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of Lower Burrell New Kensington

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time



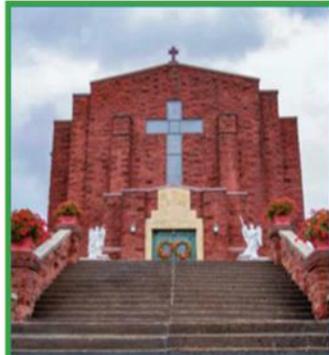
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Saint Margaret Mary
3055 Leechburg Road
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Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ~ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass:
(Monday - Thursday)
7:30 a.m.



Mount Saint Peter
100 Freeport Road
New Kensington, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:30 p.m.
Sunday ~ 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

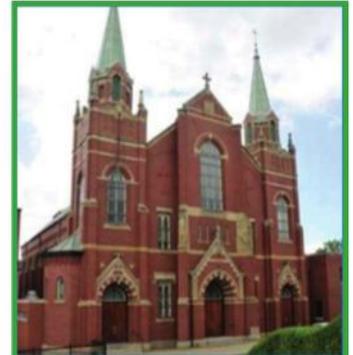
Daily Mass:
(Tuesday - Friday)
8:30 a.m.



Saint Joseph
1125 Leishman Avenue
New Kensington, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ~ 9:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:
(Monday - Wednesday, Friday)
12:30 p.m.



**Saint Mary of
Czestochowa**
857 Kenneth Avenue
New Kensington, PA 15068

Sunday ~ 7:30 & 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:
Monday ~ 8:30 a.m.
Thursday ~ 12:30 p.m.
Friday ~ 9:30 a.m.

Your presence here makes all the difference!

QR CODES

Below are QR codes that will link you to the Lower Burrell and New Kensington website.

You will find the details to all events and answers to your questions listed on the website.

Point your smart phone at the QR code for more parish information on the Lower Burrell website.



Point your smart phone at the QR code for more parish information on the New Kensington website.



SACRAMENTAL LIFE

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Considering entry into the Catholic Church? Contact the Parish Office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF INFANT BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

12 noon - Saturdays at MSP

1:00 p.m. - Saturdays at St. Margaret Mary

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact Father Ken, Father Joel or Father Bimbot to request the sacrament.

MINISTRY OF HOME VISITATION

Contact the Parish Office at 724-335-9877 or the Sisters of Mary Immaculate at 724-845-2828.

The Eucharistic Table

SATURDAY, January 20, 2024 - St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

3:30 pm	SJ	Rosary	
4:00 pm	SJ	Judy & Norman Bowersox (Lynn & Joe Slocik)	Father Bimbot
4:00 pm	SMM	Deceased Members of Hardy, Mattei, Infanta, Sipple Families (Beck Family)	Father Ken
4:30 pm	MSP	Guido & Adriana Bartolacci (The Zafred Family)	Father Joel

SUNDAY, January 21, 2024 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am	SM	Rosary	
7:30 am	SM	Deceased Members of the Matuszewski Family (Fil)	Father Bimbot
7:55 am	MSP	Rosary	
8:30 am	MSP	Warren Massaro (Linda & Jack Henkel)	Father Joel
8:30 am	SMM	Raymond & Ruth Fiorina (Family)	Father Ken
9:30 am	SJ	Living & Deceased of the Ober Family	Father Bimbot
10:30 am	MSP	Living & Deceased of the Schohn Family (Gloria & Chuck Schohn)	Father Joel
11:00 am	SMM	Deceased Members of the Naccarato Family (Carmella & Bill Acre)	Father Ken
11:00 am	SM	Rosary	
11:30 am	SM	Grandad, John P. Skubis, his eight children and descendants (Maxine Schwartzman)	Father Bimbot

MONDAY, January 22, 2024 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:30 am	SMM	Jason Belli (John Belli)	Father Ken
8:30 am	SM	Mary Ann Kaiser (Vince & Adele Perdeus)	Father Bimbot
12:30 pm	SJ	Joe Discello (Reno & Barb Farina)	Father Joel

