



The Catholic Parishes of Athens & Meigs Counties

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The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, JANUARY 16/17, 2021

SYMPATHY - Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Kenneth Bell**, who passed away this week. We offer Janet & the Bell family our sincere sympathy & prayers.



Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord, & let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul & the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

FIRST SACRAMENTS - Preparation classes for First Sacraments at Sacred Heart & in Athens begin soon. Parents of children who have not received their First Communion should contact the parish office to register.

If you are new to the parishes, please fill out an online registration form on our website www.athenscatholic.org or call the office to request a form.



ROSARY FOR LIFE - January 22 is the Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn

Children. Join our community's efforts to pray 60 rosaries on Friday, January 22. (60 rosaries = 3,000 Hail Mary's, which equates to the number of abortions performed in the United States daily). To pledge a rosary, sign up on our website: <https://athenscatholic.org/3000-hail-marys-for-life>.



LINEN CARE January 17 January 24
CTK Diane Matters Karen Oswald

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. (CTK) Seminarian Joseph Beigel (Athens CWC)
- 8:30 a.m. (SMH) Peter Stetson (SMH CWC)
- 9:30 a.m. (SH) Jane Beegle (Jane Huffman)
- 10:00 a.m. (CTK) Stephen Messina (the Messina Family)
- 10:00 a.m. (HC) Healing & Recovery for Diane Young (Ron Young)
- 12:00 p.m. (CTK) Rich Harter (Bev Harter)
- 6:00 p.m. (CTK) Greater Respect for Life

Monday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Paul Wass (Wendy & Bill Serbonich)
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Robert Kappes (Stephen & Kathleen Kappes)

Tuesday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Halley Families, Living & Deceased (John & Blaine Halley)
- ~~8:30 a.m. (SMH)~~ No Mass
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Albertina Colaizzi (Maria Henning)

Wednesday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Healing & Strengthening for Those With Terminal Illness
- 8:30 a.m. (SH) Holy Souls in Purgatory
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Safety for First Responders
- 9:00 p.m. (CTK) OU Catholics

Thursday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Sick & Shut-ins of Our Parishes
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) the Unborn

Friday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Greater Respect for All Life
- 8:30 a.m. (SH) Paul & Gemma Casci & Family (David Casci, Sr.)
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Rich Harter (Bev Harter)

Saturday

- 4:30 p.m. (SH) Emil Saelens Family (Dennis & Carla Saelens)
- 5:00 p.m. (CTK) Luciano & Margaret Restivo (Oswald Family)

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. (CTK) Hershelene Wright (Brett & Destini Martz)
- 8:30 a.m. (SMH) Irene Guy (Jeannie Hill)
- 9:30 a.m. (SH) Chelsie Knopp (Steve & Barbara Musser)
- 10:00 a.m. (CTK) Sis Lutmer (Bruggeman Family)
- 10:00 a.m. (HC) William Van Hall (Mary Lou Talbert)
- 12:00 p.m. (CTK) Leah Branstein (Richard & Patty Manzey)
- 6:00 p.m. (CTK) People of Our Parishes

**SACRED HEART
PRAYER FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY**

We pray that all will develop a deeper spiritual relationship with the Lord.

MASSES - A thoughtful way to remember birthdays, anniversaries or other significant events is by requesting a Mass.

As the highest form of worship in the Church, the Mass is an opportunity to bring our own intentions & offer them together with the priest in a way that honors the Lord. When one requests a Mass, the priest offers the most perfect form of prayer for our intentions. Masses can be offered for the living or deceased as a means of purification & uniting them closer to our Triune God.



There are envelopes in the Gathering Space to use to request a Mass. Please return to the parish office.

ADORATION/HOLY HOUR - We will have a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart Church from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays.



There will be Adoration on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. & on Fridays, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Christ the King.

CONFESSIONS - At Sacred Heart, Confessions will be heard on Saturday afternoons at 3:30 p.m. & at 8:30 on Sunday mornings.

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BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN - The PRC's annual Baby Bottle Campaign kicks off this Sunday. Due to COVID safety precautions, we will not have baby



bottles available at our parishes, but you can still donate! Send a text to 740-744-GIVE (4483), donate online at <https://bit.ly/prcgive>, or mail a check to the Pregnancy Resource Center, 43A S Court St, Athens.

PEACE & JUSTICE COMMITTEE - There is good news from Bread for the World regarding its priorities to help the hungry. The Global Nutrition Resolution, which originated in 2019, passed Congress on December 7. This resolution emphasizes the progress made in fighting hunger & malnutrition by emphasizing good maternal & child nutrition in the first 1000 days of a baby's life, starting with conception. It also acknowledges America's leadership in this effort over the past 10 years, & reaffirms its commitment for the future.

The Covid relief package passed in December contained a provision raising SNAP benefits by 15% for six months, & provides monetary assistance to those who qualify under the income guidelines. This will help many families who are experiencing hunger for the first time, as well as those who have struggled with hunger in the past. The increase in SNAP benefits was a 2020 priority for Bread for the World's Offering of Letters.

There will be a meeting of the P&J Committee on Monday, January 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the HFC.

RESPECT LIFE MASS & CANDLELIGHT ROSARY

Bishop Jeffrey M. Monforton will be offering a Respect Life Mass & Candlelight Rosary at Holy Family Church in Steubenville on Tuesday, January 26, at 6:00 p.m. All are invited to join in praying for an end to abortion & for a greater respect for all human life.



Please contact Joseph Schmidt, Director of the Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life with any questions (jschmidt@diosteub.org or 740-516-9270).

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. - St. Paul
* The 8:00 a.m. Friday Mass will be offered in the Extraordinary Form.
Monday - Friday: 12:15 p.m. - Christ the King
Wednesday: 9:00 p.m. - Christ the King*
(beginning January 20)
Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 a.m. - Sacred Heart