

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 6, 2022

† MASS INTENTIONS †

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| Sat. | 2/5 | 4:00 PM | Emil Barna by his Wife Bernadine, Daughters Tina and Martha, and Son-in-Law Michael |
| Sun. | 2/6 | 11:00 AM | Rose and John Iacurci by their Daughter Joan |
| Mon. | 2/7 | 7:00 PM | John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family |
| Tue. | 2/8 | 7:00 AM | Mary Yakubowski by Therese Morrison |
| Wed. | 2/9 | 7:00 AM | Robert Williams by His Family |
| Thur. | 2/10 | 7:00 AM | The Deceased Members of the Poppalardo Family by Annette |
| Fri. | 2/11 | 7:00 AM | Eugene Zynel, Sr. by JoAnn and Family |
| Sat. | 2/12 | 4:00 PM | Eva Fogash by Her Children Paula, Carol, and Carl |
| Sun. | 2/13 | 11:00 AM | John and Irene Komishock by the Turri Family |



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$2,133.00; Loose \$98.00; Dues \$752.00; Care and Education of Priests \$11.00; Other 127.00; Poor Box \$594.00



CANDLES ON THE ALTAR AND OUR SANCTUARY LAMP

in Memory of John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family



are burning this week



MEMORIAL DONATION of \$25.00 was made in Memory of Helen Howanitz by Robert Wienczkowski, Jr. and Family.

MEMORIAL DONATION of \$75.00 was made in Memory of Helen Howanitz by Donald and Christina Dilworth.



Meeting
Reminder

WORD/WORSHIP LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, February 7th, at 7:30 PM.



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 (570-636-3035) 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 bulletin. Please take a tag off the tree so we know that all of our treasured elderly and homebound will be remembered!





A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE:

For several years I would take my dad deep sea fishing on the Miss Avalon for his birthday in August. It was a half-day trip. I would buy a couple of hoagies (that's what we call them in the Philly area) and bottled water. To be honest, I disliked the trips. I got sea sick every time. They didn't need "chum" when I was on board. I went because my dad liked to go fishing, at least that's what I thought. I found out later HE thought I liked fishing and that's why he went. We did spend time with each other and it's a memory I won't forget.

In this weekend's Gospel Jesus challenges us ALL to be fishermen. We are called to cast our rods or nets and bring others to Jesus. Be creative in how you do it. I am not the greatest fisherman in the world, but I do know how to cast the net. Maybe just spending time with someone you care about will be all that's needed. My dad did catch fish when we were on the Miss Avalon. He caught a son who became a priest.



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, THE CHURCH IS LISTENING.

The **SYNOD ON SYNODALITY** was explained in detail in last week's bulletin and one might shrug their shoulders and think so how does this affect me? When you think about it, I don't recall anyone from the Vatican making a direct attempt to hear what's on the mind of the faithful in my parish and diocese. So, here's your chance to be heard. It's only 25 questions with space to write in your concerns or suggestions. Why not give it a try, you can access the survey at www.dioceseofscranton.org 2021-2023 synod on Synodality.together.

GOOD SHEPHERD TUESDAY BINGO IS BACK! The kitchen opens at 5:00 PM and our Early Bird game begins at 6:00 PM.



BINGO AT ST. PATRICK'S on the second Wednesday of every month. Parish center doors open and food is available at 5:00 PM. Games start at 6:00 PM game.



Our Parish Community-Service Coordinating Team is requesting paper products for the month of February. Thank you for any donations you can provide to assist those individuals and families in need in our community.



TICKETS FOR THE PARISH MARDI GRAS which will be held on Saturday, February 26th, in Immaculate Conception's Parish Center, are on sale after each of the weekend masses and also in the parish office. Cost is \$25.00 per person. BYOB. Music will be by Father Mike and His Heavenly Delights. Deadline for ticket purchase is Sunday, February 13th.

EVENTS

FAITH FORMATION NEWS: On February 13th, the 11:00 AM mass will be the 4th Grade Children's Mass.



There will be no classes on February 20th in observance of Presidents' Day.

NO SCHOOL

On Saturday, February 26th, our second grade will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. Please keep our students in your prayers.



BASEBALL SIGNUPS AGES 4 - 12 YEARS OLD

<http://clubs.bluesombrero.com/freelandll>



IN PERSON REGISTRATION -

TUESDAY 6:30- 8:00 PM @ HARP-601 S POPLAR ST. HAZLETON, PA 18201
THURSDAY 6:30- 8:00 PM @ HARP-601 S POPLAR ST. HAZLETON, PA 18201
SATURDAY 11:00 -1:00 PM @ HARP-601 S POPLAR ST. HAZLETON, PA 18201
SATURDAY 12:00-1:00 PM FREELAND BOWLING ALLEY
SUNDAY 1:00-3:00 PM FREELAND YMCA - JAN 30TH, FEB 6TH, FEB 13TH ONLY

REGISTRATION IS \$25.00 PER CHILD - LAST DAY TO SIGN UP IS FEB 26TH.

INSCRIPCIONES DE BEISBOL EADAES 4 - 12 AÑOS

REGISTRO EN PERSONA -

MARTES 6:30- 8:00 PM @ HARP-601 S POPLAR ST. HAZLETON, PA 18201
JUEVES 6:30- 8:00 PM @ HARP-601 S POPLAR ST. HAZLETON, PA 18201
SABADO 11:00 -1:00 PM @ HARP-601 S POPLAR ST. HAZLETON, PA 18201
SABADO 12:00-1:00 PM BOLERO FREELAND
DOMINGO 1:00-3:00 PM FREELAND YMCA - FRONT STREET
SOLO EL 30 DE ENERO, DE 6 FEBRERO, DE 13 FEBRERO



LA INSCRIPCION CUETA \$25.00 POR NIÑO; ULTIMO DIA PARA INSCRIBIRSE EL 26 DE FEBRERO

REGISTRATION LINK @ FREELAND LITTLE LEAGUE ON FACEBOOK

❖ Dear Deacon Jim,

During masses we change from sitting to standing to kneeling often. What is the meaning/reason behind the different postures?

❖ Response

In the celebration of the Mass, we raise our hearts, minds, and voices to God. As creatures composed of body as well as spirit, we also pray with our bodies. These postures of standing, kneeling, and sitting are not merely ceremonial. Rather, they have profound meaning and enhance our personal participation in the liturgy more attentively. In fact, these actions are the way in which we engage our bodies in the prayer that is the Mass

Each posture we assume at Mass underlines and reinforces the meaning of the action in which we are taking part at that moment in our worship.

Standing is a sign of respect and honor, so we stand as the celebrant who represents Christ and the other ministers process into and leave the assembly. This posture, from the earliest days of the Church, has been understood as the stance of those who are risen with Christ and seek the things that are above. When we stand for prayer we assume our full stature before God, in humble gratitude for the marvelous thing God has done in creating and redeeming each one of us. We stand for the Gospel, because we acknowledge that it is Christ himself speaking to us when it is proclaimed. The bishops of the United States have chosen standing as the normal posture for the reception of Holy Communion in this country.

Kneeling signified penance in the early Church. The awareness of sin casts us to the ground! Kneeling is identified with penance. In the Middle Ages kneeling came to signify the homage of a vassal to his lord, and more recently this posture has come to signify humble adoration. It is for this reason that the bishops of the United States have chosen kneeling for the assembly during the Eucharistic Prayer, from singing the Holy, Holy, until after singing the Great Amen.

Sitting is the posture of attentive listening and of meditation. So, the congregation sits for the readings before the Gospel and the homily and may also sit for a period of meditation following Communion.

Deacon Jim