

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Roman Catholic Church

50 Jefferson Street Uniontown PA 15401

Parish Office: 88 S. Pennsylvania Avenue Uniontown PA 15401



A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg "A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"

DECEMBER 3, 2017

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Evening: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 10:30 am

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri: 8:30 am

HOLYDAY MASSES

Please check the Parish Bulletin

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Father James D. Tringhese

Business Manager: Rita Rae

Faith Form. Director: Molli E. Vassar

Pastoral Assistant: Alice A. Yezbak

Liturgy Coordinator: Michelle Hudock

Parish Secretary: Julia Henry

Parish Phone: 724-437-7569

WEDDINGS

At least six months notice is needed. Marriage Preparation is required.

Contact the Parish Office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

For information contact Molli Vassar

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

First Sunday of the Month is OUTSIDE OF MASS

Second Sunday of the Month is

DURING 10:30 am Mass

Information contact Molli Vassar

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 11:00 am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays: 8:00 am—4:00 pm

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Closed 11:30 am-12:30 pm, Closed Holy days and Holidays

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Christine Roskovensky

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SJE Regional School Office: 724-438-8598

Mass Schedule

Saturday December 2, 2017
 5:30 p.m. For the People of the Parish

Sunday December 3, 2017
 8:30 a.m. +Mr. & Mrs. James "Lash Nesser (Family)
 10:30 a.m. +Francis R. Boyle (K. Boyle)

Monday December 4, 2017
 8:30 a.m. +Tamara Ann & James J. Rice (B. Rice)

Tuesday December 5, 2017
 8:30 a.m. +Eugene Traficante, Sr. & Rose Traficante (Daughter)

Wednesday December 6, 2017
 8:30 a.m. All Souls

Thursday December 7, 2017
 7:00 p.m. +Anthony & Maxine Novak (K. Richardson)

Friday December 8, 2017
 9:00 a.m. +Linda A. Brand (Duda Family)

Saturday December 9, 2017
 5:30 p.m. +Richard Hackney (Family)

Sunday December 10, 2017
 8:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish
 10:30 a.m. +Birthday Blessings & Health of Peggy Rider (R. & A. Rider)

Ministers Schedule

Sat., December 9 & Sun., December 10

5:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers:		
P. Davidson	N. Ford	J. Henry
K. Dehaas	B. Kalich	B. Johnston
S. Griffith	M. Rider	J. Kolesar
R. Kuzy	J. Shull	J. Murtha
J. Nypaver	P. Sokol	R. Newhouse
J. Riffle	P. Springer	V. Roskovensky
E. Rosso	R. Superick	C. Rozak
Greeters:		
E. McCay	Mechling	Kuklar Family
Show Family	M. Patchan	P. Richardson
Lector:		
K. Henckel	J. Valentovich	A. DeNardo
Servers:		
E. Jellots	J. Eadie	B. Kuklar
J. Jellots	T. Kalich	C. Kuklar
M. Riffle	A. Rider	M. McClean

Children's Liturgy - Sunday, December 10

T. Rice B. Wilson



Schedule of the Week

Monday, December 4
 Middle School Faith Formation@
 St. Therese Parish Center.....6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Adult Bible Study (PC).....6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 5
Advent Penance Service
 @St. Peter Brownsville.....7:00 p.m.
 Queen of Peace Prayer Group (C).....7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 6
 SJE Regional School
 St. Nicholas Day Prayer Service (C).....10:00 a.m.
 Mary: A Biblical Walk Series (PC).....1:00-2:30 p.m.
 Jefferson Christmas Party
 @Pechin's Firehouse Restaurant.....6:00 p.m.
 Choir Practice (C).....7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 7
 Eucharistic Adoration (C).....8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, December 8
Immaculate Conception
Office Closed

Saturday, December 9
 Faith Formation (PC).....10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 10
 Children's Liturgy (PC).....during 10:30 Mass
 Coffee & Donuts (Gym).....after 10:30 Mass
Advent Penance Service
 @St. Joan of Arc, Farmington.....3:00 p.m.

Ministers Schedule

Thursday, December 7 @ 7:00 p.m.

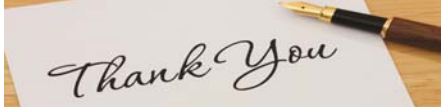
Eucharistic Ministers:	Lector:
B. Nesser	J. Kolonsky
D. Newell	
A. Raho	
A. Tajc	
M. Vogelsang	
B. Yantko	
A. Yezbak	
Servers:	
M. King	
M. King	
H. Kolesar	



Please Note: No Regional Mass

There will be NO Regional Mass at SS. Cyril & Methodius Church on December 24 and December 31

Steward of Treasure November 11, 2017		
Adult	\$ 8,403.00	
Children	\$ 4.00	
Loose	\$ 1,050.00	
Maintenance	\$ 177.00	
Candles	\$ 144.00	
Catholic Education	\$ 175.00	
Thanksgiving	\$ 350.00	
All Saints	\$ 62.00	
Poverty Relief	\$ 734.00	
Mission Co-Op	\$ 50.00	
Total:	\$11,149.00	
Steward of Treasure November 26, 2017		
Adult	\$ 8,144.00	
Children	\$ 6.00	
Loose	\$ 1,252.00	
Maintenance	\$ 105.00	
Candles	\$ 117.00	
Catholic Education	\$ 86.00	
Thanksgiving	\$ 1,344.00	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 3.00	
All Saints	\$ 20.00	
Immaculate Conception	\$ 10.00	
Poverty Relief	\$ 180.00	
Total:	\$11,267.00	
Collection Counters for December 10, 2017		
C. Crews	K. & R. Rifenburg	S. Tracy



Thank You from Father Jim

As you are aware I have been on a very limited schedule the past few weeks due to a fall which resulted in a concussion as well as some injuries. For a time yet I need to curb my schedule and limit myself by doctor's orders. At this time I need to offer thanks to so many of you for prayers, good wishes, cards, food, and rides to various places. And so I do thank you and ask that God bless you all.

