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SAINT MARGARET MARY CHURCH

3055 LEECHBURG ROAD, LOWER BURRELL, PA
A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST & PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 17, 2016

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:00 p.m.

Sunday
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays
(Monday ~ Friday)
8:00 a.m.

Holy Days
8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Confession
Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.
and by appointment



CHRISTMAS THANK YOU!

Father Ken and Father Daniel would like to thank the many parishioners who expressed their Christmas wishes, in person and also with greeting cards and gifts. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!



We pray that the peace and joy and light of the Christ child may reign in your hearts throughout the new year.

God Bless You,

Father Ken and Father Daniel

Your presence here makes all the difference!

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Contact the parish office to schedule a Baptism Seminar prior to the baptism of your first child.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office at least **nine months** in advance for information and scheduling.

(RCIA) RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Considering entry into the Catholic Church? Contact the parish office for an appointment.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE HOMEBOUND: To arrange for the Sacraments, contact the parish office.

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MINISTRY OF HOME VISITATION ~ Sisters of Mary Immaculate: 724-845-2828

MARY QUEEN OF APOSTLES SCHOOL Catherine Collett, Principal
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PASTORAL COUNCIL 2015 - 2016

Michael Arabia, Mark Cortese, Sally Lagatutta, Tracy Lindo, Frederick Lukac, Dianne Lucas, Lauren Ockree, Julie Ondako, Darlene Polinski, Mary Jo Schultz, Phyllis Roberts-Spiering, and Doris Swick.

FINANCE COUNCIL 2015 - 2016

Richard Kalkstein, Donald Ryan, Danielle Skowronski, Thomas Thimons

“BURNT BUSCUITS -- TASTE GOOD IF YOU WANT THEM TO”

When I was a kid, my mom liked to make breakfast food for dinner every now and then. I remember one night in particular when she had made breakfast after a long, hard day at work. On that evening so long ago, my mom placed a plate of eggs, sausage and extremely burned biscuits in front of my dad. I remember waiting to see if anyone noticed!

All my dad did was reach for his biscuit, smile at my mom and ask me how my day was at school. I don't remember what I told him that night, but I do remember watching him smear butter and jelly on that ugly burned biscuit. He ate every bite of that thing...never made a face nor uttered a word about it!



When I got up from the table that evening, I remember hearing my mom apologize to my dad for burning the biscuits. And I'll never forget what he said, "Honey, I love burned biscuits every now and then."

Later that night, I asked my dad if he really liked his biscuits burned. He wrapped me in his arms and said, "Your mom put in a hard day at work today and she's real tired. And besides--a little burned biscuit never hurt anyone!"

As I've grown older, I've thought about that many times. Life is full of imperfect things and imperfect people.

I'm not the best at hardly anything, and I forget birthdays and anniversaries just like everyone else. But what I've learned over the years is that learning to accept each other's faults and choosing to celebrate each other's differences is one of the most important keys to creating a healthy, growing, and lasting relationship.

And that's my prayer for you today...that you will learn to take the good, the bad, and the ugly parts of your life and lay them at the feet of God. Because in the end, He's the only One who will be able to give you a relationship where a burnt biscuit isn't a deal-breaker!

Father Ken

The Eucharistic Table

Sat./Sun. 1/16-17 5:00 pm 8:30 am 11:00 am	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11 + Ken Beer (<i>Family</i>) + James Gay Jr. (<i>Rich & Connie Aversa</i>) + Mass for the Congregation
Mon. 1/18 8:00 am	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22 + Patricia Latanzio Santilli (<i>Mother Helen</i>)
Tues. 1/19 8:00 am	WEEKDAY 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28 + Richard Frye (<i>Wendy Hackenson</i>)
Wed. 1/20 8:00 am	ST. FABIAN; ST. SEBASTIAN 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6 + Maria Mandak (<i>Laverne Mandak</i>)
Thurs. 1/21 8:00 am	ST. AGNES 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12 + Scott Fisher (<i>Patty & Toni Martinelli</i>) + <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 Noon</i>
Fri. 1/22 8:00 am	DAY OF PRAYER 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19, + Tom Jones (<i>Carilli Family</i>)
Sat./Sun. 1/23-24 5:00 pm 8:30 am 11:00 am	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21 + Deceased Members of Leslie & Pavetto Families (<i>Family</i>) + Joyce Sosinski (<i>Family</i>) + Mass for the Congregation

This Week

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Sunday, Jan. 17

2:00 pm Young Adult Ministry -
Freude Room

Monday, Jan. 18

7:00 pm Widows/Widowers Support
Group - Freude Room

Tuesday, Jan. 19

6:45 pm Worship Committee - B-4

Wednesday, Jan. 20

12:30 pm Film Social - Freude Room

Thursday, Jan. 21

6:45 pm Handbell Choir - Church

Saturday, Jan. 23

9:30 am Wedding Workshop - B-1

Sunday, Jan. 24

9:30 am Sacrament Prep - B-1

9:45 am Youth Choir - Church



For Your Information

The construction you see taking place in the narthex is a result of termite damage.

