

Mother Cabrini Church
214 North Shamokin Street
Shamokin, PA, 17872

Parish Office Hours
Monday through Thursday
8AM to 4PM
570-648-4512

Website:

<http://www.revivingtogether.com/>

Third Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2024



Mother Cabrini Friary

Friar James Fukes, OFM Conv., Pastor of Mother Cabrini Church

Friar Nicholas Spano, OFM Conv., Pastor
of Our Lady of Hope & St. Patrick Churches

Friar Timothy Geiger, OFM Conv., Parochial Vicar

Cabrini Parish Staff

Deacon Robert Wislock, Pastoral Associate

Kris Coulbourn, Finance Manager

Ann Marie Drust, Parish Secretary/Cemetery Coordinator

Jim Yost, Maintenance

Dennis Bobber, Music Director

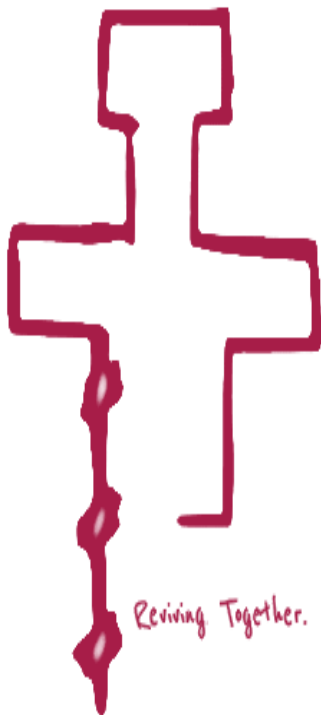
Mary Gillam, Religious Education Coordinator

Cabrini Mass Schedule

Weekends: Saturday, 4PM Vigil – Sunday: 8:30AM & 11AM

Masses: Monday through Saturday, 8AM

Holy Days of Obligation: As Announced



Cabrini Confessions

Tuesday and Thursday: 7:30 to 7:50AM

Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 14 – Vigil Mass

4PM Brett, Amy and Kieran McCaffrey
by Mom and Dad

Sunday, December 15

Third Sunday of Advent

8:30AM +Ann Marie Shaw by Husband Robert
11AM ++William & Betty Gilger, & Son, Joseph
and Mark & Julia Palko
by the Gilger Family

Monday, December 16

Third Week of Advent

8AM +Sister Anzelma Thomas, F.S.S.J.
by Family

Tuesday, December 17

Late Advent Weekday

8AM +Joe Glowatski by Pat and Mike

Wednesday, December 18

Late Advent Weekday

8AM +Frank Purcell by Daughter, Kathy Philips

Thursday, December 19

Late Advent Weekday

8AM +Theresa Salwocki
by Daughter, Carol Salwocki

Friday, December 20

Late Advent Weekday

8AM +Theodore Vinitski by Vinitski Family

Saturday, December 21

St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8AM +Michael Treese by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sassani
and Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church
11AM +Robert Laczkowski by Wife, Bonnie
and Tammy

Sunday, December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30AM +Joseph Bielski, Jr. by Nieces
and Nephews
11AM ++Mary and Adam Hojnacki and Family
by Family

Mass Candles / Bread and Wine

In Memory of Joseph Labosky
by Daughter, Mary Ann Levins

Tabernacle Candles

In Memory of Frank and Xenia & Fran Gulba
by McCaffrey Family

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Theresa Salwocki
by Daughter, Carol Salwocki

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week. . .

In Memory of Sister Anzelma Thomas
(Birthday December 15th)
by Tom and Mary Harmon

Collection Totals for Weekend of December 7th & 8th, 2024

Offertory:	\$3,201.58
Votives:	64.00
Parish Dues:	333.00
Immaculate Conception:	682.00
Miscellaneous:	96.00
Total:	\$4,376.58
Religious Retirement:	\$1,716.00
Matthew 25:	10.00
Franciscan Seminarians:	2.00



As we move into winter and some of our Mother Cabrini parishioners may move to warmer climates for the winter months, please remember that Mother Cabrini Parish still depends upon your support to meet its fixed weekly bills. You may mail your weekly offertory envelopes to the parish office. This also applies to when we have a “snowstorm” weekend and you can’t make it to any of the weekend Masses. Many thanks!

Advent Penance Service

Monday, December 16
Holy Angels, Kulpmont - 7PM



WE NEED YOUR CHRISTMAS DECORATING HELP!!!

Our Advent and Christmas seasons will take on a different look this year during the advent season. We will be putting up the greens, being wreath, garland, trees and empty manger, giving it an advent look for our environment of the season. Then, on December 22nd at noon, we will add the finishing touches and transforming over to the decorations of the Christmas season that is adding poinsettia flowers, trimming the trees, and the characters for the manger scene, etc.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24th
4PM and 8:30PM

Christmas Day – December 25
One Mass Christmas Day
10AM

New Year's Eve – December 31
4PM

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
January 1st - 10AM



SAVE THE DATE for Mother Cabrini's Spaghetti Dinner

being held on Sunday, February 2nd, 2025. Eat in or take out. \$12.00 per dinner. Dinner includes 2 meatballs, side salad, roll and dessert. Tickets will be on sale at the parish office after Christmas break, beginning Thursday, January 2nd.

