# **Mass Intentions**

## SATURDAY, MARCH 3 - Vigil Mass

4PM +Violet Zabroski by Kulik Family

## **SUNDAY, MARCH 4**

## **Third Sunday of Lent**

7AM In Thanksgiving

9AM +Kathleen Zyla by Husband, Ron

and Daughter, Rhonda and Tom

11AM +Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

## **MONDAY, MARCH 5**

#### Third Week of Lent

8AM +Louis & Helen Lyash by Daughter, Mary and Family

## **TUESDAY, MARCH 6**

**Third Week of Lent** 

8AM +Albert Bates by Wife, Doris & Children

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

Ss. Perpetua & Felicity

8AM +Frank & Sophia Smulski by Daughter, Sandy

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 8

St. John of God

8AM +Joseph Mirack by Family

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 9

**St. Frances of Rome** 

8AM +Lee C. Patrick by Wife, Sandy

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 10**

Third Week of Lent

8AM +Michael & Josephine Grobleski by Grandchildren 4PM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

# SUNDAY, MARCH 11

### **Fourth Sunday of Lent**

7AM +Lorraine Pastuzak by Brother, Jim & Nieces

9AM +Raymond Okrasinski by Sandra & Greg Barkus

11AM +Kyle Greaver by Family

# Remember, the Bill-Collector Doesn't Take Off on 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. Short falls 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!

## Mass Candles, Bread & Wine

In Thanksgiving

## Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week...

In Memory of Leonora Cherry on the Occasion of 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday, March 9<sup>th</sup> by Connie

## The Week Ahead

**Sunday, March 4 – Religious Education Classes -** Mandatory 9AM Mass for students, followed by class in the church hall.

Monday, March 5 – Mother Cabrini Bingo in Church Hall – Doors open at 4:30PM – Games begin at 6:15PM

Friday, March 9 – Stations of the Cross 7PM, followed by Confessions

## Collection totals for: Weekend of February 25, 2018

 Offertory:
 \$5,584.99

 Votives:
 117.00

 Parish Fuel:
 1,084.22

 Parish Dues:
 578.01

 Parish Property Insurance:
 268.00

 Totals:
 \$7,632.22

# Cabrini Men, Last Call. . . 2018 Men's Lenten Retreat Day – Next Saturday

On Saturday, March 10, 2018, at Bishop McDevitt High School, the Diocese of Harrisburg will be hosting the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Diocesan Men's Conference/Retreat. This year's theme is: Men of Mary, Mercy and the Eucharist.

There will be many outstanding workshops presented throughout the course of the morning and afternoon. There will also be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, opportunities for confession and the day will culminate with the celebration of Mass with Bishop Gainer as Principal Celebrant.

Pre-Registration is required. Information fliers are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church as well as by the elevator entrance.

Over the years, this spiritual event, geared for men, has received very favorable reviews. This is a wonderful opportunity for men of Mother Cabrini not only to

represent our parish but also provides an excellent day of personal Lenten spiritual refreshment. Fr. Martin

# Diocese of Harrisburg Celebrating 150 Years of Catholic Heritage

The Diocese of Harrisburg announces the opening of its **150**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Year.** The Opening Mass for the Anniversary Year will be celebrated on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10AM at Holy Name of Jesus Church, 6150 Allentown Blvd, Harrisburg. Bishop Ronald Gainer will be the Main Celebrant and Homilist.

Enclosed with today's bulletin are: a listing of the highlighted events for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year celebrations and, a Prayer Card featuring the image of St. Patrick, Patron of the Diocese and a prayer for the anniversary year.

We praise and thank God for all the graces and blessings which have flowed from the family of faith known as. . . the Diocese of Harrisburg! *Fr. Martin* 

# **ATTENTION BINGO PLAYERS...**



# COME, BREAK OUR BANK!

Not too long ago, one of our lucky bingo players "Broke the Bank" and took home \$1,199 in cash. Congratulations! **Our new Break the Bank is already up to \$900.** 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. We depend on Bingo proceeds for the parish.



# Our Easter Egg Making Project is Completed!!!

# Thank you! Thank you! . . .

to the wonderful group of volunteers who turned out for our annual Easter Egg production days. We are especially grateful for the "new faces" who joined the effort.

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.

