



# Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Parish

## May 19, 2024



### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

- Sat. 5/18 4:00 PM  
Lillian Strohl by Her Husband Oscar
- Sun. 5/19 11:00 AM  
John B. Capozzelli by Lorenzo
- Mon. 5/20 7:00 AM  
Agnes, Clarence, and Larry Budda by David, Sharon, and Marty
- Tue. 5/21 7:00 AM  
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Ravina and Son Albert by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sarosky
- Wed. 5/22 7:00 AM  
Elaine Gazick by Lorenzo Capozzelli
- Thur. 5/23 7:00 AM  
Edward and Helen Petro by Their Family
- Fri. 5/24 7:00 AM  
Edith Carr by Tami Dovan Leek
- Sat. 5/25 4:00 PM  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Quinn by Virginia Dias
- Sun. 5/26 11:00 AM  
Stanley Potosky by the Turris



Offerings for this weekend will be printed in next week's bulletin.

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Ravina and Son Albert by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sarosky



The Bread and Wine used in the Consecration this week is in Memory of Calvin D. and Susan E. Herring by Cal and Debra Herring and Family



**ROSARY DEVOTIONS** are being said every Saturday at 8:30 AM and after each of the weekday masses. This is a special time to increase your devotion to our Blessed Mother.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every third Monday at 6:00 PM before the evening mass. The next devotion will be on Monday, June 19th. Why not stop by and spend some time with your Savior.



Saturday, June 1st, at 10:00 AM, will be our semi-annual parish cleanup. Anyone with an hour to spare who can help with beautifying our parish grounds would be most welcome and appreciated.

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS** will be celebrated on **Monday, May 27th, at 9:00 AM** in St. Ann's Cemetery. Please bring chairs as seating is limited. In the event of inclement weather, mass will be celebrated in the church.



Congratulations to our Faith Formation Students, Andrew Boone, Dylan Boyle, Kevin Galicia, Jason Goetsch, Evan Heffelfinger,

Breanne Hopeck, Drew Lapchak, Jake Lapchak, Christopher Nocchi, and Brielle Uricheck who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this Saturday. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they continue on their journey of faith.

**THE HOUR OF KINDNESS MINISTRY** will meet on Saturday, May 27th, at 9:00 AM in the rectory to sign greeting cards for our elderly and homebound parishioners.



Our Community-Service Team will be collecting snack foods such as: chips, pretzels, crackers, and dips (no glass containers) for the month of May. We thank all who support those in need in our community.





This is an important weekend for our parishes. We celebrate the Feast of Pentecost and our 8<sup>th</sup> graders received the Sacrament of Confirmation. When the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles, it was a whole new beginning for the church. Jesus has Ascended to heaven and they were frightened. They just did not know what to do. Then the Holy Spirit motivated them to "...go forth and proclaim the Gospel." The same admonition is given to not only you, but our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. I challenge you to remember your own Confirmation, pray for our Confirmation students and "...go forth and proclaim the Gospel."

**Catholic Social Services** has positions available for a Case Manager and Residential Support Staff in our Bridge to Independence Program, both full time and part time. For information on these opportunities, please call 570 450-7891 and ask for Ashley.

**Festival Tricky Trays** – Thanks to so many generous parishioners and friends from both church communities. The tricky trays have become a big part of our summer festival! We are once again asking for tricky tray donations, which can be dropped off at Good Shepherd Church during office hours (**M-F 8AM to 12PM**) starting **Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**. We are grateful for any donation you can give. (Filled basket, gift cards, gift certificates, etc.) Thank you in advance for your kindness. If you would like your name/family included on the tricky tray, please leave your name with your donation.

If you have any questions, please call Cathy Penkala (570-436-5017) or Aniela Ross (570-582-5623). Due Date for tricky trays is Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

The next **Charismatic Mass and Healing Service** at St. John Bosco, Conyngham will be **Tuesday, May 21, at 7PM**. Father Naftali will preside, and Sue Shaw will begin her music ministry at 6:45PM. Any questions, please call Arlene at 570-788-3643.

