



# Immaculate Conception Parish Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023



## ✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Sat. 11/4 4:00 PM  
Barbara Patton and Catherine Donati by Their  
Brother Jack

Sun. 11/5 11:00 AM  
Rupert and Bette Sweet by the Turris  
5:00 PM  
Memorial Mass of Remembrance

Mon. 11/6 7:00 PM  
Deceased Members of the Roman Family by  
Rose Mattavi and Family

Tue. 11/7 7:00 AM  
Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary by the  
Legion of Mary

Wed. 11/8 7:00 AM  
Veronica Wish by Ben Hrino

Thur. 11/9 7:00 AM  
Anne Marie Ceriani by Joe and Nicole  
Martoccio

Fri. 11/10 7:00 AM  
Anna Marie Kopczynskie by Eva Billig

Sat. 11/11 4:00 PM  
Veterans of All Branches of our Military

Sun. 11/12 11:00 AM  
Deceased Members of the Capozzelli Family by  
Lorenzo Capozzelli and DJ Wychulis



**THANKSGIVING ALL CASH BINGO**  
Thursday, November 9th, 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



Our Community/Service Team is collecting cookie mix, sugar, flour, and cake mix for the Food Pantry this month. In addition, donations of plastic grocery store bags would be greatly appreciated. We thank all who support the needy families in our community.



**THE HOUR OF KINDNESS MI NIS TRY**  
will meet on Saturday, November 25th, 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.



Remember Your Offerings  
**Last Weekend:**  
Sunday \$4,341; Loose \$279; Dues \$1,009; Care and Education of Priests \$40; World Mission Sunday \$174; Other \$5; Capital Improvement \$175; Poor Box \$133.25

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of Alan Pecora by Dan Ravina



**OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE** is burning in Memory of Edward and Kathryn Quinn Family by Their Daughter Virginia



**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT:** Please join us on Sunday, December 3rd, to celebrate the start of the Advent season. Think of it as a mini retreat for you and your friends before the Christmas rush begins. The program will start at 4:00 PM in the church of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception & will include scripture readings, music and reflection, festively decorated tables, snacks, refreshments, and desserts. To host a table or reserve a seat, please sign up in the back of the church or contact Michalene Prokopovich at 570-788-6970 by Sunday, November 26th. Please plan to join us for this beautiful & memorable Advent celebration. We hope to see you there!!



During the month of November, instead of a weekly message, we will be telling our vocation story.

**My Vocation Journey:** My first memory of any type of vocation came when I was 5 years old. I was at the neighbor's house for dinner. After the meal we gathered in the living room and the whole family prayed the Rosary. I knew the Hail Mary, but had not experienced the Rosary. In grade school I became an altar server (living less than a block from church, my brother and I were often called at the last minute to serve). I can also remember in 7th grade going to church with my class for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We were all directed to kneel. At one point Sr. Michael Mary's clicker went off signaling us to sit. I remained kneeling. These small memories were seeds of faith planted in me. Do you remember any seeds of your faith?

**MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS** will be at 6:00 PM on Thursday, January 11, 2024, in the St. Joseph Room at Good Shepherd Church. 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 Tuesday, November 7, 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.



**YOU'RE A GOOD MAN  
CHARLIE BROWN**

## HOLY REDEEMER HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

### *You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown*

Friday, Nov 17th and Saturday, Nov 18, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Adults: \$10 ~ Seniors \$9 ~ Students \$8

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

**PARISH DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** – Part of our participation in the National Eucharistic Revival in our Parish will be an afternoon of Eucharistic Adoration. It will be held on Sunday, November 26th, beginning with a Choir Mass at 11:30 AM. Fr. Edward Michelini will be the Celebrant and Homilist. Immediately following the Mass, the Eucharist will be exposed on our Altar from 12:30-5:00 PM. Sign Up Posters will be placed in the vestibule of both of our Churches for individuals to sign up for 1/2 hours of prayer. The day will conclude with Solemn Vespers, a homily by Fr. Paul McDonnell, OSJ, the crowing of the Statue of Christ as our King and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. We encourage everyone from both of our Churches to participate at Mass, a time of quiet adoration and the Vespers. If we can secure some parishioners from both of our Churches to assist, we will have light refreshments and social afterwards in our gym at 6:00 PM. Call the Parish office to volunteer to assist with the social at 570-836-3279.



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



# Good Shepherd Church

## The Thirtieth-First Sunday of Ordinary Times

### November 5, 2023

#### † MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

**Saturday, November 4**

**6:00PM** Irene Huber ~ Family

**Sunday, November 5**

**8:00AM** Leonard Gunzerath – Daughter, Lorraine

**9:30AM** Stephen Michalochick ~ The Delman Family

**Monday, November 6**

**8:00AM** Bill Gorski ~ Cathy Gorski

**Tuesday, November 7**

**8:00 AM** Souls of the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Purgatorial Society

**Wednesday, November 8**

**8:00AM** Angelo Gardola ~ Andrea Tarnopolski

**Thursday, November 9**

**8:00AM** Michael “Petch” Petchel ~ His Mother

**Friday, November 10**

**8:00AM** Mary Lou Fetterman ~ Husband & Children

**Saturday, November 11**

**6:00PM** Robert Sukel, Nellie & Stephen Bugda ~  
Marianne Sukel

**Sunday, November 12**

**8:00AM** Marie Yurkanin – John Rayno Jr.

**9:30AM** Catherine & Anthony Yamulla ~ Judi & Joe  
Yamulla

#### Stewardship

**October 28 & 29:** Loose \$715; Offertory \$3,084; Dues \$290; Care & Education of Priests \$30; Holy Days \$165; Capital Improvement \$15; Campaign for Human Development \$5; Mission Sunday \$110  
Mass Attendance – 492



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for the **Souls of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Purgatorial Society**



The **Rose for Life** this week is for **Mike & Helen Chitswara** by the Chitswara Family



**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** for 1 week a month. Contact Diane Green at 570-788-4084 if interested.



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!

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.

**Fall Scripture Sessions** with Rev. Connell A. McHugh at Good Shepherd Drums. Rev. Connell A. McHugh, Pastor Emeritus of Good Shepherd, Drums will offer Fall Scripture Presentations in the church hall. The next 2 presentations are **Wednesdays: November 8, and 15.** Father McHugh will examine miracles in his third and fourth presentations. He will offer a history of belief and unbelief in miracles throughout the centuries. Father will look at the different types of miracles, the meaning of Jesus’ miracles, their historicity and symbolism, a few authors who are skeptical of miracles such as Rudolf Bultmann and David Hume. The public is invited to attend free of charge. Although walk-ins are welcome, pre-registration is preferred by calling the Parish Office at 570-788-3141.

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



**Monthly Breakfast:** Breakfast is this **Sunday, Nov 5**, at Good Shepherd Church Hall. The menu includes sausage, bacon, eggs to order, potatoes, pancakes, pastry, yogurt, orange juice, coffee, tea, and chocolate milk. The cost is \$9.00/adult and \$4.00/child. Serving time is from **8 AM until 11 AM.**