

# FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

## † MASS INTENTIONS †

Sat.	11/23	4:00 PM	John E. Howanitz by His Family
Sun.	11/24	11:00 AM	Jean Iben by Her Husband and Daughters
		10:30 AM	Elenita Kloton by Her Family
Mon.	11/25	7:00 PM	Scott Branz, Sr. by His Parents, Brothers, and Sisters
Tue.	11/26	7:00 AM	Joseph R. Malloy and Michael P. Malloy by Their Daughter and Sister Joyce
Wed.	11/27	7:00 AM	Martin "Chip" Makowiec by Lisa Petrick
Thur.	11/28	9:00 AM	<b>Thanksgiving</b> Thomas Chuckra, Jr. by Mary Fran
Fri.	11/29	7:00 AM	Gloria Matisak by Joseph, Stacey, and Emma Tulanowski
Sat.	11/30	4:00 PM	Joseph G. Laganosky by Joseph and Geri Banyas
Sun.	12/1	11:00 AM	Andrew and Helen Berta by Their Daughter Mary Hanusek



### Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,338.50; Loose \$169.00; Dues \$1,306.00; Care and Education of Priests \$20.50; All Saints Day \$25.00; Immaculate Conception \$10.00; Human Development \$20.00; World Mission \$6.00; Religious Retirement \$5.00; Christmas Flowers \$108.50; Poor Box \$351.44

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of Scott Branz, Sr. by His Parents, Brothers, and Sisters



### The Giving Tree

Helping Those in Need



**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE** - Ornaments are available on the Giving Tree. Please bring your gift-wrapped item with the ornament attached and place it on the altar or bring it to the parish office by **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th** so that we can organize and distribute the gifts in time for Christmas. If you find you are unable to purchase the gift or if you lose your ornament, please call the parish office and let us know. Not buying the gift means that we have to go out at the last minute to find the item and purchase it so that no one is forgotten on Christmas morning.



**FREELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT'S**  
Annual Spaghetti Dinner will take place this **Sunday, November 24th**, from **12:00 to 3:00 PM** at the **Other Side Restaurant**. Come enjoy fresh salad and the famous

Other Side spaghetti and meatballs plus a wide selection of homemade desserts. Cost is \$10.00 per meal. Dine in, take out, or delivery available.

For tickets contact any FFD firefighter or call the fire station at 570-636-3244.

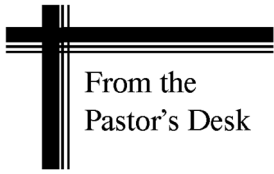


### ADDRESSES FOR CHRISTMAS CARDS



Father Richard Zavacki  
Allied Services Meade Street Senior Community  
260 S. Meade St. Room 214  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702-6221

Rev. J. Duane Gavitt  
134 South Washington Street  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701-2901



From the  
Pastor's Desk

This weekend is the last Sunday of the Liturgical year. Next weekend we begin the Advent Season, the beginning of a new Liturgical year. In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus is on the Cross, seemingly the end of His life. He is placed between two thieves - one good and the other not. I want to focus on The Good Thief. He knew

he was at the end of his life (of course, we know that Jesus would rise three days later). He made a dramatic change in his life at the very end. He asked Jesus for forgiveness. To be honest, other than Mary, the Good Thief is the only person we absolutely know is in heaven. Jesus promised him that day to be in His kingdom. So here we are at the end of our Liturgical year. Ask yourself this question: Is there someone in your life that YOU need to ask for forgiveness? Why not start the new Liturgical year on the right foot. Heaven is yours. All you have to do is ask for forgiveness!



**A VIEW FROM THE PEW, THANKSGIVING EVERY DAY.**

"Remember, the things we take for granted may be the same things someone else is praying for." I'm not sure where this quote originates, but it is often true. We always count our blessings this time of the year, but why not make a commitment to be thankful every day of the year, especially in our prayers. Happy Thanksgiving!

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS:** Our next quarterly Baptismal Preparation Class with Deacon Jim will be held on **Tuesday, December 10th**, at Immaculate Conception Parish and on **Tuesday, December 17th**, at Good Shepherd Parish. This class is mandatory for ALL parents wishing to baptize their children. Please register by calling the parish office of Immaculate Conception at 570-636-3035 or Good Shepherd at 570-788-3141.



**DIOCESAN APPEAL DONORS:** Atty. & Mrs. Richard Dudinyak; Mrs. Mary Rita Nosal; Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Palma; Ms. Joan Staruch; Mr. Joseph Yanek

**HOUR OF KINDNESS** will meet on **Saturday, December 7th, at 9:00 AM** in the rectory to address Christmas cards for our nursing home residents and shut-ins. Anyone who would like to donate an hour of kindness is welcome and encouraged to come.



**FAITH FORMATION NEWS: REMINDER:** There will be **NO CLASS** on **December 1st** due to Thanksgiving Break. Class **RESUME** on **December 8th**, and this will be the Mass Attendance Card Check. Please send the Mass Attendance Cards with your children.



**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT** - Please join us in celebrating our parish's second annual Advent by Candlelight program (Have a "Mary" Christmas) on Sunday, December 8th at 5:00 PM. We will have prayer and reflection, musical accompaniment by OLIC choir, festive decorated tables, 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 24th. What a great way to celebrate the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary! Hope to see you there!