Unfortunately, it is not covered by insurance. We are being diligent to ensure that the problem is corrected. We did have an exterminator treat the building for termites. Additionally, the entire building is now surrounded with termite traps.

Due to the heavy load that the affected beam supports, we had plans drawn up by the structural engineering firm that worked on the construction and renovation of the church. The contractors that did the renovation and construction will be doing the repair. Please be patient with us as we complete this repair. Thank you!



Married In Christ



Congratulations to Silvia Vicini & Tom Saska (with Father Ken) who were Married In Christ on January 8.



Congratulations to Maryann Haugh & Frank Amato, Jr. who were Married In Christ on December 31.

Baptized in Christ



Landon Michael Nicholas with parents Melissa & John (c) and siblings, Kaitlyn, Hannah, Makayla, Jocelyn, Ian and Giuliana, and Godparents Lisa North and Scott North (r).

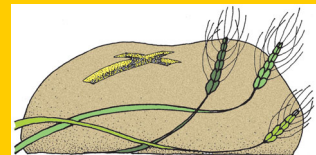
Remember in your prayers

† Thelma McCutcheon, mother of Sally Jankosky, who died January 7.

† Betty Aftanas who died January 9.

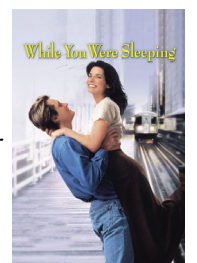
† Janet Klimkowski who died January 9.

May the Lord grant them eternal rest and peace, and bless their families with consolation.



FILM SOCIAL ~ Wednesday, January 20, at 12:30 p.m. in the Freude Room.

While You Were Sleeping. *Lonely transit worker Lucy Eleanor Moderatz (Sandra Bullock) pulls her longtime crush, Peter (Peter Gallagher), from the path of an oncoming train. At the hospital, doctors report that he's in a coma, and a misplaced comment from Lucy causes Peter's family to assume that she is his fiancée. When Lucy doesn't correct them, they take her into their home and confidence. Things get even more complicated when she finds herself falling for Peter's sheepish brother, Jack (Bill Pullman).*



ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

All youth in Grades Four and above are invited to join the Altar Server Ministry.

Saint John Paul II, speaking to Altar Servers on August 1, 2001 said:

"The Altar Server has a privileged place in liturgical celebrations." They experience from close at hand that Jesus Christ is present and active in every liturgy..... Jesus is present above all in the Eucharist, under the appearances of bread & wine."

Training is scheduled for Sunday, February 14, through February 28, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.



No matter how busy & active you are, we are obliged and privileged to worship at Mass every weekend and holy day.

WHY NOT PARTICIPATE EVEN MORE FULLY AND SERVE MASS?

Please contact the Parish Office at 724-335-2336 to register.

This will be the only Altar Server Training Class conducted in 2016.

Faith Formation

Marriage Preparation



For all engaged couples who are planning on celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony in 2016, please be aware of two very important dates:

A **Wedding Workshop** on **Saturday, January 23, from 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon.** We will go over details and guidelines regarding the wedding liturgy and review the book *Together for Life*. It is **very important** that you, both the bride and groom, attend this session. Please mark it on your calendars.

While planning the wedding is certainly exciting, it is your *marriage preparation* that we most want to emphasize. This preparation must be completed before the sacrament takes place. New this year, we are hosting a one-day **Marriage Preparation** session co-sponsored by Saint Margaret Mary and Mount Saint Peter Parishes. The day will feature married couples who present topics that are critical to sustaining a lasting and loving marriage. We are working diligently to plan a day that will be both formative and fun. This event will take place here on **Saturday, February 6, from 9:00 - 5:00 p.m.** The fee \$30 includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and dinner at Villa Ballanca (dinner optional).

Please email Gabrielle Genovese to RSVP for both of these events:
ggenovese@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Stewardship Table

January 9 & 10

Mass Attendance	1,385
Sunday Envelopes (401)	12,440.00
Electronic Giving (90)	5,583.00
Building Fund (62)	<u>1,228.00</u>
Total:	\$19,251.00
Change for Haiti	\$1,009.00

Christmas/End-of-Year Giving

Mass Attendance	3,035
Christmas Collection	22,464.00
Loose	3,779.51
End-of Year Donations	<u>39,885.00</u>
Total	\$66,128.51
Children & Family Services	\$6,252.00

Stewardship Table

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Weekly Financial Statement ~ January 17, 2016 Catholic Institute Loan

Current Loan Amount:	1,073,938.07
Payments Received:	
Building Fund Envelopes:	(2,553.00)
Memorials: Raffelina Aiello	(95.00)
Capital Campaign Payments:	(197,431.00)
Current Loan Balance:	873,859.07

** Loan Interest Payment for January 2016 2,471.26

* Interest payments are made from our operating budget whenever possible so that the campaign contributions go directly to the principal of the loan.

