The flowers on both side altars have been designated from the family of Karen & Rob Little in memory of Curtis Hardnack, “with love from your family”.

Mass Intentions

Lent Begins Ash Wednesday

Sat. 5:30p.m. Brian McCall
Sun. 7:30a.m The People of the Parish
10:00a.m Sister Eileen Kean, SSJ
Mon. 8:00a.m. Jean M. Smith
Tues. 8:00a.m. Anthony Bradley
Ash Wednesday 8:30a.m. Ron Routsong
7:00 p.m. Janet Groft
Thurs. 5:00a.m. Louise Kuhn
Fri. 7:00p.m. Dorothy Pisula
Sat. 5:30p.m. Adrianna Pardo
Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish
10:00a.m. Leona McIntyre

Offertory Procession

Ash Wed. Feb. 26th 7:00p.m. The Irvin Family
Sat. Feb. 29th 5:30p.m. Ben & Kathy Montgomery
Sun. Mar. 1st 7:30a.m. Jim & Julie Hawbaker
10:00a.m. Tony & Kim Staub & family

Please pray for our Parishioner Mary Ann Lindsey who passed away this week, pray for her family too as they deal with their loss.

Pastor's Column: Pope Clement I (d. 99):
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.

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 two 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 Penance in preparation for the celebration of Christ’s Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Starting Mon. Mar. 2nd, St. Vincent de Paul Church, 220 Third St. Hanover will be taking orders for Butter Braids® Pastry Products. Choices include the filled breads as well as cake rolls. You may place your order at the Parish Office, payment is due when order is placed. Orders will be accepted until Sat. Mar. 28th at the Indoor Yard Sale at Msgr. Gotwalt Auditorium. Pick-up will be on Sat. Apr. 4th at Msgr. Gotwalt Auditorium between 12 – 3p.m. You will have them for your Easter Celebration!! This fundraiser is to erect a crucifix in St. Vincent’s Parish Cemetery. For more info.

The Children’s Rosary Group will gather on Sun. Mar. 15th at 3:00p.m. at the Adoration Chapel , 9 N. Third St.

McSherrystown. Prayer books and rosaries will be provided. For more information contact Vicky Bunty at 717-632-3245. Adults are welcome too!

Children in grades 2 through 8 are invited to sing in the Junior Choir for the 10:00a.m. Mass on Sun. Mar. 22nd as well as the 10:00a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday, Apr. 12th. Rehearsals are held in the Church on Sunday morning’s beginning on Mar. 1st. For more information you may call Jody Richter at 717-524-8684 or email: songbird62@embarqmail.com

A bus trip to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC is on Wed. Apr. 1st. Bus will be at St. Aloysius Littlestown. Attend Mass at one of the Chapels, guided tour of the Basilica, lunch in the cafeteria, guided bus tour of DC memorials and monuments, dinner at Mt. Gate. Cost $76.00 per person all inclusive. Contact Jim Long or text 717-965-6780 or jimlong52@embarqmail.com for details and reservations.

Sacred Heart Day at Hoss’s Restaurant is Feb. 25th. Coupons are at the doors of the Church or clip the coupon below.

The universe Himself spoke of repentance with an oath: 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.

In other words, God wanted all His beloved ones to have the opportunity to repent and He confirmed this desire by His own almighty will. That is why we should obey His sovereign and glorious will and prayerfully entreat His mercy and kindness. We should be suppliant before Him and turn to his compassion, rejecting empty works and quarrelling and jealousy which only lead to death.

At the doors of the Church this weekend are Little Black Books for Lent which have daily prayers and reflections, a pamphlet explaining Lent and good Lenten practices, Hoss’s Coupons as well a letter from the Bishop explaining Lectionary changes for 2020.

Mass will be celebrated in the Extraordinary Form (also known as the Traditional Latin Mass) beginning this Sunday and will continue on the Sundays of Lent at 12:30p.m. This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation and Holy Communion may be received for a second time that day. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

Anyone needing a year end donation statement for tax purposes please contact the Parish Office 717-637-2721

The Adams Deanery Perpetual Adoration Chapel is in desperate need of adorers for the following hours: Sat. at 1pm, 5pm & 9pm. “Can you spend just one hour with our Lord.” Contact Gloria Murren at 717-479-1071 for more information.

Nature’s Illusions, a Christian store on 417 York St., Hanover, will have First Communion items beginning the middle of March. For more information call “Dody” Funk at 717-632-2590.

Shrove Tuesday pancake supper at St. Joseph Parish, 5055 Grandview Rd, in Hanover on Feb. 25th 4 – 6:30 p.m. Cost is $6 for adults & $3 for children 12 and under, age 3 and under are free.