

Mass Intentions for the Week

by The Crone Family

The Week Ahead

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29 – Vigil Mass
4PM +Allen S. Grow, Jr. by Wife, Irene & Children

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
7AM ++Gilda, Josephine, Loretta Fiorenza
and Rich Knovich by Son, Rick
9AM +Troy Griffiths & Betty Pandie
by Ed & Nani Griffiths
11AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31
St. Sylvester I
8AM ++Leonard & Helen Targonski by Daughters
4PM +Wanda Pasierb by JoAnn & Ken Mertz

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1
No 8AM Mass
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
9AM +Walter J. (Buddy) Jacobs by Wife, Julie & Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2
Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
8AM ++Deceased Parents, Relatives & Benefactors of the Franciscan Order

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3
Christmas Weekday
8AM Living Parents, Relatives and Benefactors of the Franciscan Order

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
8AM +Frank Fetsko by Leona Oldyn

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5
St. John Neuman, Bishop
8AM + Lee C. Patrick by Wife, Sandy Radel
4PM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
7AM +Barbara Verano by Children
9AM +Ronald Dimm by Family
11AM +Joann Landers by Husband, James Landers

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week. . .
In Memory of Bernard and Catherine Pultynovich

Sunday, December 30– No Religious Education Classes today. Classes resume next Sunday. Mandatory 9AM Mass for students, followed by class in the church hall

Monday, December 31 - No Mother Cabrini Bingo tonight. See you next Monday, January 7th!

Due to an early bulletin printing deadline, our collection totals for the weekend of December 30th are not available.

Special Note of Thanks . . . to all those wonderful volunteers who helped decorate the Church for Christmas. It was a wonderful group of folks, young and old, who helped decorate for Jesus' Birthday. As always, they did a beautiful job!



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. 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!

PONDER POINT

In the past, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40



This meeting is for all Catholic Parishes of the Northumberland Deanery. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. More information to follow.

Final Report - Bishop's 2018 Appeal Data 31.5% Of Parishioners Achieved 78.5% of Goal!

**OK Folks, here are our final numbers
as of December 21st . . .**

- 9 new/last gifts received, \$835.00 total;
- 265 total Cabrini Households responded with their contributions;
- 31.5% Cabrini Household have brought us to 78.5% of goal, 265/841;
- \$26,369.42 collected in gifts and pledges;
- 78.5% of goal achieved, \$26,369.42/\$33,600;
- Shortfall of goal was \$7,230.58. This amount will now have to come out of our ordinary/fund raising income;
- Average amount of all gifts, \$99.51;
- Didn't hear from 576 Cabrini Households, 68.5% of Parishioner Households;
- Largest Appeal gift, \$1,000; smallest gift, \$3; a wide spectrum of gift amounts in between.

Heartfelt thanks to each of the 265 Cabrini Households (and especially those who added to their original gift amounts, some more than once!) who helped us get to 78.5% of goal. Your participation is/was a blessing for which I express my most sincere thanks. To each and every Mother Cabrini Household who participated with a contribution, **"LARGE, SMALL or IN THE MIDDLE," your gift/your participation all helped our parish come so close meeting its stewardship goal!**" Thank you and God bless you for your charitable giving!!! *Fr. Martin*



MARK THE DATE: Now that Bishop is sufficiently recovered from his double knee surgery, he has scheduled "Listening Sessions" regarding the Grand Jury Report and the Dioceses response. These sessions are being conducted throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg in January and February, 2019.

Our Northumberland Deanery meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2019 at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish, 599 West Center St., Elysburg at 6:30PM. The meeting will be held in the parish hall. You may park in the lower parking lot behind the church.



Thank You

Thank You from the friars. . .

Fr. Adam and Fr. Ed join me in expressing sincere thanks to all who brightened our Christmas with their good wishes, cards, gifts and "goodies." Your kindnesses to us are counted among our blessings during this beautiful time of the year. They are very much appreciated and know that you have a place in our grateful prayers. God bless you and your 2019!

Fr. Martin

CABRINI BINGO RESUMES, NEXT MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019

Our Break the Bank
is holding \$1,199.00 (US DOLLARS)
for a lucky winner!

