

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 29th
5:00 P.M. MARY GALLAGHER—Maureen Nolan
Sunday, March 1st-First Sunday of Lent
7:30 A.M. CARMELLA & FRANK BORELLI—Michael Borelli
9:30 A.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
11:00 A.M. JOSEPH BRUNO—Helen Bruno
Monday, March 2nd
8:00 A.M. LIVING & DECEASED FATHERS
Tuesday, March 3rd—St. Katharine Drexel
8:00 A.M. OCTAVIO ANGELOZZI— Adeline & Jack
Llewellyn
Wednesday, March 4th St. Casimir
8:00 A.M. JOHN & CHRISTINE NEES—Mary Wolfe
Thursday, March 5th
8:00 A.M. JAMES & PATRICIA DALLAS—James M. Dallas
Friday, March 6th
8:30 A.M. SACRED HEART SOCIETY MEMBERS
ASSUNTA SILVERI—The Silveri Family
** Please Note Time Change **
Saturday, March 7th-Sts. Perpetua & Felicity
8:00 A.M. JOHN O'BRIEN—Patsy Jo
5:00 P.M. TERRY ADAMS—Helen Bruno
Sunday, March 8th-2nd Sunday of Lent
7:30 A.M. MARGARET GOMBAR—The Gombar Family
9:30 A.M. ANTONIO & VITTORIA ZAMPELLA—Vittoria &
Giuseppe Maturi
11:00 A.M. CASPER & FILOMENA CIARLONE—Domenica
Ciarlone

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



The pursuit of bodily pleasures, a God who acts on our behalf for our whims and desires, and our own accumulation of power are fundamental temptations for human beings. Food, shelter, and clothing are all necessary and good as a means of something more. But they are not ends in themselves. God is there by our side, but not as our enforcer. And power and glory are not ends in

themselves either.

Today's gospel invites us to consider the human condition from the viewpoint of Christ who overcame temptation. Turning away bread is not so much about fasting as it is about recognizing that there is more to life than food. Our God is not the belly. When we come to the end of our lives, what will we have? With the power of Christ, let us overcome the temptation to see the value of our lives only in terms of the world. Instead, may we see with the eyes of faith that human relationships are good in and of themselves. Bonds formed in this way last through life eternal.

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FIRST PENANCE

Our boys and girls are preparing for the Sacrament of Penance. Let us all pray for these children and their families. The Celebration of First Penance will be Wednesday, March 4th at 6 PM.



Next Sunday's Readings:

Genesis 12:1-4a; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9

ALTAR SERVER'S SCHEDULE

March 2nd through March 4th
8:00 A.M. Claire & Lily Mauro
March 5th through March 6th
8:00 A.M. Alexis Pinon, Juleah Dubel-Haag
March 6th-Stations of the Cross
7:00 P.M. John & Anna Huber, Kylie Weiger
March 7th/8th- 2nd Sunday of Lent
8:00 A.M. Nate Torres, Grant Cibulsky
5:00 P.M. The Gasperack Family
7:30 A.M. Lucia Anewalt, Jossian Sanchez-Lopez,
Alexis Pinon
9:30 A.M. The Tharp Family
11:00 A.M. Kylie Weiger, Mary & Elizabeth Esterbrook

† MEMORIAL SOCIETY†

The following have been enrolled in Sacred Heart's Memorial Society:

By: Claire D. Flemming
Carol Schuck
Joe Yarworth
By: Paul Klick, Sr
Carol Schuck

CANDLE OFFERINGS

Blessed Virgin Mary—In Memory of:

Liam Doumani—Ginny
In Thanksgiving for Altar Servers & Lectors—The
O'Rourke Family
Special Intention Robert Stricek—Grandma
Special Intention Dean Benfield— Bob & Mary Ann Kelly
St. Joseph
The Sanctity of Fatherhood
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Special Intention Dean Benfield— Bob & Mary Ann Kelly
In Thanksgiving

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

In the midst of our observance of Lent is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph. In an effort to help foster parish devotional life, parish fellowship and to further our assistance to the needy, the parish will celebrate this feast in the following ways:

- ◆ A novena to St. Joseph at the end of all Masses the 9 days preceding the feast;
- ◆ A parish covered dish social in the auditorium of the school following Mass at 5:30 PM on Thursday, March 19th, celebrating St. Joseph's table;
- ◆ An offering of canned goods for the needy, to be brought to Church on the feast. This food will be given to St. Joseph Food Pantry in Reading.

Volunteers are needed to help wrap plastic ware prior to the date. We also need volunteers interested in setting up and decorating the gym on that Thursday afternoon, receiving dishes prior to Mass, and break-down and clean-up. Margaret Hueske has once again offered to co-chair this event. Anyone who is interested in helping, please contact either Margaret at (484) 706-0301 or Bonnie at (610) 372-4010.



