



# SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 8, 2020



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| Sat.  | 3/7  | 4:00 PM  | Deceased Members of the John Barna and John Brezina Families by Their Family |   |
| Sun.  | 3/8  | 11:00 AM | Leonard Solarek by His Wife Carol and Daughter Bernadette                    |   |
| Mon.  | 3/9  | 7:00 PM  | Helen Sherban Howanitz by Her Daughters, Son, and Grandchildren              |   |
| Tue.  | 3/10 | 7:00 AM  | Deceased Members of the Dudinyak Family by Richard And Elizabeth             |   |
| Wed.  | 3/11 | 7:00 AM  | Dolores Buchman by Her Friend Pauline Slusser                                |   |
| Thur. | 3/12 | 7:00 AM  | Mary Starruick by Mr. and Mrs. Leo Thomas                                    |   |
| Fri.  | 3/13 | 7:00 AM  | Deceased Members of the Yacknovich Family by Annette                         |   |
| Sat.  | 3/14 | 4:00 PM  | Mike and Helen Michalesko by Jack and Lynn Jastremsky                        |   |
| Sun.  | 3/15 | 11:00 AM | Deceased Members of the Sons of Erin   |   |



### Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,328.00; Loose \$109.25; Dues \$1,235.00; Care and Education of Priests \$467.00; Ash Wednesday \$593.00; Church in Europe \$241.00; Easter Flowers \$46.00; Initial Offering \$15.00; Catholic Relief \$5.00; Poor Box \$166.29

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Honor of Katherine Lutz's 98th Birthday By Her Family

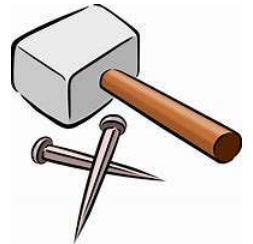


**SANCTUARY LAMP** is burning this week in Memory of Richard Poluka by His Wife Theresa and Family

**MEMORIAL DONATIONS** of \$25.00 were made in Memory of Gertrude Opert by Martha Opert and also by the Alshefski Family.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be offered at Immaculate Conception Parish every Friday during Lent at noon and again at 7:00 PM beginning this Friday, February 28th. The evening Stations will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 6:00 to 6:55 PM. Stations of the Cross will be offered at Good Shepherd Parish every Friday at 4:00 PM with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 3:00 - 3:45 PM and Benediction at 3:45 PM.



**FAITH FORMATION NEWS:** On March 15th the 11:00 AM mass will be the Third Grade Children's Mass.

Reminder: On March 29th there is no class.

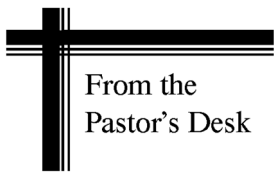


FAITH FORMATION



Classes resume on Sunday, April 5th. We are asking all students and their families to meet in the Parish Center to participate in the Palm Sunday Procession.

Palm Sunday



From the  
Pastor's Desk

For the past two weekends most of you sat in church and looked up at the bread and chalice in front of the altar. Maybe you were there on Ash Wednesday and received the wood coin with the phrase: Not By Bread Alone. This weekend's Gospel was the story of the Transfiguration. Peter, James and John were able to see Jesus

Transformed into His Divine state. Here's a challenge: Hold the wooden coin in your pocket and ask yourself if the Bread Of Life will transform YOU this Lenten season? It is the Bread of Life that will hopefully change you this Lent!



### A VIEW FROM THE PEW, FASTING ON ANGER.

Bishop Schlert (Bishop of Allentown) in his Lenten Pastoral Letter for 2020 had an interesting take on the Stations of the Cross and anger. In each station the reflection deals with anger which is overflowing in almost every aspect of our lives in this country. Rather than list them all, I thought the Tenth Station was appropriate, especially for our younger parishioners. The Tenth Station: Jesus is Stripped of His Clothes - "In my anger, do I strip someone of his or her dignity or good name by what I say about them, what I post on social media, or how I act toward them?" Social Media is such an easy way to reach many people, but once your words are out there, they're out there! Maybe a fast on anger isn't such a bad idea!



**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. Tags are now hanging on the tree. Please have all bags on the altar or in the parish office by **Sunday, March 28th**, so that we can get them organized and ready for delivery. If anyone would like to volunteer to help deliver bags to our nursing home residents and local Freeland residents, please contact Janet in the parish office at 570-636-3035.



**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS:** Our next Baptismal Preparation Class with Deacon Jim will be held on **Tuesday, March 24th**, at Immaculate Conception and on **Thursday, March 26th**, at Good Shepherd. This class is mandatory for ALL parents wishing to baptize their children. Please register by calling the parish office of Immaculate Conception at 570-636-3035 or Good Shepherd at 570-788-3141.



**HOUR OF KINDNESS** will meet on **Saturday, March 14th, at 9:00 AM** in the rectory to sign and address Easter cards for our nursing home residents and shut-ins. Anyone who would like to donate an hour of kindness is welcome and encouraged to come.



**LOOKING FOR SOME EXTRA CASH?** Calvary cemetery is looking for part time summer help to help with cemetery maintenance Cutting grass and weed whacking. The perfect job for anyone who wants to get outside and make some extra money. The position available pays \$8.00 per hour. The work is 29 hours per week and no weekends The positions starts around April 13th and ends toward the end of September. All interested applicants should stop in the cemetery office between 8:30 am and Noon and 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM Monday - Friday or on Saturday between 8:00 AM and Noon for an application.



**FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION** for March is red beets, vinegar, and mayonnaise.



**TICKETS FOR GOOD SHEPHERD'S BAKED FISH DINNER** on Friday, March 20th, are available in our parish office and also in the back of the church after each of the weekend masses. The dinner is take-out only from 4:00 - 7:00 PM, and the cost is \$15.00.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE AND BANQUET** will take place on **Saturday, March 14, 2020**. Parade kicks off **AT NOON** from MMI Parking Lot. All are welcome to march - be there by 11:40 AM. The Banquet will be held at Sand Springs with Cocktails at 3:00 PM and Dinner at 4:00 PM. Beer and



wine are included. DJ Music Master from 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Cost is \$35.00 per person. Come join us for a great time and great food! Tickets are available at the YMCA or Bear Brogan 570-650-7630. You may also reserve a table for 8.



**PARISH BUS TRIP** to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on Thursday, Apr 23rd, to see "Sherlock Returns." Cost is \$85.00 which includes the show, lunch, bus and gratuity. Call Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720. Deadline for tickets is April 3rd.



**OUR HAM BINGO** is Sunday, March 29th in the Parish Center. Kitchen opens at 11:30 AM, early Birds at 12:30 PM, Regular Bingo starts at 1:00 PM. Baked goods would be greatly appreciated. Come out and play! Enjoy good food, fun, and a chance to win your Easter ham!

