

North American Martyrs Parish

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December 27, 2015, Fourth Sunday in Advent

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

North American Martyrs is a vibrant parish, built on multi-generational and cultural traditions blended through the grace of the Holy Spirit. Reflecting the unconditional mercy of Jesus Christ, we as a faith community sharing God's love with all people, enthusiastically reach out to embrace everyone, especially the poor, broken, suffering and lost. We draw our strength through prayer, listening to and acting upon God's Word and celebrating the Eucharist, to foster a closer relationship with Christ as humble and faithful members of His Universal Church.



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Rev. Joseph G. Luisi, Pastor
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St. Michael Church
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412-373-2610

MASS SCHEDULE & STAFF

Saturday Vigil	4:00 PM
Sundays	8:00 AM, 11:00 AM
Children's Liturgy of the Word at 11:00 AM Mass	
Weekday: Monday, & Wednesday	8:00 AM
Friday	9:00 AM

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Office Hours Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline 1-888-808-1235

Gambling assistance 1-877-565-2112

MASS SCHEDULE & SACRAMENTS

Sundays	9:30 AM
Tuesday & Thursday	8:00 AM
St. Anthony Novena begins 13 Tuesdays before June 13 th when Tuesday's Mass will be at 7:00 PM	
Pastor	412-373-0330 X11
Office/Rector (NAM)	412-373-0330 X10
Office/Rector (St. Michael)	412-373-2610
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School Advancement Office	412-373-0330 X24
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Religious Education	412-349-0942
Youth Ministry	412-373-0330 X12
Office Fax, (NAM)	412-380-1306
Office Fax, (St. Michael)	412-373-2031

Rite of Reconciliation: 12:00-1:00 PM: At Saint Michael Church the second Saturday of the month. All other Saturdays confessions will be at NAM.

Baptisms: By appointment only. Second Sundays during 11:00 Mass and fourth Sundays after 11:00 Mass at NAM. Baptisms at St. Michael Church will be on the third Sunday of the month during the 9:30 Mass. A Pre-Baptism Seminar is required for first-time parents. Call Charlotte to make arrangements.

Marriages: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Call Fr. Joe.

For post-abortion healing contact RachelsVineyard.org
Pregnancy Counseling: Genesis 412-766-2693 or
Birthright 412-621-1988

THANK YOU, FINANCE COUNCIL APPOINTEES

THANK YOU: Thanks to **Cris D'Ascenzo and the members of the Altar Rosary Society and various volunteers** for decorating our churches so beautifully this Christmas Season. Thanks also to the **Altar Rosary Society** for underwriting the costs of our live Christmas trees. Thanks to **all of you who have made donations for the Christmas flowers** which the Altar Rosary Society uses to purchase them. **Thanks to all of you who clean our churches each week** as a sign of your loving service to the Lord **as well as our money counters** who come each week. **Thanks to all of you who have purchased luminaria** in memory of your deceased loved ones. Your purchase not only memorializes your loved ones but assists our Youth Ministry. The *luminaria* money is used to help defray the cost of the bus for the March for Life on January 22. Thanks to: **our greeters, ushers, altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, cantors, choir members, musicians and parish music ministers** for all you have done to make our Christmas liturgies so beautiful, memorable and meaningful.

FINANCE COUNCIL APPOINTEES: Since becoming your pastor six years ago, we've had as many as eight Finance Council members at one time (not including **Tim Thorsen**, Business Manager who is an ex officio member). These members have helped to advise me on financial matters involving our churches and school. Earlier in the year, **Pat Fulkerson** and **Renee Lenart** left the council after their terms expired. Recently, **Vic Maccarelli** and **Joe Kowalczyk** left the council after their terms expired. That left us with only four Finance Council members. Fortunately, I am now appointing four new members to fill those vacancies. They are eminently qualified to serve in this volunteer position. They are:

