

# Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 – Vigil Mass**  
4PM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

7AM +Arthur Schicatano by Joe & Deb  
9AM +Justine Picarelli by Family  
11AM +Albert Bates by Wife, Doris & Children

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 9**  
**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8AM ++James A. Chiavaroli & Helene Carsto  
by Wife & Mother, Mary Chiavaroli

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10**  
**Second Week in Advent**

8AM +Ann Marie Shaw by Husband, Robert

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
**St. Damasus I**

8AM +Louis Sobotor by the Sobotor Children

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12**  
**Our Lady of Guadalupe**

8AM ++Robert & Louise Hauer  
by Anna Hauer & Family

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13**  
**St. Lucy**

8AM +Susan Yakoboski by Mom, Dad & Brother,  
David

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
**St. John of the Cross**

8AM ++Walter & Helen Zotkewicz by Grandchildren  
1PM Wedding: John Gilger & Colleen Kane  
4PM +Frances Rumberger by Husband, William  
and Victor

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15**  
**Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete)**

7AM +Ann Marie Shaw by Husband, Robert  
9AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church  
11AM +Joseph Kobos by Children

## PONDER POINT

Oh come, Desire of Nations, bind in  
one the hearts of all human kind;  
Bid thou our sad divisions cease,  
And be thy self our Prince of Peace.



*Nineteenth Century Chan*

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

In Memory of Robert & Louise Hauer  
by Anna Hauer & Family

## The Week Ahead

**Sunday, December 8 – Religious Education Classes today.** Mandatory 9AM Mass for students, followed by class in the church hall

*Advent Penance Services begin this week,  
Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.*

*See complete list of Deanery Penance  
Services in bulletin.*

**Monday, December 9 – Mother Cabrini Bingo** in Church Hall. Doors open at 4:30PM – Games begin at 6:15PM.

### Collection Totals for the weekend of November 24, 2019

Offertory:	\$3,274.25
Votives:	95.85
Parish Dues:	192.00
Lourdes School Assessment:	762.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,324.10</b>
Franciscan Seminarians:	\$ 104.00
Matthew 25:	\$ 580.00

### Collection Totals for the weekend of December 1, 2019

Offertory:	\$3,368.25
Votives:	131.25
Parish Dues:	743.00
Parish Property Maintenance:	643.70
Lourdes School Assessments:	93.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,979.20</b>
Matthew 25:	\$ 73.00

## December 8<sup>th</sup> - Immaculate Conception

We've received word from the Diocese. . .  
This year, Immaculate Conception, the Patronal Feast of the United States, falls on a Sunday. Since the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent takes liturgical precedence, Immaculate Conception is moved to and is celebrated on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. There is NO holyday obligation for the December 9<sup>th</sup> celebration. Also, there will be NO Vigil Mass on Sunday evening for the Monday celebration. For those who are able, it is most laudable for the faithful to attend



the 8AM Mass on the Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>, honoring Mary as our country's patroness.

## **'19 Diocesan Annual Campaign Parish Response Breaks 50% Mark of Goal!**

As of December 2<sup>nd</sup>, here are our updated statistics relative to the **2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign**: we received 4 new contributions and "add to my previous gift" donation, totaling **\$375**. I express most sincere thanks to the most recent Mother Cabrini Parish Household who responded with their gift in these past weeks. Your participation and generosity is very much appreciated. The updated data are as follows:

- **143** Cabrini Households have participated or **17.3%** (**143/829**) of our active registered Cabrini households;
- Total received in gifts and pledges **\$17,686**;
- Average gift as of this report is **\$123.68**;
- **143** Cabrini Households have brought us to **51%** of goal (**\$17,686/\$34,700**);
- Please God, in the weeks ahead, we hope to hear from the remaining **686** Cabrini Households to help us close the **\$17,014** gap.

I extend my most sincere thanks to each of those **143** Cabrini Households who have brought us to the **51%** mark of our 2019 Campaign goal. I appeal to all Cabrini households to join with your fellow parishioners to help the parish meet its stewardship responsibility to the Diocese. All monies collected through the Campaign, fund very important charitable works within the Diocese. So, every household's participation is critical. **Any unpaid balance of the '19 Campaign will have to come out of our ordinary parish income/fund raising. . .** and that hurts our parish financially. *Large, small or in the middle, every household's gift and every household's participation is important to our common success.* My "**Sincerest Thank You**" and a "**God Bless You!**" to our **143** household participants!! *Fr. Martin*

**WOULDN'T IT BE NICE TO WIN  
\$1,199 IN CASH JUST IN TIME  
FOR CHRISTMAS. . . THEN COME  
AND BREAK OUR BINGO BANK!!!**

Eventually, one of our lucky bingo players always breaks the bank and takes home \$1,199 in cash. **Our new Break the Bank is already up to \$1,199.** 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.

## **It's Been a Rough \$\$ Couple of Weeks. . .**

Several weeks ago, the serviceman was in to check and do maintenance on all our parish's heating components in anticipation of winter. All heating systems passed, except one. The "expansion tank" on the church boiler needed replacing. That tank has had issues for the past several years. I've held off replacing it because of the cost. This time, we had to do it so that it's deteriorated condition wouldn't negatively impact the functioning of the heat boiler. The manufacture/date stamp on the tank was **1973**. That makes it nearly 50 years old! The repairman said, "Father, you've got your money's worth out of it but it needs to be replaced." **Replacement and labor: \$1,950.00.**

### **MOTHER CABRINI MEMORIALS**

#### **In Memory of Ann Kanaskie**

\$100 by Isabel and George Sherron

#### **Monetary Gift In Memory of Nikola (Nick) Kolovic**

by Wife and Family

#### **In Memory of Edward R. Dauksha**

\$100 by Robert Caryn Irving

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.



