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A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg



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OFFICE HOURS Mon/Thur..8:30am to 4:00pm Friday8:30am to 12:00pm

Mon.-Thur. Mass at 8:00am Saturday Mass at 5:00pm Sunday Mass at 9:30am

Exposition and Adoration 3rd Wednesday each month... from 8:30am to noon



BAPTISM...3rd Sunday of the month at 9:30am Mass (Parents must attend Baptism Preparation). Call Karen at ext. #208 RECONCILIATION Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm or call Fr. George MATRIMONY...One year notice required

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone-please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct <u>after</u> you have called the Childline number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

December 26th. 2021....The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



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OUR MISSION.....

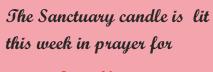
We are the family of Saint Regis, a diverse faith-filled community of caring people. We commit ourselves to be Christ-like to one another, promoting active participation by all in building the parish faith community. Unified through Word and Worship, we answer the call to love and serve God. We resolve to share our faith through prayer, outreach and service.



The St. Regis votive is lit this week in prayer for **Bill Vergot**

from

Anne Nigro



Lou Nigro

by

wife Anne

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Saturday, Jar	uary 8th. 5:00pm Mass
Server:	Jacob Zigarovich
Euch. Min.:	Helen Kravetz
	Nancy Morgan
Greeter:	Norma Jean Sudina
Lector:	Bruno Mediate
Sunday, Janu	ary 9th. 9:30am Mass
Server:	Ryan Litzinger
Euch. Min.:	Colleen Jones
	Rich Rauso
Greeter:	Betty Buchin
Lector:	Ron Rometo

Readings for the week of December 27, 2021

Monday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Tuesday:	1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 /Lk 2:22-35
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 /Lk 2:36-40
Friday:	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18
Saturday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
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Parish Schedule, M	on. Dec. 27th. to Sun. Jan. 2nd.
Mon. Dec. 27	OFFICE CLOSED
Wed. Dec., 29	-OFFICE CLOSED AT NOON
Fri. Dec. 315:00pm	Mass
Sat. Jan. 1	NO CONFESSIONS & NO MASS
Sun. Jan 28:00am	Mass
10:30am	Mass

Reading for the week on page 3

N	AASSES INTENTIONS THIS WEEK
MON 12/27/21 8:00am	Shirley Berta (Chuck & Joan Petruska & children)
TUE 12/28/21 8:00am	Ted Wrobel (by sister Josephine Mogus)
WED 12/29/21 8:00am	Frank Lukcik (Fr. George)
THUR 12/30/21 8:00am	Albert & Mary Zubak (Alice Zubak)
FRI 12/31/21 5:00pm	Ted Wrobel (Kathy Jones & family)
SAT 1/1/22	No Mass
SUN 1/2/22 8:00am 10:30am	Living & Deceased Members of St. Regis David Endler & the Endler & Moyer families (Ann)

NEW YEAR RESOLUTION:

Laugh a little louder, smile a little bigger, love a little deeper, and walk through life a little slower.



From Father George's Desk...On this Sunday after Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. It is a relative newcomer to the Church's calendar. Originally observed just after Epiphany when it was instituted by Pope Benedict XV a century ago in the societal upheaval in the wake of World War I to build up devotion in family life, Pope Paul VI transferred it to its present spot on the calendar in the reform of the Church's liturgical calendar following the Second Vatican Council. This feast upholds the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph as the ideal family. We hear in today's gospel that Jesus lived in a *real* human family with *real* troubles and *real* fear—*just like us*. What is evident in the life of the Holy Family, and what makes it the ideal for us, is the profound love present among its members. It is that selfless love we should all strive to model in our families at home, our parish family, and in the human family.

As we listen to the familiar words of the Christmas story, sing those timeless carols, and ponder that humble birth in the manger at Bethlehem, I pray we may realize God's abounding mercy as never before. And please don't let Christmas be a oneday affair! Stretch out your celebrations over the next few weeks—the Twelve Days of Christmas begin on December 25, not end! Make an extra effort to attend daily Mass on the days between Christmas and New Years'; these eight days constitute a special period of celebration and rejoicing in the Church called the Octave of Christmas. Share the Christmas story with your children and grandchildren and bring them to the manger. As we celebrate this definitive revelation of God's love for us this year we can then be heralds of His love and mercy to our weary and hungry world. **Best wishes for a Blessed and peace-filled Christmas**!

