



Pray Constantly

**First Sunday of Advent  
December 2, 2018**

**OUR PARISH PRAYS**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY, December 1**

5:00 P.M. Tree of Love

**SUNDAY, December 2**

8:00 A.M. Brian Lutz

10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

**MONDAY, December 3**

7:30 A.M. Ben Smith

**TUESDAY, December 4**

7:30 A.M. Thomas Malloy

**WEDNESDAY, December 5**

7:30 A.M. Paul Nikolaus, Jr.

**THURSDAY, December 6**

7:30 A.M. Anne & Gene Jennings

**FRIDAY, December 7**

8:15 A.M. Sean Charleton

6:30 P.M. Agnes Filizzi

**SATURDAY, December 8**

9:00 A.M. Sp. Int. Ed Wickenheiser

5:00 P.M. Nellie Seibert

**SUNDAY, December 9**

8:00 A.M. People of the Parish

10:30 A.M. Living & Deceased Family Members of Marie and Raymond Maxenberger

**OUR PARISH WORKS FOR GOD**

**PARISH FINANCES** - To meet our budgeted expenses for the fiscal year the sum of \$8,911.00 is needed on an average basis in the Sunday collection.

**November 24-25, 2018**

206 Envelopes out of 607 collected	\$	6,497.00
Loose Collection	\$	234.51
Children's Envelopes	\$	36.00
Parish Giving	\$	359.10
Total Gifts to God	\$	7126.61
Deficit for the week	\$	(1,784.39)

**Fiscal Year To Date**

Budgeted Income to Date	\$	187,131.00
Actual Income to Date	\$	155,614.76
Deficit to Date	\$	(31,516.24)

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES** may be returned via the collection basket at your convenience, but should be returned by Sunday, December 16th. Please do not forget to include on them the names of those whom you wish to be remembered during the Christmas season.

**RETIREMENT FOR RELIGIOUS** - The second collection next weekend will be our annual gift to the sick and retired religious, Brothers and Sisters who devoted their lives to God's people to help them live His teachings and to grow in His Divine life. Your generous donation will be deeply appreciated by them.

**CALENDAR**

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

- Saturday, December 8th is the Holy Day of Obligation of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Masses will be offered Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Masses of obligation for the Solemnity are different from the weekend obligation.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

- Next class will be Tuesday, December 4th with the topic "Prayer" instructed by Kathy Arndt.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

- The next class will be held Sunday, **December 2** for students in pre-school through grade 8.

**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY'S** annual covered dish social and Christmas party will be held on Tuesday, December 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. All ladies of the parish are cordially invited and encouraged to attend. Anyone needing transportation is to call the rectory.

**COFFEE SOCIAL** - On Sunday, December 9th, the coffee social will be hosted by the Men's Club, providing coffee and doughnuts for all parishioners and guests in the parish hall between 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Mass.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**



**VOCATION CROSS**  
this week is in the home of  
Joan and Gary Kauffman

**FLOWERS** on the Altar today have been placed there for Special Intentions.

**THEOLOGY ON TAP - LANCASTER** - All young adults are welcome to attend the next Theology on Tap meeting. In December only, the meeting will be held at TELLUS 360, 24 East King Street, Lancaster on Thursday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m. Kathy Alton, M.Ed., M.Div., of the chair of Theology Dept. at Lancaster Catholic will speak on the topic: ***The Holiday Dinner Table: Keeping Peace without Evading Truth.*** ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. Theology on Tap is a Young Adult Ministry and Evangelization outreach of the Diocese of Harrisburg. All young adults, single, married, Catholic or not are invited to attend the events.

**"THAT MAN IS YOU"** - That Man is You! men's group will meet on Saturday, December 8th in the St. Peter Parish Center, downstairs. The topic for this week is "The Book of Glory". Men of the parish are invited to join their brothers from St. Peter's and other local churches on a spiritual journey that will lead them to the three spiritual foods that Christ proclaims: The Eucharist, The Word of God and The Will of God. Sessions begin at 6:30 a.m. and conclude at 7:45 a.m. For more information, contact Paul Resch at (717) 449-00586 or paulresch@comcast.net.



**SINCERE THANK YOU** is extended to you for your shoebox gifts for the poor children of Lancaster County and for your donations on Thanksgiving Day, which the members of the St. Vincent DePaul Society will use to care for the poor.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** - During the weekend of November 30th-December 2nd, there will be a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat being hosted at the 1029 Lancaster Avenue Retreat House. The prayers of the faithful, offered in Eucharistic Adoration for the good of the retreatants, is an essential part of the retreat. It is the Divine Physician who heals! Adoration is held Friday 6:00-9:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please help if you are available. Park in the lot for Sahd's Metal Recycling, and use the front door of the retreat house. Thank you, and God bless you!

