

## Nov 20 – Dec 10, 2017

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph • Rc: rectory chapel

Our bulletin covers three weeks!

### 33rd Week of the Year

Nov 21 6pm • M † John Zakavage r/o Helen Chatecavage

Nov 22 6pm • J Rc † Angelina (Antonelli) Ovechka  
r/o Carol (niece) & Nelson Ladue

[Nov 22 7:30pm • UCC Church, Ringtown: Ecumenical Service]



Nov 23 8:30am • J **Mass of Thanksgiving**  
9:30am • M **Mass of Thanksgiving**  
**Nov 24 9am • J Rc No Mass**

### Nov 25/26 • 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time •

3:30pm • J † John & Steffie Michalik r/o Al, Joanne & Family  
5:15pm • M † Billy & Marie Houser r/o Family  
8:15am • J † Michael Funange r/o Wife, Cecelia  
10:15am • M † ILM Edward Kayes r/o Jim & Virginia

Nov 28 6pm • M † Paul Zimmerman r/o Joe & Susie Lawson  
Nov 29 6pm • J Rc † Tony Valanty r/o Helen Mehalick  
Nov 30 9am • J Rc † Joseph Devaney r/o Betty Shamany  
Dec 1 9am • J Rc † Memorial Fund Intentions  
*First Friday* *Divine Mercy/Adoration/Benediction*

### Dec 2/3 • 1st Sunday of Advent B•

3:30pm • J † Bill Lanigan r/o The Freyne Family  
5:15pm • M † Edward Gilliam & Joe Puorro  
r/o Rose Gilliam  
8:15am • J † Charles & Linda Decosmo r/o Rick & Diane Searles  
10:15am • M † Connie Schipin r/o Possessky & Ney Family



Dec 5 6pm • M † Celeste Danisavich r/o Kuzma Family  
Dec 6 6pm • J Rc † Cliff Baum r/o Wife, Dolores  
Dec 7 9am • J Rc † Tony Valanty r/o John & Mary Rinkenberg

### *Immaculate Conception [Holyday]*

Dec 7 6pm • M † Irene Cicioni r/o Catherine Toborowski  
Dec 8 6pm • J † Irene Mehalick r/o M/M William Lorah & Family

### Dec 9/10 • 2nd Sunday of Advent•

3:30pm • J † Tony Valanty r/o Roseann & Jerry Evangelista  
5:15pm • M † Joseph & Grace Scodari r/o Charlie & Luann Scodari  
8:15am • J † William & Anna Fellin r/o Children & Their Families  
10:15am • M † Paul Zimmerman r/o Wood Family



❖ **STEWARDSHIP: M:** 11/5:S:1169; 11/12:S:1200;  
Dues:660; Energy: 485; All Saints:246; All Souls: 140 •**J:**  
11/5:S:1583; 11/12:S:1383; Dues: 517; Energy:770; All  
Saints:345; All Souls: 355

*Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!*

*No one can do everything, everyone can do something!*

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**Office will be closed Nov. 23, 24 & Nov 28-Dec 4th**



Notes from Fr. Miller:

### Christmas Schedule

Christmas this year falls on a Monday which, as a priest, is the worst day to have it. The schedule is a little complicated this year, which is why we are putting it out there now. As Catholics we are obligated to attend the **4th Sunday Advent** and **Christmas Mass**, which happens to be one day apart.

**4th Sunday Advent** (**obligated** to attend one of these four)

**Saturday December 23rd**

St. Joe's 3:30 pm

St. Mary 5:15 pm

**Sunday December 24th**

St. Joe's 8:15 am

St. Mary's 10:15 am

**Christmas Day** (**obligated** to attend one of these four)

**Sunday December 24th**

St. Joe's 3:30 pm

St. Mary's 5:15 pm (candlelight)

**Monday December 25th**

St. Joe's 8:15 am

St. Mary 10:15 am

**New Year's Day** (this year is not a holy day of obligation but I will have Mass anyway January 1st only).

St. Joe's 8:15 am

St. Mary's 10:15 am

### Advent Confessions:

Dec. 13th @ St. Joe's 6:30-7:30 pm

Dec. 19th @ St. Mary's 6:30-7:30 pm

❖ **Flowers @ M:** weekend of 12/9-10

IMO: Josephine Loftus by Charlie & Luann Scodari

**Birthday Blessings:** Tyler Fritz: 11/20; Virginia Staerk, Jacqueline Zions: 11/21; Gina Pfeiffer: 11/22; Joseph Bryk Sr, Johnny Milosh, Michael Reese: 11/25; William Houser, Irene Feeko: 11/27; Celia Sokolofski: 11/29; Kathleen Joyce, Denis Freyne: 12/1; Vivian Mummey: 12/2; Joann Dampman: 12/3; Paul Kanigoski, Brenda Piaskowski, Jack Zubowicz: 12/6; Cindy Murray, Matthew Roulin: 12/7; Phyllis Mazzeo, Michele Pryzblick: 12/8; Zachary Motil, Ann O'Boyle, Molly Freyne: 12/9 (if you were missed, let us know! Sometimes our computer software is not up to date.)

❖ **Prayer List Permission Form:** Names placed on the prayer list, unless otherwise notified, for 60 days. After that time, a permission form must be re-submitted.

❖ **Pray for:** Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need! • Anna May Kealy • Mary Yadinskie

❖ **K of C Happings:** No meeting for December. Next meeting Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> after the 10:15am mass.

