

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 17, 2021

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| Sat. | 10/16 | 4:00 PM | George Opert by Casimir, Gina, and Michelle Murmello | |
| Sun. | 10/17 | 11:00 AM | Rose and John Iacurci by Their Daughter Joan | |
| Mon. | 10/18 | 7:00 PM | Joseph Cukauskas, Sr. by His Wife Helen and Sons | |
| Tue. | 10/19 | 7:00 AM | Jonathon Breznitsky by Gary, Jean, and Linda Paulshock | |
| Wed. | 10/20 | 7:00 AM | Thomas Yurish by Joe and Kathy Shikorsky | |
| Thur. | 10/21 | 7:00 AM | Joni Moses by Susan and Stanley Bruzgulis | |
| Fri. | 10/22 | 7:00 AM | Gertrude Wenner by Carl Pecora | |
| Sat. | 10/23 | 4:00 PM | Steve Korol and the Deceased Members of the Korol Family by JoAnne | |
| Sun. | 10/24 | 11:00 AM | Anna Yurish by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stelmock | |



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,519.00; Loose \$107.00; Dues \$1,952.00; Care and Education of Priests \$125.00; Other \$30.00; Poor Box \$404.16

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



ANNUAL CHILDREN'S WARM WINTER COAT COLLECTION - If you would like to donate a winter coat for the needy children in our Freeland community, you can drop them off at the parish office or place them on the right side of the altar steps by the organ by **NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24th**. 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." **We are in need of all sizes for both boys and girls, especially larger sizes like 18 and 20 for both boys and girls.** All donations must be made by October 17th. Coats will be distributed on Saturday, October 30th. from 9 - 11.

BINGO AT ST. PATRICK'S on the second Wednesday of every month. Parish center doors open and food is available at 5:00 PM. Games start at 6:00 PM. Continuous jackpot capped at \$1000.00. October jackpot is at \$700.00.



MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS will be at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, December 1st, in the Parish Center in the basement of Immaculate Conception Church. Please register by calling the Immaculate Conception Parish Office at 570-636-3035 or the Good Shepherd Parish office at 570-788-3141.



ALTAR SERVER REFRESHER AND TRAINING - There will be a **VERY IMPORTANT** meeting for **ALL** current and new servers and for those who would like to become an altar server and for **ALL** parents on Sunday, November 14th, after the 11:00 AM Mass. If you have any questions or will be unable to attend, please call the parish office at 570-636-3035. Please see the enclosed flyer and permission slip.

A Message from Father Mike...



I have been humbled to meet and know great people in the world. Although I never had the opportunity to meet Mother Theresa (now, Saint Theresa of Calcutta), I was privileged to be at her Beatification in Rome and work with her sisters throughout the world. In Haiti they call her "Momma T." I think we would all agree that she is someone who would be entitled to the place of honor on either side of Jesus, just like James and John asked for in this weekend's Gospel. But here's the irony of the situation: Mother Theresa would never have asked for that position. Her humility would never have allowed her to even think she was worthy of such a position. James and John were part of a good thing with Jesus and they wanted it to continue in the next kingdom - part of me gets it. James and John each needed a big old piece of humble pie. They eventually got it. How about you? Pie anyone?

A VIEW FROM THE PEW, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.



"There are two ways to get enough. One is to accumulate more and more. The other is to desire less." G.K. Chesterton. Enough said!



HALLOWEEN DANCE: Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception parishes will host a joint Halloween Dance on **Saturday, October 30th**, in the Good Shepherd Parish Hall. Doors open at 6:30 PM with music by Fr. Mike and His Heavenly Delights until 9:30 PM. **ALL TICKETS HAVE BEEN SOLD!**

TUESDAY NIGHT BINGO AT GOOD SHEPHERD IS BACK! The kitchen opens at 5:00PM and our Early Bird game begins at 6:00PM.



Our Parish Community-Service Coordinating Team is requesting turkey gravy, boxed stuffing, canned pumpkin, cranberry sauce, green beans, and fried onions for the month of October. Items are to be placed in the food pantry container by October 24th.

Thank you for any donations you can provide to assist those individuals and families in need in our community.



CEMETERY CLEANUP - Cemetery volunteers are asking parishioners to please remove all logs and artificial plants and flowers from their family plots by **Sunday, October 24th**. Our parish does not have a dumpster, and your help will greatly aid volunteers with the fall cleanup. Thank you for your cooperation.

CEMETERY NEWS: Please do not dump your trash in the cemetery along the fence. This has become a problem in one of our cemeteries where people are dumping trash and it blows onto the graves of others. No one likes to see the graves of their loved ones with trash strewn on top of them. **PLEASE TAKE YOUR TRASH WITH YOU. IT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.**



Special events!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS: REMINDER: NO ONE is to mark Mass Attendance Cards. The office has that responsibility. Please return the signed Student Contract for Faith Formation found on page 12 in your handbook.



On October 31st, students are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes.

Any elderly parishioners who would like to have one of our Confirmation students rake leaves for them should call the Parish Office at 570-636-3035 to sign up.



OCTOBER IS NATIONAL PRO LIFE MONTH. On the weekend of October 16th and 17th, the Greater Hazleton Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human Life will be collecting donations in large baby bottles in the vestibule of the church. We are asking you to be as generous as possible.



TURKEY BINGO - Thursday, November 11th, in the parish center. Early birds begin at 5:30 PM; Regular games begin at 6:00 PM; Doors and Kitchen open at 4:30 PM. Tricky Trays will be available. Admission is \$10.00.



SIXTH ANNUAL BE A MAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE - "Called to Fatherhood" - October 30, 2021 at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. Conference runs from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM and includes Adoration/Confessions.

Closing Mass at 1:45 PM, rosary at 7:15 AM. Registration / Morning Coffee 7:00 AM and will feature three outstanding speakers. Cost is \$40.00 for adults, \$15.00 for students, and Priests and Deacons are FREE. Register online at www.BeACatholicMan.com.

Dear
Deacon
Jim...

DEAR DEACON JIM - This is a new addition to our bulletin. Deacon Jim will be answering your spiritual questions each week. Everything about our faith that you always wanted to know but didn't know who to ask. Just email your questions to ourladyfreeland@gmail.com or drop your questions in the collection basket. Deacon Jim will then answer your questions in the bulletin. What a wonderful way to understand our faith more fully! You do not have to put your name on your questions.