Christmas Wafers/Oplatki:
Christmas Wafers are available at the parish office **Monday through Thursday 8AM to 4PM.**



ANNUAL CARING TREE: *Cabrini's Advent* *"Caring Tree"*

One of Mother Cabrini Parish's Advent customs has been the support of our "Caring Tree." The ornaments on the tree, found near the tabernacle side, offer opportunities for simple acts of charity during Advent. Opportunities to send Christmas cards to our shut-in parishioners or to purchase a Weis or Walmart gift card for the needy in our area. Please come to the Caring Tree and take one of the ornaments, either with the name of a homebound parishioner or a Walmart gift card. Weis or Walmart gift cards can be dropped off at the parish office or in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Caring Tree." May God bless you for your generosity and your continued support of this annual parish Advent project for those less fortunate!



Parish Office Christmas & New Year Holiday Schedule:

In observance of the Christmas and New Year's Holiday, please note the following Parish Office hours:

Parish Office will close at 12 Noon on Monday, December 23rd and will re-open at 8AM on Thursday, January 2, 2025

Please don't wait until the last minute to do your church business.

Many thanks to the group of parishioners who made time to get together and clean the church last Saturday. It is all freshened up for Baby Jesus Birthday! *Friar Jim*

Thank You!

December 15, 2024 Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Zephaniah urges the people of Jerusalem to rejoice because the Lord is in their midst. He conveys the message that God will love and protect those who have remained faithful to him.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

Paul encourages the Philippians to be ready for Christ. He tells them not to worry about their concerns, but to instead ask God's help and allow his peace to fill their hearts and minds.

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

John the Baptist answers people who ask him what they should do, leading some to believe he was the Messiah. John clearly states that he will be followed by one so powerful that "I am not fit to loosen his sandal strap."

Our Lottery Calendars

for January 2025 are sold out. Anyone with stubs & money not turned in yet, please return them to the parish office by Noon on Monday, December 23rd. Thank you and good luck to everyone who bought calendars and to those who sold them to family and friends!



Knights of Columbus

Annual

Christmas Dinner

The Shamokin Knights of Columbus will be serving a FREE traditional holiday meal on Wednesday December 25, 2025 from 11:00 - 2:00



The meal consists of ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, a roll and dessert.

Contact the parish office before Monday, December 23rd if you would like a meal delivered.

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

Through the Mass, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In his video-based program, *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their significance. This study of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for the Holy Eucharist.

Program dates: Tuesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1: Snow date: April 8 if needed

Place: Our Lady of Hope Hall, 863 W. Chestnut St., Coal Township

Time: 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Cost: \$15 includes textbook and workbook; checks payable to Our Lady of Hope

Facilitator: Deacon Bob Wislock

Register: Visit or call Our Lady of Hope or St. Patrick parish offices Monday – Thursday from 10 am to 3 pm. The deadline to register is Tuesday, January 14.

During this Third Week of Advent, Prepare for Jesus' Birth by . . .



Reconciling with God through the Sacraments,

Judging less and encouraging more,

Letting go of personal prejudices,

Being less selfish and practicing generosity

REST IN PEACE: Kindly remember in your prayers the souls of Marlene & Stephen Lukoskie, Patricia Jaworski and Margaret (Peggy) Kazmerski. May God grant them eternal rest.



Please Pray For the Sick, especially, Ann Barber, Bob Hauer, Jim Logic, Kapukui Sykes, Candida Davis, Dennis Shuey, Pete Ginther, "Henry", Connie Yucha, Roberta Jasper, Sylvia Pappas, Katie Bolick, Connie Fabrizio, Sharon Rome, Robert Wieland, Timber Buckwash, Anita Shaffer, Rosemary Krushinskie, LeAndre Hoover, Lone Wolf, Joe Mazzatesta, Pastor Paul Eby, Gina Fox, Casper Burns Lorraine Gusick, Tammy Neron, Alex Stefanowicz, Shirley Stefanowicz, Elizabeth Rebuck, Jaden Leiby, Joy Knapik, Sharon Casper, Rosie Purcell, Pat Kazmerski, Tammy (Laczkowski) Le, Desiree Castro, Helene McGinley, Elizabeth Purcell, Lorraine Kinder, Jim Culp, Sandy Boyd, Jackson Floyd, Andrew Wislock, Cassondra Senoski, Helen Pasierb, Mark Senoski, Carl T. Bielski, Mary Ellen Candelora, Mary Ann (Anderson) Barrett, Elaine Rado, Theresa Krushinskie, Kathleen Kleskie, Karen Buranich, Kevin Hauer, Brian Shaffer, Nick Thorpe, Lori McCabe, Beverly Katalenas, Una McManus, James Sandri, Noreen Germak, Scott Wieland, Edward Yeager, John Laskoski, Steve Novak, Tracie Hartman, Mary Ann Pacocha, Barbara Shevitski, John Kehler, Ty Beeman, Aerica Richardson, Sue Cantore, Chuck Pensyl, Jr., Luke Dietterick, Special Intention, Lois Topolski, Stephen Zarick, Bob Derk, Huxley Hoffman, Gloria Koyack, Arthur Crone, Jacob Lupotsky, Michelle Williams, Rosemary Jacoski, Karima Starke, Jeanie Hickman, Brian Hickman, Amber Sadowy, Kelsey Matchock, Fern Gonsar, Jesse Procopio, Michael Wasilewski, Brittney Reed, Kenneth Marut, Alexa Blugis, Sherry Dampman and Joette Foris.

