

**Immaculate Conception Parish** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024





4:00 PM Sat.1/13 Eva Fogash by Her Children Paula, Carol, and Carl

Sun.1/1 4 11:00 AM Dave and Helen Mahon by Their Children

Mon. 1/15 7:00 AM Anna Marie Zawatsky by Daniel Kopczynskie

Tue. 1/16 7:00 AM George Bereznak by Joyce Bereznak

Wed. 1/17 7:00 AM Elaine Gazick by Lorenzo Capozzelli and DJ Wychulis

Thur. 1/18 7:00 AM Rev. John Melnick by Mary

Fri. 1/19 7:00 AM Ann Yagalla by Mr. & Mrs. Walter Golab, Sr.

Sat. 1/20 4:00 PM Edward and Stella Samsel by the Ambrose and Evancho Families

Sun. 1/21 11:00 AM Gertrude Opert by Terri, Gina, and Melane



2023 Offerings: Sunday \$493; Dues \$184; Care and Education of Priests \$10; Christmas \$160; Other \$32;

## 2024 Offerings:

Sunday \$7,369; Loose \$72; Dues \$1,341; Care and Education of Priests \$428; Initial Offering \$706; Solemnity of Mary \$479; Capital Improvement \$407; Poor Box \$59

All Offerings Will Now Be Credited to 2024.

ANDLES on the ALTAR are in Memory of Jave and Helen Mahon by Their Children



Eucharistic Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every third Monday at 6:00 PM before evening mass. The Adoration next devotion will be on

Monday, January 15th. Why not stop by and spend some time with your Savior.



Our Community-Service Team is requesting coffee, tea, and instant soup mix for January. We thank

all our parishioners who support those in need in our community.





Tickets Are Limited to the First 100 People. Get Your Tickets Now!!! Deadline For TicketsIs January 29th. Tricky Tray Tickets Will Be Available. Raffle Ttickets for 65" TV Are 3 for \$5.00

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, January 15th, in ovservance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



meeting

WORD/WORSHIP MEETING Is This Monday, January 15th, in the Choir Room after the 7:00 PM Mass.



Last weekend in the readings the Wise Men found Jesus. This week, skipping 30 years forward, the Disciples find Jesus. John the Baptist first identifies Jesus by saying: "Look the Lamb of God." You can easily see the theme here: We must seek Jesus! The challenge this week is to find Jesus in the most unusual places: at work, at school, at the hairdresser, at the grocery store. It is easy to find Jesus in church (in the Eucharist and in the confessional), but looking for Him in those different places makes us more aware of His presence in our lives. Maybe you will be able to say: "That guy is just like Jesus!"



Sunday, February 4, 2024 at 2 PM

Good Shepherd Church Hall Scholarship Fundraiser sponsored by The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Fatima Council, No. 8613

Come on out with your friends and enjoy an afternoon of friendly competition as we go back in time to listen to the music of the 60's, 70's and 80's. There will be prizes for the winners. Get a table together and bring your own food and drink. Bonus prizes for best costume of the era. The donation for the evening is \$10 which is payable at the door. You can sign up by contacting our Scholarship Chairman, Dale Gregorin at <u>whaledg@aol.com</u>, his cell phone is (732-672-5332). Please indicate how many participants you have. Come out and support a good cause.



**MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** will take place on Sunday, January 28, from 2 until 4 PM. Come learn how to make a Marian High School education possible.

**Match the Daily Number!** The Marian Catholic High School Blue & Gold Club is selling Lottery Calendars for the 2024 year. Match the daily number on the 7 pm drawing. The cost is \$25.00. To purchase a calendar please contact a school volunteer: Janis Dvorak at 570-929-2921; Kathy Goff at 610-704-8037; Maria McGinley at 484-629-4997; or Erin Marek at Marian 570-467-3335; or even visit the facebook page; Blue and Gold Club. The Blue & Gold Club raises funds for the school throughout the year and every child that attends Marian Catholic benefits from the work of the Blue & Gold Club.