TUESDAY, January 23, 2024 - St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

7:30 am	SMM	Helen & Fred Skwirut (Daughter, Anita Arndt)	Father Ken
8:30 am	MSP	Carl & Gert Gentile (Trudy & Rich Polsinelli)	Father Ken
12:30 pm	SJ	Ronald Valasek (Knights of Columbus #1381)	Father Joel
2:00 pm	MSP	Eucharistic Adoration/Holy Hour of Mercy/Reposition	Father Bimbot

WEDNESDAY, January 24, 2024 - St. Francis de Sales

7:30 am	SMM	Mim Arteritano (David Rejniak)	Father Joel
8:30 am	MSP	Butch Bergomasce (Henrietta)	Father Ken
12:30 pm	SJ	June & Edward Yakshe (Joanne Yakshe)	Father Joel

THURSDAY, January 25, 2024 - The Conversion of St. Paul

7:30 am	SMM	Pat Talbot (Karen & Fred Jenniches)	Father Joel
8:30 am	MSP	Dario Massarelli (Edward Ostravecky)	Father Ken
12:30 pm	SM	Anna Marie Whipp (Sister)	Father Ken

FRIDAY, January 26, 2024 - St. Timothy; St. Titus

8:30 am	MSP	Frank Giovannelli, Sr. (In Memory of 90th Birthday) (Family)	Father Ken
9:30 am	SM	Tillie Stelmach (Friends of Jennifer Stewart)	Father Joel
12:30 pm	SJ	Gail Falleroni (Joan Runco)	Father Ken

The Eucharistic Table

SATURDAY, January 27, 2024 - St. Angela Merici

3:30 pm	SJ	<i>Rosary</i>	
4:00 pm	SJ	Robert A. Ventorini (Joanne Ventorini & Family)	Father Joel
4:00 pm	SMM	Willard Ford (Robert & Diane Ford and Family)	Father Bimbot
4:30 pm	MSP	Vic Runco (Ron & Mary Ann Boyd)	Father Ken

SUNDAY, January 28, 2024 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am	SM	<i>Rosary</i>	
7:30 am	SM	James & Clara Simpson (Tim & Nanette Bechard)	Father Joel
7:55 am	MSP	<i>Rosary</i>	
8:30 am	MSP	Frank & Melbalee Giovannelli (Family)	Father Ken
8:30 am	SMM	Deceased Members of Lindo, Megats, Canfield, & Heinle Families (Tracy Lindo)	Father Bimbot
9:30 am	SJ	Living & Deceased of the Liberto & Smith Families	Father Joel
10:30 am	MSP	Betty Alfonsi (Jack J. Bellone)	Father Ken
11:00 am	SMM	Robert "Mutsie" Montemurro (Gene & Carole Montemurro)	Father Bimbot
11:00 am	SM	<i>Rosary</i>	
11:30 am	SM	Agnes & Stanley Kurpakus (Daughter, Linda House)	Father Joel

Father Ken's Note

Each Day is a Gift.

A 92-year old delicate, but well-poised and proud man who is fully dressed each morning by eight o'clock, with his hair fashionably coiffed and his face shaved perfectly, even though he is legally blind, moved to a nursing home today. His wife of 70 years passed away, making the move necessary. After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, he smiled sweetly when told his room was ready.

As he maneuvered his walker to the elevator, the nursing assistant provided a visual description of his tiny room, including the eyelet sheets that had been hung on his window. "I love it," he stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year-old having just been presented a new puppy. "Mr. Jones, how can you be excited, you haven't seen the room", said the nursing assistant. Mr. Jones replied, "Seeing the room with my dimming eyes has nothing to do with it. Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not doesn't depend on how the furniture is arranged—it's how I arrange the furniture in my mind. He continued, "I already decided to love my room. It's a decision I make every morning when I wake up. I have a choice; I can spend the day in bed recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that no longer work, or get out of bed and be thankful for the parts of my body that still do work. Each day is a gift. As long as my eyes open, I'll focus on the new day and all the happy memories I've stored away. Just for this very moment in my life.

