

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 7, 2018

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✠

Sat.	10/6	4:00 PM	Steve Korol by Dan Ravina
Sun.	10/7	7:30 AM	For the People
		10:30 AM	Michael Bobby
Mon.	10/8	7:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Mattavi Family by Rose and Family
Tue.	10/9	7:00 AM	Walter Tamposki by Dan Ravina
		9:00 AM	Televised Mass "Mike" Anthony by Janet and Stephen Croshaw
Wed.	10/10		NO MASS
Thur.	10/11	7:00 AM	Robert and Jean Iorio by Their Daughters Susan, Janet, and Ruth
Fri.	10/12	7:00 AM	Terry M. Schiavone, Sr. by His Wife Joyce and Children
Sat.	10/13	4:00 PM	Cecilia Kavitski by a Friend
Sun.	10/14	7:30 AM	For the People
		10:30 AM	Susan Myers by Irene Kalinsky

Last Weekend:



Sunday \$3,877.90; Dues \$614.00; Care and Education of Priests \$42.00; Feast of the Assumption \$10.00; World Mission \$0.60; All Saints Day \$0.10; Poor Box \$171.11

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of the Deceased Members of the Mattavi Family by Rose and Family.



MEMORIAL DONATION of \$50.00 was made in Memory of Elenita Kloton by Jack, Cheryl, and Jason Turri.



ANNUAL CHILDREN'S WARM WINTER COAT COLLECTION - Winter will be upon us before we know it! We are seeking **NEW**, warm winter coats as well as warm hats and gloves for the needy children in our Freeland Community. If you would like to donate a coat, gloves, or hats, you can drop them off at the parish office or place them on the right side of the altar

steps by the organ. If you prefer to make a donation, you can drop it off at the parish office or place it in the collection basket marked "Coats." Last year we distributed over 125 coats, hats, and gloves to children who would not otherwise have had a coat at all. All donations must be made by Sunday, October 28th. Distribution is November 3rd.

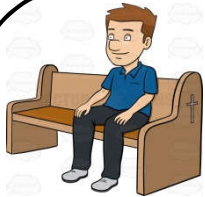
MEMORIAL MASS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4th will be held to honor and remember those from our parish who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. There will be a special Mass at 5:00PM (this **WILL** count as your Sunday obligation) and all are encouraged to attend.



PARISH REMEMBRANCE: After the 5:00 PM Liturgy on November 4th, there will be an honored gathering in the parish center. This is an opportunity to remember your former parishes here in Freeland. There will be four different "ethnic" food corners each commemorating those special foods from the parishes of the past. All are welcome and encouraged to stop down for refreshments and a walk down memory lane.



I remember the game Mouse Trap as a kid. In fact, we got that game for Christmas one year - one game for all of us to play. We would roll the dice, make the appropriate move, and finally, at the end, we would see the cage wiggle down over the mouse. We got him! (I can see some of you smiling now, remembering that game). The Pharisees in this weekend's Gospel were playing the same game with Jesus. They wanted to trap Him. They assumed any answer He gave would offend someone. Unlike the game Mouse Trap, Jesus was not about to be trapped. You see, the Pharisees saw marriage as a legal state; Jesus saw marriage as a spiritual state (and even quoted scripture back to them). No matter the issue, Jesus was not to be trapped. In this case, it was the Pharisees who had the cage wiggle down on them. They were trapped by their own words.



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, HELP WANTED.

October 4th is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. He is noted for his humility, life of poverty, literally living the gospel and respect to nature and animals. During his conversion, while he was praying at the ruins of an old church in San Domiano, Christ asked him to "repair his church." St. Francis assumed it was the old building, but Christ did mean HIS CHURCH, which was going through a period of heresy and corruption. Although St. Francis was not a priest, bishop or cardinal he accomplished a renewal through example and is considered the founder of all Franciscan orders in existence today. Likewise, St. Pope Pius X faced a familiar foe of heresy and the rise of Modernism. He wanted to renew all things in Christ. In a conversation with cardinals the Pope asked them: "What is the thing we need, today, to save society?" After rejecting the cardinal's suggestions of more schools, churches and priests the Pope said, "The MOST necessary thing of all, at this time, is for every parish to possess a group of laymen(laypeople) who will be at the same time virtuous, enlightened, resolute, and truly apostolic." Laypeople truly can make or break a parish. Through the life of St. Francis and the wisdom of Pope Pius X it is the people in the pews that must get involved. Renew your faith and lead by example, Christ is calling on all of us to repair His Church!



BLESSING OF PETS in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi will take place at St. Patrick's Parish on Saturday, October 6th, at 10:30 AM and at 11:30 AM at Immaculate Conception Parish. All are welcome, especially your owners!