- **Tim McNamee** who earned a Doctorate in Education from Duquesne University, who served as a Superintendent in both the Mohawk School District and the West Jefferson Hills School District and managed district budgets over \$40M. Tim presently serves as an Educational Consultant for both Duquesne University and Point Park University in their Educational Leadership Program and as a Leadership Consultant with the Pennsylvania Leadership Development Center. Tim has earned numerous certifications, awards and accomplishments including the University Council for Educational Administration Excellence in Educational Leadership Award in 2009. He is also a published author of various leadership publications. Tim is also an altar server for daily Mass and for funerals as well as a Eucharistic minister.
- **Lisa Petrocelli-Tanner** who is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in PA. She graduated from Duquesne University with a B.S. in Accounting and owns her own accounting firm with her father and brother. Lisa and her husband, Kevin, have two children in NAM School, Emily who is in the first grade and Kylee who is in pre-school. Lisa is also the treasurer for our NAM PTG.
- **Colleen Pietrusinski** who is a business development and relationship management Financial Services Executive with 23 years of commercial banking experience in various industries, from oil & gas, manufacturing, and construction to non-profits, retirement communities and professional service companies. Currently, Colleen is the Senior Vice President and Relationship Manager for TriState Capital Bank. Colleen possesses significant expertise in sales, relationship building, and underwriting management. She holds a BS degree in Political Science and Economics from the University of Pittsburgh and has completed various sales training programs, including GAP and Commercial Sales Training. She is active in the community as a Board Member for the Gateway School District Foundation, Healthy Teens, Inc., which supports Monroeville youth, and the Verland Foundation, which empowers mentally and physically challenged adults. In 2006, Colleen received the Monroeville Citizen of the Year Award.
- **F. Donald Wenstrup** who graduated from Xavier University with degrees in Physics, Math and Philosophy. He earned a Masters degree in Physics at the University of Cincinnati where he later taught Physics and Math to the seniors at Xavier High School. He then began a career as a nuclear physicist at the General Electric Corp. in Cincinnati. After five years, he left to join the Westinghouse Electric Corp. in Pittsburgh in the same capacity. He spent 31 years there, progressing through professional and management positions with increasing responsibilities. The last 18 years were with the Westinghouse Financial Services Corp, a wholly owned subsidiary of the parent Westinghouse, from which he retired as Vice President and Chief Information Officer. Don also served on Governor Tom Ridge's staff in Harrisburg as a Special Assistant for Strategic Planning. He's also served as a member of the Board of Directors at St. Justin Plaza, a Christian Housing Apartment Complex for seniors. He was also part of Executive Services Corp., a non-profit organization of volunteer consultants providing management services in support of non-profits in the Pittsburgh area. Don also serves as an altar server for funeral Masses.

Fr. Joe

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection taken at all Masses on **January 2 & 3** will be for Building & Grounds Maintenance. Thank you for your generosity.

Although not second collections, we would like to call your attention to two very often over-looked envelopes in your January envelope packets.

THE FIRST is the "First Offering" envelope. It is the first envelope in your new packet. Each person receiving envelopes is asked to help defray the cost of providing the envelope system. People who use the envelopes consider the amount suggested on the envelope small in comparison to the convenience of using the envelopes all year.

THE SECOND is the CCD envelope. Unfortunately, the income from the CCD enrollment fees do not entirely cover the cost of this program, a vital and invaluable part of our church ministries. It is through this program that our children learn about our faith. For this reason we look to our parishioners to help offset the expense of the program. Please contact our Director of Religious Education, Donna-Lew Buechel, at northamericansec@gmail.com or At 412-349-0942 for additional information.

Thank you for your generosity when using the CCD envelope.

*MEETINGS*

THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday, **December 30** at 7:00 PM in the Rectory Conference Room.

THE STITCHING ANGELS will hold their monthly meeting on Saturday, **January 9** at 1:00 PM in DeLuca Hall, weather permitting. If you would like to learn how to make Chemo Caps, please consider attending this meeting, but let me know so I can have adequate supplies. We will discuss the plans for our upcoming 10th Anniversary Luncheon as well as plans for Catholic Schools Week and the Raffle Basket for the Spaghetti Dinner. Hope you will be able to attend this informative meeting. Call Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or contact her at meh227@aol.com.

THE SENIOR ENRICHMENT GROUP will attend the 8:00 AM Mass on Wednesday, **January 6**. After Mass and the Recitation of the Rosary, the group will meet for Breakfast at Eat n Park. If you are unable to make the 8:00 AM Mass, please join us around 9:00 AM for food, fun and fellowship. All are welcome. Please consider bringing a friend. If you have questions, call Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or contact her by email at meh227@aol.com.



