



# Good Shepherd Parish

## Second Sunday of Easter

### Divine Mercy Sunday

### April 16, 2023



#### † MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

**Saturday, April 15**

**6:00PM** Joseph Generose ~ Wife, Margaret & Family

**Sunday, April 16**

**8:00AM** Gerald McGuinness ~ Karin McGuinness & Family

**9:30AM** Patrick Donahue ~ George & Anna Marie Yatsko

**Monday, April 17**

**8:00AM** Albert & Evata Morris ~ Rich & Henrietta Morris

**Tuesday, April 18**

**8:00 AM** Marcel S. Calarco Sr. ~ Vince & Veronica Dagostin

**Wednesday, April 19**

**8:00AM** Michael & Josephine Waskovich ~ JoAnn & Maria

**Thursday, April 20**

**8:00AM** Health & Blessings for George & Rosemarie Matusick ~ Andrea

**Friday, April 21**

**8:00AM** Thomas J. O'Neill ~ Thomas & Phyllis Opiary

**Saturday, April 22**

**6:00PM** Manuela LaGrenade ~ Antonio & Nersa LaGrenda & Family

**Sunday, April 23**

**8:00AM** Helms Buchman ~ Festival Committee

**9:30AM** Michael Donahue ~ Mother, Debbie Donahue

#### Stewardship

**April 8 & 9:** Loose \$1,770; Offertory \$4,579; Dues \$1,250; Holy Days \$1,229; Easter \$6,116; Flowers \$95; Capital Improvement \$70; Care & Education of Priests \$138; Home Missions \$55; Peter's Pence \$5; Rice Bowl \$14; Ash Wednesday \$3, Holy Land \$191, Christmas \$5  
Mass Attendance – 849



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week in memory of **Joseph Generose** by Wife, Margaret & Family



The **Rose for Life** this week is 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**.

**Volunteers are needed** for Admission at Bingo from **4:30 – 6:00 PM**. Contact Diane Green at 570-788-4084 if interested.



The **Valley Food Pantry** helps those in need. 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.

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

#### Festival Corner

**2023 Festival:** The 2023 Festival Committee is asking for parishioner support to keep the expenses down. For the month of **April**, we are collecting **first week – ketchup, second week – mustard, third week – relish, and fourth week – BBQ sauce**. Thank you for your support! Please check the expiration dates on all items for consumption.

**T-Shirts:** Orders will be taken for Good Shepherd t-shirts for April. T-Shirt Prices: Regular /S-XL \$11, Regular/2XL & 3XL \$15, V-Neck/S-XL 12, V-Neck/2XL & 3XL \$15

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Shirts Ordered: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**May:** Volunteer signups will begin the first weekend and continue through the month. The sheets will be left out in a designated place for easier access during the week.

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 14th**. 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.

If any new parishioners wish to receive raffle tickets, call or stop by the parish office.



It has been one week since we celebrated Easter Sunday – the Resurrection of Jesus. The pews were filled. Folks knew they had to go church. This weekend the pews are not as full. Where are they?

In this weekend’s Gospel, Jesus appears to the Apostles in the Upper Room. Thomas (Doubting Thomas) was not there – I wonder where he was? We do not know. We can ask the same question about those who are not in church this weekend.

Like Thomas, these folks appear to lack sufficient faith to carry them back to church. Thomas needed an encounter with Jesus (a week later, Thomas saw Jesus and believed). The folks who are not here this week also need an encounter with Jesus to bring them back to church. Here’s your challenge: YOU become Jesus for them. We bring them back, not by chiding them, but through Mercy. On this Divine Mercy Sunday bring them back!



**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, now that Lent is over, Baptisms may once again be scheduled.



The Diocesan Offices for Parish Life and Vocations is hosting their monthly Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, May 4th, at 7:00 PM at St. Maria Goretti Church in Laflin. Guests will also have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



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



Bishop Bambera will be celebrating this year’s Wedding Anniversary Mass in St. Peter’s Cathedral at 2:30pm on June 4, 2023. All parishioners who are celebrating their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversaries are invited to attend. There will be a reception after Mass at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 330 Wyoming Avenue. At this reception, light refreshments will be served and celebrating couples will have the opportunity to meet Bishop Bambera and to have their photo taken with him.

There is a small fee if the couple wishes to have a photo taken. Pre-registration is required for the Mass and the reception. You may directly access the 2023 Wedding Anniversary Mass Registration Form at <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/wedding-anniversary-2023-registration-form> or by calling Bridget Guarnieri (570-207-2213 x 1133). The registration deadline is Sunday, May 7, 2023.



The next Charismatic Mass and Healing Service at St. John Bosco will be this Tuesday, April 18th, at 7:00 PM. Fr. Naftali and Fr. Sudhir will concelebrate. Sue Shaw will begin her music ministry at 6:45 PM. Any questions, please call Arlene at 570-788-3643.



**Immaculate Conception Parish**  
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✠ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✠

Sat. 4/15 4:00 PM  
 Lillian Strohl by Her Husband Oscar

Sun. 4/16 11:00 AM  
 Andrew Blasko, Jr. by Paula

3:00 PM Divine Mercy Mass

Health and Blessings for Janet Amentler by Her Friends

Mon. 4/17 7:00 PM  
 Dave and Helen Mahon by Their Children

Tue. 4/18 7:00 AM  
 M/M John A. Ravina and Son Albert by M/M Daniel Sarosky

Wed. 4/19 7:00 AM  
 Hilda Murmello by Jack and Cheryl Turri

Thur. 4/20 7:00 AM  
 Marie Shovlin by Mary Ann McGeehan

Fri. 4/21 7:00 AM  
 Angela Fulk by Her Daughter Kathy

Sat. 4/22 4:00 PM  
 Theresa Macovitch by Bernadette & Michael Sedor

Sun. 4/23 11:00 AM  
 John J. Wilson and Mary Ann Maron by Jane and Rick Pshar



**MEMORIAL DONATION** of \$50 was made in Memory of Anne Marie Ceriani by JoAnne and Barbara



**OUR 2023 PASCHAL CANDLE** has been donated this year by Dan Ravina in Memory of Charles and Mary Ravina and Daughter Jennie and Marie Shovlin and by JoAnne Korol in Memory of the Deceased

**Members of the Batcha and Ceriani Families and Steve Korol.**



**Eucharistic Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every third Monday at 6:00 PM before evening mass. The next devotion will be this Monday, April 17th. Why not stop by and spend some time with your Savior.



**Our Community-Service Team is requesting paper**



**towels, napkins, toilet paper, and tissues for April.** We thank all who support those in need in our community.



**Offertory for Last Weekend Will Be Included in Next Week's Bulletin.**

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of M/M John A. Ravina and Son Albert by M/M Daniel Sarosky



**OUR SACRISTY CANDLE** is burning this week for Health and Blessing for Janet Amentler by Her Friends



**HOUR OF KINDNESS MINISTRY** will meet on Saturday, April 29th, at 9:00 AM in the rectory to sign greeting cards for May. If you have an hour to spare, please come! Everyone is welcome!



**Every month the HOUR OF KINDNESS ministry** sends greeting cards to our beloved elderly and homebound parishioners and also remembers them on their birthdays. If you would like to be added to our list or if you



know someone whose day would be brightened by a cheerful greeting, please call the parish office call the parish office at 570-636-3035 Monday through Thursday from 9:00 until 12:00. We will be most happy to include you!



**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.