

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 2, 2020

		†	MASS INTENTIONS	†
Sat.	2/1	4:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Former St. Anthony's Choir By Marie	
Sun.	2/2	11:00 AM	Edward and Mary Carter by Their Daughter and Family	
Mon.	2/3	7:00 PM	John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family	
Tue.	2/4	7:00 AM	Charles and Mary Ravina and Daughter Jennie by Francis and Marie Shovlin	
Wed.	2/5	7:00 AM	Margaret Koslop by Joe Belusko	
Thur.	2/6	7:00 AM	Patrick Thomas by Mrs. Loretta DeBalko	
Fri.	2/7	7:00 AM	Deceased Members of the Poppalardo Family by Annette	
Sat.	2/8	4:00 PM	Emil Barna, Sr. by His Wife Bernadine, Tina, Martha, and Michael Witchin	
Sun.	2/9	11:00 AM	John and Irene Komishock by the Turri Family	



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,454.00; Loose \$151.00; Dues \$2,054.00; Care and Education of Priests \$15.00; Initial Offering \$50.00; Immaculate Conception \$5.00; Solemnity of Mary \$5.00; Poor Box \$226.77

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Edward and Mary Carter by Their Daughter and Family



MEMORIAL DONATION of \$50.00 was made in Memory of the Thomas and Reczkowski Families from Brian Thomas.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS in Memory of Gertie Opert: \$100.00 by Christopher Durso; \$100.00 by John and Dolores Durso; \$50.00 by John and Barbraa Durso

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MEMORIAL DONATION of \$25.00 was made in Memory of Father Richard Zavacki by Dan Ravina.



LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING on Monday, February 3rd, at 5:45 PM in the rectory.



Our Confirmation Class families are beginning preparations for the Children's Bingo to be held **Sunday, February 23rd** at Good Shepherd parish in Drums. Doors open at 12:00 PM and BINGO begins at 1:00 PM.

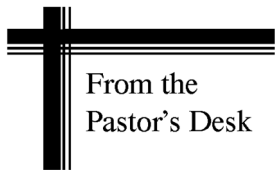
Anyone who would like to donate a tricky tray for this event can do so by **February 18th**. Donations can be brought to the church office Monday through

Thursday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Please keep in mind that this year's Confirmation will be a combined sacrament of our three parishes with Bishop Bambara. The prizes for the kids are amazing and there are also two 32" flat screen TVs! Lots of fun and great prizes!

February 16th is the 4th Grade Children's Mass will be at the 11:00 AM Mass.

On **February 22nd**, the Second Grade Students will receive First Reconciliation at 12:00 PM. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare for this beautiful sacrament.





From the
Pastor's Desk

This weekend the church celebrates the Presentation of the Lord. It is a feast that takes place 40 days after Christmas (hard to believe we are 40 days away from Christmas). Mary and Joseph have an encounter with a man named Simeon. He had been told by God that he would not die until he saw the Messiah. Simeon sees the Messiah in the baby Jesus. It must have been hard for Simeon to look into the eyes of that Child and see the hope for salvation for the world. We are challenged to be Simeon. Look for Jesus where you least expect Him. See Him in the eyes of those you love. Be Simeon - encounter Jesus!



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, SNOW PHILOSOPHY

It's that time of the year, the dreary months of February and early March. We've been lucky in the snow department, but I'm sure it's only a matter of time for at least one storm. Here are a few quotes using snow for encouragement.

- "A snowflake is one of God's most fragile creations but look what they can do when they stick together!" - Unknown Author.
- "Kindness is like snow; it beautifies everything it covers."-Khalil Gibran. We should all pray for a few feet of kindness!
- One last thing to ponder, "The future lies before you, like a field of fallen snow; be careful how you tread it, for every step will show."- Unknown Author



DIOCESAN APPEAL DONORS: Ms. Marie Cudwadie; Mrs. Mary Lou Potoskie; M/M Joseph Wizda

JUST A REMINDER: Tax season will soon be upon us. If you want credit on your 2019 parish contributions for tax purposes, please have your 2019 envelopes in as quickly as possible.



If you want a statement of your contributions for 2019, please email us in the parish office at secretary@ourladyfreeland.org.



SANCTUARY LAMP is kept continually lit to indicate and honor the presence of Christ." The red sanctuary lamp is a sign that the Lord is always present. If you would like to have this lamp burning in memory of your loved one, you can schedule it by the week. The cost for each week is \$25.00. If you would like to reserve the Sanctuary Lamp, please call the parish office at 570-636-3035.

FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS: We are once again sponsoring the Forget-Me-Not Gift Bags for our elderly parishioners. If you would like to register for a gift bag or would like to register a 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 27th.**



LOTTERY TICKETS for March are now on sale in the back of the church.



TRICKY TRAYS are needed for the Mardi Gras on **February 22nd**. Please call Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720 as soon as possible. The tricky trays are due on Friday, February 14th, so that they can be displayed at the masses. The number of tickets to the Mardi Gras is limited to 100 tickets and must be purchased by **February 10th**. Don't miss out on a fun evening of great food and great music!