

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Jeanette Devine in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Devine & Catherine "Jim" Devine.

The flowers on both side Altars have been designated by Dick Jones "in loving memory of my wife, Evelyn Jones."

Mass Intentions

Sat.	5:30p.m.	Richard J. Smith
Sun.	7:30a.m.	The People of the Parish
	10:00a.m.	John U. Harriett
Mon.	8:00a.m.	Mark & Dwayne Lawrence
Tues.	8:00a.m.	Special Intention
Wed. Vigil 7:00p.m.		Marcia Lindsey
Thurs. Holy Day 8:30a.m.		Thomas F. Devine
	7:00p.m.	People of the Parish
Fri.	8:00a.m.	Robert & Mary Nicholson
Sat.	5:30p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Earl T. Brady
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Living & deceased members of Raymond F. & Gladys T. Staub family
	10:00a.m.	The People of the Parish

Offertory Procession

Sat. Dec. 10 th	5:30p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Dave Lawrence
Sun. Dec. 11 th	7:30a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Allen Smith
	10:00a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Quinn

Please note: the daily Mass schedule this week reflects the Holy Day of Obligation, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Rosary will be recited prior to the Vigil Mass and Holy Day Mass at 6:20p.m. both evenings at Mary's Altar.

From the Pastor: "The Wonder of the Incarnation" by St. Gregory Nazianzen, 4th Century Archbishop of Constantinople from *The Liturgy of the Hours*

The very Son of God, older than the ages, the invisible, the incomprehensible, the incorporeal, the beginning of beginning, the light of light, the fountain of life and immortality, the image of the archetype, the immovable seal, the perfect likeness, the definition and word of the Father: he it is who comes to his own image and takes our nature for the good of our nature, and unites himself to an intelligent soul for the good of my soul, to purify like by like. He takes to himself all that is human, except for sin. He was conceived by the Virgin Mary, who had been first prepared in soul and body by the Spirit; his coming to birth had to be treated with honour, virginity had to receive new honour. He comes forth as God, in the human nature he has taken, one being, made of two contrary elements, flesh and spirit. Spirit gave divinity, flesh received it.

Holiness had to be brought to man by the humanity assumed by one who was God, so that God might overcome the tyrant by force



and so deliver us and lead us back to himself through the mediation of his Son. The Son arranged this for the honour of the Father, to whom the Son is clearly obedient in all things.

The Good Shepherd, who lays down his life for the sheep, came in search of the straying sheep to the mountains and hills on which you used to offer sacrifice. When he found it, he took it on the shoulders that bore the wood of the cross, and led it back to the life of heaven.

Christ, the light of all lights, follows John, the lamp that goes before him. The Word of God follows the voice in the wilderness; the bridegroom follows the bridegroom's friend, who prepares a worthy people for the Lord by cleansing them by water in preparation for the Spirit.

We needed God to take our flesh and die that we might live. We have died with him, that we may be purified. We have risen again with him, because we have died with him. We have been glorified with him, because we have risen again with him.

An Ecumenical Inter-Religious Candlelight Service will be held in memory of those who have died as a result of suicide. The service is being held on Sun. Dec. 4th at 6:00p.m. here at the Basilica. All are welcome. Light refreshment will be served following the service. For more information, please contact Sue Poist, 717-624-2055 or contact by email: smpoist@hotmail.com

We thank Murphy Funeral Home for providing us with the 2017 Calendars this year. They are available in the vestibule of the Church at the pamphlet racks, 1 per family please.

When lighting a candle, PLEASE, do not move the candles from their holders. Wax is being spilled on the carpet and God forbid should a fire start in the Church. We have candles available as a kindness for people, not as a necessity. They can easily be removed from the Church altogether and we don't want to resort to this final decision.

You can do your Christmas shopping at the Parish Office this year. We have Jackie Klunk's wonderful cd "Faith, Hope & Love" for \$20.00, we have Fr. McNeil's dvd history of the Church for \$10.00, Sacred Heart men's and women's Rosary's for \$25.00 each and just a few Ornaments left for \$20.00. Call the Office at 637-2721.

The deadline to have your cookie order in the Parish Office is

this Sun. The order will be called in Mon. (Dec. 5th) morning. **You can pick up your Cookie Trays next weekend Dec. 10th & 11th in the Parish Hall after all of the Masses.** If you have any questions contact the Parish Office at 637-2721.

The Delone Catholic Interact Club will be collecting Toys for Tots from Nov. 29th until Dec. 16th. Please bring donations to the Main Office at Delone or give them to any Interact student.

Area Advent Penance Services

Sun. Dec. 4th at 2:00p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Church, Hanover.

Sat. Dec. 10th at 10:00a.m. here at the Basilica.

Mon. Dec. 12th at 7:00p.m. Immaculate Conception, New Oxford.

Sat. Dec. 17th at 10:30a.m. St. Joseph the Worker, Bonneauville.

Sun. Dec. 18th at 6:00p.m. St. Francis Xavier Church, 25 W. High St. Gettysburg.

Mon. Dec. 19th at 7:00p.m. St. Aloysius, Littlestown.

Tues. Dec. 20th at 7:00p.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary, Abbottstown.

Wed. Dec. 21st at 7:00p.m. St. Joseph Church, Grandview Rd. Hanover.

A morning mini Retreat entitled "At the Center of our Longing" will be held Sat. Dec. 10th beginning at 8:00a.m. with Mass at St. Francis Xavier Church, 455 Table Rock Rd. Gettysburg. Sister Thelma Steiger HSF, Ph.D. and Sister JoAnn Knight, HSF. MSN. will be the presenters. Please call 717-334-3919 to register or email jclauritsen@comcast.net There is no charge for the retreat but a free-will offering will gladly be accepted.

Due to the Holy Day of Obligation next week, Church cleaning will be Thurs. Dec. 15th at 9:00a.m.

Direction for Our Times: come join our Parishioner Wendy McCall in Our Lady's Chapel on Sat. Dec. 17th at 10:00a.m. to pray the rosary and read the monthly locution message from Jesus, as given to Anne, a lay Apostle. For more information, call Wendy at 717-969-2452. And check out the website: www.directionforourtimes.org. All are welcome.



It's time to order Poinsettia's in honor or in memory of a loved one. The price is \$11.00 each and the deadline to order is Sun. Dec. 18th. You can drop your order in the collection basket or for more info contact the Parish Office at 637-2721.

Sacred Heart School News

Make your Christmas shopping easier by supporting SHS's "Helping Hearts Gift Card Program"! In the church vestibule before all Masses, volunteers are selling gift cards to many local stores and restaurants. Proceeds from your purchase benefit both Sacred Heart School and our important tuition-assistance program.