



St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church Wyalusing

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Extends a Warm Welcome to All

Mission Statement: We bring together a parish family to worship God, to evangelize the community, to encourage participation of youth and young adults in parish life, to pass on our faith to the next generation, to respect life and be good stewards of God's gifts.

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Prepare To Receive Jesus Into Our Hearts

As we approach the festive day on which we may receive gifts and guests into our homes, we take a moment to recall that during this season of Advent we are called to prepare to receive Jesus into our hearts. Yes, we receive him in a most special way at Christmas, the day we celebrate the world receiving him in the flesh, but we also have the opportunity to receive him each and every day. Let us humbly ask God to prepare our hearts to receive him in the Eucharist here today.

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 21, 2025

Mass Schedule at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wyalusing

Saturday Vigil – 6:00 PM Sunday – 11:00 AM

Christmas Vigil – 6:00 PM

Christmas Day– 11:00 AM

Confessions – 5:45 PM Saturday and 10:45 AM Sunday

Mass Schedule at SS Peter and Paul Towanda

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 PM Sunday – 9:00 AM

Monday – No Mass

Tuesday –6:00 PM

Christmas Vigil – 4:00 PM & 10:00 PM

Christmas – 9:00 AM

Friday – No Mass

Confessions – 3:45 Saturday AND 7:45-8:15 Wed., Thurs., Fri.
And by Appointment #570-357-1619

Website: sspeterandpaulchurch.net (570-265-2113)

Readings

Monday – Dec. 22nd
Advent Weekday
Samuel 1:24-28
Gospel Luke 1:46-56

Tuesday – Dec. 23rd
Advent Weekday
Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24
Gospel Luke 1:57-66

Wed., - Dec. 24th
Vigil Mass
Isaiah 62:1-5
Acts Apostles 13:16-17, 22-25
Gospel Matthew 1:1-25

Thursday - Dec. 25th
Nativity of the Lord
Isaiah 52:7-10
Hebrews 1:1-6
Gospel John 1:1-18

Friday, Dec. 26th
St. Stephen, First
Martyr
Acts Apostles 6:8-10,
7:54-59
Gospel Matthew
10:17-22

Saturday, Dec. 27th
St. John, Apostle &
Evangelist
1 John 1:1-4
Gospel John 20:1a &
2-8

Sunday, Dec. 28th
The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel Matthew
2:13-15, 19-23

PARISH CALENDAR

FIRST FRIDAY: ROSARY AT 11:00 AM, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 11:30,
MASS TO END ABORTION AT 12:00 NOON

FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY: MASS AT SS PETER & PAUL AT 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH – 6:00 PM -VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MASS
SS Peter & Paul – 4:00 PM YOUTH VIGIL AND 10:00 PM NATIVITY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - MASS AT 11:00 AM
SS PETER & PAUL AT 9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST – SS PETER & PAUL AT 6:00 PM (NO MASS IN WYALUSING)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1ST – MASS AT 11:00 AM – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD,
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. SS PETER & PAUL AT 9:00 AM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH - SECURITY MEETING AFTER MASS IN OFFICE. (FOLLOWED BY POT-LUCK)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH – POT-LUCK MEAL ON JANUARY 11TH IN THE HALL AFTER 11:00 AM MASS.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH AT 7:00 PM, BISHOP BAMBARA WILL BE ATTENDING ST. MARY'S
HOLY HOUR.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH FATHER JOSE 25TH ORDINATION CELEBRATION

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED – Eternal rest grant them, Oh Lord and let Your
perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

THOSE ENTRUSTED IN OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALING:

Creighton Mooris, Pat Holzscuh, Paul Poepperling, Janet Dilworth, Gary Dunn,
Leona Fitzgerald, Larry Burke, Dan Murphy, Glenn Layaou, Jr., Jeanette Dietz,
Pastor Joe Kilmer, David Steinbacher, Jack & Joyce Walsh, Josephine Rayappan,
Jacob Hoffmann, Juanita Tenasco.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burns in loving memory throughout the month of December 2025
for Beatrice Chamberlain & Nancy Terasavage from Josephine Solowiej. Please keep them in
your prayers.

Mass Schedule for Week of DEC. 22nd – DEC. 28th

	INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord - Wednesday, Dec. 24 th 6:00 PM	Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord	
The Nativity of the Lord Thursday, Dec. 25 th 11:00 AM	The Nativity of the Lord	
Saturday, Dec. 27 th 6:00 PM	Repose of the Souls of Richard & Ruthie Bedard	Friend, Barb
Sunday, Dec. 28 th 11:00 AM	Repose of the Soul of Bill Walter	Leona & Jim Fitzgerald

OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

WEEKLY Financial Obligations - \$4,000.00

General Collection Dec. 13th & 14th = \$1,999.00

Thank you for your generosity!

MINISTRY OF MERCY is sponsoring the Christmas book, "The Forgotten Way" by Matthew Kelly. Please pick up your copy today and take some for-stocking stuffers for your family.

The promise of this book is very simple: You can transform your life by changing the way you speak. Inspired by the often-ignored writings of Saint James, bestselling author, Matthew Kelly has crafted a uniquely powerful guide based one on one epic spiritual truth: Governing your speech is a sure path to holiness. The simplicity and practicality of this great spiritual truth make it remarkable.

