



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 12, 2023

		†	MASS INTENTIONS	†
Sat	03/11	5:00 PM	Sharon Stemple by Kevin and Nancy	
Sun	03/12	10:15 AM	Jimmie Eichhorn, Happy Birthday in Heaven, Eternal Memory By Mom, Celine Nauman and Family	
Wed	03/15	8:00 AM	Margaret Price by James Burke	
Thu	03/16	8:00 AM	Ann Swankowski by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Tulanowski	
Fri	03/17	8:00 AM	Allan Harding by Nicholas and Vicky Wenzel	
Sat	03/18	5:00 PM	Jerome Perch by David, Joanne, and Travis	
Sun	03/19	10:15 AM	Joseph Michael Curto, In Loving Memory by Mom and Dad	

Confession Schedule: Sat, 4:00 to 4:45 PM - Sun, 9:00 to 9:45 AM or by Appointment

OFFERINGS: Wkly \$4,231 Outreach \$638 Lent \$244 Care & Education of Priests \$191

Second Collection Next Weekend, March 18-19, is for Catholic Relief Services

Message from Father Mike...

FROM THE PASTOR

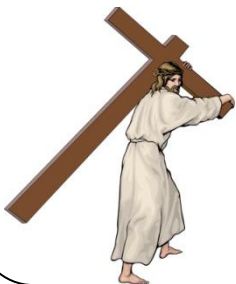


This weekend you heard the Gospel about the Woman at the well. She, a non-Jewish person and a woman, had an encounter with Jesus. Unheard of in those days! Jesus helped her get the water she needed for her animals and also the water she needed for her soul.

This weekend's banner reads: FASTING. The Catholic Church defines Fasting as: *"The reduction of one's intake of food."* There are technically two days during the Lenten Season we are mandated to Fast: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. I am sure many of you are fasting from certain foods like candy, alcohol and deserts (our favorite goodies). This is good for the body and hopefully for the soul. This is where I encourage you to take your Fasting one step further. Do one of the two: 1. Continue Fasting after Easter Sunday. 2. Take the money you saved from Fasting and donate it to the poor.

Please pass the cheese cake. Oh darn, I gave it up for Lent.

THE LIVING STATIONS



GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH on Palm Sunday, April 2 from 2 to 4 PM. This will be a drive through presentation.

ST. PATRICK PARISH on Good Friday, April 7 at 7 PM.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

Bishop Bambera Announces Dispensation for Saint Patrick's Day: The memorial of Saint Patrick falls on a Friday this year, March 17. Given the importance of this feast in the life of the Diocese of Scranton and in the lives of many local Catholics, the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, is granting a dispensation from the Friday Lenten abstinence on March 17, to those who wish to take advantage of this opportunity. This dispensation applies to celebrations in parishes, fraternal organizations and families. It is not required that anyone make use of this dispensation. All the faithful who take advantage of this dispensation are encouraged to abstain from meat on another day.



To dedicate a Rose for Life, call Roseann Kolensky, 570-443-8688.

The next **Charismatic Mass and Healing Service at St. John Bosco Church, Conyngham** will be Tuesday, March 21st at 7:00 PM. Fr. Naftali and Fr. Sudhir Toppo will concelebrate. Sue Shaw will begin her music ministry at 6:45 PM. Any questions, please call Arlene at 570-788-3643.

Toy Bingo is this Sunday, March 12 at Good Shepherd hall. Doors open at 12:30 and games start at 1 PM. There will be food, tricky trays, and great prizes!

SCRIPTURE SESSIONS: Rev. Connell A. McHugh's, Lenten Scripture is on Wednesday, March 15 at 9AM in Good Shepherd Hall. This week's topic is Lost or False Gospels, The Formation of the New Testament, Canon.

ST. PATRICK'S CHOIR is looking for new members. Ministers of music provide many ways to participate in the Mass and offer your voice or musical abilities to the praise of God and to the worship experience of the Parish. Adults and children in grades 3 and up are invited to join. Practices are on Mondays from 6:30 to 7:15 PM.



ST. PATRICK CEMETERY LOT OWNERS: Please remove any and all desired items from graves by March 31 in preparation for the Spring season. Any remaining items left on graves will be discarded.



It is hard to believe that the time is here to start planning for our 2023 Parish Festival! There will be a **FESTIVAL MEETING** on **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 AT 6:30 PM**



SON OF THE FATHER - A MEN'S RETREAT

Sponsored by: Be a Catholic Man, Inc.
March 31 and April 1 beginning at 6:00 PM
Cost is only \$75.00
Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center
1000 Seminary Rd. - Dalton, PA

Spiritual Guidance given by: Bishop Joseph Bambera,
Msgr. John Esseff, Fr. Pio Mandato, Fr. Kevin Miller, and Jesse Martin
Info at beacatholicman.com or call (570) 351-625



Looking for Summer Work? This summer we are looking for a crew to help with the weed trimming around the tombstones in our cemeteries in Freeland. Competitive salary and flexible hours. If interested call the office of any of our parishes and leave your name, address, and phone number. Benefits are out of this world!
St. Patrick 570-443-9944, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception 570-636-3035, Good Shepherd 570-788-3141

PARISH HALL RENTAL: Contact Anna, PH: 570-233-5506
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