



Good Shepherd Parish

First Sunday in Advent

November 27, 2022



† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday, November 26

6:00PM John & Pearl Sipple ~ Daughter, Judith Yamulla

Sunday, November 27

8:00AM Thomas Hudock ~ Anita Kobilis & Family

9:30AM George Polesko & Family ~ Wife, Pat Polesko

Monday, November 28

8:00AM Mary Villano ~ Pienkowski Family

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 AM Richard Gaffney ~ Jay & Mary McDermott

Wednesday, November 30

8:00AM Ida Voystock ~ M/M Joseph Chuckra

Thursday, December 1

8:00AM Helen Koval ~ Rich & Henrietta

Friday, December 1

8:00AM Dr. Barry Krainack ~ Wife & Children

Saturday, December 2

6:00PM Anthony & Catherine Yamulla ~ M/M Joseph Yamulla

Sunday, December 3

8:00AM Nicholas & Helen Cortese ~ Son, Joseph & Diane Cortese

9:30AM John Rusnock, Jr. ~ Mother, Joan Michalochick & Sons, John Rusnock, III & Joshua Rusnock

Stewardship

November 19 & 20: Totals will be available in next weekend's bulletin.



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for **John Rusnock, Jr.** by Mother, Joan Michalochick & Sons, John Rusnock, III & Joshua Rusnock



The **Rose for Life** this week is in memory of **Louis Beltrami** by Wife, Elaine



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**.

No Faith Formation Class **Monday, November 28**.

Women of Good Shepherd We would like to thank everyone who supported our Thanksgiving Gift Card Fundraiser. We realized a profit of \$240.00 which gets added to our Scholarship Fund. The lucky winner of the \$100.00 in gifts cards is Jennifer Joseph. Thanks for your continued support.

2023 Calendars are on the tables in the back of the church near the exits.

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, bar soap, body wash & shampoo. If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219.

Shepherds Hands Sock Collection: During the month of November, Shepherds Hands Ministry will be collecting new adult socks (for men and women). The socks will be distributed to the clients at Divine Providence Homeless Shelter and the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen. Please place the socks in the box inside the church entrance.

The parking lot masses are still ongoing: All weekend masses at **Good Shepherd Church** are available over your car radio. **We ask that you park in the lower lot** and tune your radio to FM 98.3. You will be able to listen to the Mass over your radio in the comfort of your car. For anyone unable to attend mass inside church, whether physically, socially, or for any reason, these masses are available to you. At the end of Mass, an Extraordinary Minister will come to the parking lot to distribute Holy Communion. If you bring your envelopes, those can be collected as well. **All are welcome.**



Coffee Companions will hold their social on December 2, following First Friday Devotions. They will play Christmas Bingo. All are welcome.

The Spaghetti Dinner at Good Shepherd Church was cancelled. Anyone who purchased tickets, please stop by the office with your tickets for a refund.



The Head Start Giving Tree is up and decorated with gift tags. Parishioners are asked to select a tag, purchase a gift, and return the wrapped gift and tag by **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14**. Thank you for your generosity!

Oplatki Wafers: Packs of Oplatki wafers are available on the table in the church vestibule. The cost is \$3.00 per pack of five wafers.



Breakfast with Mr. & Mrs. Santa is next **Sunday, December 4**, at Good Shepherd Church Hall. The menu includes ham, bacon, eggs to order, potatoes, pancakes, pastry, yogurt, orange juice, coffee, tea, and chocolate milk. The cost is \$8.00/adult and \$4.00/child. Serving time is from 8:00 AM until 11:00 PM.



A Message from Father Mike...

At the age of 7, I joined the Cub Scouts and today, 58 years later, I still am involved in the Scouting program. The Scout Motto is: Be Prepared! I have made the effort to be prepared.

This weekend is the First Sunday of Advent. The message is taken right from the Boy Scouts (Ok, Scripture had it first...LOL!) BE PREPARED. I urge you this Advent Season to be PREPARED for the coming of Christ. It's not about the gifts, cards and parties. Advent is about PREPARING yourself spiritually. The parishes have two wonderful things you can participate in to help you get Spiritually ready for Christmas:

1. **GO TO CONFESSION** – there are 9 different times between the two parishes to celebrate the Sacrament on a weekly basis.
2. **COME TO CHURCH EARLY** – each weekend Mass will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 30 minutes before the Liturgy. Come early and spend a few minutes with Jesus.

How 'bout it? How are you going to prepare yourself?



Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception Faith Formation students are invited to take part in a musical meditation on the Christmas Story which will be held on a date to be announced. Practice is on Monday evenings from 5:30 – 6:15PM. All Faith Formation students are welcome to participate!

CHRISTMAS DINNER & SHOW: A Christmas concert and dinner will be held Sunday December 18th, 1-5pm, at the Hazleton Elks Lodge 635 East Broad Street, Hazleton. There will be a full dinner buffet, dessert, coffee/tea with cash bar available. The concert will feature Christmas song favorites by vocalist Jack James followed by a Christmas sing-a-long and a visit from St. Nick. Plan to attend for an afternoon of great food & music sure to fill you with the Christmas spirit. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by calling [\(570\) 454-8000](tel:5704548000).



Pennsylvanians for Human Life will sponsor the annual ProLife Christmas Card Sale. All proceeds benefit the VOICE of JOHN, the educational efforts of PHL. The cards are available for \$20 per pack of 15 cards. Please support our local chapter in their prolife ministry.



THE MESSENGERS OF HOPE MINISTRY at Immaculate Conception Parish is planning a new “**CHRISTMAS GIFT WRAPPING SERVICE**” that will start during Advent next year. We would like to ask for any donations of gift boxes, tissue paper, wrapping paper, scotch tape, and bows. There will be a bin in the back of the church for you to drop your donations in. Any left overs will be greatly appreciated.

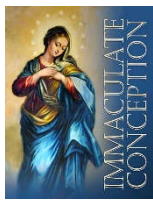


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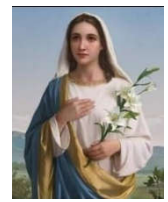




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✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday 11/26 4:00 PM
Lillian Strohl by Her Husband Oscar

Sunday 11/27 11:00 AM
Jean Iben by Her Husband and Daughter

Monday 11/28 7:00 PM
Deceased Members of the Kaschak and Palko Family by M/M Mark Kaschak

Tuesday 11/29 7:00 AM
Anna Marie Zawatsky by Dan Kopczynskie

Wednesday 11/30 7:00 AM
Mary Kopczynskie by John Kopczynskie

Thursday 12/1 7:00 AM
Thomas Chuckra, Jr. by His Wife Mary Fran

Friday 12/2 7:00 AM
Robert Williams by His Son Kyle Williams

Saturday 12/3 4:00 PM
Carrie and Russell Smith by Carol and Family

Sunday 12/4 11:00 AM
Robert Hludzik by Mary Ann



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,359; Loose \$200; Dues \$1,145; Care and Education of Priests \$75; World Mission Sunday \$15; All Saints Day \$35; Human Development \$404; Christmas Flowers \$299; Capital Improvement \$50; Poor Box \$132.11

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of Grace & George Komishock by Michele & Marty Kimmel.



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP is burning this week for John, Mary Lou, Patrick, & Katie Keeler by Wife & Mother Janet Keeler.

Eucharistic



Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place one half hour before each of the weekend masses during the Advent season. Why not come to church a little early and spend some time with your Savior.



Please have your Giving Tree gifts on the altar steps or in the parish office by Sunday, December 10th.

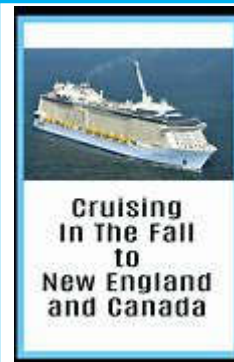
NEW ENVELOPES – We have a new parish envelope company. As you saw with the last envelopes, the amounts were incorrect. These mistakes have been corrected and you should see the correct envelopes in the next delivery group. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Homebound parishioners who would like to receive the Sacraments of Confession and Holy



Communion can schedule a visit with Father Rawel by calling the parish office at 570-636-3035.



LET'S CRUISE NEXT FALL TO NEW ENGLAND AND CANADA! A beautiful 9-day cruise leaving from Cape Liberty, New Jersey with stops in Boston, MA; Portland, ME; Bar Harbor, ME; St. John, New Brunswick; and Halifax Canada. The cruise dates are from September 7 to 16, 2023.

Contact the parish office and leave your name and phone number for further details.

OUR HOUR OF KINDNESS MINISTRY

will meet on Saturday, December 3rd, at 9:00 AM in the rectory to write out Christmas cards for our elderly and homebound parishioners. Please use the Chestnut Street door. We hope to see you there!



POINSETTIA DELIVERY: The Community Service Team will be delivering poinsettias to our beloved elderly and homebound parishioners on Saturday, December 3rd, beginning at 10:00 AM. If no one is home, the poinsettia will be placed outside.

