

# Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 – Vigil Mass**  
4PM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2**  
**The Presentation of the Lord**  
7AM +Leo Mulhall by Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Treese  
9AM +Leilani Mildred Kalanui Kamakaokalani  
by Judy Surak  
11AM +Anne Marie Lee by Sandra & Greg Barkus

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
**Ss. Blaise & Ansgar**  
8AM ++Deceased Benefactors, Parents and Relatives  
of the Franciscan Order

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4**  
**Fourth Week in Ordinary Time**  
8AM Living Benefactors, Parents and Relatives  
of the Franciscan Order

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**  
**St. Agatha**  
8AM ++Robert & Louise Hauer by Anna Hauer  
and Family

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
**St. Paul Miki & Companions**  
8AM +Henry Wysock by Wife, Nancy & Children

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
**Fourth Week in Ordinary Time**  
8AM +Kathleen Glosek by Blaine Handerman

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**  
**Ss. Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bahkita**  
8AM +Shirley Noll by Danny & Mimi  
4PM +Anne Marie Lee by Kathy Gonsar  
and Joe Rocuskie

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church  
9AM ++Anna & Joseph Kurtz by Daughter & Family  
11AM +James A. Chiavaroli by Wife, Mary &  
Daughters



## Exercise Your “Will Power”

Help provide for the future of our parish.  
Remember Mother Cabrini Church when  
making your estate plans.

## Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Angela & Anthony Wojnarski  
by Marie, Kathy & Tom

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

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

## The Week Ahead

**Sunday, February 2 – Religious Education Classes.**  
Mandatory 9AM Mass for students, followed by class in  
the church hall.

**Saturday & Sunday – Blessing of Throats after all  
weekend Masses and Monday, February 3.**

**Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**“Super Bowl Bingo” in Church Hall**  
**Doors open at 12Noon – Games begin at 1:30PM**  
**See information in this week’s bulletin**  
**for more details.**

**Monday, February 3 – Mother Cabrini Bingo** tonight  
in church hall. Doors open at 4:30PM – Games begin at  
6:15PM

## Collection Totals for Christmas and the Weekend of January 19, 2020

Offertory:	\$4,154.25
Votives:	132.11
Parish Fuel:	911.00
Parish Dues:	232.00
Snow & Ice:	240.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,669.36</b>
<b>Fire Victims:</b>	<b>\$1,597.22</b>



**OUCH!!!** Two weekends  
ago, the snow & ice storm  
really hurt our Mass  
attendance and subsequently our offertory  
income. If you were unable to be with us for any  
of last weekend's Masses, please drop in your  
offertory gift/envelopes in the upcoming  
collections.

## PONDER POINT

So live that you wouldn't be ashamed to sell  
the family parrot to the town gossip.

*Will Rogers*



## 2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign Update

Gifts received by December 31, 2019

As of the last day of December, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, we received **17 New Gifts** and **3 additional gifts** to already existing donations totaling **\$2,785.00**.

The data for the *2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign* are as follows: **160** Mother Cabrini households participated or **19.3%** of our parish register (**160/829**). Unfortunately, we have not heard from **669** Cabrini Households or **81%** of the parish.

**\$20,471** has been raised of our **\$34,700** goal amount or **59.0%**.

The average gift stands at **\$127.94**.

The **\$14,229** Campaign shortfall will have to come out of our ordinary/fund raising income.

*If your household has not yet made a contribution to the 2019 Campaign, this is the final week to do so. The parish would be most grateful for your participation.*

My sincere thanks to the **"Group of 160!"** for bringing us to the **59%** mark!!!

Fr. Martin

## We're Having Our Annual "Super Bowl Sunday" Bingo This Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

→ **Lots of Free Door Prizes !!!** ←



If you're not into watching grown men slamming into each other for several hours on TV, come join us for a fun filled afternoon at Mother Cabrini Church Hall and try your luck at **Super Bowl Sunday Bingo!** 20 - \$70.00 games / **Final \$1,000.00 Cash Jackpot!** \$20, "All you can play packages." \$10 packages also available. Enjoy our Cabrini Tailgate Party. . . A **FREE HOT DOG & CAN OF SODA with each paid admission!** Our delicious snack bar will also be open for your convenience. Doors open at Noon so come early for a good seat. **Games begin at 1:30PM (weather permitting).** See you this **Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** for **Super Bowl Sunday Bingo!**

### MOTHER CABRINI MEMORIAL

**In Memory of Robert Wurster**



\$25 by Leocadia Spock and Family


**In Memory of Edward Grill**

\$20 by Steve and Connie Dunleavy

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.