**OUCH!!!** Last week's snow storm on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> really hurt our Mass attendance and subsequently our offertory income. If you were unable to be with us for that Sunday, please drop in your offertory gift/envelopes in the upcoming collections.



### **Express Your "Will Power"**

You can help the friars continue their foreign mission work with the support of a bequest in your will. The legal title information for the mission office is:

**Franciscan Friars**

**Our Lady of the Angels Province, Inc.**

**Franciscan Missions**

**12300 Folly Quarter Road**

**Ellicott City, MD 21042**

## *Advent*

### *Penance Services*

*To help "make the crooked ways straight," the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered this week in various deanery parish locations. Consult the listing below for more information.*

**Sunday, December 8**

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

**Monday, December 9**

Holy Angels, Kulpmont

**Tuesday, December 10**

Holy Rosary, Elysburg

**Wednesday, December 11**

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

**Thursday, December 12**

St. Patrick, Trevorton

**All Penance Services begin at 7PM**

### Token of Gratitude...

Let's show our appreciation to our Altar Servers! **Next weekend, December 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> we invite you to make a free will offering when you leave church after Mass.** Baskets are 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.



### ANNUAL CARING TREE:

Advent began last Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. 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 a random act of kindness for the person listed on the tag or a Walmart gift card 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 a Walmart gift card. Walmart gift cards can 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!



## SAVE THE DATE... WE NEED YOUR CHRISTMAS DECORATING HELP!!!

Calling all able bodies on Sunday (December 22<sup>nd</sup>) 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. If you can, come give just an hour, or more of your time to your parish. Many hands make light work. Come decorate God's house for Jesus' birthday! We can use YOU!

### ATTENTION PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND CHILDREN!

The narrated Christmas Pageant has been a long standing tradition here at Mother Cabrini Church. In order to have the Christmas Pageant continue, we need at least 20 committed children to be signed up for the following parts: Mary & Joseph (7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> graders); star; narrators (6th grade or older); innkeeper -1; shepherds- 3 or more; Kings- 3; drummer boys - 3 or more; angels- 5 or more; animals - 3 or more. Please call Judy at the parish office at 570-648-4512 ext. 214 by Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> to sign up. If enough children sign up by the deadline, a practice will be held on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6PM in the Church. May God bless you for your interest and support in continuing this Christmas tradition!



### 2019 Advent Meditation Booklets

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 are available 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.! May your Advent journey bring you to the warmth of the Christ child! Say a prayer for the Frielers, who donated the booklets in memory of their loved ones.

*Fr. Martin*



**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, Jack Senoski, Mark Senoski, Candida Davis, Kathy Messimer, Bonnie Gunn, Les Schicatan, 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, Marie Casper, Sharon Casper, Tina Barnabe, Barbara Ann Verano, Fred Pensyl, Jamie Pellowski, Charlotte Moeller, William Benner, Mary Ann Persavage, Shelly Greco, Dennis Mall, Angel Witmer, Dennis Christiana, Faith Ann Smink, Tony Varano, Sr., Goldie Mae Kerstetter, Maxine Malloy, Gregg Keshecki, Robert Wolfe, Bill Bordell, Teodoro Catorce, Suzanne Chubb, Vincent Wasielewski, Robbi Hartman, Russ Jones, Maryann Hartman, Maria Lazzarevich, Patrick Latsha, Jenny Berry, John Rauch, Mark Krzykwa, Helen Gallagher, Eleanor Kissel, Mary Lou Hoffa, Sharon Williams, Alex & Shirley Stefanowicz, Kathy Purcell, Gloria Koyack, Fred Pensyl, McKenzie Navarra, Lorraine Gusick, Dennis Shuey, Dorothy and Robert Yakoboski, Pat Barrett, Gina Fox, Daniel Weaver, Joe Rocuskie, Lewis Snyder, Kapukui Sykes, Jim Logic, Darlene Bressi, Tammy Hancock, Kathy Marquez, Ed Wideman and Mary Harmon.

**Rest in Peace:** Kindly remember in your prayers the soul of Nikola (Nick) Kolovic. May God grant him eternal rest.



**Knights of Columbus - All You Can Eat Breakfast** will be held on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to 11:45AM at the Knights of Columbus Casey Club hall. The breakfast consists of eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries and French toast along with juice, toast, jelly, coffee and tea. Adults: \$8.00 – Children (12 and under) \$4.00. Open to the public.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**December 8, 2019  
Second Sunday of Advent**

**First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10**

In this beautiful passage, a messianic prophecy, Isaiah exults in the coming of the Lord, who will bring justice and peace for all.

**Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9**

Paul reveals to us the necessity of living in peace and harmony. His words "Accept one another, then, as Christ accepted you, for the Glory of God" are as needed today as they were in Paul's own time.

**Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12**

John the Baptizer prepares the way for Jesus. Clothed in a garment of camel's hair, he baptizes the people in the Jordan River, but warns the Pharisees in ringing tones that they must give evidence that they mean to reform.

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

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**Don't forget to pick up your Monk's Bread orders next week, December 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>.**

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**Buy Your Gift Cards For Christmas at Lourdes. Call And Ask For the Tuition Sense Office 570-644-0375**

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*During This Second week of Advent, Prepare for Jesus' Birth by. . .*



Carving out some quiet time for prayer,  
Visiting, phoning or sending a note to a shut in,  
Expressing your gratitude,  
Listening more