



Our Lady of the Valley Parish

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

<i>Mon.-Fri.</i>	<i>7:00 am & 5:15 pm</i>	<i>St. Ann</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>8:00 am & 4:30 pm</i>	<i>St. Ann</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>8:30 am</i>	<i>St. Mary</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>7:00 am</i>	<i>St. Ann</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>St. Ann</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>5:30 pm</i>	<i>St. Ann</i>

TELEVISED MASS FOR SHUT-INS

Sunday 1:00 pm (channel 99 - Hornell)

*Sponsored by Bishop & Johnson Funeral Home
and Peish TV*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

• *By Appointment* • *St. Ann's Church*
Saturday, 3:30 - 4:15 pm

BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office

WEDDINGS

Contact Parish Office 6 months in advance



Our Lady of the Valley Masses and Intentions

SATURDAY ~ January 7 ~ St. Raymond of Penafort

8:00am. - St. Ann - Richard W. Kull by Donna and Family

4:30pm. - St. Ann - Sterling Bebout by Jim Wulforst

SUNDAY ~ January 8 ~ Feast of the Epiphany

7:00am. - St. Ann - Rev. E. Robert Ferris by the Ferris Family

8:30am. - St. Mary - Eugenia Vance by St. Mary's Altar Rosary Society

10:30am. - St. Ann - Louis Bellanca by Josephine Brzozowski

5:30pm. - St. Ann - Dennis Linehan by Arlene and Jim Tobin

MONDAY ~ January 9 ~ Baptism of the Lord

7:00am. - St. Ann - Mary Ann Martin by Karen & Pen, Peggy & Don

12:15pm. - St. Ann - Robert Colucci by Steve, Judy, Matthew Lamb

5:15pm. - St. Ann - Anna Marie Damrath by Joan Rees

TUESDAY ~ January 10

7:00am. - St. Ann - Robert Kubiak by Mary Ann Eicher

12:15pm. - St. Ann - Josephine Cipolla by Mr. and Mrs. John Fortuna and Family

5:15pm. - St. Ann - *Month's Mind* - Cleora Carroll by the Family

WEDNESDAY ~ January 11

7:00am. - St. Ann - Fr. Kanka by Donna Kull and Family

12:15pm. - St. Ann - Rose Linehan by Rich Knapp and Jackie Daniels

5:15 pm. - St. Ann - Delia and Patrick Kennedy by Sister Conleth

THURSDAY ~ January 12

7:00am. - St. Ann - Teresa Nasca by Jim and Jo

12:15pm. - St. Ann - Daniel Klos by Carol Kemp and James Klos

5:15pm. - St. Ann - Joseph Hess by Helen Burke and Family

FRIDAY ~ January 13 ~ St. Hilary

7:00am. - St. Ann - Yvonne Zimmer by Jane Fahl

12:15pm. - St. Ann - Maria Stocum by John O'Driscoll

5:15pm. - St. Ann - Jack Tierney by Marilyn and Family

SATURDAY ~ January 14

8:00am. - St. Ann - Cecille E. Edwards by Bob Clark

4:30pm. - St. Ann - Carol Wellington by Beth, Brianna and Vanessa

SUNDAY ~ January 15 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am. - St. Ann - Anna Marie Damrath by Jim and Melissa McGee

8:30am. - St. Mary - Rosemary Hinz by Margaret Lewis

10:30am. - St. Ann - Esther McAneney by Isabelle Nobilski

5:30pm. - St. Ann - Robert Colucci Sr. by Joe Aini

Dear parishioners,

Feast of the Epiphany (Learning from the Magi)

The picture many people have of how the magi came to Bethlehem goes somewhat like this. They saw a bright star in the eastern sky and began to follow it. The star guided them unerringly, first to Jerusalem, where it temporarily disappeared, and then to Bethlehem where they found the Child Jesus. Put like this, it sounds very simple and very exciting.

But how true is this picture? If we read the Gospels accounts very carefully we will see that it is not exactly the case. In the Gospel it says that they saw the star “as it rose”. It says nothing about the star guiding them. What this suggests is that the star was no more than a sign that something unusual had happened, or, more precisely, that someone special has been born.

The next time the star is mentioned is when the Magi were on the road to Bethlehem, that is, as they neared the end of their journey. The text says: “There in front of them was the star they had seen rising”. From this we can conclude that in between they traveled in darkness, and had to ask and seek and enquire.

Their journey was neither simple nor easy. They encountered difficulties, doubts and dangers. Yet, in spite of these they persevered in their quest, and were rewarded when they finally found Christ.

