

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

† MASS INTENTIONS †

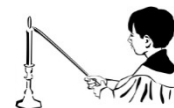
Sat.	2/13	4:00 PM	John and Irene Komishock by the Turri Family
Sun.	2/14	11:00 AM	Jean Iben by Her Husband and Daughter
Mon.	2/15	7:00 PM	Henry Kopczynskie by Anna Marie Kopczynskie
Tue.	2/16	7:00 AM	Eugene Kudla by His Wife and Niece
Wed.	2/17	7:00 AM	Ash Wednesday Edward and David Marmello by Janet Amentler and Gene Resuta
		7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Robert Kisatsky by Jim & Monica Paulshock
Thur.	2/18	7:00 AM	Tammy Crofcheck by Her Dad
Fri.	2/19	7:00 AM	Mary Hanusek by Her Children Susie, Stephen, & Mary Ann
Sat.	2/20	4:00 PM	Martin C. Nocchi by His Wife and Children
Sun.	2/21	11:00 AM	Betty Lonsetta by John and Sandy Sabo



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$1,685.00; Loose \$32.00; Dues \$353.00; Care and Education of Priests \$249.00; Solemnity of Mary \$10.00; Initial Offering \$40.00; Ash Wednesday \$35.00; Church in Europe \$35.00; Poor Box \$111.00

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Henry Kopczynskie by Anna Marie Kopczynskie



MEMORIAL DONATION of \$50.00 was made in Memory of Mary Berta Hanusek by Carol Columbo and \$50.00 by the Berta Family.

ASH WEDNESDAY is this Wednesday, **February 17th**. Ashes will be distributed after Communion at the 7:00 AM mass, at the 4:00 PM prayer service, and after Communion at the 7:00 PM mass. This year due to COVID restrictions, ashes will not be placed on the forehead. Instead, a small amount will be sprinkled on the crown of the head. **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.**



ALL MASSES LIVESTREAMED BEGINNING IN LENT:

Our new camera system will allow you to watch **ALL MASSES** in both churches (weekday, weekend, holy days, and even Stations of the Cross). The link for all services is as follows: [YouTube.com/channel/UCRogmn_HRMsPzAq4XSysm3w](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRogmn_HRMsPzAq4XSysm3w).



STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be offered every Friday during Lent at noon and again at 7:00 PM beginning this Friday, February 19th. The evening Stations will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 6:00 to 6:55 PM.

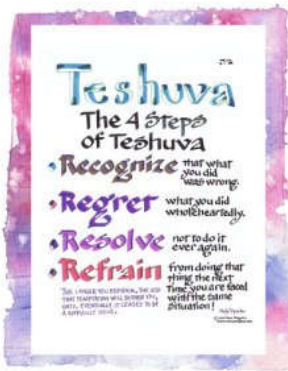




A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE:

This Wednesday February 17th, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season. What a year this has been for all of us! I'm taking back to my childhood days when we would give up something for Lent. My biggest struggle was ice cream. This Lenten season I'm going to ask you to focus on doing something rather than not doing something. Because of the pandemic I know that many of you have been unable to come to church. It certainly is understandable. Beginning Ash Wednesday every service in every church will be available online. You simply go to the website, click on the link, and you can go to Daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, and of course, our regular weekend masses. This will be an opportunity for you in your own very quiet way to do something extra during the Lenten season. In addition to these videos, we will have extra opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In this weekend's Gospel, a leper is cured of his leprosy. He walked away rejoicing after he was cured. It is my hope that we come to the end of the Lenten season rejoicing for the healing that has occurred in all of us.

A VIEW FROM THE PEW, "TESHUVA".



Teshuva is a Hebrew word often associated with repentance, but it is more accurately understood as turning back to God and to obey Him - a good word to describe our Lenten journey which begins on Ash Wednesday. To turn back we must first stop and realize we are going in the wrong direction. Often, this is not easy; just ask any guy who is lost on some highway but ignores his wife urging him to stop and ask for directions! Pride and arrogance always seem to get in the way, even when it comes to our faith. Now would be a good time to

to assess the direction we are headed and maybe stop and take these few words to heart. "Repent and believe in the Gospel."

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.

