Mary Queen of the Apostles PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE PHONE

(216) 433.1440 FAX (216) 433.1434
Parish Office Hours: 9-1PM Monday-Friday

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

Monday-Thursday & First Friday 8AM Masses (In Church)
Saturday Vigil 4PM (In Church) & 5PM (In Hall) Masses
Sunday 9AM (In Church) & 11AM (In Hall) Masses

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00-3:45PM and by appointment

DEVOTIONS

All the following Devotions are suspended until further notice

Miraculous Medal Novena	Monday, 8:30AM
Eucharistic Adoration	Tuesday, 8:30AM-3:00PM
Divine Mercy Chaplet	Tuesday, 3:00PM
Rosary	Wednesday, 12Noon

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

A registered, practicing Catholic parent may prepare for the Baptism of a child. Contact Bob Huczel at x13.

GODPARENT/SPONSOR

Must be a registered and practicing Catholic, at least 16 years of age, and must have received Confirmation.

COMMUNION CALLS & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please keep us informed of the homebound and sick.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office 6 months in advance. Catholic parties are expected to be registered parishioners.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS & RELIGIOUS LIFE

Anyone interested in ordained or consecrated life should talk to one of the priests or deacons.

PRAYER LINE

Special need for prayers, call the Ursuline Sisters Prayer Line at 440.449.1200 x4003.

MARY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES ON-LINE:

Website www.mqabrookpark.org
www.facebook.com/mary-queen-of-the-apostles-parish
YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4N7DhiHNNxaPnTKO3py7-g

FORMED.ORG To access Catholic content, select our parish.

VATICAN WEBSITE www.vatican.va

CATHOLIC RADIO AM1260 "The Rock" Cleveland

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PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)

Monday Evenings 7PM (Sept-May)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLW)

For Grades K-5 Sunday morning during the 9AM Mass (Sept-May)

YOUTH MINISTRY (Grades 6-12) Meets 2nd Sunday, 12Noon in the Ministry Wing (Oct.-May)

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are asked to call the Parish Office x17. If you are moving out of the parish, changing your address or phone number, please notify us. Young adults 21 and over should register as well.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday, November 30, St. Andrew
8:00 AM All Souls' Intentions
Tuesday, December 1, Advent Weekday
8:00 AM Patricia Lawrence
Wednesday, December 2, Advent Weekday
8:00 AM Adeline Boyle
Thursday, December 3, St. Francis Xavier
8:00 AM Ann Joyce
First Friday, December 4, St. John Damascene
8:00 AM Fred Korman
First Saturday, December 5, Advent Weekday
4:00 PM John & Sue Horun
5:00 PM Ann Frencel
Sunday, December 6, Second Sunday of Advent
9:00 AM Liv/Dec Members of the Holy Name Society
11:00 AM Liv/Dec of Mary Queen of the Apostles

Readings for the week of November 29, 2020

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:	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22
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:	Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
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

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, THEIR CAREGIVERS AND OUR MILITARY.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED
Donald R. Trojan
Rev. Monsignor Robert Wolff

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND USHERS November 30 is the deadline for you to notify Elaine Gaughan of any dates you are away during January -April 2021. Please submit your changes in writing: Either through email at elaine_gaughan@ameritech.net or through the collection basket.

PARISH OFFICE Our office hours are Monday-Friday, 9AM-1PM. We encourage you to call us on the phone during those hours instead of coming in person unless it is necessary to do so.

FACE MASK Face masks are strongly advised to be worn by all who wish to enter the Hall and Church buildings.

CHRISTMAS WAFERS Christmas wafers (oplatky) are now available during weekly office hours 9AM-1PM. Cost is $2.00 for a pack of (4) wafers.

PUBLIC MASS SCHEDULE

To help our maintenance crew and volunteers in cleaning the building, the 5PM and 11AM Masses are celebrated in McCafferty Hall. The other Masses are celebrated in the Church.

Weekday Masses along with time doors open:
Monday-Thursday, 8AM (doors open 7:30AM) In Church
First Friday, 8AM (doors open 7:30AM) In Church
Regular Weekend Masses
4PM Saturday (doors open 3PM) In Church
5PM Saturday (doors open 4:30PM) In Hall
9AM Sunday (doors open 8:30AM) In Church
11AM Sunday (doors open 10:30AM) In Hall
Please know that all Catholics are dispensed from the obligation to attend weekend (Sunday) Mass until further notice. If you do come to Mass, please wear a mask or face covering.

