



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 19, 2023

		†	MASS INTENTIONS	†
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	
Mon	03/20	6:00 PM	In Observance of Saint Joseph Day	
Wed	03/22	8:00 AM	Keith Smith by Elaine Smith and Family	
Thu	03/23	8:00 AM	Edgar Gower, Sr. by Dr. John and Marybeth Della Croce	
Fri	03/24	8:00 AM	Frank and Eleanor Perch by David, Joanne, and Travis	
Sat	03/25	5:00 PM	Leslie Della Croce by Richard and Joanne Perry	
Sun	03/26	10:15 AM	Bill Eichhorn, Happy Birthday in Heaven by Mom, Celine Nauman and Wife, Monica	

Please note that there will be a special Mass this Monday, March 20, in observance of Saint Joseph Day.

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

OFFERINGS: Wkly \$3,041 Outreach \$181

MEMORIAL DONATION: In Memory of Helen Jones, \$65

Message from Father Mike...

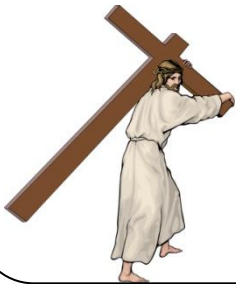
FROM THE PASTOR



This weekend is known as Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent. The main celebrant is in a rose-colored Vestment. It's the church's way of telling us that in the darkness of Lent we have something to look forward to.

In the Gospel this weekend is a man who was born blind. Back in Jesus' day, if you were born like that, it was punishment from God. Sadly, that's what the people thought. The real tragedy of this encounter between Jesus and the leading religious leaders of the day is twofold: They blamed Him for doing something good on the Sabbath. And they called the blind man a sinner. How ironic! The Pharisees and Sadducees had eyes wide open, but they could not see the good that Jesus did. The blind man's eyes were closed, and he could see clearly who Jesus was. The challenge for all of us this week is to fully open our eyes to the people around us. Do not judge and do not condemn. Then close your eyes and pray to God the word that you see on the banner this weekend in church.

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.

WASHING OF THE FEET: There is a sign-up sheet on the table in back of the Church for anyone who wants to have their feet washed, as Jesus did with his apostles at The Last Supper. This will take place during Mass on Holy Thursday.



Charismatic Mass and Healing Service will be at **St. John Bosco Church, Conyngham** on 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.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Stations of the Cross Fridays at Noon. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 6 to 6:55 PM and Stations of the Cross at 7 PM

GOOD SHEPHERD: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 3 to 3:55 PM and Stations of the Cross at 4 PM

ST. PATRICK'S: Fridays at 6 PM

SCRIPTURE SESSIONS: Rev. Connell A. McHugh's, Lenten Scripture is on **Wednesday, March 22** at 9AM in Good Shepherd Hall. This week's topic is New Testament Apocalyptic.

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

EASTER BINGO will be held at **Immaculate Conception** on Thursday, March 30th, in their Parish Center. Early Birds and Specials are \$1.00 Each. Kitchen opens at 4:30 PM. Early Birds start at 5:30 PM. Regular Bingo starts at 6:00 PM. \$35 Cash Prize Per Game. 4 Specials with a \$50 prize each. Last Special \$100 prize. Tricky Trays Will Be Available!!



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