



# SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 20, 2019

## † MASS INTENTIONS †

Sat.	1/19	4:00 PM	David and Helen Mahon by Their Children
Sun.	1/20	7:30 AM	Mr. and Mrs. John Iben by Their Son and Granddaughters
		10:30 AM	For the People
Mon.	1/21	7:00 PM	Scott Branz by Jack and Carol Timony
Tue.	1/22	7:00 AM	Vic Piazzi by His Wife Alice and Children
Wed.	1/23		<b>NO MASS</b>
Thur.	1/24	7:00 AM	Eleanor, Francis, Elizabeth, and Michael Pingar by Elizabeth and Richard Dudinyak
Fri.	1/25	7:00 AM	Francis Marencin by His Wife Marie and Family
Sat.	1/26	4:00 PM	Joseph Cukauskas, Sr. by Mary Ann McGeehan
Sun.	1/27	7:30 AM	Michael Plaksa, Jr. by Anna and Children
		10:30 AM	For the People



### Last Weekend: 2018

Sunday \$142.00; Dues \$213.00; Christmas \$85.00; Christmas Flowers \$2.00; Immaculate Conception \$5.00; Religious Retirement \$1.00

### Last Weekend: 2019

Sunday \$3,662.00; Dues \$523.00; Care and Education of Priests \$75.00; Solemnity of Mary \$15.00; Initial Offering \$155.00; Poor Box \$188.01

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of David and Helen Mahon by Their Children



**LEGION OF MARY** has donated \$50.00 toward the cleaning of the statues in the church.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MEMORIAL DONATION** of \$75.00 was made in Memory of Victor Piazzi by Raymond L. Middleton, Marian and Kevin Moore and Family, and Janet and Dave Brandon and Family;; \$500.00 in Memory of Rocco Lutz by Katherine Lutz; \$1,500.00 in Honor of Their Grandchildren, Ava and Ethan Barna, by Edward and Maria Barna.



Meeting  
Reminder

**LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING** will be held on Monday, **January 21st, at 5:50 PM** in the rectory.

**FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS:** We are once again sponsoring our annual Forget-Me-Not Bags for the elderly in our Freeland Community. Right now, we are just taking registrations for the gift bags, which will be distributed in the spring. If you would like to register for a gift bag or would like to register an elderly loved one, friend, or neighbor, please call Janet in the parish office at 570-636-3035 as soon as possible. **Deadline for registration is Thursday, February 28th.**





This is a classic: The Wedding Feast at Cana! We have the groom, Mary, and Jesus. The groom messed up. He should have had enough wine, but he ran out. This was a social faux pas in those days. Mary was invited to the wedding and she asked her son, Jesus, to accompany her. Mary understood what was happening with the wine and she knew who could help fix the situation. Jesus, not feeling His time was right, gave into His mother. There you have it! The stage is set! Who are you in the Gospel: the Groom, Mary, or Jesus? Do you forget things like the groom did? Do you understand the situation and try to help? Do you get in there and get things done? You decide!

### A VIEW FROM THE PEW, RESOLUTIONS



I found an interesting article by Maggie Ciskanik, M.S. from "The Magis Center" titled The Best New Year's Resolution. We all know what happens; we make these promises and after a few weeks, they are quickly forgotten. Her advice was a two-word resolution we can all keep, **BE GRATEFUL!** Seems simple and easy; but is it? We live in a country where excess is the norm and we're never satisfied with what we have. We tend to pray for God's help only when things aren't going well. How often do we express our gratitude for a nice day, no traffic on that commute home, or a great cup of coffee in the morning? I resolve to be grateful, how about you?

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ENVELOPES:** If you have already made a pledge to our Capital Campaign Fund, and you would like to make your first pledge payment, you will find initial monthly payment envelopes at all four entrances to the church. You only need to take one envelope, because envelopes will be coming regularly with your church envelopes starting February 17th. Thank you to all who pledged and are investing in the future of our parish.



**FOOD PANTRY DONATION** for January is pasta. The next distribution date is Tuesday, January 22nd.



**CHRISTMAS CARD FRONTS** - Please save the front of your Christmas cards and drop them in the box in the front entrance of the church. Thank you for your assistance!



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MARDI GRAS** will take place on Saturday, March 2nd, from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM in the Parish Center and will be catered by Jackie Malloy. Music will be provided by Father Mike and His Heavenly Delights. More details will be provided in future bulletins.



**PARISH BUS TRIP** to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on Wednesday, April 24th, to see "Take Me Away," an all new musical with a live orchestra. Cost is \$83.00. Call Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720 to make reservations. Deadline is April 3rd.

# PARISH HAPPENINGS

**BINGO! BINGO! BINGO!** The 8th Grade Confirmation Students will be holding a Children's Bingo on Sunday, February 17th, in the Parish Center. Doors will open at 12:00 Noon and the games will begin at 12:30 PM. Cost of admission is \$5.00. This fundraiser is being held to support their Confirmation Retreat in March. The bingo and prizes will be geared toward children. Food, beverages, and baked goods will be available for purchase. There will also be tricky trays. Anyone who would like to support the 8th grade students by donating to this fundraiser can do so by contacting Marianne Gera or Donna Goetsch. In the event of inclement weather, the bingo will be held on Sunday, March 3rd.



**ST. PATRICK'S OLDIES DANCE** will be held on Saturday, February 23rd, from 6-10 in their Parish Center. Tickets cost \$15.00 per person. Music by Father Mike and His Heavenly Delights. Come out and enjoy the good music, food, and prizes! Tickets are available in the parish office!



## TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS:

Sherrie Sterbing \$300; Carl Matisak \$100; George Blanyar \$100; Nancy Quinn \$100; Anna Hudock \$100; David Maranki \$100; Mary Lloyd \$100; Catherine Benyo \$500.00; Francis Swankowski \$100; Cathy Maso \$100; Charles Jumpeter \$100; John Burko \$100. Congratulations to all of our winners and thanks to all who supported our Christmas Raffle.



**LOTTERY TICKETS** for March are now on sale in the back of the church. Take a chance on winning and help to support our parish!

**SINCERE THANKS** to everyone who helped prepare environment of our church for the Christmas season. Our church was beautiful as always. Your hard work and creative planning is much appreciated.



**DIOCESAN APPEAL DONORS:** M/M Alvin Balon; Miss Marianne Gera; M/M David Kavitski; M/M Ronald Matisak; Mrs. Rose Mattavi; Mr. Joseph Skwierz; Ms. Regina Smith; Mrs. Stanley Vercusky; Mr. Joseph Yanek