❖ **Free Thanksgiving Day Meals:** delivered by our Knights, **call by Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm @ 570-691-1429 or 570-516-9514**  
If no answer: Leave your name, phone #.

❖ **Women of Grace Group:**  
**GIVING TREE**

This year our parish Giving Trees will continue to support young moms & their babies through Birthright and we'll also be supporting foster children through Brandon's Forever Home. The tags are color coded to distinguish between Birthright and Brandon's Forever Home as follows:

• **Pink & Blue tags** are for items needed by Birthright; **please return these items "UNWRAPPED" or in gift bags no later than 12/31.**

• **Green & Gold tags** are for items needed for foster children. We will use these items to fill 15 extra large Christmas Stockings for young girls, boys and teens. **Please return "UNWRAPPED" gifts by 12/3, with gender/age tag attached, and place in the box labeled for BFH.**

- **Gift ideas for teens: body spray/wash, makeup, chapstick, wallets, Old Navy or Walmart gift cards, jewelry, journals, books, games, young men large/x-large hoodies**
- **Gift ideas for younger children: age appropriate art supplies, coloring books, small toys, crafts, models.**

Please contact Nancy Krajnikovich @ 215.801.5797 or Arlene Sachleben @ 570.590.5810 if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your generous spirit and prayers for those in need.

❖ **Collection Envelopes 2018:** the new envelopes will be at the back of the church starting Dec. 2/3 week end. Some numbers have changed so go by your last name when picking up your envelopes. If you do not see your envelopes on the table please call the office and we will make sure you get them.

❖ **Energy Raffle Winners (J):** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Dave Sobeleski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Gary Ney, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Frances Matuella, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Miles Family, 5<sup>th</sup> Place: Joy Wezner. *Profit of: \$767*  
Thank you to everyone who bought/sold tickets.

❖ **Culture of Encounter: Family Holy Hours:**

**Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00am**

Divine Mercy at St. Casimir Church  
229 North Jardin Street., Shenandoah

❖ **Women's Advent Reflection:** Sun. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1-3pm @ St. Mary's. Eucharistic Adoration begins @ 1:00pm with a reflection by Fr. Miller. Fellowship to follow.  
**Questions call Marie @ (570) 889-3825 or Arlene (570)889-5811**

❖ **St. Mary's Choir:** New members: join us, **Especially for Advent/Christmas!**

❖ **Advent Calendars & Candles: for sale at each church.**  
Open a window into the journey of Advent each day & give/use the gift of Yankee candles. Sales support St Mary's.

❖ **Oplatki: \$3 per pack.** If you haven't used this beautiful Eastern European Custom, guides are included.

❖ **Amazon Purchases: Smile:** visit webpage or Facebook: hit the smile, to your amazon page, the parish receives 5% on your purchase! We use St Mary's to filter purchases, if you'd like credit to go to St Joseph's, let us know. No cost to you!

❖ **Redner's Save-A-Tape:** Save your receipts, put them in Sunday Stewardship. (M) benefit 1%. Sign up at Redners service desk.

❖ **Yankee Candles:** for sale @ church benefit St Mary's.  
**Check out our Special Christmas Season Pricing!**

❖ **SCRIP:** We've: \$25 & \$100 Amazon, \$25 Applebee's, \$10 Bath & Body Works, \$25 Bed Bath & Beyond, \$25 Boscov's, \$10 & \$25 Buffalo Wild Wings, \$25 Cabela's, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$25 Dunham's, \$25 Dunkin' Donuts, \$10 Dunkin' Donuts, \$25 Gap/Old Navy, \$25 & \$50 Giant Foods, \$25 Home Depot, \$15 iTunes, \$25 Kmart/Sears, \$10 Long John Silvers, \$25 Lowes, \$100 Lowes, \$25, \$25 Macy's, Olive Garden, \$10 & \$25 Panera Bread \$25 PetSmart, \$10 & \$25 Regal Cinema, Regal Cinema (Admit one) \$25 Sheetz, \$25 Staples, \$50 Sunoco, \$25 Target, \$25 TJMaxx/Marshall's, \$25 Walmart/Sam's, \$100 Walmart/Sam's, \$25 Weis, \$100 Weis. *We're taking orders/sell @ St Joseph's after mass. Contact the parish office to place an order!*  
**Script Profit: to date \$643.99**

❖ **Cards:** Birthday, Get Well, Anniversary, etc. are available for \$2 each. Place your offering in the envelope.

❖ **Immaculate Waters: Hand/Body Lotion:** Lavender, Rose & Unscented. Our Lady's intercession reveals Christ's healing. The offering is \$10.00 per bottle

❖ **Outside Events:** •Shepton Fire Co: Bingo: 12/3 @ 1pm. & will also be sponsoring a 52 Gun Extravaganza starting Jan 18' \$30 Donation gives you a chance to win 52 guns. Call 570-384-4746 •St. Paul's UCC: Hand & Bell Choir Concert: Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:30pm & 35<sup>th</sup> Hanging of the Greens: Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> 7pm.100 E Main St, Ringtown. Refreshments following. •Save the Date! A Coach Handbag BINGO featuring bags by designer Michael Kors will be held at TRINITY ACADEMY on Sunday, December 3. Proceeds from the BINGO will support the TRINITY ACADEMY Home & School Association.