



Good Shepherd Parish

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 2, 2022



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday, October 1

6:00PM Helen Manganelli ~ Children

Sunday, October 2

8:00AM Stanley & Helen Gorski ~ Mark & Jackie Gorski

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

Monday, October 3

8:00AM Souls in Purgatory, Especially Friends of the
Suffering Souls Members

Tuesday, October 4

8:00 AM George Hutton ~ Elaine Beltrami

Wednesday, October 5

8:00AM Anthony Umbriac ~ Diane Scigala

Thursday, October 6

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

Friday, October 7

8:00AM Deceased of Spadell & Bellizia Families

Saturday, October 8

6:00PM Kathleen Ferdinand ~ M/M Thomas Romancheck
& Family

Sunday, October 9

8:00AM Margaret Kostanesky ~ Kelly Kostanesky

9:30AM Francis Skawinski ~ Wife, Anna & Family

Stewardship

September 24 & 25: Loose \$1,060; Offertory \$3,078.46; Dues \$555; Capital Improvement \$106; Care & Education \$80
Mass Attendance – 504



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **Edward Verbonitz** by wife, Marie & sons, Richard & Robert.



The **Rose for Life** this week is in memory of **Louis J. Beltrami** by wife, 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.

Good Shepherd's Community and Service Committee is having its first **Trunk or Treat** on **Saturday, October 22**, from **2PM - 4PM** (rain or shine). Come decorate your trunk and hand out candy to the youth of the area. If you can't make it, you can donate a bag of candy (there is a box in the St. Joseph room). Please sign up by **October 14** with Katie Ventra (570) 956-4481 or Jackie Gorski (570) 956-2314.

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, 17.** The Valley Food Pantry thanks you for your generosity.

The **Shepherds Hand's Service Ministry** will meet **Thursday, October 6**, at **3 PM** in the St. Joseph's Room. New members are most welcome.

Shine Women's Center Baby Bottle Collection: Our parish Pro-Life team will be collecting the baby bottles with the help of The Knights of Columbus and The Shepherd's Hands ministry after this weekend's masses. 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.



The **Mass of Remembrance** will be held at Good Shepherd Church on **Friday, November 4**, at **6PM**. If you have lost a loved one during November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022 whose funeral was not held from Good Shepherd,

please complete the following information and return in the collection basket by October 31, 2022. Questions can be directed to Marie Bellizia at 570-401-9720.

Your name _____
Deceased's name _____
Date of passing _____ Your phone # _____
Do you plan on attending the Mass? _____

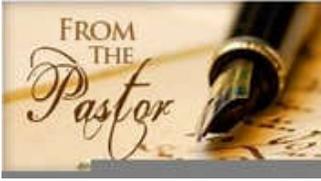
Salvation Army Soup Kitchen: Twice a month, volunteers from our parish donate, prepare, and serve a hearty meal to around 45-50 people at the Hazleton Salvation Army Soup Kitchen. The soup kitchen is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11 -12 PM and provides a free meal to anyone in need of food and fellowship. This month, we will be serving chicken, potatoes, green beans, bananas, and our famous ice cream sundaes on **Wednesday, October 5**, and **Wednesday, October 12**. Team members are asked to arrive around **10:30AM**. Special thanks go to Jessica for the beautiful sunflower bouquets she provided for last month's meals. I can't express enough praise for all those who support this parish service ministry with their prayers, monetary and food donations, time, and cooking talents. Together, we put our Catholic faith into action to better our community. For information on how you can participate in this service project, please contact Dorothy Beozzo at 570-764-6359 or the parish office.

The **Women of Good Shepherd** remind you to pick up your hoagies following this weekend's masses or Monday at Faith Formation. Proceeds benefit The Women of Good Shepherd Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your support! We will be meeting on Monday, October 10 in the St. Joseph Room. We will be packing treat bags for the upcoming Trunk or Treat. Anyone who can't make this meeting can drop candy in the box in the vestibule. Thanks! Hope to see you there. As always, new members are welcome.

Bake Sale: Thanks to the generosity and kindness of those who baked, worked, and purchased goodies, our bake sale netted a profit of \$548.00. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for all you do to support the Women of Good Shepherd. Thank you all!

The **Annual Blessing of Pets** is scheduled for **Saturday, October 8**, at Good Shepherd at **10 AM** and Immaculate Conception at **11 AM**.

Monthly Breakfast is this **Sunday, October 2**, at Good Shepherd Church hall. The menu includes bacon, sausage, eggs to order, potatoes, pancakes, pastry, yogurt, orange juice, coffee, tea, and chocolate milk. The cost is \$8.00/adult and \$4.00/child. Serving time is from 8 AM until 11 AM.



A Message from Father Mike...