Mother Angelica, the holy nun who started EWTN, spoke of the loneliness of her mother on Christmas Day. Her mother was divorced and, of course, Mother Angelica was in the monastery. Her mother decided to spend Christmas Day at her local church, where all alone with Jesus in the Holy Tabernacle, she felt great comfort. The church will be open on Christmas Day for anyone to stop in and feel the presence of Jesus.

MINISTRY

Lector Schedule

Wed., Dec. 24th

6:00 PM

Bill Prichard

Thurs., Dec. 25th

11:00 AM

Connie Whren

Piper – Server

Sat., Dec. 27th

6:00 PM

Bill Prichard

Sun., Dec. 28th

Justin Koblitsch

SERVERS

Neubers

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Dec. 13th & 14th

Loose- 149.

Env.- 1,350.

Immac 25.

Dues - 100.

Flowers 375.

Total- \$1,999.

National Coll

Priests 10.

Retire 80.

Total - \$90.

Building- 20.

Cemetery 150.

Total- \$170.

Total Deposits

\$2,259.00

ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH AT 7:00 PM (the day after Ash Wednesday) Bishop Bambara will be here at St. Mary's for the Lenten Holy Hour. Please try to attend this Holy Hour.

SAVE THE DATE FATHER JOSE 25TH ORDINATION CELEBRATION ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026. MASS AT 3:00 PM, FOLLOWED BY A SEMI-FORMAL DINNER AFTER MASS. ANYONE WISHING TO ATTEND DINNER MUST SIGN UP. SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE POSTED IN FEB. WITH FINAL HEAD COUNT NEEDED BY MARCH 15TH. MORE INFOR WILL FOLLOW LATE JAN., EARLY FEB.

CCD Program

The 2025/2026 CCD Program is on Sunday's from 9:45 – 10:45 AM in the Hall. If you have any questions, you may contact Cathy Hagadorn, Director of Religious Education, at 570-250-2311. The Diocese requires two years of religious education before the reception of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion, and three years of religious education before the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The Special Children's Christmas Mass will be held on Wed., Dec. 24th at 6:00 PM.

If you didn't get your Parishioner Envelopes, they are located near the back of the Church alphabetically.

THERE WILL BE A POT-LUCK MEAL on Sunday, January 11th in the Hall after the 11:00 AM Mass. A sign-up sheet will be available in late December.

THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL - The Catholic Ministries Appeal is ongoing. We thank those of you who have already contributed for your generous donation. The amount raised to date is \$5,485 and is 27.60% of the goal. We want to remind others that it is not too late to send in your envelope. Please remember, if we go over our goal, our parish receives back a percentage of those dollars.

If you did not receive a donation envelope in the mail, you can find envelopes at each entrance of the Church.

2025 CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

IN MEMORY

Armitage Family
Cogswell Family
Arey Family
Guiffre Family
Souls in Purgatory
Ralph Bride
Ben Bride
Bob & Ruth Brown
Ralph & Catherine Bride
Joseph & Mary Crawford
Casiuk Family
Griswold Family
Cipriani Family
Norman & Doris Kunkle
Dempsey Family
Kunkle Family
Farrell Family
Pat Flynn
Dennis Frost
Leslie & Madeline Frost
Howard & Genevieve LaBarge
The Departed Members of the
Harvat & Malone Families

IN MEMORY

George Juenger
Catherine Juenger
Virginia Sperlazzo
Whren Family

IN MEMORY

Irvin Duffy
Patricia Gushka
Virginia Duffy
Nicholas Gushka
Irene Gushka
Hatton Family
Joseph Keblitsch
George & Ruth Thomas
Icy & Fred Hickman
Thurman Stewart
Jim Niehenke
Wilhelmina Keblitsch
Robert Kaps
Joseph Keblitsch
Victoria Chasen
James Belcher Sr.
Rose Marie Belcher
Allyn Kusmierz
Joseph Mobley
The Ferretti Family
The Kusmierz Family
Mary Herman
John Chmielewski

IN MEMORY OF

The Lukasik Family
The Chmielenski Family
Allyn Kusmierz
Joseph Kusmierz- Mobley
Brooke Preston
Bret Keefe
Pitcavage Family
Latoski Family
Anthony DiAndrea
Matthew Manzi Jr.
Joseph Bianco Jr.
Joseph Bianco Sr.
Jeannine Chiusano
Don Palmer
Dale Loomis
Perella Family
Loomis Family
Neuber & Ahearn Family
Ray Raffin
Carlton Repsher
Michelle Salsman
James & Anna Burke
Earl Burke
Carlton & Agnes Repsher
Lahman & Darleen Stoddard

IN HONOR OF

Michael Kusmerz SR.
Ann Marie Kusmierz
Belcher Family
Kusmierz Family
Harry Weaver
Father Peter Tran
MSGR Wargo

IN MEMORY OF

Darwin Jones
Mary Jones
Ann Marie Jones
David Jones
Lena Jones
Ignatius Ciprich
Geraldine Ciprich
Jenella Ryan
George Ryan
Julia Wiernusz
Martin & Dorothy Stoddard
Jean & Jerry Burke
Hiram & Gertude Stoddard
James & Blanche Adams Finan
Paul Adams
Chester Suszko
Helen Suszko
Cassie Yanuicz
Joseph Yanuicz
Larry Terascavage
John & Helen Terascavage
Alvin & Viola Brink
Fred Brink
Gertrude Newman
Dennis Merrill