

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Jeanette Devine in memory of Thomas F. Devine

Mass Intentions

- Sat. 5:30p.m. Richard J. Smith
- Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish
- 10:00a.m. George & Nadine Neiderer & deceased sons Denny, Rick & Jim
- Mon. 8:00a.m. Marcia Ann Lindsey
- Tues. 8:00a.m. Underground Church in China
- Wed. 8:00a.m. Souls in Lien Family
- Thurs. 8:00a.m. Debbie Hockensmith
- Fri. 8:00a.m. Living & deceased members of Hahn/Hertz families
- Sat. 5:30p.m. Keith A. Adams
- Sun. 7:30a.m. Earl I. Brady
- 10:00a.m. The People of the Parish



Offertory Procession

- Sat. Dec. 14th 5:30p.m. Dave and Susan Schaefer
- Sun. Dec. 15th 7:30a.m. Mike and Sally Noel
- 10:00a.m. George and Patti Zimmerman

The Second Collection this weekend, is The Retirement Fund for Religious.

There will be an Ecumenical, Inter-Religious Candlelight Remembrance Service held for anyone who has experienced the death of a friend, family member, or loved one to suicide, this Sun. at 6:00 p.m. here at the Basilica. Light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall following the service. All are welcome.

There are boxes of envelopes for our youth in the vestibule. Please take one for each of your child/children. Teach our next generation the importance of supporting our Parish!

The 2020 Calendars are in the vestibule of the Church.

There are some Blue Books left for Advent in the Church vestibule.

Angel Tree of Love

Through your generosity, we have already turned in 49 lbs. of gifts to New Hope Ministries. They were extremely grateful! This is a friendly reminder that ornament donations should be turned by Sun. Dec. 9th and all angel gifts are due by Dec.15th, for delivery in the afternoon! Thank you for your continued support.

Pastor's Column: St. Bernard of Clairvaux (d.1153) was a French

Second Sunday of Advent



Benedictine Abbot and a renowned preacher. One of his sermons describes what he calls the three comings of Christ. We are familiar with the first coming at Christmas and His Second Coming at the end of the world. St. Bernard also describes what he calls the middle coming: *In the middle, the hidden coming, only the chosen see Him, and they see Him within themselves; and so their souls are saved. The first coming was in flesh and weakness, the middle coming is in spirit and power, and the final coming will be in glory and majesty... This middle coming is like a road that leads from the first coming to the last. At the first, Christ was our redemption; at the last, he will become manifest as our life; but in this middle way he is our rest and our consolation... If you think that I am inventing what I am saying about the middle coming, listen to the Lord himself: "If anyone loves me, he will keep my words, and the Father will love him, and We shall come to him..." Where are these words to be kept? In the heart certainly, as the Prophet says "I have hidden your sayings in my heart so that I do not sin against you" Keep the word of God in that way: "Blessed are those who keep it". Let it penetrate deep into the core of your soul and then flow out again in your feelings and the way you behave; because if you feed your soul well it will grow and rejoice... If you keep God's word like this, there is no doubt that it will keep you, for the Son will come to you with the Father...*

Mass will be celebrated in the Extraordinary Form (also known as the Traditional Latin Mass) during Advent on this Sunday December 8-the Feast of the Immaculate Conception at Noon. And the following Sundays: December 15 & December 22 at 6:00pm This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation and Holy Communion may be received for a second time that day. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS, and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: You can sign up for your choice of Christmas & New Year's Masses 2 ways; online on our Scheduling Program or in the Sacristy.

On each of the four Sundays of Advent, St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hanover, will celebrate adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Vespers at 4:30 p.m., Benediction at 5:25 p.m. and Holy Mass at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited. Make time in the quiet of a Sunday evening to re-center in Christ and prepare for the celebration of Christmas. Confessions available upon request.

Help is needed to clean the Church Thurs. Dec. 12th at 9:00a.m. Please bring a rag and bucket.

The Children's Rosary Group will gather Sun. Dec. 15th at the Adoration Chapel 9 N. Third St. McSherrystown at 3:00p.m. Prayer books and rosaries will be provided. Adults are welcome too!

You can designate a Poinsettia for the Altar for Christmas in memory or in honor of someone. They are \$12 this year, you can drop your request in the collection basket or contact the Parish Office at 717-637-2721. The deadline is Dec. 16th.

Sacred Heart Day at Hoss's is early this month, Tues. Dec. 17th.

All are welcome join our Parishioner Wendy McCall in Our Lady's Chapel on Sat. Dec. 21st at 10:15am to pray the rosary and read the monthly message from Jesus, as given to Anne, a lay Apostle. For more information, call Wendy at 717-476-6435. Check out the website: www.directionforourtimes.org.

All are welcome to an annual Hanover Tradition: "The 109th Annual Carol Sing" will be held Sun. Dec. 22nd at 7:00p.m. at Emmanuel UCC, 124 Broadway, Hanover. A cookie reception will be held after the carol sing.

Advent Penance Services

- Immaculate Conception New Oxford, Tues. Dec. 10th at 7:00p.m.
- Annunciation BVM McSherrystown, Wed. Dec. 11th at 7:00p.m.
- Our Basilica, Sat. Dec. 14th 10:00a.m.
- St. Vincent de Paul Hanover, Sun. Dec. 15th at 2:00p.m.
- Immaculate Heart Abbotstown, Tues. Dec. 17th at 7:00p.m.
- St. Joseph Hanover, Wed. Dec.18th at 7:00p.m.
- St. Joseph the Worker Bonneauville, Thurs. Dec. 7:00p.m.
- St. Aloysius Littlestown, Sat. Dec. 21st at 10:00a.m.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash Balance at 6/30/19	\$ 31,761
Parish Collections (Offertory) July-October	125,925
Individual & Foundation Contributions	86,614
Other Parish Income July-October	20,930
School Assessment July-July:	
St. Teresa of Calcutta (monthly 9,156)	(36,624)
Delone (monthly 3,656)	(14,624)
Operating expenses July-October (Church, Parish Office, Rectory, & Convent)	(138,880)
Capital Expenditures related to Basilica and other buildings	(54,420)
Cash Balance at 10/31/19	\$ 20,682

Thank you for your continued support!