

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26 – Vigil Mass
4PM +Deceased of Joseph Stark Family by Lillian

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

First Week of Advent

7AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church
9AM +John Fabrizio by Nani & Ed Griffiths
11AM +Richard E. Kinder by Brother, Larry
and Lorraine Kinder

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

First Week of Advent

8AM +Dennis Covaleski by Mom, Dad & Son, Denny

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

First Week of Advent

8AM +James A. Chiavaroli by Wife, Mary & Daughters

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

St. Andrew

8AM +Sophia & Frank Smulski by Daughter, Sandy

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

First Week of Advent

8AM +Mary Zebrowski by Joe & Judy

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

First Week of Advent

8AM +Deceased Confreres, Parents, Relatives &
Benefactors of the Franciscan Order

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

St. Francis Xavier

8AM +Helene Carsto by Mother & Sisters
4PM +Albert Bates by Wife, Doris & Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Second Sunday of Advent

7AM +Violet Stank by Daughter, Carol
9AM + Parish Family of Mother Cabrini
11AM +Chet Sowel by Wife, Irene

God Bless Your
Advent Tide. . .

Use the enclosed purple sheet as
your guide!

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of James A. Chiavaroli
and Daughter, Helene (Chiavaroli) Carsto
by Mary Chiavaroli and Family

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week . . .

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Friary Mass Altar Candles, Bread & Wine

Special Intention

Friary Sanctuary Lamp

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The Week Ahead

**Sunday, November 27 – No Religious Education
Classes today. Classes will resume next Sunday,
December 4th.**

**Monday, November 28 – No Mother Cabrini
Bingo tonight – see you on Monday, December 5th**

**Due to an early bulletin printing deadline, the
collection totals for the weekend of November
20th are not available. Please look to a future
bulletin for totals.**

PONDER POINT

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel!
9th Century, Latin Chant



Exercise your “Will Power”

Express your love and concern for your parish.
Remember Mother Cabrini Church
when making your estate plans.



As the weather is getting colder and some of our Mother Cabrini parishioners may move to warmer climates for the winter months, please remember that Mother Cabrini Parish still depends upon your support to meet its fixed weekly bills. You may mail your weekly offertory envelopes to the parish office. This also applies to when we have a “snowstorm”

weekend and you can't make it to any of the weekend Masses. Many thanks!

Bishop's Appeal Update. . .

Due to an early bulletin printing deadline, the Bishop's Appeal Update is not available. Please check the bulletin in the future for an update.

ATTENTION BINGO PLAYERS . . .



**\$1,100 U.S. DOLLARS ARE
WAITING FOR YOU!!!**



Come, "Try to Break the Bank!"

A few weeks ago, one of our lucky bingo players "Broke the Bank" and took home \$1,199 in cash. Congratulations! *As of this bulletin before the early bulletin printing deadline, our new Break the Bank is already up to \$1,100.* Someone always wins our "bank" so come try your luck. Doors open Monday nights at 4:30PM and games begin at 6:15PM. Our snack bar is open for your enjoyment. Bingo proceeds are an important part of our parish's income budget.



Bingo Gift Certificates are available at the parish office during office hours (\$16 & \$23). They make a great *Christmas Stocking Stuffer*

for

your favorite Bingo player!

Looking for Just a few Good People. . .

Several weeks ago, I spoke at all the weekend Masses appealing for just several dedicated and "generous with their time" parishioners who would be willing to come on board and help out with our Monday night Bingo operation. Even if you would volunteer just a minimum of two Mondays a month, it would be of great help to our core Bingo worker team. Call the parish office or Greg Barkus (570-205-1084) and let us know. Every parish depends upon the generosity of its volunteers and we are blessed at Cabrini to have all the ones we do. The Bingo committee needs some help on Monday nights. . . can you answer the call? *Fr. Martin*

Bingo News

There will be no bingo this Monday, November 28th in observance of the

Thanksgiving Holiday. Bingo will resume on Monday, December 5th.

