

Good Shepherd Church Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time October 30, 2022



+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK+

Saturday, October 29

6:00PM Alexander Martin ~ Mom, Dad, Robert & Desiree Sunday, October 30

8:00AM Neil & Angel Lamana ~ MaryAnn Mario

9:30AM Don & Fran Kisacky – 50th Wedding Anniversary

Monday, October 31

8:00AM Living & Deceased Members of the Beltrami Family

6:00 PM Kathleen Carr ~ Donna Good

Tuesday, November 1

8:00 AM Michael Anthony Sr. & MaryAnn R. Postowski

Wednesday, November 2

8:00AM All Souls Intentions

Thursday, November 3

8:00AM Angelo & Connie Spadell ~ Marie & Tony Bellizia

Friday, November 4

8:00AM Casmir Lasecki ~ Wife, Sylvia

6:00 PM Mass of Rememberance

Saturday, November 5

6:00PM Alexander Martin ~ M/M Thomas Romancheck & Family

Sunday, November 6

8:00AM Marie Knelly ~ Sister, Ann

9:30AM Stephen Michalochick – M/M John Gallagher

Stewardship

October 22 & 23: Loose \$599; Offertory \$2,816; Dues \$485; Holy Days \$10, Capital Improvement \$50; Care & Education \$30, Mission Sunday \$628,

 $Mass\ Attendance-520$



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **Frederick R. Proske** by Wife, Mary & Children, Allison & Richard.



The Rose for Life this week is in memory Deceased Family Members by Marie & Tony Bellizia



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**.

Church Women United invites you to attend World Community Day on **Friday**, **November 4** at **1PM**. The theme of this service is "A Call to Pray" which will be held at Christ Lutheran Church in Conyngham. Please call Andrea at 570-788-2002 if you plan to attend. To reserve call by 10/31/22. "It's Up To You in 2022."

Spaghetti Dinner - Waitresses and baked goods needed for the spaghetti dinner on **November 12**. If you can waitress contact Barb @ 570-788-1676 and if you can bake contact Connie @ 570-788-6216. Thank you in advance.



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, canned 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.

The annual **Mass of Remembrance** will be held on **Friday Nov. 4, 2022** at **6PM**. This Mass honors those who have been lost from the Good Shepherd family during the past year. It also remembers all of our departed loved ones. A social with baked goods and light refreshments is held afterwards. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Good Shepherd Faith Formation will again be participating in the Box of Joy program sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 8613. We are inviting all members of the parish who would like to participate. Boxes will be available after all masses October 29 & 30 (along with instructions and suggestions). We ask that you return them the following weekend, November 5 & 6. Box of Joy provides schools, parishes, organizations, and families with an inspiring opportunity to send gifts to children in Haiti, Guatemala and other developing countries. A Box of Joy is a Christmas shoe box, donated and packed with toys, clothing, school supplies, and hygiene items by participants from U.S. parishes, schools and groups. Each gift represents Christ's love and may be the only Christmas gift children in developing countries are blessed to receive.

Shepherds Hands will meet **Thursday**, **November 3** at **3:00PM** in the St. Joseph's Room. New members are always welcome whether you can attend the meeting or not.

Salvation Army Soup Kitchen Twice a month, our parish donates, prepares and serves a hot meal at the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen in Hazleton. The Soup Kitchen is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11:00-12:00 noon and is open to anyone in need of a free meal and fellowship. In October, our team served chicken, scalloped and au-gratin potatoes, green beans, bananas, and ice cream sundaes to between 40-45 people each day. Our sincere thanks to all those parishioners and "friends of the parish" who support this ministry with their prayers, time, cooking talents, food and monetary donations. Together we are putting our Catholic faith into action by serving our community. This month, God called home one of our very active team members – Judy Dinofrio. Prayers go out to her family. May Judy continue to watch over our ministry from heaven. Our next meals will be on Wednesday, November 2 and Wednesday, November 9. Team members are asked to arrive at the Soup Kitchen by 10:30AM. For more information on how you can assist this parish service ministry, please contact the parish office or Dorothy Beozzo at 570-764-6359.

Faith Formation class - There will be no classes this coming Sunday or Monday, October 30 & 31.

A Message from Father Mike...



On this 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time, we have the story of the tax collector named Zacchaeus. Tax collectors in Jesus's time we're not very popular. They were hired by the Roman government to collect taxes from the Jewish folk. Many tax collectors charged exorbitant fees, well above what they should have been collected. People were outraged

that Jesus would go to the house of this sinner. Zacchaeus was a just tax collector. Unfortunately, people judged him by his title.

The lesson in today's Gospel was not for Zacchaeus, but for the people. They judged both Zacchaeus and Jesus. Whom will you welcome into your home? Who are the people you will judge?





