you enough for the gas cards and other items. Your support greatly benefits the shelter and victims of violence.

The Family Crisis Center

Gift Card Seller is needed after Mass on the fourth Saturday and fifth Sunday. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Jacob Stiemann, 715-341-1617 x102.

Money Counter Needed—St. Joseph Parish is looking for a volunteer to assist with counting money every third Monday morning. Please contact Renee at 715-341-1617x101 to volunteer. Thank you.

myParish App—Receive a daily video reflection of Pope Francis by accessing the new "Message of the Day" button found on myParish App.

PARISH

Congratulations to our parishioners who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary the week of January 15-21



Tom & Diane Schmitz, 24 years
 Sarah & Cliff Gray, 9 years
 Michael & Margaret Gagas, 44 years
 Carol & Floyd Peterson, 50 years
 May God bless and grant you many years of happiness.

Mass Intentions—The following dates are still available to schedule an intention for your loved one: February 11, 18, 24, 25 and 26. Please call Renée at 715-341-1617 x101 to schedule your intention.

Baptism Class Schedule—If you are planning to bring a child for Baptism, be sure to call the parish office at 715-341-1617 x101 to register for one of the preparation classes. Please note the following future class dates: January 21, March 11 and June 10.

St. Anne's/PCCW—*Ladies Group 5* will be responsible for the month of January. These ladies are asked to help with any funeral dinners.

Kathryn Bemowski Linda Losinski
 Cynthia Hawley Mary Ann Russell
 Sharon Hutnik Kathy Schlice
 Co-Chairs Barbara Bartkowiak and Lucille Lutz

Ehr Hall Update—Updates and work in the hall are ongoing. Painting is in process for Ehr Hall and we are still waiting on the contract for the new floor from the diocese. We will continue to update you on the progress of this project in future bulletins. The bathrooms remain closed during this time.

A Celebration of Ministry—St. Joseph Parish members, staff and councils recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in calling forth Michelle Cornell and Danielle Dietsche, the Kids' Noel Mass Coordinators. Your dedicated work in creating a spirit-filled liturgy with our youth is greatly appreciated.

How is the Holy Spirit calling you to use your gifts for our community?

Sponsor of the Month—Thank you Dental Health Center of Stevens Point for your generosity in sponsoring our bulletin. St. Joseph Parish would not be able to publish our bulletin without your support. Please see their ad on the back cover of this bulletin.



St. Joseph Parish Prayer Corner—If you would like your name placed on the weekly prayer list, please call Renée at 715-341-1617 x101, or send an email to: rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org.

Weekly Reflections—The Lord calls each of us to do his will. The problem is that we do not listen or respond. We get caught up in our own plans and projects. Consider how interested you are in doing God's will. Perhaps you are not sure you want to respond. What holds you back? What do you need to become more willing to respond? Consider practical things you could do each day to learn how to listen to God's word for you and become more willing to respond.

*Sacrifice or oblation you wished not,
 but ears open to obedience you gave me.
 Psalm 40:6*

AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY

Holy Hour for Life—Again this year, we continue our united efforts in bringing about conversion of hearts to preserve and protect the dignity of ALL human life. The Deacons of the Stevens Point Parishes are collaborating in leading Adoration of our Eucharistic Lord. Our efforts in this spiritual battle are to bring unity in the hearts and minds of everyone that life is a Sacred Gift from God. Please join with us to pray a Holy Hour for Life at St. Stephen Church on Thursday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us fill the church for this vital need to unite in pleading with God to eliminate the evils that destroy life.

Pacelli Catholic High School is looking for a Head Golf Coach and a Head Boys & Girls Track Coach for the 2018 season. Interested applicants should contact Athletic Director John Raflik at jraflik@pacellicatholicschools.com or 715-341-2442 no later than January 17, 2018.

Pacelli Catholic High School will be having a fundraiser with Noodles Inc. to help support the Pacelli Catholic Middle School Student Leadership Team. This team works to support the school and community. Please consider supporting this worthy cause by dining in or carrying out from Noodles Inc. on January 22.

Franciscans Downtown next movie is *The Climb* on January 17 at 1:00 p.m.

AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY

Ponczka Sale—St. Mary-Torun is now taking orders for their annual Ponczka Sale which will be held on Saturday, January 20. Order now to make sure you can get your tasty Ponczka! Cost is \$7.50 per dozen for unfilled and \$8.00 per dozen for prune or raspberry jelly filled. To place your order, call 715-344-9665 or 715-575-1719, email ponczka@toruncatholic.org or online at www.toruncatholic.org/ponczka. All orders can be picked up on January 20 after 3:00 p.m.