Each Day Is A Gift.



Father Ken



IN SYMPATHY

We commend to your prayers

*Dorothy Kuhn, Mount Saint Peter
Joan Langer, Saint Joseph
Irene Pecus and William "Buzz" Yaksh, St. Margaret Mary*

who died recently. May God welcome them to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to their families.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



Lower Burrell Parish

(St. Margaret Mary)

A Peek at the Week. . .

Saturday January 20	Children Baptized in 2023 Mass Recognition 4:00 pm
Sunday January 21	Children Baptized in 2023 Mass Recognition 8:30 am & 10:30 am Youth Music Ministry Rehearsal 9:40 am-10:45 am (Grades 4-12) Jr. Youth Choir Rehearsal (Gr. 1-3) 9:40 am-10:30 am
Monday January 22	Revival Committee Meeting 6:30 pm-8:00 pm Room B-1
Tuesday January 23	Men's Bible Study Group 6:30 am Lobby Acts Bible Study 11:00 am-12:30 pm Freude Room Adult Handbell Rehearsal 5:00 PM-6:30 PM Church Knights of Columbus Rosary 6:30 pm Church Knights of Columbus Business Meeting 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Room B-1
Wednesday January 24	Middle & High School Youth Group 6:30 pm-8:00 pm Room B-1 Adult Choir 6:45 pm-8:45 pm Church



BAPTISM

Last weekend, we welcomed into the saving waters of Baptism:

Haiden Keith Erjavac, St. Margaret Mary

We rejoice with his parents and with all who celebrate his newborn life in the family of God.

ST. MARY HOLY NAME BINGO

Sunday, January 21 1:00 PM in **Friendship Hall!** Regular BINGOs (24) are \$12 and paid in advance at the door. Extra cards are 50 cents each. All regular BINGOs are 50/50 split. Final game is \$1 per card with winner take all. Player must have played at least 10 games to be eligible. Lunch is available for \$6 and includes a dessert and drink.



Please remember: All players must be 18 years of age.



We're celebrating National Catholic Schools Week
January 28—February 3, 2024

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New Kensington Parishes

(Mt. St. Peter, St. Joseph, St. Mary)

A Peek at the Week. . .

Sunday January 21	St. Mary Holy Name BINGO 1:00 pm SM Friendship Hall
Monday January 22	Faith First 6:00 pm MQA-Freeport Road
Tuesday January 23	Community Clothes Closet 12nn-2:00 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepard 6:00 pm MSP Disciple Center
Thursday January 25	Lectio: The Gospel of Mark 1:00 pm-2:30 pm Peter's Table Grab and Go Meal 5:30 pm-6:30 pm Knead Community Café
Saturday January 27	Community Clothes Closet 11:00 am-1:00 pm
Sunday January 28	MQA Open House Freeport Road & Greenwald

ALL ARE INVITED



To celebrate Catholic Education in the A-K Valley, and the new Building a Bridge Catholic education initiative of the Diocese of Greensburg and Pittsburgh, Mary Queen of Apostles School (MQA) and Saint Joseph High School (SJHS) will host the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, January 21 at Most Blessed Sacrament Church and the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, January 28 at Saint Margaret Mary Church.



Representatives from each school will be available to share information and answer questions. Both schools will host an Open House; MQA on January 28 and SJHS on March 2. Please contact the schools with any questions, or to register for the Open House.

Mary Queen of Apostles School
www.mqaschool.org
 724-339-4411

Saint Joseph High School
www.saintjosephhs.com
 724-226-2819



ST. MARGARET MARY FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS 2023

Thank you to all who participated in the 2023 Christmas Angel Gift Program! Because of your generosity, we distributed 111 Christmas gifts to our Food Bank Children. Food was distributed to 170 families, along with a \$20 food gift card, again thanks to the generous monetary donations of our parish family and others throughout the year. Our knitting angel, Veronica, came out of retirement and knitted hats and scarves for our Food Bank children, and the Burrellton Garden Club made Christmas gifts for our seniors.