**THE STAFF, FR. STEVE
AND I WISH YOU ALL
A VERY SAFE, BLESSED AND
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!
FR. JOE LUISI**

*AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOUR CHURCH*

If you were an altar server as a child or youth, you are in a position to offer a valuable service to your church as an adult altar server in the present. If you do not have that particular experience, you need minimal training to also offer this valuable service. Adult altar servers currently assist the priest at daily Masses and funerals; however, no one expects you to commit to serving every day. Call NAM or St. Michael church office to begin your introduction, or re-introduction, to serving on the altar.

NEIGHBORING PARISH NEWS

The St. Colman will host fish dinners on Friday, **January 8, 2016**, at 3:00-7:00 PM in the school cafeteria. The menu includes Fried or Baked Fish Sandwich \$7, a variety of side dishes 2 for \$4: Haluski, Pierogies, Mac-n-Cheese, Crab Cakes, French Fries, Cole Slaw. Baked Goods and Soft Serve Ice Cream will also be available. Contact Gerry Meyer at 412-596-4472 with any questions.

*IN A TROUBLED MARRIAGE?*

Don't suffer through another Christmas. Hope and help for troubled marriages is available through Retrouvaille. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **January 15, 2016**, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. Go to <http://www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org> where you will find additional information.

FAMILY LIFE

Family life is sacred, but it is not without trial. Perhaps this is the most important message we can glean from today's readings. If Jesus, Mary, and Joseph can trip up sometimes-can disconnect-then we shouldn't find it surprising when such things happen to us as well. And parents everywhere (children, too) can probably relate to-and take some solace in-the Gospel's account of Mary and Joseph after Jesus explained why he stayed behind in the temple. They heard his words, Luke tells us, "But they did not understand what he said to them" (Luke 2:50). Amen! Nevertheless, Jesus does go back home with them, and continues to thrive under their care.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This New Year's Eve, at the turning of the year, you may catch a glimpse of the old year, a cartoon figure of a hunched old man with a sickle, Father Time. Where else but in this column could you learn that this is in fact a pope? December 31 was in the old calendar the feast of St. Sylvester. Legend says that Sylvester healed the Emperor Constantine of leprosy, and presided at the liturgy of baptism for the grateful emperor. In 314, he was chosen pope, and it fell to him to organize the peacetime church, free at last from persecution. He founded the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome.

In northern Europe "Sylvester Night" is a time of great parties with eating, dancing, and singing—recalling perhaps the joy of the church in the fresh air of Sylvester's papacy. In Poland, there was great fear as the year 1000 approached that an immense dragon would devour the earth and set fire to the heavens. The people prayed earnestly to St. Sylvester, trusting that the saint would not permit such suffering on his feast day. They've been celebrating ever since!

Many New Year's customs have pagan roots, like the British "First Footer" tradition. The idea is that the first person setting foot into your house in the new year determines the luck for the year ahead. The ideal first footer was not a bit like old Pope Sylvester, but rather a tall, dark-haired man carrying the right gift. A handsome first footer meant the year ahead would be pleasant, and if he carried bread or a shovel of coal there would be food and warmth in the future. Who will be your household's first footer?

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

FOOD BANK

YOU CAN HELP



This weekend, **December 26 & 27**, the last weekend of the month, is Food Bank Weekend at both Churches. The food collected at NAM will benefit those who visit Crossroads Food Pantry of Monroeville and the food collected at St. Michael will benefit those who visit Pitcairn Food Pantry. Please deposit your non-perishable food donations in the main vestibule of either church. Working alone we are limited in what we can accomplish, but together we can continue to make a difference in helping others. Feeding those in need is a privilege and a responsibility. Thank you for your help.

