



Good Shepherd Parish

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2022



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday, September 3

6:00PM Marissa Tait ~ Mother, Jeanette Tate

Sunday, September 4

8:00AM Dorothy Nitka ~ Greg & Jean Belletiere

9:30AM Joseph, Theresa, & Ray Kisacky ~ Don & Fran Kisacky

Monday, September 5

8:00AM Florence Panzarella ~ Lorraine & Richard Roselle

Tuesday, September 6

8:00 AM Maureen O'Donnell ~ M/M Harry E. Hinkle, Jr. & Frances P. Hinkle

Wednesday, September 7

8:00AM Richard Matz ~ M/M Jason Harman

Thursday, September 8

8:00AM Mary Generose ~ Judi & Joe Yamulla

Friday, September 9

8:00AM Kathy Zimmerman ~ Sister, Elaine Beltrami

Saturday, September 10

6:00PM Edward, Sophia, & Joseph Audakimow ~ M/M Edward Audakimow

Sunday, September 11

8:00AM Robert Kobilis ~ Wife & Children

9:30AM Jason Rusnock ~ Mother, Joan Michalochick

Stewardship

August 27 & 28: Offertory \$2,776; Loose \$701; Dues \$329; Holy Days \$42; Capital Improvement \$69; Care & Education of Priests \$29 Mass Attendance – 461



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **Marissa Tait** by her mother, Jeanette Tait.



The **Rose for Life** this week is in memory of **Kathy** by her sister, Elaine.



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.



Breakfast will not be held this Sunday, September 4th, due to the Labor Day holiday. See you in October!

The **Valley Food Pantry** will be making Thanksgiving boxes for needy families in the area. Good Shepherd has been asked to contribute napkins, coffee, and tea for 60 boxes. The deadline for contributions is Wednesday, November 17th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



SUNDAES ON SUNDAY: There will be a Faith Formation Meet 'n Greet on Sunday, September 11th, after the 9:30 AM mass. All grades are welcome!



The **Valley Food Pantry** helps those in need of food, paper products, and hygienic articles. We have been asked to collect tomato products such as ketchup, spaghetti sauce, and canned tomatoes, drink mixes, baked beans, ramen noodle soup, and bar soap. *If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219.*



Companions on the Journey bereavement ministry will soon hold its annual candle sale fundraiser to support the work of the ministry. If you, your family, or friends purchase vigil candles for use on the graves of your loved ones for All Souls Day, please consider buying them from us. We will offer 7-day glass vigil candles. We will also be selling "Remembrance Candles" for placement in the sanctuary for our Mass of Remembrance on **Friday, November 4**. Details and an order form will appear in the bulletin of September 17 & 18. Please consider supporting the Bereavement ministry if you can.

Feeding The Needy: Twice a month, our parish donates, prepares and serves a hearty meal to approximately 40 people at the Hazleton Salvation Army Soup Kitchen located at the rear of Broad and Mine Streets (by Giant Supermarket). The Soup Kitchen is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:00AM to 12:00 noon and offers a free meal to anyone who is in need of food and fellowship. In August, we served turkey with stuffing and gravy, green beans, chicken and noodle casserole with mixed vegetables, tossed salads, bananas, and our famous ice cream sundaes. Our next meals will be on **Wednesday, September 7th and September 14th**. Team members are asked to arrive by 10:30. Special thanks go to all those parishioners and friends of the parish who support this parish service project to the community with their prayers, time, cooking talents, monetary and food donations. Together, we are making a difference!!! For more information on how you can participate, please contact the parish office or Dorothy Beozzo at 570-764-6359.



Shine Women's Center Baby Bottle Collection: Our Parish Pro-Life team will be distributing plastic baby bottles at the weekend masses on **September 10 & 11** and **September 17 & 18**. Donations received will be given to the Shine Women's Center in West Hazleton. Shine is a free women's health clinic serving all of Luzerne County. We ask that you collect your loose change in the bottles. Cash or checks are also gladly accepted. Checks should be made payable to "Good Shepherd Church" with "Shine Women's Center" in the memo section. **The bottles can be returned to the Church on the weekends of October 1 & 2 and October 8 & 9.** The Knights of Columbus and the Shepherd's Hands Ministry of our parish will be assisting with the bottle distribution and collection.



A Message from Father Mike...

On September 6th, my mom and dad would have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. They were a typical couple who married in the 50s and raised 5 children. There were times when life was difficult. They both made sacrifices so their children could have the basics. They willingly accepted the Cross of Christ for their family. The important word here is “willingly.” They did not ask God to please take this Cross from them, but rather said: “I will gladly carry the Cross of Christ for my family.” This weekend’s reading clearly ask us to do this. How about you? Will you willing carry the Cross of Christ? Happy 70th anniversary, Mom and Dad!



CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES is in the preliminary planning stage of a “To Go Dinner” program, which will allow us to serve a hot meal in our community two days a week. We are looking for volunteers to pick up the prepared meals at St. Vincent Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre and deliver it the CSS Family Center, 106 S. Church St. Hazleton, PA 18201. Pick up time would be between noon and one. This would require use of a personal van or vehicle that could carry multiple chafing dishes. Please call the office at 570 455 4521 for more information.



