Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: January Z1, 2024

Masses for the Week

Sunday, January 21, 9:00 AM + Francis Sager, Sr.

Tuesday, January 23, 8:00 AM + Florence G. McClain

Thursday, January 25, 8:00 AM + Andrew & Mildred Dziadosz

Sunday, January 28, 9:00 AM

+ Michael Hart

+ Francis Lagerman (17th Anniversary)

The Parish Office is open Monday - Thursday from 10 AM to 5 PM.

TITHING REPORT Collection: 1/14/2024: \$2107.00 **Donations to Defray Heating Costs:** \$150.00 Maintenance Fund: \$150.00 Solemnity of Mary Offering: \$60.00 Profit & Donations from Christmas Wreath and Cross Fundraiser: \$341.50 Offering for Church in Central and Eastern Europe: \$142.00

Ministry Schedule Sunday, January 28, 9:00 AM Lector: Melissa Sitlinger Extraordinary Ministers: Sandra Derck, Pat Myers Altar Servers: Jaden & Landen Myers

A Blessed Mother Candle burns in loving memory of Andrew & Mildred Dziadosz from Diane Ross.

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9:45 – 10:45 AM Religious Education Classes

Catholic Schools Week - Open House Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School Sunday, January 28 - Mass at 2 PM Tours begin at 3 PM -- New student registration for pre-K-12 for 2024-2025 school term --School tours conducted by student ambassadors --Information packets to take home (Tuition assistance and scholarships available) --Refreshments provided Prospective students and parents are invited to visit Lourdes to discover the many advantages of Catholic education. Administrators and faculty will be on hand to answer your questions regarding curriculum, financial assistance and extracurricular programs and activities. Visit our website at www.lourdesregional.org.

Join in the Worldwide Mission of Jesus On the weekend of February 4th, the parishioners of St. Patrick will have a special opportunity to share in the mission of God's people through participation in the Membership appeal of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Announcements

Tuesday, January 23 4 - 6 PM Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

Sunday, January 28

The 2nd Collection today is our Annual Offering to Defray Heating Costs. Thank you to all who have been using the envelopes in the pews to help offset the cost of keeping our church warm in the winter months.

Snow Emergency Days

If Lourdes Regional (Shamokin School District) <u>OR</u> Line Mountain is delayed or cancelled there will be no 8:00 AM weekday Mass. Tune in to local TV or radio stations for this information.

Attention: Tax Statements

Call the office to request a copy of your 2023 statement. Your tax statement from the church will not reflect your donation to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. The Diocesan Office of Stewardship and Development will be emailing this information to you in mid-January if you have an email on file. If you wish to have a statement mailed to your home address, please contact Beth Malpass at 717-657-4804, est. 336.

Mother Cabrini Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, February 4.....12 Noon to 2 PM In their Church Hall....Take out only \$10 per dinner Tickets are on sale at Mother Cabrini Office

OLOH Annual Crab Cake Dinner

Friday, February 16.....4 – 6 PM \$12 per person....take-out only Tickets available at OLOH Parish Office, after weekend masses at Our Lady of Hope or at the door.

Thank you to all who participated in the Evergreen Wreath and Cross Fundraiser. Profit and donations totaled \$341.50.

Deacon's Corner

The **Memorial of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**, will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 24. St. Francis was born into a noble family near the city of Geneva, Switzerland in 1567. Since childhood, he knew that he wanted to serve God by becoming a priest, but kept it silent from his family who wanted him to enter a career in law and politics.

St. Francis attended the University of Paris and received a doctorate of law from the University of Padua. He continued to study theology and never lost the desire to become a priest. One day, as he was riding his horse, he fell three times and each time the sword from his scabbard fell out and formed the shape of a cross. After discussions with his father, he was ordained a priest and eventually

became the bishop of Geneva. During this time, through his personal visits to homes and villages, Francis brought back 40,000 Calvinists to the Catholic Church. He believed "the key to love of God was prayer." The test of prayers was a person's actions.

May we imitate St. Francis' gentle nature and his daily desire to serve God and His people.

Confirmation Meeting

A meeting for all 8th grade parents and students attending Lourdes or our Religious Education program will be held in OLOH Parish Chapel on Sunday, January 28 at 9:45 AM. Please plan to attend this important meeting regarding Confirmation.

Feast of Candlemas and Flame of Love

St. Joseph Church, Danville, will be celebrating the beautiful Feast of Candlemas and Flame of Love of the Immaculate heart of Mary on Friday, February 2nd at 6:30 PM. It will begin with the Blessing of Candles in the church lobby, candlelight procession into the church followed by Holy Mass and rosary. Please feel free to bring your candles and sacramental you would like blessed.