

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - Jn 12:23-24

Mass Intentions

March 21, 2021
The Fifth Sunday of Lent

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Monday, March 22	8:30 AM	St. Mary	Anna & Alexander Bogucki, by Pela (Bogucki) Franko
Tuesday, March 23	8:30 AM	St. Martha	George Hasay, by Bob & Marion Hidlay
Wednesday, March 24	8:30 AM	St. Mary	Andy Panetta, by Becky Federici
Thursday, March 25			No Mass
Friday, March 26	8:30 AM	St. Adalbert	Steven Andrew Monchak, by Daughters
Saturday, March 27	4:15 PM	St. Mary	John, Apolonia & Kazmierz Zandarski, by Frank Evina
Sunday, March 28	8:00 AM	St. Adalbert	Catherine E. Monchak, by Daughters
	9:45 AM	St. Martha	Gerald Magaleski, by Tony Wozinski

BLESSING OF FOOD BASKETS will take place on Holy Saturday, April 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at St. Adalbert's Church, 11:15 a.m. at St. Martha's Church, and 12:15 p.m. at St. Mary's Church.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: At St. Martha every Tuesday after the 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass until 9:00 p.m. Assigned Eucharistic adorers and substitutes are needed for all hours. Please contact Rebecca at 570-256-7329 to sign up for a specific hour or to be a substitute. **HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS** on **April 13th**, 9 - 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to participate in this prayer ministry for the sanctity of priests and for an increase of holy vocations.

CANDLES/FLOWER REMEMBRANCE

St. Adalbert Sanctuary Candle: In loving Memory of Marilyn Mitros, by Robert & Maryann Shemanski

St. Adalbert Candle for Mary: In Loving Memory of Diane Yudisky, by Family

St. Adalbert Candle for Joseph: In Loving Memory of Clem Olshefski, by Family

St. Adalbert Tabernacle Candle: In Loving Memory of Leonard Najaka, by Susan

HOLY SPIRIT OFFERTORY— **March 7, 2021** **\$ 5,097.00**

HAPPENINGS

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH/ST. MARY — Haluski sale. Cost is \$6.00 a quart. Pick-up orders on Saturday, March 20 (after 4:15 PM Mass) or Sunday, March 21 (Noon to 2:00 PM). Thank you for your support!

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH/ ST. MARTHA: The SMMA will be making Clam Chowder (Manhattan & New England) for Good Friday this year. Cost is still \$6.00 per quart. Please pre-order your favorite recipe. The chowder will be ready for pick up at St. Martha's Hall on Holy Thursday. Thank you for your continued support.

EASTER Masses at Holy Spirit Parish: Due to COVID-19 and the limited seating in our worship sites, we will be taking reservations for our Holy Week Masses. Mass schedule— Thursday, April 1st: 7:00 PM-St. Mary; Friday, April 2nd: 3:00 PM-St. Mary; Saturday, April 3rd, 8:00 PM-St. Mary; Sunday, April 4th, 8:00 AM- St. Adalbert; Sunday April 4th, 9:45 AM- St. Martha (Please call Sharon Telesky to make reservations for this Mass at 570-864-8614) **Attendance for Holy Week will be by RESERVATION ONLY.**

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU, an initiative in the Diocese of Scranton in which churches are open for quiet prayer throughout lent will continue. Beginning on Monday, February 22 of the First week of Lent and continuing through March 22nd of the Fifth week Lent, St. Mary Church will be open from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for individual prayer. All COVID-19 guidelines must be followed. All must wear masks, keep your social distance, and we are asking you to clean your seat when you are done (supplies will be provided).

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP: Meetings are held the First Monday of each month unless noted. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, April 12th**, at 1:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. Please submit names of those suffering from serious illness who are homebound, in hospitals or in nursing homes to Gloria Handzelek 570-542-5694, Ann McElligott 570-864-2331 or Mary Lou Zaleski 570-736-6336. All members of Holy Spirit Parish are encouraged to pray for those whose names are on our Prayer List, to pray for Pope Francis and the healing of Holy Mother Church, and to attend our prayer meetings. The Scribe is Barbara Yacoboski 570-542-7447 and the Prayer Group Leader is Paulette Monchak 570-542-7242.