Queen of Peace Prayer Group

The Queen of Peace Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. The program will include prayers, songs and information. Everyone is welcome!

Jefferson Club Christmas Party

The Jefferson Club Christmas Party will be held at Pechin's Firehouse Restaurant and begin at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, December 6.

If you have any questions please call Bunny Gwynn at 724-438-0811.

Oplatki Christmas Wafers

During Advent, Oplatki wafers will be available in the vestibule of the Church and at the Parish office for use at your Christmas dinners.

A packet of 3 is a \$3.00 donation. They will be available until we run out.



Lighting the Advent Wreath

During the season of Advent we are asking members of the Parish to be part of the services by volunteering to light the advent wreath at the

beginning of Mass.

The advent wreath is part of our long standing Catholic tradition. The circle of the wreath symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul. The pine signifies continuous life. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Each candle represents one thousand years, four thousand years between Adam and Eve and Jesus Christ. The lighting of these candles signifies *hope*.

Please call the Parish Center to schedule your families participation.

Advent Penance Services
Tuesday, December 5 @ 7:00 PM
 St. Peter/St. Cecilia
 At Brownsville
Sunday, December 10 @ 3:00 PM
 St. Joan of Arc, Farmington
Thursday, December 14 @ 7:00 PM
 St. Francis of Assisi at Masontown
Saturday, December 16 @ 1:00 PM
 St. John/St Therese
 At St. John the Evangelist
Tuesday, December 19 @ 7:00 PM
 St. Mary (Nativity)/St. Joseph
 At St. Mary
 Note: No 11:00 AM Saturday Confessions
 December 2,9,16,23, or 30



REFLECTION

1st Sunday of Advent

"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." On this First Sunday of Advent, Jesus gives us a wakeup call. This is no time for slumber. Now is the time to be on our toes, alert, attentive, ready. But for what? For the coming of "the Lord of the house."

During Advent, the Church does her best to help us get ready for the second coming of Christ. We don't know precisely when he will return, but we know that he will. And the fact is, even if it doesn't happen in our lifetime, each and every one of us will still have to face the Lord at an unknown

hour—namely, the hour of our death.

So let us be prepared! Let us be on the watch for anything that would threaten this most important of all encounters. We want to recognize the Lord as a friend and master, so that on seeing him we don't cower in fear at his awesome power and strength. Instead, we hope to rejoice in finally being able to behold him face-to-face. This of course is the result of a healthy and holy relationship with Christ.

To nurture such a relationship this Advent season the Church urges us to recommit to a life of prayer, worthy reception of the sacraments, and a commitment to following God's loving laws through a life of virtue. With these priorities in order, we can wait for the second coming with joyful anticipation, just as we joyfully await the celebration of Christmas.

During these weeks as we prepare our homes for the festive holiday season, may we also set aside some time and effort to prepare our hearts. Then, not only will we appreciate the yuletide wonders around us, but we can also look forward to the eternal wonders that lie in store.

Sanctuary Candle

In acknowledging the
Real Presence of Christ,
the Tabernacle Candle
will burn for

*Birthday Blessings & Health of
Peggy Rider*

requested by

Dave & Mary Ann Rider



CANDLELIGHT ROSARY PRAYER



Please join us to commemorate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Friday Dec. 8th, at 6 pm at Five Corners for a candlelight rosary for the conversion of hearts. Dress warm!

Christmas Cookie Sale

St. Rita Christian Mothers will hold their annual Christmas cookie sale on Saturday, December 9, beginning at 9am in St. Rita's Bucci Hall on First Street in Connellsville. Featured will be Italian favorites: knots, pizzelles, biscotti, plus other assorted cookies. Come early for best selection.



PLEASE JOIN US! MT. MACRINA MANOR'S LIVE NATIVITY

Mt. Macrina Manor's Annual drive-through Live Nativity will be held on the grounds of Mt. St. Macrina on Sunday, December 10, from 5-7 p.m. The Nativity will be set up along the Friendship Circle, adjacent to the facility. Mary and Joseph, shepherds tending to their flock, the Three Kings, the Little Drummer Boy, and angels will be portrayed. In addition, there will also be live animals, including a donkey, goat, sheep, calf, and an alpaca. The Sisters of St. Basil the Great, the Church of God Choir, and St. George Youth Group will sing Christmas carols. Angels will be passing out candy canes to visitors. Five hundred luminaries will line the driveway that leads to the Nativity. The event is free of charge and everyone is welcome. For information phone Mary at 724-430-1021.

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [1a]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8