SAVE THE DATE!!! Our Annual Turkey Bingo will take place on **Sunday, November 11th**, in the parish center. Early birds begin at 12:30 PM and regular games begin at 1:00 PM. Doors open after the 10:30 AM mass.



FOOD PANTRY DONATION for October is dried packaged soups. The next distribution is Tuesday, October 23rd.

VFW AUXILIARY will hold a Halupki Dinner on Sunday, October 21st, from 11 - 2. Cost is \$11.00. Assisting in the food preparation are the Church Ladies of Immaculate Conception Parish in place of the Chicken Halupki Dinner that was formerly held at our parish. For tickets call the VFW at 570-636-0160 or any member of the Auxiliary.



PARISH CLEANUP: Get your rakes, shovels, and pruning shears ready. We're having our Parish Grounds Cleanup on **Saturday, October 20th**, from 10 to 12! We'll have hot chocolate, cider, and donuts ready for our workers. Come join the fun!

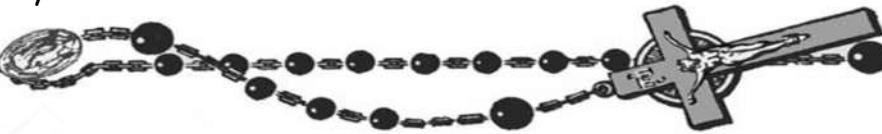




PARISH HAPPENINGS

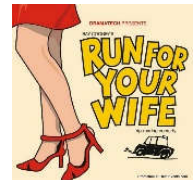


ROSARY COAST TO COAST will be held this Sunday, October 7, 2018 at the front of the parking lot at Good Shepherd Church, Drums, at 4 PM. It will be one of about 1,000 sites throughout the United States. The purpose is "to unite with the International Community, to enter fully into the spiritual warfare we are facing and to pray for our respective nations at this watershed moment in history". The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed as it is the Rosary of the day (Sunday) as well as the rosary with which the 54 day Rosary Novena for Our Nation will be concluding. "Catholics across the country are being invited to pray together to call upon God through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary to heal our country and return it to Holiness". Bring your own chair, if you feel you would not be able to stand for approximately 45 minutes during this rally.



Cemetery volunteers are asking parishioners to please remove all logs and artificial plants and flowers from their family plots by **Sunday, October 27th**. Our parish does not have a dumpster, and your help will greatly aid volunteers with the fall cleanup. Thank you for your cooperation.

PARISH BUS TRIP to see the play "Run for Your Wife" at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, Hampton, NJ on Tuesday, October 9th. Cost is \$75.50 and includes lunch. Call Mary Lloyd 570-578-6720 for reservations. Payment is due with reservation.



In the coming weeks you will be hearing more about our upcoming Capital Campaign, "A Separate Past, a Future Together". The Campaign will enable us to address some much needed maintenance projects for our church. This is an exciting time for our parish. As our congregation continues to grow, this Campaign will ensure our parish remains viable now and for future generations.

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

Aviso al Respeto de Reportar el Abuso Sexual de Un Menor de Edad

Es la norma de la Diócesis de Scranton reportar cualquier alegación de abuso sexual de un menor de edad a las autoridades. Si usted es una víctima de abuso sexual cometido por un sacerdote, diácono, religioso o empleado laico, o voluntario de la Diócesis de Scranton, usted está obligado a reportar el asunto inmediatamente a las autoridades de la ley. Si algún sacerdote, diácono, religioso, empleado laico o voluntario de la Diócesis de Scranton tiene sospecha de que un menor de edad ha sido sujeto a cualquier forma de abuso, incluyendo abuso sexual de menor de edad, el asunto será reportado a las autoridades de la ley. De conformidad con la Comunidad de los Servicios de Protección Infantil de Pennsylvania Leyes, informes de sospecha de abuso de niños también debe hacerse inmediatamente por teléfono las 24 horas maltrato infantil hotline (ChildLine) al 1-800-932-0313 o electrónicamente en www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. Es la norma de la Diócesis defender todas las regulaciones civiles y del estado. Al fin de que la Diócesis esté comprometida igualmente a defender las normas del Código de Derecho Canónico y defender los principios de la Carta Para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes (Conferencia de los Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos), lo cual incluye apoyar a las víctimas de abuso sexual en pos del bienestar emocional y espiritual. Por eso, información respecto a una alegación del asunto sexual de un menor de edad, debe ser reportada a la Coordinadora Diocesana de Asistencia para Las Víctimas Maria Beth Pacuska, a (570-862-7551) o a los oficiales diocesanos incluyendo El Vicario General, Monseñor Thomas M. Muldowney, a (570-207-2269).