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors who are with us over the Christmas weekend, especially those who are "back home" celebrating Christmas with your loved ones. If you are returning home this week, we wish you a safe journey home; for those who are staying all week, may you enjoy your continued celebrations and we hope to see you next weekend.

Please keep in mind the schedule changes for next weekend:

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God—Saturday, January 1

Mass on Friday, December 31 at 5:00PM

the obligation to attend Mass on this holyday is abrogated (suspended) this year since it falls on a Saturday

The Epiphany of the Lord—Sunday, January 2

Masses at 8:00 & 10:30AM—no 5:00PM anticipated Mass on January 1

Additionally, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be celebrated on January 1; the regular schedule will resume on Saturday, January 8. The regular weekend Mass schedule will resume the weekend of January 8-9.

As the year winds down I am happy to report that we have received a few more 2021 DLA gifts. Our total for the year stands at \$75,202 in pledges and gifts (107% of our parish goal of \$70,000) from 262 households (36% of our parish). Our parish share is now \$16,146. Any last-minute gift through the end of the year remains in our parish—assessment-free—to do work that we need to do here at the parish. Thanks to everyone who made this year's appeal a success!

On Wednesday the Church honors one of the best-known saints of the Middle Ages, St. Thomas Becket. I first learned of him in high school English class when we were assigned to read T.S. Eliot's play, *Murder in the Cathedral*. Thomas, a close friend of King Henry II, was Lord Chancellor of England in the middle of the twelfth century. In 1162, in an attempt to gain control over the Church in England, the king had his friend installed as the Archbishop of Canterbury. The new archbishop, however, stymied the king's plans when he had a conversion experience and resigned his post as Lord Chancellor. In the ensuing conflict between king and archbishop, Thomas was forced into exile in France. Upon his eventual return to England, he excommunicated many of those close to Henry. In a fit of rage, Henry uttered the line immortalized in the play, *"Will no one rid me of this meddlesome priest?"* A group of knights loyal to the king took this as a command to assassinate Thomas, which they did on December 29, 1170, attacking him with swords and lopping off the top of his head as he entered the cathedral to pray vespers with the monks. Thomas was venerated as a martyr almost immediately after his death and was canonized just two years later. In addition to T.S. Eliot's play, the story of St. Thomas Becket's life and death have figured prominently in several important works of English literature, including Geoffrey Chaucer's *The Canterbury Tales*.

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PARISH-YOUTH-RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Fr. George and the staff extend a heartfelt Christmas blessing to all the parishioners of St. Regis. It is a pleasure to serve you and all of your support for us is deeply appreciated. Along with Fr. George, Mike, Joyce, Karen Joe, Florence & Paul we wish you a Merry Christmas and a blessed holiday season.

Your prayers are requested......for the repose of the souls of our parishioner Patricia Mason and also for Henry (Hal) Turkowski, brother of our parishioner Chris Casper. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.



To Contribute on-line, please see our website.



Congratulations!.....to these parishioners who are 90 or older in December.

A) Mrs. Evelyn McGhee (94 on Jan. 3rd.)

- B) Mr. Ed Drost (94 on Jan. 7)
- C) Mr. Rudy Benedetti (95 on Jan. 14th.)
- D) Mrs. Veronica Snyder (92 on Jan. 14th.)
- E) Mrs. Elizabeth Brletic (96 on Jan. 17)

Check with the office for their addresses



The Church acknowledges the following contribution to the Saint Regis Memorial Fund in memory of **Patricia Mason** from Ed & Alice Kifer.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY FOR 12/19/21 FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE THIS WEEK DUE TO EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE (CHRISTMAS)