Thank you to all our priests, parish staff, and parish family for all your support throughout the years! Thank you to all our family of faithful, caring and giving volunteers! We couldn't do this without you!

This was our last Christmas as coordinators of SMM Food Bank. We were truly blessed over the past 15 years to have the support of our parish family and our wonderful volunteers. This was a once in a lifetime experience that we will never forget. Thank you all!

Wishing good health and God's Blessings to all in 2024!

Larry and Rosalie Kupec

LANCASTER BUS TOUR

Tuesday, April 23-24, 2024

Sponsored by St. Margaret Mary Social Committee

Pricing: \$497 pp double occupancy \$597 single occupancy

- Includes:** *Daniel* at the Sight and Sound Theater (preferred floor seating)
 Dinner at Miller's Smorgasbord
 Accommodations at Doubletree Resort by Hilton w/ baggage handling (1 bag) and breakfast
 Kitchen Kettle Village
 Jukebox Jive performance at the Magic and Wonder Theater with Buffet Lunch

We are asking those who would be interested in going on this bus trip to complete the following interest form. This is not a commitment to go on the trip, but allows us to determine if we will be able to fill the bus. If you have any questions, please call Arleen Pavetto at 724-493-3911 and leave a message with your call back number.

Optional insurance will be available directly through Thomas Tours. Please drop-off the Interest Form in the basket on the desk in the Narthex of St. Margaret Mary Church or mail to 3055 Leechburg Road, Lower Burrell, PA 15068. Please write **LANCASTER TRIP** on the front of the envelope.



INTEREST FORM

Name _____ Phone Number _____
 Others Traveling With You
 Name _____ Phone Number _____
 Name _____ Phone Number _____
 Name _____ Phone Number _____

STEWARDSHIP

January 6/7, 2024 - Collection Report

Mount Saint Peter

Offertory	\$ 6,749.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 2,507.00
Harvest for Haiti	\$ 264.00

Saint Mary

Offertory	\$ 2,627.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 265.00



Saint Joseph

Offertory	\$ 4,349.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 175.00

Saint Margaret Mary

Offertory	\$19,285.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 7,137.00
Solemnity/Maint.	\$374/\$929
Aux Ser./Other Misc.	\$522/\$534

*FamilyLife Network's
(formerly known as TryLife Center)*

Ladies Tea Fundraiser

Saturday, February 10, 2024

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

St. Margaret Mary Church

3055 Leechburg Road, Lower Burrell, PA 15068

Adult Ticket: \$25

Child Ticket: \$10

To purchase tickets: donorbox.org/events/539697 or call 724-339-9399, ext. 105

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Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SMM Parish: Phone: 724-335-2336

Website: www.smm1b.org

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon & 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.



BAPTIZED IN CHRIST



Isabella Rose Shaw with parents Mitchell and Chelsea, Fr. Bimbot and Godmother, Alyssa Wrzesinski.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. MARGARET MARY

Due to a great interest in having Eucharistic Adoration return to St. Margaret Mary, we are in the process of forming a Eucharistic Adoration Ministry. This ministry will consist of parishioners who schedule a specific time to sit with Our Lord for 1 hour during times of Eucharistic Adoration. To offer Eucharistic Adoration, there must always be 2 adorers present when Our Lord is exposed on the altar.

In the past, Eucharistic Adoration occurred weekly following morning Mass until 12:00 Noon. Our hope is to extend this time throughout the day so that more parishioners are given the opportunity to spend grace filled time with the Lord.

If you are interested in becoming part of this ministry, where you will schedule a specific hour of time to spend with Our Lord, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Narthex and leave your contact information or call/email Darlene Polinski at 412-418-8670 or darlenepolinski@gmail.com for more information.

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- Rick



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