



# PASTOR'S CORNER

## Encouraging Words & Actions for True Believers

### Mass Intentions

Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 28, 2018

#### Saturday– Apr 28<sup>th</sup> –

##### Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Mary Cerulli  
by Rosemary Barna  
7:00PM – Francis J. Broderick  
by Family

#### Sunday – Apr 29<sup>th</sup> –

8:30AM – John and Margaret Nicholas  
by Family  
10:30AM – Hattie E. O'Donnell (A)  
by McCloskey Family

#### Monday – Apr 30<sup>th</sup> – St Pius V

8:00AM – Gertrude “Trudy” McGonigle  
by Margaret Steirer

#### Tuesday – May 1<sup>st</sup> – St Joseph the Worker

8:00AM – Stanley Grayewski (A)  
by Pat Laudeman

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

#### Wednesday – May 2<sup>nd</sup> – St Athanasius

6:00PM – Memorial Fund Members  
by Memorial Fund

#### Thursday – May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ss Philip and James

8:00AM – John “Jack” McCarty  
by Kathleen and Peggy

#### Friday – May 4<sup>th</sup> – St Godehard of Hildesheim

8:00AM – Bob Spengler and Bernardine Wehr  
by Ann and Dale

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

#### Saturday– May 5<sup>th</sup> – St Hilary of Arles

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

##### Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Helen Sidor (B)  
by Mary Jandrasits  
7:00PM – Parents, Melichor and Emelia Dopsovic  
by Daughter, Agnes Chabak

#### Sunday – May 6<sup>th</sup> –

8:30AM – Agnes M. Collis  
by Bill and Antoinette Shankweiler  
10:30AM – C.C.D. Students  
by C.C.D. Staff



Pray the Rosary each Sunday  
8:15AM and 10:15AM

St. Augustine, in one of his discourses on the psalms writes;

... The Lord's passion depicts for us our present life of trial – shows how we must suffer and be afflicted and finally die. The Lord's resurrection and glorification show us the life that will be given to us in the future.

Now therefore, brethren, we urge you to praise God. That is what we are all telling each other when we say Alleluia. You say to your neighbor, “Praise the Lord!” and he says the same to you. We are all urging one another to praise the Lord, and all thereby doing what each of us urges the other to do. But see that your praise comes from your whole being; in other words, see that you praise God not with your lips and voices alone, but with your minds, your lives and all your actions.

We are praising God now, assembled as we are here in church; but when we go our various ways again, it seems as if we cease to praise God. But provided we do not cease to live a good life, we shall always be praising God. You cease to praise God only when you swerve from justice and from what is pleasing to God. If you never turn aside from the good life, your tongue may be silent but your actions will cry aloud, and God will perceive your intentions; for as our ears hear each other's voices, so do God's ears hear our thoughts.

We all know actions speak louder than words. St. Augustine makes the same point as regards

worshipping and praising God. But imagine our dearest relationships in life – how healthy and true would they be, if we never used words? So, we might add, while actions speak louder than words, actions with words speak even more loudly. We are to live our faith by our daily actions, of course. We are also to be able to tell others why we have a real hope that the world cannot give and so desperately needs.

Hopeful in the Risen Lord, Fr. Eric.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection **\$3,680.00**

The **Second** Collection next weekend, **May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**, will be the **Mother's Day Remembrance**.



## NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
<b>4:00PM</b>	A.Gorr D.Gorr	J.McAllister	J.Ottinger Deacon Jack
<b>7:00PM</b>	A.Muschko A.Banoza	J.Englert	P.McCarty Deacon Jack
<b>8:30AM</b>	D.Popovic M.Popovic	E.Snyder	C.Hetzel Deacon Jack
<b>10:30AM</b>	C.Ritter M.Ritter	J.DeLong	C.Reily Deacon Jack



## EASTER DUTY

Catholics are obliged to fulfill what has been called their "Easter Duty". Catholics are required to receive Holy Communion in between the First Sunday of Lent, **February 18<sup>th</sup>**, until Trinity Sunday (**May 27<sup>th</sup>**). Those conscious of serious sin are reminded of the obligation to confess their sins at least once a year during this time.