DEAR DEACON JIM – This is an established part of 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!



ELECTION DAY DINNER – Mark your calendar and plan to participate. Tell your family, neighbors, coworkers and friends. Adult and child Tickets available at the parish office daily and before and after all weekend masses. Saint John Bosco Church Conyngham, PA - Tuesday, November 8th, from 3:00 – 7:00 PM. Menu includes fresh salad, penne pasta, homemade meatballs, Italian bread and homemade cake. Vote and let us prepare your dinner!

HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL – The ROYAL family is opening its doors! Visit OPEN HOUSE Sunday, November 6th 1:00-3:00 PM. Discover an enriching, supportive, faith-filled environment where academic excellence and servant leadership are pursued daily. Talk to parents, students, faculty, and coaches to learn why you belong in the Holy Redeemer family. Holy Redeemer High School 159 South Pennsylvania Blvd., Wilkes-Barre 570-829-2424





<u>LEAVE A MARK 2022</u> – Young adults (age 18-40) are invited to join Bishop Joseph C. Bambera on Sunday, November 6 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton for this annual gathering to kickoff National Vocation Awareness Week in the Diocese of Scranton. A social with food trucks, live music, corn hole and more will immediately follow in the Diocesan Pastoral Center. For more information, visit <u>dioceseofscranton.org</u> or call 570-207-1452.

THE SAINT CHALLENGE is launching on All Saint's Day, November 1st. It is a yearlong series of challenges based on the saint of the day. In 90 seconds you'll learn a little fact about the saint of the day and be given a challenge inspired by that saint. It could be a corporal or spiritual work of mercy or something to improve your interior life and your relationship with God and neighbor. The Saint Challenge is free, and you can find more information and find ways to sign up at www.thesaintchallenge.com. Let's be saints!





Immaculate Conception Parish Thirty-first Sunday In Ordinary Time October 30, 2022





Saturday 10/29 4:00 PM

Steve Korol and the Deceased Members of the Korol Family by JoAnne

10/30 Sunday 11:00 AM Vic and Alice Piazzi by Their Daughters

Monday 10/31 9:00 AM TV Mass Dorothy Rovnack by Barbara Stehman

Monday 10/31 7:00 PM Joseph Mattavi by Rose and Family

Tuesday 11/1 7:00 AM All Saints Day

Wednesday 11/2 7:00 AM Souls of the Faithfully Departed

Thursday 7:00 AM 11/3

John Iorio by His Sisters Susan, Janet, and Ruth

Friday 11/4 7:00 AM

Raymond Nesler by Larry, Steve, and Jeff

4:00 PM Saturday 11/5

Thomas and Esther Yancus by Nancy Sisock and Family

Sunday 11/6 11:00 AM

Rupert and Bette Sweet by the Turri Family

11/6 5:00 PM Sunday

Mass of Remembrance



Sunday \$2,516.75; Loose \$131; Dues \$477; Care and Education of Priests \$12;

World Mission \$502; Hurricane Relief \$65; Capital

Improvement \$10; Poor Box \$67

MEMORIAL DONATIONS in Memory of Madeline Chuckra \$50.00 by JoAnne Korol and Barbara Batcha and \$25.00 by Julius Ceriani

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory Steve Korol and the Deceased Members of the Korol by JoAnne



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP is burning this week for Joseph Mattavi by Rose and Family.

PARISH CLEAN UP AND **SPRUCE UP** will take place

on Saturday, November 5th, at 10:00 AM. Thanks in advance for your help!!!





SINCERE THANKS to all who donated coats or made monetary donations to our Coats For Kids In

Need in Our Freeland Community. The coats were distributed this Saturday. The children were able to pick out their favorite coat, and their smiles and gratitude would melt your heart. No child will face the winter without the warmth of a good coat thanks to your kindness and generosity!



CEMETERY **CLEANUP**

Cemetery volunteers are asking parishioners to please remove all logs, artificial plants, and flowers

from their family plots as soon as possible. Our parish does not have a dumpster, so please don't leave your discarded decorations in the cemetery or along the fence. You need to take everything with you and dispose of it at home. Your help will greatly aid volunteers with the fall cleanup. Thank you for your cooperation.

MEMORIAL MASS IS NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMER 6th, to honor and remember those from our parish who have died this past year.



There will be a special Mass at 5:00 PM which WILL count as your Sunday obligation, and all are welcome and encouraged to attend.



THANKSGIVING ALL CASH BINGO Thursday, November 10th, Admission \$10.00 Kitchen opens at 4:30 – Early Birds at 5:30 Early Birds and Specials \$1.00 Each Regular Bingo starts at 6:00 PM \$35 Cash Pay-Out Per Game 4 Specials at \$50 each; Last Special \$100 Tricky Trays Will Be Available!!!