8) share 9) mist 10) ram 11) chair 12) earth 13) shy 14) mast 15) rat

Answers: <u>Carols</u>; a) Holy Light b) every heart c) dancing d) plains & mountains e) tender & mild f) glory g) satan's power h) a poor man I) angels j) Israel K) Lay I) royal m) join the triumph of the skies n) lowing o) water. <u>12 days of Christmas</u>; L, D or M, I, O, E, F, A, G, C, K or O, N, J, M or D, P, H, B. <u>Words in Words</u>; 1) year 2) same 3) city 4) heat 5) hair 6) stem 7) cash

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 9) 9:30am Mass 10:30am Coffee & Donuts 11:00am SHYM "Food Bank Weekend" "Maintenance Collection" 	10) 8:00am <mark>Mass</mark> 1:00pm Sleeping Bag Project 6:15pm Rel. Ed./ MYM	11) 8:00am <mark>Mass</mark> 6:30pm Pastoral Council mtg.	12) 8:00am <mark>Mass</mark> 7:00pm Vocation Ministry mtg.	13) 8:00am Mass	14) No Mass	15) 4:00pm Confessions 5:00pm <mark>Mass</mark>
16) 9:30am <mark>Mass</mark>	17) 8:00am Mass "Office Closed"	 18) 8:00am Mass 9:00am Adult Ed. 6:30pm Adult Ed. 6:30pm Festival mtg. 	19) 8:00am Mass 8:30am Exposition & Adoration of the Lord 6:30pm Evangeliza- tion mtg.	20) 8:00am <mark>Mass</mark> 10:00am to 12:30pm & 6:00pm to 7:00pm Trafford Food Bank	21) No Mass	22) 4:00pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass "Accent Collection"
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Merry Christmas!

According to the Lyrics of...

- A. Go Tell It On The Mountain: Throughout the heavens shone what?
- B. Joy To The World: What should prepare Him room?_____
- C. Do You Hear What I Hear: What is the star doing in the night?
- D. Angels We Have Heard On High: Who is echoing the Angels joyous strains?
- E. Silent Night: What two words describe the Holy Infant?
- F. Angels From the Realms of Glory: Angels should wing their what over all the earth?
- G. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen: Christ was born to save us from what?
 - H. Good King Wenceslas: Who came into sight gathering winter fuel?
 - I. It Came Upon A Midnight Clear: Who was bending near the earth?
 - J. O Come O Come Emmanuel: Who is captive that needs ransom?
 - K. The First Noel: The angel found the shepherds in fields doing what?
 - L. We Three Kings: The star of wonder has what kind of beauty?_
 - M. Hark The Herald Angels Sing: What should all ye nations rise and do?
 - N. Away in a Manger. The cattle are what?
 - O. Mary Did You Know: Mary's baby boy will one day walk on what?

Egende of their meaning.	/orld!	 A. Eleven Pipers Piping B. Five Golden Rings 	C. Ten Lords a Leaping D. Four Calling Birds	E. Twelve Drummers Drumming	 F. Six Geese a Laying G. Partridge In a Pear Tree 	 H. Eight Maids a Milking I. Two Turtle Doves 	J. My True Love	K. Three French Hens	 Nine Ladies Dancing M. Four Calling Birds 	N. Seven Swans a Swimming		P. To Me		/	
Christian Legend Christian The Twelve Days Of Christmas" was a secret code for Christians. Match up the following points noted in the score to the Christian symbolic interpretation of their meaning (Some of the leterns are used Mico)	Joy To The World!	Fruits of the Holy Spirit Evangelists: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John	Old and New Testaments	The Virtues: Faith, Hope and Love	Doctrines in the Apostles' Creed	 Days of Creation Faithful Apostles 	Jesus	The Commandments	Trinity	Gifts of the Holy Spirit	God	Gospels	Anyone baptized in the name of Jesus	Beatitudes	Pentateuch
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Christmas Word Game WORDAS I'R & WORD Use only the letters in Merry Christmas to find a word for each definition. Cut out the letters below and use them to help you make words to fit the clues. Work with a partner and take turns finding words and writing them on the lines.	1. Twelve months2. Alike	3. Large town	5. Grows on your head		8. Divide with someone	9. Water vapor	11. A seat	12. Our planet	13. Bashful	14. FIOLOS UP a Sall			EKKYCH		



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