

**Ascension of Our Lord
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Served by Reverend Father Alex Shuter, Pastor

Schedule of Services and Activities


Sun Jan 25	9:45 a.m.	SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE	Tone 8 Pg 161
	11:00 a.m.	Eastern Catholic Formation class Health and God's blessing for <u>Marc and Janee Picconi</u> requested by Betty Mae Hertz	
	Afterwards	Hospitality	
Tue Jan 27	9:30 a.m.	Health and God's blessing for <u>Justin Blascak</u> requested by Josephine and Joseph Horvath	
	Afterwards	Coffee Hour Discussion Group	
Wed Jan 28	9:30 a.m.	+ For the blessed repose of the souls of the <u>+ Severin Family</u> requested by Vira Severin	
Thu Jan 29	9:30 a.m.	+ For the blessed repose of the soul of <u>+ Mary Ann Gurekovic</u> requested by Bob and Gloria Linderman	
	Afterwards	Rosary in the church	
Sun Feb 1	9:45 a.m.	SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON	Tone 1 Pg 161
	11:00 a.m.	Eastern Catholic Formation class + For the blessed repose of the soul of <u>+ Anna Hertz</u> requested by Betty Mae Hertz	
	Afterwards	Community Pot Luck and Hospitality	

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Ascension parish has a monthly mortgage payment of \$656.05 based on a \$95,000 loan at 3% interest for 15 years. Your monthly pledge and contribution will help us plan ahead. Mortgage donation envelopes are in the magazine rack in the vestibule.

Thank you to the **MEN’S CLUB** for their donation of one month’s mortgage payment of \$656.05. The Men’s Club thank you for supporting their fundraising efforts that made this donation possible. The men of the parish work very hard in keeping up with the maintenance of the church building, rectory and grounds, plus assisting the other groups and committees when and where needed.

The Ascension parish family extend their prayers and sympathy to **Bob Linderman and family** on the recent passing of his aunt + **Mary Ann Gurekovic**. May her memory be eternal.

SACRAMENTS of BAPTISM, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION will be administered on Sunday, February 1 to **Sara Allen** and **Charles Reeves**; the Sacrament of **CONFIRMATION** will be administered to **Donald Allen** and **Beth Guethe**.

HRAMOTY-ALL SOULS: The card to add names of your departed loved ones to the Hramoty list is in the packet of envelopes. Please indicate **YOUR** family name on the top of the card so the names will be added to the correct family. A stipend check is made payable to **Rev. Alex Shuter**. The card and check can be dropped in the Offertory basket or handed directly to **Monica Ruscus**. First Hramoty Saturday is February 7.

COMMUNITY POT LUCK after Liturgy next **Sunday, February 1**. The **Old Testament Grillers** are still on their winter break. The parishioners will supply the main course dishes, the side dishes and the desserts. This is Super Bowl Sunday – who can make the best “Football food” and/or hottest chili? The Men’s Club will hold a 50/50 raffle drawing too.

RENOVATION COMING! After much planning, we’re moving forward on expanding our storage capability and the kitchen. An additional shed has been installed in the backyard to store tools and equipment. Over the next few weeks, we will be installing shelving and moving items into the new storage unit. The long term plan is to move the ECF classroom into the present storage room and then expand the kitchen into the old ECF room to facilitate our ethnic dinners and other events. The freezer/storage room behind the bar will then be upgraded with an ice machine and cold storage for drinks, as well as other improvements. Thanks to all who are working on this important project.

