

Good Shepherd Church Pentecost Sunday



June 4 & 5, 2022

+ MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK+

Saturday, June 4 6:00PM Donna Marie & Gregory Polesko ~ Mother, Pat Polesko Sunday, June 5 8:00AM John Kalinovich ~ Judi Zanolini& Andrew Slavick 9:30AM John Stefanik ~ Wife & Children Monday, June 6 8:00AM José Perez ~ Mussoline Family **Tuesday**, June 7 8:00AM Stanley A. Lobitz, Jr. ~ Family Wednesday, June 8 8:00AM Dr. Barry Kraynack~Wife, Linda Thursday, June 9 8:00AM Frank, Anthony, & Bonnie Umbriac ~ Brother, Joe Friday, June 10 8:00AM Derek Widis~ Dan & Rita Saturday, June 11 6:00PM George Amerise& Emma Flaim ~ Children & Granddaughter Sunday, June 12 8:00AM Matthew R. Grieco~ Grieco& Mellon Families **9:30AM** Glen Rinehimer ~ Wife, Patsy

Stewardship – May 28 & 29

Offertory information will appear in next weekend's bulletin.

The Tabernacle Candle burns this week for Patrick and Grace Gallagher by the Proske family.

The Rose for Life this week is in memory of John Stefanik by his wife, Kathy.

Parking Lot Masses: All weekend Masses at Good Shepherd Churchare available over your car radio. We ask that you park in the lower lot and tune your car radiotoFM 98.3. You will be able to listen to the Mass over your radio in the comfort of your car and remain socially distant. At the end of Mass, an Extraordinary Minister will come to the parking lot to distribute Holy Communion. If you bring your envelopes, those will also be collected.

Mass for Graduating High School Students: We will honor senior members of Good Shepherd Parish on Sunday, June 12, at the 9:30AM Mass. If you are a senior and wish to attend Mass that day, please register by calling the parish office by Monday, June 6th.

We welcome Margaret Arruzzo as our newest member of Good Shepherd Parish.

Community



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.



The Valley Food Pantry helps those in need of food, paper products, and hygienic articles. We have been asked to collect canned chili, tomato products, honey, and bar soap. If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187

CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219.



Monthly Breakfast: Breakfast is this Sunday, June 5, in the parish hall. The menu includes bacon, sausage, eggs (any style), home fries, toast, pancakes, pastries, juice, coffee, tea, and milk. The cost is \$8.00/adult and \$4.00/children ages 4 to 12. Serving time is from 8:00 – 11:00AM.

Orders for Father McHugh Photos: We are taking orders for a thumb drive of the photos that were shown in the slideshow at Father McHugh's jubilee dinner. The cost is \$10.00 per thumb drive and must be paid at the time of the order. Stop by the parish office to order or put your name and phone number on an envelope marked "Thumb Drive" and drop it in the collection basket.

Thank You: I thank everyone who helped me celebrate my 50th Anniversary to the priesthood. The event was wellorganized by Fr. Michael Kloton and Chair, Jean Klinger, with plenty of help from parishioners. I am grateful for the creative program from Beth and Kelly Kostanesky; the video from Jim McGuire, Donna Good, and Judy Whitaker; the music from the choir, etc. I thank all who attended the Mass at Good Shepherd or Holy Annunciation and/or the fine dinner. I am appreciative of all who sent cards, gave gifts, Mass enrollments, donated books to the library in my honor, or some other institution, etc. I enjoyed the entire event. The parish bulletin certainly gave the anniversary excellent publicity. I hope the whole affair was enjoyable to everyone who participated and rekindles in me renewed dedication to my priesthood in the time I have left. I will try to keep assisting at Good Shepherd, Holy Annunciation (St. Gabriel's), and St. John Bosco. I also will try to carry on with my scripture sessions.

I am grateful for those priests and Deacon who participated in the liturgy; Vic & Aggie Plantania, who served the Mass; and Anne Amerise who lectored. I also thank those who spoke at the dinner: Father Mike Kloton, Dr. Michael Washinsky, Judy Whitaker, and Judi Yamulla; and Bernadette Jespersen and Jack James for their musical performances. Finally, thanks to all who made this an unforgettable day.

A Message from Father Mike...

This weekend the church celebrates the feast of Pentecost. The first Pentecost had the Holy Spirit descending upon the disciples and it became a whole new church. This weekend between the two parishes, 34 students received the Sacrament of Confirmation. They are the new beginning of our churches. We are so proud of them and their parents. We look forward to seeing them in church each week and become more involved in our parishes. We've also been blessed this week to receive our new assistant. Father Rawell Toppo is a true gift to both parishes and we're so grateful for his presence here. You will also notice this weekend a new bulletin for both parishes combined. This is an effort of the Pastoral Council. The churches of Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception are thriving communities. It is so evident that the Holy Spirit is alive within us. Happy Pentecost everyone!