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REST IN PEACE

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Patricia McDine who passed recently.*



Wise Men and Women Still Seek Him

**PARISH ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE, 2015-2016
NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS (MONROEVILLE)/ST. MICHAEL (PITCAIRN)**

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (New Year's Day)

Thursday, December 31, 2015, 4:00 PM NAM Church

Friday, January 1, 2016, 9:00 AM, St. Michael Church, Pitcairn and 12:15 PM, NAM Church

The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 2, 2016, 4:00 PM, NAM Church

Sunday, January 3, 2016, 8:00 & 11:00 AM, NAM Church and 9:30 AM, St. Michael Church, Pitcairn



SCHOOL NEWS

PLEASE JOIN NAM SCHOOL on Monday, **December 28** at Altimate Air Trampoline Park from 6:00-8:00 in North Versailles for a Fundraising Night to benefit the NAM PTG. The NAM PTG will earn 40% of all proceeds during this date/time. A flyer must be presented and may be found on the front page of the school website. Please contact Tawnie Schubert at 412-926-5933 for more information. We hope to see you there!

PLEASE SUPPORT the NAM School Fundraising efforts by purchasing Giant Eagle gift cards. Giant Eagle gift cards are sold at face value in \$25.00 and \$100.00 denominations after all weekend Masses at both St. Michael and North American Martyrs Churches. Gift cards are also available in the school office, Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. Giant Eagle gift cards may be used for grocery and gasoline purchases at all Giant Eagle and GetGo locations, as well as other retailer gift cards. The school earns 5% per dollar purchased. You may also designate a school family toward their annual individual family fundraising goal of \$400.00. Tuition discounts are also available.

**ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS**

Young adults, you're invited to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ and understanding of what it means to be a Catholic disciple in the world today on Thursday, **January 7** at St. Bernadette Parish in Biedenbach Hall. Young Adult and committed disciple, Louis Brown, will speak about his personal story and the difficult professional choices that he has had to make in order to continue to follow the Lord. Mass is at 6:15 PM followed by a catered dinner at \$10/person. Please RSVP by sending an email to jd916pgheast@gmail.com or by responding on our Facebook event (like us at i.d. 9:16 Pittsburgh East).

THE CHURCH ALIVE!

If we get too caught up in the secular celebration of Christmas, we may experience that day-after feeling of "is that all there is?" There is nothing wrong with all the lights and jingle bells if we remember what we are celebrating: the birth of Jesus. We are called to become His disciples, to live out our faith in love and service. That is the work of formation that must go on in us every day of the year. Make today another step in your formation as a disciple of Jesus. To read more, check out "On Mission for The Church Alive!" on page 5 of this week's Pittsburgh Catholic. Visit www.OnMissionChurchAlive.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

DONNA LEW-BUECHEL,
DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, 412-349-0942

THE 2015-2016 CCD YEAR has begun. A family registration form and schedule can be downloaded from the North American Martyrs Parish website at www.namcatholicchurch.org and click on the Religious Education tab. If you are unable to download the form please email Donna Lew-Buechel at namreoffice@gmail.com and one will be sent to you. High School and adult Aides for the classrooms are needed as well as substitute teachers. If you are able to volunteer your time and talents for the children of the parish to help them on their faith journey, it would be greatly appreciated.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW) is in need of volunteers to share the Word of the Lord with the children of our Parish during the 11:00 Mass. The Leader and the children leave the church before the Liturgy of the Word begins and congregate in DeLuca Hall to break open the Word of God. The schedule is done in two to three month intervals. The leaders are usually scheduled once a month as long as we have enough volunteers to rotate. Please consider sharing your faith with our 4 year old to 1st graders during the Mass. If interested please contact Cindy Capell who is in charge of the scheduling at capellfamily@verizon.net.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Donna Lew-Buechel, Safe Environment Coordinator,
northamericasec@gmail.com

In accordance with the Diocese of Pittsburgh Safe Environment Policy ALL volunteers must be compliant in order to volunteer in ANY capacity within ANY group in the parish. If you missed the flyer in last week's bulletin, please contact Donna at the email address above for the new State requirements. As always, we are so very blessed to have such dedicated and wonderful volunteers here at North American Martyrs Parish, and we appreciate you sharing your faith, time and talents to make our Parish Community strong and vibrant.



ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOME to our Youth Group fellowship gatherings each Thursday night in DeLuca Hall from 7:00-9:00 PM!

GIANT EAGLE SCRIP CARDS AVAILABLE
AFTER ALL MASSES.
\$25 AND \$100 INCREMENTS.
Stop by and help support our school!