Live Nativity



Our Lady of Hope Church invites you to join them for their Live Nativity on Saturday, December 21st at 6:30PM at Our Lady of Hope Church, 813 West Chestnut St., Coal

Township. There will be actors, live animals and a celebration of the true meaning of Christmas. A children's petting zoo will be held after the Living Nativity with refreshments to follow after the event.

2025 Parish Calendars are available in the vestibule of the church and also at the parish office. Special thanks to Leonard J. Lucas, Jr. of **Lucas Funeral Home** for helping us underwrite the cost of this year's calendar. Thank you Mr. Lucas!



Remembrance Opportunities For Your Loved Ones. . .

The parish has a wonderful array of remembrance opportunities for both, the living and deceased. You may honor your loved one's memory or celebration of a special occasion, like a birthday or an anniversary by offering the flowers by the tabernacle, the candles used at Mass, the bread and wine offered at Mass, the Sanctuary candle, the church bells, etc. What a meaningful way to honor them on their special date! Reserve dates are filling up quickly so call the parish office to make your reservation.

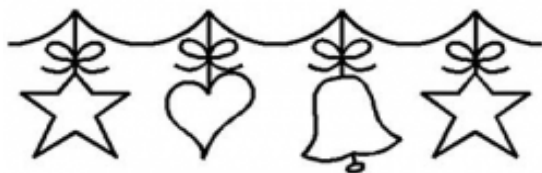
Offertory Gifts at Mass. . .

If, at a particular weekend Mass, you would like to bring up the gifts at that Mass, simply let your wishes be known to one of the ushers in the rear of the church before Mass begins and they will assist you at the proper time.



CHANGE OF ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER:

A reminder to please contact the parish office with a change of address and/or your telephone number. You are important to us and at times we may need to contact you by either phone or mail. When mail is returned to the parish office we are charged a return fee.



**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR
TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES
IN YOUR PRAYERS.**



**Thank you to everyone who helped make Dan Orlando's benefit concert for Mother Cabrini Church a huge success!
Special thanks to the following concert donors/sponsors. . .**

**Lori and David Campbell,
Farrow/Campbell
Funeral & Cremation Service, Inc.**

**David Campbell,
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Earl Sheriff - Irish Isle Provision

Christopher and Jennifer Grayson

Northumberland County Commissioners Sam Schiccatano & Joe Klebon

Diane Knorr

Flo James – James' Pizza

Steve & Connie Dunleavy

Mike McLaughlin - Plumbing Outlet

Ed and Wendy Manning - Oliver's Cigars and Spirits & Heritage Restaurant

Rich & Cettie Jansen - Rekord Printing

Jeff Klacik – Klacik & Associates

Brian Persing Masonry, Brian Persing C.E.O.

Black Diamond Sports - Dr. Philip Manney C.E.O.

Bernie Romanoski Sr. Chapter of the Pa. Sports Hall of Fame

The Family of James & Mary Kane

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School

Jacqueline Kerris, Senior Sales Director for Mary Kay Cosmetics

Richard Grayson Family

Bob and Beverly Katalenas - Beverly's Flowers

2025 HOUSE BLESSING (Kolenda)

Beginning on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, the Friars will be available "by invitation" to bless your home for the New Year.



Once all the requests are coordinated, you will be called the day before the priest's visit. Please keep in mind that depending on the weather, the number of homes, location, parishioners work schedules and other factors, the time period may extend through January and beyond.

Please cut off the form below and drop it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office during business hours as soon as possible.

Those visited on First Fridays will have their homes blessed when the priest is scheduled for the monthly visit. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTS IS NOON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20th



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HOUSE BLESSING

NAME: _____

Preferred time (circle one): Morning / Afternoon

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

HELPFUL DIRECTIONS _____