Schedule for Sunday Volunteers		
☞☞☞ Our thanks to all of you who volunteer any day of the week! ☎☎☎		
This Week (January 25)		Next Week (Feb 1)
Ushers	Morgan Kelly and Anna Baysura	Bob Linderman
Lector	Jeffrey Sotack	David Efimetz
Hospitality	Lisa Branden	Pierrette Gyor
Offertory Recorders	??	??
Offertory Recorders are gently reminded to complete an Operating Acct. (...401) deposit slip to be included in the Bank Bag. Thank you.		
Trustees: Lee Alexander, Robert Linderman and Ory Stefaniw		
Property Maintenance: Lee Alexander, Don Merkley, Tom McGraw Finances: Myron Kotyk, Jeffrey Sotack, Ory Stefaniw Financial Secretary: Patty Duttry; Asst. Don Merkley Parish Secretary: Monica Ruscus; Asst. Ann Kelly, Chris Noonan; Sanctuary Supplies: Betty Mae Hertz		
If you would like to become involved as a volunteer in any area, just ask a Trustee.		
Thank you for your contributions (January 18, 2015).		
Offertory & Monthly Dues	\$702.00	• Mortgage donation envelopes are available in the entry hall magazine rack.
Candles	46.00	
Initial Offering	<u>6.00</u>	
TOTAL	<u>\$754.00</u>	• \$100 Mortgage donation this week.
MORTGAGE contributions to date:		
\$35,075.00		
<i>God loves a cheerful giver.</i> St. Paul		
Recurring Events Reminders		
ROSARY will be said in church after Liturgy at 10 a.m. “Community” POT LUCK Luncheon and Bring-A-Friend Sunday LADIES GUILD meeting 6:30 p.m. @ 4224 Boxwood Lane, Wmsbg OUTREACH <i>Special meeting on Friday, Feb 13 Capital Pancake House @ 11:30</i> MONTHLY BIRTHDAY celebration ADVISORY BOARD meeting in St. Philip’s Hall at 7 p.m. <i>(Alternate months)</i> F*I*S*H: Non-perishable foods, cleaning & household products, clothing, etc. MEN’S CLUB BREAKFAST SANDWICHES after Liturgy <i>(Alternate months)</i> MEN’S CLUB meeting St. Philip’s Hall at 7:00 p.m. <i>(Alternate months)</i> ST. LUKE’S ICON GUILD in St. Philip’s Hall (3:00-6:00 Sunday, all day Mon & Tue)	Thursday 1st Sun 1st Tue 1st Thu 2nd Sun 2nd Tue 3rd Sun 3rd Sun 3rd Tue 3rd week	Weekly Feb 1 Feb 3 Mar 5 Feb 8 Mar 10 Feb 15 Mar 15 Mar 17 Feb 15-17
Information Regarding Sacraments and Sacramentals		
*Father Alex is available for the <i>Holy Mystery of Reconciliation</i> before Divine Liturgy on Sundays (10:00 a.m.) or a half hour before weekday liturgies. By appointment as well. *Receiving the <i>Mystery of Holy Eucharist</i> : As you approach Father please tell him your name so that the prayer can be personalized for you; lift the cloth beneath your chin; next tilt your head back; widely open your mouth but do not extend your tongue. No response is required for the prayer. The Body and Blood of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ will be dropped into your mouth from a golden spoon. <i>*Mirovanja</i> is a sacramental blessing with holy oil, which is applied to the forehead in the sign of the cross by the priest while proclaiming the appropriate greeting of the season. Proclaim the appropriate response and then receive a piece of blessed, leavened bread. Greetings and responses include: Christ is among us! He is and He shall be! //Christ is Born! Glorify Him! // Christ is Baptized! In the Jordan! // Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! // Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!		

Prayer Intentions for JANUARY

Sanctuary Lamp—The lamp is burning for health and God’s blessing for Jeremy Blascak requested by his grandparents Josephine and Joseph Horvath.

Christ the Teacher—The candle burns for health and God’s blessing for June Ann and Darren Hall requested by her mother Mary Ann Drumtra.

Theotokos & Child—The candle burns for health and God’s blessing for Monica Ruscus requested by Jo Horvath.

Saint Nicholas—The candle burns for health and God’s blessing for Andrew Kotyk requested by parents Debbie and Myron Kotyk.

Saint John the Baptizer—The candle burns for health and God’s blessing for Kristen Kotyk requested by parents Debbie and Myron Kotyk.

Tetrapod—The candles burn for the blessed repose of the soul of + Thomas Conroy requested by Mary T. Sullivan.

✠ Icon sponsorship is \$11.00/month; Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship is \$20.00/month; Tetrapod \$22.00. ✠

Please keep in your prayers those who are ill and/or infirmed or in need of prayers:
Margaret Moore, Callie Fachko, Ray C. Williams, Peg Lutton, June Mathews, Katherine Ruszkowski, Samuel Lee, Ashley Angle, Evanlyn Kirby, Helen Luecke, Sister Refina Quan, Eileen & Stan Hash, Peter & Hope Van Alstine, Kathleen Stangas, Gene & Mary Lou Bednar, John & Fran Wullert, Elvira DeGaspari, Larry & Mary Ann Drumtra, Pat & Anthony Giuffre, Keith Cooper, Tim Culpepper, Amelia Schmidt, Mary Broughton, Jessica Hill, Mary Sullivan, Joan Griffin, George Sperry, Sandy Acker, Jason Haag, John & Monica Ruscus, Janie Young, Joan Marie & Walt Kasica, Helen & Joe Petro, Brian Hurtig, Don Merkley, Ron Radda, Fr. Bob Chope, Patty & Michael Dunham, Josephine & Courtney Horvath, Audrey Bill, Merle Phillips, Jeffrey Sotack, Robert Sotack, John A. Williams.

If you or someone you know is **sick or in need of prayers**, please contact Monica Ruscus at 259-5890 or email out2sea@reagan.com to add or remove names from this prayer list.

Pray for our Military and their Leaders

*Lord, please hold our troops
in Your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
for the selfless acts they perform for us
in our time of need.
Amen.*

Captain Jeremy Blascak
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5 Joseph Horvath

6 Sharon Guethe

23 Lee Alexander

24 Ryan Collins

27 Ron Radda

30 Joan Ruszkowski