Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Jodi Aerts Dylan Anderson Robert Berry Julie Byron Toni Capute Riordan Cavoris **Justin Curtis** Carol Donato Islea Duncan Alan Ekberg John Evans Earl Fishback Fr. Jim Gallagher Elizabeth Gillam Lynn Goss Kathleen Hamilton Jeanne Harper

Angel Ortiz George Perry

Jane Hayes Jeannine lannaco Meja Irvin Leslie Jarrett Margaret MacDiarmid Carolyn Martin Jamie Martin Grea Moore Kathleen Moore **Beverly Mover** Chris Moyer Rav Mover Don Notestein Patsy Notestein

Laurie Peters Frank Powell Nelson Sanchez Princess Sanchez John Seaguist Rav Servis Jane Sliwinski Margaret Smith Fred Toth Amy Tracy **Charles Watson** Laura Williams Michael Williams Travis Williams Betty Jo Wolfrum

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Cemetery

Gary Peters

Plots are available in the cemetery for \$500.00, or you may purchase crematory urn plots for \$250.00. These prices include perpetual care. For more information, contact one of the following Cemetery Committee Members:

Joe Gardner Dorothy Garcia

Donald Notestein Chuck Hirtz

Bonnie Toth

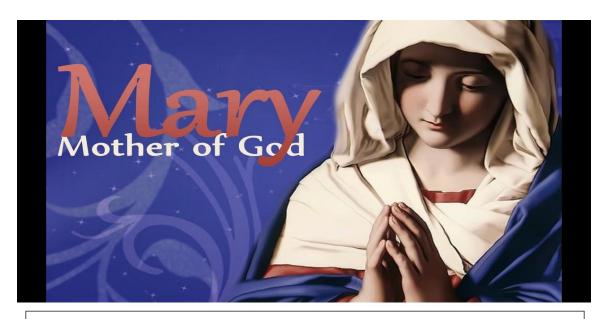
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Our Lady of Peace Phone Tree

We have a phone tree that can be used not only for prayer requests but for any notices the church should or would like to know about i.e. funerals, closings, great happenings and other important news.

There are 6 people that do the calling: Sheila Seaquist: 434-352-8756; Carol Donato: 434-352-8275; Linda Gardner: 434-906-8409; Joyce Hing: 434-665-9844; Carolyn Conner: 804-502-1350 and Bernadette Servis: 434-352-8803. Notify any one of these people and they will get the phone tree started so everyone can stay informed.

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



January 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

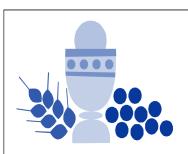
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Pastor: Father James Gallagher 434-352-0104 For emergencies: Fr. Jim cell number: 434-238-7030 or Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church 434-846-5245 www.olpcatholicchurch.org

Holy Eucharist: Sunday 8:30 AM and Tuesday 10:00 AM Tuesday 7:00 PM Thursday 12:15 PM

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January 1, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Octave of Christmas

Scripture Readings:

Numbers 6:22-27 Psalm: 67:2-3,5,6,8 Galatians: 4:4-7 Luke: 2;16-21

Reconciliation

Fr. Jim offers the Sacrament of reconciliation before Mass or by appointment.

Parish News & Announcements

Reflections from Fr. Jim:

Mary, did you know? Many of us love the song, "Mary Did you Know? Perhaps she did not now in the way all can tell that 2+2=4. But she elieved and trusted. Karl Rahner mentions the Greek concept of "nescience" - that is, we don't know how our marriage, priesthood or parenthood will work out exactly. But we go forward and believe This makes our decision free. Mary used her free will as she trusted and believed in the Lord God. Did she know how the journey to Bethlehem would proceed? Did she know about the flight to Egypt and the family's immigration to a new land? When she received the invitation to the wedding at Cana, could she predict all that wine? Her faith and belief formed her free choice.

Such is the case with you and me this new year. How will the wedding be between the two Holy Cross School classmates proceed? Have I prepared Jason and Lenley for what they are getting into? What about the challenges ahead in your life? What about Russia and Ukraine? We go forward with nescience, but we hope, believe and have faith. What about the challenges for our small, rural but spiritually intimate faith community? One lesson I have learned from our Hispanic brothers and sisters is that they believe that Our Lady of Guadalupe accompanies them to America, Might she who trusted accompany you and me.

Happy New Year!

Fr. Jim

January Birthdays

January Anniversaries

Jan 3: Chuck Hirtz Jan 5: Beverly Moyer

Jan 15: Marge MacDiarmid

Jan 17: Linda Gardner

Jan 20: Alice Doeppe Jan 21: Alexander Gregory

Jan 22: Chris Moyer

Jan 29: Keith Hamilton, Jr.

Jan 4: Charlie & Mary Graf Jan 20: Todd & Betty Craft Thanks to all who donated money toward our Christmas flowers. The following are remembered and/or honored:

Anne & Leo Navin Rogers, Nunn, Hing and Grabowski Families Tom Roberge Scott Roberge Buckhoren, Conner & Nolte Families McCabe and Maresca Families and Friends Joseph, Dorothy and Elizabeth McCabe Owens and Fishback Families Page Family Al Ravagli Lynn McMahon Lecco and Cummings Families Joan Duncan Jamie Sheets Jane Haves Winnie Clark and Family Garcia Family Helen & Charles Haney Gavdos Family Barbara Gallagher Lerov Johannes Toth & Schaeffer Families Kenneth & Helen Erd Kathleen Lanans Frank Rodziwan Goodwin & Hirtz Families Jake & Delores Corter Bill & Paula Hines Gardner & Sprathey Families Moyer Family

Leon & Elda Monroe

THANK YOU! Thanks to all, including Father Jim, who made our Advent and Christmas liturgies and events so meaningful and beautiful! You planned, decorated, baked, cooked, cleaned, read scripture, fed the hungry comforted the mourning, aided the unborn and those in prison and more. You certainly proved why "Mercy Is Our Service" was the perfect Advent Theme!