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY NEWS

NEIGHBORHOOD 1, ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Rejoice! Again we say Rejoice! For unto us a child is born, a son is given! God has given us the greatest of gifts, Jesus. Remember that the celebration has just begun! All through December we wait for the day that Jesus entered the world, now let us celebrate! And let us not lose any holiday spirit after the Christmas season has ended. Let us continue to spread cheer and joy, and the good news of God all through the year. For that is what God truly intended. John and Lauren Mizik, Team Leaders, 724-454-8755 or 724-396-0420

NEIGHBORHOOD 2, ST. RENE GOUPIL

“Oh, Holy Family, the family so closely united to the mystery which we contemplate on the Day of the Lord’s Birth. Guide with your example the families of the whole world.” Pope St. John Paul II. Pray for continued unity and holiness for yours and all families. Cathie Snyder, Team Leader, 412-372-8951, Sue Vargo, Team Leader, 412-856-6198, Veronica Benson, Assistant Leader, 412-373-7853

NEIGHBORHOOD 3, ST. JEAN DE LALANDE

Please consider making Pope Francis’ 2015 New Year’s Resolutions your resolutions for 2016:

- Take care of your spiritual life, your relationship with God, because this is the backbone of everything we do and everything we are.”
- “Take care of your family life, giving your children and loved ones not just money, but most of all your time, attention and love.”
- “Take care of your relationships with others, transforming your faith into life and your words into good works, especially on behalf of the needy.”
- “Be careful how you speak, purify your tongue of offensive words, vulgarity and worldly decadence.”
- “Heal wounds of the heart with the oil of forgiveness, forgiving those who have hurt us and medicating the wounds we have caused others.”
- “Look after your work, doing it with enthusiasm, humility, competence, passion and with a spirit that knows how to thank the Lord.”
- “Be careful of envy, lust, hatred and negative feelings that devour our interior peace and transform us into destroyed and destructive people.”
- “Watch out for anger that can lead to vengeance; for laziness that leads to existential euthanasia; for pointing the finger at others, which leads to pride; and for complaining continually, which leads to desperation.”
- “Take care of brothers and sisters who are weaker ... the elderly, the sick, the hungry, the homeless and strangers, because we will be judged on this.”
- Make sure your Christmas is about Jesus and not about shopping.

Team Leader: Marty Galia, 412-380-4681.

NEIGHBORHOOD 4, ST. JEAN DE BREBEUF

St. John de Brebeuf was one of the first Jesuit missionaries to reach Canada. He was a hardy frontiersman and established the first mission in 1625 near Lake Ontario. He was the first of the martyrs to be killed while preaching Christianity. In 1649, the Iroquois captured the Huron village of Saint Ignatius and he was killed. His courage was admired by the young native Americans. See what is happening in your neighborhood or to get involved, Call Elizabeth at 412-374-3980.

NEIGHBORHOOD 5, ST. CHARLES GARNIER

St. Charles Garnier arrived in Canada in 1636. He, like the other martyrs, preached the faith to the Native Americans. He did much of his work in the Ossernenon village. In 1649, while working with a group of followers, he was killed by the Iroquois. To see what is happening in your neighborhood or to get involved, Call Elizabeth at 412-374-3980.

NEIGHBORHOOD 6, ST. GABRIEL LALAMANT

St. Gabriel Lalemant arrived in 1648 at Fort St. Mary in Canada. In 1649 he joined Fr. Brebeuf at St. Ignatius. They worked at the mission there attempting to convert the Native Americans to Christianity. The mission was captured by the Iroquois tribe and he was taken prisoner and killed. To see what is happening in your neighborhood or to get involved, call Elizabeth at 412-374-3980.

NEIGHBORHOOD 7, ST. ANTOINE DANIEL

St. Antoine Daniel came to see and stay in Canada in 1632. He preached Christianity to the Native Americans and started the school of our Lady of Angels in Quebec for Native American boys. Many of the Native Americans disliked the idea of their young boys being taught Christianity and the idea of a peaceful existence. One day in 1648 while he was saying Mass in his frontier chapel he was killed.

For weekly faith sharing information call Kathy at 724-327-8966.

NEIGHBORHOOD 8, ST. NOEL CHABANEL

St. Noel Chabanel came to Canada in 1643. He worked for 6 years among the Algonquin near Fort St. Mary. He disliked the cruel customs and tried to teach and show the Native Americans the Christian way. In 1649, he was killed out of hatred for the faith he was teaching to the Huron Indians.

