

Mother Cabrini Church
214 North Shamokin Street
Shamokin, PA, 17872
570-648-4512 (Parish Office)

Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024



Website:

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

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 Theodore Neculaes, OFM Conv., Parochial Vicar

Friar Timothy Geiger, OFM Conv., In Residence

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: 7AM, 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, March 2 – Vigil Mass

4PM ++Julia, Alphonse and Michael Osevala
by Darlene and Ron & Families

Sunday, March 3

Third Sunday of Lent

8:30AM +Alfred Krushinskie
by Theresa Krushinskie and Family
11AM +Al Bielski by Bill and Shirley Golden
and Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

Monday, March 4

Third Weekday of Lent

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

Tuesday, March 5

Third Weekday of Lent

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

Wednesday, March 6

Third Weekday of Lent

8AM +Billy Landau by Sister, Mary Landau

Thursday, March 7

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

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

Friday, March 8

St. John of God, Religious

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

Saturday, March 9

St. Frances of Rome, Religious

8AM +Joseph Mirack by Family
4PM +Daniel C. Fabrizio
by Mother, Connie Fabrizio
and Parish Family of Mother Cabrini Church

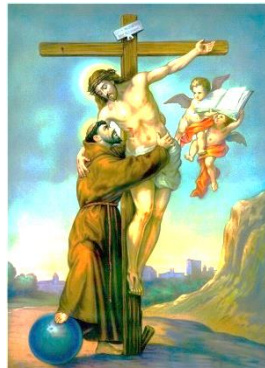
Sunday, March 10

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30AM +Susan Yakoboski by Brother, David
11AM +Rhonda Gillam Pearce
by Parents Mary and Ron Gillam

Collection totals for the Weekend of March 2nd & 3rd, 2024

Offertory:	\$3,741.75
Votives:	98.00
Parish Fuel:	876.00
Lourdes School Assessments:	905.00
Parish Dues:	263.00
Parish Property Insurance:	153.00
Ash Wednesday:	119.00
Miscellaneous:	37.00
Total:	\$6,192.75
Propagation of the Faith:	\$ 31.00
Poor Missions:	\$ 92.00



With a sad heart, we have to bid farewell to Friar Theodore who is being reassigned to Point Pleasant, New Jersey, where there is a need for a Associate Pastor. He is scheduled to report there on March 4th. Friar Timothy Geiger is taking on the assignment of Associate Pastor here at Mother Cabrini as well as Our Lady of Hope and St. Patrick Churches. We will greatly miss Friar Theodore and pray for God's blessings at his new assignment.



There will be a farewell gathering for Friar Theo this Saturday, March 2nd downstairs in our parish hall from 5:00 to 6PM. Light refreshments will be served.

(see the next page of the bulletin for a farewell message from Friar Theo)





Dear brothers and sisters,
 You are very special people, and I liked you from the beginning. As many have said, the city is not as beautiful as it once was, but what makes this city beautiful is you.

I have been serving in this community for a year and a half. I saw you at the celebration of the Mass. I shook hands with you and greeted you. I tried to do my best and pay attention to those who asked for special assistance: whether it be advice or sacraments.

I felt accepted, and I know that you were very patient with me, even though I have a strong accent and sometimes you don't understand me.

It was a pleasure for me to be part of this community, and I'm grateful that God gave me this honor to serve here. I'm grateful to my fellow friars for their fraternal support and to you for your kindness. I will miss this community, but I will keep very beautiful memories of you.

I'm accustomed to saying YES anytime my superior tells me that my presence is necessary elsewhere. I accept because the voice of the superior is the voice of God, and if God has a project for me, I must say YES.

I will keep this community in my prayers, and I'm sure that you will keep me in yours, so we can receive more help from God. You are very special people, and I believe your kindness will be felt the same by every friar.

God bless you!
 Fr. Theodore Neculaes



OUR EASTER EGG PROJECT IS COMPLETE. . .



