Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 4 – Vigil Mass

4PM +John Fabrizio by Wife, Diane and Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

First Sunday of Lent

7AM +Frank Vivino by Wife, Leona

9AM +Kathy Zyla by Husband, Ron and Daughter, Rhonda & Tom

11AM +Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

MONDAY, MARCH 6

First Week of Lent

8AM +Albert Bates by Wife, Doris and Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

Sts. Perpetua and Felicty, Martyrs

8AM ++Frank and Peter Marciniak by Sister, Ann

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

St. John of God, Religious

8AM ++Sophia and Frank Smulski by Daughter, Sandy Radel

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

St. Frances of Rome, Religious

8AM +Robert Latsha by Wife

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

First Week of Lent

8AM +Lee C. Patrick by Wife, Sandy Radel

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

First Week of Lent

8AM |+Earl C. Seidel by Joanne and Ken Mertz 4PM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Second Sunday of Lent

7AM +Jacob Phillips by Mom and Dad

9AM +Florence Katch by Son, Joe

11AM +Joseph Mirack by Family

Tabernacle Candles

Special Intention

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Stanley Salwocki by Daughter, Carol

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week...

In Memory of Stanley Salwocki by Daughter, Carol

Friary Mass Candles and Bread & Wine

Special Intention

Friary Sanctuary Lamp

Special Intention

The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 5 – Religious Education Classes - Mandatory 9AM Mass for students, followed by class in the church hall.

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

Tuesday, March 7 - Easter Egg Project continues in the Church Hall after 8AM Mass and continues through Friday. This project continues each week.

Friday, March 3 – Stations of the Cross 7PM

Collection Totals for the Weekend of February 26, 2017

 Offertory:
 \$4,592.64

 Votives:
 145.00

 Parish Fuel:
 996.76

 Parish Debt:
 117.00

 Parish Dues:
 75.00

 Total:
 \$5,926.40



Exercise Your "Will Power"

Help provide for our parish. Remember Mother Cabrini Church in your will.

PONDER POINT

Jesus is condemned to death by crucifixion. *The First Station*





Remember, the Bill-Collector Always Shows Up!!

When circumstances prevent you from attending Mass on a particular weekend, 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, in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health!

ATTENTION BINGO PLAYERS . . . Our Break the Bank is Holding



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*

Remembrance Opportunities For Your Loved Ones...

The parish has a wonderful array of remembrance opportunities for both, the living and deceased. You may honor your loved one's memory or celebration of a special occasion, like a birthday or an anniversary by offering the flowers by the tabernacle, the candles used at Mass, the bread and wine offered at Mass, the Sanctuary candle, the church bells, etc. What a meaningful way to honor them on their special date! Reserve dates are filling up quickly so call the parish office to make your reservation.

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 that began a few weeks ago. 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.



SOCIETY each Friday during Lent from 4PM to 7PM. Eat in or take out. Menu will change every Friday. Prices will vary each week.

R.I.P. +**Fr.** Bill Haviland... Fr. Haviland died on Wednesday, February 22nd. Prayers and ceremonies were offered for Fr. Bill both at St. Monica Parish (Sunbury) and Queen of the Most Holy Rosary (Elysburg). Burial took place at All Saints Cemetery in Elysburg. Condolences may be sent to his sister: Mrs. Joyce Giovannoni, 390 Tropicana Way, Union City CA 94587. May the angels lead you into paradise, Fr. Bill!

Thanks and Applause. . . To the wonderful group of volunteers who have been producing our delicious Cabrini Chocolate Eggs these past weeks. Additional volunteers are always welcome, Tuesday - Friday, starting at 9AM. Selling our eggs is important to the project's success. If you can sell larger qualities of

eggs at places of business, employment or organizations, etc., please let us know at the Parish Office.

Lenten Meditation Booklets, Given In Loving Memory. . .

Mother Cabrini Parish expresses thanks and gratitude to Bob & Karol Freiler for their generous \$235.00 donation which covers the cost of our 2017 Lenten Meditation Booklets. Their donation is a Memorial Gift, given in loving memory of their loved ones: +Robert & +Anne Freiler and +Charles and +Michael Church. Thank you Bob and Karol for providing Lenten blessings to the parish through your generous gift!

Enjoy "The Saint Anthony COMPANION"

inserted in this weekend's bulletin. It is a publication of the Franciscan Friars and is shared with family, friends and benefactors of the Friars as well as throughout all the locations where the Friars minister.

In this **Companion** issue, the Friars announce a wonderful St. Maximilian Kolbe Pilgrimage to Rome and Poland which will take place August 7 - 18, 2017. Fr. James McCurry, Minister Provincial, and other Friars will serve as your spiritual guides. Please see the enclosed newsletter, page 6 for more details. If interested, please make your reservation as soon as possible.

