

Mass Intentions

The Week Ahead

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 – Vigil Mass
4PM +Christopher Carcione by Leon
and Mary Ann Poplaski

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
7AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church
9AM Troy K. Griffiths by Mom & Dad
11AM ++Gary and Dolores Smith
by Children and Grandchildren

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20
Seventh Weekday in Ordinary Time
8AM +Joseph Scopelliti, Sr. by Marlene & Diane

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8AM +Eugene Purcell by Patricia Robsen

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
8AM + Frank Waldron (1st Anniversary)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23
St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
8AM +Dorothy Peslen by Joseph and Ann Yanchuck

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24
Seventh Weekday of Ordinary Time
8AM + Lee C. Patrick by Wife, Sandy Radel

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25
Seventh Weekday of Ordinary Time
8AM ++Joseph L. Scopelliti, Sr.
by Jeanette and Tony Varano
4PM + Edward Kissel by Eleanor

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7AM +Frances Rumberger by Edmund Kachnoskie
9AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church
11AM +Irene Mirack by Family

Tabernacle Candle
In Memory of Troy K. Griffiths
by Mom, Dad and Gram

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week. . .
In Memory of Robert and Louise Hauer
by Anna Hauer and Family

Friary Mass Candles and Bread & Wine
Special Intention

Friary Sanctuary Lamp
Special Intention


Sunday, February 19 – Religious Education Classes - Mandatory 9AM Mass for students, followed by class in the church hall.

Monday, February 20 – Mother Cabrini Bingo in Church Hall – Doors open at 4:30PM – Games begin at 6:15PM

Tuesday, February 21 - Easter Egg Project begins in the Church Hall after 8AM Mass and continues through Friday. This project continues each week.

Collection Totals for the Weekend of February 12, 2017	
Offertory:	\$4,271.88
Votives:	168.00
Parish Properties Insurance:	778.17
Parish Dues:	1,517.00
Total:	\$6,735.05
Propagation of the Faith:	\$ 95.00

Exercise Your “Will Power”




Did you know that you can easily add Mother Cabrini Church to an already existing will through the use of a codicil? Simply check with your attorney on how it is done.

PONDER POINT

The Bible is God’s love letter to us.
Soren Kierkegaard



Remember, the Bill-Collector Doesn’t Take Snow Days!



When weekend blustery winter conditions (i.e. snow, sleet, icy conditions etc.) prevent your safe travel to Mass, please remember to bring and add your offertory envelopes to the following week's collection. The parish builds its annual budget based on projected income and projected expenses. Shortfalls in any weekend collection income strains our ability to pay our regular occurring parish bills. Thank you and God bless all who support their parish, both in good weather and in bad!



Bishop to Visit Cabrini, You are Invited. . .

On Saturday, March 4th with Mass beginning at 11:00AM, Bishop Ronald Gainer will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation upon our teens who have been preparing for this Sacrament.

Joining our Cabrini teens for Confirmation will be their peers from Our Lady of Hope, St. Patrick and Our Lady of Angels Parish (Kulpmont).

Even if you do not have someone being confirmed on the 4th, you are most cordially invited to attend the Confirmation and support our young people by your presence as they are confirmed in their Catholic faith.

Bishop Gainer will be available for a post Confirmation “meet and greet” reception in the Cabrini Church hall.

Come be part of our joyous celebration and say hello to Bishop Gainer!

Fr Martin



“Bake for the Bishop!”

Bishop Ronald Gainer will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation at Mother Cabrini Church, Saturday, March 4th at 11AM. After Mass, the parish will host a “meet and greet” for Bishop Gainer in the parish hall. Please come and say hello! Would the parish bakers be so kind as to provide some home-made baked goodies for the reception!? **Baked goods may be dropped off in the church hall on Friday, March 3rd up until 3PM.** Many thanks for your hospitality support!

Fr. Martin

ATTENTION BINGO PLAYERS . . .

