



Good Shepherd Parish

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2023



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK†

Saturday, September 30

8:00PM Deceased Members of the Matz/Yancus Families ~ Mary Jo & Bob

Sunday, October 1

8:00AM Michael Gentle ~ The Dolan Family

9:30AM Casmir Lasecki ~ Judi & Joe Yamulla

Monday, October 2

8:00AM The Souls in Purgatory Especially deceased FOSS members

Tuesday, October 3

8:00 AM Mary Louise Perilla ~ Steve Kavalecs

Wednesday, October 4

8:00AM Mary Wilson ~ Good Shepherd Pro-Lifers

Thursday, October 5

8:00AM Chris Finnerty ~ Terri & Dan Dougherty

Friday, October 6

8:00AM Louis Beltrami ~ Wife, Elaine & Family

Saturday, October 7

6:00PM Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Gorski ~ Mark & Jackie Gorski

Sunday, October 8

8:00AM Frank Skawinski ~ Wife, Anna & Children, Michelle & Brian

9:30AM Claire T. Shadie ~ Husband, George R. & Son, Alex G. Shadie

Stewardship

September 23 & 24: Loose \$822; Offertory \$3,945; Dues \$559; Care & Education of Priests \$74; Holy Days \$20; Capital Improvement \$124; All Souls \$25; Mission Sunday \$8

Mass Attendance – 512



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**.

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

Online Giving: Visit the parish website for more information or to sign up for online giving.

We welcome **John & Karen Amici and Johanthan, Jody, Alora and Leo Perry** as our newest members.



The Valley Food Pantry helps those in need. We have been asked to collect items for children: canned pasta, cookies, crackers, and Pop Tarts, in addition to bar soap. If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219

The Valley Food Pantry will be making Thanksgiving boxes for needy families in the area. Good Shepherd has been asked to contribute medium-sized cans of yams or sweet potatoes, coffee and tea for 56 Families. **The deadline for contributions is Monday, November 13.** Thank you for your generosity!

Mass of Remembrance date is Friday Nov. 3, 2023 at 6:00PM at Good Shepherd Church.

All are welcome!

If a loved one has passed away during the period Nov. 1, 2022 through Oct. 31, 2023 and their funeral was not held from Good Shepherd Church and you would like to have them honored at this year's Mass of Remembrance - please fill out the information below and return to the church office or place in the collection basket no later than Oct. 29, 2023. Thank you.

Name of Deceased individual

Date of death:

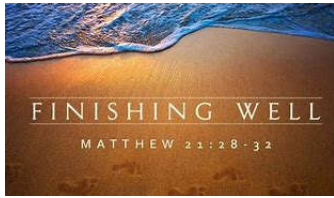
Your name:

Your phone number:

Do you expect to attend the Mass of Remembrance? Yes No

America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally will be held on **Saturday, October 14, at noon**, in front of the church. Bring a chair if you need to sit. Come join us is praying the Rosary. All are welcome. We hope to see you there.

Signed copies of Father McHugh's poetry book, **Kaleidoscope of the Heart**, will be available for purchase in the church office for \$20.00 during normal business hours.



In this weekend's Gospel, two brothers are asked by their father to work in the vineyard. One says yes (and did not go) the other said no (but later regretted his decision and went to work). We are all called to work in the Father's vineyard. The vineyard is your house, your job, your school, and your church. The vineyard is your life! The vineyard is that place where others are reaching out to us, seeking the love of Christ in us. They long for

Jesus. And they can find Him. They can find Him within us. Within us as Church and within us as individuals. So, all this begs the question: Which brother are you? Do you have the courage to do that which we were created to do: lead others to Jesus?

MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS will be at 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 12th, in the lower level of Immaculate Conception Church. Please use the Chestnut Street entrance (through the garden). 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.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (formerly RCIA, now OCIA): Do you want to become Catholic or know someone else who does? Are you a Baptized Catholic who still need the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation or know someone who does?

Do you want to grow deeper and enrich your knowledge of Catholic faith? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, the OCIA program is for you! This program is being offered jointly between Good Shepherd, Immaculate Conception, and Saint Patrick's Parishes. All Adults who have been baptized or not baptized are welcome! Please contact the parish office for any questions and to register for new classes that are forming and will begin Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM by calling the parish office at 570-788-3141 Good Shepherd, 570-636-3035 Immaculate Conception or 570-443-9944 St. Patrick.



