

Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2017

Rejoice in Christ, the Prince of Peace!

Masses for January 2-8, 2017

- Monday**
8:30 a.m. (MDF) Mary Sue Schmitz by Joanne Mangia
- Tuesday**
8:30 a.m. (MDF) +Bart Boyle by Mary Lou Brownette
- Wednesday**
8:30 a.m. (MDF) +German Atilio Urena Solis
by The Erwin Family
- Thursday**
8:30 a.m. (MDF) +Teena Angelo by Victoria Sherman
- Friday**
8:30 a.m. (MPG) +Jim Russell by Beth Perini
- Saturday**
5:00 p.m. (MDF) +Mary Anne Arnett by Patricia,
Jennifer & Jeffrey Gramelt
- Sunday**
8:30 a.m. +Ryan Beyer by Br. Dennis Malloy
10:15 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
12:00 p.m. +Joe Callahan by The Callahan Family

This Week at Saint Pius - January 2-8, 2017

- Tuesday**
K of C Social Night PAC, 5:00-9:00 p.m.
- Wednesday**
Senior Luncheon PAC, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Adoration Church, 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Divine Mercy Bride's Room, 6:30 p.m.
Site Planning Rectory, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday**
Men's Faith Sharing PAC, 5:45-7:15 a.m.
Children's Choir Church, 5:15-5:45 p.m.
RCIA PAC, 7:00 p.m.
New Creation Bride's Room, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday**
Men's Faith Sharing Rectory, 6:30-8:30 a.m.
New Parishioner Sign-Ups Church, After Mass
Penney's For Heaven Church, After Mass
- Sunday**
New Parishioner Sign-Ups Church, After Mass
Penney's For Heaven Church, After Mass
Baptism Class PAC, 1:00 p.m.
PSR School, 1:15-2:45 p.m.

YOUNG STEWARDS CORNER

December 18, 2016

Donations: \$7.90

Number of Envelopes: 11

Examples of our young stewards' use of time and talent:

- set up the train with Dad (Justin)
- set the table (Evan)
- helped pack food baskets (Elena)
- donated stuff (Avery)

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the Week of December 18, 2016:

Budget Requirements	\$ 25,000.00
Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 21,704.85
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (3,295.15)
**EFT (Debit) Program:	\$ 10,644.00
Envelope Offering:	\$ 9,165.50
Cash Offering:	\$ 1,895.35
Total Offering:	\$ 21,704.85
Debit Program Participants	175
Envelopes Used:	255

For the Month of December, 2016:

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 75,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 52,040.79
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (22,959.21)
YTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 482,500.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 470,517.85
YTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (11,982.15)

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Sunday, January 8, 2017

CAPTAIN: BILL RICHARDS

Team 1: Juan Pena, Ron Raymer & Mary Girard

SCHOOL NEWS

Tuesday, January 3....

- School Resumes
- School Mass, Grades 1-8

Friday, January 6...

- January Panther Pan Posted

IN OUR PARISH

**NEWLY REGISTERED: Amanda & Layla Mastella;
Donald, Dorothy & Claire Gaulin**

**THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON: Monday,
January, 2, 2017**

Additional Christmas Flower Donations:

Brake, Mr. & Mrs. Christopher	Mary Sue & Charlie Schmitz
Brake, Caroline, Christopher Zachary & Luke	Grandma & Grandpa Schmitz
Briggs, Mrs. Dudley	Deborah Briggs
Ellis, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ellis	Deceased Members of the Dattolo & Ellis Families
Helm, Mrs. Donald	Donald Helm and all Deceased Family & Friends
Kelley, Mrs. Joseph	Living & Deceased Family Members
Klott, Mrs. Rose	Ted Klott & Mary Jo McCoy
Laviolette, Mr. & Mrs. Scotty	Living & Deceased Family Members
Luzader, Mr. & Mrs. Brett	In Memory of the Heil and Luzader Families
Outlaw, Mr. & Mrs. Robert	The Merz Family
Reel, Mrs. Arlene	Jim Reel; Ray & Edna Reel; Gradie & Stella Wallace
Schultz, Mrs. & Mrs. Gerald	Deceased Family Members
Wilson, Ms. Debra	Members of the Leckrone & Wilson Families

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

January 7-8, 2017

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

(H): Host • (C): Cup

5:00 p.m.

