



## Mass Intentions

### The Presentation of Our Lord

#### February 1, 2020

**Saturday – Feb 1<sup>st</sup> –**

#### **Presentation of the Lord**

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – John J. Seng

by Mike and Louise Seng

7:00PM – David J. Sweeney

by Daughter, Lauren Sweeney

**Sunday – Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> –**

8:30AM – Carl Rieker (L-Health)

by Louise Oswald

10:30AM – Jeanette Koncz (WA)

by Husband, Gene

**Monday – Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> – St Blaise**

8:00AM – Margaret Kuchera

by Donna and James Corson

**Tuesday – Feb 4<sup>th</sup> – St Joseph of Leonessa**

8:00AM – Gertrude L. McGinley

by Mike and Louise Seng

#### ***Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass***

**Wednesday – Feb 5<sup>th</sup> – St Agatha, Virgin/Martyr**

6:00PM Vigil – Michael and Helen Chuss

by Kathy Kish and Family

**Thursday – Feb 6<sup>th</sup> – St Paul Miki/Companions**

8:00AM – Memorial Fund Members

by The Memorial Fund

**Friday – Feb 7<sup>th</sup> – St Colette of Corbie**

8:00AM – Margaret Hodge

by Peggy McCarty

#### ***Sacred Heart Novena after Mass***

**Saturday – Feb 8<sup>th</sup> – St Jerome Emiliani**

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

#### **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Delores Lukish

by Connie Berner

7:00PM – Thomas Vincent Tomasic

by Deacon and Mrs. Jack O'Connell

**Sunday – Feb 9<sup>th</sup> –**

8:30AM – Larry Krautsack, Sr.

by McCloskey Family

10:30AM – Kathy McCloskey

by Deacon and Mrs. Jack O'Connell



**Pray the Rosary Sundays**

8:15AM and 10:15AM

# PASTOR'S CORNER

## Ten Reasons to Send Children to a Truly Catholic School

- #10: In a Catholic School the older grades interact with the youngest grades in deeds of service and activities. [see Matthew 25:31-46.]
- #9: In Catholic Education the real goal is to forward the formation of young people toward adult discipleship of Jesus. [see Matthew 28:19.]
- #8: In a Catholic School the substantial basics of reading, writing and arithmetic are highlighted and developed to maximize each student's potential to become a thoughtful, critically-thinking, self-aware, and self-giving individual. [see Acts 20:35.]
- #7: With Catholic Education the goal of athletics, artistic development and expression, and the use of technology's latest prodigies, is to further a child's self-awareness and self-expression in the ways of personal and communal virtue. [see Psalm 8.]
- #6: In a Catholic School the family (even if affected by divorce and re-marriage) is always considered the primary place of learning for every child. As such, activities, homework, study and fun are to be guided by the Catholic Church's constant teaching to value traditional marriage, and the earnest practice of the faith at home. [see Matthew 19:17-20.]
- #5: Catholic Education draws its strength from the frequent celebration of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, regular prayer and study of the Sacred Scripture, and daily devotional prayer. [see the gospels/ 1 Cor.]

- #4: In a Catholic School the value of each human life is considered “priceless” as such life is a gift from God which each possesses in trust from God, for God, and for itself and others. [see Exodus 20:10-16.]
- #3: Catholic Education occurs within the “culture” of the “golden rule” and “the greatest commandments,” while acknowledging our weakness in following such rules, accepting our need for a Savior, and celebrating the forgiveness Jesus gives us and empowers us to give others. [see John 20:22-23.]
- #2: In a Catholic School, Mary, the mother of Jesus, is venerated as our mother too. [see John 19:25-27.]
- #1: In a Catholic School, Jesus is Lord and His Church is our family.

I get it. It’s expensive. But, when our children (hopefully) grow old and are called home to God, will they know Him? Will they have loved Him? Will they have served Him? Will they be with Him?  
Fr. Eric.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION



**Plate Collection** \$ 3,645.00  
**Catholic Relief Services Collection** \$ 691.00  
 The **Second** Collection this weekend, **February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, is the **Fuel Collection**.



Please remember in your prayers **Mary Cecelia (Kovalchick) Hallman**, who passed away and was recently buried. We pray her soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## SPELLING BEE CONTEST

Catholic War Veterans Post 454 is holding their 2020 Spelling Bee Contest for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders on **Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**, at **Queenship of Mary Social Hall**, starting at **2:00pm**. Winners receive cash prizes and there are practice books available. For more information, call 610-261-2055.



## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>  
 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*



## NEXT WEEK’S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
<b>4:00PM</b>	N.Ruda S.Ruda	J.Englert	Deacon Jack
<b>7:00PM</b>	L.McGinley A.Muschko	P.McCarty	Deacon Jack
<b>8:30AM</b>	D.Popovic M.Popovic	J.Strohl	C.Molchany
<b>10:30AM</b>	C.Gair D.Gair	P.McCloskey	F.Hutterer



## BLESSED CANDLES

**Blessed candles** are now available for purchase. A box contains two blessed candles and is available for a **\$4.00 donation**.



## WISH-LIST

HO! HO! HO! We would like to thank **two of our parishioners** for their gifts of **\$300.00 and \$120.00**. Any Santa gifts made for ongoing renovations of our parish are greatly appreciated!

## THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous donations at Christmas and throughout the year for the Sanctuary of Haafsville. The cats and dogs greatly appreciate your kind donations. The Sanctuary is willing to accept open bags of food and used pet supplies at any time. Please place donations in the food bank baskets located at both entrances to the church.  
Nicole Lane

## WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE FEBRUARY 2, 2020

(CELEBRATED IN PARISHES FEBRUARY 1-2)

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on the weekend of February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and please thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

### Prayer for Consecrated Persons

*God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## SLOVAK FOUNDATION

Once again our parishioners of Slovak heritage are invited to donate to the Slovak Foundation. Envelopes are at both church entrances and can be placed in any Sunday collection through **Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**.

## *IN THE WORDS OF ...*

Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.

~ Pope Saint John Paul II



## ST. JOHN FISHER FISH DINNER

We will be hosting our Fish Dinner on **Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 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 at the door will be \$12.00.

## Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming Fish Dinner. Help is requested for **Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm** to assist with preparation of food, setting up tables, preparing take home containers, etc., and on **Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 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, February 27<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm** or on **Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, after 2:00pm**.