VIDEO MASS SCHEDULE

Regular schedule for video Masses:
4PM Saturday Vigil Mass
9AM Sunday Mass
8AM Monday-Thursday & First Friday Masses, except holidays
To view Masses, either livestreamed on our parish Facebook page or as an uploaded recording onto YouTube, go to: www.mqabrookpark.org.

MASS INTENTIONS You are able to schedule Mass intentions: **JAN 1 - JUN 30, 2021**
Individual Mass Intention requests will be limited to 1 weekend Mass and 1 weekday Mass, or 2 weekday Masses.
In-person visits to the parish offices are still discouraged and/or not practical for many, so Mass intentions can be scheduled by calling Bob Huczel at 216.433.1440 x13 weekdays from 9AM-1PM. If your call goes to Bob's voicemail, it will be returned as soon as possible, in order by its time stamp. Your patience is greatly appreciated as we try to be fair in giving phone calls equal consideration. Above all, please know we will do all possible to schedule your requests on or near your special dates.

MASK WITH PARISH LOGO SALE UNDERWAY
We are presently taking orders for face masks with our parish logo (dark navy with gold imprint "Mary Queen of the Apostles" and crown). One size fits all. These are being sold at cost of $8. Submit your order marked "Mask Order" in the collection basket, including your name, phone number and payment made to Mary Queen of the Apostles Parish. Orders with payment are due in by December 3 for delivery by mid-December. We have a small quantity on hand if you prefer to pick-up now.

LET US GIVE THANKS!

Last Weekend's Sunday Offertory Not available at time of Printing
Never lose hope as the God who loves us is with us always.

THANK YOU for your kindness and generosity in continuing to support the work of your parish through your mail offerings and electronic funds transfers. Everything you all are doing is most appreciated! Fr. Jim

THIS WEEK
MOST ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION First Holy Communion at Mary Queen of the Apostles will be celebrated on Saturday, December 5, at 11AM. This will be a private Mass for the Communicants and their families with assigned seating to adhere to social distancing. These children have waited a long time for this day since it was delayed due to Covid, and they are eager to receive our Lord in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please pray for these children as they experience the joy of receiving Christ in the Eucharist for the first time!

ST. JOHN BOSCO – PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Our cluster parish, St. John Bosco, 6480 Pearl Road, Parma Hts, has a Perpetual Adoration Chapel, open 24/7. Anyone is welcome to spend time in prayer in the presence of the Holy Eucharist and allow Jesus to transform your life. A weekly hour of Adoration honors the real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist through the time spent in private devotion and contemplative prayer. St. John Bosco's goal is to have two people for every hour of the day. There are times, especially through the night hours, for which no one is present. Their weekly bulletin includes the hours of need: http://sjbparmaheights.org/join-us/eucharistic-adoration/. If you are able to commit to an hour each week (or even an hour every other week), you can contact St. John Bosco's Parish Office to sign up, 440.886.3500 or sjbinfo@sjbparmaheights.org. Regardless of whether you can commit to an hour or not, all are welcome to spend time in the Presence of the Lord Jesus.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee.
(St. Alphonsus Maria de' Liguori).

NEWS FROM AM 1260 THE ROCK NEW PROGRAM FROM EWTN Do you believe in miracles? Join us Saturdays at 7PM for **"The Miracle Hunter"** as host Michael O'Neill delves into the world of miracles and takes listeners on a hunt that explores the greatest mysteries and marvels of the Catholic Church.

PRAYER TO MARY DURING THE CORONA-VIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the Cross took part in Jesus' pain,
keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the Will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon Himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the Cross,
to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.
Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Pope Francis

VOTIVE CANDLES IN CHURCH For people attending Masses in the Hall, you can still request to have candles lit in church by giving the Ushers the offering of $3 for a candle at Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph or Sacred Heart of Jesus statues, and $10 for a candle at Assumption of Mary or St. Peter the Apostle statues.

SHARING TREE Due to the coronavirus, our Sharing Tree will look somewhat different this year…there will be no tags on the tree. Instead, YOU get to choose how you will support our local community. Here's how you can help:

- We are collecting new toys and board games for children of any age. These will be given to Audrey's Outreach to allow parents in our community to provide Christmas gifts for their children while still being able to pay their bills. We ask that these gifts not be wrapped.
- We are collecting lap blankets for the residents of Southern Hills, North Park, and Parkside Nursing Homes. These residents have been hit particularly hard due to social distancing and limited visits…and we would like to brighten their day.
- We are collecting gift cards from Giant Eagle, Walmart, or Marc's to help those in need.