H: (2) - Pulpit side - Lee Brock & Duane Wikoff

H: (2) - Organ side - Jean Roberts & Marilyn Wikoff

C: (3) - Pulpit side - Cynthia Moder, Brenda Beyer
& Nancy Himmelspach

C: (3) - Organ side - Carol Summa, Pat Miles
& Diane Bailey

Lectors John Beyer & Dean Miles

Servers Audrey Bailey, Michelle Schultz
& Samantha Hanson

8:30 a.m.

H: (2) - Pulpit side - Ann Cox & Jeff Cox

H: (2) - Organ side - Paul Bratz & Kim Bratz

C: (3) - Pulpit side - Sara Crowwell, Katherine Crowwell
& Lori Crowwell

C: (3) - Organ side - Blake Bratz, Paul Bratz III
& Denise Trusken

Lectors Tammy Baron & T.J. Bryan

Servers Andrew Crowwell,
Rayna Rodenkirchen & Nolan Hartley

10:15 a.m.

H: (3) - Pulpit side - Susan & Todd Gilmore & Barb Martin

H: (3) - Organ side - John & Mindy Goetz & Kevin Martin

C: (4) - Pulpit side - Karen Yarger, Paul Yarger,
Debra Orellana & Juan Orellana

C: (4) - Organ side - John & Shirley Callahan,
Bernie Lindquist & Karen Kostora

Lectors James Anzelmo & Gordon Burke

Servers Joelea Kelley, Maria Kelley
& Samuel Gilmore

12:00 p.m.

H: (2) - Pulpit side - Mary Ann & Wayne Wingard

H: (2) - Organ side - Jose & Beth Antommarchi

C: (3) - Pulpit side - Judy Burtyk, & Sandy & Tim Puet

C: (3) - Organ side - Dave Roby, Jon Caruso & Kim Connors

Lectors Penny Riederer & Elijah Cassidy

Servers Nevaeh Lipson, Uchenna Odemena
& Alex Kiraly

GIFT BEARERS:

5:00 p.m. Sue & Dick Rickerl
8:30 a.m. Mike & Teresa Paszkiewicz & Family
10:15 a.m. Mark & Elizabeth Ficocelli & Family
12:00 p.m. 6TH Grade PSR

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m. Cindie Moder
8:30 a.m. David Foster Family
10:15 a.m. Debra Orellana
12:00 p.m. Sandy & Tim Puet

CONNECTIONS, ST. PIUS NEWLETTER... The February 2017 edition of *Connections*, the parish newsletter, is being compiled. Please submit articles to Carol McGlone at carol.a.mcglone@gmail.com or to the Rectory 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The deadline for the February 2017 issue is Thursday, January 5, 2017.

TRAFFIC FLOW AT MASSES: In order to keep traffic flowing properly when attending Saturday Evening or Sunday Masses here at St. Pius X, please follow these guidelines. If you are traveling North on Waggoner from Main Street, please enter and exit at the first entrance to the parking lot which is between the Preschool and the School. If you are coming South on Waggoner from Broad Street, please enter and exit at the first entrance between the School and the Church. This will help traffic come and go much quicker if we all follow these basic traffic patterns. Thank you. Msgr. Funk

LOOKING FOR THE BEST PRESCHOOL-PRE-K FOR NEXT FALL? We have what you're looking for right here at SPX Children's Center. We offer many options for part-time classes. Please visit our website: spxchildrenscenter.com If you would like to personally check us out, please call for a tour in January. 614-577-0826.

