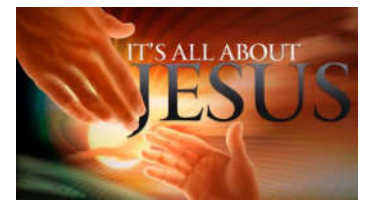


Immaculate Conception Parish Fifth Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023



† MASS INTENTIONS †

Sat. 5/6 4:00 PM
Gene & Nancy Hartzel by Les & Sally Shupp

Sun. 5/7 11:00 AM
Stanley Potosky by the Turri Family

Mon. 5/8 7:00 PM
George and Verna Soltis by Their Daughter Mary and Family

Tue. 5/9 7:00 AM
Marie Shovlin by Casimir and Jean Murmello

Wed. 5/10 7:00 AM
Lucy and William Kuklis, Sr. by Sandra and William Kuklis

Thur. 5/11 7:00 AM
Terry Schiavone, Sr. by His Wife Joyce

Fri. 5/12 7:00 AM
Marie Shovlin by Joan Sarosky & Mary Supon

Sat. 5/13 4:00 PM
Gene Albert Repetz by His Loving Wife

Sun. 5/14 11:00 AM
Henry Kopczynskie, Sr. and Henry Kopczynskie, Jr. by Daniel Kopczynskie



Last Weekend:
Sunday \$3,317; Loose \$209 Dues \$498; Easter \$95; Capital Improvement \$30; Catholic Home Mission \$598; Other \$15; Poor Box \$69.50

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR and OUR SACRISTY CANDLE are in Memory of George and Verna Soltis by Their Daughter Mary and Family



Our Community-Service Team is requesting napkins, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, and Sloppy Joe Mix for May.



MOTHER'S DAY CARNATION SALE at both masses on Mother's

Day Weekend, May 14th and 15th, is being sponsored by the Hazleton Chapter of the Pennsylvanians for Human Life. This Chapter has taken the lead throughout NEPA in its innovative efforts in the defense of life. The cost per carnation will be \$1.00.

GET WELL CARDS will be sent to anyone who calls the office (570-636-3035) and requests them. Please let us know if your loved ones are ill at home or in the hospital. A cheerful card and heartfelt wishes can do wonders for the spirit!



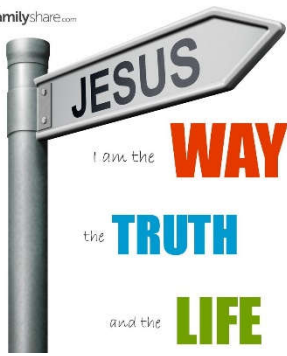
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every third Monday at 6:00 PM before evening mass. The next devotion will be on Monday, May 15th. Why not stop by and spend some time with your Savior.



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.



Save the Date: Our Mass/ Picnic In The Park is scheduled for Sunday, June 25th, at noon in the Freeland Park Pavilion. For the past 2 years, the event was held in September. Please note that the mass/picnic is being held 3 months earlier this year. More information will be provided in next week's bulletin regarding registration, food, and volunteer opportunities.



Last Sunday afternoon I attended an 80th birthday party for a good friend of mine whom I've known for over 50 years. Her husband planned the event. She has cancer. As I sat at the table and looked around at other good friends, I wondered about her future. Where will we all be a year from now? Where are we going? In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus said: "I am the way, the truth, and the life. Where I am going, you know the way." Thomas replied, "Master, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" As I drove home from the party, I knew I was coming back to the rectory, and my GPS would get me there. It was then that I realized I need to trust God, and He will get me where I eventually need to go. How about you?



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.



Coffee Companions is hosting a trip to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC on Friday, September 15, 2023. The cost per person is \$75.00 (non-refundable) and a release form will need to be signed at the time of payment. Make checks payable to Good Shepherd Church. The trip is 4 hours to and from, and there will be a stop along the way to stretch your legs. Meet in the Good Shepherd parking lot at 6:30AM, bus leaves promptly at 7AM. For more details please call Ann at 570-788-5655 or Pat at 570-788-0457. We hope you will come along with us.



HOMEBOUND AND NURSING HOME REQUESTS: If you have a loved one who is homebound, in a nursing home, or in a senior living community, please let the parish offices know. Often times people just assume we know about their loved one's placement, when, in fact, we do not. Please just give us a call and let us know. Also, if your loved one would like a visit from Father Rawel, please call the parish offices at 570-636-3035 (Immaculate Conception) or 570-788-3141 (Good Shepherd)



MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSIONS will be held on Monday, May 15th, & Thursday, May 25th, from 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. Come tour the school and get information on how to make a Marian education possible.



MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be celebrated on Monday, May 29th, at 9:00 PM in St. A Cemetery. Please bring chairs as seating is limited. In the event of inclement weather, will be celebrated in the church.



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





Good Shepherd Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK†

Saturday, May 6

6:00PM Frances M. Cabi ~ Diane, Desiree & Shawn Anderson

Sunday, May 7

8:00AM Alexander Martin ~ Mom, Dad, Robert & Desiree

9:30AM Kovatch/Protchko Families ~ Daughter, Carol Balliet

Monday, May 8

8:00AM Susan Pelot ~ Daughter, Mary Frances

Tuesday, May 9

8:00 AM Richard Ottaviani ~ Ronald Feussner

Wednesday, May 10

8:00AM Chester & Elaine Kondracki ~ Joanne & Marge Stahura

Thursday, May 11

8:00AM George Platukis ~ Marie & Tony Bellizia

Friday, May 12

8:00AM Irene Bogansky ~ Bob Macarevich

Saturday, May 13

6:00PM Mother's Day Intentions

Sunday, May 14

8:00AM Mother's Day Intentions

9:30AM Mother's Day Intentions

Stewardship

April 29 & 30: Loose \$627; Offertory \$4,356; Dues \$250; Capital Improvement \$17; Care & Education of Priests \$1; Home Missions \$111; Catholic Relief \$5; Rice Bowl \$5; Holy Thursday \$10; Easter \$130; Holy Land \$5; Flowers \$30;
Mass Attendance – 487



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week in memory of **Alexander Martin** by Mom, Dad, Robert & Desiree



The **Rose for Life** this week is in memory of **Dorothy, Rita, Arlene, Mabel & Mary** by Donna.



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 **6PM**.



Monthly Breakfast: Breakfast is this **Sunday, May 7**, at Good Shepherd Church

Hall. The menu includes ham, bacon, eggs to order, potatoes, pancakes, pastry, yogurt, orange juice, coffee, tea, and chocolate milk. The cost is \$9.00/adult and \$4.00/child. Serving time is from **8AM** until **11AM**.



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.

Valley Interfaith Community will have their next free community meal on **Friday, May 12 from 5:30PM – 7PM** at St John Bosco Church in Conyngham. Stop by the office for tickets.

Women of Good Shepherd will hold their next meeting on **Monday, May 8 at 6PM** at Sleepy Hollow Ice Cream Shop on Butler Drive (next to Vesuvios.). Free ice cream for all members attending! Hope to see you there!

Festival Corner

2023 Festival: The 2023 Festival Committee is asking for parishioner support to keep the expenses down. For the month of **May**, we are collecting **Movie Size Boxes of Candy**. 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.