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, March 2nd
 7:30 A.M. Recitation of the Rosary
Monday through Friday
 8:30 A.M. Fatima /Novena Rosary Group—Bornemann
 1:00 P.M. Senior's Meeting—Wachter
 6:00 P.M. Legion of Mary—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. Parish Council—Wachter
 7:00 P.M. Classical Choir Rehearsal—Church
Tuesday, March 3rd
 8:30 A.M. Adoration Begins—Chapel
 10:00 P.M. Adoration Ends—Chapel
Wednesday, March 4th
 9:30 A.M. Searching Sacred Scripture—Bornemann
 1:15 P.M. Stations of the Cross—Church
 6:00 P.M. First Penance—Church and Wachter
 7:00 P.M. RCIA—Bornemann
 7:30 P.M. Contemporary Choir Rehearsal—Church
Thursday, March 5th
 Noon Fatima/Novena Rosary Group—Bornemann
 1:00 P.M. Knitters & Crocheters—Bornemann
Friday, March 6th
 7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross—Church
Sunday, March 8th
 10:40 A.M. Recitation of the Rosary—Church

THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION on March 7th & 8th for Tuition Assistance.

SENIORS NEWS

The March Seniors Meeting will be held on Monday, March 2nd at 1 PM. Senior Stations of the Cross will be conducted by Deacon Bill Kase in the Church. Afterwards we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with refreshments and the company of old and new friends. So don't be left out in the cold...come and join us!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Celebrated on **Wednesdays** at 1:15 PM with our parish school children and **Fridays** at 12 Noon at **Holy Rosary** and at 7 PM at Sacred Heart. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will take place at all times.

KNIGHTS PARISH LENTEN MEAL

Our Knights of Columbus Council will be serving their annual 'Lenten Meal' prior to Stations of the Cross on the three consecutive Friday evenings in March: 13th, 20th, and 27th. There is no cost for the meal which is soup and cheese sandwiches. Lenten Meal is from 6pm-7pm in the Wachter Room followed by Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7pm. All are welcome!

CATHOLIC WOMAN'S CLUB OF BERKS COUNTY

Will hold a meeting on Saturday, March 14th at 1 PM at St. Ignatius School. The speakers will be Margaret and John Hueski. All Catholic women are invited.

LET US PRAY

In your charity, please pray for the priests of our diocese, and in particular this week, remember:

- ✠ 2 March—Most Rev. Alfred A. Schlert D.D., Bishop
- ✠ 3 March—Most Rev. Edward P. Cullen, Bishop Emeritus
- ✠ 4 March—Sick & Infirm Priests
- ✠ 5 March—Rev. Joseph J. Kweder
- ✠ 6 March—Rev. Patrick H. Lamb
- ✠ 7 March—Rev. Daniel T. Lannen
- ✠ 8 March—Rev. Brendon M. Laroche

C.O.A.L - CHANCE OF A LIFETIME TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

The State of PA KofC Annual COAL- Chance Of A Lifetime fundraiser tickets are available now! Proceeds from the COAL drawings directly benefit the annual Knights of Columbus PA State Council Student Scholarship Program. Prizes range from vacations and cruises to cash and more will be awarded. This annual event drawing is held April 30 and feature 16 different major prizes. Tickets are \$1 each and are available for purchase by the Knights of Columbus! First prize is a 2020 Chevrolet Spark, 16th Prize is an iPad Pro with a bunch more in-between! See the poster on the Narthex bulletin board for a glimpse of all 16 prizes. The Knights will be selling tickets on weekends in March 14/15 and 21/22.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Operation Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services Lenten Program of praying, fasting, learning, and giving. Just as we celebrate the Eucharist at the Lord's table on Sundays, participation in Operation Rice Bowl is a way to "break bread" together with family, friends, and loved ones. Through this Lenten journey of faith and justice, Operation Rice Bowl invites you to pray together, fast through making sacrifices, learn about the members of our family in the developing world and give concrete assistance to those most in need. Participating in Operation Rice Bowl strengthens our solidarity with all members of our human family and calls us to put our faith into action. There are bowls/baskets located at the front and back of Church to place your monetary donations.



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March 7/8	Celebrant	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00 P.M.	Jesuit Priest	Sandi Wrable	Sr. Danielle Marie/Karen Minter	Sandi Wrable
7:30 A.M.	Fr. Hutta	Marlissa Amole	Ann Reber	
9:30 A.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Denise Mogel/Mike Gallagher	Denise Mogel	Mike Gallagher
11:00 A.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Patty Kollar/Beth Tharp	Pat Zimmerman/Beth Tharp	Scott Sensenig