### CABRINI BINGO - THIS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020

 **Our Break the Bank**  is holding **\$1,199.00 (CASH MONEY)** for a lucky winner!

 **As one of your "New Year's Resolutions", 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 always need assistance. Call the parish office to let us know of your availability for this important parish activity. Thank you!**

### Celebrating St. Blaise!

The Blessing of the Throats is a sacramental of the Roman Catholic Church, ordinarily celebrated on February 3, the feast day of Saint Blaise of Sebaste (modern Sivas, Turkey). Candles used for the Blessing of



Throats are blessed on February 2, The Presentation of the Lord in the Temple or, "Candlemas Day."

Saint Blaise was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. Very little is known about his life. According to various accounts he was a physician before becoming a bishop. Devotion to St. Blaise spread throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. **St. Blaise, Pray for Us!**

## Cold and Flu Season is upon us.

The distribution of the Most Precious Blood in the side chalices will be suspended until it passes. If you are suffering from cold or flu symptoms, please be mindful of your contact with others and do not extend a hand at the sign of peace. Please wash your hands thoroughly and make use of hand cleaner when necessary.



## HOW DID FEBRUARY 2 COME TO BE KNOWN AS "CANDLEMAS DAY?"

February 2 was the day of the year when candles, used for Church services during the coming year, were brought to Church and a blessing was said over them. Thus it became the festival (or "mas") of the candles.

Candles were important in historic times not only because there were no electric lights. Some people thought they gave protection against, plagues, diseases and famine. For Christians they were (and still are) a reminder of something far more important.

Before Jesus' birth, it was as if humanity "was in darkness." People often felt lost, abandoned and afraid. It was as if they were totally on their own in the world; adrift, with no one to help. With the birth and ministry of Jesus came a radically new message of redemption, hope and direction. He identified himself as the "Light of the world!", ready to help, comfort and enlighten all who believed in him. He is truly our light in our many darknesses. The use of candles in our worship is a constant reminder to us that the "Light" remains among us.



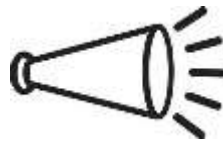
## VALENTINE DAY RAFFLE:

Get out and chase the winter blues away. . . Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 11AM to 7PM and Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup> - 10AM to 2PM at Pauline House, 1136 Chestnut Street, Kulpmont, PA. \$20/26 tickets - \$10/11 tickets. After the initial purchase, tickets 1/2 price. **NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.** Food available for purchase/take out only. Handicap accessible - parking in rear. Benefits St. Pauline Foundation/Children's Charities. For more information, please call JoAnn at 570-259-9299.

## Kids Movie Nights!

*Our Lady of Hope Parish Center - (863 W. Chestnut Street, Coal Township, up the street from the Church)*  
**6:30-8:00PM** - Bring a friend! For more information, please call Sister Lisa at 570-648-4432  
**February 14 & May 15**

**Attention Shamokinites!!!** Through the efforts of the Franciscan Center and in particular, the community organization known as "FAR (Faith Alliance for Revitalization)," an open to the general public workshop is being hosted at Mother Cabrini Church Hall on **Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00PM - 6:30PM (or drop in anytime).**



This is a broad based/open invitation to join your neighbors to hear updates on new community projects and to share **YOUR** thoughts about how Shamokin can: Attract new businesses and jobs; Increase local pride through community-led action and involvement in city governance; Redevelop, demolish and/or cleanup blighted properties; Improve our city's quality of life; and, "Go Green," with greener outdoor spaces, energy efficient buildings and health programing etc.

