#### December 7, 2025

THE SICK OF OUR PARISH - Please keep our members in your

thoughtful prayers: Steve Luckenbaugh, Lisa Marie Smith, Regina

Luckenbaugh, Peg Aumen, Shawn Hendrickson, Rob Despres, Shelva & Barry Meckley, Melanie Miller, Sharon Nowakowski,

Stephen Nowakowski, Shirley Snyder, Evelyn Swenk, Kai Goley, Courtney Creager, Madison Krup, Karen Zale, Mary Barkey, Eric

Barkey, Diane Huffman, Maria Schreiber, Monica Barrett, Steve

Hallisey, Louis Orndorff, Alice Noel, Duane Wright, Claire Wentz,

Elmer Spangler, Jr., Adam Starner, Mark Wantz, Dave Weaver,

Crystal Davis, Julie d'Aliberti, Kevin Kurtz, Paul Sneeringer, Cynthia Weaver, Janet Todt, Bob Brodbeck, Tina Kriston, Carol Fausey,

Bruce & Carol Laughman, Francis & Erma Karchnak, Francis Krepps, Robert Pribish, Cindy Yohe, William Mentzer, Thomas Michael

Wayne Pohlman, Michael Pohlman, Wayne Moore, Sherry

Eckenrode, Joel Pechart, Troy Stamer, Ron Oravitz, Chuck Gabrielson, Liam Kauffman, Janet Rinehart, Harry Noel, Mary

Buttorff, Linda Buttorff, Carmen Engleheart, Joyce Wagner, Sharon Wagner, Tony Scott, Joe Pohlman, Diane Lasco, Liam Kauffman,

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025

9:00 AM + Frances Noel

5:00 PM + Chris Swords



#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:15 AM - People of the Parish

11:15 AM + William & Nadine Kroft

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM + Rosemary Benjamin

7:00 PM - People of the Parish

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

9:00 AM - Intention of Tonya Wenschhof

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025

9:00 AM + Vincene Mackison

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2025

9:00 AM + Christopher Phillips

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025

9:00 AM + Norma Woerner

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2025

5:00 PM + Mary Ann Staines

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:15 AM - People of the Parish

11:15 AM + Anthony F Strazzella

### This week, we as a Parish Family, will be praying very

December 15th

YEAR OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

specially for: December 9th Smith (Chuck) Family

Thoman, Roger Helmers, Sharon Hare, & Joe Hays.



RAY FOR

**Sperling Family** 



"The kingdom of heaven is at hand!" (Matthew 3:2) John's call to prepare for Christ echoes in every family. In holy matrimony, love and faith creates the foundation where God's kingdom flourishes. Is God calling you to build a holy family? Ask Him to show you His way by praying for your (future) spouse and children. Talk to your priest or reach out to Father Joshua Weaver, Vocation Director, at (717) 657- 4804 or email him at frjweaver@hbgdiocese.org.

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Like John the Baptist, every parent "prepares the way of the Lord" in the hearts of their children. Advent is a good time to ask; "Do I help or hinder my children to know Jesus?"



We have put new covers on the missalettes and it was suggested that we only put the front cover in the plastic sleeve to preserve the covers. Please do not put the back cover of the missalette in the plastic sleeve. It breaks down the cover. Thank you!



Feast Day of the Immaculate

Conception of the Blessed Virgin

Mass will be celebrated here at Immaculate Heart

Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation

on Monday, December 8th at 9am & 7pm.

In the charity of your prayers, please pray for the repose of the souls of those who died recently: Donna Smith, Mac McArthur, & Jesse Gibbons of our parish.

# SENIOR

#### SENIOR CITIZEN POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Our next Senior Citizen Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 16th beginning at Noon in the Social hall. Use the sign-up sheets on the windowsills in church to let us know you can join

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10 James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church presents

A Celtic Christmas Concert

TONIGHT 6-8pm

The Celtic Group, SEASONS will be performing their holiday music in the church. Admission is FREE, however we ask that you bring a non-perishable item for the local Food Bank.

#### **CALLING ALL CHILDREN!**

We will once again have a "Children's Choir" for the 4:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. If you have children ages 4 and above who would like to be part of the choir, please call or email Sister Rosanne at rkarmazin2011@gmail.com or (717) 259-0611, ext. 7.

#### **PARISH CARING COMMITTEE**

SNOW may soon be in the forecast... so please keep in mind that volunteers from the PCC (Parish Caring Committee) are willing to help you clear your driveway or sidewalks after the beautiful white flakes fall. Our volunteers do not accept payments ~ you are part of our parish family! If you are in need, please email Kathy Bean: kathykbean@gmail.com to let us help you during the winter weather.

**All Occasion Cards Needed:** Do you have new cards cluttering up the drawers in your house? Consider donating them to the parish PCCW ' and the Prison Ministry to use for their outreach. These cards can be religious in nature (but not necessary). Not the ones that offer Masses for a donation or are affiliated with a designated organization. They may include: Christmas, birthday, Sympathy, Thinking of You, and Get Well. You can donate the cards by dropping them off at the Parish Office to the attention of Deacon Tom. God bless you for your kindness.

#### **Weis Gift Card Sales**

Use them to buy your groceries & help out the Church at the same time! When you purchase gift cards in denominations of \$20, \$50,or \$100, a percentage of the sales comes back to the parish Religious Education program. You can buy groceries, prescriptions, gasoline. They make great gifts too! You can purchase them at the main entrance in the church after the weekend Masses or stop by the Parish Office during regular Hours.

#### CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

Anyone wishing to memorialize (deceased) or honor (living) a loved one with flowers at Christmas is invited to pick up one of the envelopes at the Church doors, fill it out and drop it in the collection basket by Sunday, December 21st.

NOVEMBER 2	2025 FINANCIAL REPO	ORT –	H
2025-26 Monthly Budget		\$46,165.00	
Income for:	Nov. 2	\$8,958.10	
	Nov. 9	\$10,444.50	
1.75 (E) (F)	Nov. 16	\$12,786.56	
	Nov. 23	\$10,584.50	
	Nov. 30	\$6,743.35	
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME		\$49,517.01	
November Surplus/Deficit		+3,352.01	
FYTD surplus/deficit		-\$13,418.83	
	COLLECTIONS:		
All Souls'		\$2,862.00	
All Saints		\$1,401.00	
Arch Diocese for Military Services		\$2,453.00	
Capital Improvements		\$2,710.50	
Matthew 25		\$3,205.00	
Hurricane Melissa		\$1,623.31	

## Thank you for all that you do to support your parish and the Diocese!

"Whoever confers benefits will be amply enriched, and whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

#### **Courtesy Announcements**

#### **HELP WANTED**

**Cecilian Village, McSherrystown**, affordable housing for Seniors, is looking to hire a part-time Maintenance Person. If interested in the position, please contact **Sister Vicki Staub (717) 521-7273** for more information and to apply.

Immaculate Conception, New Oxford

**Turkey Dinners** 

Sunday, December 14, 2025

10:30am - 1pm

#### Children & Family Rosary Group

Will meet at St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Hanover on Sunday, December 14th at 2pm. All materials are provided. Everyone is welcome!

"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern".- St. Teresa of Calcutta

#### THANKS TO:

#### PETER'S FUNERAL HOME

Vernon Lohn, III (Supervisor)

parishioner

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