Please place any items in the Christmas-wrapped box next to the Sharing Tree by December 13. Questions… feel free to contact the parish office or Janet Harper at 216.702.7474.

Advent 2020 will be different from other Advents but different can be good. May I suggest some additional prayer time, especially a prayer of gratitude for all the blessings that God has bestowed on our families. Or, praying for those in distress, especially those experiencing the effects of Covid-19, either physically, emotionally, or financially.

May I also suggest reflecting on the first eighteen (18) verses from the beginning of John's Gospel. John's Gospel doesn't tell of Bethlehem or of the manger. Rather it reminds us of the theology of Incarnation. We're reminded that Jesus' Incarnation can be seen as a reflection of God's glory. God spoke through the prophets, but now He speaks through His Son. Jesus shared with us a knowledge of God only to reflect this back to the Father. While some may argue that the Incarnation is solely about Jesus' coming to earth, it centers on two key concepts: revelation (through Jesus speaking to us) and salvation (purification of our sins).

God, the Word, took on His creation. He emptied Himself into Jesus. Rather than being some distant deity, God chose to close the gap in distance and closeness. The Incarnation can also be viewed as a unique union of the Word of God with an individual human.

The Incarnation is a beautiful example of God's love for us. The Father sent His Son as the "perfect expression of God himself." All that Jesus taught and did points back to God, not God to us. We can only come to know and love God if we know and love Jesus. Since God is love, the more we develop a relationship with Christ and the more we learn of His activities, the more we will embrace the loving characteristics of the Father.

So how are you going to spend Advent 2020?

Bob Stegmaier

DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND LAUNCHES NEW ADVENT/CHRISTMAS WEBPAGE Season of Advent begins this weekend, and our diocese has prepared a new resource page on its website to offer everyone material aimed at helping to make this Advent and Christmas meaningful, especially in light of our current pandemic. The new webpage will provide inspirational resources to help us fully enter into this holy season and to deepen our preparation and appreciation of the Birth of Christ. This week, checkout the new Advent/Christmas resources page posted on the diocesan website, dioceseofcleveland.org.

FORMED.ORG - Picks of the Week: WATCH "THE STORY OF THE NATIVITY: THE TRUTH OF CHRISTMAS" Enjoy this fast-paced, thought-provoking look at the true story of the Nativity as we enter into the joyful season of Advent.
LEARN "ADVENT" This Advent prepare your heart through this exploration of the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus Christ.
LISTEN "PREPARE THE WAY OF THE KING" BY DR. SCOTT HAHN Your Advent journey will take on new meaning with Dr. Scott Hahn's illuminating presentation on the greatest gift ever given to mankind – Jesus Christ.
Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set-up your free account, visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. There are hundreds of free resources about the Catholic Faith.

COMING IN 5 WEEKS … DISCOVERING CHRIST Where do you currently find your meaning in life? Is it possible to find fulfillment? Life can be overwhelming. Too many worries … too many places to be … too many items on the to-do list. Do you ever wish you could slow down and really consider what life is all about? Discovering Christ is for anyone who is curious about life's deeper questions. Over the course of seven weeks, you will hear interesting and thought-provoking talks that are designed to explore the meaning and purpose of your life. After each talk, you will get a chance to share your thoughts in a small group (all virtually, of course, through Zoom). You can talk as much or as little as you wish, and it's all done in a friendly and judgment-free environment! Discovering Christ has been held at our parish since 2015 with over 300 people having participated. The next 7-week series will be held on Tuesday evenings, starting January 5, 7-9PM. There is no cost to attend Discovering Christ! To register, submit your name, address, and phone via email to elaine_gaughan@ameritech.net or call 216.433.1440 x17.
I was born into a Slovak family and was what you would call a "Cradle Catholic". During my 30's when I turned away from God and lost my way, I became a '"fallen away" Catholic. Midlife I returned to the church but my faith was lukewarm. Thinking I was on the right path, but mostly I was sleepwalking through my faith. Sound familiar? Ask. Seek. Knock. By the Grace of God I stumbled upon the Christ Life program in 2018 and the door to ***Discovering Christ*** *opened wide for me! I'd love to welcome you through that door!! Join us? ~ Anne, 2018 Participant*

A SPECIAL NOTE TO GUESTS AT MARY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES We extend a very warm welcome to those of you visiting our parish. If you have any questions, please see one of the priests after Mass or call the Parish Office 216.433.1440 x17. We are happy to assist you in any way we can. Thank you for being with us, and we hope you return soon!

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