

QUEEN OF PEACE  
907 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue



CATHOLIC CHURCH  
Patton PA 16668

## Second Sunday of Advent, December 10, 2017



John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. He was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me." -Mk 1:4, 6-7

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Mon. Dec. 11	7:30 AM	† Bernadine Nagle
Tues. Dec. 12	7:30 AM	† Eligius Neibauer, Anniv.
Wed. Dec. 13	7:30 AM	† Clair Callahan
Thur. Dec. 14	7:30 AM	† Patrick Gill
Fri. Dec. 15	7:30 AM	† Br. Pat, O.S.B.
Sat. Dec. 16	7:30 AM	Parish Mass
Sat. Dec. 16	5:00 PM	† Rose Novak, Anniv.
Sun. Dec. 17	7:00 AM	† Anthony 'Bud' Vescovi, Anniv.
Sun. Dec. 17	9:00 AM	† Pauline Litzinger
High Mass, Latin 11:00AM		† Rosalie Verhovsek

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4 – 4:45 PM, or anytime by appointment



The Sanctuary Lamps burn  
In Memory of  
Judy Woodley, the week of  
December 10 - December 16

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Families using Sunday Envelopes:

	NUMBER	PERCENT
December 3, 2017	173	58%

December 3, 2017, weekly/monthly - \$4,154.00  
Repair Fund, December 3, 2017 - \$61.00  
St. Vincent de Paul, December 3, 2017 - \$203.00  
† SVDP Conference - \$123.00  
† SVDP Food Pantry - \$80.00  
Parish Breakfast, December 3, 2017 - \$1,709.00  
Thanksgiving Bake Sale - \$3,363.00  
Additional All Saints Day - \$5.00  
Additional Catholic Charities - \$70.00  
Immaculate Conception - \$12.00  
Christmas Flowers - \$739.00  
Christmas Collection - \$90.00  
St. Mary/St. George Cemetery Collection - \$83.00

**2017 Catholic Ministries Drive – 69 families (24%)**  
have pledged \$15,440 toward our Parish Goal of  
\$20,900. We need \$5,460 to reach that goal.

### ALTAR SERVERS

#### Saturday, December 16

5 PM Elizabeth & Martina White

#### Sunday, December 17

9 AM Elizabeth Sopata, Emilee Pompa and Evan Larkin

### LECTORS

#### Saturday, December 16

5 PM Barb Barnosky

#### Sunday, December 17

9 AM Emma Venesky

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

#### Saturday, December 16

5 PM Shirley Anderson

Blood

#### Sunday, December 17

7 AM Mike Strasser

Blood

9 AM Dan Thomas

Body

Dan Anna

Blood

Mary Lou Colussy

Blood

**Chicken Dinners – Sunday, December 17**, prepared by the local Queen of Angels Council of the Knights of Columbus, beginning at 11 AM (until sold out), in the upper level of the Parish Center. All dinners are \$8, and are available for takeout, and drive up service. No phone orders taken. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year.

**Christmas Mass Schedule – Sunday, December 24**, the regular Sunday Mass schedule will stay the same. **Christmas Eve Masses** are at 5 PM (Ordinary Form) and 7 PM (Extraordinary Form). Christmas Eve Masses DO NOT FULFILL your regular Sunday Mass Obligation. **Monday, December 25, Christmas Day Mass** is at 9 AM (Ordinary Form).

**Parish Prayer List** – We entrust to the care of Christ the Divine Physician, those members of our Parish Family in need of Healing in Body, Mind, or Spirit especially 'Doc' Noel, 'Lizzie' Chongla, Philip Warefield, Robin Hauret, Dick Anna, Jake Kalis, Dawn Kovaloski, Tina Lokey-Gambee, Gerard Macaluso, Peggy Fedor, Jim & Rose Moxley, and Derek Miller. May they embrace their trials in union with the Crucified Christ for the salvation of souls, and the remission of sins.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Charles Nagle, Elizabeth Semelsberger** (Sister of Dorothy Sullivan) and **Paul McNulty** (Brother of Joe McNulty). May flights of angels wing them to Paradise, and may their souls and all the souls of the Faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace... Amen

**NIGHT PRAYER AS ADVENT PIETY** – Each Sunday evening at **7 PM**, during the Advent Season (December 10 & 17), the last “hour” of the Divine Office will be prayed here at Queen of Peace Church. Night Prayer consists of a hymn, 3 Psalms, a brief reading from Scripture, the Nunc Dimittis of Simeon, and a concluding prayer. Please make room on your busy schedule for a soothing 45 minutes of prayer.

