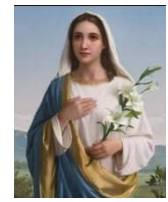




# Immaculate Conception Parish


## Third Sunday of Lent

### March 12, 2023



#### ✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

**Sat. 3/11 4:00 PM**  
Deceased Members of the John Barna and John Brezina Families by Their Family

**Sun. 3/12 11:00 AM**   
Sons of Erin

**Mon. 3/13 9:00 TV Mass**  
John A. Ancharski by Tom and Rachel Buff  
**7:00 PM**  
Joseph Mattavi and Family by His Wife Rose and Family

**Tue. 3/14 7:00 AM**  
Anna Marie Zawatsky by John Kopczynskie and Lisa Saracolla

**Wed. 3/15 7:00 AM**  
Joseph Baron by Donna Austin

**Thur. 3/16 7:00 AM**  
Agnes Zawatsky by Melissa Balon

**Fri. 3/17 7:00 AM**  
Grace Komishock, Art Kimmel, Sr. and Arty Kimmel by Michele and Marty Kimmel

**Sat. 3/18 4:00 PM**  
Joseph J. Adams by Sandra and William Kuklis

**Sun. 3/19 11:00 AM**  
Daniel Chitswara by the Chitswara Family, Pilar, Nieces and Nephews

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



**EASTER BINGO** will be held on Thursday, March 30th, in our Parish Center. Early Birds and Specials are \$1.00 Each. Kitchen opens at 4:30 PM. Early Birds start at 5:30 PM. Regular Bingo starts at 6:00 PM. \$35 Cash Prize Per Game. 4 Specials with a \$50 prize each. Last Special \$100 prize. Tricky Trays Will Be Available!!



**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every third Monday at 6:00 PM before evening mass. The next devotion will be on Monday, March 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.**

#### LOOKING FOR SUMMER WORK?

This summer we are looking for a crew to help with the weed trimming around the tombstones in our cemeteries in Freeland. Competitive salary and flexible hours. If interested call the office of any of our parishes and leave your name and address. Benefits are out of this world!



**Last Weekend:**  
Sunday \$3,080; Loose \$186.34; Care and Education of Priests \$580.62; Capital Improvement \$70; Rice Bowl \$165; Other \$69; Poor Box \$110

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Grace Komishock, Art Kimmel, Sr. and Arty Kimmel by Michele and Marty Kimmel**



**CHILDREN'S COATS** are on sale now that spring is in the air. If you would like to purchase coats for our needy kids in Freeland, please drop them off at the parish office and we will take care of them until our coat giveaway in October. Please keep our needy kids in your prayers.



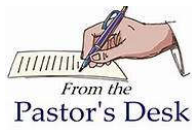
**ROSARY DEVOTIONS** are being said after each of the weekday masses. This is a special time to increase your devotion to our Blessed Mother. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate.

**MEMORIAL DONATION of \$1,000.00 was made in Memory of Caxie and Hilda Murmello by John and Doris Murmello**



**Our Community-Service Team is requesting baked beans, vinegar, red beets, and canned pineapple for March. We thank all who support those in need in our community.**





**Message from Father Mike...**

This weekend you heard the Gospel about the Woman at the well. She, a non-Jewish person and a woman, had an encounter with Jesus. Unheard of in those days! Jesus helped her get the water she needed for her animals and also the water she needed for her soul.

This weekend's banner reads: **FASTING**. The Catholic Church defines Fasting as: *"The reduction of one's intake of food."* There are technically two days during the Lenten Season we are mandated to Fast: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. I am sure many of you are fasting from certain foods like candy, alcohol and deserts (our favorite goodies). This is good for the body and hopefully for the soul. This is where I encourage you to take your Fasting one step further. Do one of the two: 1. Continue Fasting after Easter Sunday. 2. Take the money you saved from Fasting and donate it to the poor.

Please pass the cheesecake. Oh darn, I gave it up for Lent!



**MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS** will be at 6:00 PM on Thursday, April 20th, at Immaculate Conception Church. Please register by calling the Immaculate Conception Parish Office at 570-636-3035 or the Good Shepherd Parish Office at 570-788-3141. Please plan to attend the Baptismal Preparation class well in advance of your baby's birth so that you are aware of all the information necessary to schedule your baby's baptism. Please note, we do not preform Baptisms on healthy infants during the Lenten season. As such, Baptisms should be scheduled after Easter, April 9, 2023.



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:**  
Stations of the Cross Fridays at noon.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 6:00 to 6:55 PM and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM the Cross at 7:00 PM

**GOOD SHEPHERD:**  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 3:00 to 3:55 PM and Stations of the Cross at 4:00 PM

**ST. PATRICK'S:**  
Friday 6:00 PM



**FIFTH ANNUAL DIOCESE OF SCRANTON CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**  
*Refresh Your Faith...With the Holy Spirit* is being held on Saturday, June 10th, at Marywood University. Our Mission is to invigorate and enrich the faith of our sisters in Christ, including the next generation of Catholic women. For more information on how to register, please visit our website <http://www.cwcnepa.com>.

