



Good Shepherd Parish

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2023



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday, February 4

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

Sunday, February 5

8:00AM Pina & Renato Castiglione ~ Family

9:30AM John Ratchko ~ Family

Monday, February 6

8:00AM James Celement ~ Maureen & Joe Umbriac

Tuesday, February 7

8:00 AM Jim Bertolini ~ Wife & Children

Wednesday, February 8

8:00AM Lewis Ladzenski ~ Jane Davis

Thursday, February 9

8:00AM Dr. Barry Kraynack ~ Wife & Children

Friday, February 10

8:00AM Rose Lombardi ~ Niece, Kimberly Martin & Family

Saturday, February 11

6:00PM Elizabeth Christino ~ Savattieri Family

Sunday, February 12

8:00AM Gloria Markowski ~ Bob & Judy

9:30AM Michael Shewack ~ Wife, Rose Marie & Family

Stewardship

January 28 & 29: Loose \$651; Offertory \$3,117; Dues \$480; Holy Days \$15; Christmas \$10, Capital Improvement \$20; Care & Education of Priests \$56; Latin America \$15
Mass Attendance – 483



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **Jim Bertolini** by Wife & Children



The **Rose for Life** this week is for **ALL the Holy Souls in Purgatory** by Queen of Hearts Rosary Group



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 **6:00PM**.



Monthly Breakfast: Breakfast is this **Sunday, February 5**, at Good Shepherd Church Hall. The menu includes ham, bacon, eggs to order,

potatoes, pancakes, pastry, yogurt, orange juice, coffee, tea, and chocolate milk. The cost is \$9.00/adult and \$4.00/child. Serving time is from 8:00 AM until 11:00 PM.

We welcome Robert & Debby Shandrick as our newest members.

2022 Contributions: If you would like a statement of your 2022 contributions please contact the office.



The Valley Food Pantry helps those in need of food, paper products, and hygienic articles. We have been asked to collect powdered drink mix, canned chili and beef stew and tissues. If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219.

GSC Bingo needs a Bingo Coordinator: Duties of the Bingo Coordinator are to be responsible for getting the church hall ready on the day of Bingo and being present throughout the Bingo. This includes setting up the sales room where bingo supplies are sold, putting the players' reservation cards on the tables, and helping out whenever needed during the Bingo. Orientation and on-the-job training will be provided. Bingo is one of the biggest fundraisers for the church. Please consider this need for the benefit of the church. Interested persons are to call the church office 570-788-3141.

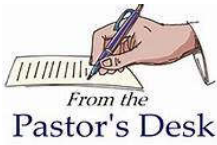
Halupki Rolling: A HUGE thank you to all who came to help. We will be doing it again on **February 25 at 9AM**.

Chili Sale: \$10.00 a quart, **February 11, 9AM** till sold out.

Lenten Scripture Sessions: Rev. Connell A. McHugh, will offer a Lenten Scripture series in Good Shepherd hall beginning on **Wednesday, March 1 at 9AM** and continuing throughout the month of March for 5 consecutive Wednesdays at the same time. Reservations for the series are encouraged by calling the office at 570-788-3141. The sessions are open to the public free of charge. Fr. McHugh will present the following topics: **March 1** – The Letter to the Hebrews, **March 8** – Apocryphal Writings, **March 15** – Lost or False Gospels, The Formation of the New Testament Canon, **March 22** – New Testament Apocalyptic and **March 29** – Mary in the New Testament. Notes will be provided. Topics will be highlighted in the Parish bulletin the weekend before the presentation. Join an established Scripture group which has been meeting for over 15 consecutive years.

Salvation Army Soup Kitchen: Our next meal will be **Wednesday, February 8**. Team members who are serving are asked to be at the Soup Kitchen from **10:30AM – 12:15 PM**. If you are interested in more information on this parish ministry, please contact the parish office or Dorothy Beozzo at 570-764-6359.

The combined Pastoral Council is asking for your input regarding the implementation of our Pastoral Plans. Each parishioner is asked to please complete a short survey. A link to this survey can be found on the websites of both parishes (or it can be reached directly at <https://forms.gle/eNEUmbHVQQBD84u98>). Or you can complete the paper copy inserted in the bulletin. Paper copies can be returned in the collection basket next weekend. Thank you for your input and cooperation!.



