The flowers on St. Joseph’s Altar have been designated in memory of Donald Todt’s birthday from his family.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:30p.m. Debbie Hockensmith
Sun. 7:30a.m. Keith A. Adams
10:00a.m. The People of the Parish
Mon. 7:30p.m. The sick and shut-ins of our Parish
Tues. 8:00a.m. In thanksgiving for a blessed life
Wed. 8:30a.m. Janet Groft
Thurs. 8:00a.m. Special Intention
Fri. 7:00p.m. In gratitude for the presence of the Sisters of St. Joseph in our Parish
Sat. 5:30p.m. Richard J. Smith
Sun. 7:30a.m. The People of the Parish
10:00a.m. Living & deceased members of James & Pat Rosner family

The Readings for this weekend are:
First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10
The Gospel: John 3:14-21

Daily Lenten Mass Schedule
Monday and Friday evenings at 7:00p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:00a.m.
Wednesday morning at 8:30a.m.
Stations of the Cross Wednesday at 7:00p.m.

If anyone would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one, there are plenty of weekday Masses available. Call the Parish Office at 717-637-2721.

If you need a Donation Statement for tax purposes contact the Parish Office at 717-637-2721.

Gabriel Project Update. Our regional Gabriel Project is seeing a sharp increase in families seeking help. If you or someone close is expecting or has a child under 2 years old and needs assistance, please call the regional director - Delores Funk at 717-632-2590. You can also call the parish representative - Richard King at 717-688-5414. Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Prayer Group for Youth & Children will gather Sun. Mar. 14th at 2:00p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 220 Third St. Hanover. Please enter on the ramp at the Church Courtyard. Prayer books and rosaries are provided. Adults are welcome too! For more information contact Vicky Bunty at 717-632-3245.

Feast of Saint Joseph Friday Mar. 19th
Spouse of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm– Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm–Mass (with music)
After Mass: Litany of Saint Joseph

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Gettysburg, Lenten Fish Fry Dinners on Friday, March 19th at Xavier Center, 465 Table Rock Road, Gettysburg.
Menu includes fried haddock, mac and cheese, seasoned potatoes, roasted vegetables, and corn pudding.
Curbside pick-up only, subject to change due to COVID-19. Call 717-334-4048 or visit www.sfxxcc.org or www.sfxcpcw.org for more information, menu and updates.

Time to order Easter Flowers for the Church for Easter. The cost is the same as last year, $10.50. The deadline to order is Sun. Mar. 21st. Drop your order in the basket at Church, in the box in the front porch, or call the Parish Office at 717-637-2721.
The family of Don Sneeringer is having a Card Shower for him as he celebrates his 90th birthday on Tues. March 23rd. If you would like to send Don a card, his address is 38 Oak Dr. Hanover, PA 17331.

All Christmas decorations need to be removed from the Cemetery no later than Palm Sun. March 28th.

St. Joseph Church, 5055 Grandview Rd. Hanover, is having a Penance Service Wed. Mar. 31st at 7:00p.m.
The Office for Divine Worship has scheduled new Extraordinary Minister trainings, which will be hosted via ZOOM. The Diocesan website has an updated list of dates and times, along with an updated registration form. The current dates are:
• March 27th at 9am, led by Deacon Tom Aumen
• April 21st at 7pm, led by Father James Lease
• May 8th at 9am, led by Deacon Tom Aumen
• May 21st at 7pm, led by Father James Lease
• June 9 at 7pm, led by Father James Lease
• June 12 at 9am, led by Deacon Tom Aumen
If there are any questions, please email worship@hbgdiocese.org.

This is the last week to register for the March 20th Diocese of Harrisburg Virtual Men’s Conference. Registration deadline is March 18 at noon. Theme is, Catholic Men: Defenders of the Faith. Speakers and presentation titles are: Dr. William Donohue, The Catholic Advantage, Bishop Ronald Gainer, DD, JCL, The Genuineness of Your Faith, Fr. Frederick Miller, STD, Men of Mary, Fr. John Szada, PhD, Exorcist for the Diocese of Hbg, Fighting Spiritual Warfare, Mr. Anthony Devlin, St. Joseph: How an Ordinary Man Got The Most Extraordinary Job in History, and Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ, Ph.D. What’s so Special About the Catholic Church?, Registration is $10 per person. For more information, or to register, visit www.hbgdiocese.org/men

Parish History Spotlight

226 years ago, the Servant of God Demetrius Augustin Gallitzin was ordained a Catholic priest by Bishop John Carroll of Baltimore—on March 18, 1795. He was the first person to receive all of his sacred orders here in the United States. Fr. Gallitzin (then known as “Fr. Smith”) was immediately assigned to our parish. He served here for a short time before becoming “The Apostle of the Alleghenies.” In 1799, Fr. Gallitzin was sent to “McGuire’s Settlement” (now Loretto, PA) where he spent the rest of his life serving as a parish priest. Gallitzin’s coat of arms are in the back of the church along the wall near the entrance to the Daily Mass Chapel. For more information on this incredible priest and saintly man, check out the 1999 book: Apostle of the Alleghenies, Reverend Demetrius Augustine Gallitzin by Margaret and Matthew Bunson. Gallitzin is buried at St. Michael’s Church in Loretto, PA. May he continue to pray for our community before the majesty of Almighty God.

This Friday is the feast of Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin. As you may know, the Sisters of Saint Joseph are a religious congregation connected to our Parish and the entire Hanover area. The following information on the attachment is taken from the website of the Sisters. It addresses the question of why they are called “Sisters of Saint Joseph” rather than another name. Here are some dates of importance for our Sisters of St. Joseph.

In 1854 the Sisters of Saint Joseph arrived in Conewago Valley. Responding to a request by Bishop Neumann they established a Mother House and Novitiate in McSherrystown due to its close proximity to the Jesuit Community at Conewago Chapel. The Jesuits would assist in the Formation of the Young sisters. Since that time

The Sisters have worshiped, ministered and lived at Conewago. They “thank you for your patience and support in our lives.” And we, at Sacred Heart are deeply grateful for the Sisters of St. Joseph for their tireless and dedicated work in our School and in the Parish! Their presence here has certainly shaped generations of Conewago Chapel members!