The City of Shamokin, business owners, faith-based groups and other organizations are partnering to build on Shamokin's strengths and assets. **Here's your chance to be part of our city's brighter future! The public is invited.**

Please come and be with us to share your ideas/input at this unique and creative gathering of concerned citizens for the good of our city! Hope to see you on the 11th!  
*Fr. Martin*



## Shamokin Catholic CYO Lottery Scratch Off Raffle

\$250 in various lottery tickets along with a handmade wreath are being raffled as a fundraiser for the Shamokin Catholic Basketball Teams. The tickets are \$5 each. To have tickets delivered, please contact Jill Yablonski at 570-259-5569 or tickets are available at the parish office. Drawing will be held the weekend of February 14th.

## DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

**Sunday, February 23, 2020**

**Divine Mercy Hall**

400 Block of West Cherry Street  
Mt Carmel, PA 17851  
570-339-3450

DOORS OPEN: 1:00PM - BINGO STARTS: 2:00 PM

\$20.00 if purchased ahead, \$25.00 at the door

Food Available for sale

Tickets can be purchased at the Divine Redeemer Church Office, 438 West Avenue, Mt Carmel, during normal business hours or call 570-975-5613.



**Please Pray For the Sick**, especially, Fr. Ed Costello, Ann Barber, Bob Hauer, Jim Logic, Kapukui Sykes, Justin Wachter, Candida Davis, Matthew (Butch) Menapace, Betty Menapace, Dennis Shuey, Aunt Sandy, Uncle Pete, Henry, George Klemick, Connie Yucha, Audrey Spaulding, Kathy Marquez, Alex & Shirley Stefanowicz, Gertrude Slawek, Pete Yucha, Allen Hornberger, Mark Senoski, Cassandra Senoski, Roberta Jasper, Marge Schiccatano, Thomas & Sylvia Pappas and Barbara A. Verano.

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 2020**  
**This Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**(Collection of Canned Goods)**



This year's Super Bowl game matches two powerhouse offenses that score points in bunches. Let's also show our offense in The *Souper Bowl of Caring* and outscore our last year's totals. Once again,

it is our local food pantry, The Manna for the Many that benefits from your generosity. Please support the pantry on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> by donating canned goods or making a monetary donation so we can continue this winning streak we are on. Mother Cabrini Parish has been the leader in donations for this worthwhile event since we began several years ago. Let's show our spirit and become, once again, the MVP (Most Valuable Parish) for Souper Bowl 2020. As always, thank you for your support and generosity, and may God bless each and every one of you! Drop off your canned goods in the vestibule of the Church, or place your monetary donation in the soup kettles!



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

**February 2, 2020**

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4**

The prophet Malachi speaks to us about God sending a messenger "to prepare the way" and that God will suddenly come and appear at the temple. Malachi continues by telling us the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to God.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18**

Jesus became like us. He shared fully in our humanity. By his death he freed us from the fear of death. Because Jesus was tested by suffering, he is able to help those who are also tempted.

**Gospel: Luke 2:22-40**

According to the law of Moses, Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the temple to be consecrated. They offered a sacrifice according to the law, "a pair of turtle doves or two young pigeons." Simeon, a holy and righteous man, took the child into his arms and praised God. Simeon then spoke to Mary. He told Mary that Jesus "is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel." Anna, a prophet of great age, praised God and spoke of the child who came for the redemption of Jerusalem.

**Cabrini Baseball  
Registration**

The Cabrini Baseball organization registration is now open for the upcoming 2020 season. Parents can either go directly to the "Cabrini Baseball" Facebook page and register on line, email us at [cabrinibaseball@gmail.com](mailto:cabrinibaseball@gmail.com), or by calling Leo Mirolli at 570-274-3460. Both boys and girls from the ages of 3-15 are welcome to register but must either reside in the Shamokin Area school district or in Zerbe Twp. Cabrini Baseball also has a team that is for any child or young adult that has any kind of physical or intellectual abilities but do not have to reside in our local school district. Indoor spring training is tentatively set to begin on March 1<sup>st</sup> which at that time a short parents meeting will be held to explain our organization, our league, and the upcoming season in detail. After you register someone will be in contact with you by mid-February. If you are not contacted by that time call the above phone number.



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