



# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## LENEN GUIDELINES

**Fasting and Abstinence:** Catholics ages 14 and older abstain from meat Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Friday's in Lent. In addition, Catholics from age 18 – 59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and 2 smaller meals each day.

**Prayer:** Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Lee and Jean Noel in memory of their mothers' birthdays Rita Little and Joyce Noel.

## Mass Intentions

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| Sat.  | 5:30p.m.  | Richard J. Smith                                 |
| Sun.  | 7:30a.m.  | The People of the Parish                         |
|       | 10:00a.m. | Russ and Scott Shriver                           |
| Mon.  | 8:00a.m.  | Nelson Bowersox                                  |
| Tues. | 8:00a.m.  | Deceased members of Wm. F. Nicholson, Sr. family |

**Ash Wednesday 8:30a.m.** Jeanie Murren

**7:00p.m.** Keith A. Adams

Thurs. 8:00a.m. Bobbie R. Miller

**Fri. 7:00p.m.** Roy and Madeleine Staub family

Sat. 5:30p.m. Sean Bollinger

Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish

10:00a.m. Craig Obert

## Offertory Procession

Sat. Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Eric Staub family

Sun. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> 7:30a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Jim Hawbaker

10:00a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Troy Strausbaugh family

**There is a second collection this weekend, Poor Missions.**

This weekend we welcome the newest member in to our Parish family through the Sacrament of



Cajus Christopher Gardner,  
son of Dillon and Molly (Seymore) Gardner.  
Congratulations to the new family!

**From the Pastor:** The day before Ash Wednesday is known by many names. In recent years, Mardi Gras has become popular nationwide while other names such as Fasnacht or Shrove Tuesday have been maintained in various localities. Mardi Gras in New Orleans has become a secular party and seems to have lost its religious connotation. Fasnacht is known for donuts and Shrove Tuesday is known for pancakes. What these days have in common is the use of lard and dairy products that were not allowed during

the Lenten Season. The meals focused on these so that supplies would be consumed rather than go to waste.

From a letter of St. Clement, Pope regarding repentance excerpted from the *Liturgy of the Hours* for Ash Wednesday:

Let us fix our attention on the blood of Christ and recognize how precious it is to God his Father, since it was shed for our salvation and brought the grace of repentance to all the world.

If we review the various ages of history, we will see that in every generation the Lord has *offered the opportunity of repentance* to any who were willing to turn to him. When Noah preached God's message of repentance, all who listened to him were saved. Jonah told the Ninevites they were going to be destroyed, but when they repented, their prayers gained God's forgiveness for their sins, and they were saved, even though they were not of God's people.

...As I live, says the Lord, *I do not wish the death of the sinner but his repentance.* He added this evidence of his goodness: *House of Israel, repent of your wickedness. Tell the sons of my people: If their sins should reach from earth to heaven, if they are brighter than scarlet and blacker than sackcloth, you need only turn to me with your whole heart and say, "Father," and I will listen to you as a holy people.*

### The Lenten weekday Mass schedule:

Mon. and Fri. evenings at 7:00p.m.

Tues. and Thurs. mornings at 8:00a.m.

Wed. morning, 8:30a.m.

Stations of the Cross will be held Wed. evenings at 7:00p.m.

If you need a donation statement for tax purposes please call the Parish Office at 717-637-2721.

**The Immaculate Conception Thrift Shop, 5 Carlisle St. New Oxford, is having a great clothing sale, buy two and get one free.** The third item must equal in value. Questions call 717-624-1272.

Students in grades 4 – 12 are welcome to join St. Joseph's Living Stations program. There are speaking and non-speaking parts.

**Rehearsals are held Sunday's from 2 – 4:30p.m. at 5055**

**Grandview Rd. Hanover.** For more information call or email Tricia Soriano 253-244-9066 [tricia.soriano@yahoo.com](mailto:tricia.soriano@yahoo.com)

R/C Theatres will be bringing a movie entitled "Samson" to

the Gateway and Hanover locations starting on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, with early shows available on the evening of Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>.

All are welcome to join our Parishioner Wendy McCall in Our Lady's Chapel on Sat. Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am to pray the rosary and read the monthly message from Jesus, as given to Anne, a lay Apostle. For more information, call Wendy at 717-476-6435. Check out the website: [www.directionforourtimes.org](http://www.directionforourtimes.org).

The Hbg. Diocesan Guild of the Catholic Medical Association and the St. Thomas More Society of Central Pennsylvania invites all physicians, health care workers, medical students, and members of the legal profession to the **Annual Lenten Reflection on Sat. Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:30a.m.–12:00p.m. at the Diocesan Center 4800 Union Deposit Rd. Hbg.**

**Immaculate Conception B.V.M. Catholic Church of New Oxford will hold their monthly "All-You-Can-Eat" Turkey Dinner on Sun. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall, located behind the Church, from 11:00a.m. until 2:00p.m.** Ticket prices are: \$9.00 for adults \$4.00 for children (6-12) Under age 6 – free.

**The 2018 Diocese of Hbg. Men's Conference entitled "Men of Mary, Mercy and the Eucharist" will be held Sat. Mar. 10<sup>th</sup> at Bishop McDevitt High School.** Pamphlets with registration forms are in the vestibule of the Church in the pamphlet racks.

**Emmanuel UCC presents "Pianos in Paradise" on Sun. Mar. 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00p.m. 124 Broadway Hanover.** Music of Claude Bolling and Ferrante and Teicher will be played by Don Horneff and David Kreider. All are welcome.

## St. Teresa of Calcutta School News

Registrations for the 2018-19 school year are now being accepted for grades K – 3 at the Conewago Campus 717-632-8715 and grades 4 – 8 at the McSherrystown Campus 717-637-3135.

### A PRAYER FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Grant to your faithful, Lord, a spirit generous enough to begin these solemn fasts with proper fervor and to pursue them with steadfast devotion. This we ask of you through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.