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Sun. Mar. 24th

Sun. Mar. 17, 2019

The flowers on both side altars have been designated by Donald Hockensmith in memory of Debbie Hockensmith.

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Sat. Sun. 7:30a.m. 10:00a.m.

Mon. 7:00p.m.

Tues. 8:00a.m.

Wed. 8:30a.m.

Thurs. 8:00a.m. Friday 7:00p.m. Allen F. Murphy

> 7:30a.m. 10:00a.m. George & Nadine Neiderer &

deceased sons Denny, Rick & Jim



The People of the Parish for us.

Offertory Procession Sat. Mar. 23rd

5:30p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Schaefer 7:30a.m. Marsha, Karen and JoAnn 10:00a.m. Mike and Deb Robinson

The Diocesan Annual Campaign continues weekend. The theme is "Faith Forward" as our faith is central to who we are. Please be generous, any funds collected over and above our goal of \$63,900 will be returned to our Parish.

During Lent, Mass will be celebrated in the Extraordinary Form on Sunday's at 6:00p.m.

Pastors Column: The story of Michelle Milano adapted from *St.* John Neumann Wonder Worker of Philadelphia. Continued... Michelle looked at her mother with tears in her eyes and struggled to call her. "Mommy", she cried. As she did so she attempted to reach her arms out to her mother, but only her right arm extended. Her left arm fell limp at her side.

The car that was on the sidewalk had veered out of control and jumped the curb. By the time it came to a stop, the front fender had crashed through a wooden fence which ran alongside the neighbor's home on York Street. Michelle had been caught between the fender and the fence. On impact the fence broke, and the jagged wood of the fence severed Michelle's arm.

When Michelle's older sister went to pick her up, Michelle's severed arm started top slip through the sleeve of her light-weight jacked. When Marie saw this she too became hysterical. Her husband had to pull her back so that she would not touch Michelle, and perhaps further damage her arm. Helplessness and extreme frustration strained everyone's emotions as they waited those few moments, which seemed like decades, for the ambulance to arrive.

Michelle was rushed to the emergency room of St. Mary's Hospital. The doctors assessed her injuries: she had sustained a fractured skull, and her left arm was completely severed, except for a small strip of skin. Dr. Blaker, the orthopedic surgeon on call at the time initiated emergency surgery on Michelle's arm immediately. When Michelle emerged from six hours of intensive surgery, her arm and shoulder were completely encased in a plaster cast, save the tips of her fingers. Dr. Blaker explained to Marie after the procedure that he expected to amputate her daughter's arm in three or four days. The bones, nerves, muscles, arteries – everything – had been irreparably damaged.

Marie spent those four days in the hospital with her daughter. Every day she blessed Michelle's arm and head with the first class relic of St. John Neumann her daughter had received three years before from the priests at St. Peter's on the occasion of John Neumann's beatification. To be continued...

Our Lenten daily Mass schedule

Monday's and Friday's Mass will be at 7:00p.m. Tuesday's and Thursday's Mass will be at 8:00a.m. Wednesday Mass is at 8:30a.m. Stations of the Cross are Wed. evenings at 7:00p.m.

Please note: Mon. Mar. 25th Mass will be at 8:00a.m.

Delone Catholic High School will present Disney's Beauty and the Beast on Sat. Mar. 16th at 7p.m. and Sun. Mar. 17th at 2p.m. Admission payable at the door - \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Delone students and staff admitted free with ID.

Next weekend, Mar. 23rd and 24th the Girl Scouts will be in the vestibule of the Church and in the School Lobby selling cookies.

The District Council of Catholic Women invite you to a Lenten Retreat, "Glimmers of Grace: Choosing Everyday to Wake up and Live in Trust." It will be held Sat. Mar. 23rd at St. Joseph Church Social Hall, 5125 Grandview Rd. Hanover. Registration begins at 12:00p.m. and the Retreat will end around 3:30p.m. It will be presented by Franciscan Sisters' Eileen Quinn and Mary Therese White. No need for pre-registration.

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers will present a 2-hour Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience at St. Vincent de Paul Church Sun. Mar. 24th at 2:00p.m. Come and encounter the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through His Immaculate Mother. A Plenary Indulgence is granted to all the faithful, under the usual conditions, who attend this Experience. For more information call St. Vincent's Parish Office at 717-637-4625.

Second Sunday of Lent All are welcome to attend a Healing Mass here at the Basilica Sat. Mar. 30th at 11:00a.m. There will be a reception in the Parish Hall immediately following the Mass with light refreshments.

> **Delone Catholic Athletic Association and the Notre Dame Club** of Gettysburg are hosting BIG BINGO on Sat. March 30th. Tickets are \$15 per person and include a roast turkey dinner platter. Dinner is served from 5-6:15p.m. and Bingo begins at 6:30p.m. Bingo games pay \$50 per regular game. For tickets, please contact Linda Masenheimer at 717-637-0412.

It's time to remove all Christmas decorations from the graves in our Cemetery. Deadline to do so is Sun. Mar. 31st.

Immaculate Conception, New Oxford will host a Bingo in the Church school hall Sun. Mar. 31st. Doors open at 12:00Noon, Bingo starts at 1:30p.m. Tickets are \$17 in advance, \$20 at the door. Call 717-479-0122 to reserve your tickets.

Life in the Spirit Seminar. Let the healing power of the Holy Spirit penetrate more deeply into yourself. Seek growth in your union with God. Join us Monday's starting Apr. 22nd from 6:30 - 8:30 PM downstairs in the Social Hall of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 6084 West Canal Road, Abbottstown. This Life in the Spirit Seminar will last for 6 weeks. For information phone or text Janet at 717-259-7798 or email at nocfp@yahoo.com

The Diocese has put out a call for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. You must be at least 18 years of age, and a regular practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church. We certainly can use new Ministers here! If you are interested please contact Fr. Howard at the Parish Office 717-637-2721.

There will be a training for new people as well as those who need to renew their mandates (every 3 years) at Sacred Heart Parish Center, Sprenkel Ave. Spring Grove, on Tues. Apr. 23rd beginning at 6:30p.m. Pre-registration is needed at least 2 weeks in advance of the training. Contact our Parish Office at 717-637-2721.

We will be putting together a new Parish Pictorial Directory this **June.** Keith Rider is coordinating this project. **Volunteers are** needed to schedule appointments after weekend Masses from Apr.13th through May 12th and to help with photo sessions June 14th – 26th. A training session will be held for volunteers Mon. Apr. 8th at 4:00p.m. Keith Rider may be contacted for more information at 717-824-8606 or email him at; krider65@comcast.net

Lenten Penance Services

Immaculate Conception New Oxford, Tues. Mar. 26th at 7:00p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Hanover, Sun. Mar. 31st 2:00p.m. St. Aloysius Littlestown, Sat. Apr. 6th at 11:00a.m.