**COMBATTING WORLD HUNGER** - Christmas party season is coming quickly. Don't show up empty handed... Buy a cookie tray from The Cookie Sale to Combat World Hunger for only \$15. The cookie trays will be sold on the weekend of December 8th. The Cookie Sale to Combat World Hunger is in its 21st year and has fed over 14 million people. The cookies taste great, come with Hershey's chocolates and are beautifully wrapped. All expenses that go into making the trays are sponsored so every penny you spend goes to feed starving kids. Cross Catholic Outreach buys vitamin fortified rice called Vitafood for a subsidized price of 4 cents per serving so your \$15 donation feeds 375 people. That's right every cookie tray sold feeds 375 people. These cookie trays make wonderful gifts for business associates too. Because the cookies are great tasting and the proceeds do so much good, over 57 tons of trays of cookies have been sold so far. Please buy a tray or two or 10.

**SCRIP (FOOD CERTIFICATES)** to Weis and Giant supermarkets may be obtained Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and noon, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the parish office. These certificates benefit students who attend Our Lady of the Angels School and Lancaster Catholic High School.

**ROCK THE CHURCH LIGHTS** - For the fourth year, Rock The Church brings together music groups from city churches Nov. 30, 7 p.m., in St. Anthony of Padua Church. Rock the Church Lights Up Christmas features the St. Anthony and San Juan Bautista music groups along with the Resurrection Singing Saints, and local rising star Liz Fulmer, music leader and pastoral assistant at Grandview United Methodist Church. She grew up Catholic; in fact, our principal taught her at Our Mother of Perpetual Help! The concert is sponsored by One2One Computer Services, Knights of Columbus Council 867, Certified Carpet/Go 'N Bananas and Charles F. Snyder Funeral Homes & Crematory. Get your Christmas season started off right and join us for this evening of great church music!

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**KOC CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY** - The Knights of Columbus will be holding their Annual Children's Christmas Party at the Council Home on Friday, December 7th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Food and beverages will be provided. Please RSVP to Luke Parrish at (717) 818-8776 or via email at [lukeparrish76@hotmail.com](mailto:lukeparrish76@hotmail.com) by November 30th.

**WING NIGHT** - Please come out and enjoy some food and Catholic fellowship on Thursday, December 13th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. On the menu will be freshly fried chicken wings in your choice of 4 flavors, along with fried shrimp, fresh cut French fries, pizza, and chicken tenders. Profits from the sale of food will be donated to the "Toys for Tots". Bring a new unwrapped toy and you will be given a chance to win a prize.

### **OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS SCHOOL**

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** - Our Lady of the Angels School will be presenting their Annual Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 19 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church.

**THE ANGELS AMONG US GALA** will be held on January 12th, 2019. During the Gala, we will be honoring our Hall of Fame recipients; Deacon Jeffrey Baylor & Bernie Wolgemuth, Jr. To request your invitation, contact Mandee Havrilla at (717) 449-5442 or email [msahd-havrilla@ourladyoftheangels.org](mailto:msahd-havrilla@ourladyoftheangels.org).

### **LANCASTER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** - Join Santa and the North Pole elves for some Christmas cheer on Saturday, December 8th from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Lancaster Catholic Cafeteria! The breakfast will include special performances by LCHS' Fine and Performing Arts students, a message from Santa, and other holiday activities. Admission: \$10.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children. Child's admission includes a toy. Please RSVP by Monday, December 3rd to Tony Brill at [tbrill@lchsyes.org](mailto:tbrill@lchsyes.org).

### **DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG**

**HERSHEY BEARS HOCKEY** - Celebrate Catholic Schools' Week with the Hershey Bears Hockey Team vs. Laval Rockets at the Giant Center in Hershey on Saturday, January 26th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. This fun-filled action packed night at the Giant Center is open to all and is a great way to celebrate Catholic Schools! Discounted tickets are available for \$16.00 each for all ages, from the regular admission price of \$25.00. Deadline to order is Friday, January 18, 2019. For more information, contact [jdise@HersheyPA.com](mailto:jdise@HersheyPA.com)

**MCA CHRISTMAS ARTWORK CONTEST** - Calling all young artists! Students K-8 in our diocesan schools and religious education programs are encouraged to enter the Missionary Childhood Association Christmas Artwork Contest. Twenty-four winners will be chosen from across the US. Winners will have their artwork on display at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., during the 2019 Advent-Christmas season. Artists receive an award and participate in Mass and lunch at the Shrine with their families as guests of the national Missionary Childhood Association Office. In addition, two grand-prize winners will have their artwork chosen for the official Christmas card of the national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies. Last year, the Diocese of Harrisburg was honored to have two winners. **CONGRATULATIONS** to Colton Baddick of Sacred Heart School, Lancaster, and Jack DiRienzo from Saint John Neumann Parish, Lancaster for being chosen for last year! Deadline for submitting entries is January 31, 2019. Guidelines and entry form can be found on the diocesan website: [www.hbgdiocese.org/MCA](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/MCA).