#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MARDI GRAS WILL BE HELP SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, IN THE PARISH CENT 6 – 10PM. \$25.00 A PERSON. TICKETS AVAILABLE I AT BOTH PARISHES. DEADLINE IS MONDAY, JANUAL RAFFLE TICKETS FOR A 65" TV ARE 3 TICKETS FOR \$5.00.

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at <a href="http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis">www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis</a>. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.



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### **+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK+**

Saturday, January 13 **6:00PM** Rita & George Amerise ~ Children Sunday, January 14 8:00AM Joe Salkowski ~ Family 9:30AM Robert J. McCaul ~ Wife, Pat Monday, January 15 8:00AM Helen Cortese ~ Richard & JoAnn Chura **Tuesday, January 16** 8:00 AM Judith A. Zellner ~ Don & Linda Veglia Wednesday, January 17 8:00AM Mary Wilson ~ Family **Thursday, January 18 8:00AM** Theresa McNulty ~ Leo Wydock & Family Friday, January 19 **8:00AM** Rose & Ed Krempasky ~ Bob & Nancy Anderson Saturday, January 20 6:00PM John & Angie (Matz) Yancus ~ Mary Jo & Bob Sunday, January 21 8:00AM Marie Yackanich ~ Martha Steber 9:30AM Cora Joseph ~ Louis & Sharon Turse

#### **Stewardship**

**January 6 & 7:** Loose \$307; Offertory \$1,479; Dues \$1,078; Care & Education of Priests \$7; Holy Days \$55; Christmas \$230; Flowers \$5; Care & Education of Priests \$77; Capital Improvement \$5 Mass Attendance – 124



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **John & Angie (Matz) Yancus** by Mary<sup>1</sup>Jo & Bob



**Tuesday Night Bingo:** Come join us for Bingo at Good Shepherd Church on Tuesday evenings. The kitchen opens at

**5:00PM** with special soups, sandwiches, beverages, ethnic foods and a variety of other goodies. Our Early Bird game begins at **6PM**.

Signed copies of Father McHugh's poetry book, **Kaleidoscope of the Heart**, will be available for purchase in the church office for \$20.00 during normal business hours.

Have a song in your heart??? We need you in our choir. No experience necessary. Practice on Thursdays from 3:30 – 4:30PM.



**The Valley Food Pantry** helps those in need. We have been asked to collect items for children: canned pasta, cookies, crackers, and Pop Tarts, in addition to bar soap. If you wish to send a

monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219.

#### **Combined Ministries Service Project:**

Several of our parish ministries are working together on a **"Share the Love"** project to help local women in need. We are asking for donations of gently used purses, travel sized toiletries and any pieces of jewelry you no longer wear. We will gather in January to fill the purses and distribute them to women in need on Valentine's Day. If you have any items you'd like to donate, you can place them in the "Share the Love" box in the vestibule. **UPDATE** - The deadline to donate purses, toiletries and/or jewelry is

**Friday, January 26**. Thank you to all who donated. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Stitches of Love Ministry is a crochet & knitting ministry that donates our work to those in need. You could meet with the group or stitch from home. Work on your own projects or help with items we wish to create and donate. All are welcome. Our next meeting is Monday at 5:45 PM (Evening) on January 15 in the St. Joseph Room. We hope to see there. If interested, or for more information, please call the office at 570-788-3141 or email the church at gsch@ptd.net. We accept donations of yarn, crochet hooks and knitting needles, patterns, stitch markers, etc. Items can be dropped off in the tote in the cry room Thank you to ALL who have been generously donating to our ministry!

Sacred Heart of Jesus Purgatorial Society The next monthly mass is Monday, February 12 at 8 AM, it will be the second Monday of each month for 2024. Our Friday rosary is offered for our loved ones prior to the mass at 7:30AM. Please join us if you can. If you have not already done so you can enroll your loved ones, simply by submit their names and your loved ones will be permanently enrolled. There is no charge and you are not obligated to become an active member.

Forms to enroll your loved ones are on the table in the vestibule.

Queen of our Hearts Rosary invites you to join us in praying the Rosary, the Infant of Prague Novena and Divine Mercy before the **Saturday** mass from **5 - 5:45PM** as well as weekday masses at **7:30AM**, before the 8 AM mass. All are welcome.