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION** - Please consider giving your children a Catholic Education. Our parishes support Holy Family Academy in Hazleton. For more information on Holy Family Academy (Pre K to 8th grades) please call 570-455-9431 or go to website: [www.holyfamilyacademy.info](http://www.holyfamilyacademy.info) There are openings in all grades for the 2024-2025 school year.



**MASS/PICNIC IN THE PARK – The Immaculate Conception Parish’s Annual Old-Fashioned Sunday Afternoon Picnic in the Park is scheduled for Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, in the Freeland Park Pavilion. The mass is at noon, and the picnic begins immediately after. Entertainment will be Two Of Us, Dot & Joe Sweet. We extend a warm invitation to the parishioners of our sister parish, Good Shepherd, to attend and enjoy the event. We hope to see you there!**



Holy Rosary, Hazleton, will be holding its annual Golf Tournament, Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> at Sand Springs. All are welcome! Captain & Crew Scramble Format with a shotgun start at 1:30 P.M. The event is priced at \$75.00 a player until June 5<sup>th</sup> thereafter the price is \$80.00 a player, so if interested in an afternoon of fun and food, please register early. Entry fee includes green fees, cart, Italian buffet, and prizes for Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive and Pot of Gold contest. For more registration or more information please call Joe Guardiani at 570-460-2871.

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USSCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.



# Good Shepherd Church

## Pentecost Sunday

### May 19, 2024



#### † MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

##### Saturday, May 18

**6:00PM** Edward Verbonitz ~ Wife, Marie & Sons, Richard & Robert

##### Sunday, May 19

**8:00AM** Joseph, Joseph M. & Gertrude ~ Thomas & Georgina

**9:30AM** Victor F. Greco, MD. ~ Michelle Valenti & Robert Schelinski

##### Monday, May 20

**8:00AM** W. Kevin O'Donnell ~ Debbie Donahue

##### Tuesday, May 21

**8:00 AM** Dorothy Koziol ~ Joe & Irene Slebodnick

##### Wednesday, May 22

**8:00AM** James & Mary Wilson & Deceased Family Members ~ Family

##### Thursday, May 23

**8:00AM** Elizabeth Christino ~ Joe & Katie McCann

##### Friday, May 24

**8:00AM** George Berger ~ Nerse LaGrenade & Family

##### Saturday, May 25

**6:00PM** Susan Seprish ~ Husband, Joe

##### Sunday, May 26

**8:00AM** Marissa Tait & Bernard Balas Family ~ Jeanette Tait

**9:30AM** Gerald McGarry ~ Wife, Antoinette & Daughter, Lisa

#### Stewardship

**May 11 & 12:** Loose \$669; Offertory \$4,607; Dues \$1,107; Capital Improvement \$184; Care & Education of Priests \$233; Holy Day \$28; Home Missions \$20; Communications \$325; Easter \$40; Flowers \$20; Catholic Relief \$20  
Mass Attendance – 567



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week for the souls of the Sacred Heart Of Jesus Purgatorial Society.



The **Roses for Life** this week are in memory of **Dorothy Koziol** by Joseph & Irene Slebodnick.

The flowers in front of the Blessed Mother are for **Gerald McGarry** from Wife, Antoinette & Daughter, Lisa.



**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 **6PM**.

**The Valley Food Pantry** helps those in need. We have been asked to collect: vegetable soup, Manwich or sloppy joe mix, and canned carrots. Thank you for your donations. If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219. Also, to the anonymous donors who have been sending money we greatly appreciate your generosity.

**Stitches of Love Ministry** is a crochet & knitting ministry that donates our work to those in need. All are welcome. Our next meeting is Monday at **5 PM (Evening)** on **May 20th** in the St Joseph Room. We hope to see you there. We accept donations of yarn, crochet hooks and knitting needles, patterns, stitch markers, etc. Items can be dropped off in the tote in the cry room **Thank you to ALL** who have been generously donating to our ministry!

Signed copies of Father McHugh's poetry book, **Kaleidoscope of the Heart**, will be available for purchase in the church office for \$20.00 during normal business hours.

**Women of Good Shepherd** – Our 2024 Women of Good Shepherd Scholarship applications are due no later than **Friday, May 31**. Please visit the Good Shepherd website to download the application. Only completed applications that meet requirements and are submitted on time will be considered.