

SAINT FRANCES X. CABRINI PARISH

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MONDAY—THURSDAY

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



THE
FORTY
DAYS
of LENT

RETURN
to the
LORD
YOUR
GOD

FEBRUARY 23, 2020

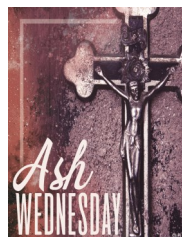
**7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

WEEKEND— Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

WEEKDAY — Tuesday 8:00 am
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.
or by appointment.*

For all emergencies, please call
St. Therese's Rectory at
570-696-1144.



ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 26, 2020

MASSES:

8:00 a.m. St. Frances X. Cabrini

9:00 a.m. St. Therese's

SCRIPTURE SERVICES:

12:10 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. St. Therese's

6:00 p.m. St. Frances X. Cabrini

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:00 p.m. every Friday
at St. Frances Cabrini Church



As Jesus fasted 40 days in the desert, the Church traditionally fasts during Lent. A form of bodily prayer, fasting and abstinence in union with other Christians reminds us of our utter dependence on and love for God. A gesture of repentance, fasting is symbolic of a change of heart as we turn away from sin to live in fidelity to the Gospel.

FASTING: Ages 18-59 fast on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, limiting ourselves to one full meal and two small meals each day, with no snacking between meals.

ABSTINENCE: Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

"ROAD TO RESURRECTION"

Join us at the "Road to Resurrection" on 3 Wednesday evenings during Lent, beginning at 7:00pm.

Our Guest Homilist will be Reverend Andrew Kurovsky, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Peckville.

The schedule of masses is as follows:

Wed., March 4—St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

Wed., March 11—St. Ignatius of Loyola Church, Kingston.

Wed., March 18—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Swoyersville.

GRACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

What makes a disciple of Jesus Christ different from everyone else? What makes Christianity distinct from any other religion? It is *grace* - treating others, not as they deserve, but as God wishes them to be treated - with loving-kindness and mercy. Only the cross of Jesus Christ can free us from the tyranny of malice, hatred, revenge, and resentment and gives us the courage to return evil with good. Such love and grace has power to heal and to save from destruction. The Lord Jesus suffered insult, abuse, injustice, and death on a cross for our sake. Scripture tells us that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin and guilt (Matthew 26:28; Ephesians 1:7, I John 1:7, Revelation 1:5). Since God has been merciful towards us through the offering of his Son, Jesus Christ, we in turn are called to be merciful towards our neighbor, even those who cause us grief and harm. How can we possibly love those who cause us harm or ill-will? With God all things are possible. He gives power and grace to those who believe and accept the gift of the Holy Spirit.

His love conquers all, even our hurts, fears, prejudices and griefs. Only the cross of Jesus Christ can free us from the tyranny of malice, hatred, revenge, and resentment and gives us the courage to return evil with good. Such love and grace has power to heal and to save from destruction.

LENTEN FOOD SALE

Orders can be picked up on
Ash Wednesday, FEBRUARY 26, 2020
from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Church.

HELP NEEDED WITH WINTER EXPENSES!

Due to the winter weather this year, our expenses for fuel oil and snow removal are challenging our financial status at this time. Please consider making a donation to your parish. Simply mark a plain envelope with the words "Winter Expenses" and drop it in the collection basket.

May God bless you for your generosity of spirit.



MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

LECTORS

SERVERS

Wednesday, 02/26 8:00 a.m.
 02/26 6:00 p.m.
 Saturday, 02/29 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday, 03/01 10:00 a.m.

L. Krispin
 Scripture Service-no mass
 G. Slezak
 C. Devens

F. Mociun
 G. Wall
 M. A Novitsky
 N. Howe

L. Krispin
 J. Jorda
 J. Jorda
 J. & M. O'Neill

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

REQUESTED BY:

Tuesday, 02/25 8:00 a.m.
 Wednesday 02/26 8:00 a.m.
 Saturday, 02/29 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday, 03/01 10:00 a.m.

Theresa Monteforte
 Ron Williams
 Rosemary Wasluck
 Joseph Macyda

John & Beverly Hetro
 Ray & Flo Mociun
 Daughter
 Richard & Marianne Winslow

LENTEN SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

All are welcome to participate in the next 'Spiritual Book Club' offered at St Therese's Church by their Adult Faith Formation Ministry. The book, entitled "The Friendship of Women: the Hidden Tradition of the Bible", was written by Sister Joan Chittister, O.S.B. Mary Anne Susek will facilitate the discussion, to be held on 'one night only,' Thursday, April 2, at 6:30 P.M. in the rectory. To register for the session and order the book, please contact Terri Besecker at 570-696-1144 on or before March 2.

With our deepest sympathy

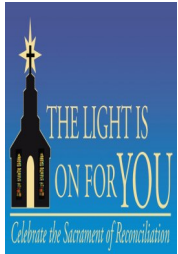


The prayers and support of the parish are extended to the family of Frederick Melvin, father-in-law of Diane Felli Melvin, in the midst of their grief and mourning. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace.

AN EVENING WITH DAN SCHUTTE:

St. Joseph Marelo Parish, 237 William St., Pittston on Friday, Feb. 28 at 7 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Dan is the renowned composer of such beloved and cherished hymns as "Here I Am, Lord", "City of God", "Sing a New Song", and the popular Mass Setting "Mass of Christ the Savior". Tickets can be purchased by calling 570-654-6902, or email at office@sjmparish.org.

Confessions at St Therese's Church on Mondays, March 2, 9, 16 & 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The church will be open from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. for Private Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Please pray for Ben Bilski, Virginia Brown, Charles Caine, Russ & Mary Ann Dymond, Dave Hagerty, Don Hilstolsky, Don Hunter Sr., Jim & Connie Kemmerer, Gene Kritzburger, Neil Lispi, Harry Mears, Jane Moore, Thomas Moore, Tom Roarty, Mary Shively, Brian Smith, Terry Smith, Jim Starbuck, John Solinsky, & Lilly Stroud.



View our weekly bulletin online every weekend at www.sfcbsp.com

LENTEN FOOD SALE at St. Barbara's Parish, Exeter in the parish center every Friday during Lent. This is a take-out event with pick-up from 3:30 - 6:30 PM. **CASH ONLY** and sales will be at the door. Food items include: Potato Pancakes; 1/2 dozen \$6; 1 dozen \$12, Pierogi; 1/2 dozen \$5 & Halushki \$6.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

for the week can burn in memory of, in honor of, in Thanksgiving, or for health and God's blessings of a loved one. Donation is \$10.00.

OUR LADY'S SHRINE CANDLE for the week can burn and will be placed in front of the Blessed Virgin at our outdoor Shrine in the rear of the Church. Donation is \$5.00. Call the parish office for arrangements.

NORTHMORELAND TWP. FIRE COMPANY

is holding a Roast Beef Dinner on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2020 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Dinner Tickets are \$9.00.

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

on ASH WEDNESDAY for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe including the Church in Lithuania, Poland and Slovakia. Thank you for your generosity.



The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle is burning this week of February 23 through February 29, 2020.

In Memory of:

The Deceased Members of the Parish



The Light of the Sanctuary Candle is burning this week of February 23 through February 29, 2020.

In Memory of:

Anne Capristo

Requested by:

Dena Nackley

COMMITMENT OF TREASURE

Give and it will be given to you. A good measure will be poured into your lap. For the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Luke 6:68

Weekly Collection 2/16/2020 \$ 2,741.00