

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

MONDAY, December 4th - 5:30 P.M. SPP

Miriam Holzapfel – Sue Wells

TUE, December 5th – 12 NOON HT

Ron Fenik – Sharon Fenik

WED, December 6th – 5:30 – St. Sylvester

Betty Colley Graham – Pat Bartoe

THURSDAY, December 7th – 7:00 p.m. SPP

Private Intentions – Anonymous

FRIDAY December 8th – NOON HT

Bonifacio & Margaret Alcorido & Effie A. Ukno – Anita Alcorido

5:30 St. Sylvester

William Digney – Maureen Morgan

7:00 p.m. – Holy Trinity

For the People

SATURDAY, December 9th – 9:00 a.m. SPP

James Shawd – Alan & Susan Stockmeister

SUNDAY, December 10th – 8:00 a.m. HT

For the People

SUNDAY, December 10th – 10:00 a.m. SPP

Violet Ruth Miller – Caleb & Meghean Miller

SUNDAY, December 10th – NOON ST. SYLVESTER

Karen & Lee – Cori Holzapfel

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism: Three months prior to birth, pick up a Baptism Information and Form Packet from the parish office. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class. Schedule with Priest.

Marriage: Contact the priest by calling the parish office at 740-384-2359.

Anointing & Visitation of the Sick: Our local hospitals do not inform us if you have been hospitalized. If you would like a priest to visit you (when you are in the hospital, nursing home, or homebound) or for Holy Communion to be brought to you, please contact the parish office. **CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AND PRESS 2**

Funeral: Contact the pastor through the parish office to plan the funeral Mass. It is possible to make pre-arranged Mass plans with the pastor before death.

**JACKSON VINTON COUNTY CATHOLIC
Holy Trinity, Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Sylvester**

OFFICE STAFF

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EMERGENCY NUMBER if you or your family member need Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish at (740-384-2359) and press 2.

Holy Trinity – See Schedule

Sts. Peter and Paul – **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Prayers for healing

Joni Deck, Mark Anderson, Joyce Figlestahler, Joe Osborne, Roxie Mercer, Eleanor Peterson, Margaret Peacock, Chuck & Dottie Van Kirk, Patsy Swing, Keith Henry, Kristen Coffman Peacock, Gay Mahle, Rick & Ulyana Hatem, Bill Bartoe, Sue Fultz, Olivia Montgomery, Kathleen King, Grace Hamlin, Bob Bledsoe, Roseanne Elkins, Rose Hall, Allison Hayes, Nathaniel Thieken, Lani Arms, Florence Dahl, Tom Blackburn, Karen Comstock, Cheri Thompson, Rick Angles, Tony O'Brian, Sally Penix, Deborah Smith, Shane Lee Miller, Ann James Woltz, Kelly Colley Walker, Rosetta King, Sherry Harkless, Kelly Borden, Adam Clary, Candy Lewis, Sherry Todd, Janet Bolender, Jamison Jackson, Merrill Peterson, Susan Anderson, John Jackson, Terry Boyden, Cori Holzapfel, Jay Riepenhoff, Bill & Linda Hunt, Connie Hawk, Ben Ervin, Mike & Pat Bradley, Karen Perko & Alvin Schleicher

HOLY TRINITY

12/3 LECTOR – DEANNA STROTH

12/3– COUNTERS – JANE I. & BILL S.

12/10 – LECTOR – DEANNA STROTH

12/10– COUNTERS – DIANA P. & VOLUNTEER

STS. PETER AND PAUL

12/3 – LECTOR – BETSY GLASS

12/3 – COUNTERS – SUE E. & JIM

12/10 – LECTOR – KAREN BOCH

12/10 – COUNTERS – SHARON & JON

St. Sylvester- Zaleski, Ohio

Announcements:

* Please see Bulletin insert about St. Francis Center Christmas donations needed.

Parish Schedule

Rosary at 10:30 a.m.

RCIA Classes will be after Mass, Please join us! Everyone is Welcome and grow in your Faith

Lector and Counters

Sun. December 3rd – Kathleen Bledsoe

Sun. December 10th – Bill Nose

Collection

Mary Ellen Nose – Tony Periat

Please take home the Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

PASTORS COLUMN:

Happy Advent! Only 3 weeks until Christmas—get ready, folks. Speaking of "Come, let us adore him", let's talk about kneeling. Kneeling has two different meanings—penance and adoration.

We still kneel as a sign of penance in the confessional, and when making our penance after we are absolved. Originally, people only knelt during the prayers at High Masses on the weekdays of Lent and Advent, and at Vigil Masses. The Council of Nicaea (325) forbade kneeling for penance on Sundays or in the Easter Season. In the Rule of St. Benedict, monks kneel whenever they make a mistake in singing the Office, or when they offend a brother, and when they have to make up a part of the prayers they missed.

Kneeling also means adoration, and this meaning became more common through history. It is for this reason that even on "no-kneeling" days, people knelt at Mass from the bell before the consecration until standing again after the elevation of the Chalice. This remains the universal rule in the Church, but in the United States, we kneel for the whole Canon of the Mass, since people here were so used to low Masses, during which it was customary to kneel most of the time. As a rule, our kneeling at Mass is a sign of our adoration of the power of God and of the Blessed Sacrament present on the altar. In liturgy, if we can't kneel, we should stand, which is a sign of honor and respect.

A general rule is that we kneel whenever we can see the Blessed Sacrament or whenever the Tabernacle is opened, unless we are walking, or the liturgy asks us to take another posture. Due to the extended time of Eucharistic Adoration, it is perfectly acceptable to sit, but anyone able should always kneel from the moment the Sacrament is exposed until the prayers at exposition are done (except during the Post Communion prayer, if exposed at Mass). One should also always kneel during the prayers for Benediction. But again, when our ability is lacking, we always default to the next best thing. Kneeling has long been a default position for private prayer in the Latin Church (that's us). It is particularly useful for our morning and night

prayers to put the prayers in our muscle-memory and to keep us humble. It is good to kneel in church when we are preparing for Mass, or giving thanks after Mass, praying the rosary, or approaching the shrines of the saints in prayer. But at the end of the day, our private prayer postures have to hit a balance between outward respect, and interior focus on the prayers.



Join us next Saturday, December 9th. For our combined Christmas Dinner and Children's Pageant. Please bring a side dish or dessert. The Parish will provide Ham, Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans and Rolls. Dinner and play at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Hall.



Any child who would like to participate in this year's pageant please contact Chelsea Taylor for practice times. 740-

645-3654 * UPDATE PLAY PRACTICE WILL BE 12/3 DURING PSR*

- Please see bulletin insert for Immaculate Conception Mass times.

RCIA - Adult Catechism will hold the next class on December 4th at 6:30 p.m. in a classroom setting at SPP. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please contact the parish office or Caleb Miller for more information. calebjmiller@hotmail.com

" Infallibility " will be the Topic this week for Adult Catechism