Thank you! Thank You! to the wonderful group of volunteers who turned out for our annual Easter Egg production days. We are especially grateful for the "new faces" who joined the effort. **"Couldn't have done it without you!"**

Selling our eggs is important to the project's success. If you can sell larger quantities of eggs at places of business, employment or organizations, etc., please let us know at the parish office.

Friar Jim

Confirmation Information

Confirmation Practice

Saturday, March 9th

Our Lady of Hope Church – 9AM

Rite of Sending for Mother Cabrini

March 3rd at Mother Cabrini Church 11AM Mass

Confirmation

Saturday, March 16th

10AM at Our Lady of Hope Church

Meet in the Parish Hall by 9AM



Friday, March 1st

Stations of the Cross will be held here at Mother Cabrini Church 7PM

Also:

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent **at 12Noon in Our Lady of Hope Church** and conclude Friday, March 22nd. Stations will not be held at OLOH on Good Friday, March 29th.

Lenten Penance Services

Sunday, March 3rd – 1PM at Mother Cabrini

Sunday, March 3rd – 3PM at St. Patrick, Trevorton

Wednesday, March 13th – 6PM at Holy Rosary,
 Elysburg

Monday, March 18th – 7PM at Holy Angels,
 Kulpmont

Tuesday, March 19th - 7PM at Divine Redeemer,
 Mt. Carmel (includes Our Lady's Church)

Remember to pick up your delicious Easter Eggs before we are sold out! Monday through Thursday, 8AM to 4PM at the parish office.

Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Through Moses, God passed on the commandments he wished all people to follow. He tells us not to worship idols or take the name of the Lord in vain. All the laws God gave to us, if followed, would ensure that we could live in peace and harmony with one another as he had planned.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Paul tells the Corinthians that Christ is the power and the wisdom of God. Although they claimed to possess wisdom, "God's folly is wiser than men, and his weakness is more powerful than men."

Gospel: John 2:13-25

Jesus went to the temple of Jerusalem to find merchants there selling sheep and doves. He knocked over their tables and drove the animals away. The merchants asked him for a sign that he was authorized to do this. He told them to "destroy this temple (referring to his body) and in three days I will raise it up." The merchants misunderstood, and did not believe he could rebuild in three days what had taken nearly 50 years to build. Still many believed in him, after seeing the miracles he had performed.



Lottery Calendars for the month of April

are on sale at the Parish Office during office hours at \$5.00 each. These will make great gifts for Easter Baskets and mailed in cards.

Our Lady of Lourdes Pot 'O Gold Tickets are in the vestibule of the church. Please be sure to pick up your tickets. **Ticket returns are due by this Tuesday, March 5th.**

Mother Cabrini Memorials

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.



Please Pray For the Sick, especially, Ann Barber, Bob Hauer, Jim Logic, Kapukui Sykes, Candida Davis, Dennis Shuey, Pete Ginther, "Henry", Connie Yucha, Gertrude Slawek, Roberta Jasper, Sylvia Pappas, Barbara A. Verano, Katie Bolick, Connie Fabrizio, Sharon Rome, Robert Wieland, Timber Buckwash, Anita Shaffer, Rosemary Krushinski, LeAndre Hoover, Lone Wolf, Joe Mazzatesta, Pat Jaworski, Pastor Paul Eby, Gina Fox, Casper Burns Lorraine Gusick, Betty Menapace, 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, Caroline Kalinoski, Carol Fegley, Lorraine Kinder, Jim Culp, Sandy Boyd, Jackson Floyd, Andrew Wislock, Cassandra Senoski, Helen Pasierb, Mark Senoski, Carl T. Bielski, Mary Ellen and Joe 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, Doris Bates, Ty Beeman, Aerica Richardson, Sue Cantore, Chuck Pensyl, Jr., Luke Dietterick and Lois Topolski.

BABY BOTTLE BLITZ...

