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

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

The Epiphany of the Lord January 5, 2025



Website: <u>http://wwwrevivingtogether.com/</u>

Mother Cabrini Friary

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





Saturday, January 4 – Vigil Mass 4PM ++Alphonse and Violet DuDeck by Bill and Pat Barrett

Sunday, January 5 Epiphany of the Lord 8:30AM +Joseph V. Candelora by Friend, Joe Mazz 11AM Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

Monday, January 6 St. Andre Bessette 8AM Franciscan Vocations

Tuesday, January 7 St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest 8AM Living and Deceased Members of The Thurick and Kulick Families

Wednesday, January 8 Christmas Weekday 8AM +Ronald Dimm III by Grandmother, Ann Marie Wolfe

Thursday, January 9 Christmas Weekday 8AM +Bob Levins by Pat & Mike Toucheloskie

Friday, January 10 Christmas Weekday 8AM David Bradley by Earl Sheriff

Saturday, January 11 Christmas Weekday 8AM +David Bradley by the St. Francis Beneficial Society 4PM +Kathleen Eagan by Rich & Sue Barrett

Sunday, January 12 Baptism of the Lord 8:30AM ++Deceased of Scicchitano and Glunt Families by family 11AM +Joseph Wisgo by Mom and Dad **Tabernacle Flowers I** In Memory of Virginia Marcinick by Family

Tabernacle Flowers II

In Memory of Nicholas and Lorraine Amato by Family

> Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of Robert Kleinschmidt by Deacon Bob Wislock

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week. . . In Memory of Hank & Dot Smink by Cindy, Ron, Marissa & Michael

Collection totals for the Weekend of December 21st & 22nd, 2024

Offertory:	\$3	,223.85
Votives:	90.01	
Christmas Flowers:	205.00	
Snow & Ice:	698.00	
Miscellaneous:	216.00	
Total:	\$4,432.86	
Franciscan Seminarians: Matthew 25: Religious Education:	\$	15.00 10.00 78.00

Because of an early bulletin printing deadline, the collection totals for the weekend of December 28th & 29th are not available at this time.



Now that the weather is colder

and some of our Mother Cabrini parishioners have moved 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!

THANK YOU FROM THE FRIARS...

Friar Tim joins me in expressing sincere thanks to all who brightened our Christmas with their

good wishes, cards, gifts and "goodies." Your kindnesses to us are counted among our blessings during this beautiful time of the year. They are very much appreciated and know that you have a place in our grateful prayers.



God bless you and your 2025! Friar Jim

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

> bless May God you for your your continued generosity and support of this annual parish Advent

project for those less fortunate!

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 are on sale at the parish office during office hours.

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.

In Case of Bad Weather, Mass will be canceled according to the local school closings. If our local schools are closed or have a 2 or 3 hour delay, there will be no morning 8AM Mass. School

closings are announced on the local morning news station at the bottom of the screen. If Mass is canceled, the Mass intention for that day will be rescheduled or celebrated by one of the Friars at the Friary.



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!

Mother Cabrini Memorials

In Memory of Mildred and John Yanishock \$250 by Loving Granddaughter, Mary Glesson

In Memory of Mary Elizabeth (Yanishock) Brezinski \$250 by Loving Niece, Mary Gleeson



Mother Cabrini Parish expresses gratitude to those families who, throughout the year, suggest and encourage memorials to the parish in memory of their loved ones.



Deacon's Corner The Epiphany of the Lord

The Epiphany of the Lord is celebrated this Sunday, January 5. The word "Epiphany" is a Greek word which means revelation or manifestation. This solemnity commemorates the visit of the three Magi to the Christ Child. On this day, Jesus Christ is revealed to us as the Savior of Israel and as the Savior of all people on earth.

In the Gospel of St. Matthew, we hear that "the Magi arrived from the east . . . And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary, his mother." The beauty of this divine event is that the Magi were the first Gentiles to pay homage to the Newborn Savior.

In the three Magi, who come to worship Jesus, the pilgrimage of all people to God begins. Our own pilgrimage of faith begins and continues throughout our lives. *In His overflowing love*, Our Savior is this light that illuminates our life and our very existence. He is the light who accompanies us on our daily journey. Ultimately, He guides us toward the fullness of eternal life in heaven.

With the help of God's grace, we are all called to be His stars of light who help to guide others along the path toward Christ and to show God's light by the way we live, speak, and act. May we pray, "Jesus, may I always follow your light and be a witness of your love to others."

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.

Dinner at Holy Angels

Steak, Shrimp, Potato, Veggie Sunday, January 12, 2025 10:30am-12pm or sold out. Donation \$12.00 Drive up to Activity Center. Take-out only.



PLEASE REMEMBER OUR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR PRAYERS PONDER POINT

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do homage *Matthew 2:2*



January 5, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Isaiah rejoices over the light and glory that will shine upon Jerusalem. He describes how the wealth of nations will be brought to Jerusalem, and travelers will arrive bearing gifts and praising God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Paul explains to the Ephesians that the Gentiles are now co-heirs with the Jews. Through Jesus, they became members of the same body. Therefore, they would receive everything God had promised the Jewish converts if they followed Christ's teachings.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Astrologers from the east came looking for the newborn king of the Jews, which greatly disturbed King Herod. Herod wanted to kill Jesus, and asked the astrologers to return and tell him where Jesus was. The astrologers found Jesus and brought him gifts, but received a message in a dream telling them not to return to Herod.

LASAGNA DINNER: Our Lady of Hope Church will sponsor a Lasagna Dinner on Sunday, January 26TH in the parish hall, 863 West Chestnut Street, Coal Township, from 11AM to 1:30PM. The dinner proceeds will help Noah in his fight with leukemia. The donation is \$13. The dinner will include: lasagna, salad, bread, and dessert. Takeout only. The snow date, if needed, will be Sunday, February 2. All are welcome. For advance tickets, call the parish office at 648-4432 Monday through Thursday from 9 am to 3 pm.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

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HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

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"Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you. Your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant in what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow. For the riches of the sea will be emptied out before you, the wealth of the nations shall be brought to you."

We know this feast by different names, Epiphany, The Three Kings, with different gifts representing kingship, priestly sacrifice and anointing, the three roles of our Savior, priest, prophet and king. Listening to Isaiah in the passage, may we find particular and personal significance for the day we celebrate. We learn that the pagan pilgrims from the east represent all of us, called, gathered and redeemed by Jesus Christ.

We raise our eyes and look about. Our communities reflect diversity in race, ethnic origin, cultures, language, represented by those who followed the star which led them to Jesus. We are led by God's grace discovering the greatest gift ever, the incarnation, the birth and abiding presence of Jesus. Traditions continue and today may we add one more gift to the Lord, the gift of ourselves. Like the magi may we pray, reflect and adore the Christ, Emmanuel, God with us.



GOD BLESS OUR MOTHER CABRINI PARISH FAMILY IN 2025!

