

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 19, 2019

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Sat.	5/18	4:00 PM	Ann Louise Ceriani by Her Husband Julius and Family
Sun.	5/19	7:30 AM	For the People
		10:30 AM	Joseph Cukauskas, Sr. by Theresa Wilkinson and Daughters
Mon.	5/20	9:00 AM	Televised Mass Gloria Gabrielle by Anthony and Diane Gabrielle
		7:00 PM	John B. Capozzelli by the Capozzelli Family
Tue.	5/21	7:00 AM	Jennie Bereznak by Her Family
Wed.	5/22		NO MASS
Thur.	5/23	7:00 AM	Alexander Mason by Toni and Family
Fri.	5/24	7:00 AM	Elaine Gazick by the Capozzelli Family
Sat.	5/25	4:00 PM	James Breznitsky by His Wife Fran and Sons and Family
Sun.	5/26	7:30 AM	Robert Hludzik by Mary Ann
		10:30 AM	For the People



Remember Your Offerings

Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,508.75; Dues \$391.00; Care and Education of Priests \$66.00; Easter \$55.00; Ascension \$17.00; Catholic Home Mission \$7.00; Poor Box \$174.00

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Andrew and Stella Kopczynskie by Anna Marie and Children



TELEVISED MASS will be this Monday, May 20th, at 9:00 AM. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.



Meeting Reminder

PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on Monday, May 20th, at 7:30 PM in the rectory.



PICNIC PLANNING MEETING will take place on Wednesday, May 22nd, at 6:00 PM in the rectory. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.



PARISH CRUISE TO ALASKA: There will be an informational meeting on Friday, May 24th, at 6:00 PM in the church basement.



MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE AT ST. PATRICK'S PARISH: Beginning on Saturday, June 15th, Saturday mass will be celebrated at 5:00 PM and Sunday mass will be celebrated at 10:15 AM. Please make note of these changes. Again, this schedule change becomes effective beginning on Saturday, June 15th.



There are lots of THINGS we love in life...good food, a nice house, fancy car, our cellphone, and hopefully a good friend just to name a few. Here's the challenge for this weekend's Gospel: Jesus wants you to LOVE being a Catholic Christian. For when you love being a Catholic Christian, you will show it in deeds to others. But wait, there is one more step. When we do good deeds for others because we love being a Catholic Christian, we can expect NOTHING in return! Go out this week and show the world you LOVE being a Catholic Christian by the deeds you do!



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, "A HOME IN THE MIDST OF HOMES"

Pope Francis made some interesting points regarding the role of the parish while visiting Rakovski, Bulgaria this week. He spoke of the parish as "The center of the community, a place where God's presence is felt, and hope and love are shared with the world." The Pope's right, a building cannot be a parish, the people inside the building make it a parish. I know Lent is over, but the one point Pope Francis made seemed to wrap up our theme Choose to Serve, "Men and women of God have the courage to take the first step in finding creative ways of directly testifying that love is not dead but has triumphed over every obstacle. They get involved because they have learned that, in Jesus, God himself gets involved. He put his own flesh at stake so that no one would feel alone or abandoned." Will you be the one that "finds creative ways" to testify that our parish is not dead? Do you have the courage to "get involved" and show to our community that we are a "home in the midst of homes?"



OUR NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS will be held with Deacon Jim on **Tuesday, June 25th**, at 6:00 PM in the rectory. Even if you have already had a child baptized in our parish, it is necessary for you to attend this class. Class should be scheduled well in advance of

the baby's due date. **You must attend the Baptism Preparation Class in order to schedule a Baptism. To schedule your class, call the parish office at 570-636-3035.**

CHARISMATIC MASS AND HEALING SERVICE at St. John Bosco, Conyngham will be Thursday May 23rd, at 7:00 PM. Fr. John Campoli will preside and Sue Shaw will begin her music ministry at 6:45 PM. Light refreshments follow in Room 3. Come join us.

PARISH CEMETARIES - Volunteers for the parish cemeteries ask parishioners to please remove all Christmas and Easter decorations as soon as possible from family plots in order to prepare for the upcoming Memorial Day and summer season.



FOOD PANTRY DONATION for May is cake and brownie mixes. The next distribution date is Tuesday, May 28th.





FAITH FORMATION NEWS! Registration forms and invoices went home with your children for your convenience. Forms can be returned to the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket at any Mass. Additional forms are available in the parish office.

Orientation for families of all grades is **Sunday, September 8th**. Little Lamb Society will begin on **Sunday, September 8th**. All new members are welcome. This program is for preschool-aged children. The 2019/2020 session will begin on **Sunday, September 15th**.

PARISH RUMMAGE SALE will begin collecting items on Monday, May 20th, in the church basement daily from 9:00 AM to noon. **WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING CLOTHING, ELECTRONICS, AND APPLIANCES.** This includes TVs, toaster ovens, microwaves, etc. The date of the rummage sale will be announced when all items have been collected and displayed.



WELCOME BABY BAGS have begun. Three blue tubs have been placed in the back of the church indicating what should be placed in each tub: (1) diapers/wipes, (2) clothing, blankets, and (3) toiletries/meds. Below is a list of suggestions. You can donate items or create your own bag. As always, thank you for answering Jesus' call to care for the least of His brothers and sisters.

SPRING MUSIC FESTIVAL, Sunday May 19th, 2:30 PM at the Freeland Presbyterian Church, 625 Front St. Freeland. Music will feature Organists Janet Hartman and Anthony Angeli, Trumpeter Frank Balon and the Tin Roof Festival Brass, and Vocalists Sarah Ryman and Jack James. Light refreshments will be served. A free will offering will benefit the Youth Programs at the Freeland Y.M.C.A and the Organ Preservation Fund at the Presbyterian Church.



QUO VADIS DAYS 2019 will be held June 23-26 at Misericordia University, Dallas. This camp is for young Catholic men in High School (9-12th grade) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open at vocations.dioceseofscranton.org. For more information, call 570-207-1452.