St. Adalbert Breakfast Event will be held to celebrate Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Menu includes all-you-can-eat potato and buttermilk pancakes, scrambled eggs, toasts, hash browns, sausage, bacon, desserts and beverages. Homemade Ponczka and Kluski noodles will be for sale. See flyer on the bulletin board.

Vic Ferrari Concert—St. Adalbert School will sponsor the Vic Ferrari Band for a concert event on Friday, February 2, at Lisa's Lakeside Ballroom in Hatley. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., with music beginning at 7:30 p.m. All tickets include dinner, refreshments and a chance to win cash prizes with a total value of \$2,000. Tickets on sale now, cost is \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.rosholtcatholic.org/concert or call 715-677-4519.

DIocese/WIDER CHURCH**Pope's Prayer Intention for January**

Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Awareness Month—There are millions of slaves on the earth today, including millions of children who never see the inside of a classroom. Plan to learn something this month about Modern Day Slavery. Visit: sistersagainstrafficking.org.

Day of Prayer for Life—The Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe will host a "Day of Prayer for Life" on Monday, January 22. The day will begin with celebration of Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m.. Confessions will be available from 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Following Mass, all will walk to the Memorial to the Unborn Plaza for a brief pro-life talk followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Guest speaker will be Dr. John I. Lane, past-president of the Catholic Medical Association. Refreshments will be available.

Pilgrimage to Oberammergau—Fr. Al Burkhardt invites you to join him from August 18-28, 2020 on a pilgrimage to visit Classical Europe: Budapest, Bratislava, Prague, Nurnberg, Rothenburg, Heidelberg, Rhine River Cruise, Neuschwanstein, and Oberammergau. The highlight is attending the Oberammergau Passion Play scheduled for 2020! If you are interested in learning more about this pilgrimage, please attend a meeting at St. Anne Parish on February 9 at 7:00 p.m. Learn about the Oberammergau Passion Play and the additional places that we will visit, cost and inclusions. Brochures will be available. If unable to attend the meeting but desire information, call St. Anne's, 715-849-3930 x302. Share the incredible ability to see this long-standing Passion Play offered only every 10 years!

Weekend Silent Preached Retreats for Men—The Redemptoris Retreat Center in Oconomowoc offers the following dates for weekend retreats: February 2-4, February 16-18, February 23-25, March 2-4, March 9-11 and May 4-6. This year's theme is "Blessed Are Those Who Live in the Light: Matthew 5:1-16." Cost of \$205 includes room, board and materials. Arrival is on Friday at 6:15 p.m. and the retreat concludes after the noon meal on Sunday. This retreat includes presentations, Eucharist, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Register by email at rrc@redemptoristretreat.org or call 262-567-6900.

ST. ANTHONY SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Save the Date—St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon is offering an *Evening for Lovers* on February 11 from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Can't decide what to do to honor Valentine's Day? This special evening includes a delicious candlelit dinner and a time of reflection and story as we celebrate what is wonderful about marriage. Cost is \$55 per couple. If interested, call 715-443-2236 or go to www.sarcenter.com.

COMMUNITY

Justiceworks, LTD. presents 2018 Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Celebration on Monday, January 15, from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Stevens Point Area Senior High Auditorium.. Join us for a powerful presentation from Dr. Roya Akhavan whose topic is Struggle for Justice. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.



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Friday, 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Closed Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

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and Service.

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish to those who are new to our church or just visiting. We are grateful to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you are not currently a member of a local church, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Visit our Parish Office to sign up, ask questions or receive more information about our parish. We're glad you're here and hope you become involved in our parish family. Our website is www.togetherinfaith.org.

Remember St. Joseph Parish in your Legacy. St. Joseph Parish has seen a decline in giving over the past year, while at the same time expenses have gone up. The Parish would like to continue with expansion of many worthwhile programs and projects successfully. Please, ask Fr. Jerzy how you can help by giving to St. Joseph Parish General Fund..

Sacraments

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for detailed information on infant Baptism, as parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation program. The Baptism will be scheduled after completion of the class.

Marriage: Marriage is celebrated for couples who are active and registered members in the Parish. Please contact the Parish Office at least eight (8) months prior to the requested wedding date.

Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturday at 3:30 p.m., before the evening Mass, or you may call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Funeral: Please contact the funeral home director who will assist in making arrangements. The funeral director will then contact the Parish Office.

Services

Visitation of the Sick: If you become homebound because of illness and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: Articles are due Thursday by 12:00 p.m. Drop off the articles at the Parish Office, or send by email to bulletin@togetherinfaith.org, with a copy to rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org.