An excellent opportunity for your Lenten "alms giving" - Bottles are available in the rear corners of the church. To benefit our local Corner of Hope/Pregnancy Care Center - (Checks can be made payable to the Pregnancy Care Center) - **Return your filled Baby Bottles to Church or at the Parish Office during office hours.**

Knights of Columbus Casey Club - All You Can Eat Breakfast – Next Sunday, March 10th - 8AM to 11AM - 400 E Independence St, Shamokin Adults \$10. Children under 10, \$5

Deacon's Corner

We begin the Third Week of Lent which marks the approximate midpoint of the Lenten season. Our Church encourage us to reflect about the meaning and significance of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection for our lives.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus drives out the money changers from the Temple. He says, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace" (John 2:13-25). In these words, God desires us to love and worship Him in our hearts. Lent is a time to invite Our Lord into the temple of our hearts. May we ask Jesus to come and purify our hearts.

In His love and mercy, He will turn the tables over in our hearts and help us to focus on the real meaning of life – to love God and to love our neighbors. Christ will help us to refocus and move away from the meaningless distractions and busyness in our life. What are these life distractions that occupy our time?

Let us make time each day to pray and to quietly listen as God speaks to the temple of our hearts to transform us. Our Lord desires a deep and personal relationship with each one of us. This week, we might ask the Holy Spirit for an increase in trust in God's infinite mercy and grace; or to remember that all good comes from the Lord and to give Him thanks for these blessings.

Lenten Fish Dinners

Holy Angels Activity Center

4PM to 5:30PM – March 8, 15 & 22.

Drive-up to Activity Center Door.

Donation \$10.00

Annual Yuengling Baked Haddock Dinner

Our Lady of Hope will be holding their annual parish Haddock Dinner on Friday, March 22nd from 4PM to

6PM in the parish hall. The dinner will include Yuengling baked haddock, mac & cheese, stewed tomatoes, roll and dessert. The donation is \$12 per person. Take out only. Tickets may be obtained after the weekend masses in the vestibule of Our

Lady of Hope Church or by visiting their parish office Monday through Thursday from 9AM to 3PM.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

Third Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024

"In those days God delivered all these commandments: 'I, the Lord, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me...' 'But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.'"

Moses and the tablets of stone are known to us, yet we sometimes tend to just pass over what is demanded of us. They are neither recommendations or suggestions but commandments, rules for our living. We cannot choose just one or another; they are a complete package, telling us how to live.

The first three deal with our relationship with God, the second seven with our relationship with others, two sides of the same coin. They are not prohibitions but can be summarized in the single word – RESPECT. Take a minute to see that we are not following other gods or idols, but each day as we live our Lenten lives, we are living the ten or the two Jesus gave us to love God above all things and our neighbor as ourselves. 'A NEW COMMANDMENT I GIVE YOU, LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.'

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: ARE YOU BUILDING YOUR FAMILY ON SOLID GROUND?

As Catholic men, we are called to lead, serve, protect, and defend our faith, families, and parishes. The Knights of Columbus has been helping men live up to that calling for more than 140 years. Our brotherhood of Catholic men welcomes you to participate in our mission of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. Two million Knights in 16,000 parishes walk an extraordinary path, finding faith and fulfillment with the help of their brother Knights. We are here to help you grow as a husband, father and Catholic. Learn more at: kofc.org/join --Find out how you can make a difference and enjoy the benefits of becoming a Knight. The exemplification ceremony for new members will be held within a few weeks. Contact Ken Leeman, Grand Knight, Council 458-Shamokin, PA or Kenn Splitt, District Deputy, at: kennsplitt@hotmail.com -for additional information.

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Gospel Today Third Sunday of Lent | John 2:13-25

Jesus was upset people were conducting the “wrong business” in the temple. They were selling goods, not praying.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

We say our bodies are our temples - the Spirit of God is in us - eat & act healthy. Jesus also called His body a temple when He said “Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days”. *John 2: 19*

Give us New Life, O Lord.

My plan for Lent, one week at a time...

This week I will pray for _____

This week I will give up/do without _____

This week I will do this act of love/good deed _____

(Sundays optional)

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

- Jesus
- Jerusalem
- Temple
- Table
- Exchanging
- Money
- Stop
- Father
- House
- Market
- Sign
- Disciples
- Believed
- People
- Written
- Scripture



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