

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord



Mass Intentions

Sat. Christmas Eve 5:30p.m. Barbara A. Lawrence
7:30p.m. Tom & Beth McKim
Midnight Mass Barbara Neiderer
Sun. 9:00a.m. People of the Parish
 Mon. 8:00a.m. Earl "Wayne" Gamble
 Tues. 8:00a.m. Albert & Mary Jane Noel & family
 Wed. 8:00a.m. Mary Sand
 Thurs. 8:00a.m. Ed Kuhn
 Fri. 8:00a.m. Brian Riser

Sat. New Year's Eve 5:30p.m. Carroll & Rita Little & Barb Noel
Sun. New Year's Day 7:30a.m. Dennis Neiderer
10:00a.m. People of the Parish

Offertory Procession

Sat. Dec. 31st 5:30p.m. M/M Eric Staub family
 Sun. Jan. 1st 7:30a.m. M/M Don Smith
 10:00a.m. M/M Doug Stonesifer family

Thanks to all who donated non-perishable food items at our Thanksgiving Food Drive. We collected \$155.00 in cash too!

From the Pastor: From a Sermon of Pope St. Leo the Great excerpted from the *Liturgy of the Hours* Dearly beloved, today our Saviour is born; let us rejoice. Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness. Through the sacrament of baptism you have become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Do not drive away so great a guest by evil conduct and become again a slave to the devil, for your liberty was bought by the blood of Christ.

Father Howard, Parish and School Staff as well as our Sisters of St. Joseph wish everyone Christmas blessings and a happy and healthy New Year!

The Poinsettia's have been designated in memory or in honor of the following: Keith A. Adams, M/M Robert H. Adams, Vincent & Helen Arigo, Rev. Paul Aumen, C.PP.S., M/M Richard D. Baker, Sarah L. Baker, James A. Baumgardner-2, Lisa Becker, Sister Adelaide Bennett, SSJ, Benson/Carbaugh/Wildasin fam. Berwager/Neiderer fam., Sean Bollinger, dec. mem. of Bowersox/Smithmyer fam., Lester & Rose Bowman, Earl I. Brady, Jr., M/M Earl T. Brady, Richard Brady, liv. & dec. mem. of Carbaugh/Sneeringer fam., William Burk, Conway & Daniel Dettinburn, Thomas F. & Pauline M. Catherine "Jim" Devine, Vivian, Gerald & Lewis Eline, Dennis, Pauline, Dennis, Philip & Nate Epley, Raymond & Amos Feeser, M/M Francis Felix, Clarence J. & Elizabeth Gallagher, Earl "Wayne" Gamble, John & Mary Gebhart, Mary Giraffa, Pete Giraffa, Fred & Betty Glass, Frederick Golden, M/M Charles R. Greenholt-2, Mark Grim, Liv. & dec. mem. of M/M Joseph P. Groft fam., Liv. & dec. relatives & friends of Larry & Janet Groft, Charlotte Hagerman, M/M Lemuel Hansford, Jack & Robert Hartlaub, M/M Cornelius Hemler, Msgr. Rodney Hemler, Adam Herr-2, Diane E. Heusner, Fr. Joseph Howard, living & deceased members of Horwedel/Pohlman fam., Houser/Hawbaker fam., Fran & "Ben" Johnson, Burnel & Jane Kaehler, Rev. Kevin Kayda, Charles & Marie Keller fam., John & Rebecca Kelly, M/M Henry E. Kiser, liv. & dec. mem. of Klunk/Sneeringer fam., M/M Bernard Klunk, Tom & Pat-2, Leon & Anna Klunk, William & Rita Klunk fam., Gerald A. Kopp, Edward W. Kuhn, Larkin family, Laughman/Lawrence fam, Burnell J. Lawrence, M/M Carroll Lawrence & "Dubby", Dick Lawrence, Earl & Ethel Lawrence, Mary E. Lawrence, Dec. mem. of M/M Dennis Leonard fam., M/M Carroll Little, Donna Livelsberger, M/M John L. Livelsberger, Donald & "Sis" McKim, Tom & Beth McKim, Amy Miller, Clarence "Shorty" Miller, III, Joan Miller, M/M Joseph H. Miller, liv. & dec. mem. of Murren/Timmins fam., Bernard P. & Mary A. Murren & Ben & Fred, Claude Murren, M/M James Murren, John, Lillian & "Butch" Murren, Eileen Myers, Barbara Neiderer, Dennis R. Neiderer-3, George W. Neiderer-2, Joseph & Terri Neiderer, Norbert & Arline Neiderer, Richard Neiderer, Dec. mem. of Wm. F. Nicholson, Sr. fam., Barbara Noel, M/M Curtis Noel, Cyril T. Noel, M/M Francis Noel, Sr., Jack & Mollie Noel fam., Joseph Pevarnik, Dr. Vincent Pisula, Kristopher Poist, M/M Robert J. Poist, George, Joan & Brian Riser, John W. & Catherine Riser, M/M S. Francis Riser, Shawn M. Rockey, Msgr. George W. Rost, Owen J. Saunders, Jim Seymore, Russ & Scott Shriver, Karl & Barbara Sietz & fam., Richard M. Sietz, James Small, Sr., Smith/Topper fam., Andrew M. Smith, Sr., Charles & Helena Smith, Liv. & dec. mem. Clair G. Smith fam., Donald B. Smith, Sr., Elmer V. Smith, Frederick J. Smith, M/M George A. Smith, Henry W. & Helena G. Smith, Kathy J. Smith, Larry J. Smith, Liv. & dec. mem. of Mark Smith, Sr. fam., Richard J. Smith, Robert J. Smith, Rev. Thomas N. Smith SJ, M/M William H. Smith, Sr., Carroll, Katherine & Alice Sneeringer, M/M E. Richard Sneeringer, Jerry & Pat Sneeringer, William J. Sneeringer, dec. mem. of Staub/Noel fam., M/M Austin Staub, Evie, Ranny & Patrick Staub, John L. Staub, Jr., M/M Joseph Staub, Nancy Staub, Vincent P. Staub, Tom & Anna Mae Storm, Clyde & Rita Swartz, Edward J. Timmins-2, Marie A. Timmins, Raymond & Helen Timmins-2, Richard & "Benny" Timmins, Donald Todt, M/M Frank Todt, M/M Raymond E. Todt-2, Loretta B. Topper, M/M Nicholas P. Wagner, Louis V. & Helen R. Weaver, Robert Weaver, Dean Welty, M/M Raymond T. Wolf, liv. & dec. mem. Yealy/Todt fam., Glenn & Mary Zeigler, Thelma Zeigler, Richard Zimmer, Aunt Franny Zinn, Grandparents of Alan & Joyce Zinneman.

