

† **MASS INTENTIONS** †

Sat.	11/24	4:00 PM	Stephen and Anna Korol and Helen Gerra by JoAnne
Sun.	11/25	7:30 AM	Leonard and Ann Swankoski by Mark and Teresa Swankoski
		10:30 AM	For the People
Mon.	11/26	7:00 PM	John E. Howanitz by His Family
Tue.	11/27	7:00 AM	Jean Iben by Her Husband John
Wed.	11/28		NO MASS
Thur.	11/29	7:00 AM	Connie LaPorte by Neil and Miriam Provanzo
Fri.	11/30	7:00 AM	Agnes Budda by the Monday Dinner Family
Sat.	12/1	4:00 PM	Mary and Thomas Ferko by Mrs. Frances Breznitsky
Sun.	12/2	7:30 AM	For the People
		10:30 AM	George "Yudo" Matisak by His Mother Gloria

Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,431.19; Dues \$729.00; Care and Education of Priests \$7.00; Human Development \$608.35; World Mission \$101.00' Immaculate Conception \$10.00; Religious Retirement \$5.00; All Saints \$1.00; Poor Box \$197.66



CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Leonard and Ann Swankoski by Mark and Teresa Swankoski



MEMORIAL DONATIONS TO THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: In Memory of Vic Piazzi: \$10.00 by Gertrude Opert; and \$50.00 by John, Karen, and Joshua Grabowski; In Memory of Michele Mahovich \$25.00 by Anna Mae Gornal and \$150.00 by Barbara and Mike Tulanowski; In Memory of Ed and Dave Marmello \$1,000.00 by John and Doris Murrullo; In Memory of James Breznitsky \$250.00 by Mrs. Frances Breznitsky; In Memory of Joseph M. Breznitsky \$300.00 by the Belanchik and Breznitsky Families; In Memory of Patrick, Audrey, and Gene Thomas \$50.00 by Karen Thomas; In Memory of Her Husband Maurice and Son Sean Ferry and Mary and Patrick Ferry \$400.00 by Mrs. Maurice Ferry.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE - Ornaments are still 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 9th** so that we can organize and distribute the gifts in time for **attach your ornament to the bow if possible.**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, IS THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. This is an important Holy Day of Obligation. You **must** attend mass **twice** that weekend. You can attend the vigil mass on Friday at 7:00 pm and then your regular weekend mass or you can attend the Saturday morning mass at 7:00 am and then your regular weekend mass.



FAITH FORMATION CLASSES are cancelled for this weekend in observance of ... Thanksgiving holiday. Classes will resume on Sunday, December 2nd, at their regular time.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT information and details are available on flyers in the back of the church. Please contact Michalene Prokopovich at 570-788-6970 with any additional questions.



This weekend we celebrate the **Feast of Christ the King!** It brings to end the Liturgical cycle B and with the first Sunday of Advent we begin cycle C (the Sunday readings are on a 3-year cycle: A, B, C).

This week I ask you to consider how your liturgical year has been and where is it going. Do you come to church EVERY weekend and on Holy Days? Do you pray EVERY day? Do you celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on a REGULAR basis? Do you receive the Holy Communion with sin on your soul? What will you do to become a better practicing Catholic?



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

It's that time of the year, days are shorter, the leaves are falling, and the Christmas decorations have been on display since early October! With all the running around and preparation that goes into Christmas, the Liturgy Committee came up with an idea to start the season; **Advent by Candlelight**. This is a tradition many churches celebrate throughout the country to help women (and men) of faith be more centered on Christ as we approach Advent and Christmas. We tend to become overwhelmed planning parties, dinners, baking and decorating, or look at the holidays as a time of sadness and loneliness because of a tragic event or the loss of a loved one. Advent by Candlelight is an opportunity to gather with friends and the parish family to relax, sing, and listen to uplifting messages pertinent to the season. The program is held in the evening at the beginning of the Advent season. This is an outreach effort; thus, hostesses and other members of the parish are encouraged to invite family, friends and neighbors regardless of church affiliation. Guests are greeted with the atmosphere of soft Christmas music and the glow of candlelight on decorated tables. Desserts and refreshments are provided by each hostess which encourages social time, an important aspect of the evening. This is our first attempt at such an event and more information will be forthcoming. Please consider attending Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception's inaugural Advent by Candlelight. Let's put **CHRIST** back into **CHRISTMAS!**

COMMUNITY-WIDE ADVENT-CHRISTMAS SONGFEST this Sunday, Nov 25th, at 2:30 PM at the Freeland Presbyterian Church, 625 Front Street, Freeland. You are invited to a very special event for a very special season! Come, enjoy the fellowship, and sing your favorite Carols! Hear feature performances and presentations from area musicians. A cookie and dessert fest will immediately follow the Songfest!



CHRISTMAS CARD ADDRESSES for Fr. Zavacki, Fr. Matthey, and Fr. Gavitt are:

Rev. Richard A. Zavacki
St. Luke's Villa
80 Northampton St. Apt 109
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701-3035

Rev. Joseph J. Matthey
Villa St. Joseph
1600 Green Ridge St.
Dunmore, PA 18509-2102

Rev. J. Duane Gavitt
134 S. Washington St.
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701-2901



FOOD PANTRY DONATION for November is packaged cookie mix. The next distribution will be Tuesday, November 27th.





ADVENT JOURNEY IN PREPARATION FOR The Birth of Our Messiah

Come join us for a weekly get-together as you go about your hectic schedule on a journey through the Advent Season. Put aside your worries and earthly concerns about Christmas planning to stop and think about the birth of that little child –

Our Messiah, JESUS.

Take this opportunity to accept that **first** Christmas gift, the gift of **eternal life**.

We will be meet each Wednesday evening during the Advent Season at 6:00 PM in the following locations:

Wednesday, November 28th in Immaculate Conception Hall

Wednesday, December 5th in St. Patrick's Center

Wednesday, December 12th Immaculate Conception Hall

Wednesday, December 19th in St. Patrick's Center.