For weekly faith sharing information call Kathy at 724-327-8966.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
 Tue: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
 Wed: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
 Thu: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
 Fri: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
 Sat: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
 Sun: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38;
 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle at NAM burns this week in memory of John & Violet Palatas, requested by Janet, Dan & Dennis



The Sanctuary Candle at St. Michael burns this week in memory of Randy Bilinsky, requested by Daughter, Sarah.

CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS

Due to earlier deadline dates, winners will be published in a later bulletin.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS

Low-gluten hosts are available at NAM and St. Michael Churches for anyone with wheat/gluten intolerance. *They are not gluten free*; they contain .01% of gluten/wheat. If you need this type of host, please let Father know before the Mass begins. If you have any questions, please call Elizabeth at 412-374-3980.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Mary Ann Abbenante, Robert Anderson, R.A., Jim Barr, Jim Behe, Edith Botti, Gladys Bronick, Barbara Bush, Ray Caskey, Rosalie Cordasco, John DeCenzo, Jenny Detwiler, Theresa DeVito, Rachel Edwards, Tom Elko, Pat Emmick, Anita Farruggia, Doreen Franceschini, Leanne Genel, Bob Gojkovich, Karen Gribischer, Shirley Hanlon, Bernard Matthews Sr., Gert Moadlo, Margaret Nebiolo, Jamie O'Grady, Celeste Peleggi, Gene Pilardi, Michelle Poydence, Marie Rotella, Christine Samrok, Clara Sands, Kathy Smail, Martha Smeltz, Andrew Smith, Sophie Stahl, Tom Steimer, Ruth Sutherland, Helen Toth, Clare Valansky, Theresa Ventresco, Renee Venturella, William Whitaker, Sherry Woods, John Yanniruberto, & Nancy Youthers.

If you know someone who is ill and who would like their name put on this prayer list, please have them contact Linda Freytag at 412-856-7321 or at jimlyn2@verizon.net no later than Tuesday evening.

>EMERGENCY FOOD, CLOTHING & MORE<
>IN MONROEVILLE & PITCAIRN<
>ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CAN HELP<
>CALL 412-373-0330 X33<

If you or someone you know, particularly someone who is homebound or ill, would benefit from receiving a Prayer Shawl, please contact Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or at meh227@aol.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 27 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 AM People of the Parish
 9:30 AM **St. Michael**, Deceased Members of Hagan & Schwaderer Families- Regina Schwaderer
 11:00 AM M/M Anthony Luisi-Loving Children

Monday, December 28 The Holy Innocents

8:00 AM Bob Hahn-Mench Family

Tuesday, December 29

8:00 AM **St. Michael**, Ray Bair-Family

Wednesday, December 30

8:00 AM Raymond Mentz-Clara Jo & Walt Sakaluk

Thursday, December 31

8:00 AM **St. Michael**, Pauline Lenart-Marian & Bill Storch
 4:00 PM Joan Moran-Lamanna Family

Friday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

9:00 AM **St. Michael**, Stephen Statnick-Rosalyn Schmidt & Family
 12:15 PM Joanna Huck-Eleanor McLaughlin

Saturday, January 2 Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

9:00 AM James Golick-Kathleen Clawson
 12:00 PM NAM Confessions
 4:00 PM Living & Deceased Members of the Dobrinsky & Cook Families-Charlotte & Ed

Sunday, January 3 The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society
 9:30 AM **St. Michael**, People of the Parish
 11:00 AM Recipients of Prayer Shawls-Stitching Angels

We reserve the right to make unavoidable changes in the Mass schedule.

Articles for the January 10th bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office before Tuesday, December 29. You may submit to office@namcatholicchurch.org

Mass for the Living and Deceased Members of N.A.M.'s Altar Rosary Society is said at our twin parish, St. Paul's Catholic Church in Crownpoint, New Mexico, on the third Wednesday of each month.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 2015-2016

Due to earlier deadline dates, figures will be published in a later bulletin.

WELCOME TO NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS PARISH

In order that we may serve your needs better, please fill out this form, check any interests and drop it in the collection basket, mail or bring to the Rectory/Office. Thank you.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) (____) _____ (Work) (____) _____

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