Sun. Jan 8, 2017

The flowers on the Mary's Altar have been designated by JoAnn Leonard in loving memory of her Aunt Franny Zinn.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:30p.m. Charlie Klunk & deceased children

Mike & Judy

Sun. 7:30a.m. Thelma Zeigler 10:00a.m. The People of the Parish

Mon. 8:00a.m. Bernard Smithmyer, Jr.

Tues. 8:00a.m. Michael Fox Wed. 8:00a.m. Joclyn Johnson Thurs. 8:00a.m. Mary E. Lawrence

Fri. 8:00a.m. Richard P. & Jason Jacoby

Sat. 5:30p.m. Margaret H. Smith Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish

10:00a.m. Bartolo Liberatore

Offertory Procession

Sat. Jan. 14th 5:30p.m. éMr. & Mrs. Len Buckley Sun. Jan. 15th 7:30a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Bob Benson

10:00a.m. Mr. & Mrs. George Zimmerman & Missy

The Children's Rosary Group will gather at the Adoration Chapel in McSherrystown Sun. Jan. 8th at 3:00p.m. Rosaries and prayer books will be provided. Children and adults are welcome.

From the Pastor: I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Diocesan Lenten Appeal. As of January 3, actual collections have exceeded our parish goal by over \$1,900. This amount will be returned to the parish for our use.

This week we celebrated two American Saints Elizabeth Ann Seton and John Neumann and one Canadian Saint André Bessette. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was the foundress of a religious order. Her sisters taught the Conewago Chapel School from its opening in 1834 until 1841. St. John Neumann was the Bishop of Philadelphia (which at the time included Conewago) and is remembered for the establishing the first diocesan school system and for introducing the Forty Hours Devotion to the diocese. Many miracles are attributable to his intercession.

St. André was a simple man who wished to live as a religious brother. He served as the doorkeeper for Notre Dame College in Montreal for 40 years He was devoted to St. Joseph and spent many hours on his knees asking St. Joseph to intercede for the sick who would visit. A pile of canes, crutches and braces grew as they were left behind by those who were cured.

On September 2, 1991, *The Baltimore Sun* printed the obituary of a local physician Dr. Eliot Johnson. He was born on a farm in North Carolina and graduated from college and medical school in 1927

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and began his residency at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore. He retired from practice in 1979. He was a member of the Episcopal Church.

His obituary stated: His most celebrated patient was a child who recovered from leukemia in 1952, in a cure attributed by the Roman Catholic Church to the intercession of Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton, who achieved sainthood in the church because of that and two other miracles.

The 4-year-old girl, Anne O'Neill, was suffering from acute lymphatic leukemia and was not responding to treatment. Dr. Johnson sent her to a colleague at University Hospital for treatment with experimental drugs, but she did not respond.

She was eventually readmitted to St. Agnes, which is administered by the Daughters of Charity, an order of nuns founded by Mother Seton. A nun on the staff organized a novena -- nine consecutive days of prayer -- to Mother Seton. By the end of the novena, the girl was out of bed and walking, apparently cured. In 1961, the Catholic Church convened a tribunal in Baltimore to study the cure and declared it a miracle. Mother Seton was canonized in 1975....
"It's no question in my mind, it was a miracle," Dr. Johnson told the Catholic Review in an interview four years ago. "At the time she was cured, I thanked God the child got well, and whoever deserves the credit can have it."

They are three saints who have found favor with God as evidenced by the miracle attributable to their intercession. They were very different from each other but shared a desire to serve God to the best of their ability in this life and in Heaven they intercede for those who seek their assistance.

There is a container in the back of Church for your pennies! For the month of January we will be participating in the "Pennies for Life" program. You are asked to donate one penny for each year of your life, or more.

Each summer, the University of Notre Dame invites high school students from across the country to spend a week on Notre Dame's campus. Participants spend Monday through Friday exploring how God calls us in our lives and how we might respond. During your week at Notre Dame, you will share in dynamic large

group experiences, interactive small group time, profound liturgies, and excellent music. Notre Dame, Saint Mary's, and Holy Cross students lead this program, and participants get to experience student life by eating in the dining halls, staying in the dorms, and enjoying the beautiful campus. For more information, please contact Katie Franz at kfranz01@saintmarys.edu

Help is needed to clean the Church Thurs. Jan. 12th at 9:00a.m. Please bring a rag and bucket.

All Girl Scouts and American Heritage Girls are welcome to a St. Agnes Patch Workshop Sat. Jan. 21st from 2:00 – 4:30p.m. at Good Shepherd Church, 3435 Trindle Rd. Camp Hill. The cost is \$7.00 and donations of kids, socks, hats, gloves and mittens will be accepted for the service project. For more information contact the Diocesan Office for Youth and Young Adults at 717-657-4804.

The Delone Catholic Class of 2020 will host a dance in the lobby of the Lawrence B. (Sonny) Sheppard Gym for area 8th grade students, Sat. Jan. 21st. The dance will be from 7 – 9:00p.m. and the cost is \$5.00 Snow date will be Apr. 8th.

A fundraiser will be held for our Parishioner Austin "Jr." Staub who is currently fighting cancer. An "AYCE Wing Night" with a DJ will be held Sat. Feb. 11th at Irishtown Fire Company. Doors open at 4:00p.m. and wings will be served from 5:00 – 8:00p.m. and the DJ will be there until 11:00p.m. You must be 21 or older to attend. Tickets will NOT be sold at the doors, advance tickets are \$20.00 and can be obtained by calling Missy or Frank Felix at 632-1521.

St. Aloysius Coach, Cash & More Bingo – Featuring Coach, Kate Spade, Michael Kors and more – will be held Sun. Feb. 19th (snow date Feb. 26th) at St. Aloysius Parish Hall, 29 S. Queen St., Littlestown. Doors open at 11:30 a.m., Bingo starts at 1:30p.m. Tickets \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Must have an admission ticket to enter and play. Door prizes, raffles and food available for purchase. For tickets call the parish office at 717-359-4513.

The Notre Dame Club of Gettysburg and Delone Catholic Athletic Assoc. will hold a Cash Bingo in Delone's cafeteria Sat. Feb. 25th. Doors open at 4:00p.m. Tickets cost \$15.00 which includes a roast turkey platter and 20 games of regular Bingo paying \$50.00 per game. For more information and tickets contact Patty Smith at 717-451-7618.

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Save the date: a Family Bingo will be held Fri. Feb. 17th in the Parish Hall.