THE PSR (PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION) is in need of an Adult or High School Aide for one of the 8th Grade Classrooms beginning with the January PSR Classes. Please remember that all Adult Volunteers need to complete the Protecting God's Children requirements before volunteering. There is a PSR Class Calendar listed on the SPX Website, under education/PSR. If you wish to volunteer or have any questions, please call De Ann Bukowski at 614-864-3505 office or 614-648-9191 (cell).

2017 COLUMBUS

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Save the date! Register now!

Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Ohio Expo Center, State Fairgrounds,
717 E. 17th Avenue, Columbus, OH.

All men (12 years and up)

welcome and encouraged to attend!!

Register at www.catholicmensministry.com

The St. Pius X Men's Ministry will be coordinating car-pooling - if you want/need a ride.

Contact/call/text John Swisher

with any questions at 614-477-7730.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS... Free Parenting Workshop! Sunday, January 29, 2017, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. at St. Pius X Church "Raising Moral Kids in Today's World." Presented by Pam Heil of Empowered to Love Ministries. Busy schedules and outside influences make it challenging for parents to believe that they are valued and needed by their children. This session will affirm and empower parents to reclaim their role as primary influences in their kid's lives.

ST. PIUS X MOVIE NIGHT WITH THE FAMILY: St. Pius X is sponsoring a family movie night featuring "The Lego Movie" on January 14, 2017, in the St. Pius X Gymnasium/Cafeteria after Saturday evening Mass at 6:30 p.m. This will be a potluck dinner followed by the movie at 7:30 p.m., so please bring a dish to share. Also, bring your blankets, sleeping bags and folding chairs to get nice and comfy for the movie. We hope to see you there!



OUR CHRISTMAS GIFT TO YOU: REDISCOVER JESUS

How well do you know Jesus?

Families attending Christmas Mass received a copy of Matthew Kelly's latest book, *Rediscover Jesus*. It will be the basis of our faith-sharing book study in 2017. Online sign-ups for discussion groups begin in January from our

Rediscover Jesus webpage, spxreynoldsburg.com/book-study. You are invited to visit the page and watch a **preview video** from the author.

Special Call for Volunteers: If you would like to be a small-group facilitator for this study, please call Leah Kelly at (614) 866-2859. We need facilitators for mornings and evenings throughout the week.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for the newest study program from Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire ministries: **Catholicism: The Pivotal Players**. From the Word on Fire website: "You'll discover the places where Thomas Aquinas lived, learned, and wrote. Visit the countryside where St. Francis gathered a group of friars and revived the Church. See the places where St. Catherine of Siena ministered and prayed. Trek through England to where Bl. John Henry Newman and G.K. Chesterton left their mark and sparked an English Catholic revival. And through unprecedented HD footage, marvel at the extraordinary art of Michelangelo, from his David statue in Florence, to the Pieta at St. Peter's, to the Sistine Chapel." The 12-week program begins Monday, January 16. This is a study program with a study guide, so advanced registration is required. The cost is \$25.00 per individual or couple. Register online via the parish Adult Faith Formation webpage (from the parish home page, spxreynoldsburg.com, click "Education" and then "Adult Faith Formation"). Watch a **video preview** of the series on the web page. Online registration is open through Sunday, January 8.



Church Artwork Added to Website: The environment of every Catholic church is intended to enrich the worship experience of its parishioners. Catholicism is meant to

be experienced by using all our senses – sight, sound, smell, touch, and taste – so that we are fully immersed in God as He works in and around us. As a special Christmas gift to the parish, we have recently completed descriptions and images of some key church artwork: its windows, sanctuary mosaic screen, and the Pope Saint Pius X mosaic. We hope that by sharing some information about our church's art, you will be able to appreciate both the beauty and the spiritual enlightenment awaiting you there. Visit our parish website at <http://spxreynoldsburg.com>. From its main menu, select **About > Worship Space**.