Our Break the Bank is Holding



**\$1,199 U.S.
DOLLARS FOR
A LUCKY WINNER!!!**



Only 9 Keys left!

Come try your luck to *Break the Bank*. \$1,199 in cash is waiting for you! 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.

Hello, Parish Bakers? We Need Your Help. . .

One of the features of our weekly Monday night Bingo is our “snack bar” where our patrons may purchase a lite dinner item along with dessert. The usual dessert items have been pieces of frosted cake, cupcakes, kandykakes, etc., baked by some of our parishioners. A number of our regular bakers are “retiring” so we need to call forth several new parishioners who would be willing to commit to making a dessert for our bingo once or twice a month. If several folks step up to the plate (or their kitchen counter), we could have a nice rotating schedule for this important part of our Bingo nights. Please call the office to let us know if you would be willing to help us out. Many delicious thanks!



Fr. Martin

SAVE THESE DATES. . .



**Easter Egg Making Project
Here at Mother Cabrini.
We need and call upon
your expertise!**



Please join us for our Annual Easter Egg Making Project **which will begin this Tuesday, February 21st.** Eggs will be made every Tuesday through Friday after the 8AM Mass in the church hall. **We call upon the generosity of parish volunteers for this important Mother Cabrini Parish project.** If you are able to volunteer, please call the parish office at 570-648-4512. No experience necessary. We will be happy to train new comers. We already have a “customer” who has committed to purchase 1,000 eggs, so we need your extra production help!!!



**LENTEN FISH FRIES AT THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL,
SHAMOKIN**

Fridays, March 10th and 24th – 5PM to 7PM, eat in or take out, fried or baked dinners.



**ALL YOU CARE TO EAT
BREAKFAST AT THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS HALL - SHAMOKIN**

Sunday, February 26th – 7:30AM to Noon, \$8.00

In Your Prayers. . .

Please Pray For the Sick, especially, Ann Barber, Trent and Traigh Clayton, Betty Pandie, Donna Rhoades, Nicky Wideman, Laura Wideman, Michael Wideman, Eddie Wideman, Regina Graeber, Catherine Pultynovich, Justin Wachter, Craig Fetterman, Bob Hauer, Eunice Kanaskie, George Klemick, "Cioci Edna" Sierpina, Cassondra Senoski, Lucy Surak, Bob O'Neill, Kenneth Kolovich, Austin Zimmerman, Lorraine McAnaney, Mason Barvitskie, Robert Stoud II, Cynthia Wasielewski, Jeanette Verano, Lauri Mendicin, Mary McCord, and Bill & CeCie Adams.

We have refreshed our "prayers for the sick" column in the parish bulletin. You are invited to resubmit names of those you wish to have remembered in our parish prayers.



Mother Cabrini Baseball sign-ups for the 2017 Season will be held Saturday, February 25th from 1PM to 4PM. Sign-ups will take place at the Cabrini Youth Center, Cherry and Webster Sts., Shamokin. Indoor Spring Training begins on Wednesday, March 1. For more information, please call Leo at 570-274-3460 or Dave Aurand at 570-809-4474.

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



PICNIC 2017 WISH LIST: Last year, we began a "Wish List" for our June picnic. Each month, we will ask for a different item needed for our picnic. Donations of the specific item will help us to defray our overall picnic expenses. Anyone able to donate that particular item can drop it off at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Thank you, in advance, for your continued support. **February item/items are Ketchup and Mustard.**



As Lent Approaches. . . A Wonderful Lenten Booklet Memorial Opportunity

We are looking for someone to sponsor our Lenten Meditation Booklets. The cost of the booklets is \$235.00. This would make a wonderful Lenten/Easter memorial gift. If any family/families would like to offer this as a memorial or a portion thereof, please contact the parish office.

Religious Education Program Breakfast will be held this Sunday, February 19th in the church hall during class time. Students are asked to bring a bag of candy to be used to fill plastic eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt.

REST IN PEACE: Kindly remember in your prayers the soul of Clara Godleski. May God grant her eternal rest.