Congratulations!

The Basketball CYO Boosters is proud to announce that Shawn Kalinowski was the winner drawn for the lottery wreath! Congratulations!

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.

LOURDES PRESENTS MUSICAL:



Lourdes Regional School will present the musical *Godspell* on Friday, March 10th and Saturday, March 11th at 6:30PM at the Northumberland County Council for the Arts at The Career Link, 8th and Arch Streets, Shamokin, Adults \$8.00 and Students \$6.00.

"BABY BOTTLE BLITZ!!!" Andy Stefanowicz,



will speak to us at all the weekend Masses, March 4th & 5th concerning the good work being done at the Pregnancy Care Center to support God's gift of human life. After each

of the Masses, "baby bottles" will be passed out to each person leaving the church with the sincere hope that the bottles will be used to help collect your "Lenten Alms" in support of the Center. Your coins, currency and/or checks (to: Pregnancy Care Center) can be deposited into the bottles. Bottles may be returned to church during the weekend Masses during Lent to the special container, under the stained glass window by the confessional. During non-occupied church times and for security reasons, please bring your bottle with offerings to the parish office. The last day for the "BABY BOTTLE BLITZ" collection will be Sunday, March 26th. What a fine opportunity and good cause to practice your Lenten almsgiving/charity! Fr. Martin

"The First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania (FCFP) is excited to announce *Raise the Region 2017*. FCFP will be launching a 30 hour fundraising



event starting On Wednesday, March 8th at 6:00PM through 11:59 PM and on Thursday, March 9th the public is encouraged to visit www.raisetheregion.org and select Pregnancy Care Center to support and your gift will be stretched by a generous contribution from Blaise Alexander Family Dealerships. Your donation(s) can also help raise additional support for **Pregnancy Care Center** by qualifying them for monetary prizes. All gifts are tax deductible. You can also go directly to **Pregnancy Care Center's** own page where you will be able to donate during the event, found here:

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Together we are Creating Powerful Communities Through Passionate Giving!"



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 McAnnaney, Mason Barvitskie, Robert Stoud II, Cynthia Wasielewski, Jeanette Verano, Lauri Mendicin, Rose Ann Wieland, Mary McCord, Terri Zarick, Rhonda Eckman, Bill & CeCie Adams, Chet Milbrand, Kirsten Huffnagle, Uncle John Kobos, Kelly Hoy, Dolores Scopelliti and Lillian Stark.

Mother Cabrini Memorials

In Memory of Ann McGinley

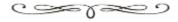
\$25 by Joe and Linda Bielski and Family \$10 by Rose Marie Kopyscianski

In Memory of *Joseph Conjura* \$200 by Family

In Memory of Robert "Bobby" Thomas

\$30 by Andy, Doris, Jess, Jenn and Dave Kalinowski

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.



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING RESULTS:

This year's Super Bowl had a little bit of everything unpredictable. From an electrifying halftime show to an exciting finish that kept us on the edge of our seats until the final whistle. But one thing that wasn't unpredictable was the very generous and caring support shown by you, our parishioners in this years' Souper Bowl of Caring. For the past 17 years it has been our wonderful parish of Mother Cabrini that has led the way among the other local parishes with our generosity and compassion. This year through your charitable giving, we collected \$480 and over 315 food items that goes directly to the continual upkeep of our local food pantry, The Manna for The Many. Without this untiring support, the pantry could not exist. On behalf of Board for The Manna for The Many, we extend our heartfelt thanks and we continue to ask for God's blessing for each and every one of you! THANK YOU. (P.S. – We know how happy Father Martin was with the outcome of the game, but we also know he was very proud of the generous support shown by our parishioners!)

March 5, 2017 First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

This passage from Genesis narrates the creation of man, the temptation by the serpent, and the fall of Adam and Eve.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Paul tells the Romans that Adam's disobedience brought sin and death to the world, but Christ's dying on the cross for us will bring us salvation and life.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

In preparation for His ministry, Jesus goes into the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. There He is tempted by the devil to give evidence of His miraculous powers, but Jesus resists the devil saying, "Away with you Satan! You shall do homage to the Lord your God; Him alone shall you adore."

REST IN PEACE: Kindly remember in your prayers the souls of Thomas Brennan, Joseph Conjura, Ann McGinley and Robert Thomas. May God grant them eternal rest.

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.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

A reminder to please contact the parish office with a change of address if you have moved or are moving. You are important to us and the parish is charged for mail that is returned to us with incorrect address information.





Please Pray for Our Troops, Our Veterans & Their Families