I take this opportunity to express most sincere thanks and appreciation to Rich and Nancy Stryeski who laid down their "Easter Egg aprons" at the end of this year's production. Over these many years, they have been most faithful and generous with their time and talent to this very important parish project. Thank you Rich and Nancy!

# **MARCH MADNESS BINGO**

Sunday, March 11, 2018 Mother Cabrini Church Hall

20 - \$70 games
Final \$1,000 Cash Jackpot!
\$20.00 Package, "ALL YOU CAN PLAY"
\$10.00 Package, also available

**!!! Free Door Prizes !!!** 

DOORS OPEN 12:00PM - GAMES BEGIN 1:30PM (Weather Permitting)

FREE HOT DOG & A CAN OF SODA with each paid admission! Snack bar open for your convenience!



# Remember to Return Your "Baby Bottles!"

If you have been using the plastic "Baby Bottles" for your Lenten \$\$

sacrifices (coins, currency, cks to *Pregnancy Care Center*) please return them by **Sunday**, **March 18**<sup>th</sup>. Bottles may be dropped off in church during Mass times in the designated boxes under the stained glass windows in the rear of the church. **During non-occupied church times and for security reasons, bring your offering bottle directly to the parish office. Your charitable support of the "***Baby Bottle Blitz***" will benefit and support our local Pregnancy Care Center. Thank you and God bless you for your help!** 

Easter Eggs are now available for purchase at the parish office during office hours!

Coconut and Peanut Butter Eggs
\$.85 each / \$10.20 dozen / \$5.10 ½ dozen



This week, we extend special thanks to . . . **Pretty Petals & Gifts by Susan**for being one of our Mother Cabrini Parish bulletin sponsors!

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## **Pretty Petals**

say "thank you" for their sponsorship!



# Lenten Penance Services 2018

Please do not wait until the last minute to do your "Easter Duty" and make a good confession before Easter. Take advantage and mark the dates and locations listed below.

Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> – Mother Cabrini & Our Lady of Hope at Mother Cabrini at Mother Cabrini

Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> – Holy Angels, Kulpmont Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> – Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Elysburg

Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Divine Redeemer at Our Lady of Mt.

**Thursday**, **March 22<sup>nd</sup>** – St. Patrick, Trevorton

All Penance Services begin at 7PM

### EASTER EGG HUNT: Our Annual Easter Egg

**Hunt** will take place on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> after the 11AM Mass in the church hall. We're calling for donations of Easter chocolates, plastic eggs, candy to be used in filling the plastic eggs, stuffed animals, coloring



books, crayons, bubbles, trucks, cars jump ropes, toys for boys and girls as well as monetary donations (used to purchase DVD's for door prizes) would be greatly appreciated. Bring your donations to the parish office during office hours. Pre-registration can be made by calling the parish office (ages 2 – 10). We need the child's name, age and telephone number. Volunteers will be needed on Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> in the church hall to help with the filling of the plactic eggs and sorting prizes. Help will also be need on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> to set up the hall and at the Easter Egg Hunt itself. Be sure to mark you calendars with these dates!!

# Knights of Columbus. . .

**St. Patrick Day Celebration:** Come and celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at the Shamokin Knights of Columbus. The Shamokin Knights of Columbus Casey Club will present CALLANISH, a four member all women Celtic band, featuring three-part vocal harmonies with a variety of instruments. Performing traditional music from Ireland. They play a variety of lively dancing tunes like jigs and reels, love songs, ballads and spirited Irish drinking songs. Doors open at 6PM, with the show starting at 7PM. Admission \$10.00. For information or tickets, call 570-648-6136 or

570-648-8942. Tickets are limited. Tickets are also available at the Knights of Columbus Casey Club - 400 East Independence Street. Refreshments and food will be available. Open to the general public.

PICNIC 2018 WISH LIST: A couple of years ago, 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. March item is Crisco Oil.



## **Exercise Your "Will Power"**

If you haven't done so already, you can include Mother Cabrini Parish in your will through the use of a codicil.

Your attorney can advise you on how easy adding a codicil can be.

**Lift your Spirits Performing Arts** will be presenting "Born for this" Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 6:00 PM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 47 South Market Street, Mount Carmel, PA. Doors open at 5:00, Admission is \$10.00 and Children are Free if accompanied by an adult. Tickets available at the Parish Rectory. For information call 570-339-1031.