This is why their story has such great relevance for us. Like them, we too are on a journey. When we start out on some road (whether it be following the Christian vocation, or following some other vocation or profession), we too are attracted by something bright – an ideal or vision or hope. But this initial “star” does not remain forever in our sky. It grows dim. Clouds get in the way and deprive us of its light. And we must expect to encounter difficulties and doubts.

Some people think they are losing their faith when they experience doubts. We must not be surprised when this happens. We must imitate the Magi. We must not be too proud to ask for guidance. That is why we have such a rich deposit of faith in the Church, under the Magisterium or teaching authority of the Church and her very rich Tradition, guided and protected by the presence of the Holy Spirit. When we despair and lose hope, we can easily abandon the search, and we will not attain our goal, or dream. We must believe that the darkness will pass, and once again we will see the initial star beckoning to us.

Thus the Magi serve as models for us on our faith journey. They were single minded. They refused to be put off by difficulties and hardships. When they found Christ they offered him the treasures that they had carried along with them all the while they had searched. This shows what happens to those who find Christ. Their hearts are awakened and burst into life. When we find Christ and offer our love to him, he will help us to open the treasures of goodness that lie buried inside us, so that we can offer “gifts” to our brothers and sisters, especially those who are poor as Christ was.

Having worshipped Christ, the Magi “returned to their own country by another route”. This suggests not just a new geographical route, but a new mentality. Having met Christ and heard his Gospel, we too will travel through life by a different route. We will have different attitudes, different values, and different goals. It is impossible to encounter Christ without it affecting the way we see and live our lives.

Fr. Peter Anglaere
Pastor

Parish Activities and Coming Events

- Sunday:** Rosary Holy Hour - 3:00pm. at St. Ann Church
- Monday:** Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena - 7:00pm. in McAuley Manor Chapel
McAuley Manor Mass - January 9th., 10:00am.
Bereavement Committee - January 9th., 7:00pm. in the meeting room
- Wednesday:** Liturgy Committee - January 11th., 7:00pm. in the meeting room
First Eucharist Parents' Meeting - January 11th., 7:00pm. in the Pine Room
- Friday:** Hornell Gardens Mass - January 13th., 1:00pm.

Our Lady of the Valley

Last Sunday's Collection

January 1, 2012

Actual - \$10,487

YTD Actual - \$244,308

YTD Budget - \$216,000

Solemnity of Mary - \$1,692

May God reward you for your generosity

It is important that all checks written out to the parish be made out to "**Our Lady of the Valley**".

Free Health Care

Health Ministry of the Southern Tier

To make an appointment, call 607-962-2032

Blood Pressure Clinic The next Blood Pressure Clinic will be the weekend of **January 7th. & 8th.** after the masses at St. Ann Church.

Prayer Hot Line

Did you know...that there is a group of people who are praying for parishioners who have requested prayer for any number of reasons...sickness, surgery, and other trials that they may have been asked to bear. In addition to the Parish Prayer Corner/Sick List, which is in the bulletin, this group of people pray for those who perhaps have a more urgent need for prayer...not wanting to wait for the next bulletin. Prayer carries us through our difficulties, just as the footprints in the sand disappeared...so we are carried...we are all called to pray and help in this beautiful ministry of carrying our brothers and sisters.

Please call the office (324-5811) if there is an urgent need for prayer or perhaps you would prefer not to have your name in the bulletin, and we will add you to the Prayer Hot Line. We are here to help.

Our Lady of the Valley on Facebook

Just search for **Our Lady of the Valley Parish, Hornell**

Please Note: Bulletin articles are to be at our Parish Offices, 27 Erie Ave., Hornell by **deadline, Monday, at noon.**

Altar Server Schedule

St. Mary

Sunday, January 8 - 8:30am. ~ Volunteers Please

Sunday, January 15 - 8:00pm. ~ Volunteers Please

St. Ann

Monday, January 9 through Wednesday, January 11 - 7:00am. ~ Tommy Pieklo

Monday, January 9 through Wednesday, January 11 - 5:15pm. ~ Daniel Crosby

Thursday, January 12 and Friday, January 13 - 7:00am., Saturday, January 14 - 8:00am. ~ Mary Frances Deebes

Thursday, January 12 and Friday, January 13 ~ Zack Walsh

Saturday, January 14 - 4:30pm. ~ Ben Dewey and Anna Weyand

Sunday, January 15 - 7:00am. ~ Cameron Sexsmith

Sunday, January 15 - 10:30am. ~ Rebecca and Jacob Walsh

Sunday, January 15 - 5:30pm. ~ Eric Walsh

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Our Parish Goal: \$47,398
Pledge: \$29,173.25 = 61.55% of Goal
288 Donors
22% Parishioner Participation
Thank You for your Support

Recent Deaths

Our Condolences are extended to the families of

Anna Perry
James McEvoy
Theresa Cotton
Howard Doty

who recently passed away. May the Lord bless them and keep them. May the Lord let His face shine upon them, and be gracious to them. Lord, look upon them

The **Second Collection** for the **Heat and Utility Bill** will be held the weekend of January 14th. & 15th.

