

Mass Intentions

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 23, 2019

Saturday– Feb 23rd –

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Vilma Koncz (B)
by Son, Gene

7:00PM – Donna McNally (A)
by Edie Stahlnecker

Sunday – Feb 24th –

8:30AM – Phyllis S. Roman
by Carole M. Houghton

10:30AM – David Sweeney
by Daughter, Lauren

Monday – Feb 25th – St Tarasius

8:00AM – Rev. Joseph M. Braudis
by Rev. Eric J. Gruber

Tuesday – Feb 26th – St Porphyrius

8:00AM – Joseph W. Kalamar
by Mary Molchany

Wednesday – Feb 27th – St Gabriel

6:00PM – Scott Jandrisovits
by Patrick McCloskey

Thursday – Feb 28th – St Hilary

8:00AM – Dopsovic Siblings
by Sister, Aggie Chabak

Friday – Mar 1st – St Suithbert

8:00AM – Scott McCloskey (B)
by Family

Sacred Heart Novena after Mass

Saturday– Mar 2nd – St Agnes of Prague

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Edward Ferenchak (WA)
by Wife, Lucille

7:00PM – Petie Muschko (B)
by Mom and Dad

Sunday – Mar 3rd –

8:30AM – Nicole Bieak Kreidler (L-Health)
by Mom and Dad

10:30AM – Rev. Robert A. Dressler
by Jean Marhefka and Family



Pray the Rosary Sundays
8:15AM and 10:15AM

PASTOR'S CORNER

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

[a reprise from 2017]

Holy Spirit, Dwelling in my heart,
Closer to me than the air I breathe,
You give me the courage
to trust in Jesus my Lord –
to put my hopes for an eternal life of true
happiness in his cross and resurrection.
You enlighten my mind and fire my
imagination with the wildly beautiful,
simply awesome, love of the Father in the Son.
For these gifts I firstly praise and thank You!

Holy Spirit, Dynamite of the Trinity,
Breath of the Word of the Creator,
You give me the wisdom
to seek renewal in Christ –
to surrender all to the Father's will;
then stoop to lift my cross.
You purify my intentions, cauterize my bad
habits, and confirm my will
with the blazing love of the Father and the Son.
For these gifts I beseech You ever!

Holy Spirit, Defender of every disciple,
Prosecutor of the mission of Jesus,
You give me clarity
in pursuit of holiness in Christ –
to fear nothing more than
to refuse his cross-won grace.
You direct my whole being
in the love of God and neighbor,
and transform my failures
into the Father's victory in his Son.
For these gifts I long
with all the saints and angels!

Come, Holy Spirit! Amen.

Keep your Wednesday evenings open for
Healing during Lent (March 6, 13, 20, 27, April
3, 10), while we invite the Holy Spirit to

heal the Church after these last years of scandal.

Pray 'em if you've got 'em,
Fr. Eric.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection

\$4,027.00



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	J.Drummer A.Banoza	J.Strohl	Deacon Jack
7:00PM	L.Ruda N.Ruda	J.McAllister	Deacon Jack
8:30AM	D.Popovic M.Popovic	B.Molchany	Deacon Jack
10:30AM	D.Gair K.Gair	J.DeLong	Deacon Jack



CONFIRMATION

Our Sacramental Class is preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which they will receive on **Tuesday, March 12th at 4:30pm, at Queenship of Mary Church.** Please keep our students in your prayers.

St. Peter's Church

Fifth and Coplay Streets, Coplay

We are hosting a Parish Mission on **Sunday, March 10th, Monday, March 11th, and Tuesday, March 12th, at 6:30pm.** Father Vincent Fortunato, a Franciscan Capuchin Friar, an inspiring and engaging preacher, will conduct the Mission. All are welcome!

SANTA'S WISH-LIST



HO! HO! HO! Christmas has started! We would like to thank **an anonymous parishioner** for their gift of **\$2,000.00.** Any Santa gift made to the ongoing renovations of our parish is greatly appreciated!

IN THE WORDS OF...

