



Good Shepherd Parish

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday, February 18

6:00PM Kathleen Carr ~ CotJ Friends

Sunday, February 19

8:00AM Helms Buchman ~ M/M John Lonczynski

9:30AM Edward Verbonitz (5th Anniversary) ~ Wife, Marie & Sons, Richard & Robert

Monday, February 20

8:00AM Thomas Chuckra ~ Mike & Barbara Tulanoski

Tuesday, February 21

8:00 AM Joseph & Agnes Falatko ~ Chris & Tiffany Salemi

Wednesday, February 22

8:00AM Platania Family ~ Vic & Aggie

12:00 PM Prayer Service (with ashes)

4:00 PM Prayer Service (with ashes)

Thursday, February 23

8:00AM John Stahura ~ Daughters, Marge & Joanne

Friday, February 24

8:00AM Mary Wilson ~ Family

Saturday, February 25

6:00PM William Amerise & Rita Amerise ~ Siblings & Children

Sunday, February 26

8:00AM Aniello DeCocinis ~ Wife, Children & Grandchildren

9:30AM Monsignor Arthur Kaschenbach ~ Good Shepherd Pro-Lifers

Stewardship

February 11 & 12: Loose \$834; Offertory \$2,924; Dues \$1,063; Easter \$5; Christmas \$5; Capital Improvement \$50; Annual Appeal Supplement \$291; Care & Education of Priests \$52; Eastern Europe \$35; Ash Wednesday \$26
Mass Attendance – 574



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **Platania Family** by Vic & Aggie



The **Rose for Life** this week in memory of **Frederick R. Proske** by Mary, Allison & Richard



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**.

We welcome **Mary Pavlik, John & Jill Zola, Michael Zola, Anthony Zola, Robert & Lesley Cauley, Donald Leshko & Mark & Melissa Molnar** as our newest members.



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

We would like to congratulate the second graders who recently received the sacrament of First Penance:

**Xander Cabrera - Lucas Coles - Mason Demshock
Aiden Ferdinand - Isabelle Gutsie - Sadie Hess
Jayson Kalinowski - Shay Lindsay - Christian Miller
Rex Molinaro - Mateo Podlesney - Marco Scatton
Melanie Slusser - Bryce Testa - Annika Tranguch**

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

Any new parishioners who did not receive raffle tickets, call or stop by the office.

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. Interested persons are to call the church office 570-788-3141.

Halupki Rolling: We will be rolling halupki on **February 25** at **9AM**. Please join us if you can.

Festival Corner



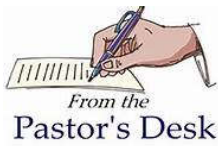
2023 Festival: The 2023 Festival Committee is asking for parishioner support to keep the expense down. For the month of February, we are collecting **Bottles of water**. Thank you for your support! Please check the expiration dates on all items for consumption.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

**8 AM MASS
12 PM SERVICE
4 PM SERVICE**

FRIDAY

**3-3:55 PM EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION
4 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



Message from Father Mike...

"An eye for an eye....a tooth for a tooth....hate your enemies." These words found in this weekend's Gospel were quoted by Jesus to His disciples. Most of them would have yawned at these words. They grew up learning this is how you treat people. It wasn't mean or vindictive, after all, this was scripture. Can you imagine their reaction when He changed things? If someone strikes you, offer the other cheek? Pray for your enemies? Outrageous!

In a world where there IS hate and violence, buck the system. Turn that cheek, pray for those who hate you! Yes, it's outrageous, but it's the New Testament and it's what Jesus wants us to do.

Ash Wednesday will be upon us this coming week. Maybe for Lent this year we can focus on turning the other cheek and loving our enemies - it will drive them crazy.

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.**



Pastoral Plan Survey – 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/eNEUmbHVQOBD84u98>). 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!



MARIAN FILLIES SOFTBALL PRESEASON CLINIC for girls in grades 3-8 interested in softball. Saturday, March 4th, 9AM-Noon, \$20 per player Join us for instruction, practice, throwing, hitting, fielding- and for the pure enjoyment of the sport and friendship. Participants should wear sneakers and bring personal softball equipment. Register by contacting Coach Deangelo at jdeangelo@mariancatholics.org

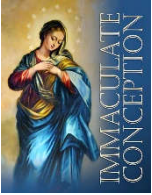


It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter 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.

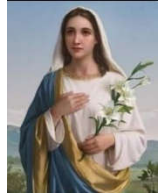
It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 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.

Do You Need to Chat?: I was once told by my Spiritual Director: "Michael, no matter how good you are or how bad you are, you will undoubtedly get unsigned letters. Look for the signature and if there is none, throw it out without reading it." My door is always open. ~ ~ *Father Mike (see, I signed MY name!)*

If you have scheduled a weekend mass and you wish to take the gifts up, please tell an ambassador.



Immaculate Conception Parish Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time February 19, 2023



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Sat. 2/18 4:00 PM
M/M Michael Slank and M/M Michael Serock by John, Mary Ann, and Scott Slank

Sun. 2/19 11:00 AM
Richard J. Mladek and Thomas Mark Kopczynskie by Matthew and Debra Kopczynskie

Mon. 2/20 7:00 PM
Shirley Nitka by Her Daughter Linda

Tue. 2/21 7:00 AM
Catherine Hrino by Her Husband Ben

Wed. 2/22 7:00 AM
John and Betty Kostick by Their Daughters
7:00 PM
James Bradley by Angie Dwyer

Thur. 2/23 7:00 AM
John Rodriguez by Ruth Mason and Family

Fri. 2/24 7:00 AM
Marie Shovlin by Feussner Ford

Sat. 2/26 4:00 PM
Andrew Blasko, Sr. by Paula

Sun. 2/27 11:00 AM
Michael Plaska and Vera Roby by His Wife Anna Plaska and Family



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,036; Loose \$204; Dues \$551: Care and Education of Priests \$107; Capital Improvement \$62; Other \$145: Poor Box \$103

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Richard J. Mladek and Thomas Mark Kopczynskie by Matthew and Debra Kopczynskie



OUR SACRISTY CANDLE is burning this week in Memory of Steve Korol by His Wife JoAnne.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS in Memory of Marie Shovlin: \$200 by Joseph E. and Marguerite C. Crowne; \$100 by Brian and Jessica Berezna. \$100 by James and Dana Berezna; \$100 by VFW Post 5010 Auxiliary; \$50 by Carol and Paul Warner; \$30 by Gene Dellacroce; \$25 by Jeff Nesler; \$25 by David and Darlene Antolick



SINCERE THANKS TO THE LEGION OF MARY for their donation of \$150 towards the Lenten And Easter Devotional Booklets.

FORGET-ME-NOT GIFT BAGS tags are due on the altar or in the parish office no later than March 26th.



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.

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.



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.

RUMMAGE SALE ITEMS can be **dropped off at 534 Center St. (Next to Videomania).** Call Mary Lloyd at **570-578-6720 TO ARRANGE A TIME** to drop your items off and for details on the rummage sale. No furniture, clothing, or appliances.

