

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 31, 2021

		†	MASS INTENTIONS	†
Sat.	1/30	4:00 PM	Joan and Gerald Gatti by Judy Lutz	
Sun.	1/31	11:00 AM	Edward and Mary Carter by Their Daughter Anna Marie and Family	
Mon.	2/1	9:00 AM	Ruthie Woodring by Larry Capozzelli and DJ Wychulis	
		7:00 PM	James Herman by Eugene Ravina	
Tue.	2/2	7:00 AM	Raymond Nessler by Mrs. Frances Breznitsky	
Wed.	2/3	7:00 AM	Mary Woods by Her Son Jim Mellon	
Thur.	2/4	7:00 AM	John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family	
Fri.	2/5	7:00 AM	Frank and Mary Calello and Paul and Marie Marconi by Their Daughter and Granddaughter and Family	
Sat.	2/6	4:00 PM	Emil Barna by His Wife Bernadine and Daughters Tina and Martha and Son-in-Law Michael Witchin	
Sun.	2/7	11:00 AM	Henry Kopczynskie by John and Sandy Sabo	



Last Weekend 2021:

Sunday \$2,724.00; Loose \$29.00; Dues \$1,433.00; Care and Education of Priests \$77.00; Solemnity of Mary \$65.00; Initial Offering \$140.00; Ash Wednesday \$40.00; Poor Box \$213.17

Last Weekend 2020:

Sunday \$502.00; Dues \$272.00; Care and Education of Priests \$5.00; Holy Thursday \$5.00; Good Friday \$5.00; Easter \$10.00; Assumption \$10.00; Immaculate Conception \$25.00; Religious Retirement \$20.00; Christmas \$90.00

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP is burning in Memory of John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family

MEMORIAL DONATION of \$50.00 was made in Memory of Marie Pingar by Joe Palazzo

MEMORIAL DONATION of \$100.00 was made in Memory of David Kopczynskie by Marie Cudwadie and Family

MEMORIAL DONATION of \$20.00 was made in Memory of George Barron by Barbara Barron

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MEMORIAL DONATIONS were made in Memory of Dorothy Herkalo: \$100.00 by Margaret Graham, \$150.00 by James and Jackie DiSpirito, and \$250.00 by John and Pat Herkalo.



A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE:

"I know who you are - the Holy One of God," said the unclean spirit to Jesus. In this week's Gospel we could focus on the healing that Jesus did - he healed a man with an unclean spirit. Healing is such a good thing and we need it in our time more than ever both physically and spiritually. We are all worried about getting the "virus." But what I want to focus on in this week's Gospel is the recognition of the Jesus by the unclean spirit. There were loads of people around Jesus and many of them were skeptical as to what He could do. It took the unclean spirit to truly recognize who Jesus was and what He was able to do for the poor possessed man. Here's our challenge: If an evil spirit can recognize Jesus, how much more should we be able to recognize Him? Look for Jesus this week in the most unusual places and the most unassuming people!



A VIEW FROM THE PEW: AND TO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN.

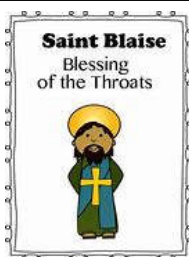
Time flies, and in a few weeks it will be Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Distribution of ashes will be a little different this year because of Covid-19, but the meaning will still be the same. Ashes will be sprinkled on the crown of the head instead of the cross mark made on the forehead. Although this would seem different in our country, this form of distribution is the norm at the Vatican and other countries in Europe. The beginning of Lent might look a little different this year, but nothing has really changed; it's a time to turn back to God. "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

IN-PERSON BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES have resumed. This class is **MANDATORY** for **ALL** those parents wishing to have their children baptized. Classes for both parishes have been consolidated. The next class is at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, March 10th, at Good Shepherd Church in the St. Joseph Room. Please register by calling the Immaculate Conception office at 570-636-3035 or the Good Shepherd office at 570-788-3141. All persons attending the classes must wear face masks. Baptisms have a limit of 25 persons. Social distancing must be observed.



PLANNING A WEDDING? Here are 3 important steps that the church requires:

1. As soon as you are engaged, you should contact the pastor. He will go over with you the paperwork and documentation needed.
2. Once the documentation (Baptism, Communion and Confirmation certificates) is ready, contact the parish office to set up a face-to-face appointment to fill out the Marriage Application.
3. The pastor will go over with the bride and groom the regulations of the church pertaining to the upcoming wedding.



BLESSING OF THROATS will take place during mass on Wednesday, February 3rd, as well as this weekend. The Diocese has issued guidelines for the blessing of throats this year. We will not be blessing individual throats because of the social distancing situation with the Covid-19 virus. Blessing of throats will be at the end of mass before the distribution of communion from the altar.