"If you invoke the Blessed Virgin when you are tempted, she will come at once to your help, and Satan will leave you."
~St. John Vianney

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION



Friday, March 1st
Adoration begins after morning Mass, and continues throughout the day.
7:00PM ~ HOLY HOUR

"A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament."

St. Padre Pio

Healing Our Church

Discussion Groups Coming in Lent

Catholics throughout the Diocese of Allentown are invited to attend small-group discussions, moderated by fellow parishioners, and designed to encourage reflection and conversation about the clergy abuse crisis. Healing Our Church is a program from RENEW International, a Catholic nonprofit organization. Bishop Alfred Schlert has called the parish-based small-group discussions "an opportunity for all of us to prayerfully reflect on scripture, on the abuse crisis, and on our path forward as a Roman Catholic Family of Faith." Discussions will take place during the six weeks of Lent. Watch for information, including how to sign up, soon.



FIRST PENANCE

Our Sacramental Class is preparing for the Sacrament of Penance, which they will receive for the first time **this Thursday, February 28th at 7:00pm.** Please keep our students in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Penance.



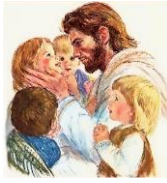
Strudel Roll Sale

Once again we are sponsoring an Easter Strudel Sale. The strudels are made by *Country Cottage Bake Shop* in Tamaqua. Orders are due by **Sunday, April 7th,** via the collection basket. Cost is \$16.00 a roll, and available in the flavors listed below. Delivery is **Wednesday, April 17th, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm** in the church hall. Any questions, call Mary Beth at 610-264-4494 or Peggy at 610-264-0307.

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

Nut: _____ Poppyseed: _____ Lekvar: _____ Apricot: _____

Raspberry: _____ Coconut Cream: _____ Total: \$ _____



GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS

Please join Fr. Adam Sedar and the Helpers of God's Precious Infants at the Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn, and all those involved in abortion on **Saturday, March 9th**. The pilgrimage begins with Mass at 8:00am at Notre Dame Church, 1861 Catasauqua Road, and continues with The Rosary at the abortion facility located at 31 South Commerce Way. The Mission: That through prayer, peaceful presence, and fasting we may be God's instruments in the salvation of souls, so that innocent lives will be saved from abortion. Be part of the call to bring God's everlasting, unconditional love to those involved in abortion that their hearts may be converted and receive God's gift of life with joy. Contact Info: 610-674-4624.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in helping a few hours a week at the **Catasauqua Thrift Shop**, please call Betty at 610-264-5386.

If you are interested in helping at the **Catty Food Bank**, please call, 610-264-8366, and leave a message.

Bethlehem Catholic High School

2133 Madison Avenue, Bethlehem

Is having a Designer Bag Bingo on **Sunday, March 3rd at 2:00pm. Doors open at 1:00pm.** Tickets in advance are \$25.00, at the door and \$30.00 and include twenty regular games. Special games, door prizes, food, tricky tray and 50/50 raffles are also available. For more info and tickets, call Sue at 484-300-5449.

F I S H



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ST. JOHN FISHER FISH DINNER

We will be hosting our Fish Dinner on **Friday, March 8th, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.** The platter includes: breaded haddock, choice of parsley potatoes or halushkie, creamed cabbage, corn, applesauce, dessert and beverage. Cost is Adults: \$10.00, Children (Ages 5 to 10) \$5.00. Tickets will be sold before and after Masses, or call Annette at 610-264-4758. Tickets will be \$12.00 at the door.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming Fish Dinner. Help is requested for **Thursday, March 7th, at 6:00pm** to assist with preparation of food, setting up tables, preparing take home containers, etc., and on **Friday, March 8th, at 2:00pm** to start cooking, finishing set up, cutting baked goods, etc., and after **4:00pm** to assist with serving food, doing dishes, busing tables and end of night cleanup. Sign-up sheets can be found at both church entrances.



Baked Goods

Parishioners are asked to bake desserts for our Annual Fish Dinner. Desserts can be dropped off in the church hall either on **Thursday, March 7th, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm** or on **Friday, March 8th, after 2:00pm.**