**PYSANKY EGG WORKSHOP** sponsored by the Ladies of Mary Society of Exaltation of the Holy Cross Church, 420 Main Road, Buttonwood, Hanover Township, will be held next Saturday, March 18th, at noon and Sunday, March 19th, at 2:00 PM. Cost is \$30.00 and includes step-by-step instruction through the process, all the supplies needed, and soda/water. Baked goods and light refreshments will be available for purchase. Takeout kits will be available for \$20.00. For more information and/or to make a reservation, contact Nichole Lasecki-Scalia at 570-574-4453 or email [nicholelasecki6@gmail.com](mailto:nicholelasecki6@gmail.com).



The Confirmation classes from Immaculate Conception, Good Shepherd, and St. Pat's will be holding a children's gift card bingo this Sunday March 12th. There will be tricky trays, food, and great prizes!



The next Charismatic Mass and Healing Service at St. John Bosco Church, Conyngham will be Tuesday, March 21st at 7:00 PM. Fr. Naftali and Fr. Sudhir Toppo will concelebrate. Sue Shaw will begin her music ministry at 6:45 PM. Any questions, please call Arlene at 570-788-3643.

**OUR SEXUAL ABUSE POLICY ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCES OF OUR CHURCHES**



# Good Shepherd Parish

## Third Sunday of Lent

### March 12, 2023



#### † MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

##### Saturday, March 11

6:00PM Angelo, Kathleen & Richard Matz ~ Mr & Mrs Edward Awdakimow

##### Sunday, March 12

8:00AM John Ortiz ~ Beech Mountain Friends

9:30AM Czeslawa Kwoka ~ Jamie Popso

##### Monday, March 13

8:00AM Mary Stefanovich ~ Deborah & Patrick Donahue

##### Tuesday, March 14

8:00 AM Fran Romeo ~ Marge Pizzi

##### Wednesday, March 15

8:00AM Eleanor Riche ~ Family

##### Thursday, March 16

8:00AM Joseph Falatko. ~ Mary Uhrin & Family

##### Friday, March 17

8:00AM Parents – Clifford & Cecilia Bobb & Frank & Catherine Olshefski ~ Al & Ronnie Olshefski

##### Saturday, March 18

6:00PM Mr & Mrs Edward Stanek ~ Mr & Mrs Richard Stanek

##### Sunday, March 19

8:00AM Margaret Kostanesky ~ Kostanesky Family

9:30AM William & Dorothy Nitka ~ Mr & Mrs Joseph Clatch

#### Stewardship

**March 4 & 5:** Loose \$610; Offertory \$3,729; Dues \$720; Easter Flowers \$10, Rice Bowl \$5, Capital Improvement \$81; Care & Education of Priests \$241; Ash Wednesday \$41, Eastern Europe \$10  
Mass Attendance – 533



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **Barry N. Fogleman** by Father & Mother-In-Law, Bill & Diane Lindsay



The **Rose for Life** this week is in memory of **Hope Greffe** by friend, Mary Ann.



**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**.

**Toy Bingo** is this **Sunday, March 12**. Doors open at **12:30PM** and games start at **1:00PM**.

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

We welcome **James and Christine Nesler, James Nesler Jr. and Zachary Nesler** 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

#### Festival Corner

**2023 Festival:** The 2023 Festival Committee is asking for parishioner support to keep the expense down. For the month of March, we are collecting **Cans of soda i.e. Coke, Diet Coke, 7Up or Sprite**. Thank you for your support! Please check the expiration dates on all items for consumption.

The co-chairs for this year's Bake Sale are Connie Marcino (570-788-6216) and Andrea Tarnopolski (570-788-2002). Please call them if you would like to donate. They're asking for the baked items to be dropped off on **Friday, July 15th**. The bake sale will take place on Saturday and Sunday of the festival.

The Tricky Tray co-chairs are Cathy Penkala (570-436-5017) and Aniela Ross (570-582-5623). More information will follow from them.

The month of March are asking for donations of cans of soda i.e. Coke, Diet Coke, 7Up or Sprite.

Any parishioner wanting to sponsor a sign at this year's festival for their company or family; the form is inserted in the bulletin.

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

**Halupki Rolling:** We will be rolling halupki again on **April 22 at 9AM**. Please join us if you can.



**Fish Fry** will be held on **Friday, March 24** from **4:30PM to 7:30 PM**.

**Calling all bakers:** Baked goods are needed for the fish fry on **March 24**. If you can help, call Connie Marcino at 570-788-6216 or Andrea Tarnopolski at 570-788-2002.

**Lenten Scripture Sessions:** Rev. Connell A. McHugh's, Lenten Scripture is on **Wednesday, March 15 at 9AM**. This week's topic is Lost or False Gospels. The Formation of the New Testament Canon.