JOSEPH'S COAT'S CUPBOARD IS BARE... Due to increased demand this season, we are asking our champions to recycle your used resources... Search your cupboards for **knives, forks and spoons; dishes, plates and bowls; pots, pans and baking sheets...** AND ... Check your linen closets for **sheets, pillows, blankets, and towels** to offer stepping stones to our neighbors in need this winter season.

ANNUAL PARISH PARTY - "Save the Date" and Register now... The annual Parish Party (aka the VIP Party), sponsored by the Parish Advisory Council, is scheduled for Saturday, January 28th, from 6:00 p.m. (after 5:00 p.m. Mass) until 10:00 p.m. in the school gym. This is an adult's only event free. All parish adults welcomed and encouraged to attend. The more, the merrier!! Great food/desserts (*thanks Culvers!*). Great drinks (beer, wine and soda). Great music (a DJ will be playing tunes). Plus, plenty of door prizes will be given away. The theme is "A Mid-Winter's Night Celebration." Come enjoy a fun and enjoyable (*and free*) evening with all your fellow Parishioners. You can register one of four ways: 1) Phone: 614-477-7730; 2) Text: 614-477-7730; 3) email: swisher721@gmail.com, or 4) fill-out the form in the bulletin and drop it in the Mass collection basket.

Any questions, please contact John Swisher at the phone number/email above.

PARISH PARTY

Saturday, January 28, 2017

RSVP by Monday, January 23, 2017

Names: _____

Number attending: _____

AROUND TOWN

LATE SUNDAY MASS ON JANUARY 1: If you or someone you know is seeking a late Sunday Mass on January 1, the Solemnity of Holy Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Day) because of work or other obligations, Saint Joseph Cathedral, 212 East Broad Street, Columbus, will be offering a late Sunday Mass at 5:15 p.m. as part of their regular Sunday Mass schedule. For more information call the Cathedral at (614) 224-1295, or visit www.saintjosephcathedral.org.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH at 795 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna, would like to invite you to our Divine Mercy Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. We'd like to share with you the wonderful graces we have been receiving. Visitors are welcome Monday-Friday, from 5:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and on Saturday-Sunday, from 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. We are still looking for Adorers to reach our goal of three Adorers per hour. If you are interested in becoming an Adorer, please contact Bryan Gebhart at logical_concepts@hotmail.com or 614-226-9617.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE! Bishop Hartley's 26th annual Evening of Excellence is **Saturday, March 18, 2017**. The Evening of Excellence is our single-largest school fund raiser and provides the primary funding for Bishop Hartley's scholarship and tuition assistance programs. The evening features dinner and live and silent auctions. The committee is hard at work to ensure a wonderful evening. We hope you can join us!

THE "GERMAN EPIPHANY" CELEBRATION. The celebration of the Columbus Germania Verein for the feast of the Epiphany will take place at Holy Spirit Church next year on Friday, January 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The ecumenical prayer service will feature lessons and carols in German for the celebration of the traditional Epiphany, which historically was always set on January 6. You are invited to attend. Refreshments served afterward in Holy Spirit Parish Hall.

PHONES:

Rectory & Church Office.....	866-2859
Rectory Fax.....	866-1499
Cafeteria	866-1282
Latchkey	866-1209
School.....	866-6050
Children’s Center	577-0826
Religious Education & Youth Ministry.....	864-3505

PARISH PASTORAL STAFF:.....866-2859

Msgr. David Funk, Pastor – Ext. 104
 Deacon John Vellani – Ext. 102
 Deacon John DuPrey – Ext. 102
 Deacon Jim Kelly – Ext. 102
 Brenda Brammer, Business Manager – Ext. 116
 John Beyer, Assistant Business Manager – Ext. 101
 Michelle Carey, Administrative Assistant – Ext. 102
 Judy Miller, Bookkeeper – Ext. 105
 Christina Zacovic, Office Assistant – Ext. 112
 Leah Kelly, Pastoral Minister – Ext. 103

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 Mary Benedict, Co-Director, Children’s Center..... 577-0826
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PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