2016 Advent Booklets Memorial Opportunity



So many Cabrini parishioners have commented that they look forward to using our *5 Minutes a Day - Advent Meditation Booklets* as part of their spiritual preparation for Christmas. Our supply of booklets is available this weekend at the doors of the church. Pick up your copy on the way out of church. Share them with shut-ins,

family members, grandchildren etc.! The cost for this year's booklet supply was \$265. If anyone or any family(ies) would like to offer a donation to help cover this expense, please drop off your donation and at the parish office. May your Advent journey bring you to the warmth of the Christchild! *Fr. Martin*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR. . . WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Calling all able bodies on Sunday (December 18th) after the 11:00AM Mass to help decorate Mother Cabrini Church for Christmas. Our church always looks so beautiful for Christmas but the final result doesn't fall from the heavens. . . it is the product of a fine group of volunteers who pull it all together. Come give just an hour, or more if you can, of your 4th Sunday of Advent Sunday afternoon to you parish. Many hands make light work. Come decorate God's house for Jesus' birthday! We can use YOU!

JESUS SAYS, THANK YOU. . .



Thank you to all who donated food for our parish food pantry. With the response being so good, our shelves are stocked and plentiful with canned and dry goods. When our shelves begin to run low, we will put out the call in the bulletin for a restock. God bless all of our food donors for your generosity, kindness and for thinking of others!

Pick up our FREE Advent Meditation Booklet in the vestibule of the church.

Lourdes Regional Pot 'O

Gold Tickets: The Lourdes Pot 'O Gold Tickets have been placed in the vestibule of the Church. As an added incentive, Mother Cabrini Parish will receive \$.50 on each ticket sold through the parish. Therefore, **be sure to return your completed ticket stubs and money to the parish office via mail, the weekend collection or the parish office.** If you need extra tickets, they are available at the parish office. Please try to sell as many tickets as possible to your friends, co-workers, neighbors, relatives and don't forget yourself! **All ticket stubs must be returned to the parish office no later than noon on Monday, December 5th.** Drawing will take place on Sunday, December 11th.



Mother Cabrini Parish expresses gratitude to those families who, throughout the year, suggest memorials to the parish in memory of their loved ones.

BUY YOUR GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS AT LOURDES!



Did you know that you can buy all your gift cards for the holidays at Lourdes and help a student/family with their tuition? We have gift cards/certificates for almost every local and national store. No more running to the mall! Remember there is no "out of pocket cost" to you. When you purchase certificates/gift cards, you receive "dollar for dollar" exchange. Example: If you purchase a \$50 gift card from Weis you receive \$50 face value to be used any time you shop at Weis. If you do not use the full value of the card on one shopping trip, the balance remains on the card for future purchases. The Lourdes student/family will receive 3% toward their tuition payment. If you do not know a current student/family, we have needy families who could really use your help! It's a WIN-WIN!

A complete list of participating businesses can be obtained from the Tuition Sense Office, or see it online at www.lourdes.k12.pa.us. If you have any questions call

the Tuition Sense Office at (570) 644-0375 Extension 116.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR TUITION SENSE PROGRAM!

ANNUAL CARING TREE: This year, in addition to the traditional "act of kindness" done for the person identified on the ornaments of our Caring Tree, we are asking for two additional specific items. One, are non-perishable food items and the second are Walmart gift cards which will be used to purchase basic necessities for the homeless/street ministry of the Franciscan Friars. Please come to the Caring Tree and take one of the ornaments, either with the name of a homebound parishioner or the listed non-perishable food items or Walmart gift card. Please bring the food items to the parish office during office hours. Walmart gift cards can also be dropped off at the parish office or in the collection basket. May God bless you for your generosity and your continued support of this annual parish Advent project for those less fortunate!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR CHRISTMAS COOKIE, CAKE AND CANDY SALE

which will be held in the church hall on Saturday, December 10th and Sunday, December 11th after all Masses. We are asking all parishioners to make their favorite recipes and bring the "goodies" to the church hall on Saturday, after 9AM. There will be greeting cards and second-time around jewelry. The Christmas Sale was most profitable for our parish last year and so we encourage everyone to take part in this project this year. **Christmas Wafers will also be available.**

GRECCIO CELEBRATION: A Greccio Celebration will be held on Tuesday, December 6th at 7PM in the Church Hall with a social to follow. Everyone is invited to attend.