St. Mary's Rexville is in serious need of Lectors & Altar Servers. Anyone willing to help call Patty at 698-5056.

Wanted!!

Rosary Makers for the Cause of Our Blessed Mother

Respond to the call of Our Lady. The need for rosaries is great and urgent. Become a missionary by making rosaries for missions in the U.S., the military and around the world.

Please call Our Lady's Rosary Makers at 502-968-1434 or visit their website at www.olrm.org. A beginner's kit (\$13.50) enables you to make 50 rosaries and comes with instructions. Make a difference in the world. Help bring peace to the world and turn the tide of evil. God will bless you abundantly. The office closes at 4pm. Eastern Standard Time.

Sacraments

Baptism

Preparation is required if you are presenting a child for baptism for the **first time**. Are you expecting a baby? Don't wait until that hectic time **after** you have your baby, plan to attend before your delivery date. Our next Baptism Preparation Session will be held on **April 11th.** at 7:00pm. in the school. Call Marianne Logan at 382-1484.

First Eucharist Parents Meeting

Parents meeting at St. Ann School on Wednesday, January 11th. at 7:00pm. **This meeting is for parents only.**

St. Ann School Alumni 40 Week Club

January 2nd. ~ Week #12 Drawn by: Marco Picco

\$10 - Chris Doran

\$15 - Peter Wall

\$25 - Mary Griffin Zatlukol

Congratulations to All !

Choir members needed for the 10:30am. Mass on Sundays at St. Ann Church. Our major function is to back up the congregation and encourage singing. At times, we will be teaching new music and Mass Ordinaries...Gloria, etc. Auditions not necessary. Just come up to the choir loft by 10:15am. on Sundays. Remember, St. Augustine who said "Those who sing, pray twice".

Parish Prayer Corner As a parish we have been asked to pray for people who are sick, facing surgery, etc. We thank God for His healing goodness and ask that you **please let us know when someone can be removed from the prayer list.** Call the parish office at 324-5811.

Prayer Corner

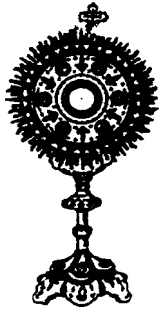
If you have a loved one or friend, of any faith, for whom you would like the prayer support of the community call the office at **324-5811.** Please keep the following parishioners and friends in your thoughts and prayers throughout your week.

Our Sick

Jack Cregan, Martha Glynn Samiec, Sue Reynolds, Roger Schultz, Patrick Cooney, Evan Hensley, Ceceilia Decker, Patricia Decker, Doris Ordway, John Fortuna, Kevin Burch, Jillian Andolina, Donald Kennel, Lynne Cardamone, Kevin Quinn, Diana Garcia, Steve Lamb, Noreen Fraser, Kathleen Watches Gencarelli, Joan Hurlburt, Bill Brown, Ryleigh Mitzel, Helena (Smith) Bates, Emmie DiNardo, James Fennelly, Angelo Daniels, Robert Dietrich, Alice Hutchinson, Mary Frances Brown, Vincent Clark, Jackie Ellis, Marian Gee, Daniel Guthrie Sr., JoAnn Carpenter, Jason Latham, Brian Burdell, Yaj Hauser, Justin Brown, Mary Ann Daniels Albright, Dawn Kempney, Ralph Berardi, Mike Fucci, Stacey Pullen, Donna Roosa, Thomas Scaglione, Don Piano, Betty Rahmlow, Ann Shanley, Alexis Prentice, Susanne McMIndes, Andrea Burdick, Ann Rizzon, Richard Trent, Robert LaShure, Melva George, Jack Ordway, Jean Hach.

