The flowers on the main Altar have been designated by Jim and Tina Jacoby in memory of “Doc” and Jason Jacoby. The flowers on Mary’s Altar have been designated by Adam and Bridget Wurtz in memory of Peggy Wurtz. The flowers on St. Joseph’s Altar have been designated by Scott and Joan Whiteford in memory of Donald Todt’s birthday.

Mass Intentions

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.

This weekend we welcome the newest member into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: Vada Jane Klink, daughter of Joshua and Courtney (Sheely) Klink. Congratulations to the new family!

From the Pastor: St Augustine writing on the Gospel of St. John excerpted from The Liturgy of the Hours: The Lord tells us: I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. In these few words he gives a command and makes a promise. Let us do what he commands so that we may not blush to covet what he promises and to hear him say on the day of judgement: “I laid down certain conditions for obtaining my promises. Have you fulfilled them? If you say: “What did you command, Lord our God?” he will tell you: “I commanded you to follow me. If you love me, follow me.” If the Lord your God said to you: “I am the truth and the life,” in your desire for truth, in your love for life, you would certainly ask him to show you the way to reach them. You would say to yourself: “Truth is a great reality, life is a great reality; if only it were possible for my soul to find them!”

**Lenten Penance Services**

St. Vincent de Paul Hanover, Sun. Mar. 11th at 11:30a.m.
St. Joseph the Worker Bonneauville, Mon. Mar. 12th at 7:00p.m.
Annunciation BVM Gettysburg, Tues. Mar. 13th at 7:00p.m.
St. Francis Xavier Gettysburg Church, Thurs. Mar. 22nd at 7:00p.m.
Sacred Heart basilica Sun. Mar. 24th at 10:00a.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Abbottstown, Tues. Mar. 27th at 7:00p.m.
St. Joseph Grandview Rd. Hanover, Wed Mar. 28th at 7:00p.m.

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

The Sacred Heart Club will meet Mon. Mar. 12th at 6:00p.m. in the Parish Hall. Wear your green and “Quarter Mania” will be played. New members are always welcome!

St. Vincent Thrift Shop is having “Dollar Days Sale” on clothing and shoes beginning Mon. Mar. 12th – 16th. On Sat. Mar. 17th will be a 25th anniversary of the Thrift Shop “Free Bag Sale”. One free bag of shoes and clothing per person. The Shop is open Mon. – Sat. 10:00a.m. – 2:00p.m.

In anticipation of the Easter season, PLEASE remove the Christmas decorations from our Cemetery by Mar. 12th.

Annunciation BVM Cemetery Committee has requested clearing off the gravesites of Christmas and winter themed decorations by Mar. 15th. Otherwise they will be discarded.

Direction for Our Times: All are welcome to join our Parishioner Wendy McCall in Our Lady’s Chapel on Sat. Mar. 17th 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.directfonforourtimes.org.

It’s time to order Easter Lilies for the Altar. The cost is $10.50 and the deadline to order is Sun. Mar. 18th. You can place your order by calling the Parish Office at 717-637-2721 or put it in an envelope and drop it into the collection basket.

Immaculate Conception BVM Church New Oxford, will hold their monthly “All You Can Eat” Turkey Dinner Sun. Mar. 18th from 11:00a.m. – 2:00p.m in their Parish Hall behind the Church. Tickets are $9.00 for adults $4.00 children 6-12, under 6 – free. For more information call the Parish Office at 717-624-4121.

Mass will be celebrated in the Extraordinary Form on Sun. Mar. 18th (Passion Sunday) at 7:00p.m. here in the Basilica. All are welcome!

If the Lord has put a call in your heart to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office at 717-637-2721 by Mar. 19th. There will be a training at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Grandview Rd. Hanover on Tues. Mar. 27th at 6:30p.m.

The Notre Dame Club of Gettysburg and Delone Catholic Athletic Assoc. will host a Big Bingo in the Delone Cafeteria, Sat. Mar. 24th. Tickets are $15.00 and includes a roast turkey dinner and 9 paper cards for 20 games, door prizes and more. For tickets call Linda Masenheimer at 717-637-0412.

Were you married in 1968? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception for you and your family, Sun. July 8th at 2:00p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Gainer will be the Celebrant. Please contact the Parish Office by Apr. 9th at 717-637-2721.

Do you want to deepen your prayer life? Do you want to grow in your relationship to God? A “Life in the Spirit Seminar” will be held starting April 9th from 6:30 – 8:30p.m. downstairs in the Social Hall of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 6084 West Canal Road, Abbottstown. The Seminar will last for 6 weeks. For more information contact Janet at 717-259-7798.

The Advent Club of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Abbottstown is planning a trip to the National Geographic Museum in Washington, DC on Thurs. Apr. 5th. Journey back in time to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher and visit the tomb of Christ. You will also visit the Franciscan Monastery for a Holy Land Exhibit. Cost of the trip is $76 which includes both the Museum, the Monastery and dinner. Lunch and driver trip is not included. Call Janet McIntyre 717-633-9384 for more information and to reserve a seat on the bus. Deadline is March 26th.

St. Teresa of Calcutta School News:
School Stations of the Cross will be held the next 2 Fridays Mar. 16th and 23rd at 2:00p.m. in the Basilica.