MASS REQUESTS FOR 2009

We will begin accepting mass requests for the year 2009 on Monday, October 13, 2008, BY U.S. MAIL, BY DROPPING INTO THE SUNDAY COLLECTION, OR HAND DELIVERY TO THE RECTORY. **We cannot accept Mass requests by phone**. Masses will be accepted on a first come first served basis. We ask that a first, second and third choice for day/date/time be listed with each request. In order to ensure good order and fairness to EVERYONE, the following rules will apply:

1. Only two (2) specific date requests will be taken for any one deceased person. Of these two, **only one** may be scheduled for a weekend Mass. If you wish to request more than two masses for a specified person, the additional masses will be accepted with the understanding that they will be scheduled only if there is an opening, but may be sent to the Seminary or Missions. (Diocesan and Canon Law prohibit our keeping Mass requests in the parish if they cannot be said within one year of the time they were requested.)
2. You may request only TWO Masses per request form.
3. Suggested Mass offerings are $10 each and your check should accompany your request.
4. Please complete the MASS REQUEST FORM on other side of this page and mail or hand deliver to the rectory, or drop it into the Sunday Collection clearly marked for Mass Requests. Please include your phone number in case we need to contact you about a funeral bumping your Mass intention.
5. Please know that **there are no guarantees that all Mass requests can be honored.** In the event of a funeral, your intention may be bumped and sent to the Seminary. Your intention may also be bumped by the illness, retreat and/or vacation of the priest.
6. Please keep in mind that it is mandated by Canon Law to offer a Mass for the people on Sundays and holy days of obligation. While there are three Sunday Masses, only two can be used to satisfy your intentions.
7. Whenever possible, please combine Mass requests for deceased members in the same family.
8. The following days **are not open** for individual intentions since they are offered for the intentions of our parishioners: **EASTER (April 12), MOTHER'S DAY (May 10), FATHER'S DAY (June 21), THANKSGIVING DAY (November 26), and CHRISTMAS DAY (December 25).**

We would like to remind our parishioners who have requested a Mass or are attending a Mass requested by friends for one of your loved ones, that the members of the family are asked to carry the gifts to the altar. Please inform an usher that you will be carrying the gifts to the altar, but if you are unable to do so, please advise the usher so that a replacement can be found for you. This is an opportunity to serve God, as well as honoring your family, so please be generous if you are asked to carry the gifts.

50th Wedding Anniversary Mass Requests should be sent in as soon as possible. If you delay, we may not be able to accommodate your requests. The Diocese of Pittsburgh also holds a special Mass in October for all couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Please call the rectory to register for this very special Mass.

NOTE: We will be unable to phone or mail you individually to confirm dates for requested and scheduled Masses. If certain date choices are already scheduled, we will try to schedule your Mass as close to your specific request as possible.

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MASS REQUEST FORM - 2009 - LIMIT TWO (2) REQUESTS PER FORM

Mass Requested For	**Mass Requested By**
Day/Date – 1st Choice	Time
Day/Date – 2nd Choice	Time
Day/Date – 3rd Choice	Time

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Day/Date – 1st Choice	Time
Day/Date – 2nd Choice	Time
Day/Date – 3rd Choice	Time

Name:_____ Phone No: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: Date Received _____
Check #_____ Amt. Pd. _____

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