

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/>

First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024

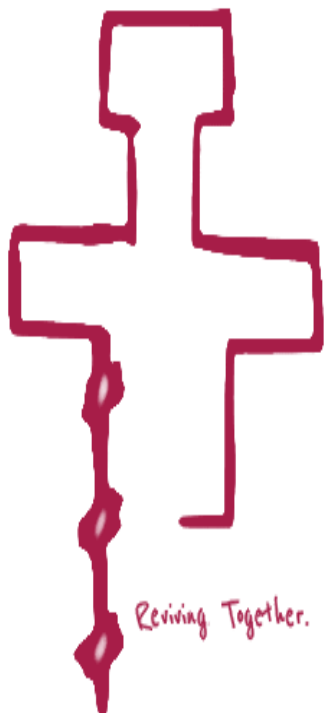


Mother Cabrini Friary

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, November 30 – Vigil Mass

4PM ++James A. Chiavaroli and Helene L. Carsto
by Mary Chiavaroli and Family

Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent

8:30AM +Martin Glover by Wife, Josephine
Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

11AM +Nikola Kolovic by Wife, Prena

Monday, December 2

First Week of Advent

8AM Living Parents, Relatives, & Benefactors
of the Franciscan Order

Tuesday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier, Priest

8AM ++Deceased Parents, Relatives, & Benefactors
of the Franciscan Order

Wednesday, December 4

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8AM ++Sophia and Frank Smulski
by Daughter, Sandy Radel

Thursday, December 5

First Week of Advent

8AM +Lee C. Patrick by wife, Sandy Radel

Friday, December 6

St. Nicholas, Bishop

8AM +Arthur Schicatano
by Joe and Deb Schicatano

Saturday, December 7

St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8AM +Kathleen Coyne by Niece, Amy and Family
4PM Brett, Amy and Kieran Mccaffrey
by Mom and Dad

Sunday, December 8

Second Sunday of Advent

8:30AM Arthur Schicatano
by Joe and Deb Schicatano
11AM +Elizabeth Gilger by Tom & Paula Ryan

Tabernacle Flowers I

In Memory of Walter and Emilie Kanaskie
by MaryAnn and Paul

Our Church Bells are Ringing this Week. . .

In Memory of the Deceased Members of the
Walter and Kathleen Hager Family:
Walter, Kathleen, Thomas, David, Pinny, Joe, Mike,
Mary Lou, Chris and Beloved Nephew, Joey Hager
by Family

**Because of an early bulletin printing
deadline, the collection totals for the
Weekend of November 23rd & 24th
are not available at this time.**

Upcoming Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 8

Mother Cabrini 1PM & St. Patrick's 3PM

Tuesday, December 10

Our Lady of Mount Carmel 6:30PM

Wednesday, December 11

Holy Rosary, Elysburg 6:30PM

Monday, December 16

Holy Angels 7PM

Lottery Calendars for January 2025

are on sale at the parish
office at \$5.00 each. Keep in
mind that these will make
great Christmas Gifts and Stocking Stuffers!



Christmas Wafers/Oplatki:

Christmas Wafers (Oplatki) will be
available at the parish office
**beginning Wednesday, December
4th Monday through Thursday
8AM to 4PM**



**WE NEED YOUR
CHRISTMAS
DECORATING HELP!!!
A date for the decorating
the Church for Christmas
will be in next week's
bulletin.**

All able bodies are asked to make plans to come and help decorate our church for Christmas. Our church always looks so beautiful for Christmas but the final result doesn't fall from the heavens. . . it is the product of a fine group of volunteers who pull it all together. If you can, come give just an hour, or more of your time to your parish. Many hands make light work. Come decorate God's house for Jesus' birthday!



**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!



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

**December 1, 2024
First Sunday of Advent**

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The Lord tells of fulfilling the promise he had made to Israel. He will send a replacement for David, someone who "shall do what is right and just in the land," believed by most to mean Jesus.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be ready for the coming of the Lord. He explains that although they are conducting themselves in a way that would please God, they should always strive to do even better.

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus warns his followers to be prepared for the end of the world. He reminds them not to be preoccupied with unimportant events, or they will be caught unaware rather than being on watch as they should.

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.

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, Pat Jaworski, 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 & Peggy Kazmerski, Tammy (Laczkowski) Le, Desiree Castro, Helene McGinley, Elizabeth Purcell, Lorraine Kinder, Jim Culp, Sandy Boyd, Jackson Floyd, Andrew Wislock, Cassandra 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.

Deacon's Corner First Sunday in Advent

On this first Sunday of Advent, we begin a new liturgical year, as we transition from year B to year C. The word "Advent" comes from the Latin word "adventus," which means "a coming or an arrival." Advent is a time to prepare our hearts and minds for Jesus' birth. On Sunday, in the first reading, we reflect about the prophecy in the Old Testament and the fulfillment of God's promise in Jesus, who is our hope and salvation (Jeremiah 33:14-16). The first candle that we light at Mass focuses on hope in the coming Messiah.

This season is also a call for personal conversion. The liturgical color purple that the priest will wear reminds us of the loyalty of our Messiah. It also calls us to repent and change. By acknowledging our mistakes, we allow God's grace to transform our hearts and prepare ourselves to receive the gift of Our Newborn Savior. Prayer, fasting, and charitable works allow us to "prepare, quiet, and discipline our hearts for the full joy of Christmas" (U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops). An important spiritual question this first week is "What do we specifically wish to achieve this Advent season?"

On this day, may we pray, "Jesus, you are the hope in our world. May we listen to your voice and place our hope and trust in you as we prepare for your holy birth."

The First Sunday of Advent, Prepare for Jesus'

Birth by . . .