Message from Father Mike...

I have always been attracted to light. Not just walking into room and turning on a switch or headlights in a car. The light I'm attracted to most happens in darkness. On the Fourth of July I love looking up into the sky and seeing the bright lights of the fireworks. How many of us love walking into a dark room and seeing the lights of a Christmas tree. Being out in the woods camping and sitting around the light of a campfire is often mesmerizing. I guess you've seen the theme here.

This weekend's Gospel challenges us to be the light of the world. But the challenge goes just a little bit deeper. We need to enter people's lives at their darkest moments. There are times when people are hurting. Maybe it's the loss of an elderly grandmother or an infant child. Maybe it's the diagnosis of terminal cancer or sudden death from a heart attack. This week look into the darkness and be the light to those who need it. You are the light of the world!

DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE



FEBRUARY 22ND

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

7:00 AM Mass
4:00 PM Service
7:00 PM Mass

GOOD SHEPHERD

8:00 AM Mass
12:00 PM Service
4:00 PM Service

ST. PATRICK

8:00 AM Mass
6:00 PM Mass

Just a Reminder: Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. Everyone ages 18-59 should fast by eating only one full meal, and everyone ages 14 and older must abstain from eating meat. **Every Friday during Lent is a day of abstinence from eating meat.**



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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.



Immaculate Conception Parish

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✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

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

Sun. 2/5 11:00 AM
Michael Plaksa by the McDermott Family

Mon. 2/6 7:00 PM
Joseph and Stephen Laganosky by Mon and Dad

Tue. 2/7 7:00 AM
George Evancho, Sr. by Diane and Charles Ferry

Wed. 2/8 7:00 AM
Rev. John Melnick by Mary

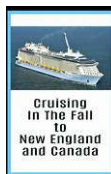
Thur. 2/9 7:00 AM
Msgr. Arthur Kaschenbach by Mary

Fri. 2/10 7:00 AM
John and Irene Komishock by the Turriss

Sat. 2/11 4:00 PM
Emil Barna by His Wife Bernadine, Daughters Tina and Martha, and son-in-Law Michael

Sun. 2/12 11:00 AM
Eugene Zynel, Sr. by His Wife JoAnn and Family

HOUR OF KINDNESS MINISTRY will meet at 9:00 AM on Saturday, February 25th, to write out St. Patrick's Day cards for our treasured elderly and homebound parishioners. Please use the Chestnut Street entrance. Everyone who has an hour to spare is welcome to come and enjoy this hour of kindness.



There are brochures available at the entrances to the church and also in the parish office for anyone who would like information on our parish cruise to New England and Canada in September.



DEADLINE TO PURCHASE MARDI GRAS TICKETS IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH.



FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS:

The Messengers of Hope are once again sponsoring the Forget-Me-Not Gift Bags for our elderly and homebound parishioners. If you, a friend, or loved one would like to receive a Forget-Me-Not Bag, please call Janet at the parish office and register. If you are already on our Hour of Kindness Greeting Card List, you are already registered. 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 so we know that all of our treasured elderly and homebound will be remembered. If you would like to prepare a bag for a specific person, please call Janet in the parish office 570-636-3035 and let her know.



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$2,826; Loose \$107; Dues \$747; Care and Education of Priests \$84; Capital Improvement \$180; Other \$164; Poor Box \$122.

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Joseph and Stephen Laganosky by Mom & Dad 



OUR SACRISTY CANDLE is burning this week in Memory of Michael Plaksa by the McDermott Family



Eucharistic Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **every third Monday** at 6:00 PM before evening mass. The next devotion will be on **Monday, February 20th. Exposition will also take place at 6:00 PM before each of the 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross each Friday in Lent.** Why not stop by and spend some time with your Savior.

meeting

PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on **Tuesday, February 7th, at 6:30 PM** at Good Shepherd Parish

COMMUNITY/SERVICE TEAM will meet on **Wednesday, February 8th, at 6:00 PM** in the church.



Our Community-Service Team is requesting canned soup, soup mixes, crackers, and oatmeal for February. We thank all who support those in need in our community.

