

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 14, 2021

		†	MASS INTENTIONS	†
Sat.	3/13	4:00 PM	John Barna and John Brezina Family Members by Their Family	
Sun.	3/14	11:00 AM	Deceased Members of the Sons of Erin	
Mon.	3/15	8:30 AM	Televised Mass William and Marie Ervin by Tom and Denise Cheeseman	
		7:00 PM	Katherine Lutz by Janet Amentler and Dr. John Amentler and Family	
Tue.	3/16	7:00 AM	George Barron by Ed, Barb, Christine, Michael, Jacqui, Matthew, and Katie Barron	
Wed.	3/17	7:00 AM	Alexandra Hadzick by Her Son Michael Hadzick, Jr. and Family	
Thur.	3/18	7:00 AM	Health and Blessings for Charles Bell by Janet & Stephen	
Fri.	3/19	7:00 AM	Mary Louise Kleckner by Ron and Mary Stoffer	
Sat.	3/20	4:00 PM	Helen Howanitz by the Golab Family	
Sun.	3/21	11:00 AM	Angie Puzetti by Michalene and Jim Eisenhart	



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,232.00; Loose \$10.05; Dues \$1,463.00; Care and Education of Priests \$311.00; Christmas \$10.00; Solemnity of Mary \$10.00; Initial Offering \$20.00; Ash Wednesday \$22.00; Churches in Europe \$110.00; Rice Bowl \$150.00; Catholic Relief \$115.00; Easter Flowers \$42.00; Holy Thursday \$16.00; Holy Land Sanctuary \$116.00; Good Friday \$16.00; Poor Box \$117.22



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP is burning in Memory of Alexandra Hadzick by Her Son Michael Hadzick, Jr. and Family

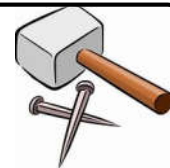


ALL MASSES LIVESTREAMED BEGINNING IN LENT:

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).

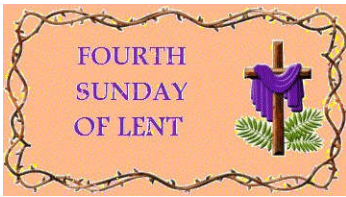


STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be offered every Friday during Lent at noon and again at 7:00 PM beginning this Friday, February 19th. The evening Stations will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 6:00 to 6:55 PM.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is offered Monday evenings before the 7:00 PM mass (6:00 - 6:50 PM); every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday morning from 6:15 - 6:50 AM; and Saturday afternoon from 3:00 - 3:30 PM. Father Mike is leaving the light on for you!

The Light is
ON for You. 
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation



A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE:

In today's Gospel Jesus is challenged by local Jewish people. They think He has come to abolish the Jewish law. He has not come to abolish it but to make it better. Jesus chastises anyone who breaks any one of the laws. What Jesus is really getting at is this: the law must be looked at not from the head but from the heart. Today let your heart lead you where God wants you to go.



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, RISING THROUGH LENT.

"Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility." Saint Augustine. It's a no-brainer; humility is definitely necessary as we journey through Lent. Without it we will not be that beacon of light a darkened world desperately needs right now.

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.



The Immaculate Conception Parish Community-Service Coordinating Team is conducting a food drive to benefit the food pantry in Freeland. For the month of March, we are requesting non-perishable breakfast food items, such as cereal, pancake mix, syrup, pop tarts, etc. Items are to be placed in the food pantry container in the church entrance. Thank you for any donations you can provide to assist those individuals and families in need in our community.



PLEASE NOTE: THE TV MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED NEXT MONDAY AT 8:30 AM INSTEAD OF THE USUAL 9:00 AM. EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.



CALVARY CEMETERY in Drums is erecting a new **Niche Building** for final interment of cremated remains. Pre-construction sales are now open. If you are interested, call the cemetery office Monday - Friday between 8:30 - 12 noon and 1:00 - 3:30 PM. Payment plans are available at 0% interest for 2 years with required 25% down.

REMINDER: FRIDAYS DURING LENT ARE DAYS OF ABSTINANCE FROM MEAT.

AN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE FOR SINGLE PERSONS

MY RESPONSIBILITIES TO GOD:

Have I gone to Mass every Sunday? Have I participated at Mass or have I daydreamed or been present with a blank mind?

Have I prayed every day (15-20 minutes)?

Have I read the Bible? Have I studied the truths of our faith and allowed them to become more a part of the way I think and act? Have I read any spiritual books or religious literature?

Have I told God that I want to love Him with my whole heart, mind and strength? Do I hold any resentments toward God?

Have I recognized my need for Jesus and His salvation? Have I asked the Holy Spirit to empower me to live the Christian life?

Have I been financially generous to the Church?

Have I participated in parish or religious activities?

Have I held resentments toward the Church or Church authorities? Have I forgiven them?

MY RESPONSIBILITIES TO OTHERS AND TO MYSELF:

Have I been rebellious, disobedient or disrespectful to anyone in authority?

Have I lied to or deceived others—friends, boss, or coworkers?

Have I been arrogant and stubborn?

Have I gotten angry or nurtured and held grudges and resentments?

Have I refused to forgive others—parents, relatives, employers, former friend, a former spouse? Have I cultivated hatred?

Have I felt sorry for myself or nurtured self-pity?

Have I engaged in sexual fantasies? Have I looked at others lustfully?

Have I read pornographic literature or looked at pornographic pictures, shows or movies?

Have I masturbated?

Have I lustfully kissed or sexually touched someone? Have I had sexual intercourse?

Have I had an abortion or encouraged another to have one?

Have I gossiped about others? Have I slandered anyone? Have I told lies about others? Have I mocked or made fun of others?

MY RESPONSIBILITIES TO SOCIETY:

Have I been a Christian witness to those with whom I work or associate? Have I spoken to anyone about the Gospel and how important it is to believe in Jesus?

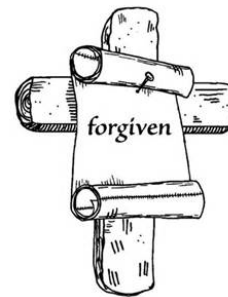
Have I allowed the Gospel to influence my political and social opinions?

Have I had a proper Christian concern for the poor and needy?

Have I paid my taxes?

Have I fostered or nurtured hatred toward my 'political' opponents, either local, national or international?

Have I been prejudiced toward others because of race, color, religion or social status?



God treasures YOU and has a plan for YOU. Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.