



Immaculate Conception Parish

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28, 2024



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sat. 1/27 4:00 PM
David and Helen Mahon by Their Children

Sun. 1/28 11:00 AM
Michael Plaksa by Anna Plaksa and Family

Mon. 1/29 7:00 PM
Agnes, Clarence, and Larry Budda by David, Sharon, and Marty

Tue. 1/30 7:00 AM
Paul McKinley by the Feussner Ford Family

Wed. 1/31 7:00 AM
John Stefanik, Jr. by His Wife Kathy

Thur. 2/1 7:00 AM
Rev. John Mattey by Mary

Fri. 2/2 7:00 AM
James McDermott by Theresa D'Andrea

Sat. 2/3 4:00 PM
John Lapchak by His Wife Mary & Family

Sun. 2/4 11:00 AM
Michael Plaksa by Jim and Anna McDermott and Family



DEADLINE FOR MARDI GRAS TICKETS IS THIS MONDAY, JANUARY 29TH.



12 CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS IN OUR 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:

December 25th \$300 Maurice Christino;
December 26th \$100 Robert Falatko;
December 27th \$100 Terry Stahley;
December 28th \$100 Charles Castiglione;
December 29th \$100 Jack Turri;
December 30th \$100 Rose Ceriani;
December 31st \$100 Mark Starruick;
January 1st \$500 Beth Veet;
January 2nd \$100 Deacon Jim Rebarchick;
January 3rd \$100 Christine Drauschak;
January 4th \$100 Joyce Schiavone;
January 5th \$100 Art and Mary Ellen Young



Last Weekend:
Sunday \$2,588; Loose \$189.25; Dues \$2,056; Care and Education of Priests \$47; Solemnity of Mary \$57; Christmas \$30; Initial Offering \$193; Capital Improvement \$67; Other \$; Poor Box \$83



CANDLES ON THE ALTAR and OUR SACRISTY CANDLE are burning this week in Memory of John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family



LEGION OF MARY has donated \$150.00 toward the Lenten and Easter booklets



Eucharistic Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 6:00 PM on Monday, February 19th.

FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS:

The Messengers of Hope are once again sponsoring the Forget-Me-Not Gift Bags for our treasured elderly and homebound parishioners. A list of suggested items to be included in the gift bags is included in this week's bulletin, and tags are on the tree. Please take a tag off the tree and register it in the office so we know that everyone will be remembered.



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"MICHAEL, JOHN, PATRICK!" Those words spoken by my mother (notice the ALL CAPS) not only meant that I was in trouble but it came with the authority of a mother of 5. It was her tone and delivery that made me stop in my tracks. She had me dead to right. I cannot ever remember a time when those words were proclaimed that I was not guilty. She knew! In today's Gospel Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit by saying: "QUIET! COME OUT OF HIM." Not only did the unclean spirit recognize his authority, so did the folks witnessing the

event. The Jewish people of that time had the Scribes and Pharisees who were in authority and spoke to them telling them what to do and not to do.

Jesus's directive was different: "A NEW KIND OF AUTHORITY!"

So, this week's admonition: " _____, _____, _____ " (fill in your names) and listen to Jesus!

NAME THAT TUNE

BINGO

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 whaledg@aol.com, his cell phone is (732-672-5332). Please indicate how many participants you have. Come out and support a good cause.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MARDI GRAS WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, IN THE PARISH CENTER FROM 6 – 10PM. \$25.00 A PERSON. TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICES AT BOTH PARISHES. DEADLINE IS MONDAY, JANUARY 29TH. RAFFLE TICKETS FOR A 65" TV ARE 3 TICKETS FOR \$5.00.



Lenten Scripture Series at Good Shepherd Church

Rev. Connell A. McHugh, Pastor Emeritus of Good Shepherd, will for the 18th consecutive year offer a series of Scripture presentations in the church hall for 5 consecutive Wednesdays beginning on **February 21**. The presentations will begin at **9 AM** and Fr. McHugh's topic will be the Gospel of Mark. He will treat the identity of Mark, sources and date composition of the Gospel, major themes, Jesus' healing ministry, titles of Jesus in Mark, the original and added ending of the Gospel, theological ideas in the Gospel, The Messianic Secret, etc. Father McHugh will show how Mark's Gospel stresses the humanity of Jesus more than any other Gospel, his Passion Narrative, the most sorrowful and how Mark is the chief source for the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. A special session will be held on Mark's Passion Narrative. The scripture sessions are open to the public free of charge. Because of the large attendance at these sessions, we ask that you register since notes will be provided. You may register by calling the office at 570-788-3141 or by stopping in the office.

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-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. 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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Saturday, January 27

6:00PM Richard Zanolini ~ Wife, Judi & Family

Sunday, January 28

8:00AM Victor F. Greco MD ~ Joseph & Ann Marie Logudic

9:30AM Matthew R. Grieco ~ Grieco & Mellon Families

Monday, January 29

8:00AM Connie & Joe Spadell ~ Tony & Marie Bellizia

Tuesday, January 30

8:00 AM Joseph Patrick Ward ~ Family

Wednesday, January 31

8:00AM Casimir Lasecki ~ Wife, Sylvia

Thursday, February 1

8:00AM Phil Zelenak ~ Elaine Beltrami

Friday, February 2

8:00AM Robert Correll ~ Andrea Tarnopolski

Saturday, February 3

6:00PM Marcel Calarco Sr. ~ Wife, Lois & Children

Sunday, February 4

8:00AM Gloria Markowski ~ Bob & Judy

9:30AM Frank & Louise Carlin ~ John & Karen Grandzol



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.

NO Stitches of Love Ministry for **January 29**. We will resume on February 5 at **5:45 PM (Evening)**. We hope to see there.

Shepherd's Hands will meet on **February 1** at **3 PM** in the St. Joseph Room. New members welcome.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Purgatorial Society meeting will be held on **February 1** at **4 PM** in the St. Joseph Room. We will begin our monthly purgatory prayers for the souls at this meeting. All are welcome. Please join us to help the Holy Souls in purgatory.

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.

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Are you aware that we have a poor box? These funds are used to help the less fortunate and also people in emergency situations. Your generosity is appreciated!

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.



Stewardship

January 13 & 14: Loose \$886; Offertory \$5,422; Dues \$2,360; Retired Religious \$5; Holy Days \$115; Christmas \$160; Flowers \$15; Care & Education of Priests \$400; Capital Improvement \$40; Latin America \$35

January 20 & 21: Loose \$643; Offertory \$3,718; Dues \$628; Holy Days \$63; Christmas \$30; Care & Education of Priests \$40; Capital Improvement \$288; Latin America \$20

Mass Attendance – 499



The Rose for Life this week in honor of **Father McHugh's birthday** by Mary & Dave Cressman



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**.

We welcome Emanuel Rodriguez and Thomas & Georgina Zipovsky as our newest members.

2023 Contributions: If you would like a statement of your 2023 contributions please contact the office.