The **Catty Thrift Shop**, 113 Bridge Street is in need of volunteers. If interested please call Sylvia, 610-264-4130. Thank you!

## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

Adoration begins after morning Mass, and continues throughout the day.

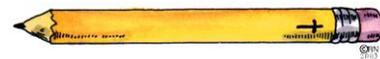


*"A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament." ~ St. Padre Pio*



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our Sacramental Class will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend, **Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**, at the **10:30am Mass**. They are: **Lydia Dawn Broderick, Connell Leh-Crossin, and Liam Sean McGinley**. Please keep them in your prayers, and congratulate them and their parents on this very joyous and holy occasion.



## CCD Registration

Registrations have been sent out for the 2018 – 2019 C.C.D. year. **The registration form and money are due by June 6<sup>th</sup> or a \$20.00 late fee will be added.** We need to place our book orders earlier so as to avoid the increased fees for ordering late. If your child attends public school, is home-schooled, or will be starting pre-school this year, and you have not received a registration form, please call the Rectory, 610-264-1972, and one will be sent.

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Any student of our parish that is in the third grade or higher, who has received their First Holy Communion, and would like to become an altar server for our church please call Deacon Jack O'Connell at 610-266-0689. Our first practice will be on **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**, at **10:00am** in the church.



Please remember in your prayers **Lois H. (Blum) Moll**, who recently passed away. We pray her soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS

Members of Catholic War Veterans Post 454, Northampton, will conduct their **Annual Poppy Drive at all Masses this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**. Your donations benefit hospitalized veterans at the six VA Medical Centers and Assisted Living Facilities in the state. We thank you for your generosity!

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Bishop Schlert will celebrate the **Noon Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**, at the **Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena**, Allentown, within which he will confirm adults of our Diocese. *Those to be confirmed are those adults (eighteen years of age or older) who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed.* Please contact your local pastor to discuss registration details.

### Notre Dame of Bethlehem Parish

1861 Catasauqua Road, Bethlehem

A **Woman's Retreat**, "*Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World*", is being sponsored and held at Notre Dame of Bethlehem Parish Women's Group on **Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30am to 3:00pm**. The Retreat will include three speaker sessions, Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and lunch. The cost, including lunch, is \$20.00. To obtain a registration form, please visit our parish website at [www.ndbeth.org](http://www.ndbeth.org).



## GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS

Please join the Helpers of God's Precious Infants at the Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn, and all those involved in abortion on **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**. 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. Come and be part of the call to let your prayers and presence bring God's everlasting, unconditional love to all those involved in abortion. Contact Info: 610-674-4624.

## A.C.C.H.S. CLASS OF 1968

Be a part of our **50<sup>th</sup> Reunion** celebration set for **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>**. If interested, please send email address to Jack Schulte at [refboy@live.com](mailto:refboy@live.com). For more information, visit [www.acchs.info/reunion-news](http://www.acchs.info/reunion-news) #GoldenVikings.

### CASINO BUS TRIP

The Young at Heart Club of Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Northampton is sponsoring a bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino on **Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**. The cost is \$23.00 per person. For more information call Louise at 610- 262- 6308, or Bella at 610- 262- 2673.

### Our Lady Help of Christians Golf Tournament

They will hold their annual golf outing on **Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**, at Southmoore Golf Course. The registration form is available online – [www.olhccparish.net](http://www.olhccparish.net) under "Parish Events." Please complete the registration form and return it with your payment by **May 15<sup>th</sup>**. For more information call 610-432-9384 or email [ourladyhlp@aol.com](mailto:ourladyhlp@aol.com).

### Central Catholic High School

They will be having Designer Purse Bingo on **Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, in Masson Auditorium. The doors open at 12:15pm and bingo starts at 1:00pm**. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Food and special prize games will be available for purchase the day of the event.

Their **Freshman Orientation** will be held on **Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm**.

## *IN THE WORDS OF...*

"I am not sure exactly what heaven will be like, but I know that when we die and it comes time for God to judge us, he will not ask, 'How many good things have you done in your life?' rather he will ask, 'How much love did you put into what you did?'"  
~ Mother Theresa