As one of your "New Year's Resolutions", please consider donating just a couple of hours a month to the parish by helping at our Monday night bingo games. Our very dedicated current workers who work the floor and the kitchen need assistance. Call the parish office to let us know of your availability for this important parish activity. Thank you!

MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION AND BAKE SOMETHING!

We are in need of bakers, both men and women, who would be willing to bake a cake for our Monday Night Bingo. Simply leave the cake in the church hall kitchen on Monday. **This is a simple project, but**



one that is very much needed and will be very much

appreciated. In advance, we thank you for your generous response.



Parish Office Holiday Schedule:

In observance of the New Year's
Holiday, please note the
following

Parish Office hours:

Parish Office will be closed on Monday,
December 31st and re-open on Wednesday,
January 2, 2019.

Mass Schedule

The Solemnity of Mary
Holy Day of Obligation
(New Year's Eve / Day Mass)

Monday, December 31st
4PM Holy Day Vigil Mass

Tuesday, January 1st (Holy Day Obligation)
The Solemnity of Mary,
9AM Mass (NO 8AM Mass)

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST: The Shamokin Knights of Columbus will hold an *"all you can eat breakfast"* next Sunday, January 6, 2019 from 8AM to 12Noon. Breakfast includes eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, home fries, coffee/tea, orange juice and toast. \$8.00 adults - \$4.00 child.

MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS: The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving 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. For upcoming dates and further information, please call 717-657-4804, ext 304 or email tribunal@hbgdiocese.org



Thank you to all the children who participated in this year's Christmas Eve Pageant. It made Christmas very meaningful to all of us. See you next year!

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/worshiping 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.**



MASS INTENTIONS

MASS OPENINGS AVAILABLE for 2019: If anyone would like to schedule additional Mass intentions for next year, you may reserve as many Masses as you wish at this point. Please call or stop by the Parish Office beginning Wednesday, January 9th during office hours. Many dates are available for 2019.

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.



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, Cassandra 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, Walter Habowski, Bonnie Gunn, Les Schiccatano, Jerry Plocinski, Shannon Shovlin, Ann Gembic, Donna Griffiths Cross, Matthew "Butch" Menapace, Joel Rivera, Gordon Young, Langston Haddock, Shawn Wilson, Maryann Christiana, Candy Spears, Bryan McSurdy, Kristy & Huxley Hoffman, Gertrude Slawek, Pete Yucha, Carol Grow, Michael Matukaitis, Marie Casper, Sharon Casper, Tina Barnabe, Fred Pensyl, Barbara Ann Verano, Denise Hale, Marie Bondura, Fred Pensyl, Michael McAnulty, Jamie Pellowski, Marie Bondura, Pauline Bondura, Charlotte Moeller, William Benner, Nikola Kolovic, Judy Dobscha, Mary Ann Persavage, Shelly Greco, Dennis Mall, Angel Witmer, Dennis Christiana, Faith Ann Smink, Tony Verano, Sr, Doris Bates, Goldie Mae Kerstetter, Bishop Ronald Gainer, Maxine Malloy, Gregg Keshecki, Robert Wolfe, Bill Bordell, Teodoro Catorce and Suzanne Chubb.

**GOD BLESS OUR
MOTHER
CABRINI
PARISH
FAMILY
IN 2019!**



December 30, 2018

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Sirach emphasizes the importance of honoring one's parents. He explains that spiritual riches will come to those who are kind to their mother and father.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Paul advises us to treat each other with kindness and mercy and to forgive as God forgives us. His words remind families to always love and respect one another and let Christ's peace reign in their hearts and in their homes.

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

When Jesus was twelve years old, the Holy Family traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate the feast. Jesus did not return with the company. Instead, he stayed in Jerusalem, sitting among the teachers while amazing them with his understanding and questions. When found by his concerned parents, Jesus reminded them that he must be in the house of his Father. Returning together, Mary kept these things in her heart.

Prayer for Families

Loving God, in the spirit of the Holy Family, we ask for your blessing on all families.

Let Mary's openness to your wondrous ways be an inspiration to place all trust in you. Let Joseph's courage provide hope during times of anxiety and uncertainty.

Let Jesus' life ignite all families with a spirit of light and love.

May the grace that encircled the Holy Family widen to embrace all families.

For this we pray. Amen