The first year I was ordained, I was named Chaplain to Divine Providence Hospital in Williamsport, A daunting task for a newly ordained priest. One of the first patients I remember seeing my first week was Jerome. Jerome was 86 years old and dying of cancer. He specifically asked to see the chaplain. I went into the room and introduced myself. He said to me, "Father, do you like to grow plants?" I thought it was an unusual question, but I answered, "Yes!" He went on to tell me the story of his life. He remembered his mother and father, and praying the Hail Mary. At the age of seven, both his parents died of consumption. He went to live with other family members. He was not raised in the faith, but always remembered that Hail Mary prayer. And Jerome went on to tell me that the Hail Mary with his seed of faith. He wanted to know if he could receive the sacraments and Holy Communion and, at that time, the Last Rites. We joyfully celebrated both Sacraments. Jerome's parents planted a seed some 80 years earlier, it was brought to fruition on his deathbed. What will you do this week to plant the seed of faith in someone else?



This year the Annual Blessing of Pets in honor of the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi is scheduled for **Saturday, October 8, 2022**, as follows: **Good Shepherd Parish at 10:00 AM and Immaculate Conception Parish at 11:00 AM.** All pets must be accompanied by their owner.



MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS will be at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, November 9th, in the Parish Center of Immaculate Conception Church. Please register by calling the Immaculate Conception Parish Office at 570-636-3035 or the Good Shepherd 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.



Do you want to become Catholic or know someone else who does? Are you a baptized Catholic and still need the sacraments of Initiation (Holy Communion or Confirmation) or know someone else who does? Do you want to grow deeper and reconnect in the practice of your faith? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, the RCIA program is for you!

RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This program is being offered jointly between Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception Parishes. **All Adults who have been baptized or not baptized are welcome!** Please contact the parish office for any questions and to register by calling the parish office at 570-788-3141 (Good Shepherd) or 570-636-3035 (Immaculate Conception) and leave your name and telephone number.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY-HAZLETON, Gift Card Bingo. Sunday, October 9, 2022 at St. Michael's Recreation Center, 300 Fern Street, Freeland. Doors for bingo open at 12 noon and games begin at 12:30 PM. 20 regular games and 3 specials. \$25.00 to purchase tickets day of bingo or to buy ahead of time contact Janine at 570-436-5736, Amy at 570-479-2335 or Michele at 570-579-8270.

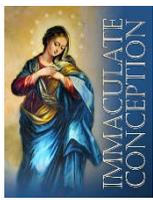


HALLOWEEN DANCE – The combined parishes of Immaculate Conception and Good Shepherd are having a Halloween Dance on **Saturday, October 29th**, in Good Shepherd's Parish Hall. This is an adult only dance. Details are in the flyer in this week's bulletin. Tickets are available in both parish offices. Come out and enjoy a spooky night of fun!



PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Please be aware the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation require your children to attend 2 years of Faith Formation. If they have not attended the required 2 years, they will be moved appropriately to fulfill the requirement.





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✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday 10/1 4:00 PM
Andrew Blasko, Jr. by Paula

Sunday 10/2 11:00 AM
Rose and John Iacurci by Their Daughter Joan

Monday 10/3 7:00 PM
Virginia and Edward Chocolas by Pauline Stefanick

Tuesday 10/4 7:00 AM
Stella and Peter Amentler by Their Children Janet and John

Wednesday 10/5 7:00 AM
Patricia Verba by Andrew and Adrienne

Thursday 10/6 7:00 AM
George Evancho, Sr. by Margaret and Richard Young

Friday 10/7 7:00 AM
Edward Holtz by Frances Breznitsky

Saturday 10/8 4:00 PM
Larry Blasko, Jr. by Carol and Family

Sunday 10/9 11:00 AM
Stephen, Mary, and Michael Hanusek by Sue Hanusek



Last Weekend:
Sunday \$3,282; Loose \$168; Dues \$969; Poor Box \$87.60



CANDLES ON THE ALTAR AND OUR SANCTUARY LAMP

are burning in Memory of Larry Blasko, Jr. by Carol and Family. .



HOUR OF KINDNESS MINISTRY

will meet on **Saturday, October 22nd**, at 9:00 AM in the rectory to write out Thanksgiving cards for our elderly and homebound parishioners. **Please note that this is a change in the date.** Everyone is welcome to come and help. Please use the Chestnut Street door. We hope to see you there!

Eucharistic



Adoration

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



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 16th**. Let's not let a single needy child be without a warm winter coat this year. All sizes are needed, especially larger sizes.



Homebound parishioners who would like to receive Confession and Holy

Communion can schedule a visit with Father Rawel by calling the parish office at 570-636-3035 Monday through Thursday from 9:00 to noon.



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 16, 2022**.



Your name _____

Deceased's name _____

How many will be coming _____