Salvation Army Soup Kitchen

Good Shepherd Parish continues its commitment to "Feeding the Needy" in our area. Twice a month, our parish donates, prepares, and serves a hearty meal through the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen located at 356 West Broad Street in Hazleton. The Soup Kitchen does not have a "resident chef" to prepare meals. Several team members have stepped up and offered their cooking talents to assist in meal preparation several other days of the month. The Soup Kitchen is open every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00-12:00 and serves a free meal to anyone who is in need. Our teams have prepared and served195 meals in May. May God continue to bless all those who share their prayers, time, cooking talents, and food and monetary donations to support this parish project. Our next meal will be on **Wednesday, June 8th**. Team members are asked to report at the Soup Kitchen from 10:30AM - 12:15PM. If you would like to have more information on this parish project, please contact the office or Dorothy Stoffa Beozzo at 570-764-6359.

The Shepherd's Hands

Ukraine Service Project Update: At this point, we are no longer accepting donations of goods. An entity is planning a fundraiser for Ukraine that is scheduled for the fall. We will keep the parish updated when information is received. Thank you so much for your generosity and thoughtfulness!

Women of Good Shepherd

The Women of Good Shepherd will hold their June meeting on **Tuesday, June 14**, **at 6:00PM** at Olive You in Drums. We will be sampling specialty olive oils and vinegars as well as treats made from some of each. Space is limited. Please let Cathy know if you will be attending so JoAnn knows how much to prepare. RSVP by June 7.

Festival Corner

Clearances Reminder: If you are volunteering to work at a stand with your child, please remember you may only supervise your child and no other children. If you will be supervising other children, you must have your clearances. These can take several weeks to receive, so now is the time to apply for them. Contact the parish office to start the process if you are interested.

Tricky Tray Auction: There will be a Tricky Tray Auction at the festival in July. Any parishioners or families who would like to donate a tricky tray can do so by contacting Cathy Penkala at 570-436-5017 or Aniela Ross at 570-582-5623. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

Volunteer Sign-Up Weekend: Anyone wishing to volunteer at the festival can sign up in the St. Joseph Room after all the masses this weekend.

Bake Sale: Good Shepherd will hold a bake sale as part of the Parish Festival on July 8, 9, and 10. We appreciate the help of our generous bakers and hope many will want to bake for us again. Please contact Connie Marcino (570-788-6216) or Andrea Tarnopolski (570-788-2002).

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Since the beginning of May, we have received over 9 requests for the Sacrament of the Sick (last Rites). All but one of those were folks who were very close to death and unconscious. I want to assure you, we are here to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick at any time, day or night.

I would ask that family members consider calling the priest **BEFORE** the person is close to death and unconscious. I was privileged to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick for a gentlemen who was conscious and understood what was happening. I wish you could have seen the look of calm and peace on the face of the individual. In addition to the beauty of the Sacrament, he was given the knowledge that eternal happiness was his.

Dear Deacon Jim, My first spouse and I divorced and I remarried another person. Can I still receive Holy Communion? Is an annulment necessary?

For the answer to this question, please check our parish websites.



Immaculate Conception Church Pentecost Sunday June 4 & 5, 2022



✤ MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 4th

4:00 PM Helen E. Capozzelli by the Capozzelli Family

Sunday, June 5th

11:00 AM Peter and Mayme Sefing by the Turri Family

Monday, June 6th 7:00 PMJames A. Yori by His Family

Tuesday, June 7th 7:00 AM M/M George Sarosky a

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Wednesday, June 8th

7:00 AM Gerard Plesce by His Wife Josephine

Thursday, June 9th 7:00 AM Lynn Kotch and Son Michael by M/M Daniel Sarosky

Friday, June 10th

7:00 AM Helen Howanitz by Joan Sarosky

Saturday, June 11th

4:00 PM Lawrence Blasko, Sr. by Paula

Sunday, June 12th 11:00 AM MSG Paul Karpowich by Judy Lutz

STEWARDSHIP:



Weekend of May 15th:

Sunday \$3,011.00; Loose \$166.00; Dues \$1,868.00; Care

and Education of Priests \$21.00; Easter \$50.00; Catholic Home Mission \$5.00; Poor Box \$84.03

Weekend of May 22nd:

Sunday \$2,479.00; Loose \$126.00; Dues \$1,004.00; Care and Education of Priests \$15.00; Easter \$50.00; Poor Box \$83.00

Last Weekend:

Sunday \$4,002.00; Loose \$162.00; Dues \$558.00; Care and Education of Priests \$30.00; Ascension \$657.00; Catholic Communication \$347.00;Other \$246.00; Poor Box \$119.00.

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of the Deceased Members of John and Anna Yurkanin Family by Their Children and Grandchildren



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP is burning this week in Memory of the Tomcho and Gresh Families by Christine and Michael Gresh



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

"Knowing how to listen, besides being the first gesture of charity, is also

the first indispensable ingredient of dialogue and good communication: knowing how to listen, to let others say everything, not to cut them off halfway, knowing how to listen with the ears and with the heart..." Pope Francis. The Pope is right; many of us in conversation are guilty of interrupting or simply ignoring what someone is trying to say. How can we solve problems, comfort, or have a civil debate if we can't even listen to each other? Let's take the Pope's advice to heart and just lend an ear!



MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS will be at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, July 20th, in the Saint Joseph Room of Good Shepherd Church.

Please register by calling the Immaculate Conception Parish Office at 570-636-3035 or the Good Shepherd 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.

ADVERTISEMENTS FOR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH WILL APPEAR IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETINS AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Please be aware the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation require our children to attend 2 years of Faith Formation. If they have not attended the required 2 years, they will be moved appropriately to fulfill the requirement.