We need your help: We are looking for someone within our Parish who could fix a 3' x 3' area of sheetrock in the ceiling of St. Mary's Rectory. Please call the parish Office if you can help.

DID YOU KNOW... You may make a gift to your Parish or to the Diocesan Annual Appeal directly from your IRA. If you are 70 1/2 or older and have a traditional individual retirement account, you can use all or part of your required minimum distribution to support your parish or the Diocesan Annual Appeal without having to count transfers as income for federal tax purposes. Distributions must be sent directly to your parish by the plan administrator of your IRA. For more information please contact Jim Bebla Diocesan Secretary of Development at 570-207-2250.

LOTTERY WINNERS:

DATE	#	NAME	AMT.	DATE	#	NAME	AMT.
03/08/2021	687	No Winner	50.00	03/09/2021	364	Joe Michalek	50.00
03/10/2021	178	Paula Summers	50.00	03/11/2021	022	Mike Yalch	50.00
03/12/2021	211	Charles Pszeniczny	50.00	03/13/2021	573	Anistacia Vishnefski	50.00
03/14/2021	306	Ann & Tom Niezgoda	100.00				

HAM & CABBAGE DINNER: Holy Family Parish, Main St. Sugar Notch, will be holding their annual Ham & Cabbage dinner on Sunday, March 20th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Dinner will be take out only. Cost is \$12.00 and ticker are available by calling 570-822-8983.

LENTEN TAKE OUT FOOD SALE: The Holy Name Society of St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church will hold a Lenten TAKE OUT Food Sale in Father Vinnie's Outside Kitchen 33 Manhattan Street – Ashley, on Friday, March 19 & 26, 2021- 12:00 Noon to 5 p.m. Pre-Orders for Fri., March 19 due by 9 a.m. Wed., March 17 & Pre-Orders for Fri., March 26 due by 9 a.m. Wed., March 24. Orders can be placed by emailing an order to saintlhrc@gmail.com; calling the Rectory (570) 825-6669; or by dropping off an order in the back door rectory mail slot Please include your name, phone number, and a pick up time on your order. Payment due at pick-up.

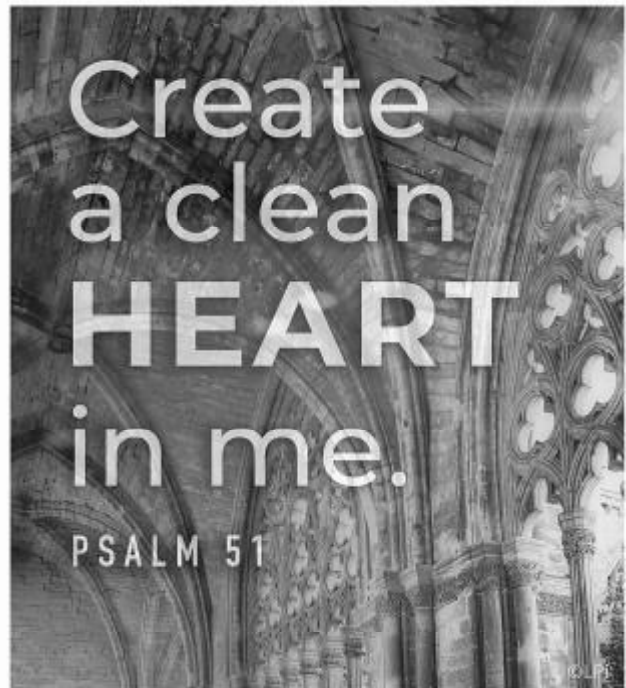
GOOD FRIDAY FOOD TENT SALE: Sponsored by St. Faustina Parish & Newport Twp. Consolidated Volunteer Fire Dept., in St. Faustina Grove, Sheatown—11:00 a.m. to Dusk – Potato Pancakes, Pierogi, Peel & Eat Shrimp, Haluski, Broccoli & Shells, New England & Manhattan Clam Chowder, Shrimp Bisque, corn chowder & Maryland crab soup. All Items are take-out only.

WHAT IS SPIRITUAL COMMUNION, AND DO YOU NEED TO BE IN A STATE OF GRACE TO RECEIVE IT?

The practice of making a "spiritual communion" dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recently Pope Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this

practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.



MARCH 21, 2021

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