# COURSE ON DISCERNMENT OF GOD'S

**WILL** by Fr. Frank Karwacki. M.Ed. M.Div.

Discerning God's will for us is an on-going process in our lives. Calling upon the wisdom of such saints as St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. John of the Cross, St. Frances de Sales, St. Theresa of Avila, St. Francis of Assisi and St. Therese of Lisieux, participants will cover such topics as "Attitudes for Discernment", "Listening with the Heart", "A Discerning Lifestyle" and "Discerning the Designs of the Evil One." Dates: Thursdays: April 12, April 19, April 26, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 17<sup>th</sup> All Classes begin at 6:30 P.M. and are held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School Hall 41 S. Market St. Mount Carmel. Registration will be held the first day of class. The course is recognized by the Diocese of Harrisburg for credit for religious education teachers. Any Questions call the parish at 570-339-1031

## Forty Hours at Our Lady of Hope Church,

Coal Township: Join the Forty Hours celebration at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 863 W. Chestnut Street, Coal Township, PA from Sunday (3/4/18) through Wednesday (3/6/18), 7-8 PM. Guest Speaker: Sister Patricia McCormack, IHM, Ed. D

Please Pray For the Sick, especially, Ann Barber, Trent and Traigh Clayton, Nicky Wideman, Laura Wideman, Michael Wideman, Eddie Wideman, Justin Wachter, Craig Fetterman, Bob Hauer, Eunice Kanaskie, George Klemick, Cassondra Senoski, Lucy Surak, Kenneth Kolovich, Austin Zimmerman, Mason Barvitskie, Robert Stoud II, Cynthia Wasielewski, Jeanette Verano, Lauri Mendicin, Tom Eckman, Rhonda Eckman, Bill Adams, Terri Zarick, Chet Milbrand, Kirsten Huffnagle, Kelly Hoy, Dolores Scopelliti, Jack Senoski, Mark Senoski, Candida Davis, Tony Varano, Sr., Phyllis Barrett, Kathy Messimer, Cynthia Washleski (Shamokin), Walter Habowski, Bonnie Gunn, Schiccatano, Jerry Plocinski, Shannon Shovlin, Ann Gembic, Donna Griffiths Cross, Matthew "Butch" Menapace, Joel Rivera, Gordon Young, Langston Haddock, Shawn Wilson, Marvann Christiana, Candy Spears, Bryan McSurdy, Carol Fegley, Kristy & Huxley Hoffman, Gertrude Slawek, Pete Yucha, Carol Grow, Michael Matukaitis, Marie Casper, Sharon Casper, Tina Barnabe, Fred Pensyl, William Edmondson, Maria Davis, Gertrude White and Barbara Ann Verano.

## LOURDES SCHOOL NEWS

There are a number of employment opportunities at Lourdes School. For more information, please call the school office at 570-644-0375.

## Break the Bank Bingo at Lourdes Regional

**School:** This Sunday, March 4<sup>th -</sup> \$900 – Cash prizes - Food & Refreshments Doors open at 11:30AM - Games begin at 1PM. Bring a Friend!

#### PONDER POINT

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

John 4:42, 15





Please Pray for our Troops and Their Families

# March 4, 2018 Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Through Moses, God passed on the commandments he wished all people to follow. He tells us not to worship idols or take the name of the Lord in vain. All the laws God gave to us, if followed, would ensure that we could live in peace and harmony with one another as he had planned.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Paul tells the Corinthians that Christ is the power and the wisdom of God. Although they claimed to possess wisdom, "God's folly is wiser than men, and his weakness is more powerful than men."

## **Gospel: John 2:13-25**

Jesus went to the temple of Jerusalem to find merchants there selling sheep and doves. He knocked over their tables and drove the animals away. The merchants asked him for a sign that he was authorized to do this. He told them to "destroy this temple (referring to his body) and in three days I will raise it up." The merchants misunderstood, and did not believe he could rebuild in three days what had taken nearly 50 years to build. Still many believed in him, after seeing the miracles he had performed.



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.

LENTEN FISH DINNER: Holy Angels Church, Kulpmont will hold Lenten

Fish Dinners Fridays during Lent, 4:00 - 6:00PM in the Activity Center. Dinner includes Soup and Salad bar, Fruit Cup, Baked Fish, Potato, Vegetable, Bread, Dessert and Beverage. Donation \$9.00 for Adults, children 12 & under \$5.00.