

# FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

DECEMBER 29, 2019

## † MASS INTENTIONS †

Sat.	12/28	4:00 PM	Mary and Thomas Ferko by Mrs. Frances Breznitsky, Sons, and Family
Sun.	12/29	11:00 AM	Robert Hludzik by Mary Ann
Mon.	12/30	7:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Flessati and Seppi Families by Their Family
Tue.	12/31	4:00 PM	Charles Dietrich by Regina Dietrich Ruggieri
Wed.	1/1	11:00 AM	George Sarosky by JoAnn Zynel and Jean Medvitz
Thur.	1/2	7:00 AM	Gertrude Wenner by Her Son Kenneth and Wife Jean
Fri.	1/3	7:00 AM	Mary Webb and John Correll by Michele and Marty Kimmel
Sat.	1/4	4:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Hutnyan and Matisak Families by Adam, Rosey, AJ, and Ryan
Sun.	1/5	11:00 AM	Richard Kopczynskie by His Wife Anna Marie and Children

### Last Weekend:



Sunday \$4,070.00; Loose \$174.00; Dues \$1,691.00; Care and Education of Priests \$21.00; Christmas Flowers \$43.00; Religious Retirement \$42.00; Immaculate Conception \$27.00; Poor Box \$255.12

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of Robert Hludzik by Mary Ann



**MEMORIAL DONATION** of \$50.00 was made in Memory of Margaret Koslop by the Klingeman Family.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MEMORIAL DONATION** of \$25.00 was made in Memory of Father Richard Zavacki by John and Sandy Sabo

**LITURGY COMMITTEE** will meet Monday, January 6th, at 5:45 PM in the rectory.

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST**, is the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. The mass schedule at the three local parishes for this Feast Day is:

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

December 31st 4:00 PM

January 1st 11:00 AM

### GOOD SHEPHERD

December 31st 6:00 PM

January 1st 8:00 AM

### ST. PATRICK'S

December 31st 6:00 PM

January 1st 10:15 AM

### FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

- There will be a First Grade parent meeting at **10:15 AM on Sunday, January 5th**, in the rectory.
- Classes resume on **January 5th** and this is the monthly mass attendance card check. Please send the cards to class with your children.
- On **Sunday, January 19th**, there will be a Second Grade parent meeting at **10:15 AM** in the rectory.
- **January 19th** at the 11:00 AM mass will be the Fifth Grade Children's Mass.
- A special thank you to the parents who assisted with the Happy Birthday, Jesus preparation. Your efforts helped make the party very special for the students. I appreciate all you've done and a heartfelt thank you to you all.
- Wishing everyone a Happy, Healthy New Year!

From the  
Pastor's Desk

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Joseph, in a dream, is asked to take Mary and Jesus from Bethlehem for safety. Today the Church is asking us to focus on the basic unit of our society - the FAMILY. I can remember as a child eating Sunday dinner with the family. There were no ifs, ands, or buts about it. You were there for Sunday dinner. It wasn't always much (my uncle used to hunt rabbits and give them to us), but we were together. Maybe we can make the year of 2020 a time to focus on the FAMILY. How 'bout some rabbit for Sunday dinner? All invited!



### **A VIEW FROM THE PEW, MERRY CHRISTMAS**

*"May a Christmas star shine into your heart and burn in your spirit bright. May Jesus' peace bless you and bring true joy to you." On behalf of the Liturgy Committee I would like to wish all of you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS:** Our next Baptismal Preparation Class with Deacon Jim will be held on **Tuesday, January 21st**, at Immaculate Conception and on **Tuesday, January 28th**, at Good Shepherd. 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.

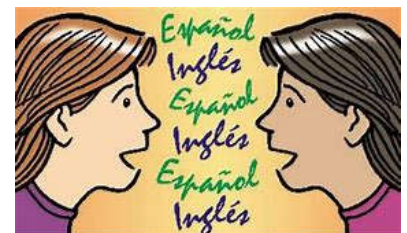


**WINTER WEATHER PROCEDURE:** if there is a **winter storm warning**, parish activities such as Faith Formation will be cancelled. The parish office will be closed. **Mass will not be cancelled or delayed due to winter weather and will be held at the regularly-scheduled time.** The only exception to this would be if the governor declares a state of emergency that restricts travel.

**ANNULMENT PROCESS** - Do you want to know more about the annulment process? In the Diocese of Scranton, the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect, and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact Father Mike or the Diocesan Tribunal Office (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.



**THE MESSENGERS OF HOPE MINISTRY** is in need of a bilingual member. We need someone who can make telephone calls to let our Spanish-speaking neighbors know the dates to pick up backpacks, coats, and Christmas gifts and to translate information from English to Spanish on registration forms. If you are able to help, please call Janet at the parish office at 570-636-3035 or come to the office Monday - Thursday from 9:00 AM till noon.



**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:** The regular distribution on December 17th had to be cancelled due to inclement weather. The distribution has been rescheduled for **Tuesday, December 31st**.