Offertory Gifts at Mass. . .

If, at a particular weekend Mass, you would like to bring up the offertory gifts at that Mass, simply let your wishes be known to one of the ushers in the rear of the church before Mass begins and they will assist you at the proper time.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: If you have not registered officially as part of the parish family, please do it now at the parish office. You are important to us and hopefully we are to you. Let us know who you are. Registration is necessary to qualify for Religious Education programs, the reception of Baptism, First Penance, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage. Testimonial letters for Godparents for Baptism and Sponsors for Confirmation are given only to registered active members. This also applies to parents who wish to have their children baptized into the Church. **Please notify the parish office of an address change and if you are moving out of the parish.**



Our Lady of Hope's Crab Cake Dinner, Friday, March 3rd from 4PM to 6PM in their Parish Hall, Oak & Chestnut Sts., Coal Township. Dinner includes: two crab cakes, potatoes, cole slaw, dinner roll and dessert. Eat in our take out. Tickets are available at the parish office or at the door the day of the dinner. Donation \$9.00 adults, \$4.00 child.

February 19, 2017
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

The Lord urges Moses to tell the Israelite Community to love their neighbors as themselves. They should bear no grudge or hatred against another.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Paul, once again, reminds the Corinthians that they are the temple of God, and, as such, must avoid internal disputes and wrangling. He tries to make them realize that they belong to Christ and that the Spirit of God dwells within them.

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

In this part of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to do an extraordinary thing — to love their enemies and to pray for their oppressors. He reminds them that there is nothing laudatory in loving those who love them for even the “pagans” do this. He urges them to “turn the other cheek” and to “walk the extra mile.”

Men of the Diocese of Harrisburg — Please save the date of April 1, 2017 for the Diocesan Men's Conference at Bishop McDevitt High School, Harrisburg. Theme is: *Fools for Christ: Men Called to Glorify God through His Catholic Church*. Keynote Speaker is world-renowned Catholic speaker and author, **Dr. Peter Kreeft**. His keynote is *Seven Reasons Why Everyone Should be Catholic*. **Bishop Ronald W. Gainer** is Principal Celebrant and Homilist for Mass and will also be presenting two workshops on St. Thomas More as a Model for Conscience Formation. There are thirty+ workshop choices over three sessions, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary and Benediction, more than 20 Priests available for Confession, plus good music, food, and fellowship. Last year we had 925 men who attended this event. This year we are hoping for 1,000 men. You can register online at www.hbgdiocese.org/men. Please join us. Thank you!



**Please Pray for Our Troops,
Our Veterans & Their Families**

**A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly**

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 19, 2017**

“The Lord said to Moses, ‘Speak to the whole Israelite community, and tell them: ‘Be holy, for I the Lord, your God, am holy.’... You have heard the commandment... But I say to you... offer no resistance to injury... but I say to you love your enemies, pray for your persecutors... you must be perfected as your heavenly father is perfect.”

The letter of the law reads one way, but the spirit of the law as taught by Jesus and which we are to follow demands much more. To turn the other cheek, and eliminate the word “hate” from our life and vocabulary is not easy, but it is His command.

We have lived the jubilee year of mercy, being reminded constantly to be perfect, to seek mercy and then reflect it to all. All of us are called to be holy, to walk the path of sanctity, although we seem to put it on a back burner. What God said to Moses, what Jesus taught, is the call of the Holy Father to us today. Through prayer, sacrifice and good works, the road we are on will bring us to the perfection we strive for, the holiness to which the Lord invites us. The few words of Jesus ‘but I say to you...’ should make us think.

MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS: The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving 2 presentations within the diocese concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to the Church teaching. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholic, those parish leaders involved in RCIA and others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends.

**March 13th – Cardinal Keeler Center,
Harrisburg 7PM**

May 4th, St. Joseph in Danville 7PM

No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804, ext 304 or email tribunal@hbgdiocese.org