Token of Gratitude...

Let's show our appreciation to our Altar Servers! **On the weekend of December 10th & 11th we invite you to make a free will offering when you leave**



church after Mass. Baskets will be provided at the doors of the church upon exiting. Your donations will be used to purchase treats for these faithful young men and women of our parish. Thank you for your generosity.



The First Week of Advent

Prepare for Jesus'
Birth by . . .

Mending a quarrel,

Forgoing a grudge, forgiving and reconciling

Performing random acts of charity,

Welcoming of or at least smiling at a stranger

In Your Prayers. . .

Please Pray For the Sick, especially, Ann Barber, Trent and Traigh Clayton, Ed Gusick, Russ Jones, Kelly Hoy, Liz Reck, Marsha Poplaski, Joan Schleg, Arlene and John Rydzeski, Charolette Overmiller, Dolores Scopelliti, Florence Yodzio, Barbara Ann Varano, Jeffrey Persavage, Nicky Wideman, Laura Wideman, Michael Wideman, Regina Graeber, Tony Osevala, Dominic Vitacco, Bernadette Schuck, Betty Pandie, Rosie Vivino, Connie Jones, Brenda Guzik, Nancy Greer, Anthony Ulsh, Mary Machesic, Barbara Shevitski, Mary Morea, Brian Christiana, Martha Bartos, Kay Lubreski, Mary Ellen and Rick Boyer, Ginny Wisgo, Rose Milbrand, Robert Sassani, Roberta Schwalm, Pam Broscius, Annmarie Wariki, Anna Pincoski, Rita Leshinskie, Sylvia Hummel, Catherine Pultynovich, Donna, Celeste Fobia, Francis McCabe, Matthew Pellowski, Jim Picarelli, Lauri Mendicin, Barbara Jones, Anna Pincoski, Justin Wachter, Victoria Miller, Craig Fetterman, Bill and Cecie Adams, The Strausser Family, Denise Fegley, Mary McCord, Bonnie McGarry, Helen Bednar, Gina Fox, Eddie Wideman, Les Schiccatano, Joel Rivera, Eunice Kanaskie, Julie Ann Wehr, George Klemick, Stephen McCord, Cameron Bojanac, Greg Levins, Anthony Ostroski, Eugene Purcell, Michael Christiana, "Cioci Edna" Sierpina, Dorothy Duncheskie, Cassondra Senoski, Robert Hower, Brian Shaffer, Chet Milbrand, Pauline Kufta, Germaine Hoffman, Becky Coutlee, Barb Walsh, Lucy Surak, Bob Hauer, Joanne Seidel, Mary Ryan, Sharon Hartman, Albert Persavage, Bernadette Strausser, Tom Yost, Carolyn Shaffer, Alice & Carl Bobrofsky, Cynthia Wasielewski, Rhonda (Zyla) Eckman, Bob O'Neill, Stella Rogal, Kieran (K.K.) Snyder, Robert Stoud II, Chris Eby, Kenneth Kolovich, Lorraine McAnnaney, Sylvia Boslego, Mary Nye, Kathy

Schiccatano, Jerome (Max) Switaj, Rose Ann Wieland
Hazel Yocum, Lillian Stark, Barry Sweitzer and Mason
Barvitskie.



Advent Penance Services Year of Mercy

Sunday, December 11

Mother Cabrini and Our Lady of Hope
at Our Lady of Hope, Coal Township

Monday, December 12

Holy Angels, Kulpmont

Tuesday, December 13

Holy Rosary, Elysburg

Wednesday, December 14

Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Divine Redeemer
at Divine Redeemer, Mt. Carmel

Thursday, December 15

St. Patrick, Trevorton

All Penance Services begin at 7PM

Sunday, November 27, 2016 First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The words of Isaiah urge all people to forsake war and to live in peace forever. The tone reaches a climax in the words, "One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again."

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Paul invites us to put away all the things of darkness and sin and to prepare for the coming of Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

A comparison is made between the destruction caused by the flood in Noah's time and the need to be prepared for the second coming of Christ. "You must be prepared in the same way. The Son of Man is coming at the time you least expect."



**Please Pray for Our Troops
and Their Families**