Note: 100% of all monies received for "Debt Reduction" are applied to the loan.

Endowment Fund:

Quarterly PNC Investment Report Dated: 12/2015	167,810.61
Donations to Endowment Fund: 12/2015	25,000.00
(not included in above figure)	

Bishop's Vocation Collection supports religious vocations in the Greensburg Diocese. This collection (sponsored by the Knights of Columbus) will take place next weekend (January 23 & 24). There is not an envelope for this collection included in your weekly envelope packet.

Ministry Schedule — January 23 & 24

	Presider	GREETERS			Technical Team				
5 pm	Father Ken	J. Lavery	M.E. Leslie	S. Mattern	T. DeMoss	R. DeMoss			
8:30 am	Father Ken	M.A. Ryan	C. Shipman	E. Zajdel	K. Hayes	K. Hayes	J. Hayes		
11 am	Father Ken	A. Emmerling	M. Dunmire	J. Makowski	E. Novak	D. Misak	L. Mason	R. Mason	
ALTAR SERVERS					LECTORS		Liturgy of the Word		
5 pm	C. Flanagan	L. Flanagan	S. Chapman	B. Flanagan	M. Arabia	J. Silicki	None	None	
8:30 am	G. Bendis	B. Bires	B. Bires	A. Trefelner	C. Sakala	R. Musolino	D. Misak	A. Pacuch	
11 am	J. Centorcelli	S. Fennell	E. Fennell	C. Lagattuta	S. Thimons	R. Kowalski	S. Carnahan	B. Schager	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS									
5 pm	T. Cortese	B. Cortez	D. DiDonato	L. Kish	O. Leslie	J. Litz	A. Pavetto	J. Rolf	M. Schroeder
8:30 am	J. Carabin	A. DiGirolomo	C. Fantuzzo	R. Farinelli	D. Hazlett	J. Kane	T. Lindo	C. Moyes	S. Pfund
11 am	C. Carson	P. Spiering	F. Dombrowski	R. Dunmire	B. Fedoush	D. Fellers	R. Hess	Sister Gratia	Sister Jossy
USHERS									
5 pm	A. French	Grosse/Keller	A. Falleroni	M. Kardabin	J. Tallarico	T. Cavanaugh	G. Rapp	T. Cambal	D. Swick
8:30 am	G. Rapp	T. Cambal	T. Farina	S. Warden	S. Skeba	B. Crivaro			
11 am	J. Hess	S. Mike	M. Misak	J. Potosnak	D. McClaine	T. Rayburg			

Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to the March for Life - Youth in Grades 9-12 and their adult chaperones are invited to journey to the “Life is Very Good” evening rally, morning Mass for Life, and March for Life in Washington, DC, on **January 21 and 22**. Cost: \$125 includes the “Life is Very Good” evening rally, morning Mass, lunch, the March for Life, dinner, diocesan T-shirt, backpack, and coach bus transportation. For further details visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org or contact Donna Misak. Space is limited.

Night at the Races, sponsored by the School Community Group of MQA School, takes place on **Friday, February 5**. Information is available on the school website: www.mqaschool.org

The Knights of Columbus Council 1381 Free Throw Contest is **Sunday, January 31**, at 12:30 p.m. in the MQA School gymnasium for girls and boys ages 9 - 14 as of January 1. Proof of age is required.

St. Gertrude Alumni Festival - All former students and faculty of St. Gertrude School, Vandergrift, are invited to attend the first St. Gertrude Alumni Festival, on **Saturday, August 13**, in the school yard following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Tours of the school, class photos, memorabilia, food, and entertainment will be provided. Alumni are also welcomed to attend the next planning session on **Wednesday, February 10**, at 7:00 p.m. at the Bari Club Social Hall, Vandergrift. The committee is looking for old school photos and memorabilia which may be dropped off at the rectory. Please label them with your name and phone number so that they may be returned to you.

Drugs Kill Dreams Day - The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has designated **Sunday, January 24**, as “Drugs Kill Dreams Day” in recognition of the Drugs Kill Dreams program’s 15th anniversary. Founded by Ford City Magistrate J. Gary DeComo, a parishioner of Christ, Prince of Peace Parish, the program works with schools, churches and other community organizations to share educational material and prevention messages to combat drug addiction and crimes committed by drug users. As drug use and overdose deaths rise to record levels in southwestern Pennsylvania, we are asked to pray for people who have died from an overdose and those who are in recovery programs, as well as their families, and for everyone participating in community prevention programs.