

# SAINT FRANCES X. CABRINI PARISH

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CELEBRATION

OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND—Saturday 4:00 pm

—Sunday 9:30 am

WEEKDAY—Tuesday 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from

3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or  
by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY—THURSDAY

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

4TH SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT  
DECEMBER 18, 2022



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

ISAIAH 7:10-14

ROMANS 1:1-7

MATTHEW 1:18-24

MARY WAS FOUND TO  
BE WITH CHILD OF  
THE HOLY SPIRIT

Mary had to face an enormous challenge to her faith and trust in God and to the faith of her family and Joseph, the man she chose to marry. She was asked to assume a burden of tremendous responsibility. It had never been heard of before that a child could be born without a natural father. Mary was asked to accept this miraculous exception to the laws of nature. That required faith and trust in God and in his promises. Lord Jesus, you came to save us from sin and the power of death. May I always rejoice in your salvation and trust in your divine plan for my life.

## A CHANGE IN OUR SATURDAY LINE-UP!

Father Alco has informed me that his services are needed in another parish in the area. Consequently, he will no longer officiate at mass every Saturday of the month at either St. Therese's or St. Frances Cabrini as in the past. Beginning in January, Father will be available to celebrate mass on the 3rd Saturday of the month and, when there are 5 weekends, he will also be with us on the 4th Saturday. Father Alco will continue to say mass at Saint Frances Cabrini on the Vigil of the Holy Day, and at a weekday mass on occasion if his schedule allows. We are most grateful to Fr. Alco for his dedication to and love of our parish over the years, and look forward to seeing him on the altar when he is available. Meanwhile, please pray for vocations to the priesthood.

God bless you. *Father Jim*

**SUNDAY** is set aside as "the Lord's Day", to celebrate God's greater creation of the world. It helps us to keep our worship of God outward, visible, public, & regular. It is a day to celebrate Jesus' Resurrection. We attend Mass every Sunday because that is where Jesus gives us what we need to stay strong in this world. At Mass we take in Christ through the Eucharist. His body and blood are real food (John 6:55-57). Our faithful Communion will bring us to eternal life.



**CHRISTMAS EVE**—Saturday, Dec. 24  
**ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI** 4:00 p.m.  
**ST. THERESE'S** 4:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m. & Midnight

**CHRISTMAS DAY**—Sunday, Dec. 25.  
**ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI** 11:00 a.m.  
**ST. THERESE'S CHURCH** 10:00 a.m.

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY—**  
**ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI**

Saturday, December 31 at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1 at 9:30 p.m.

**ST. THERESE'S CHURCH**

Saturday, Dec 31 at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1 at 8 a.m. & 11 a.m.



## HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Our parish office will close on Wednesday, Dec. 22, at 2:00 P.M., and re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. In the event of an emergency, or if the sacramental services of a priest are required, please dial 570-696-1144 and press ext. 26.

**THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS ON TUESDAY, DEC. 27, 2022.**



Requested By:

Tuesday 12/20 9:00 a.m. Nettie DeMark Michael & Lorraine DeFrancesco
Saturday 12/24 4:00 p.m. Anna Jorda & Anthony Brown Family
Sunday 12/25 11:00 a.m. David & Marie Voitek & Eddie Voitek Jean & Floyd Brunges

A PRAYER TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO RETURN TO THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH

Dear Lord, You took on our human nature to suffer and die to win salvation for all of us. Look graciously on those who have drifted away from you and the faith. Grant them the grace, O Lord, to see how much you love and care for them so that they may return to your fold.

SPECIAL THANK YOU



to all our parishioners who sponsored Christmas flowers this year. God bless you always.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

In an effort to assist our Money Counters, we would be very grateful if you wrote (or checked) the amount of your donation on the Sunday envelope. We are doing our best to record all donations correctly and accurately.

CHRISTMAS WAFERS:

Christmas wafers will be available for purchase in the multipurpose room after all Masses. Donation is \$2.00 per envelope.

END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

As the end of the year rapidly approaches, please accept my sincere gratitude for your many contributions of time & treasure throughout 2022. Your Christmas & end of year offerings will help us meet our expenses and remain financially secure as 2023 begins.

WEATHER CANCELLATION INFORMATION FOR ANY MASS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, PLEASE CALL 570-696-1144, EXT. 13.

TAX STATEMENTS:

In compliance with the IRS regulations, all donations to be credited for 2022 must be received in the mail by December 26, 2022 or in the collection basket the weekend of December 24 & 25, 2022. Itemized statements of contributions for tax purposes will be issued to any parishioner requesting one by calling Diane in the parish office at 570-696-3737 after January 9, 2023.

Remember in Your Prayers



Please pray for Loretta Appleby, JP Broda, Don Hunter Sr., Sister Jan Marie Kalyan, Joyce Kishbaugh, Florence Mickley, Doris Montross, Christopher Mortensen, Alicia Raptis, Tom Roarty, Kathi Melvin Ruane, Michael Spudis, Jim Starbuck, & Lilly Stroud.

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 6:38

The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle



IS BURNING THIS WEEK OF: DECEMBER 18 TO DECEMBER 24, 2022:

IN MEMORY OF: THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Light of the Sanctuary Candle



is BURNING THIS WEEK OF: DECEMBER 18 TO DECEMBER 24, 2022 FOR A : SPECIAL INTENTION REQUESTED BY: CAROL KALETA

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Rows include: WEEKEND COLLECTION 12/11/22 (\$ 2,967.00), RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (\$ 452.00), CHRISTMAS DONATIONS ON WEEKEND OF 12/11/2022 (\$ 555.00), IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (\$ 167.00)