Please remember in your prayers 2 of our Parishioners who recently went home to be with the Lord. Dr. Vincent Pisula and James M. Groft. Pray for their family too dealing with their loss.

For the month of January we will be collecting pennies for the "Pennies for Life" program. Participants are asked to donate one penny for each year of their lives in thanksgiving to God for the life He has given them. (Folding money is also accepted). All proceeds benefit our local Tender Care Pregnancy Consultation Services. Tender Care is a Pro-Life, Christ-centered ministry designed to encourage and assist women to carry their pregnancy to term. They are located at 300 John St. in Hanover.

The Parish Office is closed from Dec. 26th to Mon. Jan. 2nd at 9:00a.m.

Sacred Heart Day at Hoss's Restaurant will be held Tues. Dec. 27th. Cards are at the doors of the Church.

Bishop Gainer will be celebrating Mass for Homeschooling Families in Room 103 of the Diocesan Center Fri. Jan. 6th at 6:30p.m. A reception with light refreshments will be held following Mass. RSVP to Jim Gontis by Jan. 3rd jgontis@hbgdiocese.org or call him 717-657-4804 ext. 227.

Be the first Kindergarten class at the new St. Teresa of Calcutta School. There will be an Open House here at the Conewago Campus Sun. Jan. 8th from 9:00a.m. – 12:00p.m. For more information call 632-8715 or 637-3135.

The Children's Rosary Group will gather at the Adoration Chapel in McSherrystown on Sun. Jan. 8th at 3:00p.m. Rosaries and prayer books will be provided. For more information contact Vicky Bunty at 632-3245.