ST. JOHN BOSCO BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP SESSIONS – Sharing the Journey – Grief Shared Is Grief Diminished – The Bereavement Ministry will provide the fall bereavement support group sessions for those who have lost a loved one recently or are having difficulty in their grief. These sessions will provide insight into their grief following a death. Fall sessions will be offered weekly for seven weeks on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the multipurpose room beginning Monday, September 12, 2002. Registration is required to assure seating and materials. Please call Marie at 570-455-3874 to register.



The Shine Women’s Center, formerly the Pregnancy Resource Center of Greater Hazleton, which we support with baby bottle collections, is holding their annual fundraising banquet on **Monday, October 10, at 5 PM** at Capriotti’s. If interested, call the center at 570-497-4959 by September 26 to reserve a ticket. Cost is \$50. (Or visit ShineWomensCenter.com/give/.) The theme is “Light in the Darkness.”

Rummage Again! On **Saturday, September 17, from 8AM to 3PM**, Good Shepherd Church will hold a rummage sale in the church hall. Sellers can rent spaces and/or a table to sell their items in the church parking lot. A table is \$10; a table and a space is \$20. Donations to the Good Shepherd tables will be accepted from 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday starting September 12th. Drop-offs in the hall vestibule after hours should be placed on the cart or floor near the cart. Please do not block the doorway!



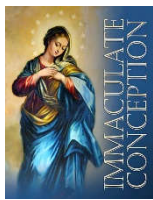
WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING BOOKS, CLOTHING, OR DRINKING GLASSES. At this event, food will be available for purchase. The Women of Good Shepherd will have a bake sale with proceeds going toward their scholarship fund. Help will be needed for set-up starting on Wednesday, September 14, at 9AM, as well as on the day of the sale. Contact Diane Lindsay (570-599-7626) or Cathy Penkala (570-436-5017) for more information or to reserve a spot.



In observance of Suicide Awareness Month, Bishop Bambera will celebrate a **Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance**. The Mass will serve to remember loved ones lost to suicide, and to promote healing for those who grieve their passing. **The Mass will be held on Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 12:15 PM at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton.** All are welcome.

READ THE BIBLE LIKE NEVER BEFORE with “Bible Evangelista” Sonja Corbitt on October 16th. Tickets and information at www.diocesofscranton.org. **Direct link to ticket sales:** <https://www.diocesofscranton.org/parish-life/read-the-bible-like-never-before/>





Immaculate Conception Parish

Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 4, 2022



† MASS INTENTIONS †

Saturday 9/3 4:00 PM
John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family

Sunday 9/4 11:00 AM
Joseph and Anna Rapach by their Granddaughter Linda Nitka-Moyer

Monday 9/5 9:00 AM TV Mass
John Denion by Mary Ann McGeehan

Monday 9/5 7:00 PM
Joseph Yenko by His Family

Tuesday 9/6 7:00 AM
Stephen and Elenita Kloton by a Friend

Wednesday 9/7 7:00 AM
Ed, Mike, & John Garra by M/M Daniel Sarosky

Thursday 9/8 7:00 AM
Health and Blessings for Janet Amentler by John and Sandy Sabo

Friday 9/9 7:00 AM
Raymond Nesler by Larry, Steve, and Jeff

Saturday 9/10 4:00 PM
Deceased Members of the Freeland Class of 1966 by Paula

Sunday 9/11 11:00 AM
Sonia and Stanley Wilczek by Their Son Stanley



Last Weekend:
Sunday \$3,059.50; Loose \$124;
Dues \$692; Care and Education of
Priests \$37; Other \$147; Poor Box \$91



CANDLES ON THE ALTAR AND OUR SANCTUARY LAMP

are burning in Memory of John Lapchak by His Wife Mary and Family.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS to our Capital Campaign were made in Memory of John Denion: \$25.00 by Dan Ravina; \$20.00 by Paul and Nancy Ferdinand; \$50.00 by Janet Hartman and Family; \$25.00 by Barbara Batcha; \$25.00 by JoAnne Korol; \$25.00 by Raymond Eroh; \$150.00 by Feussner Ford, Inc.; \$25.00 by Michael and Susan Ritsko; \$50.00 by Gerald and Mary Feissner; \$100.00 by the RPM PMO Team at Highmark; \$25.00 by Marie and Francis Shovlin

MEMORIAL DONATION of \$75.00 was made to our Capital Campaign in Memory of Alice Piazzini by Marian N. Moore and Family



Our Parish Office Will Be Closed on Monday, September 5th, in Observance of Labor Day.

Congratulations to **Deb Carr, Cal Herring, and Simon Kazinetz** who secured the most votes for Pastoral Council. Their three-year term will begin in September. I'd like to thank you to everyone who agreed to run for council; this is a testament to your concern for the future of our parish. They will join Gene Della Croce, Jason Turri and Jim Eisenhart as representatives for Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. The new officers for the 2022-2023 term are as follows: David Williams Chairman, Jason Turri Vice Chairman and Kelly Kostanesky Secretary. The representatives for Good Shepherd will be listed in a future bulletin.



PICNIC IN THE PARK – Please turn in your reservation form with the number of people who will be attending. Also, if you are bringing a food item, please list it on the form. **DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 12TH.** Thank you for your cooperation.



THE COMMUNITY/SERVICE TEAM meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 7th, at 6:00 PM in the church.

The Mass of Remembrance will be held in our parish on **Sunday, November 6th, at 5:00 PM.** If you have lost a loved one from October 15, 2021 and you plan to attend this service, please complete the following information and return in the collection basket by October 15, 2022.



Your name _____
Deceased's name _____
How many will be coming _____