Our Young Men & Women Serving in the Military

David Hunt, Megan Swift, Bill Kays, TJ Murray, John Baker, Ryan O'Rourke, Pete Lehman, Scott Smilinich, Jessica Fahl, Elliott Butler, Donald VanWinkle, Jonathon Van Durme, Joshua Steinhilber, Ann Flansburg, Timothy Brownell, Cory Rahr, Jeramiah Wilder, Richard Mahoney, Kirk McManus, Gregory Argentieri, Robert Murray, Chuck Coleman, Terry Leonard, Joe Testani, John Parks, Rachel Mullen, Seth Baker, Angela Neu, Fr. Patrick Van Durme, Michael Roberts, Patrick Duffy, Brandon Smith (Avoca), John Washington, Joe Hornbeck, Joseph Murray, Kyle Stewart, Adam Prouty, Carrie Prouty, Brandon Kimball, Amanda Prouty, Sean Stillman, Stuart McHenry, Nick Edwards, Zack Edwards, Jay Daniels, Matthew Randazzo, Casey McLaughlin, Ryan Phillips, Steven Miles, Donovan Clancy, Bryant Gerber, Cory Rose.



Chapel of Perpetual Adoration
“I can do all things through him who
strengthens me.” ...*Philippians 4:13*

Open Hours:

Monday at 1:00am.
Wednesday at 1:00am.
Thursday at 2:00pm.

Substitutes are welcomed. Please call:

Isabel Nobilski 324-1424 or Donna Kull 324-2884

Why do we genuflect in Church?

In medieval Europe, one demonstrated respect for a king or a noble by going down on one knee. Building on that tradition, we bend on the right knee to show reverence for the Lord in the Eucharist when it is on the altar, in the tabernacle, or in the monstrance. (We also genuflect before the cross from Good Friday through the Easter vigil.)

Note: While the right knee is reserved for Jesus, we genuflect on the left knee before the pope, cardinals, or bishops.

Giving Tree Success

Another successful Advent Outreach has been completed this year. The needs of the Steuben County Rural Ministries were met for the Christmas Season due to our generous Parish Family. Many Families were blessed with a merry Christmas thanks to our donations of gifts and money.

Thank you for your wonderful participation in the Giving Tree. Happy New Year. Mary Bossard

Did You Know...that you can ask to have your child blessed by a Eucharistic Minister as well as a priest during Communion? If the child is old enough to walk, please have them come forward with their arms crossed over their chests. This is a signal that they wish to be blessed.

Sanctuary Offerings ~ January 2011

The offerings printed in last week's bulletin were for January not December as printed.

First Communion

Any baptized child, age 7 or older is eligible to be prepared to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. There will be a meeting **Wednesday evening, January 11th. at 7:00pm. for parents only**, in the Pine Room of St. Ann School.

If you would like to present your child for this sacrament please make this meeting a priority. Any questions? Please call Marianne Logan @324-7121.

Main Street Redemption Center in Hornell will take your can and bottle returns and donate the deposit to St. Ann School. Visit Main Street Redemption Center and help St. Ann School.

Faith First for Families

Sunday Gospel Reflections for January 8, 2012
Matthew 2:1-12

Gospel Summary - The wise men from the East came to Jerusalem and asked where the child who was King of the Jews might be found. Herod was concerned about this birth, and as a result had worked up the total population of Jerusalem as well. To the wise men, he acted as though he wanted, like them, to go and worship this child. He asked the wise men to figure out where the child was and then come back and tell him. Of course, we know that in his heart, Herod only wanted to destroy Jesus. And we also know that nothing can be hidden from God, who knew Herod's heart. God sent an angel to the wise men in a dream and told them to go home by a different way and avoid Herod.

Reflection for Families - Children love this story because it's filled with things they treasure: gifts, adventure, danger, and mystery. Through these elements, Matthew has made it clear that the magi are foreigners (of the Gentile world in Matthew's day). It is reassuring for us to know and to help our children come to understand that God welcomes all people of the world to the family of God. By our Baptism, we are part of a family of faith, and as parents, we spend our lives leading our children in that faith and demonstrating to them how we live our own faith.

Bringing the Gospel into your Family - There are many people, opportunities, and circumstances that guide our families. Talk together about what "stars" lead you as a family. Continue the discussion by reflecting on what gifts you have to offer Jesus. Help your children remember that what we give to others is what we give to Jesus. How will your family share its gifts?

Discussion Starters

- ◆ The greatest gift our family has been given is...
- ◆ I know how the magi must have felt because once we went somewhere and had no idea where we were going. The best lesson I learned from the magi and my experience was...
- ◆ I am not always quick to accept the foreigner, but I will use God's example by...