Mending a quarrel,

Forgoing a grudge,

forgiving and reconciling

Performing random acts of charity,

**Welcoming of or at least smiling
at a stranger**



Beautiful Fresh Christmas Wreaths

FAR Better Together is once again selling large, fresh, mixed green boughs Christmas Wreaths. Cost is \$35 decorated or \$30 plain.

Contact: shamokinb2g@gmail.com to order and for payment information. Or call Susan Vanaskie Ward to place your order @ 570-486-3316. Delivery to homes and businesses November 29 to Dec 3.

In Advent 2024, make the crooked ways of your journey to Christmas straight by:



Mending a quarrel,
Forgoing a grudge, forgiving and reconciling,
Performing random acts of charity,
Welcoming of or at least smiling at a stranger,



Carving out some quiet time for prayer,
Visiting, phoning or sending a note to a shut in,
Expressing your gratitude,
Listening more and “over talking” less,
Reconciling with God through the Sacraments,



Judging less and encouraging more,
Letting go of personal prejudices,
Being less selfish and practicing generosity,
Looking for Jesus “in the other,”



Softening personal stubbornness,
Gossiping less, saying only good things,
Becoming more “Jesus-like!”

Decorate your refrigerator with these Advent guideposts to Christmas!

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

First Sunday of Advent | Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus tells us to be on guard, and be watchful for His coming.

©2021 Bon Venture Services, LLC

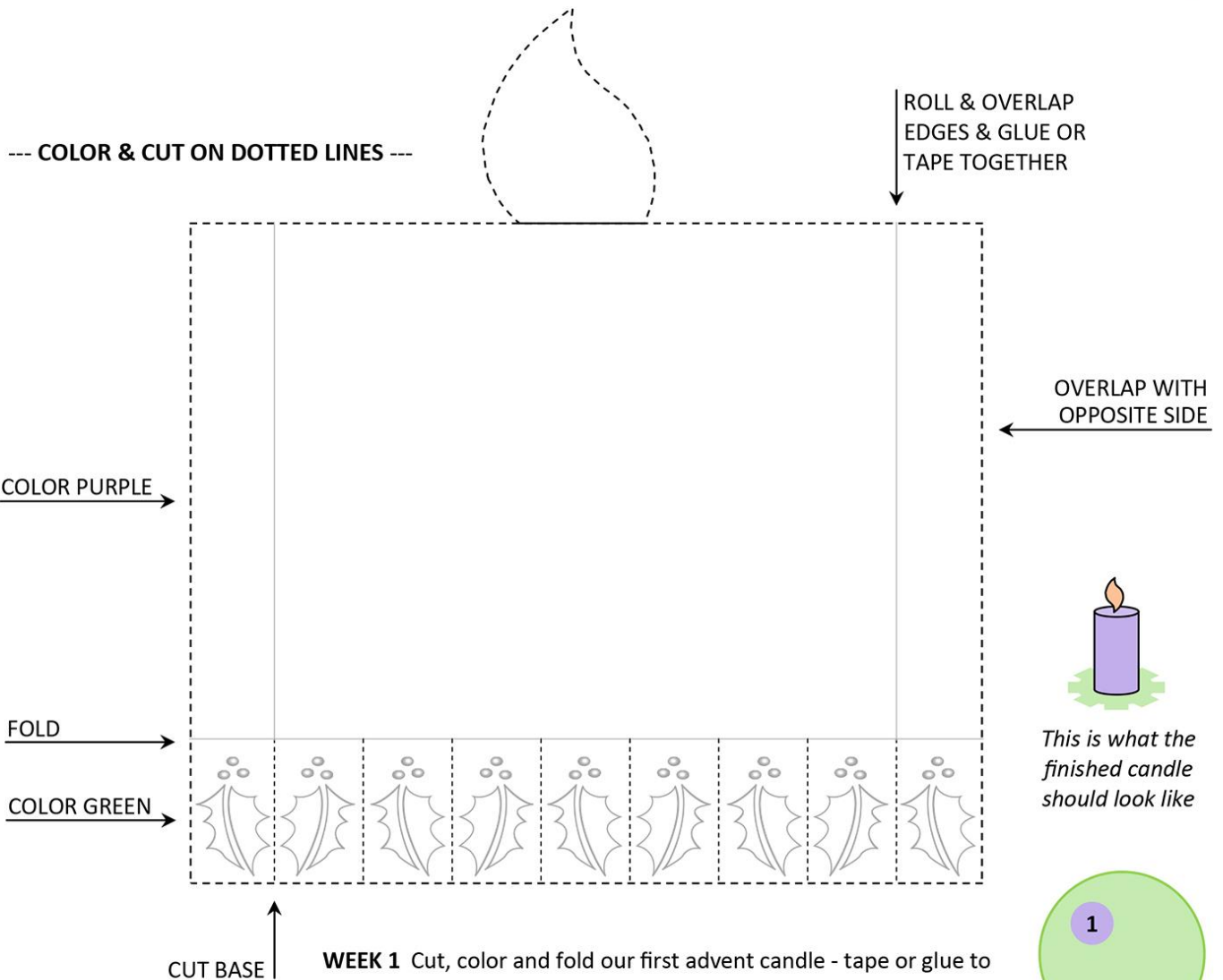
WEEK 1, evening lighting prayer

Prayer said by Father or head of household

“O Lord, stir up Thy might, we beg Thee, and come, that by Thy protection we may deserve to be rescued from the threatening dangers of our sins and saved by Thy deliverance. Through Christ our Lord, Amen”.

Youngest child lights 1 purple candle.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



WEEK 1 Cut, color and fold our first advent candle - tape or glue to a 9" paper plate or cardboard circle that has been colored green. Place as shown on the diagram at right.