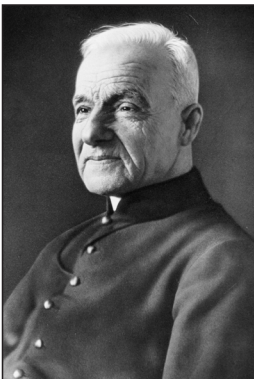
Dominic Nocera(614) 946-1821

EMAIL REGISTRATION SUPPORT

If you would like assistance with your registration or have questions about our program, please contact: **Michelle Zuccarelli**, Communications Support Specialist, at contact@spxreynoldsburg.com or (614) 866-2859.

FROM THE CHAIR WITH BISHOP CAMPBELL ON AM 820 TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD. Bishop Campbell meets with our high school students from St. Francis DeSales, Bishop Watterson, Bishop Ready, Bishop Hartley, William V. Fisher Catholic, Newark Catholic, Christo Rey and St. Charles Preparatory High Schools for the 7th Annual Student Forum from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Tune in by car, stream live or download the free St. Gabriel Catholic Radio app to hear the students of our diocese.

LIVES OF THE SAINTS...



Saint André Bessette – Saint of the Day for January 6
 (August 9, 1845-January 6, 1937)

Brother André expressed a saint’s faith by a lifelong devotion to Saint Joseph.

Sickness and weakness dogged André from birth. He was the eighth of 12 children born to a French Canadian couple near Montreal. Adopted at 12, when both parents had died, he became a farmhand. Various trades followed: shoemaker, baker, blacksmith—all failures. He was a factory worker in the United States during the boom times of the Civil War.

At 25, André applied for entrance into the Congregation of the Holy Cross. After a year’s novitiate, he was not admitted because of his weak health. But with an extension and the urging of Bishop Bourget, he was finally received. He was given the humble job of doorkeeper at Notre Dame College in Montreal, with additional duties as sacristan, laundry worker and messenger. “When I joined this community, the superiors showed me the door, and I remained 40 years,” he said.

In his little room near the door, he spent much of the night on his knees. On his windowsill, facing Mount Royal, was a small statue of Saint Joseph, to whom he had been devoted since childhood. When asked about it he said, “Some day, Saint Joseph is going to be honored in a very special way on Mount Royal!”

When he heard someone was ill, he visited to bring cheer and to pray with the sick person. He would rub the sick person lightly with oil taken from a lamp burning in the college chapel. Word of healing powers began to spread.

When an epidemic broke out at a nearby college, André volunteered to nurse. Not one person died. The trickle of sick people to his door became a flood. His superiors were uneasy; diocesan authorities were suspicious; doctors called him a quack. “I do not cure,” he said again and again. “Saint Joseph cures.” In the end he needed four secretaries to handle the 80,000 letters he received each year.

For many years the Holy Cross authorities had tried to buy land on Mount Royal. Brother André and others climbed the steep hill and planted medals of Saint Joseph. Suddenly, the owners yielded. André collected \$200 to build a small chapel and began receiving visitors there—smiling through long hours of listening, applying Saint Joseph’s oil. Some were cured, some not. The pile of crutches, canes and braces grew.

The chapel also grew. By 1931, there were gleaming walls, but money ran out. “Put a statue of Saint Joseph in the middle. If he wants a roof over his head, he’ll get it.” The magnificent Oratory on Mount Royal took 50 years to build. The sickly boy who could not hold a job died at 92.

He is buried at the Oratory. He was beatified in 1982 and canonized in 2010. At his canonization in October 2010, Pope Benedict XVI said that Saint Andre “lived the beatitude of the pure of heart.”

Reflection: Rubbing ailing limbs with oil or a medal? Planting a medal to buy land? Isn’t this superstition? Aren’t we long past that? Superstitious people rely only on the “magic” of a word or action. Brother André’s oil and medals were authentic sacramentals of a simple, total faith in the Father who lets his saints help him bless his children.