HALLOWEEN DANCE – The combined parishes of Immaculate Conception and Good Shepherd are having a Halloween Dance on Saturday, October 28th, in Good Shepherd's Parish Hall. This is

an **ADULT ONLY** dance. **BYOB!** Tickets are available in both parish offices. Come out and enjoy a spooky night of fun! **\$25.00 per person which includes food and door prizes.** Costumes optional but prizes will be awarded. Music by Father Mike! **Raffle tickets 3 for \$5.00.** Table reservations are available. **DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH.**



ATTENTION FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS AND PARENTS: We will be reserving the first pew on the right-hand side of the church at the 11:00 AM mass, so that your child can attend mass right after class with one or more of our teachers. Parents will be responsible for picking their child up after mass at 11:30-11:45.

Students have the option to attend 5 different parishes for Faith Formation classes. Once a Parish is selected, they must stay with those classes. There is no bouncing back and forth to different Parishes. Options are:

St. Patrick's in White Haven on Sundays from 9:00 – 10:00 AM

St. Jude's in Mt. Top on Sundays at 9:30 – 10:40 AM or Mondays 6:00 – 7:15 PM

Immaculate Conception in Freeland on Sundays from 9:30 – 10:45 AM

Good Shepherd in Drums on Sunday or Monday evenings from 4:30 – 5:30 PM

St. John Bosco in Conyngham on Sundays from 10:00 – 11:10 AM

Saint John Bosco Church, 573 State Route 93, Sugarloaf, will host the Hazleton Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra in a seasonal concert on Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 3:00 PM. The concert will be held in the church and will feature classical and popular musical selections. Free admission; donations appreciated.



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



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Sat. 9/30 4:00 PM
 Mary Beth Kopczynskie by Her Husband
 Raymond, Daughters Jennifer and Pamela,
 Sons-in-Law Glenn and Tommy

Sun. 10/1 11:00 AM
 Helen Capozzelli by Drusilla Laughman

Mon. 10/2 7:00 PM
 Stella and Peter Amentler by Janet and John
 Amentler

Tue. 10/3 7:00 AM
 Living and Deceased Members of the Nitka and
 Rapach Families

Wed. 10/4 7:00 AM
 Lucille Gaffney by Jack and LeeAnn Kochie

Thur. 10/5 7:00 AM
 Philip Voystock by His Sister Pauline Slusser
 and Stanley

Fri. 10/6 7:00 AM
 Anne Marie Ceriani by Marie Zeller

Sat. 10/7 4:00 PM
 Larry Blasko by Carol and Children

Sun. 10/8 11:00 AM
 Rose Quinn by Virginia Dias



Every Saturday at 8:30 AM, the Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Mother will be said in Honor of Our Blessed Mother Mary by the Legion of Mary. The Rosary will continue to be said daily after the weekday masses.

THE HOUR OF KINDNESS

MINISTRY will meet on Saturday, September 30th, at 9:00 AM in the rectory to sign greeting cards for our treasured elderly and our homebound parishioners. Anyone with an hour to spare is welcome and encouraged to help in this wonderfully rewarding ministry.



The Mass of Remembrance in our parish will be held on Sunday, November 5th, at 5:00 PM. If you have lost a loved one from October 15, 2022, and you plan to attend this service, please complete the following information and return in the collection basket by October 15, 2023.



Your name _____

Deceased's name _____

How many will be coming _____



Last Weekend:
 Sunday \$2,491; Loose \$124; Dues \$910; Care and Education of Priests \$25; Capital Improvement \$40; Poor Box \$98

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Joe, Dave, and Ed Murrillo by Dan Ravina



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is every third Monday at 6:00 PM before the evening mass. The next devotion will be Monday, October 16th.



COATS FOR NEEDY KIDS The Messengers of Hope are collecting new coats for our Freeland Kids in Need. Bring your NEW coats and put them on the altar steps or bring them to the parish office by SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21st. Let's not let a single needy child be without a warm winter coat this year. All sizes are needed, especially larger sizes and also sizes 12 and 18 months. Gloves and hats are also welcome!