

# SAINT FRANCES X. CABRINI PARISH

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Organist: Ray Podskoch

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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 15, 2023



## THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

ISAIAH 49:3, 5-6

1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-3

JOHN 1:29-34

THE HOLY SPIRIT REVEALS WHO JESUS  
TRULY IS—THE SON OF GOD AND  
SAVIOR OF THE WORLD

When John says he did not know Jesus (John 1:31,33) he was referring to the hidden reality of Jesus' divinity. But the Holy Spirit in that hour revealed to John Jesus' true nature, such that John bore witness that this is the Son of God. How can we be certain that Jesus is truly the Christ, the Son of the living God? The Holy Spirit makes the Lord Jesus Christ known to us through the gift of faith.

God gives us his Spirit as our helper and guide who opens our hearts and minds to receive and comprehend the great mystery and plan of God - to unite all things in his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 1:10) Do you want to grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ? Ask the Lord to pour his Holy Spirit upon you to deepen your faith, hope, and love for God and for the plan he has for your life. Lord Jesus Christ, fill me with the power of your Holy Spirit and let me grow in the knowledge of your great love and truth. Let your Spirit be aflame in my heart that I may know and love you more fervently and strive to do your will in all things.

## THANK YOU!

*I wish to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all parishioners and friends, who sent Christmas cards, gifts and goodies! May God Bless all of you for your generosity and kindness!!*  
Love, Father Alco



## TAX STATEMENTS:

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.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## HEARTFELT THANK YOU

*to all our parishioners for their  
Christmas offering of*

*\$ 6,453.00 for 2022.*

*God bless you always for your generosity.*



THE CAMPAIGN TO FIGHT HUNGER IN OUR AREA HAS BEGUN. VISIT [DIOCESEOFSCRANTON.ORG](http://DIOCESEOFSCRANTON.ORG) AND CLICK ON "RECTORY, SET, COOK" (OUR CHEFS) TO VIEW THE VIDEOS AND THEN CAST YOUR VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE. USE YOUR CREDIT CARD TO MAKE A DONATION, OR SEND US CASH OR A CHECK (MADE OUT TO ST. FRANCES CABRINI), AND WE'LL MAKE THE DONATION FOR YOU. BE SURE TO LET US KNOW HOW YOU'D LIKE YOUR NAME (OR ANONYMOUS) TO APPEAR ON THE DONOR'S LIST. THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR DONATION TO "RECTORY, SET, COOK".



Tuesday 01/17 9:00 a.m.  
Saturday 01/21 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 01/22 9:30 a.m.

Edward Novitsky  
Rose Long & Gerard Long  
Leo & Marian Krawietz

Requested By:  
Mary Ann Novitsky  
Family  
Michael & Romaine Korsun

### SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Following a short hiatus, our "Spiritual Book Club" is back. Kathy Gelso will facilitate this three-evening event. Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 2023 6:00-7:30 P.M. in St Therese's rectory meeting room. "The Women of Easter: Encounter the Savior with Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary Magdalene" by Liz Curtis Higgs, will be the topic of discussion. Those interested are asked to contact Terri in the parish office (570-696-1144) on or before January 20, 2023. Participation is limited. A \$10.00 fee will be charged to help defray the cost of the book.



### FORGIVENESS -

A Lenten Reflection  
Deacon Peter will offer a 2-part reflection on the gift of forgiveness.  
PART 1—"FORGIVE ME" PART 2 "AS I FORGIVE YOU"  
Wednesdays, March 15 & 22, 2023 6:30-8:00 PM at St. Therese's Church in Father Sammons Hall  
Come and see, there is good news!  
Those interested are asked to call the rectory at St. Therese's to register on or before March 1, 2023 (570-696-1144)



### Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for  
Loretta Appleby, 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.

The Sanctuary Candle and the Marian Shrine Candle are available as a meaningful memorial for your loved ones who have passed or as a way to say "thank you" for a special blessing. The mass intention calendar is also available. Please call Diane at 570-696-3737 during office hours.



### The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle

IS BURNING THIS WEEK OF:  
JANUARY 15 TO JANUARY 21, 2023:  
IN MEMORY OF: NORINE AMESBURY  
REQUESTED BY: Rick, Diane Melvin  
& Elaine Felli



### The Light of the Sanctuary Candle

is BURNING THIS WEEK OF:  
JANUARY 15 TO JANUARY 21, 2023:  
IN MEMORY OF: MARILYN GABLE  
REQUESTED BY: Mary Sosnowski

### A WEEKEND WITH SARAH HART

The Parishes of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph Mareello Parishes are delighted to welcome renowned Catholic composer Sarah Hart to Pittston this February! Sarah is the writer of many newer pieces which are becoming beloved hymns in their own right. Sarah will present a "Beatitude Walk," a beautiful and moving spiritual retreat centered on the 8 Beatitudes, on the morning of Sat. Feb. 4 in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, St. Joseph Mareello Parish, 237 William St. in Pittston. Tickets for this retreat will cost \$10 per person. A start time will be announced soon. Sarah will then present an evening concert on Sunday, Feb. 5, also in St. Joseph Mareello Parish (time will also soon be determined by OCP). Tickets for this concert will also cost \$10 each. Tickets will be available from the Parish Office beginning Jan. 10. You may reserve tickets by calling the Parish Office at 570-654-6902 or visiting in person. Tickets for the retreat or concert will also be available "at the door" during each event. All are invited to join us for what promises to be a beautiful weekend with Sarah!

### SECOND COLLECTION

for the CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA  
will take place next weekend,  
January 21-22, 2023.

### 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*

TOTAL CHRISTMAS  
COLLECTION FOR 2022

\$ 6,453.00

WEEKEND COLLECTION  
01/08/2023

\$ 3,003.00