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**The Retired Fund for Religious** – **This weekend December 9/10**. “Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry,” writes a religious sister. Your generous gift to this weekend’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders.

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**THE ICBU** will host their Annual Christmas Party / Covered Dish **Today, Sunday, December 10** beginning at 1 PM. All festivities will be held in the upper level of the Parish Center. There will be a collection for the Carmelites.

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**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES** – Take advantage of the schedule of Confessions that will be held in our neighboring Churches **this week**:

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| † St. Bernard Church, Hastings             | 2 PM        | Sunday, December 10, 2017         |
| † Prince of Peace Church, Northern Cambria | 7 PM        | Monday, December 11, 2017         |
| † <b>Queen of Peace Church, Patton</b>     | <b>7 PM</b> | <b>Tuesday, December 12, 2017</b> |
| † St. Nicholas Church, Nicktown            | 7 PM        | Wednesday, December 13, 2017      |
| † St. Benedict Church, Carrolltown         | 7 PM        | Thursday, December 14, 2017       |

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**ADVENT GIVING TREE** – **All gifts MUST be brought to the Parish Office no later than Monday, December 11**. At this time, there are many tags that have not been returned yet. Please do not disappoint a child from receiving a special gift. **Please put the tag (from the tree) on the gift so that the # is visible.**

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**CALLING ALL “WRAPPERS”** – The baking ‘elves’ have been very busy preparing for the Bake Sale and will need rolls bagged on **Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30 PM**, in the lower level of the Parish Center. In addition, we will need ‘extra hands’ on **Friday, December 15 (call for time)** to put together cookie platters & trays, etc... This Bake Sale is a major fundraiser for us and we would greatly appreciate all the help we can get. Remember, we all work together for **OUR CHURCH**. Thank You...

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**MARK YOU CALENDAR** for **Saturday, December 16** for our Annual Christmas Bake Sale. Doors open at 9 AM. There will be an abundant array of Christmas cookie platters & trays, cinnamon rolls, sticky buns, pumpkin rolls, apricot, nut, poppy seed, prune & raspberry rolls, panettone bread, Yule logs, Old English plum pudding, cheese balls, cranberry walnut tarts, pecan tarts, St. Lucy wreaths, and much more. Come early for the best selection. **NO - PRE ORDERS...**

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**CHURCH DECORATING AND CLEANING** – Decorating the Church for Christmas will begin on **Monday, December 18**. This includes the Nativity, the greens for the windows, flowers, etc. If you are willing and able to lend a hand, we greatly appreciate your help. The more hands we get, the faster the job goes! In addition, we will clean the Church on **Thursday, December 21** (9:30 AM). Please bring your buckets, rags and if you can, Murphy’s Oil Soap. Thank you...

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**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** – If you would like to help defray the cost of providing flowers and decorations for the Altars and the Church this Christmas, please use the envelope provided in your packet for this purpose. A Mass will be celebrated on **Tuesday, December 26** at 7:30 AM for all the Christmas Decorator Benefactors.

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**NEEDING A SPECIAL “LAST MINUTE” GIFT** – The Queen of Peace Activities Committee has a 6-month lottery card for 2018 (Jan 1 – June 30) that might do the trick! Ticket donation is \$20. The cards are available by calling Jack (674-8948), Dee (674-8809), Grace (674-8762) or stop in the Parish Office (674-8983).

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**St. Nicholas Church, Nicktown** is hosting a Parish breakfast on **Sunday, December 17** from 6:30 AM – Noon in their Church Hall (203 St. Henry St.) The price for Adults is \$8 / Children (5-12), \$4 / Children (under 4), free.

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**SS Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church, Patton** will hold their Christmas Nut, Poppy seed & Apricot Roll Sale on **Thursday, December 21**. Must Pre-Order rolls in advance by calling Vicki (674-8266) or Judy (674-5143). Rolls are \$9 each. Pick up is Thursday, December 21 (2-5 PM) and Friday, December 22 (3-5 PM).

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### **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (December 10)**

It is through repentance that we acknowledge our sins. In their pastoral letter on stewardship, the U.S. bishops proclaim “the Spirit of wisdom and courage helps people seek pardon and be mindful that in the face of all their forgetting, the most important work of their lives is to be Jesus’ disciples.” As we prepare to celebrate God’s greatest gift to us in the birth of our Savior, have we reconciled our sins to continue along the path to eternal life?